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PICKETS WHEEL IN FRONT OF COCA COLA—The action was Tuesday. Pickets representing Local 848 of the Teamsters first appeared at all four entrances of the Coca Cola Bottling Company in Downey at about 3 a.m. Monday. Labor spokesmen said health and welfare costs are the major issue in the labor face-off.

Finch to finish year here as a part-timer

Described as 'win-win' situation

By John Adams

DOWNEY—The Downey City Council has approved a new part-time contract with Police Chief John Finch, who announced his intention to retire in the May 6th edition of the Downey Patriot.

Finch originally expressed the intention to step down starting July 15, but under the new terms approved by the Council Tuesday, agrees to stay on in a part-time basis until Dec. 31, 2005.

Under the terms of the new part-time agreement Chief Finch will stay on and provide a smooth transition for the new Chief, who has not yet been named.

Hourly rate

Finch will work a reduced schedule for an hourly rate of \$83.07 an hour.

The City will save \$5,513 per month during the time Finch serves part-time, according to a staff report.

The agreement stipulates that Finch work under the direction of the City Manager, attend City Council meetings and respond to questions relating to law enforcement, while working to maintain good labor relations.

The vote of approval was 4-1 with Councilman Meredith Perkins opposed. Perkins said his vote was not in opposition to Finch, whom he likes, but rather his opposition to the procedure.

Win-win

City Manager Gerald Caton described the measure as a "win-win" situation for both the City and the Chief. And Caton said he will select the new chief from within the department. Discussions with Finch have already begun with this in mind.

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Council applauds many 'fun events'

By John Adams

DOWNEY—Kidsday, the Walk-for-Life, Family Fun Night at Downey High School and the Arc Pancake Breakfast all were applauded by members of the Downey City Council at Tuesday's regular Council meeting.

Councilman David Gafin used Kidsday as an example of the kind of community event that draws people together. He said it was fun and good for all who participated in it. He gave special mention to the City's Bonnie Kehoe who organizes this event annually.

Fun Night

Councilman Kirk Cartozian applauded the Fun Night at Downey High for much the same reason, and he noted that Principal Allen Layne is retiring, with a party in his honor at Rio Hondo June 24.

Mayor Anne Bayer said she enjoyed the Arc pancake breakfast. And she also applauded the Walk-for-Life which raised more than \$50,000 for the war on cancer.

Councilman Rick Trejo liked Kidsday, and called the Council's attention to the growing parking problem at Downey Regional Medical Center. He would like a study.

The recent Coordinating Council Awards also won favorable mention.

Anti-graffiti

It was noted that the City's anti-graffiti girl was in the Council audience. Cartozian said he would like a plan to help local businesses who move here to deal with the graffiti problem, which can be costly.

The Council extended an invitation to the public to attend the free ceremonies on Monday, Memorial Day at 11 a.m. at the Downey Cemetery.

Presentations from the audience included a homeowners plea for a way out of requirements costing more than \$50,000 to install a fire prevention sprinkler system, and a challenge over travel expenses of Cartozian for a trip to Las Vegas. (He explained there were none since he stopped on a way back from a trip to Florida which was at his own expense). The Vegas stop was to attend a convention on community development.

Another member of the audience noted the impossibility of communicating by phone to get a hearing over a no-parking to make way for tree cutting. The City Manager is looking into the matter.

EARLY DISPLAY DEADLINE

BECAUSE OF THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY, THE PATRIOT'S DISPLAY ADVERTISING DEADLINE FOR NEXT WEEK'S (JUNE 3) EDITION WILL BE TODAY, FRIDAY, MAY 27 AT 2 P.M. CLASSIFIED DEADLINES REMAIN THE SAME, WEDNESDAY AT 11 A.M.

OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY ON MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 30.



D. MARK MORRIS—Class of 1965, has served on the DUSD Governing Board for 24 years. In addition to his dedication to education, he is involved in numerous community activities, including past president of the Downey Water Board and past chairman of the Frontier District of the Los Angeles Council of the Boy Scouts of America.



KENT HALBMAIER—Special Education Program Director at Downey Unified School District. Recognized recently locally by Region XIV as the Special Administrator of the Year and by the Association of California School Administrators as School Administrator of the Year, he is past president of Gangs Out of Downey.

Six alumni receive Hall of Fame call

By Henry Veneracion

DOWNEY—Six alumni of Downey High School, all with sterling credentials, and all distinguishing themselves in their chosen careers and in the arena of life, will be inducted today, May 27 into their alma mater's Alumni Hall of Fame.

In the order of their induction, to be staged at the Downey High School library starting at 10:30 a.m., are: Dr. Kenneth Ferraro ('60), D.D.S., Kent Halbmaier ('62), Hon. David A. Hoffer ('81), Dr. Michael E. Hoffer ('80), D. Mark Morris ('65), and Dr. Richard L. Thompson ('44).

Family and friends are expected to watch the ceremony. Past honorees have also been invited. A total audience of some 90-100 people is anticipated. A luncheon has been prepared, with entertainment provided by the Viking Jazz Choir. There will be a social time at 10 a.m.

Dr. Ferraro is a graduate of the Washington University School of Dentistry. Immediately after his graduation, he returned to his hometown of Downey and opened an office here. He holds a patent for the use of Kevlar as dental floss, the fiber used in bullet-proof vests. In addition to his dental practice, he is an active member of the Downey community. He is past president of the Downey Kiwanis, past director of the Downey UNICO, and past president of the "12:15" Club at the Downey Community Hospital. He served on the city of Downey Theatre Board of Directors, and is presently on the Downey YMCA Board of Managers and the Chairman's Round Table. He offers free dental exams for Downey school children, and contributes to numerous local organizations.

Halbmaier received a Master of Arts degree from CSU-Los Angeles. He began his professional career with the Downey Unified School District in 1981 as a Program Specialist. Since 1993, Kent has served as the Special Education Program Director. He is also an adjunct professor who teaches Special Education Law and Services for National University. He was recently recognized locally by Region XIV as the Special Education School Administrator of the Year and by the Association of California School Administrators as the School Administrator of the Year. Kent is

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JUDGE DAVID HOFFER—Was the DHS 1981 class valedictorian and was voted as "Most Likely to Succeed." He was appointed in 2003 by Gov. Gray Davis to the Orange County Superior Court as a Superior Court Judge in Santa Ana.

Observe Memorial Day Monday in Downey

DOWNEY—Memorial Day will be observed in Downey with a ceremony at the Downey Cemetery at 11 a.m. Monday, May 30.

The cemetery is located at Lakewood Boulevard and Gardendale Street.

Veterans dating to and including the Civil War are buried at the cemetery.

There will be readings, Taps and a gun salute included. The public is welcome.



CERRITOS COLLEGE FOUNDATION—Chairperson Nick Van Hoogmoed (left), director of sales support at The Pepsi Bottling Group, presented a \$1,000 Financial Partners Credit Union Business Scholarship to Yun Jung Park, a business administration major from Downey, May 12. Pictured at right is Orlandus Waters, senior vice president for business development at FPCU.

Downey man found shot dies in hospital

DOWNEY—A 37-year old Downey man identified as Da Shun Leonard Shufford has died after being shot several times in the head and upper body and taken to St. Francis Medical Center in Lynwood for treatment.

He was still breathing when he was found in the street in the 13200 block of Woodruff Avenue after 9 p.m. Saturday

A suspect was seen running from the area after several gunshots were heard.

Downey police seeks the public's help for any additional information on the case. They are asked to call Det. Dwayne Cooper at (562) 904-2391 or Det. Robert Del Rio at 904-2368.

CPR training available at hospital

DOWNEY—Health education instructors at Downey Regional Medical Center are teaching men and women from the community how to help save someone's life.

An upcoming "CPR for Family & Friends" class Tuesday, June 7 from 6-10 p.m. will be taught by an American Heart Association-trained instructor. This class covers how to recognize life-threatening emergencies, and how to perform CPR techniques for adult victims of heart attack and stroke, including how to assist in clearing an obstructed airway.

Classes are held at the hospital's lower-level conference rooms at 11500 Brookshire Ave. on Firestone Blvd. The fee is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. Reservations are required by calling 622-2088.

St. Raymond's first annual golf tourney

DOWNEY — St. Raymond's Parish Community is hosting their first Golf Tournament Fundraiser on Friday, June 24, at the Rio Hondo Country Club. All golfers are welcome.

The tournament will be a four-person scramble with hole-in-one prizes up to \$10,000 on the 10th hole and closest-to-the-pin contests on the 7th and 17th holes. Play begins at 12 noon and costs \$125 per person (payable by May 23), which includes tournament fees, green fees, golf cart, lunch and a barbecue dinner in the St. Raymond's Community Hall.

Advertising opportunities on tee signs are also available for \$100. Sponsors will be acknowledged with a letter for contributions.

For information and an application, call Cecilia Ordenez at 889-0521 or 869-3883.



A TEARFUL ANN GOAD (left)—Accepts a certificate for her dedication to nursing excellence from Downey Regional Medical Center Board chair Mary Lou Schmidt. Goad was honored at a Nurses Day celebration May 13.

Kiwanis district governor pays visit here

DOWNEY—Cal-Nev-Ha District of Kiwanis International Governor Larry McLeland was feted at a dinner and reception held at the Rio Hondo Country Club on his official visit to Division 13 here on May 18. In attendance were members from both of the local Downey Kiwanis Clubs, as well as representatives from the Kiwanis Clubs of Santa Fe Springs, Bellflower, Huntington Park, Cerritos, Bixby Knolls, Seal Beach and Long Beach.

Thirty-two members of the local clubs were honored with Kiwanis International Hixson Awards for their contributions to the International Foundation Worldwide Service Project. The foundation's goal is the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders, the world's leading cause of mental retardation in children. It is estimated that contributions made by the Kiwanis Club of Downey have touched the lives of over 2 million children worldwide.

Kiwanis members, who through their foundation are major contributors to many local nonprofit organizations, benefit their communities both financially and through service. For more information about the club, call Rick Lopez, president, at (562) 658-2042.

Diabetes management series start June 2

DOWNEY—Downey Regional Medical Center is offering a 12-hour, four-week Diabetes Management program that begins Thursday, June 2 at 9 a.m. The series helps people who have diabetes to understand and succeed with self-care. Topics include diet, medication, exercise and complications.

Pre-registration is necessary, and a \$10 registration fee for the series is payable on the first day of class. Anyone registering is welcome to bring a family member or friend. For information, call 622-2088.

Two local students awarded scholarships

NORWALK—The Cerritos College Foundation awarded 17 student scholarships totaling more than \$11,000 during its regular board meeting on Thursday, May 12.

Cerritos College students awarded scholarships included Sarah Lin, a computer and information sciences major from Downey, and Yun Jung Park, a business administration major, also from Downey. Lin received a \$500 Greater Harbor-Area Employer Advisory Council Business Scholarship while Park was awarded a \$500 International Business Panel Scholarship.

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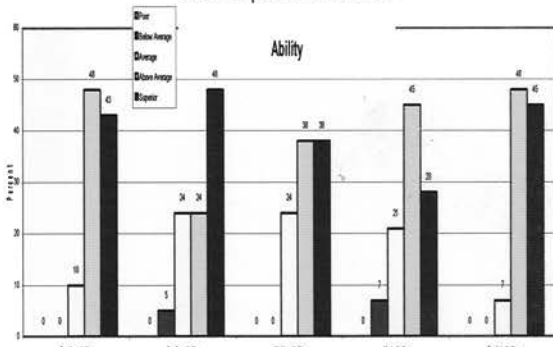


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Student Perception After KEC Graduation:



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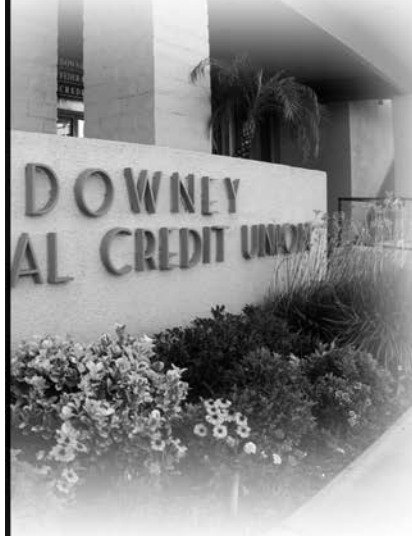
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SAVE THE POLAR BEARS – Students at Griffiths Middle School raised over \$700 and secured more than 1,100 signatures for a petition they plan to send to California senators to end drilling in Alaska's National Wildlife Refuge, which could potentially endanger the polar bear. The kids circulated the petition during homeroom classes and constructed posters and flyers during lunch periods. Science teacher Kellie Russell was advisor to the Polar Bear Committee.

Downey grad trains in Mojave desert

SAN ANTONIO, TX—The Macon, Georgia-based 48th Brigade Combat Team, of which Army National guard Cpl. Armando Villegas is a member, was recently involved in one of the most realistic scenarios offered by the U.S. Army at the National Training Center (NTC) in Fort Irwin, CA.

The NTC, located in the Mojave Desert, is the premier combat training center for desert warfare. Its rugged terrain and environment provide a realistic and grueling test for troops in preparation for deployment in Iraq. The 48th Brigade honed their warfighting skills through force-on-force simulated combat scenarios in the tactical environment.

Villegas, a 1986 graduate of Downey High, is ammunition chief with the 1st Battalion, 118th Field Artillery with units based in Springfield, Savannah, and Jesup, all in Georgia. He has 13 years of military service.

Women's golf club seeks new members

DOWNEY—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, wants to beef up its roster of fun-loving women who "enjoy the wonderful game of golf." Applications for membership are now being accepted for the '04-05 season.

The club says you don't have to be a low-handicapper to participate, just a willingness to bettering your skills and playing weekly a "great group of women." General meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month following play. Call 927-2420 for more information.

Ten seniors awarded Phillips scholarships

DOWNEY—Dr. Jordan and Mary Phillips in conjunction with the Downey Rotary Club presented \$10,000 in scholarships to 10 graduates of Downey schools Tuesday. Once again the Downey Rotary Club meeting of May 24 was the scene of the event.

Awarded scholarships by Edward Sussman, former Superintendent of the Downey Unified School District, along with Dr. Jordan and Mary Phillips, were the following high school seniors: Rocio Aguilar, Evelyn Martinez, Oscar Cid Del Prado and Raul Villalobos from Columbus High School; Kurtis Goodwin and Gavril Gabriel from Downey High School; and Ashley Greaney, Jennifer Villanueva, Robyn Guggiana and Alain Gonzales from Warren High School. The scholarships ranged from \$500 to \$2,500.

Dr. Jordan and Mary Phillips are longtime members of the Downey Rotary Club and have funded many students in the past.

Nutrition class taught at DRMC

DOWNEY—A Healthy Heart Nutrition Class will be taught on Wednesday, June 8 from 3:30—4:30 p.m. at Downey Regional Medical Center, 11500 Brookshire Ave. in Downey.

People who have high cholesterol and/or triglycerides or high blood pressure are encouraged to attend. The class is free but space is limited and registration is required by calling 904-5580.

Temple president to be feted July 18

DOWNEY—Temple Ner Tamid of Downey will be hosting a dinner party at the Dal Rae Restaurant in Pico Rivera July 18 at 7 p.m. for David Saltzman, president of the Temple and "diligent worker" for the Temple for the last 14 years. Cocktails is at 6 p.m.

Donation of \$30 per person for the gourmet dinner celebration, and reservations are a must, by calling the Temple office, 861-9276.

Masonic Lodge meeting every Monday

DOWNEY – Metropolitan Masonic Lodge #352 meets every Monday at 6:30 p.m. at 8244 3rd St for their dinner and meeting.



NEW PRESIDENT – The League of Women Voters Downey Area elected former assemblywoman Sally Havice as president at their annual meeting May 14. Havice, now a professor at Cerritos College, will serve through 2007. Congratulating Havice is outgoing president Gloria Katy, right, and treasurer Ruth White.

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also well-known in the community for his involvement as past president of the Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis, past president of Gangs Out of Downey, and as a member of the City of Downey Health and Environmental Safety Commission.

Judge David A. Hoffer was the 1981 Class Valedictorian and was voted by the class as "Most Likely to Succeed." He has lived up to his classmates' expectations. Upon graduation from the University of California at Berkeley, Boalt School of Law, he was awarded the Order of the Coif (top ten percent of law school class) with the Juris Doctor degree. For four years he was in private law practice before accepting a position as federal prosecutor, and he remained in that assignment for 12 years. In 2003, he was appointed by Gov. Gray Davis to the Orange County Superior Court as a Superior Court Judge in Santa Ana.

Dr. Hoffer received his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of California School of Medicine in San Diego in 1988. His postgraduate training focused on the area of Otorhinolaryngology – the branch of medicine that deals with the ears, nose, and throat. At the present time he is serving in the U.S. Navy at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego in the Department of Otolaryngology. He has authored or co-authored over 120 research articles related to his specialization. In addition to his responsibilities at the Naval Center, he lectures at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, and is Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences.

Morris graduated from Cerritos College, CSU-Fullerton and received the Juris Doctor degree from Western State University College of Law. He has served on the Downey Unified School District Governing Board for 24 years, he is past director of the Los Angeles School of Boards Association, and a member of both the California School Boards Association at the National School Boards Association. In addition to his dedication to education, he is involved in numerous community activities. He is past president of the Downey Water Board, past chairman of the Frontier District of the Los Angeles Council of Boy Scouts of America, member of the GOOD Committee, and an active member in his church.

Upon graduation from Downey High School, Dr. Thompson joined the U.S. Navy. After WWII, he entered USC and received a bachelor's in business. He reentered the Navy during the Korean conflict and volunteered for the Underwater Demolition Team, the precursor to the Navy Seals of today. It was considered the most difficult and dangerous assignment the U.S. Navy could offer. After he was discharged, he immediately applied to the USC School of Dentistry and was graduated in 1968. He is highly regarded worldwide for his contributions to dentistry. He was founder and director of the Stuart Gnathological Group, the most advanced dental research group at the time. He taught and trained hundreds of dentists. He was awarded the title of "Fellow of the American Academy of General Dentistry" prior to his retirement in 1998.

Presenting the awards will be: Lon Records ('60), Linda Kennedy ('62), Kathleen Tuttle ('71), Dr. Edward Sussman, DHS principal Allen Layne, and Joseph Andrews ('61).

Other past inductees include: Robert D. Ballard, Donna Boose, Karen and Richard Carpenter, Downey Councilmember Rick Cartozian, Linda Kennedy, Ed McCaughan, Lon Records, John Sims, John Tilley and Kathleen Tuttle.

'Supersale' to benefit rehab services group

DOWNEY—Downey-based Southern California Rehabilitation Services is holding a One Day Supersale of new, quality women's and men's designer apparel overstock from leading national department stores at discounts of up to 93 percent off the original retail Saturday, May 28 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at 9246 Rosser St. in Bellflower. Admission is free.

There will be some 3,000 items to choose from, including great fashions by Ralph Lauren, Jones New York, Calvin Klein, DKNY, Anne Klein, Kenneth Cole, Tommy Hilfiger, Liz Claiborne, Maggy London, Le Suit, Tahari, BCBG, Donna Ricco, Spenser Jeremy, Kasper, Rampage, XOXO, Sean John, Phat Farm, Roca Wear, and many others. The clothing is all new with hang tags.

Original retail price of \$20-\$49 will go for \$11.97; \$50-\$99 will sell for \$19.97; and \$100-\$399+ clothing will sell for \$29.97. All sizes, from 0-3X, and all styles—from casual to career to evening wear—will be available. There will be fitting rooms.

For patrons' convenience, payment may be made by check, cash, Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover cards. For information, call (562) 862-5531, ext. 29.

YMCA prepares for summer camps

DOWNEY—The Downey YMCA is now taking sign-ups for its summer child care program and teen summer camp.

The YMCA is also operating out of sites at Price Elementary and West Middle School. Call 862-4201 for registration information.

A Look Back...1940



THE "VENGEANCE" — Originally designed under the designation V-72, the Vengeance was a dive bomber developed and constructed by Vultee Aircraft Corporation in Downey during the late 1930-40s. The British reportedly ordered 700 of the planes in 1940 -- 400 of which were constructed in Downey -- but had 243 commandeered by the United States after the attack on Pearl Harbor. This undated photo show the Vengeance assembly line.



ERIN RETTINO—Makes her Downey Civic Light Opera debut as "Tzeitel" in "Fiddler on the Roof" opening May 26-June 12 at the Downey Theatre. For tickets, call 923-1714. The box office is open 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.



ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF DOWNEY — Owners and operators of Second Tyme Around Shoppe at 11026 Downey Ave., will have a "Super Sale" May 31, offering 50 percent discounts to shoppers 50 years and older. The shop offers a wide variety of clothing, jewelry, collectibles, books, dishes, linens, small electronics, furniture and more. The store is open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pictured is Assistance League of Downey Second Tyme Around Shoppe Co-chairmen Donna Lee, left, and Sandy McClurg.

CHIEF

In other action, the City Council:

*Acting as the Community Development Commission approved an amendment to an agreement for property tax audits and information services with HdL Coren and Cone, Inc.

*Acting as the City Council, presented the Mayor's Service Award to Corporal Kevin McCaster of the Downey Police Department.

*Proclaimed the month of May National Foster Parent Recognition Month.

Undergrounding

*Approved an agreement for the replacement of overhead with underground distribution facilities with Southern California Edison as Phase 1A of Underground Utility District No. 18, Lakewood Boulevard Improvement Project.

*Authorized assignment of a deferred compensation plan Administration Agreement to Nationwide Retirement Solutions. There is no cost to the City.

*Approved a contract with the Omega Group for professional services and computer software in the sum of \$29,200.

*Appropriated federal grant funds of \$20,081 for Emergency Fire Equipment.

*Introduced an ordinance amending section 3712 of the City Code pertaining to police alarm permits.

*Adopted an ordinance adding to chapter 10 of the Municipal Code Article relating to the procedure for debarment of contractors from city contracts.

Budget study

*Set a date for a Study Session on the proposed 2005-06 Fiscal Budget. The meeting will be in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:30 p.m. June 21st.

The next public meeting of the City Council will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 14 at City Hall, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Downey PTA set to install officers

DOWNEY—The Downey Council PTA will hold its Scholarship and Installation Program at 6:45 P.M. on Monday, June 6 at the Barbara J. Riley Neighborhood Center, 7820 Quill St.

To be honored are the Council PTA which will have its installation of officers for 2005-2006, Sally McFarland and State PTA Scholarship recipients, with guest appearances by the PTA's Sacramento Safari Students, the Sally McFarland Volunteer Winners, and The Davis Brothers.

RSVP: Annie Casey, (562) 633-5275.

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City economy move on police alarm permits

DOWNEY—The City Council has introduced an ordinance moving the expiration date for police alarm permits from June 30 to Dec. 31. There will be no change in fee amounts or other requirements.

The action was without comment as part of the consent agenda at Tuesday's regular meeting.

Purpose

The purpose of the change is to consolidate the business tax system with the police alarm permit system so the City can replace two mailing and renewal dates with a single mailing and renewal process. In addition, the City will save on staff time for both renewal procedures. Since all businesses with police alarm permits must also pay a business tax the consolidation seems logical.

In order to phase into the new program, the current police renewal notices to businesses will include the message indicating the permit will be for six months and only half the annual fee will have to be paid. When the business tax process is done later in the year businesses will receive bills for and pay for a full 12 month alarm permit.

Savings are estimated to be \$300 per year to the City.

New worship time at Christ Lutheran

DOWNEY—Christ Lutheran Church of Downey has announced a new worship time. Beginning Sunday, June 5, the worship service will begin at 9:30 a.m. This new worship time will be joined with a new study hour which will begin at 11 a.m. beginning Sept. 25. The first and third Sunday of each month is a Traditional worship service and the second and fourth Sunday is a Praise service.

The study hour will provide: Sunday School for children 3 to 12 years old, a Youth Gathering for ages 13 to 19 years old, and an Adult Forum for all others. The first adult forum topic will be "Science and Religion" and will be co-led by Pastor Nancy Hamm and Ron Stearns.

In addition, all are welcome to attend the following community programs:

Saturday, June 4: Yard Sale, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

July 25-29: Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.-noon

Sept. 18: Rally Day Celebration

For additional information, call or come by the church office, 7707 E. Florence Avenue in Downey, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., (562) 927-4421.

'Ancient Egypt' topic at EZRA meeting

DOWNEY—The 10 a.m.-12 noon program at the EZRA Center for Mature Adults' meeting Tuesday, June 7 at Temple Ner Tamid of Downey, 10629 Lakewood Blvd., will be devoted to "Egypt Revisited," as EZRA member Carl Greenwood asks the audience to step back in time to ancient Egypt to visit the Valley of the Kings and the age of Tutankhamen. Greenwood will explore the "mysterious past and the beauty of antiquity that continue to fascinate the modern world" through a slide presentation. A second speaker, from the Bowers Museum, will discuss the exhibition, "Mummies," currently on loan to them from the British Museum in London.

Registration, coffee/tea and refreshments start at 9:45 a.m., and a catered Kosher luncheon will be served after the program. The community is welcome.

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

Speakers line up for church conference

DOWNEY—The Love, Peace and Happiness Family Church, 11022 Old River School Road (near Firestone Blvd.), is holding its annual Living Word Conference June 1-5, featuring speakers from far and near. Bishop Leon and Jacqueline Martin are inviting the community to attend.

Daily services are scheduled at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday-Friday, June 1-3, with a special high noon service Saturday. Nightly services will begin at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday services will be at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The conference speakers include: Evang. Janice Martin of Wichita, KS; Apostle Herman Bibbs of Birmingham, AL; Bishop Truman Martin of Dayton, OH; and Pastor Donald Martin of Claremont. Cheryl Martin, formerly of BET and who now ministers with T. D. Jakes Ministries and "Focus on the Family," will close the conference on Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

For information/transportation, call (562) 806-9890.

11-year-old does it again

DOWNEY—"Believing," a poem submitted to a Utah publication, Creative Communication, by Shaina Marie C. Sta. Cruz, a 6th grader at St. Dominic Savio School in Bellflower, has been selected as one of "High Merit" and chosen for publication, this time in the Spring 2005 anthology, "A Celebration of Young Poets."

The anthology is due to come out before year-end.

According to her parents, Antonio and Maria Theresa Sta. Cruz of Downey, 11-year-old Shaina, their eldest daughter, dreams of becoming an author or a veterinarian someday. She was born in New York City.

Tough Intersections

By John Adams

We received a letter addressed to the editor, which we are using in our column this week because of its general interest. E.S. asked that we not use her full name.

She began by saying it is a "wonderful" newspaper! She then continues, "I'm wondering, after reading your latest edition, if you ever walked across any of the streets at intersections like Paramount Boulevard and Imperial Highway. It's a real adventure! Especially if you are a handicapped resident of Aspen Place. I have to use a walker. Both streets have two-lane left turns! Can you picture needing to open the driver's door of your car with all the cars speeding by?"

"The asphalt on that whole area is full of holes! The cross-walk lights are in bad shape—no green hand to signal time to run! I've worn out three sets of tennis ball shields on the legs of my walker. Also a special plastic shield that was supposed to be stronger. Thank God for the great lady school crossing guard with her whistle and STOP sign. She has caught me two times about to fall flat. Wouldn't you like to take a look and see what I mean?"

Yes, we will. And many thanks to that helpful crossing guard!

Festival celebrates a spirited Greek culture

By Linda Pak

DOWNEY—In a true, zesty Greek-style celebration of culture and life, Saint George Greek Orthodox Church will be hosting its two-day 21st annual Greek Festival on Saturday and Sunday, June 4-5, from 11 a.m.-10 p.m. on the church grounds, 10830 Downey Ave. The festival will be presented under the joint chairmanship of Jimmy Spathopoulos and Vasso Bouras.

Known throughout the Southern California Greek-American community for its authentic Greek cuisine and lively cultural displays, the festival has become one of the largest traditional community events in Downey, much like the annual Holiday Lane Parade, Street Fair, and Kidsday.

Visitors will be treated to a wide array of traditional Greek dishes, which have kept people returning year after year. Some of the foods have become an attraction in and of itself, like the all-time favorite, whole lamb spiced and slowly roasted on a spit.

Other favorite entrees include souvlakis, which are tender pieces of cubed meat barbecued and served on pita bread with lettuce, onions, tomatoes, and a distinctive cucumber-yogurt-garlic sauce, and gyros, also served on pita with the usual trimmings but with filets of meat instead. For dessert, Greek pastries, like handmade baklava and loukoumades, will be available along with Greek coffee and other drinks.

Live music, ranging from traditional to modern, and dance floors for open dancing will light up the grounds with hand-clapping and foot-tapping rhythms for everyone to enjoy. Several visiting groups, as well as the church's own award-winning dance group, will be performing traditional Greek ethnic dances. Also scheduled to perform are church bands Kritikakia, Perifania, and Vergina.

Since its inception 21 years ago to share the Greek culture and heritage with the community, the festival has certainly stamped a lasting impression on the city with its lively festivities and established itself as one of the largest traditional events in Downey. The event also invites the community to share in the rich, religious culture of the Greek Orthodox Church. Tours of the Saint George sixth century Byzantine-style sanctuary will be available during the festival.

"The festival is an opportunity for the community to get together and share one of the great traditions that make up the mosaic of our American communities," said Harold Tseklenis, member of the festival committee. "It is a day of celebration and thankfulness of living in this wonderful, great country."

Funds raised from the sale of foods will be used to support the church. For more information, call the church office at 862-6461, or visit www.stgeorgedowney.org.

WRD awarded for budgetary excellence

CERRITOS—The Water Replenishment District (WRD), which manages groundwater for nearly 4 million residents in 43 cities throughout Southern Los Angeles County, was recently awarded the prestigious California Society of Municipal Officers (CSMFO) Meritorious Award for Operating Budgeting for the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

The WRD received the award after passing an examination process that awards agencies like the WRD for meeting a high level of criteria in the quality of their budget documents. CSMFO recognizes California agencies for preparing budget documents that meet exceptional standards for effectively communicating financial information to the general public.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

All hail 'King George'?

Dear Editor:

During President George W. Bush's administration, the Senate has voted on 218 judicial nominees to the federal courts. If you count the total number of votes of all Republican senators for all the nominees, there were 2,703 Republican votes for Bush nominees and one vote against.

If the Senate now wants to get rid of the minority party's right to filibuster nominees, why even have nominees come before the Senate, why don't we just save the time and effort and have the President appoint all the lifetime judges to the federal courts, since apparently the "advice and consent" of the Senate, as written in the Constitution, is becoming a joke, Better yet, why don't we just call the President "King George?"

—Anita K. Rivero,
Downey

DUSD middle school track meet June 4

DOWNEY—The 31st annual Middle School Track Meet will bring together the four middle schools of the Downey Unified School District Saturday, June 4 at Downey High School.

Young athletes will compete from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. An estimated 400 boys and girls from sixth, seventh and eighth grades will compete in both track and field events.

Field events start at 8:30 with track events starting at 9:15 a.m. Team scoring is on a 6-4-3-2-1 basis for first through fifth place in each event. Admission is free.

DRMC Golf Classic tees off June 6

DOWNEY—Organizers of the 20th annual Memorial Trust Foundation (MTF) Golf Classic Monday, June 6 benefiting Laboratory Services at Downey Regional Medical Center say there is still time to join the more than 100 already registered golfers for some golfing fun at the Candlewood Country Club in Whittier.

"With the Golf Classic proceeds, notes Susanne Sundberg, DRMC Human Services Association executive director and chair of this year's golf classic, "the Lab plans to purchase an automated immunoassay and chemistry test (BNP) system to aid in the diagnosis of congestive heart failure and assessment of its severity. Its main use will be in the Emergency Care Center for a patient that is in respiratory distress and the clinicians need to rule out congestive heart failure. It is one small piece, but an important one nonetheless, enabling Downey Regional Medical Center to fulfill its mission of quality caring for our patients and surrounding communities."

Registration and driving range practice for the Golf Classic will begin at 9 a.m., followed by an 11:30 shotgun start.

Serving on the golf committee are Deacon Mario Guerra, MTF board chair; Emergency Care Center medical director Dr. Richard Guess; DRMC president and CEO Allen Korneff; and MTF board members Katie Hare and Rick Lopez.

Making the event possible are several Golf Classic sponsors, including: Applegare Medical Management, Inc.; Bank of the West; Care Ambulance, Downey Acute Medical Group; Kahl and Associates; L'Abri Management, Inc.; Mutual of America; Schafer Development Group, Inc.; Stephen Wen Architects; TELACU; The Roxanna Todd Hodges Foundation; and Promise Hospital - Suburban Campus.

For information, call the MTF office at (562) 904-5055.

Congresswoman lands funds for local projects

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-34) announced today the May 24 passage in the House of Representatives of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for 2006 that includes funding for major projects in the Los Angeles area. Through the congresswoman's efforts, the measure includes continued funding for the dredging of the main channel of Los Angeles Harbor, the Harbor South Bay Recycled Water Project, and a feasibility study for a recreation and development project at the Cornfields site along the Los Angeles River.

"I am pleased that significant funding for several key projects in Los Angeles won approval in the House of Representatives this week," Congresswoman Roybal-Allard said.

Congresswoman Roybal-Allard obtained \$1.3 million for the Corps of Engineers to work with the City of Los Angeles and local groups in planning parks, recreation, and community improvement projects at the Cornfields site along the Los Angeles River. The funds are to complete a feasibility study to convert the abandoned industrial site called the Cornfields into parks or other community uses.

"I have worked for several years with City Councilman Ed Reyes and local stakeholders to explore ways to convert the land adjacent to the Los Angeles River into parks, housing and economic development for our local communities," Congresswoman Roybal-Allard said. "The Cornfields site is one of the most promising opportunities for these types of initiatives, and I am pleased that we can move forward with a feasibility study to lay out some of the possibilities."

The measure also includes funding for an ongoing dredging project in the Los Angeles Harbor.

"The \$2.7 million included in the House version of the measure for the dredging of the main channel of Los Angeles Harbor is the minimum amount needed to keep this important project moving forward. I will continue to work with Senators Feinstein and Boxer to increase funding for this critical project before the bill is finalized. This project will enable the harbor to accommodate new and larger container vessels which, in turn, will enhance manufacturing and business opportunities and spur job creation in the Los Angeles area. That's why this project is a high priority — not just for our region, but for the continued vitality of our nation's commerce."

The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach comprise the largest port complex in the U.S. and the third largest in the world. Approximately 35 percent of containerized trade entering the U.S. currently comes through the port complex, located on San Pedro Bay.

The measure also includes \$4 million for the Harbor/South Bay Water Recycling project, which is a cooperative effort between the Corps of Engineers, and West Basin and Central Basin Municipal Water Districts. The project will develop up to 48,000 acre-feet of recycled water for municipal, industrial, and environmental uses in the Los Angeles area.

In addition, Congresswoman Roybal-Allard worked with a group of local lawmakers to secure \$150,000 for the Bureau of Reclamation to fund a study to be conducted by the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council. The study called "The Los Angeles Basin Watershed Water Supply Augmentation Study" is looking at ways to capture stormwater runoff in the Los Angeles area in order to reduce pollution at local beaches. The recycled stormwater would be used to supplement and recharge groundwater supplies.

The bill, which passed by a vote of 416 to 13, is the final House version of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2006.

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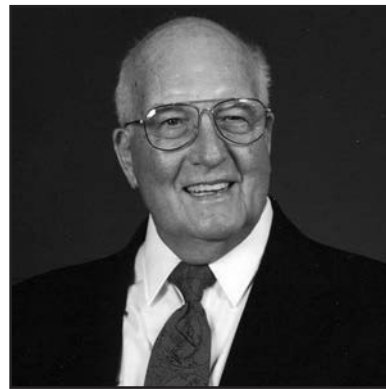


MARGUERITE GRAF

Marguerite Allison Graf was 51-year resident

DOWNEY – Marguerite Allison Graf, born in Maine on April 1, 1913 and a resident of Downey for more than five decades, died May 13. Services were held May 17 at Inglewood Park Cemetery. She lived in Downey for 51 years and was retired from Vons. She was also a member of the AARP and supporter of the Downey Police Department.

Graf is survived by her brother, Clayton Ackley, of Maine.



DAVID RUTHERFORD



JOSEPH CONDRAN

Services held May 25 for David Rutherford

DOWNEY—Services were held on Wednesday, May 25 at the Downey First Presbyterian Church for longtime Downey resident David Arthur "Jonsey" Rutherford, who was born Jan. 8, 1918 in Oak Park, Illinois to David and Eulalia Rutherford and died on May 19 at the age of 87.

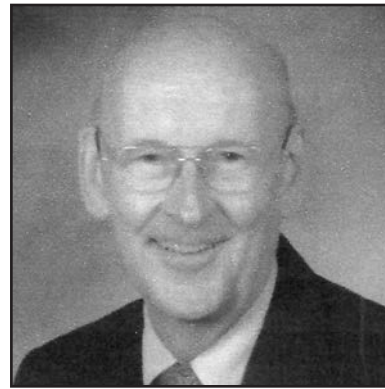
He was with the Army's 160th Infantry Regiment in WWII, and served in campaigns in the Bismarck-Archipelagos, Luzon and the Southern Philippines. Classified as a sharpshooter with the M-1, he was awarded the Bronze Star and the Good Conduct Medal.

He was an Endowment Life Member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and belonged to the California Rifle and Pistol Association (CRPA). His many Muzzle Loading awards included the title he won in 1985 as "Over Age 60 Texas Muzzle Loading Rifle Association Champion."

Rutherford is survived by his wife of almost 58 years, LaDoris; his brother-in-law Robert "Fane" and his wife, Dorothy Quillin, their children Mary L. Quillin, Robert Franz Quillin, and Ruth and her husband Steve Ruckman, and their children Eric and Katie. Others he leaves behind are his close family friends, his "son" Ramon and his wife, Leticia Larios, and their children Andrea (Andi) and Christian (Chris).

He was preceded in death by his brother Gordon, his in-laws LaTrishia and Robert Floyd Quillin, and an infant niece, Kathy Quillin.

Interment was at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier. The Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary was in charge of the services.



GEORGE MORRISSY

George Morrissy was active in Sertoma Club

DOWNEY – Memorial services were held earlier this week at Downey First Christian Church for George T. Morrissy, who died on May 20.

Born August 1, 1932, in Dearborn, Michigan to parents Georgia and Thomas C. Morrissy, he had lived in the Downey area for 50 years, was an active member of First Christian Church and had served as president and secretary for Downey Sertoma Club.

He began his career as a mechanical engineer with a part-time job with Pacific Pumps in Huntington Park, eventually retiring in 1997.

Morrissy is survived by his wife, Martha J. Morrissy; sister Marianne (Wilson) Hoag; sons Scott (Eli) Morrissy and Randy Kent; daughter Michelle (George) Henke; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Miller-Mies Mortuary.

Joseph Condran service today at Miller Mies

DOWNEY – Services will be held at 3 p.m. today, May 27, at Miller Mies Mortuary for Joseph J. Condran, a Long Beach resident who died at his home May 19 at the age of 83.

Condran was born June 14, 1921 in New Orleans, Louis. to parents Hazel Belle Blake and Joseph Condran. He graduated from South Gate High School and left to serve in World War II.

He opened and operated Con-Rack Systems for 23 years before retiring in 2004.

A resident of Long Beach since 1986, he was active in many local service organizations, including Downey Optimist Club, Elks Lodge, Downey Rose Float Association and Unico National. He served as president at least once for each of the groups.

Condran is survived by his wife of 43 years, Mary Margaret Condran; sons Robert and Paul Cecil; daughters Paula Weitzel and Nancy Spencer; Rhian McCartney, son of his predeceased daughter, Barbara McCartney; 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Miller Mies is at 11015 Downey Avenue. Chaplain Carlos Lozano will officiate at the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to The Optimist Boys Home, 6957 N. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, 90042.

Mass of Christian Burial for Frank Ponezocha

DOWNEY—A Mass of Christian Burial was said Monday, May 23 at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church in Paramount for Frank Joseph Ponezocha, who was born Jan. 30, 1913 in Latrobe, Pennsylvania to Michael and Anna Ponezocha and died May 18 in Bellflower. He was 92.

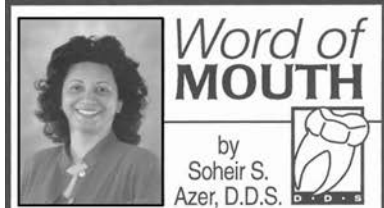
He grew up in a coal mining town during the Depression. In WWII, he was with the U.S. Marine Corps as a crewman with the Anti-Air Gunnery 864, and was honorably discharged at Camp Pendleton in 1946 as Corporal. He was a 4th degree member of the Paramount Knights of Columbus (Council 4039).

Ponezocha is survived by daughter Patricia; sons Walter and Michael (Lissa); and many relatives. He also leaves behind many friends.

Interment with military honors was at All Souls Cemetery in Long Beach, with the Downey Zrelak Family Mortuary handling services.

Caregiver support group at Rancho

DOWNEY – Rancho Los Amigos Rehabilitation Center hosts monthly caregiver support groups. Call 401-7991 for information.



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

If you have dentures, you have as much reason to continue visiting the dentist as when you had all your natural teeth. Once your teeth are removed, there is less support for facial muscles. The gums are also likely to change. If, and when, these things happen, your dentures may not fit properly and could cause some discomfort. By visiting the dentist on a regular basis, dentures can be kept fitting properly. Although there are over-the-counter products available for relining and repairing dentures, this is a project best left to the dentist. Improperly relined or repaired dentures exert pressure on the jaw, which could cause the jawbone to shrink more rapidly. This would make future fittings all the more difficult.

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DOWNEY RESIDENT DAVID NGUYEN—Has been awarded a Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Fellowship, an honor given only to a select number of deserving students nationwide, it was announced by the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, which is headquartered on the Louisiana State University campus in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The fellowship carries a \$5,000 cash award for the CSU-Los Angeles graduate.

Sorrento String Quartet performs June 4

LONG BEACH—The Long Beach Branch of the American Association University Women (AAUW) will feature the Sorrento String Quartet, which has earned a reputation as one of the premier quartets in Southern California, when they hold their 85th installation of officers for 2005-2006 on Saturday, June 4.

The meeting starts at 10 a.m., with the program scheduled for 11 a.m.-12 noon, and luncheon immediately following at 12. The venue: The Reef on the Water Restaurant, 880 Harbor Scenic Drive in Long Beach.

The Sorrento String Quartet was formed in 2002 and is comprised of four Poly High School musicians, Brooke Parker, Karen Peters, Jacqueline Skara, and Chrysanthe Tan.

In 2003 they won first place in the regional VOCE ensemble competition and third place statewide.

For information, call Jo Ann Kuroda, (562) 429-6923.

Home Economists install officers June 6

WHITTIER—The Whittier Home Economists in Home and Community will have their installation of officers at their Monday, June 6 meeting to be held at the Westridge Golf Club. Virginia Ferrara will be installed as incoming president.

Graduates in family and consumer sciences, home economics and related fields are welcome to attend the club's meetings. For information, call (562) 696-2168.

Flag football sign-ups now open

LA MIRADA—Registration is now open for five-man all-passing leagues in Claremont, Long Beach, Monterey Park, Santa Fe Springs, Torrance, Van Nuys, Sylmar and Ventura. Evening and weekend leagues begin in June. Must be at least 18 to play.

The program includes an inter-league tournament with neighboring counties. Call toll free 877-846-3178.

Cliff Becker dies of heart attack at 40

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Cliff Becker, 40, who was born in Downey and took his undergraduate degree at CSU-Long Beach, died May 17 after a heart attack at his home in the Washington, D.C. suburb of Riverdale. He was serving as director of literature at the National Endowment for the Arts at the time of his death.

He received a master's degree in American literature from the University of Maryland, where he taught for 3 years. He joined the NEA in 1992 as program specialist in the literature department and became acting director in 1997. He had been literature director since 1999. As director, he oversaw the NEA's grants to literary organizations and individual writers and translators. Among the more than 600 poets and writers awarded NEA fellowships during his tenure were Jonathan Franzen, Julia Glass and A. Annie Proulx.

Becker is survived by his wife, Leila Becker, and their daughter, Sahara Becker, both of Riverdale; his mother, Kay Becker of Downey; a brother; and a sister.

Service held May 16 for Doris G. Rond

DOWNEY—A service was held on May 16 at Miller-Mies Mortuary of Downey for Doris G. Rond, who was born April 22, 1933 in Maywood and died on May 11 in La Mirada.

She is survived by her husband James; daughters Connie (Jerry) and Roberta (Nick); sons Anthony (Abby) and Robert (Memory); six brothers: Raymond, Otto, Edward, Richard, Ronald and Ralph; sister Ruth; five grandchildren: Brandi, Natalie, Nicole, Justin and Rebecca; great-grandchild, Marlow; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers Walt and Allen.

Miller-Mies Mortuary took care of the service and cremation arrangements.

Fall Craft Fair set for Oct. 8 at DHS

DOWNEY—The Downey Unified School District and board members of the True Lasting Connection (TLC) Parent Resource Center are planning a Fall Craft Fair for Saturday, Oct. 8th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Downey High School Gym, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

In addition to a wide array of handcrafted items, there will be coffee, snacks, raffles and door prizes. All proceeds go to the support of the TLC Center, which provides free vision, dental and health care for children of low income families who otherwise could not afford it.

Persons wishing to rent table space should request it as soon as possible by calling Rose Boland at (562) 469-6890. Or write her in care of the Downey Unified School District, 11627 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241.



YOLANDA CONTRERAS – Receives her AA degree from Compton College today, May 27. The grandmother is a resident of Downey.

DowneyLINK services for residents

DOWNEY – DowneyLINK, the city of Downey's transit system, operates Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For information on routes and transfers, call 529-LINK.

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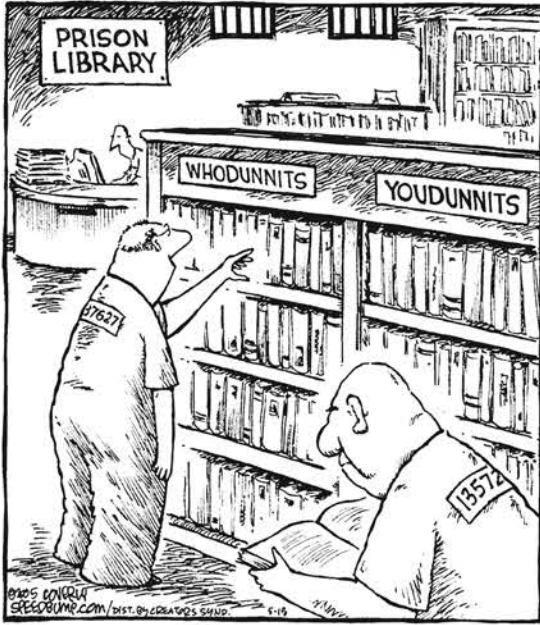
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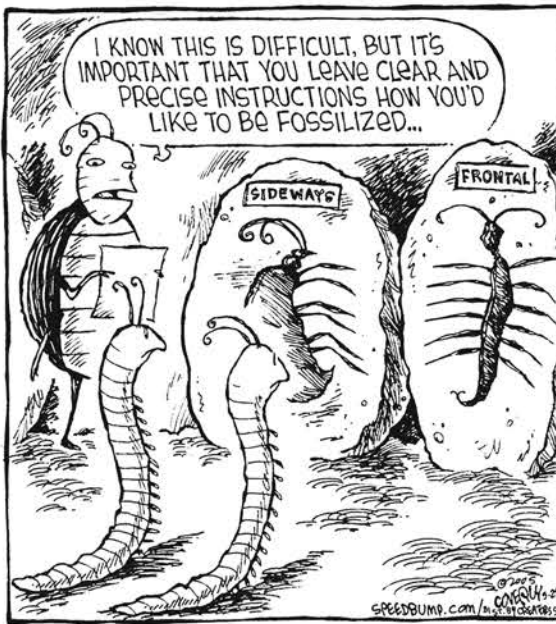
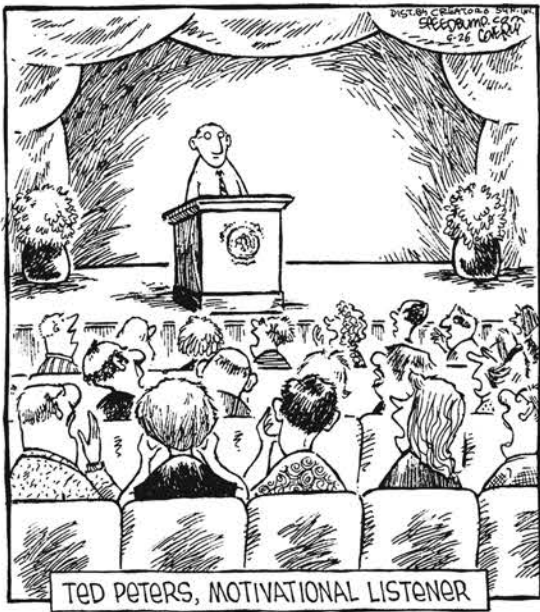
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Downey Community Calendar

Events For May

Mon. May 30, 11:00 a.m.: **Memorial Day Observance** with the new Niche Gardens and Veterans Memorial Wall to be dedicated at the Downey Cemetery, 9073 Gardendale Ave. For information call 904-7246.
Mon. May 30, 11:00 a.m.: **Memorial Day Picnic** at Immanuel Armenian Congregational Church, 9516 Downey Ave. Shish Kebob dinners, Armenian pastries, entertainment and games. For information call 862-7012.

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 Samb'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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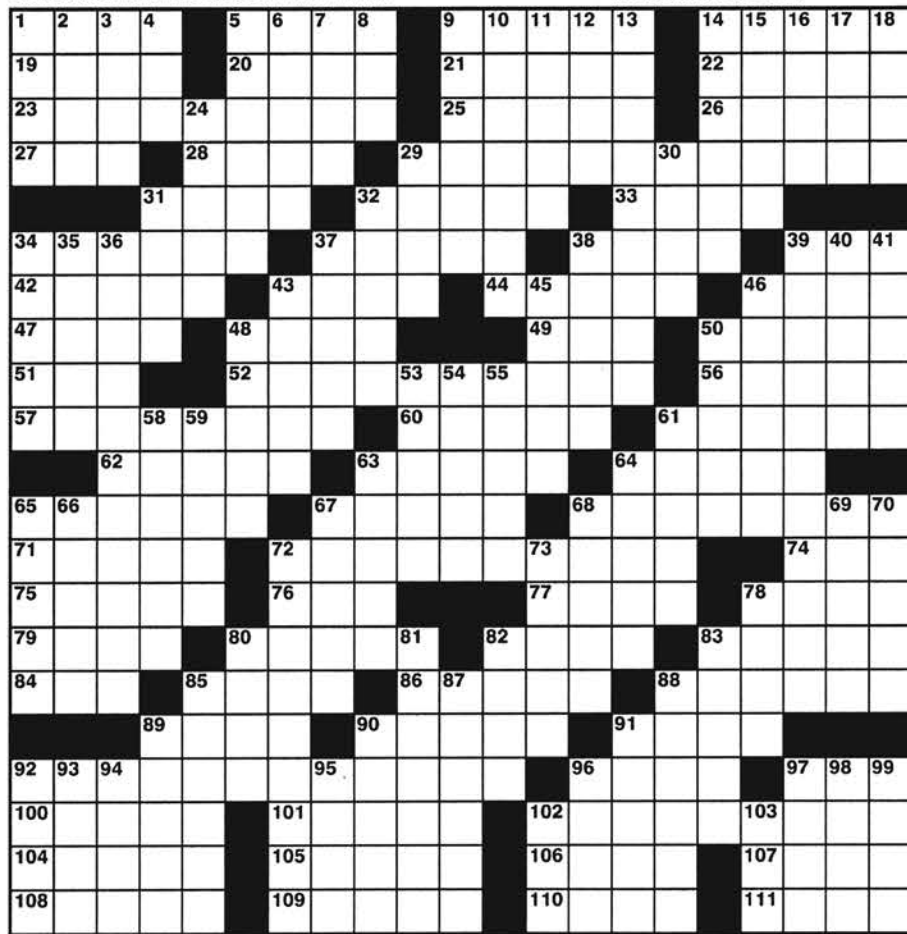
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DOWNSIZING: Not a big deal
by Frances Burton

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Max Liebermann art exhibit at Skirball

LOS ANGELES—For the first time in the U.S., the art and life of German painter Max Liebermann (1847-1935), the premier artist in Berlin from the mid-1880s until the Nazi takeover in 1933, will be the subject of a major museum exhibition, "Max Liebermann: From Realism to Impressionism," organized by the Skirball Cultural Center. The landmark retrospective—featuring more than 70 paintings and a dozen works on paper from public and private collections in Europe and the United States—will be on view at the Skirball from Sept. 15, 2005 through Jan. 29, 2006. The exhibition will then travel to The Jewish Museum in New York City, its only other venue, where it will be on view from March 10 through July 9, 2006.

The exhibition spans the stylistic and thematic phases of Liebermann's prolific career, from his renowned Realist interpretations of Dutch peasant life to his singular approach to Impressionism, and examines the relationship between the many phases of his art and the changing social and political climate in which he lived and worked. The great majority of the collected works will be new to American viewers. The exhibition catalogue (Skirball Cultural Center, \$29.95 paperback), also entitled "Max Liebermann: From Realism to Impressionism," will be the first monograph on Liebermann in English.

Liebermann, the descendant of a well-established German Jewish family, was a celebrity in his own day. He was famous not only for his art but for his robust leadership in the cultural life of Berlin. He served as president of the Berlin Secession from 1898 until 1910 and was ultimately honored with the presidency of the Prussian Academy of Art from 1920 through 1932, during the Weimar Republic. Attaining such a position of civic authority was possible for a Jew only during this brief democratic period of German history. Upon Adolf Hitler's ascension to power, however, in 1933, Liebermann was forced to resign from this distinguished post.

Considered the greatest German painter of his day, he died in 1935 as a non-citizen, with no notice taken of his death in the German press.

Skirball Cultural Center is located at 2701 N. Sepulveda Blvd. in Los Angeles. Exhibition admission is \$8 general, \$6 seniors and students. Parking is free. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday, noon-5 p.m.; extended hours on Thursdays until 9 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed Mondays. Parking is free. For general information, the public may call (310) 440-4500 or visit www.skirball.org.

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Armenian Memorial Day picnic

DOWNEY—Immanuel Armenian Congregational Church, 9516 Downey Ave. in Downey, will hold its Memorial Day Picnic Monday, May 30 from 11 a.m.-dusk.

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Syphax plays Sundays at the Nordic Fox

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His favorites include James Taylor, Jime Croce, America, Eagles and Don McClean.

Syphax has opened for such well-known acts as Oingo Boingo, the Go Go's, and Josie Cotton.

There is no cover but reservatoinns are suggested as seating is limited.

The Nordic Fox is at Third Street and Paramount Blvd. in Downey. Call 869-1414 for reservations and information.

Acting, music, and dance workshop

LONG BEACH—The Long Beach Playhouse offers its 21st annual Summer Youth Workshop in acting, music, and dance for youth ages 7-16 June 20 thru July 15 (no classes on July 4). Classes will be held at the Playhouse, 5021 E. Anaheim St. in Long Beach, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m.-12 noon. Tuition is \$150 inclusive for the month-long session.

Enrollment is limited to 45 students. The classes have a 15 to 1 student-to-teacher ratio. Each day students will have an hour of music, an hour of dance, and an hour of acting with professional instructors. Returning to teach classes in acting and dance are Terra Taylor Knutson, Victoria Baker and Andrew Zacharias.

Acting classes include improvisation and scene study. Dance classes consist of musical comedy dance techniques. Music classes include vocal projection, enunciation, song preparation and performance

Workshop brochures and applications are available by calling (562) 494-1014, ext. 501. Since enrollment is limited, applications are accepted in order of the date received.

For more information, visit the Playhouse website at www.LBPH.com.

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PRE-CAMP ORIENTATION MEETING: Saturday, June 4th
10:30 a.m. -12 noon at Maude Price Site 9525 Tweedy LN., Downey



SMOOTH SAILING – Century 21 set sails from Real Estate for a Saturday Sailing Regatta, held May 14 in Long Beach. Easter Seals of Southern California and Century 21 sponsored the sailing contest and donated money raised to Easter Seals. Nine sailboats raced against man and sea to a photo finish in which Century 21 My Real Estate finished second. In the end, Century 21 My Real Estate donated \$2,500 to Easter Seals, in addition to their annual \$20,000 donation. Pictured, from left: Easter Seals representatives with Century 21 team members Angie Pierce, Janet Baez, Benny Sanabria, Lorena Amaya, Anthony Rodriguez, Jesse Ibarra, Sal Serrano and Maria Cibrian.

CareMore Building sold for \$2.8 million

DOWNEY—CareMore Medical Building, a 27,729 sq-ft three-story office building located at 9040 Telegraph Road in the city of Downey, has been sold for \$2.8 million, it was announced by Colliers Seeley International, which offers commercial real estate services throughout Southern California.

The building is currently occupied by CareMore Medical Group and other physicians with private medical practices. The building was 30 percent vacant at the time of sale. The buyer was Jesmar Properties.

'Packages of Gratitude' meeting topic

DOWNEY—The public is invited to the Citizens for Downey breakfast meeting Wednesday, June 8 at the Rio Hondo Country Club.

Mary Ann Cordoba, founder of "Packages of Gratitude," will speak about the patriotic program and its successes. The program gives support to our troops, as individuals, that are serving in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Falling between Memorial Day and Independence Day, her message should be most timely.

UCLA seeks adults for memory study

WESTWOOD—Although it has been found that the drug Aricept delayed patients' progression to Alzheimer's disease by a year, UCLA says more research needs to be completed to further assess Aricept's role in delaying the disease. UCLA is thus seeking healthy adults 40 to 90 years old for a study evaluating the effectiveness of Aricept compared with a placebo in helping to delay age-related memory loss. Investigators also will study the genetics of memory loss.

To participate in the 18-month study, adults must have memory loss complaints. An initial screening will involve a physical exam, electrocardiogram and blood test—including an optional blood test to analyze the presence of a gene that may be related to Alzheimer's disease.

At the beginning (and end) of the study, participants will receive a Magnetic Resonance Imaging Brain Scan (MRI), a Positron Emission Tomography Bran Scan (PET) and neuropsychological testing to evaluate ability to concentrate, think and remember.

Next, volunteers will be randomly assigned (similar to the flipping of a coin) to one of two groups. One group will receive a 5 mg. daily dose of Aricept, which will increase to 10 mg. after six weeks; the other group will receive a placebo.

The most frequent side effects of Aricept include nausea, diarrhea, trouble sleeping, vomiting, muscle cramps, fatigue and decreased appetite.

Volunteers will receive up to \$275 for participation in the study. For more information, contact the UCLA Aging and Memory Research Center, (310) 206-7392.



PRUDENTIAL 24 HOUR REAL ESTATE – And Downey Adult School are offering a new "Live" Real Estate Principles Course, an introductory class into the business of real estate. Classes are scheduled to begin June 9.

Prudential, Adult School teaming up

DOWNEY – Prudential 24 Hour Real Estate and Downey Adult School have teamed up to offer a "Live" Real Estate Principles Course, designed to lay a solid foundation of knowledge for the beginning real estate student.

The course will satisfy all state requirements and offer preparation for the California Real Estate Exam.

The class costs \$199, which includes text book, live classes and a two-day weekend crash course just prior to the state exam. Jaime Caranza is the instructor.

Classes begin June 9 at 6 p.m. at the Prudential 24 Hour Real Estate Training Center, 8635 Florence Avenue, suite 200. For more information, call Downey Adult School at 940-6200 or Prudential at 861-7257.

'The 14th Tribe' presented at EZRA

DOWNEY—At the EZRA Center for Mature Adults' meeting Tuesday, June 21, Hal Raiklen, who is no stranger to EZRA, will make a slide presentation on "The 14th Tribe?"—the story of a Japanese young man in search of his Jewish roots, who, in the end, must decide whether he is a descendant of the Ten Lost Tribes, or of an emperor, who converted to Judaism, or what?

A short documentary will also be shown entitled "Visas and Virtue," inspired by the true story of Chiune Sugihara, a Japanese diplomat stationed in Lithuania, who saved over 2,000 Jews by issuing them transit visas through Kobe just before WWII.

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CENTURY 21 MY REAL ESTATE – Has added Moises Lievano to their staff. He graduated from East Los Angeles College where he studied Computer Programming and has worked for Liz Claiborne. "I'm very excited about joining this outstanding company," stated Lievano. "I'm looking forward to using the tools Century 21 offers to help clients achieve their goals and believe being bilingual will enhance my service." He can be reached at 927-2626.

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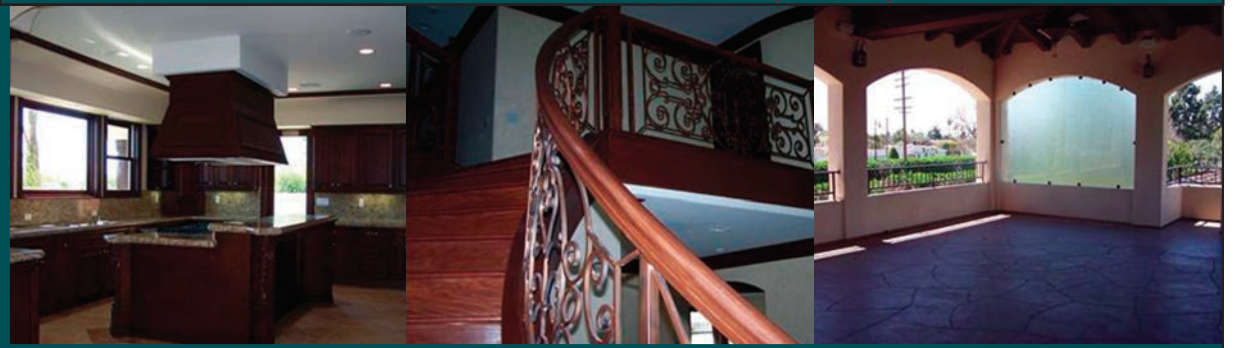
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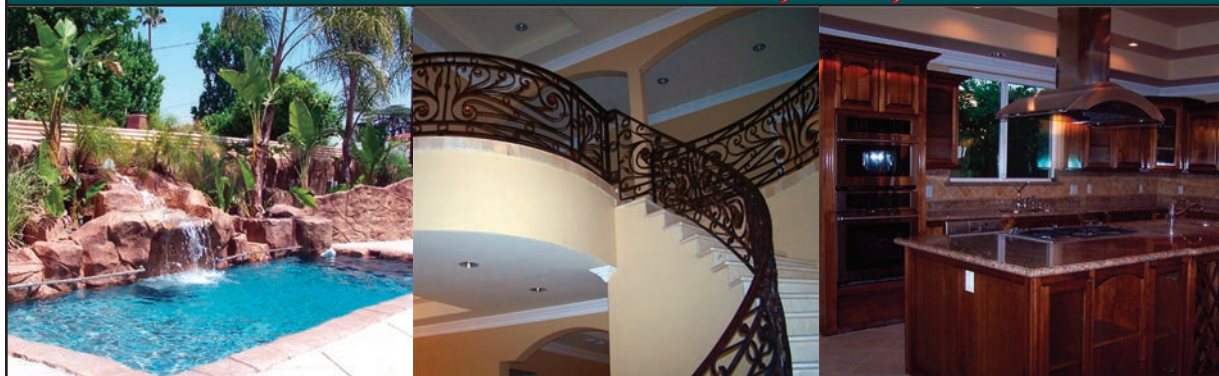
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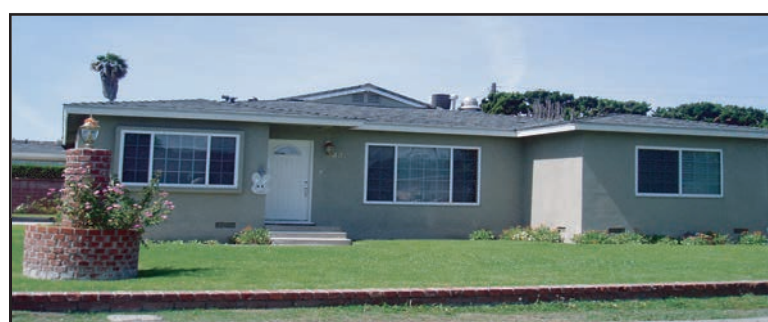


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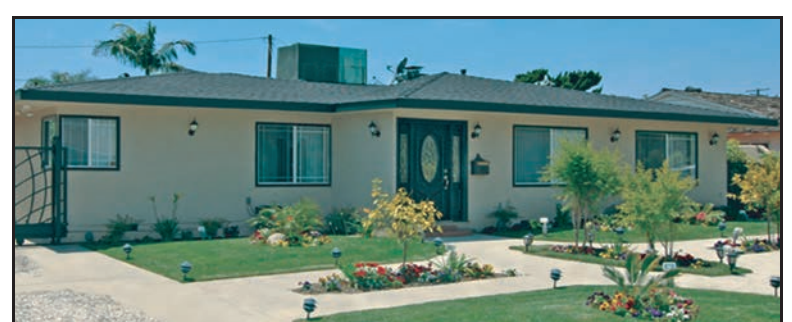


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