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## Easement approved for power station

By John Adams

**DOWNEY**—The City Council has approved a resolution certifying that the granting of easements for a new Kaiser Electrical Substation at 12341 Bellflower Blvd. is adequate and in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Act.

The action was at Tuesday's regular Council meeting.

Linda Haines, the City's Downey Landing Project Manager, said in a staff report that the easement will provide access for an underground 66 kV sub-transmission cable to power a new substation. Southern California Edison will use the easement to construct and maintain an underground electrical system consisting of wires, underground conduits, cables, vaults and an above ground enclosure.

Steve Horn Way

The easement will extend from Bellflower Boulevard westbound along the new Congressman Steve Horn Way, and will be a strip of land 12 feet wide by 172 feet for the cable, with a rectangular easement for the substation rectangular in shape and about 70 by 80 feet.

An addendum to the final EIR for the Downey Landing Specific Plan was prepared and already evaluated and included both the cable and substation in 2002.

The substation will be paid for by Kaiser Permanente, which will use power from the substation for its new Hospital/Medical Complex which will occupy about 30 acres of the former NASA property.

## Prayer Breakfast scheduled Nov. 4

**DOWNEY**—The annual Downey Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for 7 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at the new Rio Hondo Country Club, 10627 Old River School Road.

The public is invited to join in this community version of the annual National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

Downey's speaker this year will be Chuck Obremski, a gifted communicator who is the chaplain to the Anaheim Angels and Mighty Ducks sports teams.

Born and raised in Pittsburgh, he moved to Orange County in 1976, graduating from CSU-Fullerton with a B.A. in criminal justice and business administration.

He is a partner in Horizon Heating and Air Conditioning, and has been married to Linda for 27 years. They have three children and two grandsons.

Today, he is facing the emotional rollercoaster that goes with a diagnosis of cancer. As he puts it, it isn't something he would stand in line for, but through it all—the trials and tests, surgeries and treatments, he has experienced strength that is priceless.

Let him tell you.

Tickets are available for a donation of \$15. For tickets and information, call (562) 923-9616.

## 'Pumpkin Patch' moved to Oct. 31

**DOWNEY**—The annual free Halloween Pumpkin Patch program, which annually draws over 5,000 persons to the relative safety of the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, has been moved to Sunday, Oct. 31.

The event is known for its hot dogs, drinks, cotton candy, popcorn, balloons, over 20 game booths, entertainment, costume contests and prizes—all made possible by the combined efforts of the Optimist, Soroptimist, and the City of Downey Recreation and Social Services Division. Trick or Treat bags were donated by Keep Downey Beautiful. "People Power" is supplied by Downey and Warren High service clubs and by some senior citizens. Information: 904-7223.



**ELVIS WILL BE IN THE BUILDING** – Mark W. Curran will star as Elvis Presley in "The Wonder of Elvis," a benefit concert for the Downey Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 p.m. in the Downey Theatre, 8345 Firestone Blvd, tomorrow (Saturday) Oct. 30. Also included in the show will be a tribute to the Everly Brothers with Tom Haney and Goldrush. Cost is \$30. Seats are still available by calling 923-2191 or at the box office tomorrow night while they last.



**MARTIN LUTHER** – As portrayed by veteran stage and screen actor David Stenstrom, will speak at Christ Lutheran Church Sunday, Oct. 31 as part of the anniversary of the Reformation.

## Martin Luther live at Christ Lutheran

**DOWNEY**—Celebrating the anniversary of the Reformation, Martin Luther (portrayed by David Stenstrom, veteran actor of stage and screen) will speak at Christ Lutheran Church Sunday, Oct. 31 during the regularly scheduled worship service at 10 a.m.

The presentation, "Katie, the Kinders, and Me," is an in-depth look into the life of the Luther family, the spirited relationship between Martin and his wife, and the deep love and affection they shared for their children. Stenstrom has portrayed Martin Luther in various dramatic settings for over 10 years. He brings his extensive research of the life and times of the great man to life through an awe-inspiring performance. Those attending are sure to gain insights and a deeper understanding of the founder of the Protestant church.

For more information, contact Christ Lutheran Church at 927-4421.

## Council revises its rules on meetings conduct

### Tougher but fairer wording?

By John Adams

**DOWNEY**—The City Council, after a public hearing, has introduced an ordinance amending the rules of conduct at public meetings of the Council.

The action was at Tuesday's regular meeting.

At the last meeting the Council asked the City Attorney to prepare revised wording. The revised ordinance includes:

\*A paragraph changed to include "It is requested that" all persons wishing to speak to the Council state their name, address, and the subject matter upon which they wish to speak for the record."

\*The last sentence of the opening paragraph of section 2106 has been revised to reflect that any request or order by the Mayor to remove someone violating the section should go through the City Manager in order not to conflict with section 608 of the Downey Charter.

\*The final revision of section 2106 establishes that any person removed only be excluded from the item under consideration by the Council, and be allowed to attend the remainder of the meeting, unless further violations occur.

Approved unanimously

The code amendments were introduced by a unanimous 5-0 vote. Councilman Keith McCarthy called the revisions "prudent." And Mayor Kirk Cartozian said they included the necessary authority.

In other action the Council:

\*Approved the appropriation of \$34,050 in federal Fire Grant Funds for emergency equipment for the Fire Department.

\*Approved an agreement with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments for preparation of a Needs Assessment Study for State Route 91 and Interstate 605 Corridor, and appropriated \$20,000 from the Gas Tax Fund.

\*Approved a permit for the Holiday Lane Parade to the Chamber of Commerce to be held Dec. 5 down Downey Avenue, then left on Third Street to Civic Center.

\*After a public hearing adopted a resolution certifying an addendum to the final EIR, to allow an easement for a new Kaiser Electrical Substation at 12341 Bellflower Blvd.

Sanchez honored

\*Presented the Mayor's Academic Excellence award to Michelle Sanchez, a senior at Warren High School and an outstanding student/athlete.

\*Proclaimed Breast Cancer Awareness Week Oct. 24-31, and November as End Domestic Violence Month (at the urging of Soroptimist International); as well as National Immigration Day for Oct. 28.

\*Set a hearing date for Nov. 9 for the Five Year Implementation Plan and 10-Year Housing Plan for the Downey Redevelopment and Woodruff Industrial Project Areas.

The next public meeting of the City Council will be at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday Nov. 9 at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

## Council is impressed by 'Aspire' bus tour

**DOWNEY**—Members of the Downey City Council were impressed by what they learned during a recent bus tour of Downey Unified School District after school programs including "Aspire."

Mayor Kirk Cartozian complemented City staff's Bonnie Kehoe for her part in the City's share of the program. Other members of the Council agreed.

Councilman Keith McCarthy noted a recent letter praising Police Chief John Finch.

Councilman Meredith Perkins said he enjoyed the recent Living Help Golf Tournament.

And there was much talk of the recent big game between Downey and Warren football teams (won by Downey).

## 'Salute to Veterans' luncheon Nov. 7

**DOWNEY**—The Woman's Club of Downey will celebrate Veterans Day with a "Salute to Veterans" luncheon Saturday, Nov. 6 at their clubhouse at 9813 Paramount Blvd. It will feature a walk down memory lane with a display of memorabilia provided by John Vincent and the Downey Historical Society.

Social Hour is at 11:30 a.m., with lunch and program to follow. Said program chairperson Ellie Harrington: "We are proud to have the only memorial in the area commemorating our courageous women who have served in the armed forces of our country and each year celebrate their achievement."

Tickets are priced at \$18 and may be obtained by calling Harrington at 869-3848, Doris Patterson at 869-0377, or from Woman's Club board members.



**\$10,000 CAREMORE DONATION**—CareMore Medical Center donates \$10,000 to the Downey Rose Float Association to help replace the trailer used for their fundraisers. In photo are, from left, chairman Dr. Sheldon Zinberg, Downey Rose Float president Gary DeRemer, and director Carl Westerhoff.



## Short story contest readied for December

**DOWNEY**—Writers Workshop West has announced that rules for their December short story contest are now available.

This is one of four annual contests sponsored by the writers' group. Manuscripts must be delivered to the November meeting for judging. Only members are eligible to submit their work, but the organization welcomes new members at the meeting. You may join the group, and enter the contest at the same time if you wish. Winners are awarded certificates and cash prizes.

Meetings of Writers' workshop West are held at Stonewood Travel, 9968 Lakewood Blvd., Downey on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Winners of the recent article competition were Rosalie Sciortino, first place for "Zucchini Alert," Yolanda Adele, second place for "What's New Under the Sun?" and Don Niemand, third place for "One Person, One Vote."

Guests are encouraged to attend meetings and share refreshments. For information call (562) 862-3106.



**DOWNEY LOS AMIGOS CLUB**—President Steve Roberson and Rich Molinaro, golf tournament chairperson, receive a check for \$500 from Larry Py of Massey Cadillac, in support of Kiwanis' work benefiting the children of Downey.

### Downey Newcomers turning 43

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Newcomers Club will celebrate their 43rd year in Downey Monday, Nov. 8 at Maggie's Pub, 11900 Telegraph Road in Santa Fe Springs, with all prior club presidents invited to attend the anniversary luncheon. The first luncheon was held on Nov. 2, 1961 at the since torn-down Tahitian Village – the result of four ladies' vision to meet and organize a newcomers club.

A unique entertainment program combining music, history and humor will be presented by Barbara Leigh.

Election of officers will be also held. The slate of officers selected by the nominating committee: Barbara Emry, president; Paula Lou Roberts, 1st vice-president; Bev Mendenhall, 2nd vice-president; Sally Arguello, 3rd vice-president; Norma Willis, secretary; and Melba Willbanks, treasurer.

For reservations, call Vicki Winter, 923-0471.

### P.E.O. chapter to hold luncheon Nov. 6

**DOWNEY**—The Social Committee for Chapter OP, P.E.O. Sisterhood, will hold a luncheon Saturday, Nov. 6 at the Rio Hondo Country Clubhouse to celebrate the chapter's 50th anniversary. Chapter OP was the 402nd chapter to be organized in the State of California. P.E.O. is a philanthropic and educational organization interested in bringing to women increased opportunities for higher education.

## Symphony Guild salon at United Methodist

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Symphony Guild, which welcomes new members, will again this season host a salon at the United Methodist Church, 10801 Downey Ave. in Downey at 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 12th—two days before the first of three subscription concerts.

Artistic director and conductor of the Downey Symphony Orchestra, maestro Thomas Osborn, is the honored guest. He will present one of his informative, entertaining previews of the "Four B's" concert, which features outstanding piano soloist, Norman Krieger.

The four B's include Bernstein's "West Side Story" Overture and Beethoven's Piano Concerto #3, in addition to works by Borden and Barber.

The public is invited, free of charge, to join the Guild that morning to hear and meet Dr. Osborn and to enjoy some refreshments following the presentation.

Theatergoers arriving at the Downey Theater, 8435 Firestone Blvd., one half hour before the performance on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 14, will also hear Dr. Osborn's comments before the actual performance.

### Daniel Canchola graduates from ROTC

**TACOMA, WASHINGTON** – Daniel Canchola, son of Jose and Juana Canchola of Downey, has graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as "Operation Warrior Forge," at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash.

The training he received provides the best possible professional training and evaluation for all cadets in the aspects of military life, administration and logistical support, according to the military. The primary focus of the course is to develop and evaluate each cadet's officer potential as a leader.

The cadet command assesses each cadet's performance and progress in officer traits, qualities and professionalism while attending the course.

Canchola is a 1994 graduate of Downey High School.

### Nordbak selected as 'cadet of the month'

**HARLINGEN, TEXAS**—Downey's Cameron Tait Nordbak, a sophomore at the Marine Military Academy in Harlingen, Texas, has been selected as "cadet of the month" for the month of September, in recognition of his combined performance in academics, military leadership and athletics.

The Marine Military Academy was founded in 1965 as the only independent college preparatory school in the world based on the customs and traditions of the United States Marine Corps. The academy is committed to academic excellence, and to the development in its cadets of self-discipline and responsibility toward community and country. This year MMA enrolled 356 young men from 30 states and 11 foreign countries.

### Friends of Library needs volunteers

**DOWNEY** – The Friends of the Downey City Library needs volunteers to work in their shop located inside the library. The shop is open during library hours.

### A Common Investment Mistake

It is common for investors to express uncertainty over their ability to manage their portfolios during prolonged periods of market volatility. But prudent decisions shouldn't be based on the market's twists and turns. Rather, these decisions should stem from an understanding of investment fundamentals and an awareness of the mistakes others have made.

There's nothing wrong with hoping for the best from your investments - it's human nature. However, you could encounter serious long-term cash flow problems if you base financial plans on unrealistic assumptions. According to an August 2004 Gallup poll, nearly one-third of 800 investors surveyed expected to generate profits of 10% or more in their portfolios during the next year. How does that anticipated return compare with actual historical returns? Based on data from Standard & Poor's and the Federal Reserve, from 1926 to 2003, a hypothetical portfolio divided equally among stocks, bonds, and cash would have had an average total return of 7.3 % annually. While the composition of your portfolio may be different from the portfolio in this example, it's important to maintain realistic expectations in order to have the best chance at reaching your goals.

*Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Stocks are represented by the annual total returns of the S&P 500. Bonds are represented by the annual total returns of long-term Treasuries (maturities of 10+years). Cash is represented by the yields of 3-month treasury bills. Indices are unmanaged and cannot be invested into directly*

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District 5

November 2

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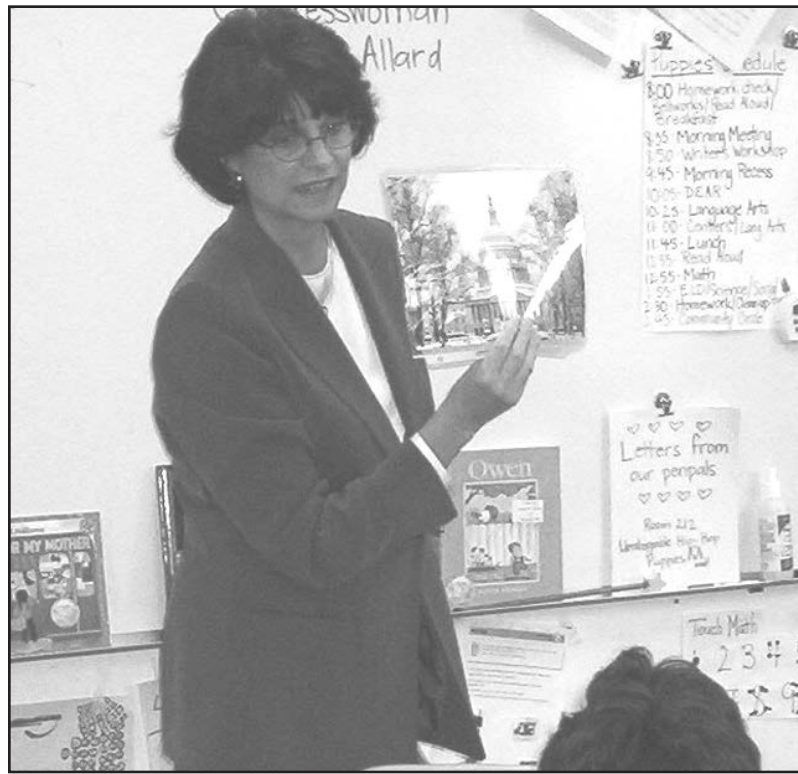
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- Robert Jagielski (Assistant Principal, Downey High School)
- Roger Brossmer (Principal, Downey Adult School)
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- Phil Davis (Principal, West Middle School)
- Steve Allen (Planning Commissioner)
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- Margaret Morgan
- Ben and Lynn Marshall





**CONGRESSWOMAN ROYBAL-ALLARD**—Teaches a class of 3rd graders on Oct. 26 at Camino Nuevo Carter Academy about how a bill becomes a law. It was part of a nationwide observance of Teach for America Week (Oct. 25-29) spotlighting the need for expanding educational opportunity for children and inspiring them to pursue education to attain their life goals.

**Roybal-Allard teaches third grade class**

**LOS ANGELES**—On Tuesday, Oct. 26, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-34th, Los Angeles and Downey) joined more than 250 leaders from every professional sector who were scheduled as guest teachers to teach in low-income classrooms from the Bronx to rural North Carolina to South Central Los Angeles during the week of Oct. 25-29, in observance of "Teach For America Week."

It in such areas where Teach for America corps members teach. They are a national corps composed of outstanding college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teach in low-income urban and rural communities and become lifelong advocates to expand opportunity for children growing up in these areas.

J. Kriste Dragon, executive director of Teach for America's Los Angeles regional office, pointed out the week's significance: "Teach for America Week' allows leaders from all sectors to contribute to our mission to expand educational opportunity for children growing up in our nation's lowest-income communities."

Roybal-Allard had this to say: "It is extremely important for me to participate in this worthwhile event. As an elected official, one of my most important responsibilities is ensuring that our children have access to high quality education. It is important to share with them the message that we care about them and their education. Teach for America week provides an opportunity to highlight the crucial role education plays in the lives of our children and the future of our country." She taught a class of third graders at Camino Nuevo Charter Academy about a how a bill becomes a law.

**Downey Rose Float spaghetti dinner Nov. 7**

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Rose Float Association presents a Spaghetti Dinner at Trinity Baptist Church, 8219 Florence Ave. in Downey, Sunday, Nov. 7 at p.m., for the Mr. Downey and Little Mr. Downey contestants, to raise money toward scholarships. The dinner will be served by the Mr. Downey contestants and the Miss Downey courts.

Cost is \$12.50 for adults and \$6 for children, and includes dinner, drinks and dessert. For information, contact any Rose Float member, Mr. Downey contestants, or call the director at 824-7172.

**Bilingual pollworkers needed**

**NORWALK**—In compliance with federal law and local ordinance, the Los Angeles County Registrar/County Clerk (RR/CC) is required to provide written and oral services to voters who require assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, and Vietnamese. "Persons who speak one of these six languages in addition to English are needed to serve as pollworkers on Election Day, Nov. 2," said RR/CC Conny McCormack.

"Los Angeles County provides assistance in six additional languages," McCormack said. "We do translate ballot materials and provide multilingual assistance by telephone, but voters who vote on Election Day sometimes need help. One of the best ways to assist them is by staffing our poll locations with bilingual workers."

Any registered voter may apply to be a pollworker. Language assistance is needed in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog and Vietnamese. Voters who can help in their community by assisting voters in this way may telephone (562) 462-2226.

Pollworkers are paid up to \$80 for Election Day if they attend a training class. Pollworker applications may also be found at www.lavote.net.

**Massey Cadillac to host Chamber mixer**

**DOWNEY**—Massey Cadillac & Chevrolet, 11146 Florence Ave., is hosting a Downey Chamber of Commerce Mixer Wednesday, Nov. 3 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. It will feature The Elizabeth Wilson Trio, catering by Cafe n' Stuff, door prizes, and a hosted bar. Admission is \$3.

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**GOLDEN ARCHES TO OPEN** - Ronald McDonald and friends will be on hand at the grand opening of Downey's newest McDonald's scheduled to open on Thursday, Nov. 4 on the corner of Firestone Blvd. and Woodruff Ave. It will be under the ownership of Paul Tulaphorn who currently operates the McDonald's restaurant at 16208 Lakewood Blvd., Bellflower.

**Caregiving workshop at Riley Center**

**DOWNEY**—Monday, Nov. 1, the Alzheimer's Association of Los Angeles will present "Taking Care of Yourself First," a workshop for caregivers of loved ones with Alzheimer's disease. It will be held at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Drive in Downey from 10-11 a.m.

Self-help tips to "de-stress" your life, so you can cope with the trials of caregiving, will also be discussed. Information: 904-7223.

**Pumpkin Patch**

Sunday October 31 4-8 pm

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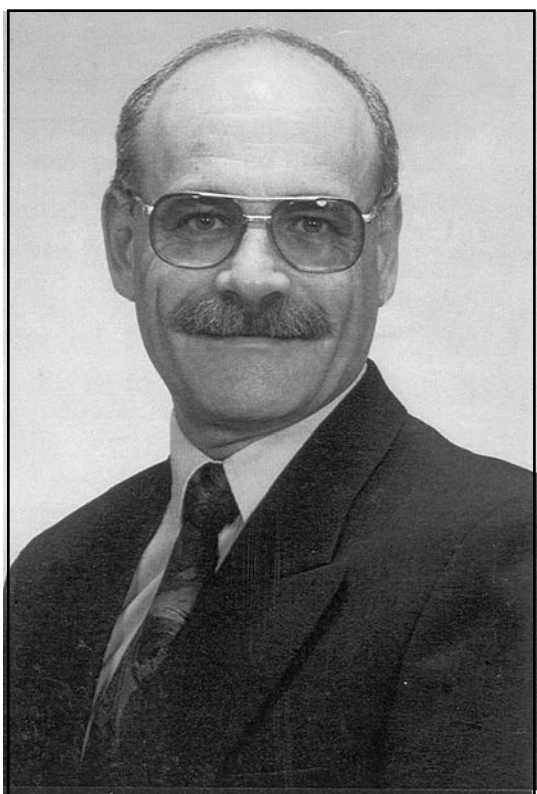
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**Community Involvement**

- Downey City Planning Commission Current Chairman
- Gangs Out Of Downey (G.O.O.D.) Current President
- Chamber Of Commerce Current Treasurer and Past President
- Downey Holiday Lane Parade Past Chairman
- Downey Street Faire Past Chairman
- Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis Past President and Current Director
- Downey Coordinating Council Current Vice President
- Citizens For Downey Member

**Professional / Education**

- David R. Gafin, C.P.A. Owner
- California Society Of Certified Public Accountants Member
- California State University Fullerton Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration - Emphasis in Accounting
- Cerritos Community College Associate of Arts Degree in Accounting with Honors
- Graduate of Downey High School

**WHO AM I?**

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is David Gafin and I am a forty-four year resident of this fine community and proud of it. I am a product of the Downey Unified School District having attended Alameda Elementary, Gauldin Elementary, Woodruff Jr. High and Downey High School where I met my wife, Brenda. I am a self-employed certified public accountant with an office in Downey.

Realizing all that Downey has to offer including an excellent school district, our own Police and Fire Departments, community services and activities, along with the great people of this city, Brenda and I decided this was the place to raise our son, Brent.

**WHY RUN?**

Because I believe in the city of Downey. I believe in the future of Downey. I believe that Downey can remain a city that people will be proud to call home.

**WHY ME?**

For the past 25 years through my civic and community involvement I have gained the experience necessary to make intelligent decisions affecting our community. My background in accounting and finance will be a real benefit during the current budget crisis we are facing. As a member of the Planning Commission for the last 12 years, I have learned that decisions made today will affect us for years to come. That is why I believe that every person has a right to be heard and my aim is to keep the lines of communication open to act on your behalf. I will listen and I will respond.

**My Goals Are:**

- To keep our Community safe and a proud place to live.
- To keep property values up.
- To keep our school districts fine reputation.
- To enhance activities for our children, they are the future.
- To enhance activities for seniors, they are our history.
- To keep our fire/police local.
- To ensure Downey's economic growth.
- To oversee development of the Downey Landing site.
- To enact legislation that benefits all of us.
- To make sure your tax dollars are spent in a way that is most beneficial for you.
- To keep our parks well maintained.
- To support the arts.

*To listen to everyone !!!*

VOTE FOR DAVID R. GAFIN  
DOWNEY CITY COUNCIL  
DISTRICT 1  
NOVEMBER 2, 2004



## Open Meetings

By John Adams

With a ballot crowded with measures Nov. 2, some very significant items have been largely overlooked. Open meetings and the laws requiring them to be open to the public were much discussed during the recent unrest between the Downey City Council and City Manager. Like the weather, everyone talks about open meetings laws but few actually do anything about them. Proposition 59 on Tuesday's ballot would seem to help, but let's look more closely.

California's open-meeting laws—including the Ralph M. Brown Act of 1953 and the lesser-known Bagley-Keene Act of 1967—are both based in the belief that the public business should be conducted in public. But a recent story in the California Journal notes that public access remains uneven, prosecutions for violations are rare and even the strongest supporters of both laws admit the often-amended statutes are largely toothless. (That is because good lawyers take money, and few open-meeting activists have the necessary cash).

At present the legal burden is on the person seeking access to demonstrate that information should be released, a difficult threshold to meet. The real authority of the present law stems from public pressure generated by journalists who delight in covering open-meeting violations. The Brown Act applies to local bodies such as city councils, boards of supervisors and school districts. Bagley-Keene applies to state boards and commissions. Discussion of litigation and personnel matters are largely exempted from disclosure. Also exempted is the Legislature. The lawmakers exempted themselves from their own law!

Proposition 59 would amend the state Constitution and flip the burden of proof, requiring a public agency to show why information should be withheld. It says the public has a constitutional right to public information. It would require courts to more broadly construe rules of law seeking access and to narrowly construe those denying access.

Public agencies spend public money to make decisions on public business and should let the public know how decisions are reached. The existing laws are ineffective. Prop. 59 enshrines the public's constitutional right to information and strengthens the right to access to public documents under the Public Records Act. Supporters include the League of Women Voters and the California First Amendment Coalition.

Critics say the biggest loophole is the exemption of the Legislature. But it is better than what we have now!

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On a lighter note, Halloween will be celebrated this week by youngsters who may let their delight over costumes and fun outstrip their sense of safety and good judgment. Please make sure your youngsters pay attention to common traffic safety rules, and be careful when driving yourself this weekend.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

#### Lauds Public Works department

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to the Public Works Department of the City of Downey for beautifying the parkway along Brookshire Ave. between Cherokee Dr. and Sixth Street. The new plants and trees with a new watering system are a visual improvement over the dirt parkway. Previously, the few trees that were established there over the years only got water during winter rains.

In addition, a flaw in one section of the walkway that caused the sidewalk to rise a few inches with the heat of the day has been corrected by the city.

Street beautification helps community pride, neighborhood appearance and property values. Hopefully, the new landscaped Brookshire Ave. will encourage increased walking by local residents and students attending Downey High School.

—John S. Jensen,

Downey

#### Appreciates paper

Dear Editor:


The board of the Symphony Guild wants to express their thanks to you for publishing our fundraiser activities. It has been a great help to us. We are thankful that we have such a great Downey paper and also appreciate your pleasant, helpful staff.

Regards from all of us.

—Rosalie Sciortino (Publicity),

Downey

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

#### Preserve our history

Dear Editor:

Without local historic preservation ordinances or any historic preservation districts, many of Downey's historic homes, buildings, and neighborhoods are being deconstructed in full view and nobody seems to care! I cringe every time I see another historic Downey home "updated" with vinyl windows, steel doors, trendy-colored stucco, inappropriate landscaping, or other unbecoming renovation faux pas. The ultimate heartbreak is a character home demolished for yet another "McMansion" or worse, two "McMansions," on what was once a large lot. My current heartbreak came from a real estate ad for a 1936 vintage home in the Orange Estates that reads, "...home built on 2 legal lots...ideal for builder to build two custom homes."

There are some preservation-minded citizens in Downey as evidenced in the History Center, Museum of Art, and Aerospace Legacy Foundation.

Certainly, Downey is also not without any protected buildings, such as the Rives Mansion, McDonalds, and my personal favorite, the Casa de Parley Johnson house; however, these buildings enjoy national and state, not local, preservation efforts. While I champion the efforts to preserve Johnnie's Broiler, once again, a state nomination had to be made to save this "roadside icon" since Downey does not have its own local preservation ordinances.

In November 2003, the Los Angeles Conservancy's Preservation Report Card graded Downey a "Preservation Truant" for having no legal protections for privately owned historic resources. It is surprising to see how far behind Downey is on preservation matters. Many nearby cities maintain local historic preservation ordinances, including Pasadena and Long Beach, to promote heritage, education, and economic benefits through the preservation and protection of buildings and neighborhoods of historic, architectural, cultural, or archaeological significance.

Downey, we need to take responsibility for preserving our homes, buildings, and neighborhoods by completing a survey of historic resources, and adopting local historic preservation ordinances for, at a minimum, designating landmarks and districts, reviewing zoning and demolition permits, and incorporating a "scorched earth" policy. Other cities that maintain such collective ordinances have realized nothing but increases in property values, so there is nothing but benefits reaped from such measures.

While living in Pasadena for many years, I developed a deep respect for the preservation of historic homes, buildings and neighborhoods that led to a membership in the Los Angeles Conservancy and a dream of owning a vintage home. A year ago, that dream came true when I purchased a 1936 Spanish Colonial Revival house in the Orange Estates area of Downey.

With any luck and the goodwill of the citizens of Downey, I will not end up living on a street that is a checkerboard of trendy updates, remodels, and additions, with an apartment building across the street, and, of course, a "McMansion" on each side of me.

—Kerrie Lamont,

Downey

#### Disney Grand California Hotel tour Nov. 4

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Adult School, 12340 Woodruff Ave., offers a tour of the new California Disneyland Thursday, Nov. 4.

It features a guided tour of the highly-touted Grand California Hotel (with its all-California decor), a trip to the new Downtown Disney (with its shopping and dining amenities), and a visit to Ralph Brennan's Jazz Kitchen, which purportedly boasts the finest Louisiana 3-course luncheon set in a two-story replica of traditional French Quarter architecture and ambiance.

For more information, call Harriett Paine, tour director, 940-6200.

#### Vote 'yes' on Prop. 66

Dear Editor:

I am opposed to Chief John Finch's view on Proposition 66. Proposition 66 is meant to amend an over-zealous and unclear law passed by well-meaning citizens. It will not release dangerous criminals. It will only release inmates that have unjustly been sentenced.

I have just returned from Jamestown's Sierra Conservation Center—a California State prison in the northern part of our state. My son is there because of the three strikes law. On May 12, 1994 he entered a prison parking lot to turn his U-haul truck around to return to the freeway. This was his "violent" crime. The guards made an incorrect assumption that he might be helping inmates escape although no inmates were at the site and his truck was locked securely from the outside. They ransacked his truck and completely destroyed all of its contents. For this my son was sentenced to 25 years in prison. How ridiculous.

Blood tests now show that he had advanced Hepatitis C when he was admitted to Jamestown. Since his illness was left untreated, he now has cirrhosis of the liver—an incurable disease without a liver transplant. He is now "really" facing a lifetime sentence of one to two years. If proposition 66 is passed he will be allowed to come home. Although this prospect is bittersweet for all those who love him, we are all willing to accept it as a victory as he'll be home where we will be able to care for him with love and compassion.

My story is not the only one that tells of the injustices brought on by the Three Strikes Law. So many of these stories would break your heart. Thousands of families have been devastated. Although we agree that some time should be served for every crime committed, the time should fit the crime.

Vote 'yes' on Proposition 66.

—Mary Licano,

Downey

#### Endorses Cartozian

Dear Editor:

As your former Miss Downey 2003, I feel well qualified to speak about a person I know all too well. I am writing to express my strong endorsement of Kirk Cartozian for Downey City Council District 5. Mr. Cartozian has a proven record of working effectively as both a mayor of the city and a teacher. Mr. Cartozian is dedicated to the people of Downey and is willing to listen and address any concerns people might have.

At this time my family and I would like to give our support and endorsement to Kirk Cartozian. Having known Mr. Cartozian for many years, and having seen him work as a teacher at Downey High School and during my reign as Miss Downey 2003, I feel that Mr. Cartozian is the best qualified to serve in this position because of his honesty, leadership, ethics, and his willingness to work with people.

Mr. Cartozian is concerned about the young people of Downey. He has lived up to his word ever since I have known him. Mr. Cartozian is a leader, a person with experience and foresight. We need a leader, not a follower. My family and I encourage you to vote for Mr. Cartozian for Downey City Council District 5.

If you want a councilman who is hardworking, available to you and qualified to do the job, then on November 2 vote for Kirk Cartozian.

—Stephanie Cuellar,

Miss Downey 2003

#### Help available for voter assistance

**NORWALK** -- Voters unsure of where to cast their ballot come Election Day can call (800) 815-2666 to find their polling place.

District information, campaign finance reports and election results may be found on-line at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net).



# Motorists urged to shut off phones when fueling

The Shell Oil Company recently issued a warning after three incidents in which mobile phones (cell phones) ignited fumes during fueling operations.

In the first case, the phone was placed on the car's trunk lid during fueling; it rang and the ensuing fire destroyed the car and the gasoline pump.

In the second, an individual suffered severe burns to their face when fumes ignited as they answered a call while refueling their car.

And in the third, an individual suffered burns to the thigh and groin as fumes ignited when the phone, which was in their pocket, rang while they were fueling their car.

You should know that:

- \*Mobile phones can ignite fuel or fumes
- \*Mobile phones that light up when switched on or when they ring release enough energy to provide a spark for ignition
- \*Mobile phones should not be used in filling stations, or when fueling lawn mowers, boat, etc.
- \*Mobile phones should not be used, or should be turned off, around other materials that generate flammable or explosive fumes or dust (i.e., solvents, chemicals, gases, grain dust, etc.)

To sum up, here are the **4 Rules for Safe Refueling**: 1) Turn off engine, 2) Don't smoke, 3) Don't use your cell phone - leave it inside the vehicle or turn it off, and 4) Don't re-enter your vehicle during fueling.

Bob Renkes of Petroleum Equipment Institute is working on a campaign to try and make people aware of fires as a result of "static electricity" at gas pumps. His company has researched 150 cases of these fires. His results were very surprising:

- \*Out of 150 cases, almost all of them were women
- \*Almost all cases involved the person getting back in their vehicle while the nozzle was still pumping gas. When finished, they went back to pull the nozzle out and the fire started, as a result of static
- \*Most had on rubber-soled shoes
- \*Most men never get back in their vehicle until completely finished. This is why they are seldom involved in these types of fires
- \*Don't ever use cell phones when pumping gas
- \*It is the vapors that come out of the gas that cause the fire, when connected with static charges
- \*There were 29 fires where the vehicle was re-entered and the nozzle was touched during refueling from a variety of makes and models. Some resulted in extensive damage to the vehicle, to the station, and to the customer
- \*Seventeen fires occurred before, during or immediately after the gas cap was removed and before fueling began

Renkes stresses to never get back into your vehicle while filling it with gas. If you absolutely have to in your vehicle while the gas is pumping, make sure you get out, close the door touching the metal, before you ever pull the nozzle out. This way the static from your body will be discharged before you ever remove the nozzle.

*(The above information has been passed along by way of e-mail from Judge London Stevenson to Dr. Mary Stauffer to The Downey Patriot. The piece concludes with this further advice: "Those who have kids in the car with them while pumping gas [should especially take note]: it this were to happen to them, they may not be able to get the children out in time.)*

## Temples offering joint Sunday School

**DOWNEY**—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey and Temple Beth Shalom of Whittier offer a comprehensive Sunday School program taught by Cantor Jay Harwitt and Cantor Kenneth Jaffe, with Luis Perez working with the kindergarten and 1st graders or K'tan Tots.

School is being held this year at Temple Beth Shalom of Whittier from September through December in Whittier and Temple Ner Tamid of Downey from January to June. School meets on Sundays from 9 a.m.-12 noon, and several field trips are planned. Temple Ner Tamid's representatives to the newly merged school board are Gloria Bennett and Jim Hansen.

Classes are ongoing and registration is accepted at any time. Membership in either Temple is required. For information about membership and fees, call the Temple office, 861-9276.

## Emergency Preparedness for Downey


**DOWNEY** - The Emergency Preparedness Committee for the City of Downey meets every third Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Barbara Riley Community Center, 7810 Quill Drive. For information call City Hall at 869-7331.

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**AMBER ADAMSON**—A 2003 graduate of Warren High School, recently completed the Certified Professional Nanny program at English Nanny and Governess School in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. The school places a strong emphasis on cultural enrichment with a rigorous academic program dedicated exclusively to in-home child care professionals. Amber has returned to Southern California to take a nanny position and hopes to eventually continue her studies in child psychology. She is the daughter of Mark and Julie Adamson and granddaughter of Robert and Clarisse Boyd of Downey.


## OLPH holiday boutique Nov. 7

**DOWNEY** - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church is holding their third annual holiday boutique Sunday, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Italian Catholic Federation is sponsoring the event. Donuts and coffee will be served (donations accepted) and a lunch of a hot dog, chips and a soda will be available for \$4. OLPH is at 10441 South Downey Avenue.

## Cancer support group at DRMC

**DOWNEY** - Downey Regional Medical Center hosts a free cancer support group each Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m. The hospital is located at 11500 Brookshire Ave. For more information call 806-2790.

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## The poets' corner

### Touches of Fall

With many pumpkin faces seen,  
We must be nearing Halloween,  
And with the cool, crisp evening air,  
The feel of autumn's definitely here.

The days of hot and sunny days  
Have been replaced with morning haze,  
And clouds now bursting forth with rain  
Replenish parched land once again.

Soon gold and oranges will be seen  
As some trees change their garments green,  
And children must experience fun  
on autumn days of much less sun.  
—Martha J. Morrissy,  
Downey

## Current events discussed Nov. 16

**DOWNEY**—Jerry Silverman returns to the EZRA Center for Mature Adults Tuesday, Nov. 16 to discuss "Current Events" in the 10 a.m.-12 noon program segment. He will address such questions as: What are the prospects for peace in the Middle East and in Israel specifically? How might the U.S. election results impact this question? and, How will the issues that passed on Nov. 2 affect us?

The catered Kosher luncheon served after the program will be a special Thanksgiving lunch, with fresh turkey and all the trimmings. Lunch is \$6 for EZRA members, \$7 for non-members. The community is welcome.

Prepaid reservations are a must. Checks must be received at the Temple office, 10629 Lakewood Blvd., Downey, CA 90241, by Nov. 9. Information: call 861-9276.

## Depression seminar topic Nov. 12

**DOWNEY**—The Southeast Center for Independent Living (SECIL), 7830 Quill Drive, Ste. D, in Downey (across the street from Rancho Los Amigos Hospital), which offers support group meetings for persons with disabilities, presents a free seminar on "Recognizing, Managing, and Growing from Depression" Thursday, Nov. 12 from 10 a.m.-12 noon featuring Dr. James Kahan. Information: (562) 862-6531.

## Cell phone drive to benefit SCRS

**DOWNEY** - Donate old and inactive cell phones to Southern California Rehabilitation Services and help raise money to improve the quality of life of disabled people in Southeast Los Angeles County.

Phones may be turned in to 7830 Quill Drive, Suite D, in Downey. SCRS can also help individual businesses launch their own phone drives. For more information, call Judy Logan, Development Coordinator, at 862-6531, ext. 15.

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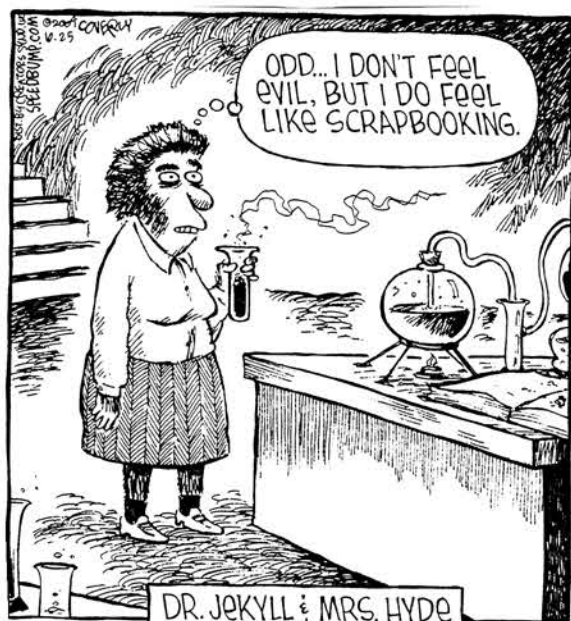
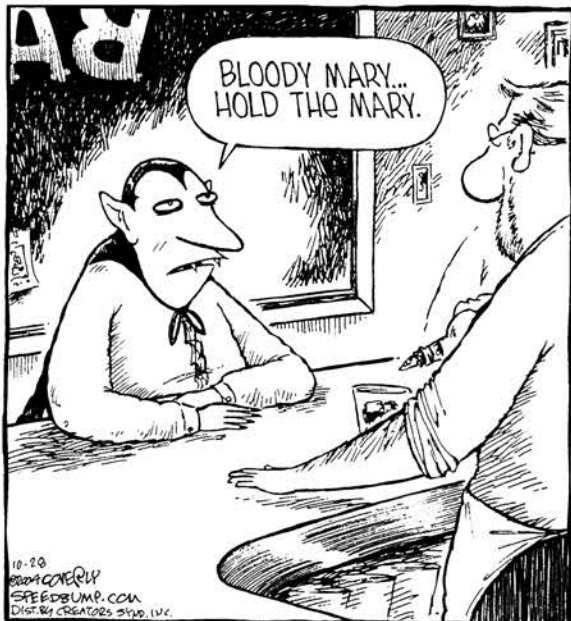
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**Notes From NAN:**

Remember what extraordinary feat took place in October 1936? Why it was the accomplishment of New York World Telegram Reporter, H.R. Elkins. He traveled around the world by passenger plane in only 18 and one half days. A truly rare feat back then. A more contemporary feat taking even less time is home banking of course! Using Home Branch, you can access your account at Downey Federal Credit Union faster than you could pull out of the garage. Check your balances, transfer funds between accounts, even apply for loans and more, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Interested? Ask for information when you come in or log onto [www.downey.fcu.org](http://www.downey.fcu.org). You are eligible to join Downey Federal Credit Union if you live, work, worship or attend school in Downey. You can **Count on Us** for all your financial needs. Please call (562) 862-8141

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# Downey Community Calendar

## Events For October

**Sat. Oct. 30, 7:30 p.m.:** "The Wonder of Elvis" benefit concert for the Downey Chamber of Commerce starring Mark Curran at the Downey Theatre, 8345 Firestone. Tickets \$30. For information call 923-2191.  
**Sun. Oct. 31, 6:30 p.m.:** Rob Syphax entertains with hits of the 60's and 70's on acoustic guitar at the Nordic Fox, 10924 Paramount Blvd. For information call 869-1414.

### City Meetings

1st Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.: Redevelopment Project Area Committee, Cormack Meeting Room at Downey Library.  
 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
 1st Thursday, 9 a.m.: Traffic Committee, Training Room, Second Floor of City Hall.  
 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:15 p.m.: City Council/Community Development Commission, Council Chamber.  
 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m.: Design Review Board, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
 3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.: Emergency Preparedness Committee, Barbara Riley Senior Center.  
 3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m.: Parking Place Commission, Second Floor Training Room at City Hall

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### Mondays

6 p.m.: Downey Elk's bingo games, at the Elks Lodge, 11233 Woodruff Ave., for information call 803-3636.  
 6:30 p.m.: Overeaters Anonymous, at Downey Med. Center Conf. Room A, for information call 426-6786.  
 1st Mon., 4 p.m.: 2nd Century Foundation, at City Hall, 1st floor, call 927-9790.  
 1st and 3rd Mons., 7 p.m.: Downey Post 270, American Legion, for information call 861-8082.  
 2nd Mon., 11 a.m.: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, for info. call 923-2481.  
 2nd Mon., 3 p.m.: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, for more information call 904-7159.

#### Tuesdays

9 a.m.: Downey Bocce Club, at Apollo Park, for information call Perry Michienzi at 869-8782.  
 9:30 a.m.: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, for information call Nadine Morris at 923-9422.  
 12 p.m.: Downey Exchange Club, for information call Don at 927-5871.  
 12 p.m.: Rotary Club, at Embassy Suites, for information call Dan Fox at 862-0744.  
 6 p.m.: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Rm. 115, 8348 E. 3rd st.  
 7 p.m.: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, for information call 869-6478.  
 7 p.m.: Boy Scout Troop 441, at Apollo Park Activities Room, for information call 923-3659.  
 7:30 p.m.: Southland Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines, at Downey's Woman's Club, for information call 947-6802.  
 1st and 3rd Tues., 6:30 p.m.: Quota International Southeast Cities, for information call (323) 569-2854.  
 2nd Tues., 8:30 a.m.: Women's Agape, at Los Amigos Country Club, for information call (562) 622-3785.  
 2nd and 4th Tues., 7:30 a.m.: Chamber "Rise&Shine" Networkers, at Nordic Fox, for info. call (562) 923-2191.  
 2nd and 4th Tues., 6 p.m.: Sertoma Club, at the Nordic Fox, for information call (562) 927-6438.  
 2nd Tues., 7 p.m.: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, for information call 943-3904.  
 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.: Writer's Workshop West, at 9968 Lakewood Blvd., for info call 862-3106.  
 3rd Tues., 1:30 p.m.: Huff and Puff Respiratory, at DRMC Support Group, call 904-5355.  
 Last Tues., 11:00 a.m.: Los Companeros Service Club, at Los Amigos Country Club, for info call 863-1549.

#### Wednesdays

12:10 p.m.: Downey Lions Club, at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital Cafe, for information call 861-2899.  
 1 p.m.: Women's Bocce Club, for information call 869-8782.  
 6 p.m.: Downey Space Toastmasters Club 513, at Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center, for info. call Mark at 803-5203.  
 1st Weds., 10 a.m.: Woman's Club of Downey, for information call 927-0271 or 861-3493.  
 1st Weds., 11:30 a.m.: Downey Coordinating Council, for information call 927-9790.  
 1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, for information call 928-3028.  
 1st Weds., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Emblem Club #309, at Downey's Elks Lodge, for information call 868-4386.  
 2nd Weds., 7 p.m.: Downey Jr. Chamber of Commerce, for information call 867-1087.  
 2nd Weds., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Sister Cities Ass'n, at Maude Price School, Call 869-5444.  
 2nd Weds., 11:45 - Downey Christian Women's Club, at Los Amigos CC. Call 927-8488.  
 3rd Weds., 7:00 p.m.: Diabetes Support Group, at DRMC, for more information call 622-2088.  
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 a.m.: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, for information call 904-7223.

#### Thursdays

7:30 a.m.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Pat Heineke, 904-3534.  
 7:30 a.m.: Connections Networking, at Nordic Fox 10924 Paramount, for information call 869-1414.  
 9 a.m.: Senior Californians of Downey, (a social activities club for senior citizens), for information call 803-6887.  
 12 p.m.: Downey Christian Businessmen's Committee, for information call Norm Sipple at 927-1431.  
 12 p.m.: Optimist Club of Downey, at Sambi's, for information call Steve Allen at 806-3701.  
 12:30 p.m.: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at United Methodist Church, call (626) 965-9991.  
 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 803-4571.  
 4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center. Call 862-2777.  
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 p.m.: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, for more information call Carl D Jones at 923-2400.

#### Fridays

7:30 a.m.: Pro Networkers, at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.  
 10 a.m.: Compulsive Eaters Anonymous H.O.W., at 1st Christian Church. Call 884-5799.

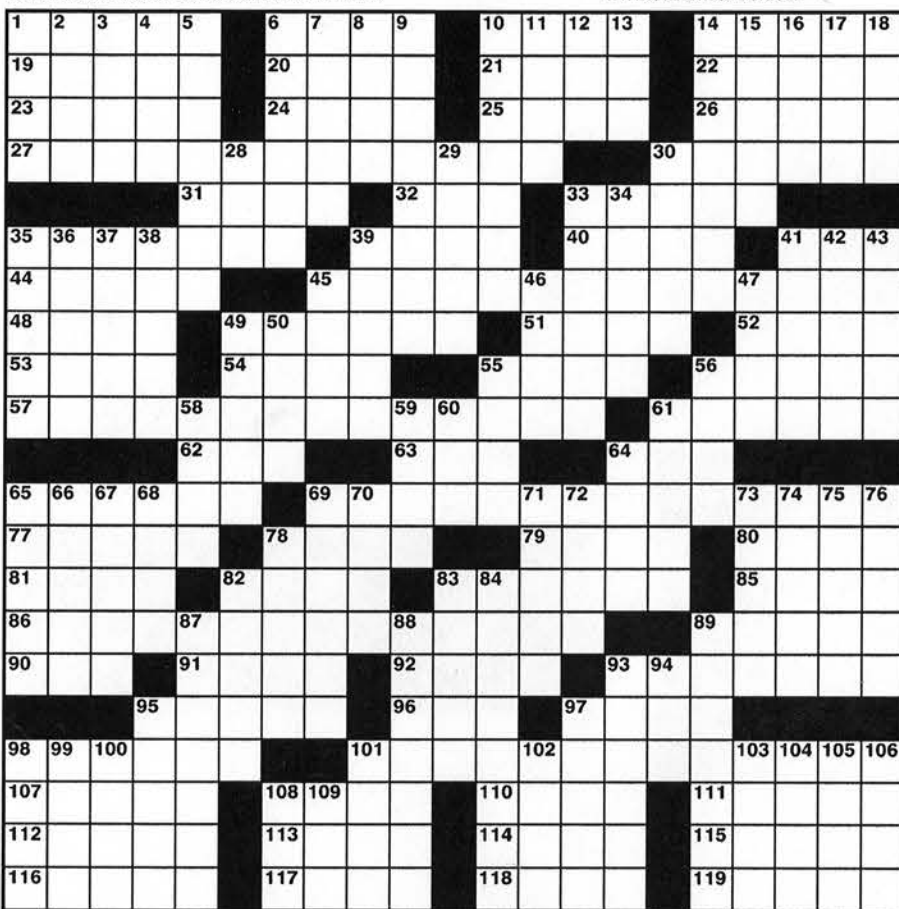
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## Greatest hits of Elvis coming to Downey

**DOWNEY** – “The Wonder of Elvis,” a musical production honoring oldies’ rock n’ roll, will be on stage Saturday, Oct. 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Downey Theatre, 8345 Firestone Blvd.

The concert is a benefit for the Downey Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are \$30 and available by calling the Chamber at 923-2191.

Headlining the event will be Mark Curran as Elvis Presley backed up by the 7-piece band which includes back-up vocalists, the Memphis Soul Singers. Curran has been performing area concerts for a number of years and is considered one of the top West Coast Elvis impersonators. He has appeared in Las Vegas, Hawaii, Japan and other locales and has been seen in numerous TV shows and commercials. His presentation will cover Presley’s career from 1955 to 1977.

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Opening act for this concert will be a tribute to the Everly Brothers featuring Tom Haney and Goldrush, a popular attraction that creates an actual Everly Brothers presentation. Included in their portion of the event will be such memorable numbers as “Bye, Bye Love,” “Wake Up, Little Susie,” “All I Have To Do Is Dream,” and “Cathy’s Clown.”

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## Adult School’s Vegas Tour Jan. 9-12

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Adult School offers an all-new Las Vegas Adventure Tour Jan. 9-12, which will start at the Mirage Hotel and will include: a guided tour of Madame Tussaud’s Museum at the Venetian, one breakfast at Caribe Restaurant and \$50 of food vouchers, admission to Dolphin Habitat and Secret Garden, a visit to the famous Shark Reef in the Mandalay Bay Hotel and a tour of the Casino Legends Hall of Fame in the Tropicana Hotel

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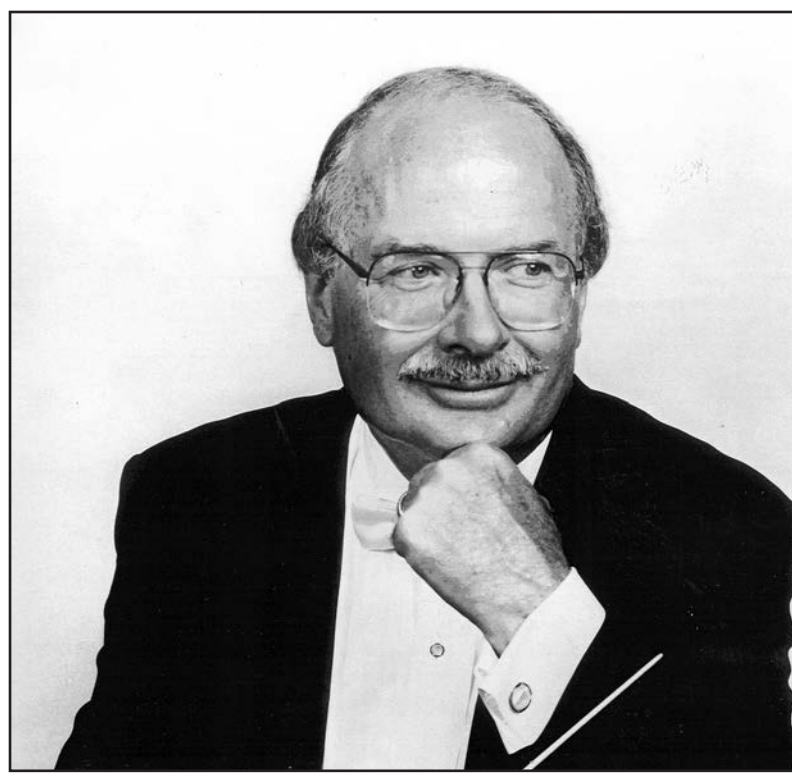
During the concert, Thomas Osborn, the artistic director and conductor, will explain musical terms and concepts before the students listen to the pieces of music. Each piece includes an exciting story. Teachers will prepare students for the performance using study materials provided by the Symphonic Society.

## Sweet Adelines annual show Nov. 6

**DOWNEY**—The Southland Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines International, a group of 35 women who sing four-part harmony in the barbershop style, will present their annual show, “Moments to Remember,” Saturday, Nov. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Downey Theatre. Tickets are \$20 orchestra and \$15 balcony.

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**CONDUCTOR THOMAS OSBORN**—Will lead the Downey Symphony in concert Nov. 14th.

## Symphony features Beethoven Nov. 14

**DOWNEY**—The first concert of the Downey Symphony’s 47th season will take place on Sunday, Nov. 14 at 2:30 p.m. in the Downey Civic Center with a program titled “The Four B’s.”

Conductor Thomas Osborn has programmed Samuel Barber’s Second Essay for Orchestra, Borodin’s Symphony No. 2, and the Overture to “West Side Story” by Leonard Bernstein.

The Beethoven Piano Concerto in C Minor will be played by Norman Krieger, whose appearance as soloist with major American and international orchestras have been acclaimed for their artistry and virtuosi flair. Mr. Krieger currently is an Associate Professor at the Thornton School of Music at USC.

Dr. Osborn will preview the afternoon’s music at 1:45 p.m., prior to the performance.

Tickets are \$20 and \$25 and may be purchased by phoning (562) 403-2944. Student tickets at \$10 and attractive group rates are also available.

The Downey Theater is at 8435 Firestone Blvd., at Brookshire.

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# Voter's Guide for Serious Catholics

## HOW THIS VOTER'S GUIDE HELPS YOU

This voter's guide helps you cast your vote in an informed manner consistent with Catholic moral teaching. It helps you avoid choosing candidates who endorse policies that cannot be reconciled with moral norms that used to be held by all Christians.

On most issues that come before voters or legislators, the task is selecting the most effective strategy among several morally good options. A Catholic can take one side or the other and not act contrary to the faith. Most matters do not have a "Catholic position."

But some issues concern "non-negotiable" moral principles that do not admit of exception or compromise. One's position either accords with those principles or does not. No one endorsing the wrong side of these issues can be said to act in accord with the Church's moral norms.

This voter's guide identifies five issues involving "non-negotiable" moral values in current politics and helps you narrow down the list of acceptable candidates, whether they are running for national, state, or local offices.

You should avoid to the greatest extent possible voting for candidates who endorse or promote intrinsically evil policies. As far as possible, you should vote for those who promote policies in line with the moral law.

In many elections there are situations where all of the available candidates take morally unacceptable positions on one or more of the "non-negotiable" issues.

In such situations, a citizen will be called upon to make tough choices. In those cases, citizens must vote in the way that will most limit the harm that would be done by the available candidates.

In this guide we will look first at the principles that should be applied in clear-cut races where there is an unambiguously good moral choice. These same principles help lay the groundwork for what to do in situations that are more difficult.

Knowing the principles that are applied in ideal situations is useful when facing problematic ones, so as you review the principles you should keep in mind that they often must be applied in situations where the choice is more difficult. At the end of the guide we will offer practical advice about how to decide to cast your vote in those cases.

## YOUR ROLE AS A CATHOLIC VOTER

Catholics have a moral obligation to promote the common good through the exercise of their voting privileges (cf. CCC 2240). It is not just civil authorities who have responsibility for a country. "Service of the common good require[s] citizens to fulfill their roles in the life of the political community" (CCC 2239). This means citizens should participate in the political process at the ballot box.

But voting cannot be arbitrary. "A well-formed Christian conscience does not permit one to vote for a political program or an individual law that contradicts the fundamental contents of faith and morals" (CPL 4). A citizen's vote most often means voting for a candidate who will be the one directly voting on laws or programs. But being one step removed from law-making doesn't let citizens off the hook, since morality requires that we avoid doing evil to the greatest extent possible, even indirectly.

Some things are always wrong, and no one may deliberately vote in favor of them. Legislators, who have a direct vote, may not support these evils in legislation or programs. Citizens support these evils indirectly if they vote in favor of candidates who propose to advance them. Thus, to the greatest extent possible, Catholics must avoid voting for any candidate who intends to support programs or laws that are intrinsically evil. When all of the candidates endorse morally harmful policies, citizens must vote in a way that will limit the harm likely to be done.

## FIVE NON-NEGOTIABLES

These five current issues concern actions that are intrinsically evil and must never be promoted by the law. Intrinsically evil actions are those that fun-

damentally conflict with the moral law and can never be deliberately performed under any circumstances. It is a serious sin to deliberately endorse or promote any of these actions, and no candidate who really wants to advance the common good will support any action contrary to the non-negotiable principles involved in these issues.

### 1. Abortion

The Church teaches that, regarding a law permitting abortions, it is "never licit to obey it, or to take part in a propaganda campaign in favor of such a law, or to vote for it" (EV 73). Abortion is the intentional and direct killing of an innocent human being, and therefore it is a form of homicide.

The unborn child is always an innocent party, and no law may permit the taking of his life. Even when a child is conceived through rape or incest, the fault is not the child's, who should not suffer death for others' sins.

### 2. Euthanasia

Often disguised by the name "mercy killing," euthanasia is also a form of homicide. No person has a right to take his own life, and no one has the right to take the life of any innocent person.

In euthanasia, the ill or elderly are killed, by action or omission, out of a misplaced sense of compassion, but true compassion cannot include intentionally doing something intrinsically evil to another person (cf. EV 73).

### 3. Embryonic Stem Cell Research

Human embryos are human beings. "Respect for the dignity of the human being excludes all experimental manipulation or exploitation of the human embryo" (CRF 4b).

Recent scientific advances show that often medical treatments that researchers hope to develop from experimentation on embryonic stem cells can be developed by using adult stem cells instead. Adult stem cells can be obtained without doing harm to the adults from whom they come. Thus there is no valid medical argument in favor of using embryonic stem cells. And even if there were benefits to be had from such experiments, they would not justify destroying innocent embryonic humans.

### 4. Human Cloning

"Attempts . . . for obtaining a human being without any connection with sexuality through 'twin fission,' cloning, or parthenogenesis are to be considered contrary to the moral law, since they are in opposition to the dignity both of human procreation and of the conjugal union" (RHL 1:6).

Human cloning also involves abortion because the "rejected" or "unsuccessful" embryonic clones are destroyed, yet each clone is a human being.

### 5. Homosexual "Marriage"

True marriage is the union of one man and one woman. Legal recognition of any other union as "marriage" undermines true marriage, and legal recognition of homosexual unions actually does homosexual persons a disfavor by encouraging them to persist in what is an objectively immoral arrangement.

"When legislation in favor of the recognition of homosexual unions is proposed for the first time in a legislative assembly, the Catholic lawmaker has a moral duty to express his opposition clearly and publicly and to vote against it. To vote in favor of a law so harmful to the common good is gravely immoral" (UHP 10).

## WHICH POLITICAL OFFICES SHOULD I WORRY ABOUT?

Laws are passed by the legislature, enforced by the executive branch, and interpreted by the judiciary. This means you should scrutinize any candidate for the legislature, anyone running for an executive office, and anyone nominated for the bench. This is true not only at the national level but also at the state and local levels.

True, the lesser the office, the less likely the office holder will take up certain issues. Your city

council, for example, perhaps will never take up the issue of human cloning but may take up issues connected with abortion clinics. It is important that you evaluate candidates in light of each non-negotiable moral issue that will come before them in the offices they are seeking.

Few people achieve high office without first holding a lower office. Some people become congressional representatives, senators, or presidents without having been elected to a lesser office. But most representatives, senators, and presidents started their political careers at the local level. The same is true for state lawmakers. Most of them began on city councils and school boards and worked their way up the political ladder.

Tomorrow's candidates for higher offices will come mainly from today's candidates for lower offices. It is therefore prudent to apply comparable standards to local candidates. One should seek to elect to lower offices candidates who support Christian morality so that they will have a greater ability to be elected to higher offices where their moral stances may come directly into play.

## HOW TO DETERMINE A CANDIDATE'S POSITION

1. The higher the office, the easier this will be. Congressional representatives and senators, for example, repeatedly have seen these issues come before them and so have taken positions on them. Often the same can be said at the state level. In either case, learning a candidate's position can be as easy as reading newspaper or magazine articles, looking up his views on the Internet, or studying one of the many printed candidate surveys that are distributed at election time.

2. It is often more difficult to learn the views of candidates for local offices because few of them have an opportunity to consider legislation on such things as abortion, cloning, and the sanctity of marriage. But these candidates, being local, often can be contacted directly or have local campaign offices that will explain their positions.

3. If you cannot determine a candidate's views by other means, do not hesitate to write directly to the candidate, asking for his position on the issues covered above.

## HOW NOT TO VOTE

1. Do not vote based just on your political party affiliation, your earlier voting habits, or your family's voting tradition. Years ago, these may have been trustworthy ways to determine whom to vote for, but today they are often not reliable. You need to look at the stands each candidate takes. This means that you may end up casting votes for candidates from more than one party.

2. Do not cast your vote based on candidates' appearance, personality, or "media savvy." Some attractive, engaging, and "sound-bite-capable" candidates endorse intrinsic evils, while other candidates, who may be plain-looking, uninspiring, and ill at ease in front of cameras, endorse legislation in accord with basic Christian principles.

3. Do not vote for candidates simply because they declare themselves to be Catholic. Unfortunately, many self-described Catholic candidates reject basic Catholic moral teaching.

4. Do not choose among candidates based on "What's in it for me?" Make your decision based on which candidates seem most likely to promote the common good, even if you will not benefit directly or immediately from the legislation they propose.

5. Do not vote for candidates who are right on lesser issues but who will vote wrongly on key moral issues. One candidate may have a record of voting in line with Catholic values except, say, for euthanasia. Such a voting record is a clear signal that the candidate should not be chosen by a Catholic voter unless the other candidates have voting records even less in accord with these moral norms.

## HOW TO VOTE

1. For each office, first determine how each candidate stands on each of the issues that will come before him and involve non-negotiable principles.

2. Rank the candidates according to how well

their positions align with these non-negotiable moral principles.

3. Give preference to candidates who do not propose positions that contradict these principles.

4. Where every candidate endorses positions contrary to non-negotiable principles, choose the candidate likely to do the least harm. If several are equal, evaluate them based on their views on other, lesser issues.

5. Remember that your vote today may affect the offices a candidate later achieves.

## WHEN THERE IS NO "ACCEPTABLE" CANDIDATE

In some political races, each candidate takes a wrong position on one or more issues involving non-negotiable moral principles. In such a case you may vote for the candidate who takes the fewest such positions or who seems least likely to be able to advance immoral legislation, or you may choose to vote for no one.

A vote cast in such a situation is not morally the same as a positive endorsement for candidates, laws, or programs that promote intrinsic evils: It is only tolerating a lesser evil to avoid an even greater evil. As Pope John Paul II indicated regarding a situation where it is not possible to overturn or completely defeat a law allowing abortion, "an elected official, whose absolute personal opposition to procured abortion was well known, could licitly support proposals aimed at *limiting the harm* done by such a law and at lessening its negative consequences at the level of general opinion and public morality" (EV, 73; also CPL 4).

Catholics must strive to put in place candidates, laws, and political programs that are in full accord with non-negotiable moral values. Where a perfect candidate, law, or program is not on the table, we are to choose the best option, the one that promotes the greatest good and entails the least evil. Not voting may sometimes be the only moral course of action, but we must consider whether not voting actually promotes good and limits evil in a specific instance. The role of citizens and elected officials is to promote intrinsic moral values as much as possible today while continuing to work toward better candidates, laws, and programs in the future.

## THE ROLE OF YOUR CONSCIENCE

Conscience is like an alarm. It warns you when you are about to do something that you know is wrong. It does not itself determine what is right or wrong. For your conscience to work properly, it must be properly informed—that is, you must inform yourself about what is right and what is wrong. Only then will your conscience be a trusted guide.

Unfortunately, today many Catholics have not formed their consciences adequately regarding key moral issues. The result is that their consciences do not "sound off" at appropriate times, including on Election Day.

A well-formed conscience will never contradict Catholic moral teaching. For that reason, if you are unsure where your conscience is leading you when at the ballot box, place your trust in the unwavering moral teachings of the Church. (*The Catechism of the Catholic Church* is an excellent source of authentic moral teaching.)

## WHEN YOU ARE DONE WITH THIS VOTER'S GUIDE

Please do not keep this voter's guide to yourself. Read it, learn from it, and prepare your selection of candidates based on it. Then give this voter's guide to a friend, and ask your friend to read it and pass it on to others. The more people who vote in accord with basic moral principles, the better off our country will be.

## ABBREVIATIONS

CCC *Catechism of the Catholic Church*  
 CPL *Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, Doctrinal Notes on Some Questions regarding the Participation of Catholics in Political Life*  
 CRF *Pontifical Council for the Family, Charter of the Rights of the Family*  
 EV *John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life)*  
 RHL *Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Instruction on Respect for Human Life in Its Origin and on the Dignity of Procreation*  
 UHP *Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Considerations regarding Proposals to Give Legal Recognition to Unions between Homosexual Persons*

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## Downey takes charge, downs Warren 30-14

By Sean Steward  
Downey High School

**DOWNEY** — Run, run and run some more. It's the concept that Downey High School used to defeat cross-town rival Warren High 30-14 last week at Gahr High School. The Vikings (4-2-1) used their strength, youth, and determination to literally run over the Bears' (3-4) defense. Downey broke their season scoring record by the first half.

Warren tried to make a comeback behind their quarterback Marc McCaughan but a dislocated thumb kept him out the entire second half.

The Vikings used their diversity and rallied behind the solid efforts of six different players to earn the victory. Senior running back Domo Garcia rushed for 17 yards and two touchdowns, and senior quarterback Rudy Benavidez ran for 92 yards.

Yet it was the Vikings' younger players who took the game into their own hands. Sophomores Patrick Wright, Scotty Miranda, Daryl Burton and Keith Shelter led a poised offensive attack, rushing for a combined 260 yards.

"We had a very balanced attack," said Downey Offense Coordinator Robert Gleason. "Miranda did very well, Burton had a big reverse play and Wright played well and scored a touchdown."

With a fumble in the first quarter, McCaughan's second quarter injury, and a nonexistent running game, the Bears offense was stagnant. Still, Warren's do-everything utility man, Eddie De Leon (he plays receiver/running back/kick returner/defensive back) kept his team competitive, accounting for both of the Bears' touchdowns, a punt return ran back for a touchdown and an impressive end zone catch.

According to Warren Head Coach Joe Biagioni, McCaughan's injury definitely hurt the Bears offense. With their running backs also injured, Biagioni's team entrusted their offense to junior quarterback Tristan Fontaine.

"We made some changes to help out our offense and Fontaine," Biagioni said.

Tonight, the Vikings will travel to face Long Beach Wilson (3-4). "We just need to continue to improve," Gleason said. "It's about timing, we are just starting to click in our option (offense). They (L.B. Wilson) are a very tough team."

Warren faces first-place Dominguez tonight. Both games begin have a 7:00 p.m. start time.

### Venue change in Downey game

**DOWNEY** -- Downey's final regular season football game versus Dominguez High School will be played at St. John Bosco, 13640 Bellflower Blvd. Nov. 12.

Kick-off remains the same at 7:00 p.m. Downey currently trails Dominguez by one game in the loss column. Both teams remain undefeated in league play.



**THE 'BIG GAME'** -- Downey's Rudy Benavidez (10) drops back for a pass during last week's match-up versus Warren High School. The Vikings, riding a defense that hasn't allowed more than 20 points in a game since Week 1, won the game 30-14. Photo courtesy Mark Child, Downey High School.

### KidzPlay basketball taking registration

**DOWNEY** — KidzPlay Basketball League will be entering its fifth season of play when it tips off this coming January. Registration for the season begins Nov. 9.

KidzPlay is an organization that 'emphasizes character, sportsmanship, positive coaching and good basketball instruction.' The league is open to boys and girls, grades first through sixth, and everyone plays.

Registration will be held in the First Baptist Church of Downey gym on Nov. 9, 19 and 29 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$55 per player, \$65 after Nov. 29.

First Baptist, 8348 Third St., also hosts games and practices. For more information on KidzPlay, call 923-1261.

### Sign-ups due today for golf tournament

**DOWNEY** — Today, Oct. 29, is the last day to register for the annual Downey Rotary Club/Arc Celebrity Golf Tournament, which tees off Friday, Nov. 5 at the Rio Hondo Golf Club.

Proceeds will benefit Arc (formerly Association of Retarded Citizens), which provides help to those with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities.

A full day makes up the tournament, beginning with a putting contest at 9 a.m. Lunch will be served between 10-11 a.m., with a shotgun scramble start thereafter. An awards dinner in Rio Hondo's new banquet facility, along with a silent and live auction, concludes the evening at 5 p.m.

There will also be hole-in-one contests on all par 3's, and competitions for the 'straightest drive.'

For more information and reservations, call Carol Pearce at 803-4606, ext. 230.

### Women's golf club seeks new members

**DOWNEY**—Applications for membership are now being accepted for the '04-'05 season by the Rio Hondo Women's Golf Club, which enjoys a weekly tee time Tuesday mornings starting at 8:30 a.m. at the Rio Hondo Golf Course, 10627 Old River School Road in Downey.

For more information, contact the Rio Hondo Golf Course, 927-2420.

**Varsity Football Schedule**

**Downey High School (4-2-1)**  
Oct. 29 @ Wilson 7:00 p.m.  
Nov. 5 @ Paramount 7:00 p.m.  
12 @ Dominguez 7:00 p.m.

**Warren High School (3-4-0)**  
Oct. 29 @ Dominguez 7:00 p.m.  
Nov. 5 @ Lynwood 7:00 p.m.  
11 @ Paramount 7:00 p.m.

**San Gabriel Valley League standings**

Dominguez	6-1-0 (2-0)
<b>Downey</b>	<b>4-2-1 (2-0)</b>
<b>Warren</b>	<b>3-4-0 (0-1)</b>
Paramount	3-4-0 (0-1)
Lynwood	1-6-0 (0-2)

*League record in parentheses*

**Tackles Leaders**

Adam Meza (Downey)	52
Gavril Gabriel (Downey)	42
Nick Gasdia (Warren)	36

**Passing Leaders**

Marc McCaughan (Warren)	523
Marvin Johnson (Dominguez)	411
Rudy Benavidez (Downey)	279

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• Roast Half Chicken

**WEDNESDAY**  
• B.B.Q. Beef Ribs  
• Roast Turkey  
• Teriyaki, Sirloin Steak

**THURSDAY**  
• Roast Half Chicken  
• Hot Roast Beef  
• Linguine w/Chicken & Mushrooms

**FRIDAY**  
• Red Snapper  
• Roast Turkey  
• B.B.Q. Beef Ribs

**SATURDAY**  
• Meat Loaf Supper  
• Oriental Chicken  
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PICTURED PRACTICING—A routine for the Soroptimist 'Oktoberfest' on Nov. 7 are Dorothy Pemberton and Carol Rowland.

**Soroptimists celebrate 'Oktoberfest'**

**DOWNEY**—The first Soroptimist "Oktoberfest" celebration Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Downey Woman's Club will feature a 6-piece Bavarian band and German dance group to augment beer and wine tasting, a silent auction, bingo, and games of chance, in an atmosphere similar to traditional festivals held throughout Bavaria. In addition to the table games that promise fun and laughter, opportunity tickets costing \$10 to win a \$500 prize, an iPod, or brunch for 4 at Alpine Village are offered.

The Soroptimist club provides scholarships to single women who are heads of households and are pursuing further education. They also support many women's and children's charitable organizations in the community. Donations are \$40 per person. For ticket information, call 927-9908 or any Soroptimist member.

**Phone number for cart retrieval**

**DOWNEY** – Abandoned shopping carts may be reported for pickup by calling (800) 252-4613. When calling, have the street name and cross streets available.

**Bill reducing prison costs signed into law**

**SACRAMENTO**—Sen. Betty Karnette (D-27th, Long Beach and Downey) announced that her legislation to help foreign consulates locate and contact their citizens who are being held in California prisons has been signed into law by Gov. Schwarzenegger.

Under certain foreign consular treaties, California, and every other state in this nation, must advise various consulates of the names and locations of any of their citizens who are being held in our prisons whenever the foreign consulate requests such information. Historically, California has failed to comply with such provisions under the belief that they could not do so without the consent of the inmate. Senate Bill 1608, authored by Sen. Karnette, will clarify that the California Department of Corrections must comply with the provisions of the treaty.

Under such treaties, citizens of foreign nations are allowed to apply for transfer back to their country of citizenship to finish their prison sentences. "By ensuring that the foreign consulates are properly informed whenever their citizens come into one of our overcrowded prisons, the consuls will be guaranteed an opportunity to inform their citizens about the merits of the transfer programs," said Karnette. "According to Gov. Schwarzenegger's administration, there are roughly 5,000 foreign citizens currently in California prisons who are likely eligible for the transfer program. For each foreign prisoner who is ultimately found suitable, and approved for transfer by the Governor's Board of Prison Terms, California taxpayers will enjoy an average annual savings of \$30,929."

"Senate Bill 1608 will ensure that California complies with the provisions of foreign treaties that the United States has signed, and the U.S. Senate has ratified," said Karnette. "Not only will we be treating the citizens of these other nations as we would demand that American citizens be treated, but with every prisoner who is approved for transfer by the foreign countries and the State of California, our taxpayers will save their precious tax dollars."

**Downey TOPS seeking new members**

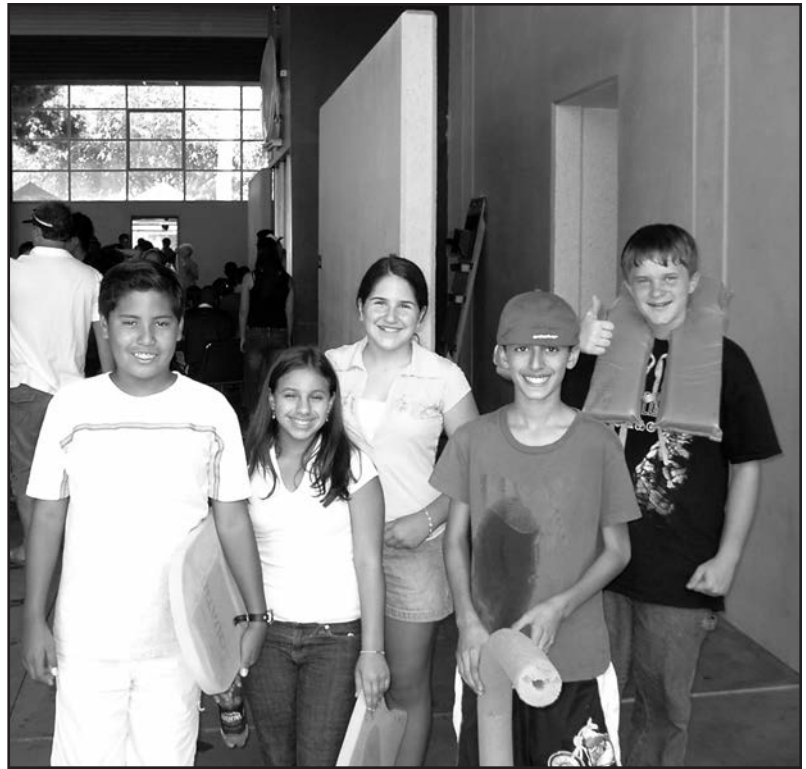
**DOWNEY** – Downey Chapter #63 of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), an international organization that aims at helping men and women to have happier lifestyles by improving eating habits, is seeking new members. The club says it's there to "help you reach your idea weight sensibly – no gimmicks, no harsh diets or exercises – just lots of support, motivation and fun."

Their meetings are held Mondays from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Downey, 8348 Third St. in Downey. For more information, call Lou at 861-9425.

**Council agendas available online**

**DOWNEY** – Complete City Council and Community Development Commission agendas and minutes can be accessed on the City of Downey website at [www.downeyca.org](http://www.downeyca.org).

Council and commission meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 7:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Downey City Hall.



THESE STUDENTS—Of St. Mark's School in Downey volunteered to help at the Southeast Area Special Olympics held in Bellflower on Sept. 26. They were given good marks for their service. From left, Dominick Tabon, Sara Kela, Maria Psara, Victor Karam, and Kieran Ruppert.

**Red Cross seeks local volunteers**

**DOWNEY**—The American Red Cross immediately needs volunteers to assist with blood drives in the Rio Hondo area which covers Downey and Norwalk. No experience is necessary; training is provided. Bilingual volunteers are highly encouraged to apply.

Volunteers assist the Collection staff by greeting and registering donors, instructing donors to read necessary paperwork, providing refreshments, looking for donor reactions and promoting public relations. For more information, call Zeidy Cabrera, Recruitment Representative, American Red Cross Blood Services, 1-800-498-9910, Ext. 7.

**'Bingo Luncheon' at St. Raymond's**

**DOWNEY**—The Italian Catholic Federation of St. Raymond's Parish is having a Bingo Luncheon Sunday, Nov 7 at 1 p.m. in the Msgr. Robert Gipson Hall, 12348 Paramount Blvd. in Downey.

Donation is \$10. This includes 1 free bingo card, door prizes and lunch. There will be a raffle of a \$25 money tree as well as other very nice prizes.

For tickets, call Aline Amatisto at 869-8981 or Charlene Drobeck at 928-1937.

**South Gate seeks lifeguards**

**SOUTH GATE**—The City of South Gate Parks & Recreation has several open positions for Lifeguards. All those who are currently certified as a Lifeguard by the American Red Cross or equivalent are invited to pick up an application now. All completed applications may be delivered to the Swim Stadium at 9520 Hildreth Ave., S.G., CA 90280. If you need more information, call (323) 563-5753.

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**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF DOWNEY**—Represented here by president Linda Haines and members Sally Sotto, Jan Scott, Dorothy Pemberton and Ellie Eck, participated in the Annual Heart Walk last Sept. 18 at the Mattel Headquarters in El Segundo. The club raised over \$600 for the American Heart Association.

**Youth fishing at Wilderness Park Nov. 6**

**DOWNEY** – The City of Downey and the California Department of Fish and Game have teamed up to provide youth the opportunity to fish on Saturday, Nov. 6, rain or shine, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at Wilderness Park (10999 Little Lake Road).

“Downey Youth Fishing Day” is designed for kids ages 15 and under. The event is free and will consist of learning stations, safety procedures, safety tips and casting. Kids will also learn about different types of fish, what happens to the lake environment when it is not clean and how to be a responsible angler.

A supply of bait, fishing rods and reels will available on loan in a limited quantity for those who attend. Participating youths need a parent with I.D. to check-out the equipment. (Kids with their own fishing rods are encouraged to bring them). A junior fishing license will be issued to every child who participates.

The police and fire departments will be in attendance and free T-shirts will be distributed to the first 200 kids. The Fly Fishers Club will provide a fly tying demonstration.

A pancake breakfast will be available at \$1 for children and \$3 for adults, while supplies last.

For more information call 904-7238.

**1,500 turkeys to be given away Nov. 21**

**LOS ANGELES**—The Dream Center partners with the Angelus Temple once again this year as they give away 1,500 turkeys and hundreds of Thanksgiving dinner food boxes to families in need Sunday, Nov. 21 at the Temple, 1100 North Glendale Blvd. (just north of Echo Park Lake).

The event is on a first come-first served basis. To receive a turkey you must arrive by 9:30 a.m. Turkey Tickets will be handed out to the first people through the doors for service up to 1,500. The turkeys will be given away after the service concludes.

For more information, call (213) 273-7048.

**Business guide on city’s website**

**DOWNEY** – The City of Downey website, [www.downeyca.org](http://www.downeyca.org), offers a step-by-step guide on starting a business in this city.

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**Firefighters back Karnette in Assembly**

**SACRAMENTO**—State Senator Betty Karnette (D-54th, Long Beach and Downey) has won the endorsement of the California Professional Firefighters (CPF), the state’s largest firefighter organization, in her campaign to win reelection in her district.

The firefighters association, which represents more than 30,000 front-line firefighters and paramedics, says it is supporting Karnette, a former teacher, because of her “continued support of firefighters who put their lives on the line to keep our communities safe.”

“Betty Karnette’s long career in serving Long Beach and the South Bay area has shown her commitment to firefighters and fire safety,” said Lou Paulson, CPF president. “We know that we can count on her to support us and the firefighters of our coastal communities when she’s in ‘Sacramento.’”

In the wake of last year’s wildland fires, Karnette backed measures that would bring more staffing equipment and fire prevention measures to high-risk fire areas.

“Our endorsements are made with great care,” added Paulson. “Our approach to this responsibility is bipartisan – CPF endorses the best firefighter candidate, regardless of party. In this instance, the choice was clear: Betty Karnette has the experience, the know-how and the commitment to fight in Sacramento to keep our neighborhoods safe.”

CPF has 150 statewide affiliates, and is the State Council for the International Association of Fire Fighters, representing more than 270,000 firefighters in the U.S. and Canada.

**‘Reading Under the Stars’ at OLPH**

**DOWNEY**—The first of what is planned to be a series of informal readings and fellowship for students, parents and faculty of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School was held on Oct. 1 on the school campus.

The evening was highlighted by the appearance of Downey Mayor Kirk Cartozian, who read Dr. Seuss’ “The Places You’ll Go” to the gathering. In addition to the mayor, readers included Fr. Mark Warnstedt, pastor of OLPH church, school principal Mrs. Steffani McMains, former OLPH 3rd grade teacher Miss Becky Gipson, friend of OLPH Mrs. Lynn Fuller, OLPH 6th grade student Elisabeth Davis and 2nd grade aide Mr. Patrick McMains.

**Ken Miller Plaza dedication Nov. 9**

**DOWNEY**—A commemorative plaque will be unveiled at the Ken Miller Plaza dedication ceremony Tuesday, Nov. 9 at 4 p.m., when the City of Downey dedicates the plaza located between the Civic Center’s Veteran Memorial Fountain and the Downey Theatre in honor of Miller’s service as a former City Councilman and Mayor.

**Cerritos College ‘Turkey Trot’ Nov. 16**

**NORWALK** – Combining a friendly spirit of competition with community goodwill, Cerritos College will hosts its annual Turkey Trot on Tuesday, Nov. 16. To enter the two-mile walk/run, participants must donate one canned food item, which is then provided to the Norwalk Community Council’s Holiday Food Basket Program for needy families in the Norwalk area.

Each year, the event raises nearly 1,000 cans of food from its 200-plus participants. Many who participate exceed the one-can requirement, while others choose not to walk or run but donate to the event.

Race participants also have the opportunity earn prizes for guessing their completion time most accurately. Watches are not allowed for the event.

The first 200 finishers will receive a commemorative Turkey Trot T-shirt.

A “rain date” is set for Thursday, Nov. 18 in case the original date is rained out. Registration will be held from 9:30 – 10:55 a.m. with race time at 11:05 a.m. sharp.

For more information call Dr. Carrie Gleckner or Ni Bueno in Physical Education at 860-2451, ext. 2876.

**‘Creational Service’ at Temple Nov. 6**

**DOWNEY**—Temple Ner Tamid’s Spiritual Leader, Cantor Kenneth Jaffe, will officiate at the Temple’s “Creational Service” Saturday, Nov. 6 at 9:30 a.m., which focuses on bringing out the core elements of a traditional Saturday morning worship in a creative and participatory style.

There will be traditional chanting as well as the singing of new compositions written by Cantor Jaffe especially for this service. Newcomers are welcome to the service which will continue to take place on the first Saturday of the month.

Temple Ner Tamid is located at 10629 Lakewood Blvd. in Downey. For more information, call the Temple office, 861-9276.

**Woman’s Club prepares annual boutique**

**DOWNEY** – Downey Woman’s Club is once again making plans for their annual Holiday Boutique, this year scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A variety of homemade items will be for sale, including wood crafts, dolls, aprons, jewelry, purses, candles, collectors plates, floral arrangements and more. Homemade breads and candies will also be available.

Vendor space is available with prices ranging from \$20-\$35. For more information contact Candace at 861-5708. The Woman’s Club is located at 9813 Paramount Blvd.

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**GOOD WORK!** —On Saturday, Oct. 23, Downey Junior Girl Scout Troop #324 and Brownie Girl Scout Troop #248 participated in "Keep Downey Beautiful" by picking up litter in Furman Park. Result: several bags of trash.

**Yoga trip to Joshua Tree enrolling**

**DOWNEY** – Universal Yoga, featuring Downey's Yogi Ramesh, is hosting a retreat to Joshua Tree Nov. 12-14 where the theme will be "Divine Heart Opening and Good Health Without Medicines."

While at the retreat, participants will learn the techniques and practices of 'breathing as healing, laughing yoga for heart disease and stress relief, and cosmic chants and meditation for inner peace'.

Registration is \$399, which includes food, lodging and all classes. The classes will meet at the Institute of Mental Physics, 29 Palm Highway in Joshua Tree.

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**Funeral mass for Rosario Apon Sapiter**

**DOWNEY**—A funeral mass officiated by Fr. Ramon Zarate was held on Oct. 22 at St. Dominic Savio Catholic Church in Bellflower for Rosario Apon Sapiter, who was born Sept. 5, 1935 in Tabaco, Albay, Philippines to parents Francisco and Eugenia Celso Apon, and died in Downey on Oct. 19. She was 69.

She had resided in Downey one year after arriving from the Philippines when she passed away. She was a homemaker throughout her adult life and served many hours doing volunteer work for the Catholic Church. She enjoyed sewing and making clothes and loved to spend time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Jose Bufie Sapiter of Downey; daughters Roselita (Juan) Jasso of Downey; Yolanda (Paul) Jonrada of the Philippines, Emily (Antonio) Baylon of the Philippines, and Cynthia (Joel) Gamboa of San Diego; sons Joel Sapiter, who resides in China, and Noel (Loreli) of Downey; brothers Salvador and Paterno Olayao, both in the Philippines; and 13 grandchildren: Roseanne, Victoria, Isabelle, Ana Kristina, Alyanna Mae, Antonette, Jannie, Joshua, Joseph, Ivy, Michelle, Loren Rose and Leona May.

The family was scheduled to take her cremated remains to the Philippines for inurnment. Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary took care of arrangements.

**Downey Curves hosting cell phone drive**

**DOWNEY** – Dionne Bassano and Patty Logan of Downey Curves for Women at 9430 Firestone Blvd., along with sisters Agatha Goudeau and Kathy Harrison of Curves at 16000 Paramount Blvd., have signed on to host cell phone drives, where idle or inactive phones may be dropped off for disposal. The drive benefits Southern California Rehabilitation Services (SCRS).

The drive is part of SCRS's Great Cell Phone Drive Fundraiser. SCRS's mission is to improve the quality of life for all disabled people in Southeast Los Angeles County.

"[We are] proud to serve all members of the Downey community any way we can," said Bassano. Goudeau agreed, saying "part of the Curves mission is to give back to our local community."

Phones may currently be dropped off at 7830 Quill Drive, Suite D, in Downey. For more information on the drives, or to host your own, call Judy Logan, Development Coordinator, at 862-6531 ext. 15.

**AA program at Vineyard Fellowship**

**DOWNEY** – Beginning Nov. 2, Vineyard Family Christian Fellowship will commence a new AA 12-Step Recover Group for persons suffering from alcoholism. Jerry Rogers will lead the group.

Classes begin at 7:30 a.m. on the Vineyard campus, at 10335 Paramount Blvd. For more information call 928-0034 and leave a message.



**EDNA ALICE WRIGHT** – Lived in Downey for more than 40 years. She was previously employed by Broadway in the Stonewood Center, where she worked for 20 years. She was 78 years old.

**Edna Alice Wright passes away at age 78**

**DOWNEY** – Edna Alice Wright, born Dec. 9, 1925 in Marion, South Dakota, died Oct. 15. She was 78.

A memorial service was held for her Oct. 21 at Holy Cross Cemetery in Culver City.

Wright was a resident of Downey for 41 years. For nearly half that time she worked as a salesperson at the Broadway department store in Stonewood Center. Wright was also said to have been an avid seamstress and quilter.

Wright is survived by her husband of 62 years, Roy T. Wright; daughter Eileen (Mark) Mitchell of Phoenix, Arizona; son Doug (Vicky) Wright; daughters Nancy Swenson and Donna (Bill) Bernard, all of Downey; eight grandchildren, Cheyenne and Sven Swenson, Sara Rivas and Adam Rocha, Jenalee and Drew Bernard, and Kevin and Erin Wright; three great grandchildren, Genieve and Joseph Rivas, and one-month-old Elise Sophia Bernard.

Two brothers and five sisters also survive her.

**Dorothy Trammell services yesterday**

**DOWNEY**—Funeral services were held yesterday, Oct. 28, at Allen-English & Estrada's mortuary chapel in Bell Gardens for realtor Dorothy Pauline Trammell, who was born May 24, 1925 in Cherokee County, Oklahoma and died in Norwalk on Oct. 24.

She was 79 and residing in Downey at the time of her death. Interment was at Park Lawn Memorial Park in Commerce, with Allen-English & Estrada Funeral Service assisting with arrangements.

She is survived by her son, Steven Dimmitt of Lakewood.

**City Affairs committee meets**

**DOWNEY** – The City Affairs Committee of the Downey Chamber of Commerce meets the second Wednesday of every month at 12 noon in the boardroom of the Chamber, 11131 Brookshire Ave. For information call 923-2191.

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## Cerritos plays host Japanese students

**NORWALK** – More than 150 students from Osaka, Japan, visited Cerritos College last week to get hands-on instruction from the college's athletic training professors and to experience life at an American college. This marks the third year Cerritos College has welcomed students from Osaka College to the campus to teach them about the college's offerings in Athletic Training Certification Program.

Cerritos College President Dr. Noelia Vela and Dr. Dan Smith, dean of Health Education, Physical Education and Athletics, greeted the group upon their arrival Thursday at the Opening Ceremonies in the student center.

Mimi Aoyagi, ATC, a former Cerritos College student who now instructs in the AT program and is completing her master's degree at California State University, Long Beach, served as the translator for the group as they made their way around campus. Throughout the three-day tour, the students received hands-on training in physical training techniques through workshops led by HPEA professors, including Beverly Sweet, who has served as a professor and athletic trainer at Cerritos College for 25 years.

"The facilities in Japan don't offer the caliber of training that we offer here at Cerritos," explained Sweet. "Out of 100-150 graduating students at Osaka, maybe only two or three students have connections to professional sports teams to have a professional career in athletic training. When the Osaka students visit, they see a different approach to the ATC program, and it provides them with more skills to be able to take back to their homeland."

On Friday, the students were shown how to place an injured athlete onto a spineboard to transport him or her off a playing field. Athletic trainers are among the experts called out onto the field at such times to administer first aid and to assess the nature and degree of the person's injury.

On the final day of the program, the Osaka students visited the athletic training facilities at CSULB and the Long Beach Ice Dogs. These facilities are similar to those at Cerritos College, but offer a view of a larger program that interacts with even more athletic teams and athletes.

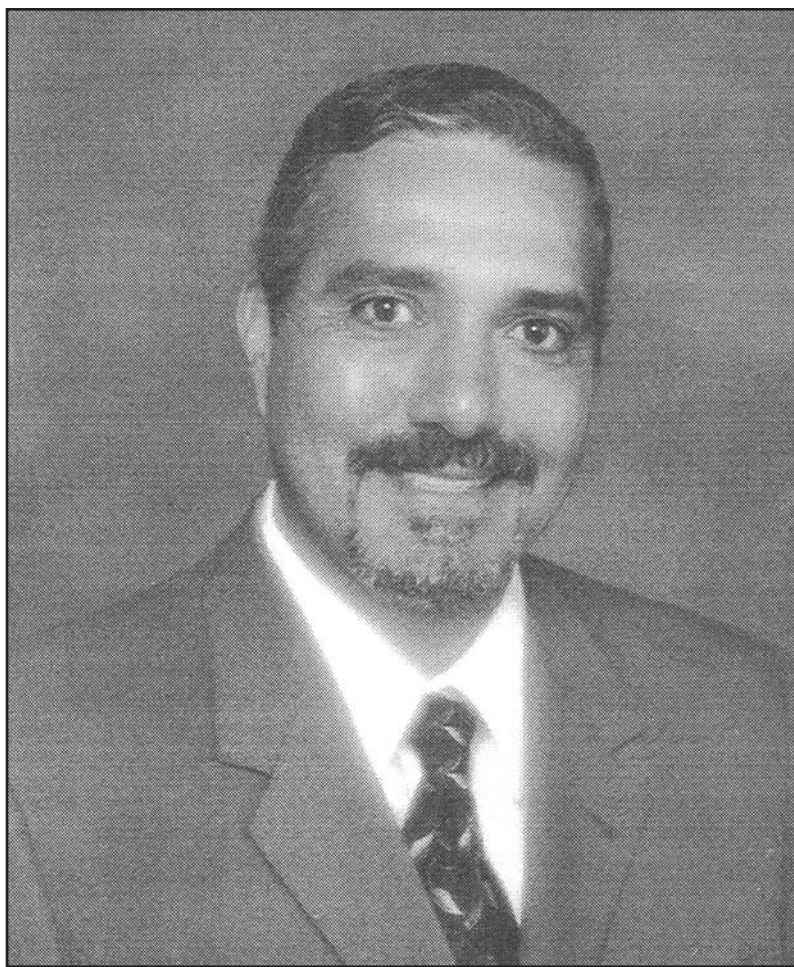
Students studying rehabilitation toured the Los Alamitos Physical Therapy clinic as well as the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center in Downey.

Before departing for Japan, the students had the opportunity to visit Hollywood, Disneyland and other tourist attractions throughout Los Angeles.

## Cerritos College receives free vehicles

**NORWALK** – Cerritos College received a donation of two new automobiles from DaimlerChrysler last week, to be used in the school's automotive technology program.

Cerritos College, DaimlerChrysler and other manufacturers have a partnership to prepare career-minded students for automotive technician positions. For more information on the program, call 860-2451.



**GEORGE LINARES**—Is the latest addition to the staff at Century 21 My Real Estate in Downey. "George is a great addition to our team," stated Angie Pierce, office manager. "He is self-motivated, community-minded, and goal-oriented." To reach Linares, call 927-2626.

## EZRA Center meets Nov. 2

**DOWNEY**—The EZRA Center for Mature Adults will present "The Blessing that Accompanied the Tragedy of the Destruction of the First Temple" by Jerry Silverman when it meets Tuesday, Nov. 2 at Temple Ner Tamid, 10620 Lakewood Blvd.

Silverman is the president of the EZRA Center in Anaheim and has spoken to the group before. In his talk, he will give an account of why the Babylonian conquest of Judea and the resulting exile of the population were key factors in the long-term survival of the Jewish people.

For information, call the Temple office at 861-9276.

## Legislative committee meets

**DOWNEY** – The Legislative Advocacy Committee of the Downey Chamber of Commerce meets the third Thursday of every month at 12noon in the boardroom of the Chamber, 11131 Brookshire Ave. For information call 923-2191.

## Dewey invites you to Friends bookstore

**DOWNEY**—Dewey, the official mascot of the Friends of Downey City Library Bookstore, invites the community to check out its back-to-school specials: hundreds of National Geographic magazines at only 25 cents each (a few really old ones are priced at a bargain \$2)—ideal for school report ideas; biographies of actors, politicians, etc.; Zane Grey novels for western buffs; and more.

Open during regular library hours, as volunteer hours permit, the Friends Bookstore is located inside the Downey City Library at 11121 Brookshire Ave. Proceeds from the bookstore are used to purchase new books for the library, as well as many special needs of the library, such as the summer reading programs, Children's Book Week, Bilingual Story Time books, Teen and Adult Programs.

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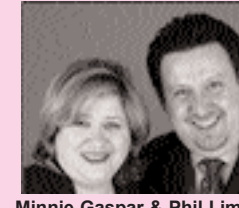
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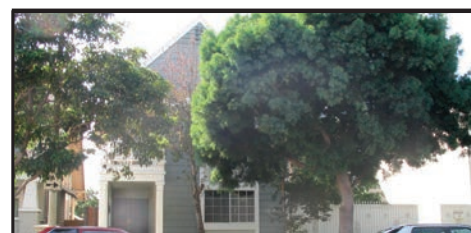
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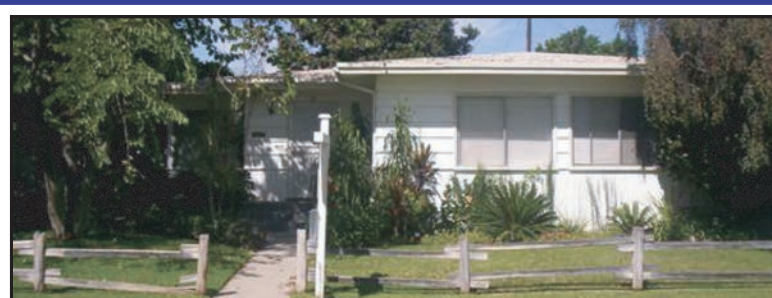
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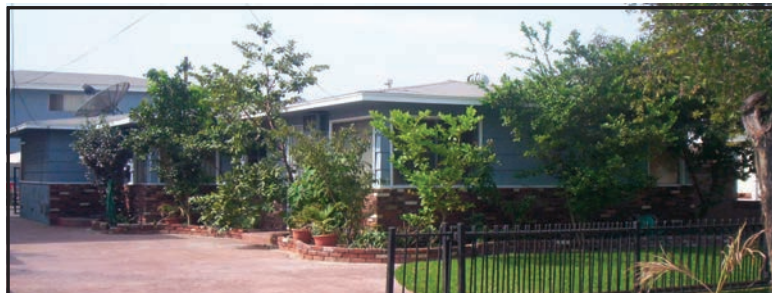
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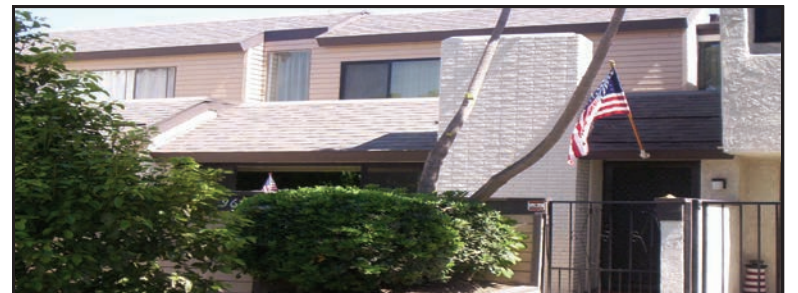
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