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**THIS YOUNG MAN** – Got off a fine toss in the softball throw for distance in the Carnival of Champions competition April 22 at Downey High School.



**THIS YOUNG GIRL** – Is shown winning a heat race at the Carnival of Champions competition April 23 at Downey High School.



**LOUDEST CHEERING SECTION** – If you were to pick the cheering section that arrived earliest and cheered the loudest at the recent Carnival of Champions, Gauldin would be hard to beat.



**THE TEAM TROPHY** – Will bear the name of Rio San Gabriel Elementary School, which won by a wide margin April 23 in the Carnival of Champions.

## Move to control ‘Mansionization’ back to planning

*By John Adams*

**DOWNEY**—The Downey City Council after a public hearing, bowed in response to 20 speakers who opposed an ordinance to control the trend of massive and bulky “mansionized” homes here, sending it back to the Planning Commission for further study.

The action was at Tuesday’s regular Council meeting.

According to staff, the proposed ordinance already recommended to the Council by the Planning Commission is the result of complaints by many residents concerning monstrous new homes that impact views of neighboring residences; do not improve property values, increase the number of persons per dwelling, increase parking and traffic, as well as noise.

‘Mansionization’

City staff’s Ron Yoshiki referred to the trend as “Mansionization,” which he said can be controlled by simple requirements limiting second stories, which can be limited to two-thirds the area of the first floor. Second floors can also be limited by demanding greater side-yard area setbacks.

Staff recommended an addition of a paragraph to the building code which at present reads, “The architecture and general appearance of the building shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood and such as not to be detrimental to the general welfare of the neighborhood in which they are located.”

The addition reads: “Reduction of Building and Mass: for detached

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## Rio San Gabriel shines in Carnival of Champions

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Unified School District’s 45th annual Carnival of Champions Track and Field Exhibition, held Saturday, April 23 at Downey High School, brought together fourth and fifth grade representatives from nine Downey elementary schools, with Rio San Gabriel Elementary finishing first with 240 points for an incredible record-setting ninth consecutive year.

In second place was Gallatin, with 113-4/5 pts., followed by third place finisher Old River (B)—with 100-2/5 pts. The order of finish for the rest, with points won: 4th--Gauldin (61); 5th--Unsworth (48); 6th--Price (44-2/5); 7th--Rio Hondo (43); 8th--Old River (B); 9th--Carpenter (A); 10th--Lewis (22); and 11th--Carpenter (B).

In winning, Rio San Gabriel established three Carnival of Champion records. Sydney Colenzo broke the fourth grade girls Baskets in a Minute record, shooting 31 baskets. Their fifth grade boys 440-relay team ran 58.55 seconds, breaking a 19-year record, and, finally, their co-ed 440-relay team ran 1:00.6 seconds, breaking a 12- year record.

Besides Baskets in One Minute, the approximately 500 boys and girls competed in the following track and field events: Softball Throw for Distance, Standing Long Jump, 50 Yard Dash, 100 Yard Dash, Four-Member-Team 440 Yard Relay, and mixed Coed Relay.

## Comments range from lights to the Street Fair

*By John Adams*

**DOWNEY**—Comments by Council members ranged from kudos to the Public Works Department for the fine new lights installed at Lakewood and Firestone Boulevards to invitations to the public to attend and enjoy the Chamber of Commerce Street Fair May 7.

Councilman Rick Trejo expressed applause over the fine new light installation. Councilman Dave Gafin extended the invitation to come out and enjoy the day-long Street Fair. Gafin also said he was pleased to attend the presentation honoring the City’s library and other volunteers, adding volunteerism is part of what makes Downey a great city.

Construction

Trejo added, he rode his bike to work one day last week and said there is noticeable construction going up all over the city.

Councilman Meredith Perkins said he enjoyed the 80th anniversary celebration of the Downey Rotary, noting the theme was western style. And he also applauded the Rancho Los Amigos Amistad Awards and Evening, which was emceed by County Supervisor Don Knabe with great style and class. Perkins took the opportunity to add that Rancho is one of the top 10 rehabilitation hospitals in terms of spinal and brain injury treatment and recovery in the nation, but is threatened annually by closure due to the county budget ax. Perkins said Rancho is more than worth saving.

Keep Downey Beautiful

Mayor Anne Bayer said she enjoyed helping judge the Keep Downey Beautiful competition last week, noting how many lovely homes there are in Downey. And she and Perkins noted the annual Lucille Roybal-Allard Arts Competition. One winner was local student David Chao. She also invited the public to join in a noon celebration of the National Day of Prayer May 5 at the Flagpole in front of City Hall.

## Street Fair to feature array of festivities

*By Linda Pak*

**DOWNEY**—An array of festivities will liven the streets for one of Downey’s largest community events at the 12th Annual Downey Street Fair on Saturday, May 7 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., located at and around the Downey High School parking lot between Firestone Blvd. and Brookshire Ave. The Warren High School marching band and color guard will kick off the daylong extravaganza of food and entertainment for all ages.

First to perform at 9:30 a.m. will be the award-winning Southland Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines International returning again this year to perform their “oldies, but goodies” barbershop style music. Originally charted as The Downey Chorus, the chorus still calls Downey “home” and regularly performs at community functions, including its annual show at the Downey Theatre.

Shifting the theme will be the gentle rhythms and graceful movements of Polynesia performed by The Ku’uipos O Hula, a local group of dancers from ages 6 to 82. They have performed dances from Tahiti, New Zealand and Hawaii in many events, including county fairs, private weddings, and company picnics. On stage at 10:15 a.m., they will bring the mood of the islands with their dance routine from the movie, “Lilo and Stitch.”

Downey’s own Class 6 Band will start the 11 a.m. hour with classic rock cover favorites, including Jimmy Hendricks, Deep Purple, JAC/DC and Alice Cooper. The band, which has been playing for over 10 years, and includes Downey residents Chris Baumann, Scott Charitan and Rick Martinez.

Country music fans will love the Country Kickers, returning again this year with their fast-paced, western foot stomping music and dance at 12:15 p.m.-12:45 p.m. Under the direction of Janet Karter, the troupe performs both line dances and partner dances such as waltzes, western cha cha, and two-step.

Flight, a five-piece dance band, will display their musical versatility at 1 p.m. with a challenging repertoire spanning six decades of music, including swing, country, T and B, surf, disco, pop, funk, blues, jazz, and rock. Punning on the group name, leader Lou Apodaca invited everyone to “fulfill your entertainment needs and take Flight with us at the Street Fair.”

Performing the final act from 3:45-5 p.m. will be All About Me, a local rock ‘n roll band, featuring high energy rock from the 70’s, 80’s and 90’s, and selections from their own original repertoire.

In addition to music and dancing, The Kid’s Zone will provide rides, game booths, and other attractions for the younger crowd. Kiddie rides will include a moon bounce, super slide, swings, Jacob’s Ladder and a train. For pre-teens and teens, there will be wall climbing, combat

jousting and more. Tickets will be 50 cents each and will vary in number required for each attraction.

Car enthusiasts will also find an eye-candy showcase of shiny classic cars displayed by their owners at the far end of the high school parking lot. Spectators will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite vehicles. Two “People’s Choice” awards will be given, as well as trophies for Best of the Show, Best Paint, Best Interior, and Most Original. Winners will be announced and awarded at 3:15 p.m.

Finally, since no fair is fun without food, local groups and restaurants will feature an appetizing array of dishes to please every palette. The Downey United Methodist Church, B.B.Q. Bowl, B-Food International, Frantone’s, Hawaii Tropical Drinks, the Downey Rose Float Association, Pinata’s Taco House, the Downey AYSO, Lisa’s Sweet Stop, Snookydoggs, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Old

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## Housing problems discussed by SCAG

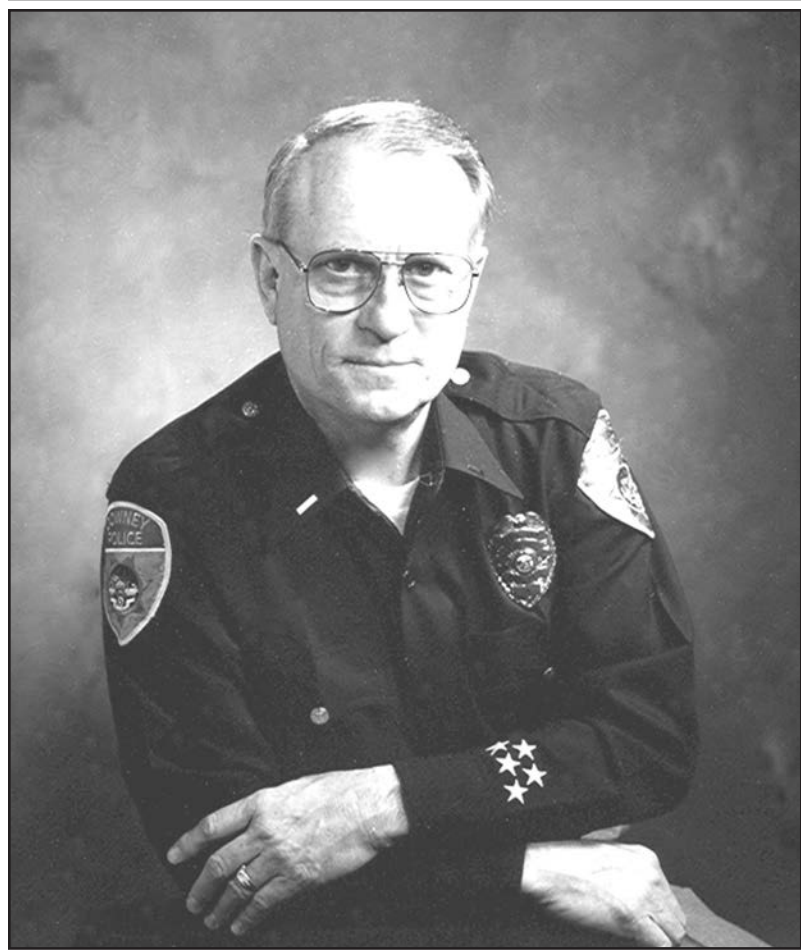
**LOS ANGELES**—With median home prices nearing \$500,000 and household annual incomes remaining around \$55,000, residents are being forced to devote increasing portions of their income to housing.

Southern California’s population growth continues to far outpace construction, placing additional pressure on the household market and resulting in higher costs and increased congestion. More than 250 policymakers and housing leaders from across the region convened at the Southern California Association of Governments’ (SCAG) 5th annual Housing Summit recently in an effort to devise new approaches to address the growing housing crisis. Summit leaders emphasized the need to think “outside the box” and implement cost-effective, sustainable strategies such as mixed-use development in urban areas and controlled development in open areas.

Rialto City Councilmember Deborah Robertson, chair of SCAG’s Community, Economic and Human Development Committee, and Executive Director Mark Pisano discussed how Southern California Compass, SCAG’s growth visioning initiative, provides a blueprint to accommodate housing and population growth over the next 30 years by

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WILLIAM 'BILL' B. LUND—Served as a Downey Police Officer.

## Memorial service held for William B. Lund, 68

DOWNEY—A Memorial Service was held on March 23 at Temecula United Methodist Church for William B. Lund, who was born Dec. 19, 1936 in Canada and died from an accident at his home on March 18. Well-known as 'Bill', he was 68.

He was raised in Los Angeles and Pico Rivera, graduated from El Rancho High School, then from CSU-Fullerton. He served in the U.S. Army as a Military Police Officer and baseball player. He was a Downey Police Officer, graduated from the FBI National Academy and retired after 29 years as a Lieutenant in 1990. He and his wife Carol raised their family in Downey before moving to Murrieta in 1996.

Lund is survived by Carol, his wife of 44 years; his daughters and sons-in-law Wendy and Rob Mucho, Heidi and Jim Rettela, Tami and Mark Johnson, Cindee and David Rumley, his son and daughter-in-law "KC" and Carla Lund; and eight grandchildren.

The family indicated a donation can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in memory of William Lund.

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## Christ Lutheran 'spring festival' tomorrow

DOWNEY—Christ Lutheran Church and Child Care Center are holding their Spring Festival tomorrow, April 30 in the parking lot on Florence Ave. (between Paramount Blvd. and Old River School Road), as a fundraiser for the school. Admission is free.

The festival will feature a combination of various artists, crafters, and sellers of gifts and collectibles. All booth fees will go directly to the child care center and church.

Kiddies Midway (also seen at the Chamber of Commerce's annual Downey Street Fair) will be present to set up a variety of family entertainment equipment, such as a rock climb wall, kiddie cars, and kiddie swings. California Slides will feature a giant inflatable slide as added entertainment. A percentage of the proceeds from the slides and rides will be donated to the school as well. The monies raised will be donated to help provide necessary repairs and maintenance for the child care center, as well as some much-needed academic and artistic supplies.

For information, call Becky Miranda or Lisa Roberson at 869-5882 or 927-1611.

## Teen stabbing victim in serious condition

DOWNEY—Downey Police detectives report that brothers and Downey residents Cedric Ento, 19, and Mark Ento, 18, were taken to a local hospital after suffering stab wounds last Friday afternoon at the hands of a rival tagging crew. The altercation occurred at about 3:20 p.m. in front of an apartment complex in the 12000 block of Downey Avenue.

Cedric has been released from hospital, while his younger brother Mark, who suffered multiple stab wounds, was still listed in serous condition as of presstime.

Two suspects were arrested in connection with the case. The first, an adult, was subsequently released for lack of causal evidence. Police say the second suspect, age 16, was the one who wielded the knife and stabbed the victims. The juvenile suspect has been booked for two counts of attempted murder and is being held at Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall while awaiting trial.

## Nursery school open house and book fair

DOWNEY—The Downey United Methodist Church Nursery School, 10801 Downey Ave. in Downey, will hold its 40th annual Open House Sunday, May 1, featuring the following themes for the four classrooms: Favorite Things, World of Color, Way Out Way West, and Pirate Isle.

Families are invited to attend the church service at 10 a.m., which will revolve around children. The Nursery School children will sing for the congregation.

The classroom doors will open at 11:15 a.m. after the service. Welcoming the families to the classrooms will be teachers: Laura Asmus, Margaret Collins, Judy Casillas, Kathi White, Susan Edquist, Karen Hanein, Heather Hastings, Kelli Johnson, Karen Hopson, and school director, Cheryl Evans.

The school will also hold a Book Fair promoting the wonderful world of reading in the church library.

The school is now accepting applications for the upcoming school year.

For more information, call 923-8719.

## Israeli Independence Day concert

DOWNEY—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey and Temple Beth Shalom of Whittier invite the community to a special Israeli Independence Day Concert organized by Cantor Kenneth Jaffe at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 11 to be held at 10629 Lakewood Blvd. in Downey. The Temples will be joined by Beth Zion Sinai and many others.

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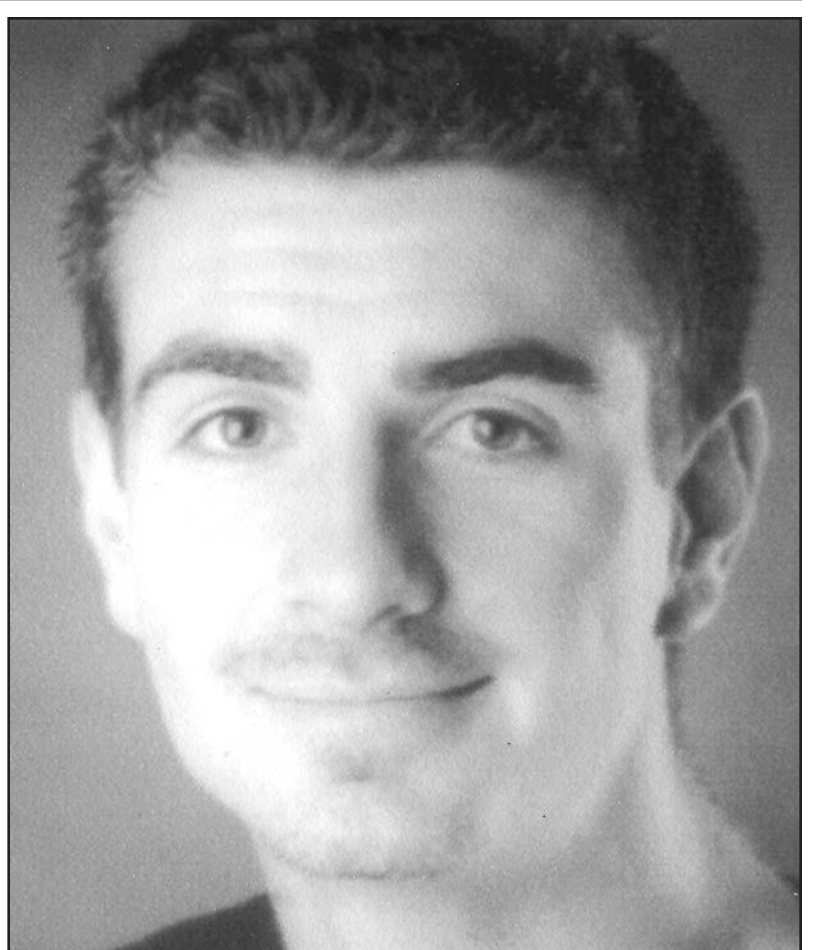
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[Http://www.downeygis.org](http://www.downeygis.org)



'FIDDLER' IS COMING—Sean Williams will be making his 9th appearance with the Downey Civic Light Opera Company, this time as "Perchick" in Fiddler on the Roof which will be offered May 26 through June 12 at the Downey Theater, 8435 Firestone Blvd. For information and tickets call (562) 923-1714. The box office is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1 to 5 p.m.



RN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERS—(From left), Theresa Mastalski, Heather Conwell, Deb Reinhart-Gale, Ranie Hamilton, Winnie Conley and Silvia Hernandez.

## DRMC launches nursing council

DOWNEY—A Nursing Leadership Council for Downey Regional Medical Center has been formed, consisting of DRMC Chief Nursing Officer Heather Conwell and Nursing Directors Theresa Mastalski, Endoscopy and ICU/CCU; Deb Gale, Emergency Care Center; Ranie Hamilton, Family Birth Center and Home Health; Winnie Conley, Medical/Surgical Units; and Silvia Hernandez, Definitive Observation and Telemetry Units.

The Council will act as a unified team in identifying nursing goals and implementing operational plans.

"We are excited about this new direction in nursing leadership," stated Conwell. "The Nursing Leadership Council is charged with ensuring Downey Regional's continued excellence in nursing though a team of experienced directors. Our team will implement a series of changes to make our units run more smoothly, and to improve the quality of our nursing for all our patients."

Two other changes for nursing were announced: one, DRMC implemented the position of House Manager for all shifts. Previously, the House Managers functioned only on the off-shifts. The full-time use of the House Manager position is intended to improve operational efficiency by centralizing the chain of command to a single point of control; two, a new Nursing Education Department was established. Nurse educators now report to a centralized department and that department's full resources are available to unit managers as they identify the educational needs of their staffs. The goal of this change is to make nursing education more effective than the previous decentralized model.

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**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS**—Tamp in dirt shoveled by Jon Lang, president of the Downey Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Alan Lowenthal, state senator, 27th District; and Lowenthal's assistant, Luis Marquez. More than 60 volunteers participated in the tree planting last Saturday.

**Mormon volunteers plant trees**

**DOWNEY**—State Assemblyman Hector de la Torre and State Senator Alan Lowenthal joined some 60 volunteers from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Saturday, April 23 planting pine trees at Rio San Gabriel Elementary School in East Downey.

This was the church's semi-annual service project for the city of Downey, and the April project was scheduled to coincide with the annual "Keep America Beautiful" month. The project was coordinated with "Keep Downey Beautiful" chairman Carol Rowland by Lois Buchanan for the church. In less than an hour, 17 Canary Island Pines and one of another species were planted along Woodruff Avenue west of the school. Downey City crews had dug the holes and oversaw the planting. The Mormon volunteers' efforts elicited praise from Larry Salazar, for the city.

**Downey man arrested in auto theft ring**

**DOWNEY** — A Downey man was one of 10 people arrested this week suspected in stealing 100 cars from Southern California dealerships.

Boonplod Klunchoo, 49, is being held in lieu of \$30,000 bail on suspicion of felony criminal conspiracy along with nine other Thai nationals, Hermosa Beach police said, which initiated the arrests.

According to police, the suspects would use fraudulent credit applications to obtain high-end cars, which they equipped with GPS tracking devices and 'sub-leased' to persons who would not otherwise qualify for legitimate financing.

The thieves would later use GPS to find the car, steal it back and sell to someone else.



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**Starbucks manager a robbery victim**

**DOWNEY**—At about noon Monday, a manager of a South Gate Starbucks had just left her store and was enroute to a Downey bank to make a deposit when a vehicle with three occupants, following behind her, collided with the rear of her vehicle, feigning an accident. This happened on Firestone Blvd. near Rives Ave.

After the victim parked at the curb with the other vehicle, one of the occupants approached her with a hammer in hand and demanded "the money." The victim, however, had trouble finding the money as the collision had knocked it under the dash. The impatient suspects settled on the victim's purse and fled the location, southbound on Rives Ave

Two witnesses saw what had taken place and followed the suspects. In an attempt to evade the witnesses, the suspects attempted a left turn onto Springer St. but, instead, ended up driving into the front of the house at the southeast corner. The three suspects fled on foot but were apprehended a short time later by patrol officers.

During questioning of the suspects, it became apparent that another suspect was involved, an employee of Starbucks and brother of one of the detained suspects. Detectives arrived at the South Gate Starbucks just prior to the start of the employee's shift and arrested him when he arrived to work.

Booked for Robbery and held on \$50,000 bail were Walter Chica-Mendoza, 19, of Bell; Roberto Lopez, 25, of Bell Gardens; Richard Lopez, 19, of Bell Gardens, and Angel Pilego Jr., 19, of Bell.

**National Day of Prayer observed May 5**

**DOWNEY**—Sanctioned by a proclamation from Downey City Mayor Anne Bayer, the Christian Businessmen's Committee (C.B.M.C.), which meets Thursdays at noon at Sizzler's Restaurant in Downey, will lead the observance of the 54th annual National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 5 under the flag pole at City Hall.

A crowd of more than 200 is expected at the hour-long ceremony. The community is invited to attend.



**HONORED**—On April 21 at the annual Public Schools Night by Downey Unified Masonic Lodge #220 were the following outstanding DUSD students and teachers: (from left, front row) Kristina Hall (Griffiths), Linda Quinones (Columbus High), Monique Cole ((Warren High), and Cejay Anderson (Unsworth); (back row) Jenny Pridham (Griffiths), Virginia Rooney (Columbus High), Ann Courtney (Warren High), Wendie Graf (Unsworth), and Scott Morrissy. Family, friends and guests were in attendance at the dinner, including DUSD Superintendent Wendy Doty and Asst. Superintendent Jerilyn King-Brown.

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**Word of MOUTH**  
by Soheir S. Azer, D.D.S.

It is well known that vitamin D helps the body absorb calcium, without which bones and teeth become brittle. What is just now coming to light is that vitamin D also plays another important role in promoting oral health. In a recent review of the dental records of more than 11,000 subjects nationwide, it was found that those over the age of 50 who had the highest levels of vitamin D were the least likely to have periodontal (gum) disease. This chronic condition is characterized by gums that become so inflamed from plaque that tissue and bone supporting the teeth eventually erode. It is thought that the newly discovered anti-inflammatory effects of vitamin D could explain its healthy-gum benefit.

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**LONGTIME RESIDENT LOIS BRABANT**—Was honored recently by the San Antonio Guild with a "Lifetime Membership Award," for 20 years of work and dedication with the Downey's women's group.

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## Transit fund revenue shuffled by Council

By John Adams

**DOWNEY**—The City Council has approved the transfer of \$1,060,000 from the City Proposition A fund to the Proposition C Fund in order to reimburse the Prop. C fund for the cost of the City's fixed Route Transit System.

The action, without comment as part of the consent agenda at Tuesday's regular meeting, prevents the possibility of the City having to forfeit its receipts of future transit revenue from the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA).

Both funds receive revenue from the MTA. While both are related to transit projects, they are regulated differently. Prop. A funds are more restricted, and there are requirements that Prop A funds be expended sooner.

### Application approved

Staff submitted an application to MTA to fund the City's fixed route program with Prop A funds. MTA approved the City application.

The change does not impact expenditure levels of the Fixed Route System. The impact is to reduce the fund balance of Prop. A funding and increase the balance in Prop C funds.

Expenditure levels will stay the same.

In other action the City Council:

\*Set a Public Hearing for May 10 on the 2005 5-year Consolidated Plan for the Community Development Block Grant and Home Improvement Investment Partnership grant programs.

\*Adopted a resolution approving the destruction of certain obsolete police records.

\*Adopted a resolution approving the reappointment to boards, commissions and committees for Council District 5 (Represented by Kirk Cartozian, who was absent).

### Lighting assessment

\*Approved the city engineer's report and declared intent to collect assessments for Lighting and Landscape District A.D. 121 for fiscal 2005-06 and set a public hearing for June 14 to consider setting the assessments.

\*Approved the interfund transfer of \$1,060,000 for the cost of the City's Fixed Route Transit System.

\*Accepted a cash contract for improvements and water main work along Lakewood Boulevard at Clark Avenue.

\*Sent an ordinance aimed at controlling the continued "mansionsization" of large homes being built multi-story single and double family occupancy in Downey, back to the Planning Commission for further study.

### Sandy Gail honored

\*Presented the Mayor's Award for City Service to Sandy Gail, Administrative Clerk in the Finance Department.

\*Proclaimed April 25-May 1 West Nile Virus and Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week.

\*Proclaimed May 1-8 annual Holocaust Days of Remembrance.

\*Proclaimed the month of May Motorcycle Awareness Month.

## The poets' corner

### le petit paradis

to finish this knotwork garden  
 I have trickled brick dust from a sieve  
 tracing curves in a broidiery patterns  
 seamed with soft moss and bedded with herbs

topiary figures on hidden wires  
 have I coaxed to grow  
 hare and deer and all that are not beasts of prey  
 may take refuge in this pleasant park

pergolas support grapes of plenty  
 and shade lingers under pleached-tree bowers  
 moated by very fine grass  
 so green it is almost black

with spade and rake and barrow  
 I have built a lady garden  
 beveling a path one dainty foot wide  
 and paved it smooth with pebbles neatly set

a maze which some call a daedalus  
 is twined fast with mild camomile shrubs trained  
 not to bewilder but to meander  
 like mysteries to heart's ease

it is said parterres like these  
 made to be mirrors of heaven  
 entrance angelic wisps  
 visitors to our earthly paradise

if they are pleased  
 they take form and substance  
 enacting Eden's favors  
 I have seen them dance

—Lorine Parks,  
 Downey

\*Named Dwight Simpson to the Hospital Commission from District 4.

\*Approved the final subdivision map of property at 8532 Cole St., approving an agreement with the subdivider and accepting a cash deposit as surety.

\*Adopted a resolution opposing Senate Bill 926 (Florez) that if passed would prohibit a public wastewater treatment agency from exporting biosolids processed by the agency to any other county.

\*Introduced an ordinance relating to speed limits on Florence Avenue leaving the limits the same.

The next public meeting of the City Council will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 10 at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

## Free immunizations for children May 11

**DOWNEY**—There will be free immunizations for children ages 4 to 18 years at the Alameda Elementary School Cafeteria, 8613 Alameda St. in Downey from 3-7 p.m. This is a community service provided by Downey Unified School District and St. Francis Medical Center, in cooperation with the LA County Department of Health Services Immunization Program.

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## It's all free!

By John Adams

This is one of my favorite times in Downey. The Carnival of Champions gets things rolling with 4th and 5th graders from Downey's DUSD elementary schools competing in track and field events both in individual and team scores April 23. Each school turn out to root for their young athletes, making for a truly colorful and fun day.

Then comes the Downey Street Fair May 7 with colorful vendors and musicians every few feet of Brookshire Avenue. Come out and browse! There's something for almost everyone in the countless booths, displays and games.

Then May 14 sees the great KIDSday celebration at Furman Park. Come out and share a day at the park with your children at an event tailored for them. Games, displays, music—it's hard to beat and its all free.

## MANSIONS

two-story single family residential units, second story floor area shall not exceed two-thirds of the first floor area (which includes habitable and non-habitable square footage). Floor areas shall be determined by measuring from exterior walls of the residence. The following requirements shall also apply:

### Setbacks

a)The second floor setback for one wall facing an interior property line shall be a minimum of 10 feet, if one wall uses the existing four-foot side yard setback of the first floor.

b)The second floor may be centered over the first floor; the side yard setback shall be a minimum of eight feet from both the interior side property lines.

c)Reconstruction of legal non-conforming residences: If at least 90 percent of a two story detached single-family residence is destroyed or the reconstruction exceeds 90 percent of the current replacement value, then the residence can only be re-established as required by these standards.

But after an array of 20 speakers, many of whom have construction plans in the works, said the new rule would stifle construction and hurt those working to improve their homes, the Council saw fit to further consider the matter. Councilman Meredith Perkins moved that the matter be sent back to the Planning Commission, and his motion passed 4-0. (Councilman Kirk Cartozian was absent.)

## SCAG

employing relatively small changes in land use planning decisions to reap tremendous results in housing availability and affordability.

"We need to strategically develop housing where it is needed the most: near jobs, along mixed-use corridors, in downtown and suburban centers and at transit stops and stations," said Robertson. "By focusing more development in these housing opportunity areas, we can reduce commutes and protect environmentally sensitive places in the region."

Summit participants identified a number of legislative and land use strategies to address the regional housing crunch, including:

- \*Increase coordination of housing development with transportation, water resource management, and other local planning efforts.

- \*Identify additional state-funding for infrastructure and local government general plan development.

- \*Reformulate municipal finance and revenue sources to ensure that local governments have the resources necessary to develop adequate housing stock.

- \*Focus residential development in areas near major transit centers or corridors.

- \*Support greater mixed-use particularly in urban areas.

- \*Reduce zoning restrictions that can add to housing costs.

## STREET FAIR

Fashioned Kettle Korn, Barrett's Lemonade, and Orange Mist will provide a true smorgasbord of dishes ranging from Chinese, Japanese, Greek, Mexican, American, and Italian.

Produced by the Downey Chamber of Commerce, the fair is sponsored by CalMet Services, Inc.; Century 21-Jervis and Associates, Colin Clarke Agent; Downey Federal Credit Union, Downey Ford, Downey Regional Medical Center, Financial Partners Credit Union, HealthFirst Medical Group and Penske Toyota.

## Pastor Young returns to Downey

**DOWNEY** – Rev. Alvin Young, former pastor of Messiah Lutheran Church in Downey, will return to the local pulpit Sunday, May 1. He will preach at both the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services.

Pastor Young served the local congregation for 10 years in the 70's and 80's. The church is located at 10711 Paramount Blvd. For more information call 923-1215.

## Young pianist to entertain at luncheon

**DOWNEY** – Seven-year-old pianist Alan Kerr will be the special feature when the Downey Christian Women's Club meets for lunch May 11 at Los Amigos Country Club. Price is \$11 for first-timers.

Also at the lunch, John Reed will speak on "Stages of Life."

Call Ginnie at 927-8488 or Lisa at 928-6269 for more information.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

### Kudos to Boggs letter

To the Editor:

A hearty kudos to Diane Boggs for her comments on a proposed Assembly bill making Indian public school mascots illegal. This is one misguided effort we can do without.

Yes, Stanford abolished the Indian mascot at about the same time as Dartmouth, presumably on the grounds that the symbol was "demeaning." Seven years before the Declaration of Independence Dartmouth began under a charter from King George III as a college for the first Native Americans—the Indians. The celebration of this origin with the Indian mascot seems to me more in the spirit of honor than disparagement.

Further tokens of respect appear in the profusion of Indian names throughout the continent, in states, cities, rivers, and mountains. (In just a tiny sample consider the states of Massachusetts, North Dakota, South Dakota, Illinois, Mississippi, Indiana (though not in the native tongue). Then cities like Omaha, Sioux City, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Walla Walla and Indianapolis. Mount Denali in Alaska. And what of the Canadian national capital of Ottawa.

As beauty is said to be in the eye of the beholder, so perhaps do the perceptions of honor or disrespect.

—Thayer Smith, M.D.,  
Downey

## Cartozian panel members approved

**DOWNEY**—The Downey City Council by a resolution has approved the reappointment of board, commission and committee members representing District 5 (at large) and Councilman Kirk Cartozian.

The action was at Tuesday's regular Council meeting (with Cartozian absent).

Those reappointed to their seats include Mike Monaco to the Cable TV Advisory Committee; Diane Boggs and Charles Hutchinson to the City Hospital Commission; David Buhler and Maria Larkin to the Emergency Preparedness Committee; Mary Stevens and Connie Rodriguez to the Health and Environmental Sanitation Committee; and Mary Crawford to the Library Advisory Board.

### More reappointments

Also reappointed were Guy Sterner to the Parking Place Commission; George Redfox to the Personnel Advisory Board; Roger Brossmer to the Planning Commission; John Kennedy to the Public Facilities Financing Corporation; Mark Rand to Recreation and Community Services Commission; Dennis Pagenkopp to the Traffic Committee; Herb Stevens to the Water Board; and Diane Boggs to the Water Facilities Corporation.

## It's time for a New G.I. Bill of Rights

By Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard,  
D-34th, Los Angeles and Downey

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**—In 1944, Congress enacted the original GI Bill of Rights to honor the Greatest Generation that ultimately won World War II. In doing so, the federal government supported our returning troops with educational benefits, loans to buy a home, and medical assistance. In fact, the nearly eight million veterans who went to school under the GI Bill helped to jumpstart our economy and create a strong middle class.

Today, in recognition of the more than one million men and women in uniform who have served thus far in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, it is time for a New GI Bill of Rights. These troops have served our nation with distinction, and it is time for a grateful nation to honor that service.

Legislation introduced recently would modernize and enhance the GI Bill by providing better education, health care and job training benefits for those who have answered our nation's call to duty. The proposed package would also support their families here at home.

For our troops, the package would pay the full cost of college or job training, instead of only 65 percent for those serving four years of active duty. The measure would also provide a \$1,000 bonus to the nearly one million who have served in imminent danger in Operation Iraqi Freedom and in Afghanistan, and would improve military pay for senior enlisted personnel and warrant officers. Bonuses would also be enhanced for the National Guard and the Reserves. These provisions are important to help our returning soldiers become a productive part of a prosperous economy, and they also provide an important recruiting tool to encourage new soldiers to sign up.

The new GI Bill of Rights legislation also includes provisions to ensure that our military has the necessary number of troops and to make

sure they have adequate equipment.

The package would improve veterans' health care, including mental health care, to meet the needs of our returning troops. These brave men and women should be able to rely on the promises of their nation for which they fought. That means providing quality, comprehensive and accessible health care for all of our veterans. The measure calls for an additional \$3.2 billion for veterans' health care and would block any proposed increases in prescription drug co-payments and enrollment fees. Mental health services would also be improved by focusing on early intervention to prevent the development of chronic Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder that may require a lifetime of care.

The measure also recognizes the great sacrifice of our National Guardsmen and Reservists—who have comprised nearly half of our troop strength in Iraq—by expanding military health care to cover all Guard and Reserve personnel. The legislation would also make sure these citizen soldiers do not suffer a pay cut while deployed.

Finally, for military retirees and the families of those who died in the line of duty, the New GI Bill of Rights would fully repeal the Disabled Veterans Tax, and end the Military Families Tax. These unfair taxes penalize our disabled military retirees and the widows of those killed as a result of combat and are unworthy of our great nation.

No group of Americans has stood stronger and braver for our democracy than our troops and veterans. We must celebrate, honor and remember these courageous and faithful men and women through this New GI Bill of Rights.

On the battlefield, the military pledges to leave no soldier behind. As a nation, let it be our pledge that when they return home, we leave no veteran behind. Let us honor their service with a New GI Bill of Rights worthy of our grateful nation.



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### OLPH Carnival May 20-22

**DOWNEY**—Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, 10441 S. Downey Ave. in Downey, will hold its Carnival, featuring live entertainment, rides, food and fun, Friday-Sunday, May 20-22.

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### Mother's Day floristry class May 7

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Adult School (DAS), 12340 Woodruff Ave. in Downey, offers a "Mommy & Me Mother's Day Floristry Class" Saturday, May 7 from noon to 2 p.m., where a child and parent can learn to make a lovely flower arrangement for "that special someone." Arrangements are designed in keepsake containers.

The class is taught by talented florist, Terri Mercurio. Fee of \$14 includes the class, flowers and container. Preregistration is required. For more information, call DAS, 940-6200.

### Investment strategy class at DAS

**DOWNEY**—Downey Adult School's next money management class, entitled "Investment Strategies for the 21st Century," a seven-week class that shows how the principles of financial planning apply to everyone, regardless of net worth, begins on Wednesday, April 27 at 7 p.m. at Columbus High School in Room D-20.

Twenty-year Downey Adult School teacher Sara Jane Davis will teach the class, which costs \$20 payable at the meeting.

Investing is a lifelong process, and the sooner you start, the better off you'll likely be in the long run. The first part of the process is developing consistent savings habits. Regardless of whether you are saving for retirement, a new house, or that once-in-a-lifetime vacation, you will need a dedicated focus on saving.

Once you begin saving on a regular basis, you'll need to start making important decisions about how to invest your money. Regardless of the financial stage of life you are in, you will need to consider what your investment objectives are, how long you have to pursue each objective, and how comfortable you are with risk.

The answer to these questions will help determine whether you put your savings into investment products that produce income, or that concentrate on potential growth in the value of your investment. For instance, a retirement fund does not need to produce income until you retire, so your investment strategy should primarily focus on growth until you are close to retirement.

All investing involves a certain amount of risk. In determining the amount of risk your investments should carry, weigh your ability to tolerate price fluctuations against your need to earn a certain rate of return. Keep in mind that time plays an important role in this decision. For a retirement that is 30 years away, you can probably tolerate more risk because you have the time to make up any losses you may experience early on. For a shorter-term investment, such as saving to buy a house, you probably want to take on less risk and have more liquidity in your investments.

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**BENJAMIN GUTIERREZ** - A junior at Warren High School, will travel to Finland this summer where he will live with a host family as an exchange student.

### Warren student to study in Finland

**DOWNEY** - Warren High School junior Benjamin Gutierrez will spend the summer with a host family in Finland, the recipient of a scholarship from an international student exchange program.

"I am honored to have received this award," said Gutierrez, who last year spent his summer traveling in Japan. "I am excited to just learn of a new country's culture and language and learn more about the typical lives of the Finnish people."

Gutierrez, active in student government and the student newspaper at Warren, is traveling through the Youth For Understanding program.

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## Downey Community Calendar

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**Fri. Apr. 29, 6:30 p.m.:** **Shawn Morgan** entertains at Granata's Restaurant, 11032 Downey Ave. The pianist/vocalist also plays Saturday evening. For information call 861-2997.

### 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 Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.:** **Downey Coordinating Council,** at Riley Center. Call Lois Buchanan 927-9790.  
**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 Thursday, 3:30 p.m.:** **Parking Place Commission,** Second Floor Training Room at City Hall

### Regularly Scheduled Meetings

#### Mondays

**6:30 p.m.:** **Metropolitan Masonic Lodge #352 dinner, mtg.,** for information call 426-6786.  
**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 Mon., 7 p.m.:** **American Legion Post 270,** Los Amigos Country Club, call 869-1053.  
**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.  
**4th Mon., 7:30 p.m.:** **Downey Numismatists,** at Downey Retirement Center, call 861-3989.

#### 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 Dorothy Paricek at 927-5437.  
**9:30 a.m.:** **Adventure with the Bible,** at the First Baptist Church Call 928-4153.  
**12 p.m.:** **Rotary Club,** at Rio Hondo, for information call Doug Baker at (714) 229-2266.  
**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

**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 862-7197.  
**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 928-4153.  
**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 a.m.:** **Kiwanis Club,** at Rio Hondo Events Center. Call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.  
**7:30 a.m.:** **Pro Networkers,** at Mimi's Cafe, for information call Barbara Briley Beard at 869-7618.

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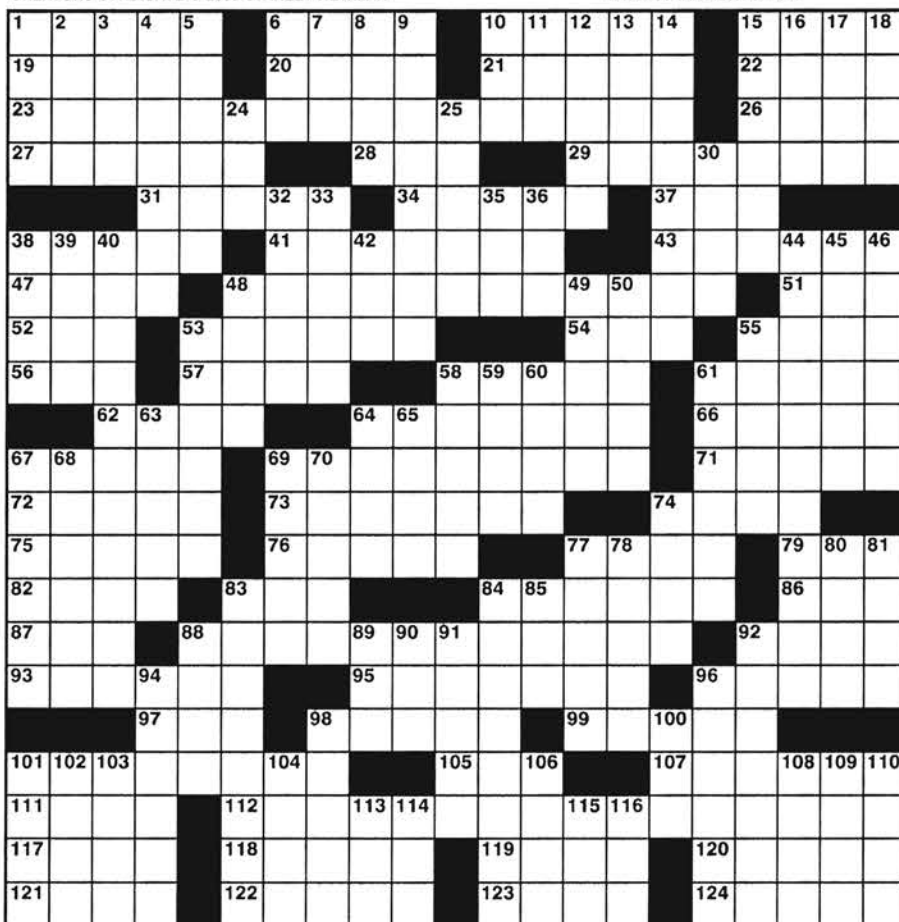
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The "CHIA" (3 Down) in Chia Pet native to the southwestern U.S. and Mexico. DR. DENTON's children's around 1850, covered not only the feet but also the hands, to prevent thumb-sucking. The OBIE Awards (102 Down) are decided upon by a committee from "The Village Voice"; the winners receive certificates and/or financial awards.



## HBO production begins filming at All American

**DOWNEY** – All American Home Center changed their name to Henrickson's Home Plus last month. At least for the world of cable television they did.

More than 150 production persons and cast members descended on All American April 13 for the filming of a new HBO series titled "Big Love," a Tom Hanks-produced drama about a polygamous Utah family. Bill Paxton and Chloe Sevigny star in the show slated to debut in September. According to All American's Chief Operating Officer, Rob Morck, "there was a full month of discussion and negotiations before we could sign a contract to allow the store to be used in the scenes."

"Our primary interest, given that the filming was to take place while the store was open, was the safety of our customers and associates. We were also very concerned about inconveniencing our shoppers as the production company moved around the store."

A location scout first approached All American about using the site as the fictional "Henrickson's Home Plus," the hardware store of the series, in February.

"We were very satisfied with the shoot and particularly the care and concern shown by the production crew," said Lanny Gertler, president of All American. "There were even some instances where the filming was put on hold while customers finished shopping within an aisle that was to be part of a filmed scene."

The production company, which expressed a desire to return to the store several more times between now and the end of summer for more tapings, would be welcomed back, Morck said.

"Actually, the bottom line is that, as far as our customers and associates were concerned, rather than being inconvenienced, most seemed to be interested and excited by the activity in the store and the chance to witness a new TV series in the making," said Gertler.

## L.B. Playhouse presents 'Shahrazad'

**LONG BEACH**—The Long Beach Playhouse (LBP), located at 5021 E. Anaheim St. in Long Beach (across from Recreation Park), presents "Shahrazad," a musical adaptation from The Arabian Nights, Sunday, May 15 at 6 p.m. It is part of LBP's third Sunday of the month "Gallery: Sunday: Cabaret Series" presentations in an intimate setting.

Far from being just famed for Aladdin, Ali Baba and Sinbad, or for being a mere collection of children's stories, The Arabian Nights contains hundreds of narratives of all kinds: fables, epics, erotica, debates, political allegories, mystical anecdotes, and comedies. Robert Irwin's "Shahrazad" adaptation "affirms the power of stories to enlighten and heal, done with a sense of humor."

Tickets are \$25, which includes a beverage of your choice and snacks at your table. For tickets/information, call (562) 494-1014 (Option 1) or access [www.lbph.com](http://www.lbph.com).



**LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!**—All American Home Center became a television set when filming for a new HBO drama got underway earlier this month. More filming may continue through the summer.

## 'Man of La Mancha' opens tomorrow

**NORWALK**—The Cerritos College Department of Theatre and the Associated Students provide a theatrical blend of tragedy, romance, comedy and adventure in "Man of La Mancha," a musical dinner theatre opening tomorrow, April 30 and running through May 8.

In the production, author Miguel de Cervantes and his assistant are thrown into prison. Pleading his case, Cervantes gives a dramatic defense by reenacting the story of Don Quixote of La Mancha.

Performances are at the Cerritos College Burnight Center Theatre, 11110 Alondra Blvd. in Norwalk. Attendance is open to the public; senior and student discounts are available.

For information/tickets (\$17.50 and \$32.50), call (562) 467-5058.

The Cerritos College Theatre Department also announced plans for its Summer 2005 10-Minute Play Festival to be presented June 17-26. Auditions for the series will be held May 10. Call 860-2451, ext. 2638 for more information.

## Adult comedy at LB Playhouse

**LONG BEACH**—A free staged reading of the original play, "High Tea/ With His Excellency," by Robert Joseph Ahola will be performed on Saturday, April 30 at 2 p.m. at the Long Beach Playhouse, 5021 East Anaheim St. Director of the reading is Jo Black Jacob.

"High Tea/ With His Excellency," one of four winners out of 230 nation-wide submissions of plays to the Playhouse's 15th Annual New Works Festival, is an adult comedy wherein one man's obsession with the truth collides with the hidden fantasies of a room full of not-so-repressed women. Playwright Ahola is an author, playwright, producer and director who lives in Malibu.

In addition to the reading, playwrights receive input from a post-reading discussion, videotape, and critiques from three professional critics and consideration for a full production at the Long Beach Playhouse.

For information, visit [www.lbph.com](http://www.lbph.com).

## 'Moon Over Buffalo' at Warren

**DOWNEY**—Tickets costing \$7 went on sale recently for "Moon Over Buffalo," a presentation by the Warren High Drama Department on May 10-13 at 7:30 p.m. For reservations, call 869-7306, ext. 5618.

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### Re/Max Online opens fourth office

**DOWNEY**—Re/Max Online, which initially opened for business in September 2000 to serve the Southeast Los Angeles area which includes Downey, Whittier, La Mirada and Santa Fe Springs, and has enjoyed increased business and market share, has opened a fourth satellite office to accommodate additional new agents that have joined or will be joining Re/Max Online. The announcement was made by Re/Max Online broker Phil Limon and co-owner Minnie Gaspar.

The newest Re/Max Online location is at 9155 Telegraph Rd, #101, in Pico Rivera. The office will serve Pico Rivera and Montebello. The 3,500 sq.-ft. technologically-advanced office includes wireless technology, voice over IP phone system, T1 server for voice and data as well as a full marketing department utilizing a commercial quality color laser printer to provide full-service marketing options for agents.

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## Family 'fun night' at DHS May 12

**DOWNEY**—Downey High School hosts its seventh annual community Family Fun Night Thursday, May 12 from 4-9 p.m. This year it will feature a ceremony to honor retiring principal Allen Layne and other DUSD retirees.

As always, says assistant principal Robert Jagielski, there will be plenty of food, games, dancing, entertainment by students and staff, Karaoke, live music and many other activities that should spell lots of fun for the entire family. The evening will culminate with the school's yearly live Mariachi music event.

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## DAOR: First quarter home sales up

**DOWNEY**—The Downey Association of Realtors (DAOR) reports Single Family Home and Condo sales in the city of Downey for first quarter 2005 is up 2 percent from end of fourth quarter 2004, with an average sales price of \$507,569.

Out of the 193 homes listed and sold in Downey for the quarter, 71 percent were listed and/or sold by a member of the DAOR.

For a list of Downey Realtor members, call 861-0915 or visit DAOR.com.

## Bellflower Chorus 2005 concert season

**BELLFLOWER**—The Bellflower Civic Chorus opens their 2005 concert season Friday-Sunday, May 13-15 with "I Love A Holiday," a musical tribute to the major holidays of the year, followed by "Autumn Encore '05: A Sentimental Journey" Sept. 16-18, presenting the best-loved songs of their favorite composers. "A Christmas Song," the chorus' annual festival of traditional and contemporary holiday favorites, is scheduled for Dec. 16-18.

The concerts will be presented at the William Bristol Civic Auditorium, 16600 Civic Center Drive in Bellflower. Tickets available at the door or by mail. General admission is \$5. For other details/membership, call (562) 866-4664.



**BLUE RIBBON WINNERS**—These young artists each took home \$25 and gift certificates to Baskin Robbins for being winners of Century 21 My Real Estate's Welcome Spring Coloring Contest. Pictured are Eric De La Grana, Karla Sandoval, Hannah Marie Nabbout, McKenna Henao and Anthony Fajardo. Margarit Sargsyen, owner of Pops Cafe, won the Adult Coloring Category.

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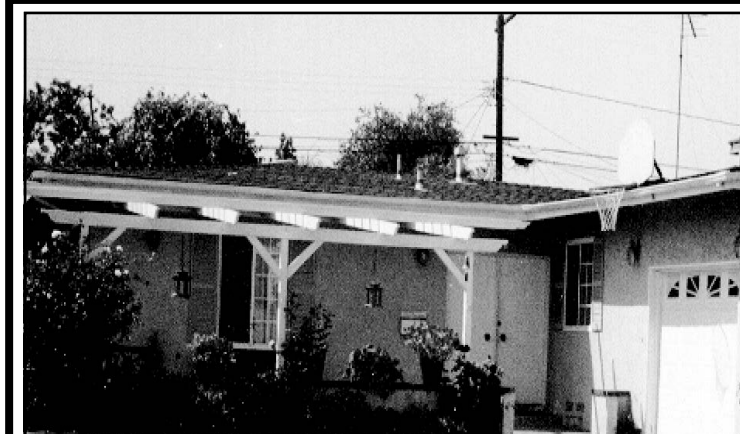
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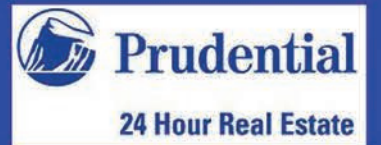
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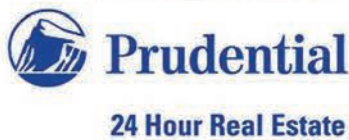
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