



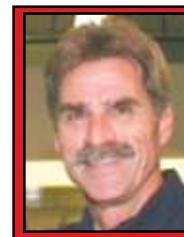
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Stretch of Paramount to be repaved

DOWNEY – An Orange County company has won the contract to repave a stretch of Paramount Boulevard.

R.J. Noble will repave a little more than a quarter-mile of roadway on Paramount Boulevard, between Florence Avenue and Lubec Street.

The \$753,894 contract was awarded to R.J. Noble Company, of Orange, on an unanimous vote by the City Council.

That particular stretch of road has “extensive” cracking and patches due to pavement repair and utility work, said public works director John Oskoui. It has deteriorated to a point that it cannot be repaired through routine street maintenance.

R.J. Noble will rehabilitate the street and curbs, adjust manholes and valve covers, and replace striping and pavement markings. They will also install a conduit for a future upgrade of the traffic signal communication system, Oskoui wrote in a staff report.

The firm has completed similar projects in Long Beach and Westminster.

On the recommendation of Mayor Pro Tem Fernando Vasquez, the city will negotiate to have the work completed during nighttime hours to minimize traffic delays.

Vasquez also reiterated the need for street work on Lakewood Boulevard, north of Florence Avenue.

Funding for the project comes from a federal transportation program and Prop. C funds.

Little league installing scoreboards

DOWNEY – Northwest Downey Little League will install two electronic scoreboards at Furman Park in time for opening day on Feb. 23.

According to the terms of a memorandum of understanding approved by the City Council on Tuesday, NWDLL will pay for the LED-lit scoreboards and installation.

The scoreboards become property of the city but NWDLL is responsible for their maintenance and liability insurance.

Plans call for the scoreboards, which each measure 4 ft. by 8 ft., to be installed in right-center field on the north field, and in left-center on the south field, four feet behind the home run fences. They would be powered using electricity from the snack shack and operated with wireless remotes.

No advertising is allowed on the scoreboards and the only acceptable logo is that of NWDLL.

Other sports leagues can use the scoreboards but must reimburse the city for electricity costs, according to the MOU.

The MOU doesn’t include a construction start date, but NWDLL is paying the city a refundable deposit worth 50 percent of the construction costs in the unlikely event that city crews need to complete the work themselves.

NWDLL has operated at Furman Park since 1957. The organization’s predecessor, North Downey Little League, donated a baseball diamond and bleachers to Furman Park’s original development in 1956, said parks and recreation director Arlene Salazar.

FEMA GRANT PAYING FOR 9 NEW FIREFIGHTERS



Photo by Eric Pierce

Engine 61, pictured above at Fire Station 1, was taken out of service last summer due to budget cuts. It is expected to be back in operation by July 1.

Fire engine going back into service

• FEMA grants Downey \$1.8 million to hire firefighters, restore engine.

By Eric Pierce
Editor

DOWNEY – Downey officials announced Tuesday that a fire engine shut down last summer due to budget cuts will be put back in service after the city secured a \$1.8 million FEMA grant.

The money will be used to hire nine firefighters to man Engine 61 out of Fire Station 1 on Paramount Boulevard. The city is also filling three previously open positions for a total of 12 new firefighters.

All new hires will be EMT-Ps,

meaning they are cross-trained as firefighters and paramedics.

The fire engine is expected to be back on Downey streets no later than July 1, officials said.

News of the grant approval broke Tuesday afternoon and Mayor Mario Guerra made the announcement at that night’s council meeting to loud applause.

Facing an \$11 million budget deficit, council members shut down the fire engine July 1, a move that saved Downey \$1.8 million but increased firefighter response times throughout the city. It also prompted the fire union to begin a push to disband the Downey Fire Department and bring in the more robust L.A. County Fire.

Budget cuts had reduced total fire personnel from 63 in 2011 to 54 today, union leaders said. The union

also agreed to reduced medical and retirement benefits.

Firefighters are gathering signatures for a potential charter amendment that would take away residents’ right to decide a move to L.A. County fire and police services. Instead, the fire union prefers the decision be made by the city council.

It’s unclear if this latest news will change the fire union’s stance.

“Public safety is and will remain a high priority for our city and I want to extend my gratitude to Fire Chief Lonnie Croom and his staff for their hard work in securing this grant,” Guerra said in a statement.

“During my swearing-in last December, I stated that one of my goals as mayor was to find a way to bring back our fire engine and I am proud that we will be able to accom-

plish this.”

“We are extremely pleased to have been successful in being a recipient of this FEMA grant and look forward to providing the quality of service that our community deserves,” added Croom.

City officials admitted the FEMA grant is only a stop-gap and council members will need to find additional revenue sources to continue funding the fire engine heading into the next fiscal year.

The giant Tierra Luna retail development at Downey Studios will include a new fire station and is expected to generate several million dollars in additional yearly tax revenue but that project is still in its early stages.

The debt would be paid using federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money, which has historically been used to help fund social programs and reduce blight in low- to moderate-income neighborhoods.

CDBG funding, however, has been reduced by the federal government over the last several years, including a recent \$400,000 cut, from \$1.5 million in 2011 to \$1.1 million last year. If the program is eliminated entirely, city leaders would have to find another way to pay down the debt and “this could include using general fund dollars if no other funding source can be identified,” community development director Brian Saeki wrote in a report to the City Council.

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Priority for the center’s use would be given to area residents and “partnerships are already being developed” to provide space for after-school childcare programs to benefit low-income residents.

City officials also envision using the center for neighborhood watch meetings and as a cooling center for the elderly during hot summer months.

–Eric Pierce, editor

Traffic signal planned near East Middle School

• Officials hope traffic light will protect kids walking to East Middle School.

DOWNEY – Plans are moving forward to install a traffic signal at Woodruff Avenue and Via Amorita to protect the hundreds of neighborhood kids who walk to East Middle School.

School administrators asked the

city for help due to the daily crush of students and cars that create gridlock for local residents before and after school.

“We’ve had several kids injured at that location,” said Councilman Roger Brossmer.

A survey by public works staff found that about 8,100 vehicles travel Woodruff Avenue near East Middle School on weekdays, in addition to about 700 pedestrians,

mostly school-age children.

City and school officials hope a traffic signal better protects students as they cross the intersection to and from school. A crossing guard will remain in place.

The traffic light will include video detection cameras allowing city workers to monitor traffic from City Hall and LED pedestrian countdowns. Crews will install curb ramps and new striping as well.

The total cost is estimated at nearly \$195,000 and will be paid for using federal highway safety funds.

Construction is expected to start in March after the city selects a contractor. The traffic signal should be fully installed before the new school year begins in September.

–Eric Pierce, editor

Downey seeks \$3M loan to build shuttle housing

DOWNEY – With the city’s full-size space shuttle mockup still sitting under a temporary tent on the Downey Studios parking lot, the City Council this week authorized a \$3 million loan application with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to construct permanent housing for the shuttle.

If the loan is approved, the money would be used to build an approximately 18,000 square foot “neighborhood center” adjacent to the Columbia Memorial Space Center to house the 128-ft. wooden shuttle replica. The facility would also provide public meeting space for residents in the low-income Elm Vista neighborhood directly next to the space center.

The shuttle replica – officially named “Inspiration” and built by Boeing engineers several decades ago – is not expected to be a regional draw because a real space shuttle, the Endeavour, is only 10 miles away at the California Science Center.

In addition to the mockup, the facility would house “lesser-known artifacts” from Downey’s extensive role in the Apollo and space shuttle programs. City officials are also trying to secure items from NASA’s shuttle landing facility in Orlando.

A decision on the loan application is expected within 3-6 months. If the loan is approved, the city could have cash on hand by fall.

The interest rate is expected to be about 2.54 percent on the 20-year note. Downey officials are proposing to pay down the interest in years 1-4, followed by 15 annual payments of \$187,500 to cover the principal.

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–Eric Pierce, editor

Community

IRS will begin processing tax returns Jan. 30

Tax season starts later than usual this year due to delayed fiscal cliff deal.

WASHINGTON — Following the January tax law changes made by Congress under the American Taxpayer Relief Act (ATRA), the Internal Revenue Service announced this week it plans to open the 2013 filing season and begin processing individual income tax returns on Jan. 30.

The IRS will begin accepting tax returns on that date after updating forms and completing programming and testing of its processing systems. This will reflect the bulk of the late tax law changes enacted Jan. 2.

The announcement means that the vast majority of tax filers -- more than 120 million households -- should be able to start filing tax returns starting Jan. 30.

The IRS estimates that remaining households will be able to start filing in late February or into March because of the need for more extensive form and processing systems changes. This group includes people claiming residential energy credits, depreciation of property or general business credits. Most of

those in this group file more complex tax returns and typically file closer to the April 15 deadline or obtain an extension.

"We have worked hard to open tax season as soon as possible," IRS Acting Commissioner Steven T. Miller said. "This date ensures we have the time we need to update and test our processing systems."

The IRS will not process paper tax returns before the anticipated Jan. 30 opening date. There is no advantage to filing on paper before the opening date, and taxpayers will receive their tax refunds much faster by using e-file with direct deposit.

"The best option for taxpayers is to file electronically," Miller said.

The opening of the filing season follows passage by Congress of an extensive set of tax changes in ATRA on Jan. 1, 2013, with many affecting tax returns for 2012. While the IRS worked to anticipate the late tax law changes as much as possible, the final law required that the IRS update forms and instructions as well as make critical processing system adjustments before it can begin accepting tax returns.

The IRS originally planned to open electronic filing this year on Jan. 22; more than 80 percent of

taxpayers filed electronically last year.

Who Can File Starting Jan. 30?

The IRS anticipates that the vast majority of all taxpayers can file starting Jan. 30, regardless of whether they file electronically or on paper. The IRS will be able to accept tax returns affected by the late Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) patch as well as the three major "extender" provisions for people claiming the state and local sales tax deduction, higher education tuition and fees deduction and educator expenses deduction.

Who Can't File Until Later?

There are several forms affected by the late legislation that require more extensive programming and testing of IRS systems. The IRS hopes to begin accepting tax returns including these tax forms between late February and into March; a specific date will be announced in the near future.

The key forms that require more extensive programming changes include Form 5695 (Residential Energy Credits), Form 4562 (Depreciation and Amortization) and Form 3800 (General Business Credit). A full listing of the forms that won't be accepted until later is available on IRS.gov.

As part of this effort, the IRS will be working closely with the tax software industry and tax professional community to minimize delays and ensure as smooth a tax season as possible under the circumstances.

Updated information will be posted on IRS.gov.



Photo by Eric Pierce

Mayor Mario Guerra has lost 26 pounds since starting his "Healthy Downey" initiative last month. Guerra, pictured weighing-in at Tuesday's City Council meeting, is sponsoring a series of community walks, the first of which to be held this Wednesday on the Downey High School track starting at 6 p.m.

Mayor releases community walk schedule

DOWNEY — As part of his "Healthy Downey" campaign as mayor, Mario Guerra will begin hosting twice-monthly community walks to encourage healthy eating and an active lifestyle.

Walks will be held Wednesdays at different parts of town. The first two walks — Jan. 16 and Jan. 23 — will be held on the Downey High School track.

Residents are invited to walk while sharing their ideas and concerns with the mayor.

Walks start at 6 p.m. and are expected to last about an hour.

"I'm excited to be able to begin the first ever 'Mayor's Walking Wednesdays' and look forward to interacting with our residents and sharing with them all of the great things that are going on in our city," Guerra said.

Future walks are scheduled for Feb. 6 and 20 (Columbia Memorial Space Center); March 13 and 27 (Civic Center); April 10 and 24 (Downey schools, exact locations TBA); May 8 and 22 (Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center) and June 12 and 26 (Apollo Park and Wilderness Park, respectively).

For more information or a detailed list of the walking schedule, go online to downeyca.org or call (562) 904-7274.

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The awards are issued annually

by Soroptimist clubs in 19 countries and territories to assist women who are working to better their lives.

Award winners can use the cash award to help them finish school, including paying for books, child-care and transportation. The cash award varies from club to club.

Award winners also become eligible to receive region-level awards, which are granted through Soroptimist's 28 geographic regions.

Applications are due Tuesday and can be downloaded from soroptimistdowney.org.

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A LOOK AT DOWNEY'S LEADING DOCTORS

MEET SOME OF DOWNEY'S FINEST NEIGHBORHOOD PHYSICIANS

More than 16 years ago AppleCare Medical Group was formed right here in Downey. At the time it was known as Downey IPA and most of its physicians worked in Downey and had privileges at Downey Regional Medical Center.

Over the years AppleCare has worked hard to improve the way that it delivers care to its members. It has expanded its network of specialists, embraced the latest technology like Electronic Medical Records (EMR) and has increased its ability to provide options for its members by contracting with most of the commercial and Medicare health plans in the area. Most recently AppleCare became a Medicare approved Accountable Care Organization (ACO).

But the one thing that hasn't changed is the commitment AppleCare physicians have to their community. Many of their more than 800 primary care and specialist private-practice, independent physicians still practice medicine right here in Downey and the surrounding cities. They are dedicated to providing you and your family members with the highest level of health care possible. And they hold on to one simple philosophy: "The patient's needs come first."

Here we have listed some of the physicians in the Downey Area. If you are looking for a new doctor or are trying to find a way to get back to one of these doctors, please contact AppleCare Medical Group and they can guide you on how to do that. AppleCare is composed of independent physicians who run his or her own practices. We've indicated those physicians that can only be accessed through AppleCare Medical Group with a small apple like this one.

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Anaheim woman vanishes taking a walk in Downey

• Friends and family search for Lacey Brooks, missing since Nov. 29.

By Christian Brown
Staff Writer

DOWNEY — Mike Brooks hasn't seen or heard from his daughter Lacey in what seems to be the longest 44 days of his life.

"She left note saying she was going for a walk — she didn't come back," he said fighting back tears.

"It's very frustrating not knowing where she is...she hasn't contacted any of her friends, which is unusual for Lacey," Brooks added. "We don't know what else to do."

Hoping to broaden their search effort, friends and family of Lacey Brooks are calling on the public to help check local hospitals, post flyers, and report any leads concerning the whereabouts of the 35-year-old Anaheim resident who mysteriously vanished in Downey on Nov. 29.

"We are trying to stay positive and find her, but some days are better than others," said Linda Kricfalusi, Lacey's mother, who filed a report with the Anaheim Police Department the day her daughter went missing.

"Lacey had been living with me, but she was staying with her dad the morning she left to go for a walk," Kricfalusi said. "She loves to travel and does like to be off by herself, but she would always send a text or give me a call. For her not to come back at Christmas is out of character."

According to police, Brooks was last seen leaving her father's home in Northeast Downey on foot around 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 29. Taking her I.D., but leaving her cell phone behind, Brooks, who is 5'5" and about 100 pounds, wrote a note saying she was going for a walk and would return home later.

Lacey had recently spent time at Dennis the Menace Park in Downey and may have gone to the park to walk.

"I thought she was in her room resting," said Mike Brooks.

Family members think she might be wearing a grey fleece sweatshirt, dark blue or light grey leggings, and grey tennis shoes. She may also have a cream-colored ski hat on.

Police have not found any reason to believe there was foul play involved.



Lacey Brooks, 35, disappeared Nov. 29. She left a note saying she was taking a walk near Dennis the Menace Park and has not been heard from since.

Last month, it was falsely rumored that Lacey had been found, but the mistake occurred when Downey Police closed the case internally before passing it to Anaheim Police Department.

"She could be north, west, east, or south — we don't know," said Mike Brooks. "The biggest problem is getting information from the hospitals. Phone records are extremely difficult to get too. It hampers our search."

Nonetheless, Kricfalusi thanked those who have volunteered their time to forward missing posters and contact local media about Lacey's disappearance.

"Lacey's friends around the

world have been tremendous. Their help gives us a lot of support," she said.

Mike Brooks, a lifelong resident of Downey, said the family has also hired a private investigator to comb through e-mails and phone calls in search of any clues.

"This is very, very difficult...we don't know where to go from here," Brooks said. "I don't know what everyone could do, but prayers would help."

To report any information regarding the disappearance of Lacey Brooks, please contact the Anaheim Police Department at (714) 765-1900.

Residents may qualify for home improvement help

DOWNEY — The City of Downey's Housing Division is offering grants and rebates to help eligible residents pay for home improvement projects.

These incentives are federally funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis until funds are spent.

The city is offering two grants: the grant program and the rebate program.

Under the grant program, residents may be eligible for up to \$10,000 for home improvement projects that may be used for exterior painting, the correction of code enforcement violations, accessibility improvements for the physically disabled and to fix health and safety concerns.

The rebate program offers residents a rebate of up to \$10,000 for the improvement of their home. Based on household income, residents may qualify for a fifty percent (50%) or an eighty percent (80%) rebate. The rebate will be given after the approved scope of work has been completed and the proof of payment has been confirmed.

Some of the eligible improvements include plumbing, heating/cooling systems, exterior painting, insulation and driveway repair.

More detailed information regarding eligibility for these Home Improvement programs can be obtained by visiting the city's website at downeyca.org or by calling the City's Housing Division at (562) 904-7161.



Enrique Aranda, Mario Trujillo, Dennis Saab and Leonard Mata (pictured from left) took a copy of *The Downey Patriot* to Machu Picchu, Peru.



Warren High School's girls varsity basketball team took *The Downey Patriot* to the Nike Tournament of Champions tournament held in Phoenix during winter break. Nearly 100 top teams from throughout the country participated in the tournament. The photo was taken in front of the fountain circle at the Arizona Grand Resort, the tournament's official resort hotel.



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PROFILE

Larry McGrew knows how to enjoy the fruits of his labor

• Owner of McGrew Construction is active in Downey Rotary Club.

By Henry Veneracion
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Larry McGrew is either a naturally friendly person or has cultivated a friendly persona. Either way, he is easily one of the most popular members of the Downey Rotary Club, and one of the most dynamic: never at a loss for words, he's ever ready with a quip or a joke, or variations of it, not to shock but to amuse. In a normal social setting, he can easily fill the role of life of the party.

One of nine children (6 brothers, 3 sisters), Larry apprenticed at his dad's Bell Gardens-based construction business at age 14, and, three years later, started working as a painter. He liked doing construction work better than attending his 11th grade classes at Bell Gardens High, so he quit school altogether.

Larry has never looked back. He worked hard at everything—he learned the trade, he learned the business, and when he finally took over the enterprise in 1995 after his two older brothers successively ran it after their dad's death in 1988, he gave it everything he had.

"I wanted to succeed. I was driven by the prize—a life of fun with my family, the ability to spoil myself," he says. "Working never bothered me. It didn't matter if it was Friday or Tuesday. If there was work [to do], I did it. I worked six, seven days a week."

"I learned a lot from my par-

ents," adds Larry. "I went to church as a kid. My dad was a very good and honest businessman. He gave us direction, and then some. If we came up with a good idea and needed his support, we were never turned down if it made sense. My mother was of course a good influence as well. My parents came here from the midwest in 1940, and settled in Bell Gardens. Dad was originally from Kansas and is of German descent, while mom was from Missouri, whose folks came from Scotland."

"I got the mean part of me from my dad, the good looks from my mom," he jokes.

Divorce from his first wife in 1981 left Larry with two young kids to raise. He narrates what happened in his own words: "The most important thing that happened to me was when I married Chris, my second wife, in 1982. She took the responsibility of raising my two kids. Of course my parents watched over them too anytime I asked them to. Chris worked at Northrop and as soon as we had the other kids [they were to have three], she became a home mom. She works for our business and does any and everything that needs to get done. Today the most important thing is that we all stay healthy and have lots of fun. We love the grandkids."

They are Troy and Tyler—offspring of Larry's oldest, Larry Jr., who works at Downey's Coca-Cola plant; Lindsey, Gavin and Melanie—children of Brenda (Malof), homemaker; and Brynn, child of Amanda, who has her eyes set on nursing school (she already has her LVN license). The other two kids—Kevin (who works for his

dad at Larry McGrew Construction, Inc.) and Sean (who works for DRMC)—don't have kids.

The five all went to Downey schools.

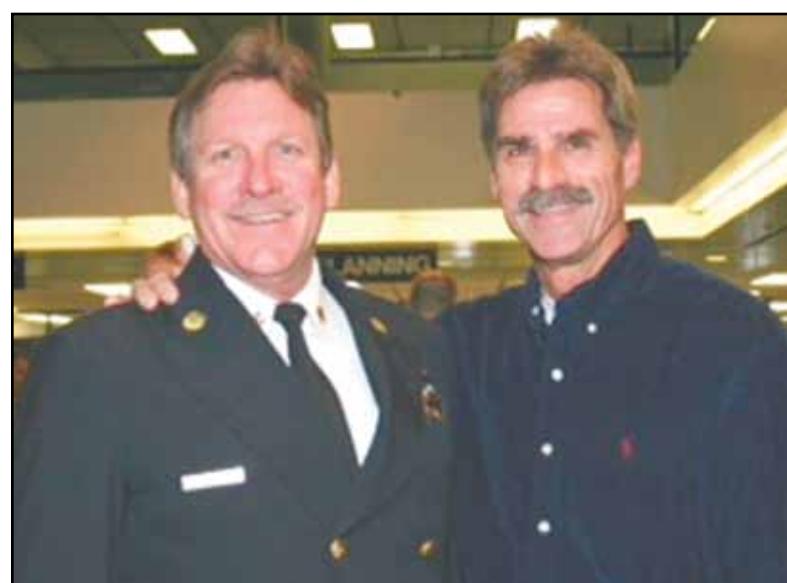
By most measures Larry has not done too badly for himself. Today, he says, "We have rental properties, 12 in Fullerton, 10 in Cudahy, one in Bell Gardens, and one here in Downey. We also have the old unit in Bell Gardens, and our residence (a 4-BR, 5-bath affair) here on Sanford-Bridge and Lubec. I bought my first house in 1976."

His annual fishing sojourn to Alaska (Kodiak, Prince of Wales Island, Sitka, etc.) for the past twenty years is impressive to say the least. He goes fishing regularly as well in Cabo San Lucas. He also enjoys pheasant and pig hunting.

Last year, in the company of close fellow Rotarian-friends Dale Self and Rich Strayer, he got to play both the old and the new course at St. Andrews. He has a perpetual tan because he seemingly plays golf more often than a pro, particularly at the Los Amigos golf course where he's a club member; the club plays at other courses as well. Occasionally, he says, he gets invited to play at a private course like Old Ranch in Seal Beach.

In addition to Scotland, he has been to Great Britain, the Greek Isles, Spain and Gibraltar, Morocco ("I didn't get close enough to a camel to get spat upon"), and visited the pyramids in Egypt. Closer to home, he has visited La Paz, Mazatlan, Cancun and Puerto Vallarta, Jamaica, the Caribbean, Guatemala, and Costa Rica.

"We've had a good 2012," Larry says, "and it looks like it's going to continue this year. The strength of the economy seems to be returning.



Larry McGrew, right, with fire chief Lonnie Croom.

Interest rates are great right now. As long as you've got good credit, you really have nothing much to worry about. You'll be able to borrow money [at good rates]."

[Federal Reserve chairman] Bernanke has said the federal funds rate (the rate banks charge each other for loans) will remain near zero until the unemployment rate drops below 6.5 percent. This situation is expected to prevail in the next two years."

"In any case, we're watching the financial situation all the time. Right now, everything (i.e., houses) is selling. Right now, we're in a wait-and-see mode."

"My sources of economic/business information are the computer and close business friends. I only get the Sunday Times and two magazines, AOA (Apartment Owners Association) and Golf."

He has this advice for anyone about joining a community organization/service club: "I never thought I would ever belong to a

club. Now that I have and been an active member of the Rotary, which I like, I would encourage anyone that feels the need to give back to join it, or any service club, and get involved as much as you can. I myself love taking the Arc consumers to the park for a bit of fishing in May. The pictures do not justify the enjoyment they experience...You need to see them reeling in the fish and hear what they're saying."

McGrew has been chairman for four years of Community Services, a board function that includes overseeing such Rotary activities and programs as Habitat for Humanity projects, Arc fishing at the park, sprucing up the neighborhood, the ARC/Rotary golf tournament, pancake breakfast, etc.

Larry has just completed doing the finishing touches (painting, stonework, etc.) on the exterior of the Arc's 3rd building, his latest project ("We buy, we sell, we keep, we remodel, we build, we rent out properties").

Optimistic about the housing industry's outlook, he says, "In the meantime, we continue to keep active with our paint and remodeling jobs. This is our basic operation anyway."

He has seen good times and bad in the industry, he says, and he has successfully weathered them: "I wouldn't trade my street smarts for anything."

Two soloists to perform at symphony concert

DOWNEY – The Downey Symphony presents its first concert of the new year on Saturday, Jan. 26, with music that bridges the old and the new, sort of like what we're doing with our calendars and our lives these days.

One work on the program was written 300 years ago. It will be played by an emerging talent, trumpeter Conrad Jones, born 22 years ago. It's a very good fit.

Under Music Director Sharon Lavery, the concert titled "Simple Pleasures" features the orchestra's strings, and includes a delightful divertimento by Mozart, Benjamin Britten's Simple Symphony and Aaron Copland's Quiet City. The Copland calls for two virtuoso soloists, and we have Conrad on trumpet and the orchestra's Catherine Del Russo on English horn, a twofer made in heaven.

Downey's fine theater is the site, at 8435 Firestone Blvd., where tickets are available at the box office, \$35, \$30 and \$10 for students. Performance time on the 26th is 8 p.m., and you will enjoy the pre-concert discussion of the evening's music at 7:15. Wine will be served in the lobby and Symphony Guild refreshments at intermission on the patio.

Parking is close to the theater and free. For more information, call the box office at (562) 861-8211 or visit the symphony's friendly website at downeysymphony.org.

Dentist moves to new location

DOWNEY – Vahid Babaeian, DDS, will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony Jan. 25 for his new location at 12102 Paramount Blvd.

The ceremony is being organized by the Downey Chamber of Commerce.

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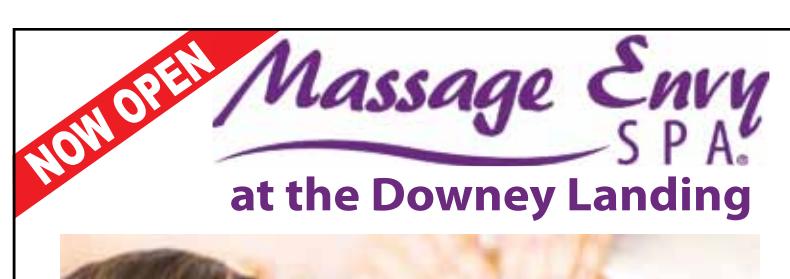

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Letters to the Editor:

Congresswoman's absence

Dear Editor:

I doubt anyone read Alex Rojo Jr.'s essay without being brought to some heightened emotion ("Christmas in Iraq," 12/27/12). He served our country, and we are in his debt as we are to all our soldiers.

Contrast his service with the lack of representation from our elected Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard. While watching C-SPAN's coverage of the House debates on Dec. 20, what do I see but a lady walk to the lectern requesting Mrs. Allard be excused from that day's participation through Jan. 2. No reason was given and the request was granted.

Rojo showed up for his assignments, working in 100-plus degree heat for hours, but Mrs. Allard failed to show up for her job during a critical time in Congress when members were in negotiations over the fiscal cliff.

I voted for Mrs. Allard but she will not get my vote again. When we needed her in Congress she was missing in action.

I've watched the Senate and House over the years when critical votes were being cast and I've seen men and women show up with oxygen tanks at their sides in wheelchairs. They recognized the importance of being in attendance and voting. Mrs. Allard failed to do her job and should not be re-elected in two years.

Jacki Kay
Downey

Liberals on the defensive

Dear Editor:

Ahh, another year of divisive politics. Life does go on!

I suppose the only silver lining of another Obama term is that liberals must remain on the defensive, which Mr. Clarke attempts to do valiantly. However, it's a rather difficult record to defend, and now that Obama has been reelected, it's time for him and the Democrats to take responsibility for their policies rather than continuing to push blame on others.

But since Mr. Clarke felt it necessary to comment on gun control and Ms. Van Leuven's letter, I feel it necessary to correct his "facts." While true that Obama inherited a massive debt, he unfortunately only increased it by a higher percentage than any president in history. Spouting the cliché of "lie of weapons of mass destruction" is so yesterday. I guess we have a difference of opinion on the definition of "lie" when every major intelligence bureau believed this "lie" at the time and said so to Bush – and by the way, aren't we seeing some of those non-existent WMDs being used in Syria right now? But oh well. You can't argue with a liberal over word definitions when they can just change them.

Obama, if I'm not mistaken, stuck to the timeline for ending the wars that Bush laid out, and kudos to him for being responsible in the foreign policy arena. No, Obama shouldn't fly commercial, yet it is unseemly for the public to spend more on the Obama holiday trips than the Brits spend on the royal family, don't you think? Didn't we fight a war to get rid of the notion of a privileged royalty? Obama did not "save" General Motors or the American car industry. Make no mistake about it. He saved the car unions and if he had any control over the matter, Michigan would not have become a right-to-work state. Democrats never bite the hands that feed them.

Whatever our many disagreements, such as Bush being "one of the worst presidents in history," Mr. Clarke and all those who enjoy a good civil debate are welcome to join our Downey Salon meetings every third Sunday of the month. Refreshments are always provided, and a good time is had by all. I imagine gun control will be our next topic!

Alaina Niemann
Downey

Beware of mailman

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to share my story. Earlier in the week I had an unfortunate incident with a Downey postal worker.

My 11-year-old daughter had some friends over and they didn't shut the front door all the way and unfortunately our two 10-lb. dogs got out and were pepper sprayed by the mailman.

Now, while I personally cannot understand how a grown man can be that scared of a dog that small (and, yes, I work with animals), I knew it was our fault our dogs were out. I approached the mailman and asked him what he sprayed my dogs with so I would know how to help them (and my 11-year-old who got it in her eyes trying to pick up the dog). This is where it gets interesting.

The mailman told me he had been spraying dogs all week and, here's the kicker, and I quote, "slamming dogs' heads and necks between the open door and the door jam." He said he has been putting his shoulder into it and slamming it as hard as he could. But it was the way he was saying it – he was proud of it. It was almost like he liked it.

He told me he wished he would have been closer to my door and he would have done it to my dog. And he didn't even have the backbone to admit that he had said it to his supervisor who he called out. I, on the other hand, freely admitted to what I said, but maybe he was just raised better.

Downey has great postal workers and this is not an attack against them. In 32 years of living here I have never had a problem. I just want the people of Downey to be careful because there are people out there who will abuse their authority knowing that you can't do or say anything to them because they are government workers.

And if anyone has a dog who suffered unexplained injuries to the head or neck recently, I would go to the post office and ask if your mailman has a lot of "dog letters" on his route. You might be surprised who is coming onto your property.

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Has society become a madhouse?

"Insane" has a clear meaning when we can look at it next to "sane" in the real world. Unfortunately, that has become more and more difficult to do, says Mike Bartos, former chief of staff at a state psychiatric hospital for the criminally insane.

"It's not just because the media rely so much now on bizarre behavior to entertain their audiences," says Bartos, author of "BASH" – Bay Area State Hospital – (mikebartos.com), a fast-paced tongue-in-cheek novel that stems from his decades of experience as a mental health-care professional.

"Take a look at what have become the 'normal' problems in modern America – some of them could be textbook examples of psychological dysfunction."

Case – or rather, cases – in point:

- **Obesity epidemic:** Denial, compulsion, addiction and sublimation are just a few mechanisms at work in the psychology of a largely obese population. Sublimation is the mature defense activity perpetrated when socially unacceptable impulses, such as sexuality, are redirected, in this case to the consumption of salty, fatty and sugary food. With more than two thirds of the U.S. population either overweight or obese, there is nothing sane about this health crisis.

- **Banking:** The financial crisis that changed the world in 2008 can be largely owed to a cluster of "too big to fail" U.S. banks and their employees who thought they could continuously repackage terrible debt loans. Meanwhile, unqualified customers snatched up properties they couldn't afford. This was an undiagnosed mega-scale gambling addiction. Many in the financial world knew it simply could not be sustained but the players continued to ante up.

- **Climate change:** Denial, denial, denial. The raw data from objective scientists overwhelmingly tells us man is largely responsible for warming global temperatures, yet we continue to use fossil fuels and to fill landfills with methane-producing waste. It's a classic case; we completely ignore symptoms and evidence to maintain the status quo.

- **A drugged nation:** Marijuana, a natural relaxant, is outlawed in most states while tobacco and alcohol – responsible for incalculable violence and sickness, as well as tens of thousands of accidents and deaths each year – are lucrative and legal vice industries. Meanwhile, some pharmaceutical companies and physicians encourage substance abuse and chemical dependency by promoting pills to ease the inevitable emotional and physical pains that come with life.

- **Many of my psychiatric patients suffered from addiction to both legal and illegal drugs.** Sometimes it was hard to tell which came first, the addiction or the other mental health issues," Bartos says. "The legal or illegal status of certain drugs seems to be completely arbitrary -- much like the behavior of a patient suffering psychosis," he says.

- **Spoiled-brat adults:** Narcissistic Personality Disorder isn't only now accepted in society, it's widely encouraged and celebrated, Bartos says. Reckless driving and road-rage are just two examples in which individuals are so self-absorbed, they believe their time and sense of entitlement are more important than the lives and safety of others. Throw on top of that our obsession with plastic surgery, need for constant attention on social media, and pre-occupation with consumer brands and we have pandemic megalomania.

- **War:** America has been at war for 10 years now, and leaders cannot say with any precision what we are doing with our current campaign in Afghanistan, nor what we accomplished with our last one in Iraq. It's as if government leaders have a masochistic, sociopathic relationship with one percent of the U.S. population – the military, and their families. Young men are shipped off in the prime of their health, and often return physically or mentally damaged, if they come back at all. "Is this sane?" Bartos asks.

Mike Bartos is currently in private psychiatric practice in the San Francisco Bay Area where he lives with his wife Jody. He has several decades of experience in the mental health field, including serving as chief of staff at a state hospital for mentally ill patients convicted of violent crimes, where he focused on forensic psychiatry

America and the Koreas

The longest, most heavily guarded border in the world, the Demilitarized Zone separating North and South Korea, could easily steal American and world headlines as the issue of the day, and most of us would be caught blindsided, says Ian R. Kelley, who served 35 years in the U.S. Department of Defense.

"Sure, there are plenty of competing issues out there, but I don't think our leaders or media give proper attention to the two Koreas – neither the immediacy of their issues nor the long-term potential consequences," says Kelley, author of "UNCIVIL SERVANTS," (<http://tinyurl.com/cd9ne4o>), a political thriller that fictionalizes an attempt to open borders at the 38th parallel, uniting North and South Korea.

He reviews the five major ways the two Koreas may affect the United States, and the rest of the world:

- **U.S. military personnel:** More than 30,000 U.S. military, Department of Defense civilians and contractors live and work under constant threat from the last remnant of the "Bamboo Curtain," says Kelley. With ongoing conflicts and threats continuing throughout the Middle East and North Africa, a renewed shooting war between the two sides would stress an already stretched-thin military.

- **Same as the old boss?** Global uncertainty: Kim Jong-un, the North Korean leader since his father Kim Jong-il died in 2011, made a surprise New Year's broadcast on state media. He called for an end to confrontation between the two Koreas – still officially at war without a peace treaty ending their 1950-53 conflict. But this will not be the first olive branch from the North; past statements have been used for tactical purposes only. Very little is known about the new leader, furthering the guardedness of regional neighbors.

- **A reunited Korea – the good:** Most agree the world would be a safer,

more humane place when, and if, North and South Korea unite. Putting an end to famine and starvation in the North, dramatically reducing the threat of nuclear war and preventing weapons of mass destruction from falling into the hands of terrorist organizations is an imperative.

- **A reunited Korea – the bad:** Some in the Japanese government fear the industrial might of a reunited Korea. The abundance of the North's natural resources coupled with the South's technology and innovation could have devastating results for Japan's economy. China worries about the new border and how that nation's security will be guaranteed. Even some labor union leaders in South Korea worry about the consequences if millions of workers flock south seeking a better life.

- **Friends & enemies (a delicate balance):** Should hostilities flare up between the North and South, powerful allies on both sides would be drawn into the fray. The U.S. would almost certainly side with the south, damaging any negotiations with those who may side with the North, including Russia.

Reunification of the Koreas is inevitable, Kelley says, but the many unknowns about the North compound the potential negative effects.

"Remember, there are still shots being fired in the DMZ – most recently, an unconfirmed report that North Korean soldiers killed two 'defectors' who were trying to cross to the South," Kelley says. "It is not a stable area."

Ian R. Kelley retired from the Department of Defense in 2005 after 35 years service. For many years, he lived and worked in South Korea teaching English and communications skills to Korean and U.S. military personnel. He worked as a professor at Keimyung College University in Daegu, South Korea.

Guilt-free choices for moms

As a professional life coach, I'm privileged to have some very successful career women as clients. I've discovered that many of them face challenges quite different than those encountered by men. For example, consider the deep feelings of guilt many working mothers experience. They feel as if they are being split in half and would gladly sacrifice a pair of Manolo Blahnik shoes for more hours in the day. When we are dealing with a female who is voluntarily willing to give up her high-end shoes, you know we have a serious issue. Just as serious is the confusion between making a decision and making a choice. Many of these educated women suffer from the consequences of their choices and struggle with making better choices they can live with and feel good about.

Humbly speaking, I believe a process and a skill set are associated with decision and choice making. In order to recognize the difference--as well as the need to learn or improve upon the skill set--a person must be open to personal growth. Each new client has discovered that something is "off" in that individual's life, and he/she wants to turn it back on. Often the issues

Missing trees

Dear Editor:

I am very disappointed, along with some neighbors that I have spoke with so far, that our trees on Stewart and Gray Road were cut down today (Jan. 9).

I wake up to find that the trees across the street were cut down, then a few hours later, someone knocks on my door asking me to move my car since I was parked under a tree on my side of the street. When I inquired for the reason why the trees were being cut down, the person simply told me that the city had hired them to cut down the trees so the curbs and sidewalks could be fixed.

Personally, I do not recall receiving any information about the plans. A heads up would have been nice; a letter stating the plans, a phone call perhaps, even a flier would have sufficed, instead of waking up to a big surprise, the street without trees.

In the future, I would highly encourage the city of Downey to give the residents of a neighborhood a notice ahead of time if there is work to be done in their area, that way they will not be waking up in the morning or arriving home in the afternoon to find a big surprise and thinking "what the heck happened?"

Guillermo Vazquez

Downey

are related to the choices made, which, in turn, have led the client to seek my assistance.

Oftentimes the two words (decision and choice) are used interchangeably, when, in fact, they have complete and separate meanings. Let's start with decision, which means "to reach a conclusion or pass judgment on an issue." A choice is defined as "a selection from a number of options." To simplify: you make a decision to have dessert after dinner, and then you choose between ice cream, cake, or pie--keeping in mind that a moment on the lips is like an inch to the hips. Oh please, I'm a man who loves hips; go with the cake. I do digress.

My helpful guide, "5 Simple Steps to Choosing Your Path," (sorry, shameless plug) illustrates five simple, but powerfully impactive, steps to making wiser choices. Once applied to our daily lives, these steps have proven quite effective in their simplicity.

1. Think it out: That should be logical process, but a lot of times in life, we merely react based on experience, the past, emotions, or a myriad of other reasons, without giving much prior thought to making a choice.

2. Willingness to deal with the consequences through ownership: Yes, we have to own our choices. We can't point fingers of blame at others when things don't work out and only take credit for the good. We must own all of our choices.

3. Accept responsibility: Whether you like it or not, choices mean responsibility. Now you're getting into deeper waters. When we step up and claim responsibility, we are indeed stepping up.

4. Be accountable: When you hold yourself accountable, the message is, "This is on me." And that truly takes strength of character.

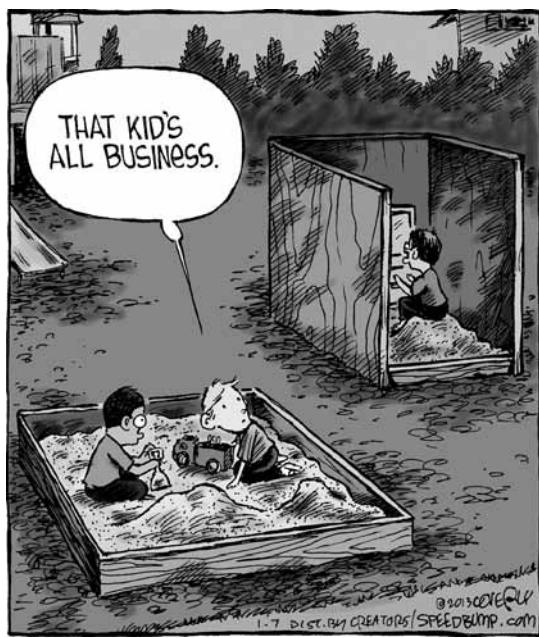
5. Be honest: This is admittedly the hardest step for a lot of people. Some of us simply find it too difficult to look into the reflected image of truth, which can hurt. The tendency to develop safety mechanisms, in an attempt to protect one's heart, can be too great. Unfortunately, not being honest with yourself in your daily choices can only delay the inevitable, as well as make matters worse. Here's the good news: by practicing the art of honesty, telling the truth becomes easier.

It's never too late in life to do better, be better, and become better. Take a walk to the water's edge, and look out. For as far as the eyes can see and beyond, endless possibilities exist, and they all start with your choices. Choices are a birthright that each of us possesses without purchase; they're absolutely free.

After serving in the U.S. Army and earning his degree in business administration, W. Granville Brown embarked on a successful career in the insurance industry spanning two decades. He later became committed to improving the lives of others by encouraging inward reflection

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Jan. 10, 1776: Thomas Paine published the pamphlet "Common Sense."

1863: London's Metropolitan, the world's first underground passenger railway, opened to the public.

1964: The Beatles' first album in the United States, "Introducing the Beatles," was released.

2007: President George W. Bush announced he would send a "surge" of 21,500 U.S. forces to Iraq.

Birthdays: Singer Frank Sinatra Jr. (69), rocker Rod Stewart (68), rocker Donald Fagen (65), retired boxer George Foreman (64), rocker Pat Benetar (60), singer Shawn Colvin (57), wrestler Buff Bagwell (43) and boxer Felix Trinidad (40).

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by Gail Grabowski

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22	Part of USNA	93	"Let us know," initially	124	Reporter's reference	125	Reporter's reference	126	Reporter's reference	127	Reporter's reference	128	Reporter's reference	129	Reporter's reference	130	Reporter's reference	131	Reporter's reference	132	Reporter's reference
23	Water-cooler talk	94	Luau souvenir	125	Reporter's reference	126	Reporter's reference	127	Reporter's reference	128	Reporter's reference	129	Reporter's reference	130	Reporter's reference	131	Reporter's reference	132	Reporter's reference	133	Reporter's reference
25	Playground structures	95	Airport alternative	131	Reporter's reference	132	Reporter's reference	133	Reporter's reference	134	Reporter's reference	135	Reporter's reference	136	Reporter's reference	137	Reporter's reference	138	Reporter's reference	139	Reporter's reference
27	Like some waves	96	Concord, for example	132	Reporter's reference	133	Reporter's reference	134	Reporter's reference	135	Reporter's reference	136	Reporter's reference	137	Reporter's reference	138	Reporter's reference	139	Reporter's reference	140	Reporter's reference
28	Spiral: Pref.	97	"Winning" everything"	135	Reporter's reference	136	Reporter's reference	137	Reporter's reference	138	Reporter's reference	139	Reporter's reference	140	Reporter's reference	141	Reporter's reference	142	Reporter's reference	143	Reporter's reference
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36	Halloween decorations	103	Go like hotcakes	164	Reporter's reference	165	Reporter's reference	166	Reporter's reference	167	Reporter's reference	168	Reporter's reference	169	Reporter's reference	170	Reporter's reference	171	Reporter's reference	172	Reporter's reference
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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer



ter stopping the medication.

The FDA recently issued a warning that taking a statin may increase the risk of developing type 2 diabetes. Some studies show as much as a 12% greater risk than for non-statin users. While the statistical benefit of reducing heart attacks far outweighs the risk of developing diabetes, you can bet that this issue is receiving more research attention.

About 10% of patients see liver enzymes rise after starting a statin, but these eventually return to normal.

Due to this side effect, your doctor will periodically check your liver enzymes. Interestingly, these mild elevations do not appear to lead to long-term liver problems, and some researchers are even investigating using statins to treat mild elevations resulting from a condition known as fatty liver.

The most recent area of concern is memory loss. Studies suggest that memory loss or changes in thinking skills is a risk mainly among older statin users, that it has been observed for some within days of starting treatment with statins, and that the problem seems to disappear after stopping the drug. There is no evidence to suggest that statins lead to permanent memory loss.

So, why should anyone take a statin? The possible benefits depend on your cholesterol level as well as other cardiovascular risk factors. If your only risk factor is high cholesterol, you may not need this medication because your risk of heart attack and stroke could still be low. Note that high cholesterol is only one of a number of risk factors for heart attack and stroke, which also include family history of heart disease, hypertension, having diabetes, obesity, smoking cigarettes, and living an inactive lifestyle.

In conjunction with these other risk factors, however, it is very clear that high cholesterol levels do have a direct impact on heart attack or stroke risk. We can lower cholesterol levels (as well as triglycerides, another form of lipid in the bloodstream) in a number of ways:

Eating a heart-healthy diet can reduce LDL ("bad" cholesterol) levels by 10%.

Losing 5 to 10% of body weight can reduce LDL by 15% and reduce triglycerides by 20%.

Exercising for at least two and a half hours per week can further reduce triglycerides by 20% to 30%.

Quitting smoking, managing stress, and making other lifestyle changes can lead to further reductions

My patients and my regular readers won't be surprised to hear me preach that exercise and other lifestyle measures are the cornerstone to reducing cholesterol levels. However, it still may be necessary to take a statin or some other cholesterol-lowering medication. Statins can quickly reduce LDL (bad cholesterol) by 50% or more. They can also boost HDL (good cholesterol) by as much as 15%. These changes typically occur within the first month!

But more important than simply lowering cholesterol numbers, statins have been shown to reduce the risk of coronary events by 25% to 40%. If a patient has existing coronary artery disease, statins can decrease atherosclerosis and stabilize plaque already formed in arteries (heart attacks start with plaque rupture).

Statins are not meant to be a cure-all. They are potent medications with some potentially significant side effects. They don't benefit all who take them. When used for the appropriate patients, along with significant lifestyle changes, they offer enormous benefits to those with heart disease. Your doctor will guide you.

Enjoy good heart health during this New Year!

Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

Tips for choosing a physician

There's a crisis in primary health care. In some cities, almost 90 percent of primary care physicians are not accepting new patients because their practices are full. And it's only going to get worse, warns noted physician and emeritus professor of medicine Dr. Paul Griner, author of "The Power of Patient Stories: Learning Moments in Medicine."

"In 2014, 32 million people currently without health insurance will become insured and there will be nowhere near enough primary-care physicians to meet their needs," Griner says. "Less than 20 percent of new physicians are entering primary care, which includes the specialties of family medicine, general internal medicine and general pediatrics."

Griner, an internist and longtime advocate of physician-patient relationship as the first and most vital diagnostic tool, says it's important to find a doctor who will take the time to listen to you. But first, you need to decide what kind of primary care physician will best meet your needs. For instance, a family physician can care for both you and your children. A general internist is trained for the care of adults. A geriatrician has additional training in the care of older patients. A gynecologist may also have an interest in primary care.

Once you've made that decision, he offers these suggestions for qualities to look for:

- Someone who is interested in knowing the whole patient -- not just the illness. As the great Sir William Osler, Regis Professor of Medicine at Oxford, once said, "The good physician knows the disease of the patient has. The great physician knows the patient who has the disease."

• A patient-centered atmosphere in the office

- Someone who is a good listener. Most diagnoses can be made or suspected by letting the patient tell his or her story

• Someone who is willing to say, "I don't know," but does know where to go to get the answer, such as referring you to another doctor or using medical knowledge bases such as "Up To Date."

• Readiness to use the latest technology for communicating with patients, such as the I-phone, e-mail or Skype.

- Someone who values team care and values the role of advanced practice nurses or physician's assistants.

"Ask around," Griner says. "Get recommendations from friends and colleagues; the experience of other patients is always helpful. Ask your county medical society for names of physicians who are accepting new patients, or ask the premier hospital in your area, then check their credentials and look for feedback

about timeliness, friendliness, etc., on-line."

If you want to do something about the primary care physician shortage, there are ways the public can help, Griner adds.

• Advocate for more support for primary care through your state and U.S. representatives. "Support" can include more money for primary care training grants; better compensation for primary care physicians; and expansion of sites that qualify as physician shortage areas

• Support the development of local "accountable care organizations" or networks by your local hospital, health system or group practice. The goal of these new organizations is to guarantee comprehensive, continuous care with the primary care physician as the manager of a team of health professionals.

• Support community initiatives to recruit primary care physicians through incentives such as loan relief.

Hematologist/internist Paul Griner has had a 59-year career in medicine. He is a professor of medicine emeritus at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and was a consultant at the Massachusetts General Hospital, senior lecturer at Harvard Medical School, and consultant to the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) in Cambridge, Mass.

Eye surgeon offers new type of cataract surgery

DOWNEY — Dr. Brian Brown has become the first physician in Downey to offer a new type of cataract surgery known as LenSx.

LenSx utilizes a laser designed specifically for refractive cataract surgery. Using a customizable 3D surgical platform, it allows surgeons to visualize, customize and perform many of the most challenging steps of cataract surgery.

Brown said he studied the technology for several years before employing it in his office.

"I wanted to make sure it would be safe and effective before I offered it to my patients," he said.

LenSx is the first femtosecond laser approved by the FDA for use in cataract surgery, bringing image-guided computer precision to refractive cataract patients during surgery.

"Today cataract removal is at an entirely new level," Brown said. "It's performed as an outpatient procedure under local anesthesia, allowing patients to resume their normal activities in no time."

For more information on LenSx cataract surgery, go online to brianbrownmd.com.

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Dora Alvarez, a Downey High graduate and scholarship recipient from the Woman's Club of Downey, recently visited the club to thank them in person for their \$4,000 scholarship. Alvarez is in her third year at UC Berkeley with plans for medical school. "I sincerely thank you from the bottom of my heart," Alvarez told the club. "I could not do this alone and your care and support will always be with me. Thank you so very much." The Woman's Club awards an academic scholarship to one outstanding Downey High student each year. The grant is paid out at \$1,000 per year for four years. Seven students have benefited from the scholarships thus far. Alvarez is pictured above with her mother (left) and scholarship chairperson Shirley MacDowell.



Downey Newcomers Club has installed its new officers for 2013. They include (from left) Laura Coble, Jeanne Beleckas, Nancy Anna (president), Estela Menzoza, Kim Yeager and Mary Hammerle.

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Woman to speak about cerebral palsy

DOWNEY – Maria French, a parishioner at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, will be guest speaker when the OLPH Women's Guild hosts its first meeting of the year Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the OLPH School auditorium.

French's topic is "The Many Colors of Faith." She will speak about living with cerebral palsy.

The public is welcome. A donation of \$10 is asked to cover the cost of lunch.

OLPH School is at 10441 Downey Ave.

Vendors, crafters wanted for boutique

DOWNEY – Local vendors and crafters are invited to take part in Downey Emblem Club's first annual Sweetheart Boutique taking place Feb. 9 at the Downey Elks Lodge.

Cost is \$25 per vendor. Vendors are also asked to provide one item for a raffle.

The sale is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. but vendors are allowed inside at 8:30 to set-up. A table is provided.

For more information, contact Susan Colasurdo at (562) 743-4300 or e-mail scolasurdo@hawksbay.com.

County settles for Rancho death

DOWNEY – The L.A. County Board of Supervisors this week authorized a \$150,000 settlement in the case of a woman who died while receiving treatment at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

Supervisors also waived the county's medical bills as part of the settlement.

Eva Partida was admitted to Rancho on Dec. 16, 2010 for an undisclosed surgery. During the course of her hospitalization, Partida's condition deteriorated and she was eventually placed on life support, county records show.

She died Dec. 27.

Partida's family sued, claiming she died due to negligent care.

In a staff memo, county officials did not admit fault but said "all appropriate personnel corrective actions have been taken" and that classes were held at Rancho "regarding the management of pulmonary complications."

Weekly cardio class at Downey High

DOWNEY – Downey Adult School's new Cardio Plus class starts this Monday.

The class meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, at Downey High School. Cost is \$79.

For more information, visit a class or call Downey Adult School at (562) 940-6200.

The checkpoint was held on Rosemead Boulevard, just south of Mines Avenue.

Future checkpoints are planned for Super Bowl Sunday next month and again on St. Patrick's Day weekend in March.

Free prom dresses for Downey girls

DOWNEY – The Assisteens, a youth service organization affiliated with the Assistance League of Downey, is giving away complete prom and winter formal outfits to girls who cannot afford one.

Girls can receive a free dress, jewelry, make-up, purse, shoes and discounts to local hair salons.

The giveaway will take place Jan. 26 from 12-2 p.m. at the Parley Johnson house at 7749 Florence Ave.

Girls who cannot attend that day can make an appointment by calling Stacy Brabant at (310) 991-3757.

Nine arrested at Pico Rivera checkpoint

PICO RIVERA – Three people were arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol, and another for allegedly driving while high on marijuana, during a checkpoint last Friday night in Pico Rivera.

Sheriff's deputies also took into custody two people for illegal possession of narcotics and one person for allowing an unlicensed driver to drive a car.

Authorities nabbed one person for driving on a suspended license and another driver for having no license at all.

The checkpoint was held on Rosemead Boulevard, just south of Mines Avenue.

Future checkpoints are planned for Super Bowl Sunday next month and again on St. Patrick's Day weekend in March.

Miss Downey applications now available

DOWNEY – The Downey Rose Float Association is now accepting applications for the 2013 Little/Jr. Teen and Miss Downey Pageant.

Applications can be found at the Downey City Library, Downey Chamber of Commerce, Mambo Grill, schools in the Downey Unified School District or online at missdowney.com or downeyrose.org.

Please bring an application and the \$18 application fee to orientation on Jan. 19 at Trinity Baptist Church at 2 p.m..

Applications can also be mailed (postmarked by Jan. 16) to DRFA, Attn Pageant, PO Box 765, Downey, CA 90241.

For more information, contact Gary DeRemer at (562) 260-8503.

Students invited to JSA convention

BELL GARDENS – Constitutional lawyer, lecturer, writer and political activist Stephen Rohde will give the keynote speech when the Southern California Junior State of America hosts its first Tri-Regional One-Day Conference this Saturday at Bell Gardens High School.

Rohde is founder and chair of Interfaith Communities United for Justice and Peace and chair of the ACLU Foundation of Southern California.

The conference is intended for high school students. JSA is the largest high school student-run organization in the country and supports civic engagement among youth.

The conference starts at 10 a.m. Admission is \$5 for students.

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A board-certified cardiologist, Dr. Floro received his undergraduate degree from USC and attended medical school at Vanderbilt University, completing his training at Vanderbilt and Harbor General – UCLA Medical Center.

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Downey gets best of Warren in soccer league opener

• Bears fall to last year's league champions, 1-0, in SGVL opener.

By Mark Fetter
Contributor

DOWNEY – The Warren High School girls' soccer team opened up their league season with a 1-0 loss to cross-town rival Downey at home on Tuesday night. The Lady Bears are currently 0-1 in league play and will travel to Dominguez today and play the Lady Dons.

The Lady Bears competed in the North Orange County Classic Tournament over the Christmas Break where valuable game experience was gained. The Lady Bears tied Cabrillo 2-2 on Dec. 27, lost to South Torrance 5-0, also on Dec. 27, and lost to Arroyo Grande 2-0 on Dec.

28.

The Lady Bears have been playing a tough preseason schedule in order to prepare themselves for league play. The Lady Bears were the third place finishers last season from the San Gabriel Valley League behind C.I.F. and league champion Downey and second place finishers Lynwood, respectively. With the success of San Gabriel Valley League teams last season, the S.G.V.L. will compete in Division IV this year.

The Lady Bears return ten players from a young squad last season and also add several junior varsity players from a 6-3-1 team. Key varsity returners to this year's squad include Celina "the woman" Montano, Vicki Hernandez, Elli Spain, Sarah McGarry and Laura Aquije. Several standout players that have moved up to varsity from the junior varsity squad include Briana Mira,

Karina Mendez, Mariana Rodriguez, Samantha Sandaval and Clarissa Alvarez.

The Lady Bears are looking to improve upon last year's 15-8-4 overall record 6-3-1 league record. The Lady Bears defeated Desert Mountain League champion Lancaster 2-1 in the first round of the C.I.F. Division V playoffs before losing to Woodcrest Christian on penalty kicks in the second round. Coach Taracena continues to work hard with her team and is hopeful for a nice run in league play and into the C.I.F. Division IV playoffs.

Boys Soccer

The Warren High School boys' soccer team currently has an overall record of 1-6-6 and a league record of 0-0-1. The Bears traveled to cross-town rival Downey on Tuesday night in the league opener for both schools and played to a 1-1 tie.

The Bears outshot the host Vikings 21-6 but only managed to get one shot on goal "past the white line." Downey currently has an overall record of 6-2-3 and have the same 0-0-1 league record due to the tie.

The score stood 0-0 at halftime. Downey struck first in the second half when Ernesto Patino scored on a left footed shot past Bear goalkeeper Christopher Dominguez in the 59th minute. In the 63rd minute, the Bears answered back when senior captain Brandon Herreras scored the equalizer goal to make it a 1-1 game. The score stayed that way until the final whistle blew.

Downey Coach Steve Barber was happy with his team's play and was pleased his team "defended their home turf." Barber maintains that his squad is "going in the right direction" and will continue to work hard. Despite his frustration with the shot on goal differential, Coach Pena was pleased with his team's effort and the fact that his Bear squad continued to play hard to come back.

The Bears are coming off losses to St. Augustine 3-1 and Ballantine 4-1 both on December 27th at the Nike Tournament of Champions Tournament held in San Diego over the Christmas Break.

Joy Miley selected for PT's 'Dream Team'

DOWNEY – The Downey High School girls' volleyball season has been over since the Lady Vikings lost in the C.I.F. Division II-AA quarterfinal round to Los Osos on Nov. 10. The Lady Vikings finished their season with an overall record of 26-8 and league record at a perfect 10-0.

The Long Beach Press Telegram has released its annual girls' volleyball "Dream Team" selections and Joy Miley, the senior setter, was the only S.G.V.L. player selected to the First Team.

Senior Lindsey Ray of Long Beach Poly was selected as the Dream Team Player of the Year.

For her outstanding effort during the 2012 season, Miley was selected co-MVP of the San Gabriel Valley League and First Team All-CIF Division II-AA. Miley helped lead the Lady Vikings to another S.G.V.L. title and to the quarterfinal round of the C.I.F. Playoffs. Joy Miley will be a 49er next fall as she will be attending Long Beach State.

Lady Viking and senior teammate Makayla Taylor was selected to the Second Team of the Dream Team. Taylor worked her way back from a serious knee injury she suffered during the Lady Viking soccer season to earn this honor.

Taylor also played an instrumental role in leading the Lady Vikings to another San Gabriel Valley League title and C.I.F. run.

Miley and Taylor provided a solid 1-2 punch after Taylor returned to the lineup for the Downey-Warren match. Coach Andrea Sims was quoted as saying "we are now whole again" after Taylor's return.

Besides Taylor, senior Brianna Cervantes of Warren and senior Aaliyah Heckard of Gahr were the only other S.G.V.L. players who shared Second Team selection honors.

–Mark Fetter, contributor

Downey wrestlers win John Glenn team title

DOWNEY – The Downey High School wrestling team participated in their third wrestling tournament in the past five weekends.

The Vikings competed in the Long Beach Poly Jackrabbit Tournament Dec. 8 and followed that up by hosting the Downey Viking Invitational Dec. 14-15. The Vikings were getting geared up for cross-town rival Warren and the rest of the San Gabriel Valley League with a final tune-up at the John Glenn Tournament in Norwalk this past weekend.

The Vikings competed in and won the John Glenn team title with a score of 195.5. The Vikings had two individual champions and two runner-ups. In other words, Downey had four wrestlers wrestling in their respective weight class finals.

Daniel Martinez (126) and Anthony Florido (220) were both tournament champions and Antonio Santana (145) and Juan Soto (152) were both finalists who finished second.

Daniel Martinez defeated Charles Ibo of Channel Islands 4-0 and Anthony Florido defeated James Rivera of Arroyo 2-0 to take their respective weight class titles. Antonio Santana was defeated by Clancey Baker of Long Beach Poly 8-1 in the 145 pound final and Juan Soto was also runner-up at 152.

–Mark Fetter, contributor



The Downey Diamonds cheer squad will host a fundraiser at So Cal Pizza in Norwalk this Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. to help cover the cost of attending the National Cheer Competition later this month in Las Vegas. Fundraiser tickets will be sold at the door.

Real Estate Expert in your Corner

Congress Extends Mortgage Forgiveness Debt Relief Act through December 31, 2013

On January 1, 2013, Congress passed an extension of the Mortgage Forgiveness Debt Relief Act through the end of the year. Originally passed in 2007, this act exempts homeowners from paying federal taxes on debt forgiven in a short sale, foreclosure, or loan modification.

What does the Extension mean for you?

For distressed homeowners, the extension of the Mortgage Forgiveness Debt Relief Act is great news.

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If you are thinking about doing a short sale, keep in mind that short sales can take several months to negotiate. If you start now, you increase your chances of closing the sale on your home before this extension expires.

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Agatha Christie mystery in Long Beach

LONG BEACH — When it comes to "who done it," nobody does it better than Agatha Christie. And even amongst Christie's work, "And Then There Were None" holds top billing as her bestselling book ever.

The book will be performed on the Long Beach Playhouse mainstage, opening Jan. 19 and continuing until Feb. 16.

"It is a book where everyone who gets it, deserves it," said Andrew Vonderschmitt, the playhouse's producing artistic director. "Eight people are invited to a remote and desolate island for a weekend. They don't know who their host is or why they are there. The tie that binds them is each has committed a murder for which he or she has never been caught or punished."

With a cast that includes eight marooned murderers, house servants and a mysterious voice from the gramophone, "And Then There Were None" offers many plum roles that are expertly played by an ensemble of actors that is a mix of Long Beach Playhouse veterans and those making their first appearances on our stage.

Tickets are \$24 general admission, \$21 for seniors and \$14 for students, and can be purchased online at lbplayhouse.org or by calling (562) 494-1014.

LB Symphony targets younger audience

LONG BEACH — The Long Beach Symphony Orchestra is "bringing back the classics" with a performance Jan. 12 featuring guest violinist Elmar Oliveira.

The performance marks this year's debut of the Balcony Club, inspired to attract a younger generation to symphony concerts. The Balcony Club features a bar, drink specials, and a casual, friendly environment suitable for networking and socializing.

"Going to a Classics concert doesn't have to be a formal or expensive affair," said Rick Berry, director of marketing for the Long Beach Symphony. "The Balcony Club is a great way for people to check out our orchestra without some of the barriers that people may have perceived in the past. The price is right and the atmosphere is casual and friendly. Plus, the music actually sounds best from the balcony."

On Saturday, music director Enrique Arturo Diemecke will conduct Rossini's Barber of Seville: Overture, Saint-Saëns's Violin Concerto No. 3 featuring Elmar Oliveira, and Debussy's Nocturnes and La Mer.

Tickets to the Balcony Club are \$20 (or two tickets for \$35) and can be purchased at the box office or by calling (562) 436-3203, ext. 1.

Fundraiser to benefit symphony

DOWNEY — The Downey Symphony Guild is hosting its annual gala fundraiser in support of the Music in the Schools program Feb. 1 at the Embassy Suites.

The program includes dinner, entertainment and live and silent auctions.

Cost is \$65 if reservations are received before Jan. 28. Checks should be made out to Downey Symphony Guild and mailed to Marie Eckstrom, 9700 Garnish Dr., Downey CA 90240.

Conductor offers preview of concert

WHITTIER — The Rio Hondo Symphony Guild will present its third concert preview of the season on Feb. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at First Friends Church in Whittier.

Dr. Stephen Gothold, founder of the Chorale Bel Canto and its conductor and music director since 1981, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "Teutonic Titans," music by composers Mozart, Beethoven, Bach, Brahms and more.

The concert preview is free and open to the public.

First class of SolidWorks students graduate

• Cerritos College began offering CSWA certification last fall.

NORWALK — The Cerritos College Engineering and Design Technology Department honored 34 students who successfully passed the Certified Solidworks Associate (CSWA) Certification Exam.

Beginning the fall 2012 semester Cerritos College became a CSWA certification exam provider. In the engineering industry CSWA certification is regarded as a proof of SolidWorks expertise - proficiency in operating the latest edition of the SolidWorks 3D parametric CAD software and performing complex tasks of creating parts, assemblies and drawings.

The first generation of Cerritos College CSWA professionals successfully passed the rigorous three-hour examination, and joined the pool of 40,000 professionals nationwide who distinct themselves with this certification.

The 2012 Class of CSWA consisted of students of various age, educational background ranging from high school students to master's degree holders, and with a variety of work experiences ranging from none to senior-level professional engineers. The youngest CSWA in the first generation of Cerritos College students who took the exam was 12-year-old Abanob Teddawis who plans on completing his associate degree in engineering design technology at the same time



he graduates from high school.

"The Cerritos College Department of Engineering Design Technology is one of a few community colleges in Southern California where you can earn this internationally recognized certificate with no additional costs. We have developed new curriculum for our parametric modeling courses which prepares students for the exam," said Dr. Miodrag Micic, Sc.D., Ph.D., M.T.M., engineering technology instructor at Cerritos College and vice president of MP Biomedicals, LLC.

In the spring 2012 semester Cerritos College will offer an advanced SolidWorks class in which

students will work toward passing an advanced certification, Certified SolidWorks Professional certification exam, and earned a title of CSWP.

"In the near future, we would like to offer standard certifications for other popular CAD systems, such as CATIA, Inventor and AutoCAD as well," said Dr. Yannick Real, Instructional Dean of Technology Division at Cerritos College.

For more information visit cms.cerritos.edu/engt or contact Dr. Micic at mmicic@cerritos.edu or (562) 860-2451 ext. 2910.

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MAYOR'S CORNER



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Surgery not slowing down the mayor

Dear Downey Family,

Happy New Year to all! I hope 2013 brings much happiness to you and your loved ones. As many of you know I started the year out with an emergency eye surgery. The operation to attach my retina was a success and I am on the road to recovery. With the exception of driving and full vision I am almost completely back. Thank you for all your well wishes and prayers. They were much appreciated.

This new year is definitely going to be an exciting and great one for our City. I can tell you this because we've already started the year right with big news for our Fire Department. At Tuesday's Council meeting I was excited to announce that the City has received over \$1.8 Million in grant funding from FEMA. Folks, with this funding we will now be able to bring back Fire Engine 61, which was eliminated during this current fiscal year due to budget cuts. This means that we will be hiring a total of 12 Firefighters to staff this Engine and put it back in service. And the fact that they will all be cross-trained as paramedics will continue to enhance our Fire Department. Public Safety has always been a top priority for our City and I am glad that we will have our Engine fully operational before July 1st of this year. And thank you to our fine Fire Department for their great efforts in minimizing the impact last year. They did more with less and showed we have one of the best Fire Departments around.

I hope this will let everyone know how important it is to have and keep Downey Fire local. I want to sincerely thank Fire Chief Croom for his hard work in securing this grant money. This is wonderful news for our community and the future of Downey Fire.

At this week's Council meeting we approved to move forward with the submission of a \$3 million loan application from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to build a new neighborhood center next to the Columbia Memorial Space Center. This new center will help provide a much needed community space for the surrounding neighborhood and will offer programming for this area. In addition, this facility will help to preserve our historic Space Shuttle Mock-Up, Inspiration. This community center is going to be great for the community and will also help us keep our one of kind Shuttle Mock-up.

We have a great year ahead of us and I am eager for the many great things to come. As your Mayor, I feel honored and privileged to be serving this great City of ours. This is my community, my home...your home, OUR home...Feel free to call me about our City on my personal cell number 562-706-4114.. Let's continue to work together to keep Downey moving forward. Here's to a great 2013!

All my best, God bless,
Dn. Mario A. Guerra
Mayor

Ex school official gets prison time

LYNWOOD – A former official of the Lynwood Unified School District who admitted diverting more than \$700,000 in public money over four years to pay for personal expenses was sentenced last week to eight years in state prison, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Superior Court Judge Michael Tynan also ordered William Douglas Agopian, 61, of Santa Ana, to pay \$700,000 in restitution to the Lynwood Unified School District and \$121,220 to the Franchise Tax Board, said Deputy District Attorney Dana Aratani of the Public Integrity Division.

Agopian pleaded guilty in November to one felony count each of misappropriation of public funds and filing a false tax return.

Agopian, the district's former chief business officer, admitted taking the money from a bank account that had been established to facilitate a sister-city trip to Mexico for Lynwood students, the prosecutor said.

Lynwood hosting 10K run, walk

LYNWOOD – More than 500 runners and walkers are expected to take part in the first annual My Lynwood: Healthy Cities 2013 5K/10K Run and Walk taking place Feb. 9 at Lynwood City Park.

The event is co-sponsored by the city of Lynwood and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Century Station.

"We've done marathons and walks in the city before, but none have gotten as big as this one is expected to get," said Deborah Jackson, public relations director for Lynwood. "This is a great way to start the year off right. Not only will this event help put the city of Lynwood on the map for hundreds of people from across the Southland who have never even heard of Lynwood and will be running in this race, but we're also hoping that it strengthens the bridge of communication the city of Lynwood has been building between its residents and law enforcement. Crime in the city is at an all-time low and law enforcement credits community policing and neighborhood watch for those low numbers. That in itself has a lot to do with communication between residents and law enforcement."

Jackson and several other city employees will be among the participants.

The walk and run will start at Lynwood City Park and winds its way through major streets including Imperial Highway and Atlantic Avenue. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m.

On-site registration is \$30 for the 5K and \$35 for the 10K and includes an official event T-shirt, race bib and sponsor gifts.

For more information, call (310) 603-0220, ext. 501.

Bingo luncheon at St. Raymond's

DOWNEY – A bingo luncheon will be hosted inside the Msgr. Robert Gipson Hall at St. Raymond's Church on Jan. 20 at 12:30 p.m.

Cost is \$10 and includes one bingo card, lunch and door prizes. Proceeds will benefit the church's Italian Catholic Federation.

For tickets, call Aline Amatisto at (562) 693-9430.

South Gate police chase suspects to L.A.

SOUTH GATE – A 17-year-old boy was shot by police after leading officers on a pursuit that ended in a south Los Angeles housing project.

South Gate police were investigating a carjacking that occurred at about 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Tweedy Boulevard and Montara Avenue. During the carjacking, the victim was stabbed and pulled from his GMC Sierra by a male Hispanic.

Police officers found the vehicle abandoned about a 1/2 mile away and watched as four male suspects began to remove items from the SUV. As police moved in, the suspects got into a Ford Taurus and sped away, authorities said.

The pursuit ended at 97th and Grape streets in Los Angeles when the suspects' vehicle crashed into a residential fence. The four suspects fled on foot.

One suspect ran east on 97th Street through the Jordan Downs housing project, where he was shot by police. The suspect, a 17-year-old boy, was hospitalized in unknown condition.

Police did not find a gun but located a black-handled screwdriver.

Meanwhile, police fired at another suspect but missed. The suspect continued running westbound through yards toward Anza Avenue where he was confronted by another South Gate police officer, who also fired his gun. He missed also.

The suspect stopped running and was taken into custody, police said. He was described as a 25-year-old white man.

The two remaining suspects, identified as Hispanic men, got away.

Authorities said they don't know if the suspects were involved in the earlier carjacking.

The defendant was arrested by Los Angeles police the next day and a case was filed against him on June 10, 2011, by the District Attorney's Family Violence Division. He has remained in custody since that time.

Early last month, Martinez pleaded no contest to voluntary manslaughter and attempted voluntary manslaughter with great bodily injury and use of a deadly weapon – the car.

CRIME REPORT

Thursday, Jan. 3
At 4:45 p.m., officers arrested a 51-year-old man after he exposed himself to 2 young girls at Wilderness Park. Officers located the suspect in the park and arrested him for immoral conduct.

At 10:30 p.m., officers arrested a suspect for drunk driving after he drove his vehicle into a building in the 13500 block of Lakewood Boulevard. The driver fled the scene, but officers located him nearby. No injuries were reported.

Sunday, Jan. 6
At 7:15 p.m., a male on a bicycle attempted to rob a female walking in the 9300 block of Telegraph. The suspect knocked the victim to the ground, but was unsuccessful in stealing any of the victim's property. The victim received a minor injury and the suspect fled the scene on his bicycle. Detectives are investigating.

Wednesday, Jan. 9
At 11:00 a.m., officers responded to Check-N-Go located at 8724 Imperial Highway regarding a robbery. When officers arrived they spoke with the employees who reported 2 males had entered the store and robbed them of US currency. No injuries reported and detectives are investigating.

Infromation provided by the Downey Police Department

Man gets 11 years for killing father

LOS ANGELES – A 27-year-old Sylmar man who pleaded to manslaughter and attempted manslaughter in the death of his father and injury of his brother in 2011 was sentenced to state prison Monday.

Deputy District Attorney June Chung said Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Clifford L. Klein sentenced Martin Casares Martinez to 11 years and six months in state prison in exchange for the defendant's no contest plea last month.

On June 7, 2011, Martinez argued with two of his brothers at the family home in Sylmar. He later drove a vehicle at one of his brothers, hitting him and their father. The father, Francisco, was killed. The brother, Luis, suffered fractures to both legs.

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BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S)
(UCC Sec. 6105 et seq., and
B & P 24073 et seq.)
Escrow No. 047980-PC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is about to be made. The names, Social Security or Federal Tax numbers, and business address of the Seller(s)/licensee are: FEW & SONS ENTERPRISES INC, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 11032 DOWNY AVE, DOWNEY, CA 90241-3711. The business is known as: GRANATAS & TAPAS. The names, Social Security or Federal Tax Numbers, and business address of the Buyer/Transferee are: SAM ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 628 S. HILL ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90014.

As listed by the seller/licensee, all other business names and addresses used by the sellers/licensee within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer/Transferee are: N/A.

The assets to be sold are described in general as: STOCK IN TRADE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL AND TRADENAME and are located at: 11032 DOWNY AVE, DOWNEY, CA 90241-3711.

The kind of license to be transferred is: Type: ON-SITE GENERAL EATING PLACE License Number: 47-513201, now issued for the premises located at: 11032 DOWNY AVE, DOWNEY, CA 90241-3711.

The anticipated date of the sale/transfer is UPON THE TRANSFER OF THE LIQUOR LICENSE at the office of: INTERNATIONAL CITY ESCROW, INC., 5000 E SPRING ST, STE 120, LONG BEACH, CA 90815, Escrow No. 047980-PC, Escrow officer: PATRECE COURN.

The amount of the purchase price or consideration in connection with the transfer of the license and business, including estimated inventories, is the sum of \$205,488.62 which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT, ASSUMPTION OR PROMISSORY NOTE \$205,488.62.

It has been agreed between the Seller/Licensee and the intended Buyer/Transferee, as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the transfer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

FEW & SONS ENTERPRISES INC, Seller(s)/Licensee(s)

SAM ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LLC, Buyer(s)/Applicant(s)

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. 128058-CS

(1) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: SGL INC, 14871 IMPERIAL HWY, LA MIRADA, CA 90638

(3) The location in California of the Chief Executive Office of the seller is: 14871 IMPERIAL HWY, LA MIRADA, CA 90638

(4) The name and business address of the buyer(s) are: LOUIS Y LIU AND KYUNG SOOK WELLS, 862 AUTUMN LANE, CORONA, CA 91719

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: ALL FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, STOCK IN TRADE AND GOOD WILL of that certain business located at: 14871 IMPERIAL HWY LA MIRADA, CA 90638

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at the said location is: CARRIAGE COFFEE SHOP

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JANUARY 29, 2013, at the office of MONEYLINE ESCROW, INC., 14408 E. WHITTIER BLVD, WHITTIER, CA 90605, Escrow No. 128058-CS, Escrow Officer: CHERYL L. SHOATS

(8) Claims may be filed the same as "7" above.

(9) The last date for filing claims is: JANUARY 28, 2013

(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business name(s) and addresses used by the Seller within three years before such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE

Dated: JANUARY 4, 2013

LOUIS Y LIU AND KYUNG SOOK WELLS, Buyer(s)

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(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. 34449-MW

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(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: MATZIP INC, 12200 CIVIC CENTER DR, STE F, NORWALK, CA 92614

(3) The location in California of the Chief Executive Office of the seller is: 136 AGOSTINO IRVINE, CA 92614

(4) The names and business address of the buyer(s) are: JOSEPH PATRICK BERUMEN, 78 CANOPY, IRVINE, CA 92603

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT of that certain business located at: 12200 CIVIC CENTER DR, STE F, NORWALK, CA 92614

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: TACOZIP

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JANUARY 29, 2013, at the office of:

ADVANTAGE ONE ESCROW, 17330 BROOKHURST ST #195, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA 92708, Escrow No. 34449-MW, Escrow Officer: MARILYN WESTMORELAND

(8) Claims may be filed with: ADVANTAGE ONE ESCROW, 17330 BROOKHURST ST #195, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA 92708, Escrow No. 34449-MW, Escrow Officer: MARILYN WESTMORELAND

(9) The last day for filing claims is: JANUARY 28, 2013

(10) The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

(11) As listed by the seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: NONE.

Dated: DECEMBER 28, 2013

MATZIP INC, Seller

JOSEPH PATRICK BERUMEN, Buyer

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control

222 E. Huntington Drive, Suite 114 Monrovia, CA 91016
(626) 256-3241

Date of Filing Application: December 13, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: HOON MO YANG, MI SUN YANG

The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at 13421 LAKEWOOD BLVD, DOWNEY, CA 90242-5228

Type of license(s) Applied for: 21 - Off-Sale General

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FAMILY LAW

SUMMONS (Family Law)

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT(Name) AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre): Karla Alonso

NOTICE TO CREDITOR(S) BONA FIDE ALIEN (Name):

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REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CLAUDE A. COLLINS, 8818 LOWMAN AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240
State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/CLAUDE A. COLLINS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 8, 2013
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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (see Section 14411 et. seq., Business Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
1/10/13, 1/17/13, 1/24/13, 1/31/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013000390

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ARA'S EXPRESS CLEANING, 12200 SANTA FE AVE, #3, LYNNWOOD, CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ARAELI TACUBA, 12200 SANTA FE AVE. #3, LYNNWOOD, CA 90262

State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/31/2012

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/ARAELI TACUBA, PRESIDENT

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 2, 2013

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.

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1/10/13, 1/17/13, 1/24/13, 1/31/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2012248795

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DOMINGUEZ MUSIC PRODUCTIONS, 14527 CLARESSA AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) P.O. BOX 1575, NORWALK, CA 90650

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOE DOMINGUEZ, III, 14527 CLARESSA AVE., NORWALK, CA 90650

State of Incorporation: N/A
This business is conducted by an individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/JOE DOMINGUEZ, III, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 2012

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013000528

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BELLS WINGS, 8333 BUHMAN AVENUE, PICO RIVERA, CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MARIBEL GARIBAY, 8333 BUHMAN AVENUE, PICO RIVERA, CA 90660

State of Incorporation: CA
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/MARIBEL GARIBAY, OWNER, MARIBEL GARIBAY

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 2, 2013

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2013000182

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CALIFORNIA PARKING SOLUTIONS, 4712 1/2 S ROXBURY DRIVE, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICK MARTIN RAMIREZ, 11526 PLUTON ST, NORWALK, CA 90650 (2) YONATAN BERDUGO, 4721 1/2 S. ROXBURY DR., BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212

State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/RICK MARTIN RAMIREZ, CO-OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 2, 2013

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1/10/13, 1/17/13, 1/24/13, 1/31/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2012232946

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AZU AZU BOUTIQUE, 11100 DOWNEY AVE, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) YENY C MEDINA, 10906 OTIS ST, LYNNWOOD, CA 90262

State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/31/2012

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/YENY C MEDINA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 21, 2012

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12/20/12, 12/27/12, 1/31/13, 1/10/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2012253477

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PRICES FOR LESS, 7815 KINGBEE STREET, DOWNEY, CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (2) 8724 ARTESIA BLVD. #17, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) VIVIAN GREGORIO, 8724 ARTESIA BLVD 17, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706 (2) MARY ANN SABLAN, 7815 KINGBEE ST, DOWNEY, CA 90242

State of Incorporation: N/A

This business is conducted by a General Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

S/VIVIAN GREGORIO, CO OWNER AND MANAGER, VIVIAN GREGORIO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 21, 2012

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Legal Notices

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holders right's against the real property only. **THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. TS No.: CA-11-472904-VF IDSPub #0043731 12/27/2012 1/3/2013 1/10/2013

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12/27/12, 1/3/13, 1/10/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0035856 Doc ID #0001068355242005N Title Order No. 12-0142506 Investor/Insurer No. APN No. 6367-006-001 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/19/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by ELLEN KIM, A SINGLE WOMAN, dated 10/19/2005 and recorded 10/27/2005, as Instrument No. 05 2589149, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 01/24/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8536 TWEEDY LANE, DOWNEY, CA, 90240. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$581,896.36. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, if required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on a property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagor, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012039 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 01-04-2013 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEARRENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. For Sales Information: www.lpsasap.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagor, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012039 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

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1/10/13, 1/17/13, 1/24/13

Trustee Sale No.: 20100134002501 Title Order No.: 100257340 FRA/PA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/03/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagor, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012039 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

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Trustee Sale No.: 259926CA Loan No. 0708474010 Title Order No. 1286962 Notice of TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06-02-05. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 02-12-2013 at 9:00 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 12-4-2005, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument No. 05 3071263, or official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by ELEIDA G. GARCIA, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Trustee, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check as being paid to a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, a savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinbefore described property and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Price of Sale: Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 Legal Description: Lot 113 of TRACT NO. 10341, IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 154 PAGE(S) 25 OF MAPS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$449,275.93 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 12803 DOWNEY AVENUE DOWNEY, CA 90242 APN Number: 6260-009-05 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold as "is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary or authorized agent declares; that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation

and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 01-04-2013 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEARRENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. For Sales Information: www.lpsasap.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagor, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012039 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 12-079543 Doc ID #0001516384022005N Title Order No. 12-0142592 Investor/Insurer No. 151638402 APN No. 6247-002-005 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/26/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEARRENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: www.lpsasap.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagor, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012039 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

2424428, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 01/24/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7820 BURNS AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA, 90241. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$558,624.68. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, if required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagor, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012039 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

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Trustee Sale No.: 145493 FRA/PA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/5/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 10/18/2005 as Instrument No. 05 2500150 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, will sell on 01/24/2013 at 9:00AM, Tapo Canyon Rd., CA 91766, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 7820 BURNS AVENUE, DOWNEY, CA, 90241. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$558,624.68. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, if required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's

foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 01-03-2013 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEAR-RENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: www.lpsasap.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727 or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the Trustee Sale No. shown above. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012661 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

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Trustee Sale No. 254269CA Loan No. 0670694520 Title Order No. 975784 NOTICE TO TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02-11-2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On 01-24-2013 at 9:00 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 02-24-2004, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument No. 0414395, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: LEROY B. RACE JR., A WIDOWER, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, with interest as provided in said Note. The street address and other common designation of the real property: 9380 VIA AMORITA DOWNEY, CA 90241 APN: 6286-008-029 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 12-27-2012 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEAR-RENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. For Sales Information: www.lpsasap.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the Trustee Sale No. shown above. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1012661 1/10, 1/17, 01/24/2013

above. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P1011704 1/3, 1/10, 01/17/2013

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T.S. No.: 2012-21895 Loan No.: 7100817993

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/10/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.**

A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust recorded below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): RAUL GARCIA, AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded: 3/30/2007 as Instrument No. 20070747148 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 1/17/2013 at 9:00 A.M. Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$377,924.81 The purported property address is: 10040 SUSAN AVE, DOWNEY, CA 90240 Assessor's Parcel No. 6359-029-035 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727 or visit the Internet Web site www.lpsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the Trustee Sale No. shown above. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. P101303317 in book ---, page --- and rerecorded on --- as --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 2/6/2013 at 9:30 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$417,452.54 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 11037 PADISON AVE, NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650

A.P.N.: 8015-005-019 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code §2923.52 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The beneficiary or servicing agent declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date of the Notice of Sale filed and/or the time frame for giving Notice of Sale Specified in subdivision (s) of California Civil Code Section 2923.52 applies and has been provided or the loan is exempt from the requirements.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 6258-012-049 T.S. No: CA0902956-12-1 To No: 7742-0473504 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 19, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On January 24, 2013 at 09:00 AM, Vineyard Ballroom at Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, MTC FINANCIAL INC. dba TRUSTEE CORPS, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on November 1, 2007 as Instrument No. 20072463628 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by RICARDO NUNEZ AND, VERONICA NUNEZ HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, of the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The beneficiary or servicing agent declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date of the Notice of Sale filed and/or the time frame for giving Notice of Sale Specified in subdivision (s) of California Civil Code Section 2923.52 applies and has been provided or the loan is exempt from the requirements.

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A.P.N.: 8015-005-019 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code §2923.52 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The beneficiary or servicing agent declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date of the Notice of Sale filed and/or the time frame for giving Notice of Sale Specified in subdivision (s) of California Civil Code Section 2923.52 applies and has been provided or the loan is exempt from the requirements.

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The Downey Patriot 12/27/12, 1/3/13, 1/10/13

APN: 8023-008-063 TS No: CA05002632-11-4 TO No: 7746-379158 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/19/2006, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 1/24/2013 at 09:00 AM, Vineyard Ballroom at Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, MTC FINANCIAL INC, dba TRUSTEES CORPS, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on 07/25/2006 in Instrument No. 061640911 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by YOUNG J BECK A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor(s), in favor of INDIAMAC BANK, F.S.B., A FEDERALLY CHARTERED SAVINGS BANK as Lender and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC as nominee for Lender, its successors and/or assigns as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust the property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trustee created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$316,737.82 (Estimated), provided, however, prepayment premium, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note(s), plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trustee created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on a property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 1-800-281-8219 or visit this Internet Web site www.reconstruc.com, using the file number assigned to this

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 07-0036524 Doc ID #0007425063282005N Title Order No. 12-0145758 Investor/Insurer No. 2503213570 APN No. 6361-007-014 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 03/01/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by RICARDO E. OSORIO, A SINGLE MAN, ELIZABETH M. MONTERROSA, A SINGLE WOMAN, AND MIGUEL OSORIO, A SINGLE MAN, dated 08/29/2008 and recorded 9/9/2008, as Instrument No. 20081621236, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 01/28/2013 at 11:00AM, By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or cash as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. 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Downey cardiologist named 'Super Doctor'

DOWNEY – Dr. Jerry Floro, a board certified cardiologist who practices out of Downey and Lakewood, has been named a 2013 Southern California "Super Doctor" by Los Angeles Magazine.

The magazine's January issue features the top 5 percent of doctors in Los Angeles and Orange counties as determined through peer nominations, a blue ribbon panel review process and independent research. Ballots were mailed to more than 30,000 doctors throughout Southern California.

It is the fourth consecutive year Floro has earned the "Super Doctor" designation.

Floro received his undergraduate degree from USC and attended medical school at Vanderbilt University. He completed his training at Vanderbilt and Harbor General-UCLA Medical Center.

He practices out of Pioneer Medical Group's Downey and Lakewood offices.

Cerritos candidates set for forum

CERRITOS – Candidates for Cerritos City Council will appear at a forum Feb. 5 at City Hall.

Hosted by the Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce, the event is free and open to the public.

The event is from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Invited candidates include Carol Chen, Alejandro Estella, James Kang, K.Y. Ma, Gerad Valencia and Frank Aurelio Yokoyama.

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Downey endorses local control of Ontario airport

- City Council throws support behind effort to localize Ontario airport.

By Henry Veneracion
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Downey has added its voice to the rising chorus calling for the Los Angeles World Airways (LAWA), which calls the shots at Ontario International Airport (ONT), to shift control of ONT operations to a local entity so LAWA can focus its energy more on modernizing Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

It has been shown that for some time now, passenger patronage at ONT has been on the decline.

The resolution passed Tuesday by the City Council is in support of increasing efforts to better address the ONT patronage decline and regional service demands.

Both the Alliance for a Regional Solution to Airport Congestion (ARSAC) and the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation have strongly urged the proper policy authorities—with ARSAC especially urging the Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners—to transfer ONT airport management decisions to the local Ontario Transportation Plan.

The resolution further affirms that, after transfer to local control, ONT can operate on the same basis as airports in Burbank, Orange County, Long Beach and Palm Springs—as low-cost secondary airports under local control.

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airports because the airport sponsor has a vested interest in the airport making the greatest contribution to its economy, as well as the fact that local control of ONT will help ensure that all of Southern California will have sufficient airport capacity to meet the long-term demand for air travel in the region.

According to the resolution, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council (of which Downey is a member) had already enacted its own resolution on Sept. 2, 2010 recommending the transfer of ONT to local control as being in the best interests of Los Angeles and the Southern California region.

SCAG was also quoted as saying that under local control, ONT can recover from the economic downturn of the past several years while positioning itself for long-term growth, and this is consistent with the reorganization of air traffic contemplated in SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan.

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Environmental morality: a personal view

- Keeping environmental issues in the public consciousness for moral reasons.

By Lars Clutterham
Contributor

DOWNEY – We've been discussing recycling in this column since the Christmas season dropped its usual load of trash and recyclables upon us, with all the gifts and their attendant wrapping and packaging. Following that, as always, New Year's brings its own tradition of setting resolutions to do things a little better this year.

It occurs to me that the topics of my articles may be of little interest to many people for whom recycling and numerous other environmental issues addressed in this space over the last year and a half are merely blips on the changing screen of their own personal lives. But I write every week because I believe these are moral issues which need to be kept in the public consciousness, as well as my own.

That's not because I have nothing better to do. My calling happens to be music. I compose and play the piano, and I would like nothing better than to spend about five hours a day writing a symphony or a piece for jazz band and another five hours every day "tickling the ivories." This goes back to my childhood when, in the early 60's, my folks decided to buy a Steinway baby grand instead of building one of the bomb shelters that were all the rage back then. That Steinway was a cherished part of my life for many years.

Bear with me while I cut to present day, and two reports I heard yesterday on National Public Radio

which for me put the issue of environmental morality in perspective.

The first story had to do with car-sharing, a relatively new practice that is developing in some of the world's vastly overcrowded countries, as well as closer to home in places like San Francisco, for example. With car-sharing, you don't need to own a car; you just rent one that's permanently parked somewhere close by for an hour or two with a credit card. One of the troubling statistics reported in this NPR story was the fact that 700 out of every 1,000 Americans own a car, where the ratio in China is a mere 46 to 1,000. In India, with some of the most crowded cities on the planet, the ratio of car owners to cars is only 12 to 1,000.

Now I grant that in our culture—particularly in suburban Downey—it's hard to imagine a world where you don't just jump into your automobile at the drop of a hat. But it gives me pause to think of the incredible cost in natural resources that comes with the culture we've adopted in this country.

The second NPR story dealt with the slaughter of an entire family of eleven elephants in Kenya just two days ago. These elephants were killed for their ivory tusks, which are sold on the black market in Eastern countries, especially China, where the ivory is used to craft religious icons. This is not a new problem. National Geographic ran an article this past October with the cover headline that 25,000 elephants were killed in Africa last year.

It would be nice if I were able to dismiss this as someone else's problem, but it comes back around to a

very personal significance in the following way. My wife and I spent a weekend this November—after the aforementioned National Geographic article had arrived in the mail—in the charming pre-Colonial coastal town of Essex, Connecticut. I learned while we were there that Essex had become the center of the American ivory trade beginning in the 17th and continuing into the 20th centuries. Ships bearing ivory tusks, and the African hunters who were enslaved after transporting them, dumped their cargo at the port of Essex, just a short distance up the mouth of the Connecticut River.

But here's where it gets personal: because the Steinway piano factory was also in Essex. And for many years, even up to the 1980's when ivory became internationally illegal, Steinway manufactured pianos with ivory keys. So in some way, the blood of those slaughtered elephants is literally on my hands.

Obviously I can't change the course of environmental injustices that were set in place centuries ago. Maybe they weren't even unjust back in those days. Today, piano keys are made from plastic, and plastic, as I've mentioned numerous times in these articles, brings its own environmental problems, made as it is from petroleum.

So I'll keep writing, because for me, environmental morality is personal.

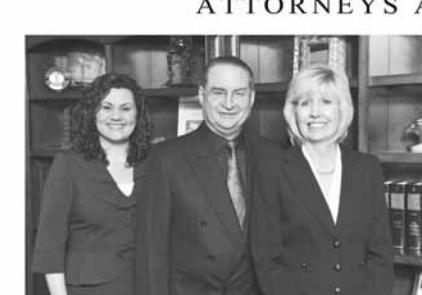
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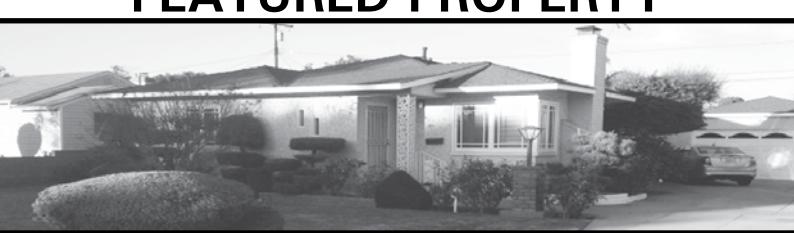
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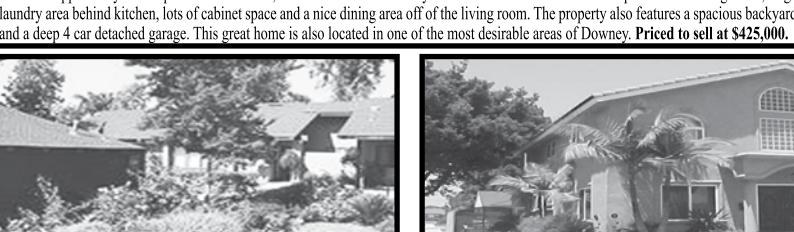
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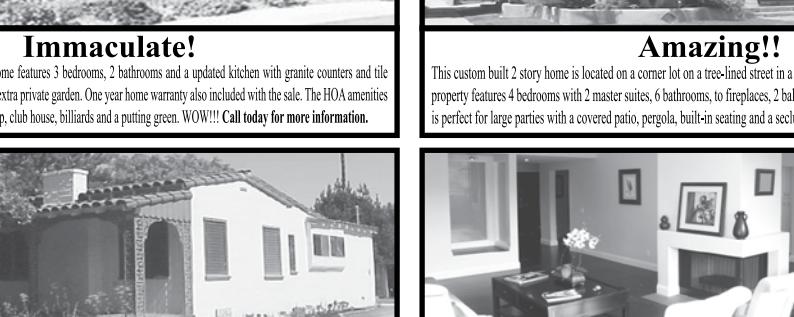
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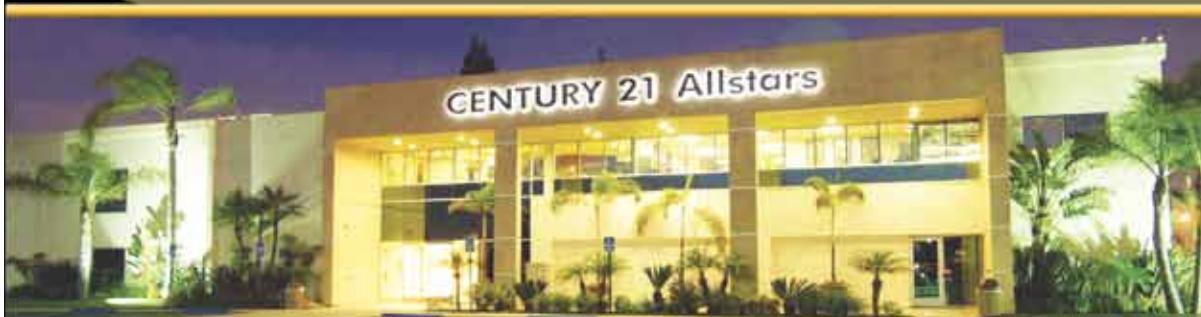
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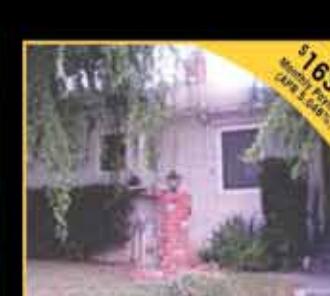
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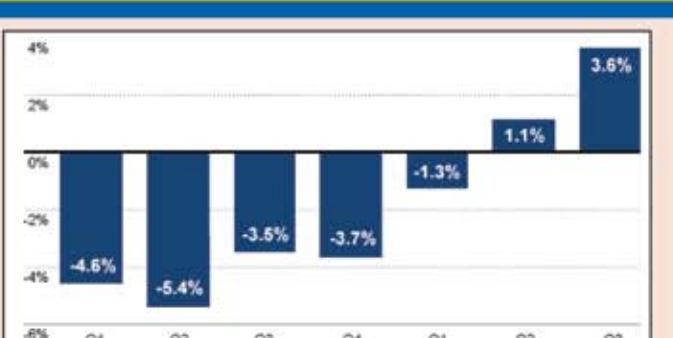
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