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1927:

Commercial transatlantic telephone service was inaugurated between New York and London

1953:

President Harry S. Truman announced in his State of the Union address that the United States had developed a hydrogen bomb.

1955:

Singer Marian Anderson made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, becoming the first black person to perform there as a member.

The United States recognized Fidel Castro's new government in Cuba

Vietnamese forces captured the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, overthrowing the Khmer Rouge government

1999:

President Bill Clinton's impeachment trial began in the Senate.

2004:

Actor Brad Pitt and actress Jennifer Aniston announced they were separating after four years of marriage.

Calvary defies health orders

The Downey megachurch has repeatedly downplayed Covid-19, even after the death of a pastor.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Even as coronavirus continues to surge, one of Downey's largest spiritual organizations is encouraging its parishioners to "stand up" against COVID-19.

Calvary Chapel Downey has recently found itself in the middle of the debate over religious freedom during a pandemic, notably how - or if - a congregation should meet to worship at a time when government officials are pleading with their constituents to stay home.

Calvary has taken a stubborn stance on the matter, continuing to hold in person services while racking up several health protocol violation citations from the county, the most recent being given to the chapel's associated Christian school on Dec. 10.

It's a record that the church and notably, its senior pastor Jeff Johnson – seem to have taken in stride.

"We're being tested. Pastors need to take a stand," Johnson said from the pulpit during a morning service on Sept. 20, which can be viewed on Facebook and YouTube. "What are you so afraid of? That they're

About 70% of Downey firefighters agreed to be vaccinated.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The final handful of Downey Fire Department members received the Covid-19 vaccination produced by Moderna on Thursday, as the region continues to face a mounting case surge and dire hospital occupancy.

According to Ivan Orloff, paramedic coordinator for DFD, an estimated 60 department personnel were vaccinated.

"This is all part of the FDA EUA phase-1 program to vaccinate first responders," said Orloff.

Vaccinations for the department started last week and were broken up over three days.

There were some who declined to be vaccinated, which Orloff said was to be expected.

"Most of the agencies that have been doing the same vaccinations we are have been around 70% acceptance rate, and we're right about there," said Orloff.

Like all other organizations, DFD has had to adapt how they operate during the pandemic's duration.

"If we're talking about times prior to COVID, we didn't have the PPE requirements, we didn't' have the social distancing that



Downey firefighters received doses of the Moderna vaccine on Thursday. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

was required. Even our station life has changed a little bit," said Orloff. "How we operate on scene changes a little bit because we try to limit the number of personnel that are in contact with COVID infected patients."

"Then there's the whole trickle effect. If the hospital is inundated...all of that trickles down to us with what we call ambulance patient offload time, or sometimes just called wall times, and those increase. That

means the more wall time you members from getting seriously have at a hospital, then that's less time for us to be available to disease, then we're going to go on other responses." community," said Orloff. "It's

They've also had about a dozen of their members infected over the course of the pandemic.

Orloff hopes that being vaccinated will help its staff provide the quality care that they strive to give while also maneuvering through the pandemic.

"If this vaccine keeps our





1959: affected by the Covid-19

1979: end up providing service to our

up to us as essential workers to

be healthy, to be fit for duty. So,

if we can keep ourselves healthy

and away from this disease, then

community."

we can provide service to our

threatening to throw you in jail or fine your church?"

"We've been fined; every Sunday we're fined. They threatened me. So what? This is more important than all of that."

In the same post, Johnson describes the use of masks as "spoofs" and discredits official statistics, while also suggesting that the disease is "serious" and "could take people out."

Nearly a month later - in a video dated Nov. 15 - Johnson announces that some church staff had contracted the virus, including a few who "got it very seriously.²

Just over a week later on Nov. 23, another video was posted where Johnson announces the passing of one of the chapel's pastors. While coronavirus is never specifically mentioned, the symptoms and progression of the deceased which Johnson describes is similar to what is currently accepted as what occurs in a severe COVID-19 case.

Multiple calls were made to Calvary Chapel for comment without a response in time for publication.

While some of Calvary's pre-service ad material suggest that the church is encouraging the use of masks and social distancing, the rhetoric from the pulpit continues to paint a more defiant message.

In a post from Dec. 6, Johnson describes a few events - including the memorial service for the aforementioned pastor · which drew "hundreds."

He later says that COVID-19 is a "virus that needs to be stood up to.'

"We need to start being responsible adults, and we need to start taking care of ourselves instead of letting them tell us how to take care of us," said Johnson.

With hospitals overwhelmed, leaders plead for help

 Officials are requesting federal help to support overburdened hospitals.

By Eric Pierce Editor

DOWNEY – An effort to return a U.S. Navy hospital ship to Southern California to help overburdened hospitals failed Newsom and the state's Office this week after military officials said the vessel is down for repairs.

"Our healthcare system is spread thin with scarce resources such as staffing shortages, intensive care units reaching capacity, limited oxygen and equipment, and our doctors, nurses and healthcare workers medical personnel to help our being stretched to their limits as they battle the current Covid-19 surge," Mayor Claudia M. Frometa wrote to L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn.

"Los Angeles County is facing the fastest acceleration of new cases and deaths than at any other time during the pandemic," Frometa added. "It is imperative that all efforts at the federal, state and local government levels Corps of Engineers dispatched are made to bring back the USNS Mercy."

Despite efforts from city and county leaders, however, upgrade its oxygen delivery Navy officials said the hospital ship USNS Mercy is undergoing maintenance and won't be available for several months.

The ship was deployed to Southern California in the early months of the pandemic but is currently docked at a shipyard in Portland, Ore., where it is undergoing a "major overhaul," Navy representatives said.

the Department of Defense to they will not be coming to

instead send the USNS Comfort hospital ship with medical personnel to provide backup for L.A. County's strained hospital system. The ship is currently stationed in Virginia.

"We have to plan for the very real possibility that this surge gets much worse in coming weeks and months," Hahn said.

This week, Gov. Gavin of Emergency Services (OES) approved a request for 500 federal medical workers to temporarily relieve hospitals.

"Our plea for help has been heard," Hahn said. "I appreciate and support Governor Newsom and Cal OES's request to the federal government for 500 overwhelmed hospitals.

"The situation is dire statewide, but nowhere is this help more desperately needed than here in LA County. If the federal government fulfills this request, I urge that every medical personnel that can be spared be sent to our hospitals in LA County.'

Meanwhile, the U.S. Army a team of workers to PIH Health Hospital Downey over the weekend to help the hospital system.

PIH, however, declined the offer.

"We were contacted by the Army Corps to offer assistance with oxygen systems," said Kevin Koga, a spokesperson for PIH Health. "We notified them we installed a new oxygen distribution system a couple of years ago and we did not have a On Wednesday, Hahn asked need for assistance. Therefore,



The USNS Mercy arrived in Los Angeles last May to help ease the strain on area hospitals. The ship is currently unavailable due to scheduled maintenance. (Navy photo)

our Downey hospital so that decisions to protect each other." this valuable resource can be dedicated to those that need assistance."

PIH is currently treating 172 Covid-19 patients at its Downey hospital, up from 135 on Dec. 31.

As of Wednesday, 128 Downey residents have died of Covid-19 and 12,776 have been infected.

County health officials said people are continuing to interact with others outside their disease," officials said. households, which is spreading the virus.

month is translating into a have been administered to disastrous increase in the number staff and residents at skilled of people with severe Covid-19 nursing facilities to EMTs and symptoms being sent to our local paramedics, and to healthcare hospitals and, tragically, we are now seeing more than 200 deaths a day," health officials said.

"People who were otherwise and primary when we each make the right exposure.

Testing results are available for nearly 4,850,000 people with 17% of people testing positive.

On Nov. 1, the test positivity rate was 3.8%. Wednesday's test positivity rate increased to 21.8%.

"This is very significant because it means one in five people who are tested are carrying the Covid-19 virus and can expose others to this

The county received 166,300 Moderna doses as "The rate of new cases this of Monday, of which 31,915 workers in clinics.

This includes healthcare workers at urgent care care clinics, leading healthy, productive lives at intermediate and home are now passing away because healthcare facilities and services, of a chance encounter with the as well as healthcare field Covid-19 virus. This only ends workers who face a high risk of

2006:

American journalist Jill Carroll was abducted in Iraq and a translator was killed. (Carroll was released unharmed after 82 days.)

2006:

Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, facing corruption charges, stepped down as House majority leader.

2015:

Two gunmen killed 11 people at the offices of "Charlie Hebdo," a weekly satirical newspaper based in Paris.

Birthdays

Soft rock singer Kenny Loggins (73), "NYPD Blue" actor David Caruso (65), television journalist Katie Couric (64), Washington Football Team coach Ron Rivera (59), "Gone in 60 Seconds" actor Nicolas Cage (57), Academy Award nominated actor Jeremy Renner (50), former Angels closer Francisco Rodriguez (39), and Ravens quarterback Lamar Jackson (24).

Deaths

Nikola Tesla, the Serbian-American engineer and physicist who invented the first alternating current (AC) motor, died on this date in 1943. The cause of death was coronary thrombosis. Tesla was 86.

Television personality Huell Howser, popular for sharing California's rich history on the KCET show "California's Gold," died of prostate cancer in 2013. He was 67.

Hirohito, emperor of Japan from 1926 until his death in 1989, died of duodenal cancer. He was 87.

Book Recommendation

"Keep Sharp" by Sanjay Gupta, MD

"Keep Sharp" debunks common myths about aging and cognitive decline, explores whether there's a "best" diet or exercise regimen for the brain, and explains whether it's healthier to play video games that test memory and processing speed, or to engage in more social interaction.

"Keep Sharp" is the only owner's manual you'll need to keep your brain young and healthy regardless of your

Luigi Vernola, former Norwalk mayor, dies of Covid-19

• A cornerstone of the Norwalk community, Vernola served on the City Council for nearly four decades.

By Daniel Suarez Jr. **Talon Marks**

NORWALK - On Jan. 1, the former Mayor of Norwalk Luigi Vernola died from complications due to Covid-19, according to multiple sources close to him.

Vernola is survived by his wife, Joan Vernola, daughters Lisa Vernola and Kristina Freesmeir, his ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In December, the Vernola family also lost Luigi's brother, Mike Vernola, and son-in-law would organize volunteers and Gilbert Salas. Both had a strong relationship with Luigi

said her father "loved America."

"He was so proud to be American. He wanted to give back to the community that gave so much to him while he was building his business," Freesmeier said. "He was there holiday season without the for anyone that needed help."

Vernola's eldest daughter, Lisa, now runs his towing company, Vernola's Tow Service, at 13514 Norwalk Blvd. His company is contracted with the AAA Auto Club.

Vernola was actively involved in community projects and charitable organizations. He donated to the Norwalk Lions Club, holding food drives and Turkey trots and founding the Celeste said. Santa's Sleigh Foundation.

Vernola's community members every December in a drive-by gift-Freesmeier, who teaches at giving celebration. A float with a

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Lakeview Elementary School, photo set would set up in several refused to release seniors thinking about the community neighborhoods, inviting families to take pictures with Santa and elves.

> Due to the pandemic's severity, Santa's Sleigh didn't run in 2020, marking the first program since its founding 30 years ago.

"He loved Christmas and he loved kids," said friend and Norwalk Lions Club member Custodio Celeste who has volunteered for Santa's Sleigh from the beginning.

"He would drop off furniture for families and would always visit the elderly. He liked to help out a lot of people for Christmas,'

Vernola's love of children foundation encouraged him to help students pay for their trips to Washington D.C.

recalled when the hospital

proper equipment at home. Vernola used his personal funds to build ramps for the seniors to return home.

Vernola, the son of Italian Norwalk High School and remained faithful to his community.

He once journeyed back to Italy and met Pope John Paul II.

In the 1980s he was appointed to the Norwalk City Council and later served as mayor. He held office again in 2013.

"Everyone knew he was the right man for the job. He always thought in terms of right and wrong. He listened to his morals first," Ayala said. "He was a leader, and that's what I will miss most about him.'

"I will miss his out-of-the-Vice-Mayor Tony Ayala box thinking," said Councilman called when the hospital Rick Ramirez. "He was always

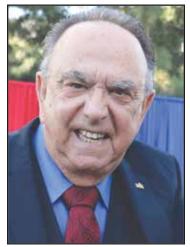
because they did not have the and wanted what was best for the city."

In March 2020, Vernola stepped down from local politics when he lost his city council seat as vice mayor to Margarita immigrants, graduated from Rios, who now serves as a councilwoman in Norwalk.

> "I worked closely with Vernola when I was elected to the council in 2017," Rios said. "One of the things I'm going to miss about Luigi is how much he cared about young people and students. He always tried to make a difference in their lives."

While it is still unknown where Vernola contracted the virus, Ramirez stated that the city is following safety guidelines to keep employees and the public safe.

Daniel Suarez Jr. is the news editor



Former Norwalk mayor Luigi Vernola died Jan. 1 after contracting Covid-19. (City of Norwalk photo)

for Talon Marks, the campus newspaper at Cerritos College.



By Mark Fetter Contributor

DOWNEY - Warren High School standout girls' soccer player Emma Egizii has signed a national letter of intent to play soccer at UCLA.

Egizii did not play prep soccer at Warren but played with her club team Beach FC in Long Beach. Several players



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years and it has become fairly and she likes the Lady Bruin style common

Egizii has played soccer since she was four years old and has also played for the Youth National Team since she was 14. She is a midfielder and likes an attacking style of play.

Egizii tore her ACL a little more than a year ago and has been putting in the time to once again compete at a high level of play.

Egizii said she chose UCLA where she is at. for several reasons. It is close to home, she thinks UCLA offers a great opportunity for her to improve, she likes the culture

have chosen this route in recent surrounding the soccer program of play.

> Egizii models her play after National Team member (midfielder) Rose Lavelle.

> After her playing career, whenever that is, she would like to pursue a career in coaching because she loves the sport and enjoys the tactical part of the game.

It has been a long road thus far for Egizzi but well worth

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<u>Crime Report</u>

Dec. 30:

At approximately 1:30 pm, officers located a reported stolen vehicle parked in the 8000 block of Imperial Hwy, in a strip mall. Officers watched the vehicle for a short time before an adult female entered the vehicle. Officers detained the female in the vehicle without incident. During a search of the vehicle, a loaded handgun was located. The female was arrested and charged with auto theft.

Detectives are investigating a robbery that occurred at about 7 pm in the 8500 block of Firestone Blvd. (Warehouse Shoe Store). The suspect, an adult male, entered the store and selected several high end items. As the male was leaving the store without paying, he was approached by a sales associate. The suspect pulled out a taser, activated it, and then ran out of the store. The sales associate was not struck or injured by the taser.

Jan. 1:

At approximately 10:30 am, officers responded to 159 Stonewood (Journey's Shoes) regarding a report of a delayed robbery. Officers received information which led them to an apartment

complex in the City of Bellflower. Officers located the suspect, detained him without incident and recovered the loss. The suspect was identified by witnesses and arrested for robbery.

Jan. 2:

Detectives are investigating an attempted carjacking that occurred at approximately 2:45 pm in the 9200 block of Lakewood Blvd.

The adult female victim was on a break, sitting in her vehicle to the rear of the location. The suspect vehicle pulled up with 3 suspects inside. An adult male suspect approached the victim and held a knife near the victim. The suspect demanded the keys to the victim's vehicle or stated he would kill her.

The victim noticed a co-worker and yelled for help. The suspect fled to the awaiting suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle was last seen exiting onto Gallatin Rd.

Provided by Downey Police Department

Former Stauffer standout signs letter of intent with UCLA

By Mark Fetter Contributor

DOWNEY - Former Stauffer Middle School standout softball player Taylor Stephens has signed a national letter of intent to play softball at UCLA.

Stephens currently attends Gahr High School where she is a three-year starter in the infield. Her versatility at third base, shortstop and second base make her a top prospect. As good as Taylor is with her glove, she can certainly hit as well.

The current 2020-21 softball season is in doubt otherwise Stephens would be a four-year starter at Gahr.

Her high school prep career has been impressive despite only playing in two games her junior

season due to the pandemic. and has stolen 23 bases. The pandemic is responsible for cancelling all but the first two games last season.

Stephens' freshman season consisted of 28 games. She hit .382, had three home runs with 19 RBI and stole four bases.

Her sophomore season saw her play in 24 games. She hit .463, had four home runs with 34 RBI and stole 16 bases.

only play in two games due to the pandemic. In those two games, Stephens hit .571, had one home run with two RBI and quickly stole three bases.

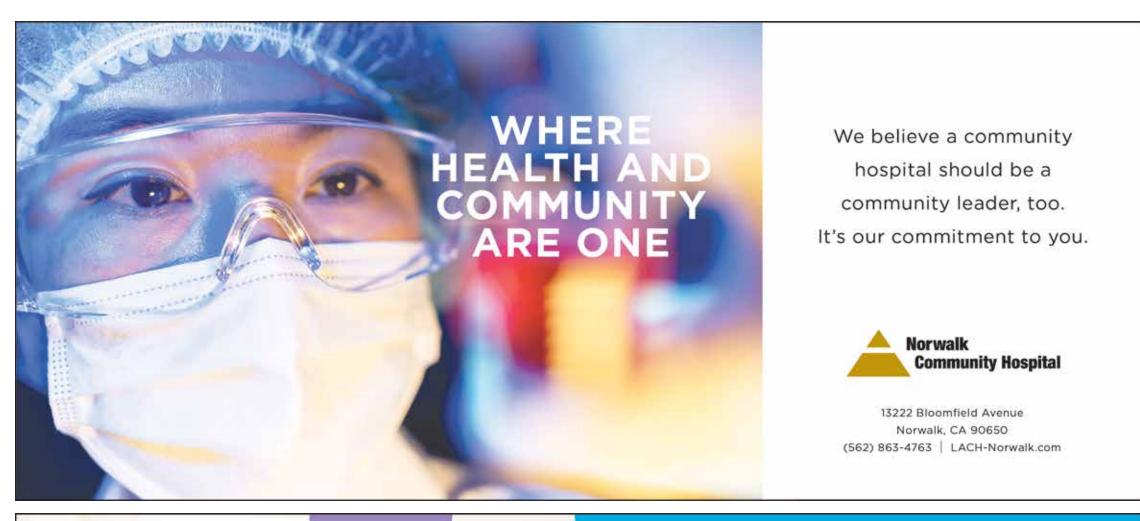
Stephens, now a senior, has competed in 54 total games at Gahr. She has a .427 career batting average, a .503 on base percentage, has drawn 20 walks

Stephens has accumulated 64 hits, 55 RBI and has scored 51 runs. Once on base, Taylor is simply a run scoring machine.

Stephens currently ranks #26 in the 2021 Extra-Elite 100. She has been playing since she was seven years old and has played outside softball with the Firecrackers TJ 18U.

She will now be a UCLA Bruin Her junior season saw her and play for head coach Kelly Inouye-Perez.

> Best of luck to Taylor as she pursues excellence at the next level.





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Downey's newest fire chief is sworn-in

Downey native Dan Hurlock became fire chief in a virtual ceremony Monday at City Hall.

Veteran DOWNEY firefighter Dan Hurlock officially took over as Downey fire chief after an installation ceremony Monday at City Hall.

Hurlock was accompanied by

In Memory of

outgoing fire chief Mark Gillaspie administered the oath of office.

The badge pinning was done by Hurlock's wife, Kim Hurlock, and two daughters, Heather Ream and Haley Hurlock.

"I've worked for the Downey Fire Department for 20 years and am very proud to serve the city I grew up in," Hurlock said in his first address as fire chief.

immediate family members as "It's humbling to be selected as Team the next fire chief and I'm very thankful that city management and City Council have confidence in my leadership. I look forward to serving the citizens of Downey in my new role, and plan to continue providing high quality emergency services that everyone expects and deserves."

> Hurlock attended Rio Hondo College Fire Academy and was hired by the Downey Fire Department in April of 2000. He has held various positions within the department including paramedic, engineer, captain, and most recently, as battalion chief.

Throughout his career, Hurlock has been involved in many programs including instructing community CPR and first aid, teaching the M. Frometa. "Chief Hurlock is Community Emergency Response a proven leader who is well-

In Memory of

program, overseeing department's safety the program, managing emergency equipment and apparatus, serving as training officer for multiple recruit classes, and managing department facilities, professional standards and data management.

Hurlock said his greatest accomplishment has been his marriage to Kim, his high school sweetheart. They have been married since 1988 and together have two daughters, a son-inlaw named Brian, a grandson named Chase and another grandson on the way.

"On behalf of the citizens of Downey, I would like to sincerely congratulate Fire Chief Hurlock on becoming Downey's 10th Fire Chief," said Mayor Claudia



suited to lead the Downey Fire Department during these challenging times."

City Manager Gilbert Livas said it is "an exciting time for the city and for our Downey Fire Department.

"What is uniquely impressive about Fire Chief Hurlock is his passion for fire service, his work ethic and his morals, which I'm sure he will carry with him as he moves into his new role as Fire Chief," Livas said.



ELEDA JEAN MOORE POWELL

January 22, 1928 - December 19, 2020

Eleda Powell passed away peacefully from natural causes in the early morning hours of December 19. Her friends knew her as Eleda Jean, E.J., or Lee. She was a lifelong resident of Downey. Her parents were James Albert and Sadie Adele Moore, who moved to Downey in 1921.

Eleda graduated in 1946 from Downey High School; where she was a majorette, baton twirler, and a member of the drama club and the elocution club. During summer vacations, she studied music courses at Chapman College. She married Robert "Bob" Powell at the Downey First Presbyterian Church in 1947. Bob was born in Downey in 1922, he passed away in

Downey in 2000.

Bob and Eleda enjoyed going to Dixieland Jazz festivals and cruises, they also enjoyed a vacation to Great Britain and went on several vacations to Hawaii. She loved singing and dancing, especially jazz and tap dancing. In her later years, she performed in a local Polynesian dance troupe. She enjoyed playing bridge and at one time belonged to four monthly bridge groups. A very busy volunteer, she was a member of the P.E.O. International Sisterhood for over 70 years, serving as chapter president twice. She was active in the Assistance League of Downey, where she was the "shoe lady" at the Second Tyme Around Shoppe thrift store, and attended the Woman's Club of Downey, performing in several talent shows.

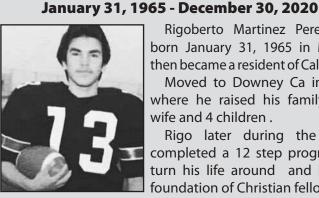
Eleda's other interests were collecting antiques, beach combing, and creating craft items to decorate her home for every holiday and season. She grew several varieties of Plumeria trees and enjoyed watching birds visit her bird feeder collection. She loved all animals and delighted in going hiking and traveling with her family throughout the United States and Canada.

Eleda's true loves were her family. She is survived by her children John (Debbie) Powell of Downey, Jim Powell, of Danielson, Connecticut, and Judy (Jon) Martinez of Cambria, California. She is also survived by grandchildren Alyson (Billy) Frederick of Tacoma, Washington and Eric (Lorena) Powell of

Downey; and twin, great grandchildren Emilia and Liam Powell of Downey. Eleda will be interred at the Pomona Valley Cemetery. No memorial services are planned at this time.



Eleda is dancing and singing in Paradise with Bob!



born January 31, 1965 in Mexico then became a resident of California. Moved to Downey Ca in 1995 where he raised his family with wife and 4 children. Rigo later during the years

Rigoberto Martinez Perez was

completed a 12 step program to turn his life around and built a foundation of Christian fellowship,

and character at The First Step House of Orange County, Inc in Costa Mesa Charle st. dedicating himself to the word of God and helping others who shared the same difficulties of life. He was blessed with the gift of overcoming his own struggles, to later being a sponsor and impacting others lives in a positive way mentally spiritually and physically in health. Giving them hope for a fresher brighter chance at life, he is a loving and caring individual who always put others before himself never expecting anything in return. His passion for reaching others and never giving up on them and always fighting on, and invoking strength, Faith along with the power of change. Everyone can remember him as being outgoing, hard working and the life of the party with a great sense of humor blessing us all with the medicine of laughter. Rigo was 1 out of 7 siblings and is survived by his Mother, four children, wife, brothers and sisters nieces, nephews and grandchildren. He is preceded in dead by his Father and one brother the memories we shared with Rigo will be forever cherished in our hearts. An unfortunate covid 19 turn of event on December 30, 2020 he was taken from us and became one of Heavens angels and granted a seat in the holy kingdom, where he will continue to do God's work and watch over his loved ones.

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Opinion

State, L.A. County overstepping their bounds

By Jaivon Grant

Soon after the Covid-19 pandemic first took its toll on California earlier this year, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a public emergency and ordered Californians to stay home and businesses deemed non-essential to shut down. These measures, as Californians were assured, served as necessary, but temporary, remedies to get the initial spread of the virus under control and to minimize the burden on our health care system.

However, more than six months later, while Governor Newsom was quick to grasp a hold of these emergency powers, he has been exceptionally slow in ceding them back to local governments. Instead, he continues to take advantage of the broad scope of emergency powers afforded to him, dictating changes that affect everything from plastic bags to weddings, and which directly impact how local governments operate.

Cities have not taken this power grab lightly. They have taken steps to curtail the Governor's overreach. For instance, the cities of Milpitas and Novato threatened to sue over planned Project Homekey (a state program to establish permanent housing facilities for people experiencing homelessness) sites in their cities. The state is forcing these programs on cities without prior consent or input. Other cities have also made attempts to curtail this abuse of power. In the city of Norwalk, their city council unanimously passed an emergency ordinance that required any public agency to consult with the city prior to placing a homeless or COVID-19 facility in Norwalk. This was an attempt to ensure collaboration between state, county, and city government. Was this not the purpose of Gavin Newsom's statement that "localism is to be determinative?

So how are cities supposed to deal with these limited options, where they are left with little to no say in what will affect their residents? Los Angeles County has been overstepping its powers through emergency actions as well, but it's finally being restrained. Los Angeles Superior Court Judge James Chalfant recently ruled that Los Angeles County health officials acted "arbitrarily" and without a proper "risk-benefit" analysis when they banned outdoor dining. Some cities, such as Whittier, have even considered creating their own health department to opt out of falling under the jurisdiction of L.A. County public health. Additional litigation efforts have been made to curtail Newsom's unilateral power. An ongoing lawsuit has



Gov. Gavin Newsom speaks at the California Democratic Party state convention in San Francisco in 2019. Photo by Gage Skidmore

overreach.

Unfortunately, for resource-limited municipalities, they have limited options even in the face of negative consequences for their city and residents. The city of Norwalk who on several occasions, has taken steps to limit the state's attempts to leverage emergency decision-making, yet the state and county proceed undeterred. One of the most contentious examples of this has been the state's efforts to purchase a local Motel 6 as part of its Project Homekey program.

Project Homekey is meant to build upon the earlier efforts undertaken as part of Project Roomkey, through which the state and county governments rented motel and hotel rooms for homeless individuals in order to minimize their risk of contracting COVID-19. However, Project Roomkey was, by and large, an abject failure in Norwalk and several other cities.

Approximately 206 homeless individuals were provided with sought to build on recent federal decisions against gubernatorial rooms, but at least 184 have abandoned those rooms. This means that

the county of Los Angeles, in executing this program, has exacerbated the problem of homelessness by now adding 184 individuals who are now unaccounted for and roaming the streets of Norwalk.

In addition, the purchase of Motel 6 would cost the city more than \$140,000 in tax revenue each year for up to a period of 55 years. The city objected; the county did not care. Their response? Their interests in this program supersede the revenue lost by the city of Norwalk.

This abuse of power by Newsom should not be meant to provide indefinite cover for policymaking. They are supposed to be used only with caution and in the best interest of the people. We have long since passed that point, and the right thing now is to bring these emergency powers to heel and give control back to the local and legislative bodies to which they are rightly designated.

Jaivon Grant is a political commentator and former journalist with Our Weekly.

The pandemic is a national test that we failed

By Steve Chapman

Over the past century, there have been times when Americans showed they can unite to overcome formidable challenges: winning World II, sending men to the moon, bringing down Soviet communism. The coronavirus pandemic will not be remembered as one of them.

It's fair to say that we have done many things right, individually and collectively. Most Americans, most of the time, have abided by the counsel of public health experts that we wear masks, socially distance and avoid large indoor gatherings. Most governors and mayors have taken prudent steps to curb transmission of the virus. In all, we've done pretty well.

But pretty well is not good enough. On a final exam, getting most of the answers right can mean an F. Reality doesn't grade on a curve.

To date, more than 336,000 people have died of COVID-19, and things are getting worse, not better, with nearly twice as many deaths in December as in November.

The rollout of vaccines will eventually turn things around, but not before tens of thousands more people are dead.

Many of the deaths so far were inevitable, once this virus found its

it's rounding the turn." Who can forget his forecast of "packed selfishness. Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot got her hair styled when churches" on Easter, or son-in-law Jared Kushner's prediction that hair salons were closed by state order. California Gov. Gavin Newsom by July, the country could be "really rocking again"?

The administration's false hopes were regrettable not just because they were wrong but because they promoted mistaken policies and reckless conduct. Many red-state governors refused to require masks in public, and others did so only after needless delays. Some Republican governors even took steps to block local governments from issuing such mandates.

The official resistance to basic precautions spurred widespread defiance. Anyone who has taken a trip by car can attest that an alarming number of people go into grocery stores, gas stations and motel lobbies without face coverings.

They are following the example of a president who was so contemptuous of caution that his White House became a cluster of infection. Trump also mocked mask-wearers and held mass gatherings that were perfectly crafted to spread the disease. A study by Stanford economists estimated that 18 Trump campaign rallies produced 30,000 additional cases of COVID-19 and 700 deaths.

But let's not put all the blame for these on him. Each of the people

violated his own rules by attending a birthday party at a fancy restaurant. Denver Mayor Michael Hancock told his constituents not to travel for Thanksgiving, before flying off to see relatives.

One obstacle to universal cooperation is that many people who take risks don't get the virus, which encourages them to take more risks. Another is that most of us know someone who has gotten it and suffered no serious effects, which creates a false sense of security. If COVID were far more contagious and lethal — as Ebola - Americans would have been more careful. is

Self-discipline isn't easy in the absence of immediate, obvious dangers or rewards. But the fact that an obligation is hard is not a license to disregard it.

Even in places with tight restrictions, there is little enforcement, letting some people flout the most vital rules. The English writer G.K. Chesterton said: "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult; and left untried." Too many of us have taken the same approach to the best practices for combating the coronavirus.

way to our shores. But many are the direct result of reckless, careless or uninformed choices that could have been avoided.

The failure started at the top, with President Donald Trump. Month after month, he insisted that the pandemic would soon be just a memory. March 6: "It'll go away." Oct. 24: "It is going away;

who attended those crowded events made the choice to risk getting the virus and then passing it on to people who chose not to attend. Trump was irresponsible, and so were they.

Even some officials who embraced essential public health measures, however, sabotaged the effort through their own Steve Chapman blogs for the Chicago Tribune.

Huge numbers of people deserve credit for diligently striving to defeat the virus. But too many have been indifferent or rebellious. Americans like to think that as a nation we are capable of meeting any challenge. Looks like we've been fooling ourselves.

Biden must stop the plundering of Alaska

By Susan Eisenhower

Sixty years ago, my grandfather, President Dwight Eisenhower, set aside the first 8.9 million acres of what today is the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in the remote northeast corner of Alaska. Twenty years later, President Jimmy Carter signed a law doubling the refuge's size and strengthening its protections.

Now, despite the refuge's bipartisan history, the departing Trump administration has scheduled a last-ditch oil and gas lease sale for Wednesday that could lead to drilling in one of the country's last great wild places.

The sale targets about a million acres in the refuge's 1.5 million acre coastal plain, which lies between the highest peaks of the Brooks Range and the Arctic Ocean. Its rolling tundra, lagoons and barrier islands were part of the original protected area established by



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my grandfather, and for good reason: It is the biological core of the Fred Seaton, explained to Congress, "Looking ahead 50 years to the 19 million acre refuge.

His intent was to preserve the region's "wildlife and wilderness values," and his administration made clear from the outset that the refuge's use for other purposes should be permitted only "in a manner that would not impair the intent.'

Our wildlife refuges are, by definition, public lands and waters set aside to conserve America's wild animals and plants, and few areas in the United States are as wild or as biologically rich as the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Polar bears come onshore to build winter maternity dens and are spending more time on land as climate change melts sea ice. Millions of migratory birds nest and feed on the coastal plain's tundra and along its rivers before departing to the lower 48 states and other destinations. Hundreds of thousands of caribou travel to the coastal plain each summer to calve as part of the longest land migration on the planet.

My grandfather was adamant that the range, including the coastal plain, be protected in its entirety. As his interior secretary,

Trump succeeded

Dear Editor:

In my letter to the editor of Oct. 1, 2020, I stated that President Trump would claim fraud if he lost the election and that his goal was to make the US a third world country.

Well he made it. My hat is off to President Trump for having accomplished what I thought was impossible, to make the US a third world country.

The last time that I saw an ugly mob stomp its way into Congress was 65 years ago when I was a high school student in Quito, Ecuador. It was ugly at that time and is not any less ugly what happened in Congress today.

To see this type of event in Ecuador is a given because Ecuador is a third world country. To see it happen in the US is unprecedented.

I sincerely hope that all members of Congress whose security was violated today react as Americans and reconvene and confirm the election of Joe Biden as the next democratically elected President of the US. It is the least they can do to restore faith in our democratic principles.

Jorge Montero Downey

unfolding story of Alaska's development, it is clear that the only economically feasible opportunity for maintaining a wilderness frontier large enough" to protect the area's wildlife "lies in this northeastern Arctic region of the state."

But even as it moved to establish the refuge, the Eisenhower administration recognized the need to balance resource development and conservation in the Arctic. Approximately 20 million acres of federal lands on the North Slope to the west — which included what would become the Prudhoe Bay oil fields — were given to the new state of Alaska in exchange for leaving the refuge undeveloped. This transfer paved the way for decades of oil and gas development on state lands across thousands of miles of the Arctic.

Today, even without whatever oil and gas lie beneath the refuge's coastal plain, the United States is the world's largest producer of oil and natural gas. Many major banks have adopted policies against financing oil development in the refuge because of the risks involved, and there is no guarantee that Arctic refuge oil would not be shipped overseas. What is necessary is a focused and swift transition to clean energy. There are plenty of other places to acquire fossil fuels as that transition takes place.

If my grandfather were alive today, I'm confident he would be critical of the Trump administration's effort to open the refuge to oil and gas development. In his farewell address in 1961, he warned against such shortsighted thinking: "As we peer into society's future, we — you and I, and our government — must avoid the impulse to live only for today, plundering, for our own ease and convenience, the precious resources of tomorrow.'

The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge remains largely as Mr. Seaton described it in 1959: "One of the most magnificent wildlife and wilderness areas in North America," providing "a wilderness experience not duplicated elsewhere." We must hold on to the wild places we have left, particularly when spoiling them is so unnecessary.

I urge President-elect Joe Biden to take immediate action after his inauguration on Jan. 20 to halt the leasing process and suspend all oil activities and operations in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. By doing so, he will restore in the American people the faith that their leaders will preserve the most magnificent wildlife and wilderness areas in North America for generations to come.

Susan Eisenhower is a consultant, a policy analyst and the author of "How Ike Led: The Principles Behind Eisenhower's Biggest Decisions."

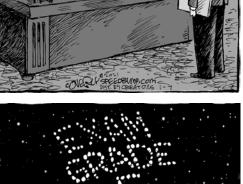
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Downey Community Calendar

CITY MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall. 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall. 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber. 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library. 3rd Thurs., 6:30pm: CERT, at Downey City Council Chamber at City Hall, for more info call 299-5462. 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task Force, at City Hall.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478. 4:30 pm: Courage Forward Meeting, at 10829 New St, 2nd Floor, call 213-545-6810. 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 310-386-8112. 3rd Mon., 11:30 am: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623. 4th Mon., 7:30 pm: Downey Numismatists, at Downey Retirement Center, call 862-6666.

TUESDAYS

9 am: Quilters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459. 9:30 am: Downey Seniors Club, at Apollo Park, call Irene Vallini at 328-7039. 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza at 652-4399. 12 pm: Rotary Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call William Medina 413-3447. 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com. 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932. 7 pm: Healing Room and Prayer, at Desert Reign Church 11610 Lakewood Blvd, call 861-6011. 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org. 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room. 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936. 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount. 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372. Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399 WEDNESDAYS 7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.

- 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
- 7 pm: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, call 928-8000.
- 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryll Olson 833-8954.
- 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416. 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
- 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
- 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.

2nd Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 928-4132. 3rd Wed.,: Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972. 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call 860-8821 or 927-3635. 3rd Wed., 10 am: OLPH Women's Guild, at OLPH School Auditorium, contact Melodie Santana, (562) 806-3102. 3rd Wed., 6:00 pm: Sister Cites of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136. 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420. Wed.& Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222. 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217. 9 am: Crafters group, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, call 803-4459. 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677. 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Roy Jimenez 923-0971.

- 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
- 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176. 7 pm: Troop 351, Boy Scouts of America, will resume meeting online in January, call 562-500-5093. 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.

1st Thurs.: People of Faith Ministries, Schroder Piano, call John Veiga 562-412-7192. 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm.: The Downey Amateur Radio Club, at First Baptist Church room 120. 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400. 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825. 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.

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3rd Thurs., 6 pm: Downey CIPAC, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call Rich Tuttle 413-6045. 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232. 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

FRIDAYS

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

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A Dear Neighbor - John Lukacsa

By Vickie Williams

ohn was 10 years old when his Uncle Isadoro Lukacsa, his father's brother, returned home 30 years later reduced to skin and bones. Isadoro's eyes were sunken with dark circles around them. His chin bones seemed thin as razor blades, and he weighed only 50 pounds.

He looked like he had been eaten by cancer, a fossil of what he once was - a ghastly figure, barely alive. Emotionally dead on the inside. His skin was pale. Once muscular, tall and handsome, he had lost his sense of self.

Isadoro was a prisoner of war captured by the Russians during WWI in 1917 and hauled off to a lead mine in the bowels of Siberia, a place of biting cold no place to be somebody.

It was dark, dank and dangerous: void of sunshine and fresh air, nothing green or lively about it. He returned home with legs like sticks. Starved. Scarred. Broken. Only God knows what he suffered.

He was only 17 when he was drafted and captured, robbed of his youth, his life, his personhood, his family, the things he loved. Barricaded in the perils of the unfamiliar. Slammed in a dungeon with no way out.

Upon returning home in 1947, Isadoro had forgotten how to speak his native language and only spoke Russian. He could no longer feed himself and wore a diaper.

John's mother, with a torn heart, fed him and changed him like a baby with tenderness and compassion. "My mother was a strong woman. Her name was Helen." John admired her deeply.

Isadoro was a counterfeit of what he once was, a stranger to himself and others, useless as a hole in a paper bag, and stripped of human function beyond medical interventions, prayers, miracles and hope. He trembled. He mumbled. His eyes teared.

He passed away in 1947, two months after returning home. It was a year John would never forget: a year of sadness, pain, tragedy and mental torture, a reminder of the devastation of war and man's inhumanity to

shot on the spot. In 1946, John's father made it home and brought light into the family.

However, the Russians won WWII, confiscated the land and Hungary became a satellite state of the Soviet Union. The vineyards, wineries and farmlands of the people, including John's family, became state-owned property.

Ironically, families that owned the land were paid by the government to work on it. "Americans know nothing about socialism or communism.' John's words rang with strong conviction.

War ... an abomination, immense suffering, immeasurable grief, and incalculable loss that turned his family's and countless others' worlds upside down.

John Lukasca was born on August 11, 1937, in a lush green village known as Somlovasarhely, south of the Danube, fertile in vineyards on the Pest side of Budapest where the less affluent lived

His native land is known for thermal baths, storybook castles, and colorful floral gardens. Vineyards were plentiful. When John was seven, his father, Carl, put him to work. Carl owned a vineyard and a winery. He also owned land on the other side of town.

He taught John how to tie grape leaves to prevent them from falling. John grew up in a close-knit, self-sustaining community. They used horses and mules for transportation and transporting goods. The people raised sheep, goats, cattle and pigs. It was excellent land for grazing and farming.

John's grandfather Joseph donated land to a priest to build a small Catholic chapel. John has a prized painting on his living room wall of the village where he was born, and his eyes sparkled as he proudly pointed to the small chapel Joseph's donation made possible.

John said he was a quick learner and a bright student. He spoke two languages: Hungarian and English. At the age of 14, he

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had the option of going to trade school or high school.

He enrolled in trade school to become a machinist: four hours in the classroom and four hours of workshop, five days a week. After completing the first year and passing the exam, he earned 25% of the master machinist's pay. After the second year, he earned 50% of the master machinist's pay.

Each year, if the criteria of completing the course work and passing the exam were met, the pay increased by 25%. In 1956, John's life was interrupted and he did not finish the course.

An uprising led by university students in Budapest against Russian oppression and occupation became a revolution once the masses joined in.

The first two weeks the Hungarians won, but the Russians sent in 2,000 tanks and recaptured the cities. Twentyfive hundred Hungarians and 700 Soviet troops were killed during the conflict, significant casualties on both sides.

A no-win situation, the ugly facts of war. John was drafted in the Hungarian Army in 1956 and was to report in April 1957. He failed to report and escaped to Austria in January 1957, landing in a refugee camp.

Over 200,000 Hungarians escaped from Soviet occupation. Over 6,000 people were in the camp. It was overcrowded and people were being shipped to other countries, including the U.S.

John had relatives in America, an uncle who had a beer bar and a grocery store in Detroit and a grandfather who worked in a coal mine in Pennsylvania. He had hope.

He went to the U.S. Embassy and was told he would be granted a visa to America if he volunteered to join the military for five years. He accepted the deal and received his visa in October 1957.

He landed in New York on October 17, 1957. It was his ticket out of the refugee camp, his escape from communism. John

joined the U.S. Army and did his basic training at Fort Jackson in South Carolina for 16 weeks.

This included heavy weapons training with 50-caliber mortars and scorpion tank maneuvering. He went to North Korea in 1958 as a Private First Class E-3.

While in North Korea, John developed appendicitis and didn't know it. He almost died. He couldn't eat. An Army physician gave him some pills and told him to return to the frontline.

He had dropped from 156 to 112 pounds. Three days later, he had emergency surgery in Japan that saved his life. The physician who gave him the pills was removed from duty. John spent 39 days in the hospital.

When John returned to the States in 1960, after two years in North Korea, he was stationed at Fort Louis in Washington and received a Specialist E-4 rank as a squad leader. In 1962, he became an E-5 and was a platoon sergeant.

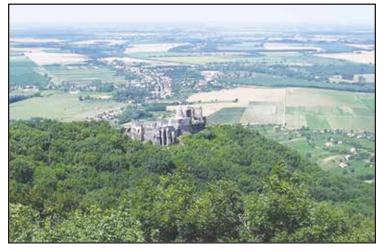
He took a test to earn the rank. That same year, John passed the test to become a U.S. citizen. During his five years in the military, John took correspondence courses. "I'd do anything to get the rank. I'd clean the toilets, if necessary."

In 1963, the U.S. military needed advisors to go to Vietnam and John volunteered. In order to become an advisor, he had to take special training, and his paperwork was sent to the Pentagon for approval.

A month later, he received notice he was rejected because his parents lived in a communist country. His parents were interviewed by the Pentagon in Hungary. John met with his commanding officer and was told he was not approved.

However, the commander encouraged John to stay in the Army. He advised John to join the Green Berets. "I told him 'adios'." On May 8, 1963, John received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army,

He lived in Detroit for a while and in other places in the States, knew each other only two



The village of Somlovasarhely.

eventually finding his way to California

John attended Compton College and Cerritos College and also a technical institute in Rosemead for ultrasonic x-ray, isotope and magnetic rays. His resume includes working for Rockwell, Boeing and Aerojet.

He worked on the Apollo program, a GPS satellite program for five years, and a nuclear project for 12 years. John had Department of Energy and Secret clearances. Although he didn't earn a college degree, John was grandfathered in as an engineer.

He has been married for 56 years and has two sons. One son is an emergency room physician assistant in Florida and the other is an executive in marketing in Irvine, California.

He has four grandchildren. Lauren graduated from Cal Poly Pomona. She is an office administrator. Gavin is studying at Fullerton College and is an outstanding soccer player.

Dylan will be completing high school in 2021 and is in a gifted program. He received the top student academic award for the state of Florida and a letter of congratulations from the Governor.

His goal is to become a physician. Katrina is a sophomore in high school and has been a ballerina since she was five years old.

John and his wife, Renee,

months before they were married. She laughed as she told the story about their wedding, while showing me their wedding pictures.

One of the church member's daughter was married two months before and graciously loaned Renee her daughter's wedding dress. John had black hair and was in an elegant black and white tuxedo with military spit-shined black shoes.

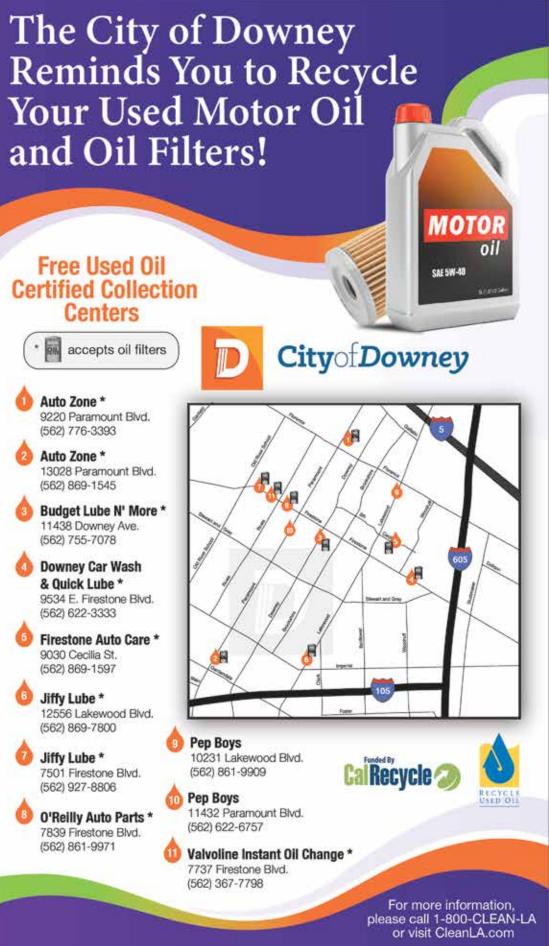
Renee looked pristine with a flowing veil and a flowing white gown tailored to her body. (I never would have guessed that the gown was borrowed.) Renee commented, "I think that wedding dress was a blessing to more than me.

'We were so poor we couldn't afford to pay for the wedding dinner." An uncle gave them the wedding dinner as a gift.

John and Renee have lived the American dream and are grateful to be Americans. I am proud to have them as my neighbors.

In 2013, when John and Renee first moved next door, John extended his hand to me while introducing himself. He volunteered to cut a branch off my persimmon tree, which was hanging over my brick wall into public space.

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man. Isadoro's condition and death left indelible memories in John's mind. Two other uncles never returned from WWI, possibly buried in a mass grave without a proper burial, without closure or the family's final goodbyes. "War. War. War." John hated it.

During WWII in 1945, John's father, Carl, went to war and was captured by the Russians. He was put on a train headed to a concentration camp in the Ukraine. His five-year-old sister Elizabeth died of pneumonia that same year.

On the shoulders of his mother's strength, courage, resolve and faith, she guided the family through dismal times in the absence of John's father and the loss of his sister Elizabeth. Food was scarce and rations were thin.

Vouchers were issued for sugar, flour, coffee, canned goods, meats and cheeses. Beans and more beans and rotten potatoes. Cigarette shortages. Overwhelming starvation and grief. War ... clouds upon clouds of darkness-more and more trials, troubles and tribulations.

While John's father and two other soldiers were being transported by train to a prison camp in the Ukraine, they used a pocketknife to cut a hole in the wooden floor and crawled under the train to escape. As they maneuvered through danger, fate shined favorably on them.

A Ukrainian family housed them, buried them in the loft of their barn under bales of hay, and fed them for 27 days. They met other extended hands along the way. It took the three escapees a year to find their way home.

They combated hunger and the elements and skillfully stayed out of harm's way. Confronted with an intolerable winter, sunshine birthed hope. They had no compass, followed the stars and traveled roads from memory.

If caught, they would be



Joe Clark, the former

principal of Eastside High School

in Paterson, New Jersey, who

inspired the 1989 film "Lean on

Me," died Dec. 29 at his home in

Gainesville, Florida after a long

as

Clark became known for

illness at the age of 82.

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principal, which

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Joe Clark

A Dear Neighbor

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He seems to always be volunteering for something. "If you need help or anything, let me know.'

Recently, for his 83rd birthday, John bought himself a new car. I asked him what his APR was. He smiled. "I paid cash. I can't take it with me when I die. I might as well spend some of it."

Later, I thought, "What a foolish question to ask. I know John's got bank."

John rides his bike, patrolling the neighborhood and keeping a watchful eye on the surroundings. He picks up trash and cleans up fallen leaves from my sidewalk. He helped me get rid of an opossum.

I had ten skunks in my backyard. John spotted them and informed me. He graciously volunteered to call our councilwoman to ask if the city of La Palma could assist me in getting them off my property.

He also provided me with her phone number. Surprisingly, the councilwoman knocked on my door weeks later. That was kind of her, but I had researched and knew the city wouldn't do anything, and the skunks had already been removed.

John and Renee offered to split the cost of getting rid of them. However, I cordially declined. I felt strongly that it was my responsibility to get rid of the skunks. I appreciated their offer.

On hot days, John gives bottles of cold water to the postal workers who drop off the mail. He proudly displays the American flag every day. He keeps his vegetable and floral gardens manicured and does the work himself.

He has assisted me charging my battery in Miss Daisy, my 1988 Fleetwood Cadillac, and helped me in my vegetable garden. Renee says he looks for my bedroom light to be sure I'm home and safe at night.

When he doesn't see me for several days, he worries. Just recently, when John didn't see me turning the corner for several days waving and saying, "Hey John, how's it going?", nor my bedroom light, I received a message from him (with a thick accent) on my answering machine.

"Hi, Vickie, this is John, your neighbor. I haven't seen vou in a couple of days. Are you alright?" typical John. I called John right away to reassure him that I was okay.

I've not only grown to appreciate John's skills at cultivating yellow and red roses and purple and magenta gladiolus in his manicured flower beds, but I appreciate his people skills at cultivating friendships. I am blessed to call him my neighbor and my dear friend.

Vickie Williams is a member of the writing class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. It is held off-campus at the Norwalk Senior Center.

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<u>Obituaries</u>

Eric Dickey

Eric Jerome Dickey, а bestselling author whose work depicted modern black life, died Jan. 3 at the age of 59 after a long illness.

Dickey was a stand-up comic before becoming a popular

author. His books sold over 7 million copies, many of them ending up on best-selling book including USA Today and the Wall Street

lists

Journal.

He wrote in the crime thriller genre and his books were praised for their depiction of contemporary black life. His bestsellers include "Friends and Lovers" and "Milk in My Coffee."

His 1996 debut novel, "Sister, Sister," was named by Essence magazine as one of the 50 Most Impactful Black Books of the Last 50 Years.

His last book, titled "The Son of Mr. Suleman," will be released in April.

Helen Jackson

Helen Jackson, the last known surviving widow of a Civil War veteran, died Dec. 16 at a Missouri nursing home. She was

Jackson volunteered as a caregiver to Civil War veteran James Bolin when she was a young woman and he, a neighbor, was in his final years.

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He appreciated her help, but he couldn't afford to pay her so he offered to marry her so she would inherit his Civil War pension when he died. The two were wed in 1936, when she was 17 and he was 93.

Jackson told few people of the marriage, not wanting to invite salacious gossip about the arrangement. She kept her name and continued living at her own home even after the marriage, though she still helped care for Bolin until his death in 1939.

It was only in recent years, as she planned her own funeral, that Jackson disclosed the truth of her early marriage. Prior to the disclosure, the last known surviving widow of a Civil War veteran had been Maudie Hopkins, who died in 2008.

Jackson's marriage was verified by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War via testimony of a witness, as well as a notation of the ceremony in Bolin's family Bible.

Jackson never remarried, and she was active in her community as a member of her local garden club, historical society, and other groups.

the school's hallways carrying a baseball bat and a bullhorn. He expelled hundreds of students who were troublemakers or frequently tardy and absent,

insisting on a culture of respect

toward teachers and learning.

Though Clark's unorthodox methods brought criticism, they did result in a modest increase in test scores and were hailed by some as a success and an inspiration.

Clark was featured on the cover of Time magazine and invited onto TV shows including "60 Minutes," and in 1989, Morgan Freeman portrayed him in the hit movie "Lean on Me."

In later years, Clark worked as the director of a New Jersey juvenile detention facility.



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BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code) (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 CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 13218 ROSECRANS AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 (3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: 13218 ROSECRANS AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 (4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: YH BROTHERS CORP, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 13218 ROSECRANS AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 (5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE. TRADENAME, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS of that certain business located at: 13218 ROSECRANS AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 (6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: TSUNAMI EXPRESS CAR WASH (7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JANUARY 27, 2021 at the office of: UNITED ESCROW CO, 3440 WILSHIRE BLVD, #600. LOS ANGELES. CA 90010. Escrow No. 65509-EK, Escrow Officer: EUNICE KO (8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 07, 2020 2020

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The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 10/2015 I declare that all the information in this

statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/EL TAPATIO MEXICAN GRILL, INC., PRESIDENT, RUBEN GAZCON This statement was filed with the Court Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 2, 2020 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 then a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. 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 and Professions Code).

(9) The last day for filing claims is: JANUARY 26, 2021.

(10) This 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.

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AME STATEMENT File Number 2020208818 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BIG BEAR CABIN, 7420 BUELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241. LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): Al #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GISELA V ROJAS, 7420 BUELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an

Individual The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 04/2020

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THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2001 I declare that all the information in this

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S/JERRY LOCKHART, OWNER, JERRY LOCKHART This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 24, 2020

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Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALEJANDRA RUELAS JIMENEZ, 12038 HORLEY AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an

Individual The date registrant started to transact

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S/ALEJANDRA RUELAS JIMENEZ, OWNER

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NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020223074 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DOWNEY ELECTRONICS (2) DOWNEY AUDIO ELECTRONICS (3) DOWNEY ELECTRONICS RESTORATION, 7420 JELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO PELAYO JR., 7420 BUELL

, DOWNEY CA 90241 State of Incorporation: N/A

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S/FRANCISCO PELAYO JR., OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 22, 2020

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020213077 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) OPPORTUNITY GROUP, 9556 FLOWER ST # 7, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, LA COUNTY Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CESAR HERMEN, 9556 FLOWER ST # 7,

BELLFLOWER CA 90706 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an

Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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S/CESAR HERMEN, OWNER, CESAR

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 10,

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> FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020223055

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GRIZZLY WOODCRAFTS, 9341 PARROT AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA COUNT Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ADRIAN ROSITAS, 9341 PARROT AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020208653

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ZAMORA & SON CONSTRUCTIONS, 3531 BALDWIN AVE, EL MONTE CA 91731, LA COUNTY Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) FRANCISCO JAVIER SR ZAMORA LEGASPI, 3531 BALDWING AVE, EL

MONTE CA 91731 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name

or names listed above: 11/2020 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one

the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other then a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by

the affidavit of identity form. 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 and Professions Code).

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> FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020209955

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BEYOND INFINITII, 9556 FLOWER ST STE 307, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, LA COUNTY, 5928 GREENTOP ST, LAKEWOOD CA 90713

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 4533231 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BEYOND INFINITII, 9556 FLOWER ST STE 307, BELLFLOWER CA 90706 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registran knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/BEYOND INFINITII, TREASURER,

ROBERTO ERIC BARRERA GARAY This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 08,

2020 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 then a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by

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The Downey Patriot 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21, 1/28/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020202724 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CASA GAZCON MEXICAN GRILL, 11413 TELEGRAPH RD, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, LA **COUNTY** Articles of Incorporation or Organization

Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TAPATIO MEXICAN GRILL, INC., 11

TELEGRAPH RD, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670

State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020224624 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ESCALÁ (3) ESCALA REALTY, 8255 FIRESTONE BLVD SUITE 301, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Articles of Incorporation or Organization

Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ESCALA REALTY GROUP, 8255 FIRESTONE BLVD SUITE 301, DOWNEY CA 90241 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

or names listed above: 08/2009

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2020

Corporation The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name

declare that all the information in this

statement is true and correct. (A registrant

who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant

knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/ESCALA REALTY GROUP, PRESIDENT,

This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 23,

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

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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

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2020216571 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FISH WINDOW

CLEANING 3236. 9047 FLORENCE

AVE SUITE G, DOWNEY CA 90240, LA

and Professions Code).

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Legal Notices/Classifieds

Thursday, Jan. 7, 2021

CLASSIFIEDS

AUTOS **MISCELLANEOUS** SERVICES SERVICES SERVICES SERVICES **CAREGIVER AVAILABLE** HANDY CRAFTSMAN **CLASSIC CARS WANTED NICE-N-KLEAN APPLIANCE TECH** FULL SERVICE More than 20 years experience **PLUMBING SERVICE** Residential & Commercial HAS ARRIVED Porsche, Mercedes, Ford, Chevy, etc. We come to you. House calls. Same day rapid working in Downey. for all your home Cleaning. Licensed, bonded & insured, **References** Available service all major brands. 24/7, senior discount Running or not. improvements & repairs. All Call for a Free Estimate. labor and material guaranteed. (310) 926-9343 (562) 449-7969 (562) 419-6577 Washers, dryers, ovens, **McKinnon & Sons** (562) 331-0976 stoves, refrigerators, etc. **Plumbing of Downey** EMPLOYMENT SERVICES Senior citizen discount. (562) 904-3616 PLANS, PERMITS (562) 866-4291 **CONSTRUCTION** ALL ELECTRICAL AND **VETERINARY** FINE ROOFING, INC. (310) 251-3018 **PLUMBING WORK** Project Design, **TECHNICIAN** Roof Repair & Leaks Lic 965519 & Bonded New Construction, Free Estimate•Quality Service Full Time Visit Us Online: Jobs start at \$35, free estimate Remodeling & Additions **Thomas Vet Hospital** Senior Discount. Lic 976823 www.TheDowneyPatriot.com Call Erik (323) 228-4500 Lic. #936419 (562) 923-9497 (562) 879-4987 Call Jeff (562) 869-1421 name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described COUNTY TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner NOTICES JASMINE AMELIA WICAB filed a petition

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 202021710293

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PARTIDA OHANA ENTERPRISES LLC, 9047 FLORENCE AVE SUITE G, DOWNEY CA 90240

CA 90240 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 09/2020 I declare that all the information in this

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/PARTIDA OHANA ENTERPRISES LLC, MANAGER, ARMANDO PARTIDA This statement was filed with the County

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 15,

2020 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 then a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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 and Professions Code)

The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

HIGH HOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020208329 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SOCAL REALTY SERVICES (2) SOCAL LOANS, 9964 DU PAGE AVE, WHITTIER CA 90605, LA COUNTY

Accounty Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CATALINA ORTIZ, 9964 DU PAGE AVE, WHITTIER ČA 90605

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an

Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 02/2012

declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant

File Number 2020214445 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) VERSATECH ENTERPRISES, 4956 CASTANA AVE. #27, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, LA COUNTY Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BRUCE WEXLER, 4956 CASTANA AVE. #27, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name

or names listed above: N/A I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/BRUCE WEXLER, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 2020

2020 - In accordance with Subdivision Notice (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 then a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious

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The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020211087 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MAGALLONSOFT, 5400 CLARK AVE. #224, LAKEWOOD CA 90712, LA COUNTY, P.O. 483, LAKEWOOD CA 90714 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOHNNY VELASQUEZ MAGALLON, 5400 CLARK AVE. #224, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 (2) BRUCE DAVID WEXLER, 4956 CASTANA AVE. #27, LAKEWOOD CA 90712 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a

General Partnership

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. trant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/JOHNNY_VELASQUEZ MAGALLON,

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00292 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner BRIAN ERIBERTO INIGUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: resent name (1) BRIAN ERIBERTO

INIGUEZ to Proposed name (1) BRIAN WILLIS THE COURT ORDERS that all persons

interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition ithout a hearing

without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING Date: JANUARY 13, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: N/A The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd Norwalk CA 90650

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, DOWNEY PATRIOT

DECEMBER 02, 2020 Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per BRIAN ERIBERTO INIGUEZ 8903 Calmosa Ave Whittier , CA, 90605 (909) 703-1246 Brianiniguez77@gmail.com

The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00322 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ARGELIA LOERA G filed a petition with this

court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) ARGELIA LOERA G to Proposed name (1) ARGELIA LOERA GUDINO THE COURT ORDERS that all persons ollows

interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is

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should not be granted. If no written objection should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING Date: FEBRUARY 10, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312 The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00007 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VICTOR MANUEL CARRILLO CASTILLO

filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) VICTOR MANUEL CARRILLO CASTILLO to Proposed name (1) VICTOR MANUEL CASTILLO THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interacted in this mether cancer before this

lincludes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: MARCH 8, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312 The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650 A conv of this Order to Show Course shall A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT JANUARY 6, 2021 Judge Margaret M. Bernal

with this court for a decree changing names Present name (1) JASMINE AMELIA WICAB to Proposed name (1) JASMINE AMELIA TORRES

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons

interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition

is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING Date: MARCH 8, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312 The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT JANUARY 6, 2021

JANDARY 6, 2021 Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner JASMINE AMELIA WICAB 11327 CHARLESWORTH ROAD SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670 (562) 450-7326 (562) 450 - 732

JASMINE.WICAB@YAHOO.COM

The Downey Patriot 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21, 1/28/21

PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JANE EDITH HARTSFIELD aka JANE E. HARTSFIELD aka JANE HARTSFIELD

Case No. 20STPB08041

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JANE EDITH HARTSFIELD aka JANE E. HARTSFIELD aka JANE HARTSFIELD A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Robert L. Cohen in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests

that Robert L. Cohen be appointed as personal representative to administer the

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

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 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 described 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, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: RAMON BECERRA, A Married Man as his Sole and Separate Property Duly Appointed Trustee: PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES Recorded 11/17/2006 as Instrument No. 2006252453 in book _ page of Official 20062552453 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 1/29/2021 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$127,674.83 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 7153 NADA ST DOWNEY California 90242 A.P.N.: 6232-012-024 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 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 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 tille insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources,

be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT DECEMBER 8, 2020 Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner TANGELA D. TERRY, SBN 224117 5777 W. CENTURY BLVD., SUITE 750 LOS ANGELES, CA 90045 PHONE (310) 641-7800 FAX (310) 641-7800 EMAIL TANGELA@TANGELATERRY.COM

TANGELA@TANGELATERRY.COM ATTORNEY FOR DEE DEE ALVARADO

The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21

The COURT ORDER's that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at

knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/CATALINA ORTIZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 07, 2020

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The Downey Patriot 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

AME STATEMENT File Number 2020214357 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) WHITTIER LIONS (2) WHITTIER HOST LIONS, 7604 GREENLEAF AVE, WHITTIER CA 90602, LA COUNTY DO POY 245 WHITTIER COUNTY, P.O. BOX 245, WHITTIER CA 90608

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 1958101 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) WHITTIER HOST LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION, 15309 JUPITER STREET, WHITTIER CA 90603 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a

Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor

punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/WHITTER HOST LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION, PRESIDENT, RUBEN ARMIENTA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 14, 2020

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The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

GENERAL PARTNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on DECEMBER 09, 2020

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The Downey Patriot 12/17/20, 12/24/20, 12/31/20, 1/7/21

LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700–21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code. Section 2328 of CA Commercial Code, Sections 1812.600 –1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

The undersigned will be sold at public auction on January 20, 2021 ending at 10:00am. The personal property including: general household goods, tools, electronics, and personal effects, have been stored and which are located at: Paramount Self Storage, 8160 E. Rosecrans Ave, Paramount, CA 90723, County of Los Angelos, State of Colifornia County of Los Angeles, State of California, the following:

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Name Olga Flores Alaniz Angel Aluise Laisa Brown Carolina Buenrostro Rodolfo Gaona Cruz Lucy Escobarromero Mary Horton Lakeisha Parker Laura T. Sanchez Robert A. Scott Laura Q. Sherman Rita Soto Shenetha Washington

Purchases must be made in CASPH ONLY and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

Dated this 31st day of December 2020 and 7th day of January 2021. Self Storage Management Company Bond #: WLI1254152

The Downey Patriot 12/31/20, 1/7/21

the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE OF HEARING Date: FEBRUARY 26, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312 The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650 copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner ARGELIA LOERA G 8103 COLE STREET DOWNEY CA. 00242 OOWNEY, CA 90242 (323) 787-5920 ARGELIA.LOERAG@GMAIL.COM

The Downey Patriot 1/7/21, 1/14/21, 1/21/21, 1/28/21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00317 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner EDUARDO BUCIO SOTELO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) EDUARDO BUCIO SOTELO to Proposed name (1) EDUARDO

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING

Date: FEBRUARY 22, 2021, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312 The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BOULEVARD, NORWALK CA 90650 copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT DECEMBER 23, 2020 Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner EDUARDO BUCIO SOTELO 5505 LOVELAND ST #4 BELL GARDENS, CA 90201 (323) 773-6744 busoelu@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00297 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner DEE DEE ALVARADO filed a petition with his court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) DEE DEE ALVARADO to Proposed name (1) JULIE ANN AREVALO THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: 20NWCP00326 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner CHAROLETTE KAYSHANNA MARIE OLIVER ON BEHALF OF SAVANNAH GRACE SMITH filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) SAVANNAH GRACE

SMITH to Proposed name (1) SAVANNAH ROSE GRACE SMITH THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that included the reserve for the objection at includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING

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A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE DOWNEY PATRIOT** DECEMBER 31, 2020 Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge Of The Superior Court Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per Charolette Kayebanga Marie Oliver Charolette Kayshanna Marie Oliver 9421 Harvard St #1 Bellflower, CA 90706 (323) 867-8486

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grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on Feb. 17, 2021 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 67 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 00012 CA 90012

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Petitioner: Robert L. Cohen LAW OFFICES OF ROBERT L. COHEN INC 8081 ORANGETHORPE AVE BUENA PARK CA 90621 CN974570 HARTSFIELD Jan 7,14,21, 2021

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Can you take your home off the market?

Having second thoughts about selling your home isn't unusual. In fact, 29 percent of sellers temporarily take their home off the market, according to the Zillow Group Consumer Housing Trends Report 2018. And that number is even higher among millennial sellers at 45 percent

Can you take your house off the market?

Yes, as the owner of the home, you can take your house off the market at any time. If you're selling for sale by owner (FSBO), you can simply remove your listing from everywhere you're advertising, but you won't recoup any costs related to marketing.

If you're selling with an agent, you will be subject to the terms of your contract. Penalties, including an early termination fee, may apply, especially if you request a cancellation of your agent's contract and then turn around and relist with another agent. But if you're delisting because you got cold feet, most agents will understand. Whether they charge you any penalties will likely depend how much time and money the agent has already put into your listing.

There are many reasons sellers delist a home after it's already on the market. Here are a few of the most common reasons

Financial circumstances

When your finances change unexpectedly, because of a job layoff, medical emergency or otherwise, you may decide it's not the best time to buy a new home — which usually means it's not a great time to sell your current home. Higher interest rates, a brief job history and the price tag of a new home (and higher monthly payment) are all factors that cause people to take their homes off the market for financial reasons.

Stale listing

If your home has been sitting on the market for too long,

stale listing can be a red flag for buyers, who might assume there's something wrong with the property, even if there isn't.

If you're selling in a buyers market (where homes take longer to sell because there are more listings than there are buyers) and you either are not receiving any offers or aren't receiving offers that are worth selling for, you might consider taking your home off the market for a longer period of time, until market conditions shift in your favor.

Unresponsive agent

If you're not happy with your representation, you might consider taking your home off the market and making plans to relist in the future with another agent.

Remodeling

If your home isn't selling, it might be worth taking it off the market to do some remodeling that will help attract more buyers. Keep in mind that since you're still planning to sell, you should focus on renovation projects that would offer you a strong return on investment. Your ROI ultimately depends on the cost of improvements made, your home's current value (pre-renovation) and what a buyer is willing to pay once it's improved.

Change of heart

You put a lot of time, effort and love into your home, and for many homeowners, it's filled with memories. Some sellers don't realize the emotional attachment they have to their home until buyers come through the door.

Are there fees for taking your house off the market?

Once you've decided you definitely want to cancel your for-sale listing, you'll need to check your listing agreement (if you're working with an agent) to determine the possible financial repercussions.



If you aren't using an agent to sell your house, you have more flexibility in deciding if and when to take it off the market. You are free to remove your listing from sites like Zillow at any time, assuming you don't yet have a buyer. If you are already under contract with a buyer, you'll need to go through the process of canceling your contract if you're having second thoughts, and that can be a challenge.

Fees for taking your house off the market when listing with an agent

Many contracts between the home seller and real estate agent include a listing agreement cancellation clause to protect the agent from losing the time and money they've put into your listing so far.

Full commission: If your agent did everything in their power to sell your home and brought you strong offers but you refused to accept them, the agent could pursue compensation for their full commission.

Marketing fees: If your agent did everything they could to sell your home but you didn't get any offers and decide to cancel, you may have to reimburse them for marketing expenses.

Do all agents charge a fee to cancel a listing agreement?

Most reputable agents will not charge a fee for taking your house off the market. If they do, it's usually because of at least one of these issues:

The seller was blatantly taking advantage of their services — for example, if a seller received a strong offer, accepted it, then canceled to avoid paying their commission.

The seller didn't give the home a chance to sell.

The seller already expressed plans to relist with another agent, even though the first

agent was satisfying the terms of less. their contract.

It's important to note that most reputable agents are reasonable when it comes to cancellations. If you've had a good working relationship, they will likely be accommodating if you have a change of heart or if your financial circumstances shift. Let your agent know as soon as possible that you've decided to take the home off the market so they don't spend any more time and money marketing on your behalf.

When should you take your house off the market?

If you're thinking of delisting not because of personal circumstances but because you're not happy with how the listing is performing, understand that timing is everything. Deciding what to do next all depends on pricing, market conditions and seasonality.

After 30 days with no offers

If you're in a strong sellers market and your home hasn't seen a single offer in 30 days, the listing price is usually to blame. That's why finding the right price for your home from the start is so important. If you have to do a price reduction, your home might sit on the market longer and ultimately sell for

Keep in mind, though, that every market is different. If you're selling in a buyers market or if you're selling a luxury home that naturally has a smaller pool of potential buyers because of the price point, it can take longer than a month to get a good offer.

During slow season

If your home has been on the market for months and winter is approaching, you might be asking yourself, "Should I take my house off the market in winter?" It might be worth delisting for those slow winter months and trying again in the spring.

According to Zillow research, the first half of May is the best time of the year to list in the U.S. Listing during the two-week period between May 1 and May 15 helps homes sell six days faster and for \$1,600 more, on average – a 0.7 percent bump in price. The price difference varies by market, of course. On the low end, homes in Atlanta that sell during the optimal window sell for \$1,300 more. On the high side, homes in San Francisco see a \$10,000 bump. Of course, some of that variability is due to the difference in home prices across markets.

How to take your house off the market

The actual act of taking your house off the market, whether it's listed on the MLS or as a FSBO on Zillow and Trulia, is fairly simple and takes just a few minutes. Here are the steps.

Talk to your agent

Your agent has full power to cancel the listing on the MLS quickly and easily, but you need to talk it over with them first and agree on any financial penalties.

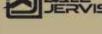
If you are delisting because your home isn't selling, take the time to listen to your agent's feedback. They can offer insights into why they think it didn't sell, whether it's because of timing, because it was priced too high or because it needs repairs.

Can you sell your home offmarket?

You don't have to have your home formally listed on the MLS or on Zillow or Trulia to enter into a contract with a buver — but it will be much harder to attract an interested buyer, unless you already have one lined up.







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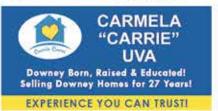
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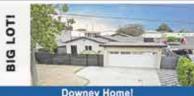
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