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Leslie Murray named police chief



■ CITY COUNCIL ROUNDUP: She will become the first female police chief in Downey Police Department history.

By Eric Pierce
Editor

DOWNEY - Downey police captain Leslie Murray was appointed Downey's new chief of police Tuesday, effective next month.

City Manager Gilbert Livas announced the hiring during Tuesday's City Council meeting.

Murray will become Downey's first female police chief when she is sworn into the position.

She replaces Dean Milligan, who is retiring after nearly 30 years with the Downey Police Department.

Murray grew up in Downey, attending Lewis Elementary and South Middle School before graduating from Downey High School in 1986.

She joined the Downey Police Department as a recruit and steadily climbed the ranks.

In 1995, she was promoted

to the detective bureau, and in 2000 she was named a sergeant, the first female sergeant in the department's history.

In 2019, she became the department's first female captain.

"I think I always had that drive to continue to learn and develop," Murray told the Downey Patriot in 2019. "You do so many years in a particular assignment, and you get to that point where you think, 'Ok, what else can I do?' I want to constantly learn."

Mayor

Blanca Pacheco will serve as Downey's mayor in 2022, her City Council colleagues decided Tuesday.

It will be Pacheco's second stint as mayor; she was first installed as Downey mayor in 2019, two months before the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Meanwhile, veteran Councilman Sean Ashton, who is entering his final year in office due to term limits, was selected mayor pro tem for 2022.

Both votes were unanimous.

Public Comment

The City Council voted

Tuesday to decrease the amount of time the public is allowed to speak at its meetings.

The decision was made in response to an increasing frequency in interruptions and outbursts at City Council meetings.

Twice this month City Council meetings have been paused to clear the council chambers of antagonists who frequently try to shout down the mayor.

Speakers regularly use vulgar language and racist speech in their comments. On Tuesday, one speaker - Armando Herman - displayed a banana while shouting the N-word.

Under the new rules, the public will have a single four-minute window to address the City Council, with exceptions for public hearings.

"It's become a circus," said Councilman Mario Trujillo. "There's four or five people that come up and take up all our time, so yes, I want to limit them to one time. And if you have more you need to tell me, email me, make an appointment, or call.

"We have become the laughingstock of the southeast because of these individuals and our inability to control them."

The vote to amend public comment was 4-1 with Councilwoman Catherine Alvarez voting against.

Street Repairs

Nearly 12 miles of residential streets will be repaved under a \$4.5 million plan approved by the City Council on Tuesday.

The project calls for 88 residential street segments to be rehabilitated, extending their lives by 20 years.

Streets were chosen because they are either in a state of minor deterioration and can be repaired inexpensively or have deteriorated to a state of total disrepair.

Fixing the roads will cost about \$4.5 million, funded by Measure R bond revenue.

Construction is expected to begin in February 2022 and last through June.

A list of streets chosen for repair work is posted on TheDowneyPatriot.com.

The vote was 4-0, with Mayor Pro Tem Blanca Pacheco abstaining because one of the streets chosen for repair is near her home.

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1883

The United States and Canada adopted a system of standard time zones.

1886

Chester A. Arthur, the 21st president of the United States, died in New York at age 56.

1910

Three-hundred women marched to the Houses of Parliament in London to secure voting rights for women. Many of the women were beaten and sexually assaulted, and the day was dubbed Black Friday.

1928

The first successful sound-synchronized animated cartoon, Walt Disney's "Steamboat Willie" starring Mickey Mouse, premiered.

1966

U.S. Roman Catholic bishops did away with the rule against eating meat on Fridays.

1978

More than 900 people died in Jonestown, Guyana, after Peoples Temple cult leader Jim Jones urged them to kill themselves by drinking cyanide-laced grape punch. Jones died of a bullet wound to the head; whether it was self-inflicted is unknown.

1988

President Ronald Reagan signed legislation creating a Cabinet-level drug czar and signed a bill into law allowing the death penalty for drug traffickers.

2003

The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled 4-3 that the state's ban on same-sex marriage was unconstitutional.

2006

Actor Tom Cruise and actress Katie Holmes were married in Italy. (The couple divorced in 2012.)

Birthdays

Football hall of famer **Warren Moon** (65), "Wedding Crashers" star **Owen Wilson** (53), comedian **Mike Epps** (51), retired baseball player **David Ortiz** (46), rapper **Fabulous** (44), actor **Damon Wayans Jr.** (39), and track star **Allyson Felix** (36).

Police offering stickers for special needs residents

DOWNEY - The Downey Police Department is offering free stickers to help alert law enforcement that they may be interacting with a person with special needs.

The special needs sticker program was implemented as another tool to help law enforcement officers when interacting with those with physical or developmental disabilities that may hinder communication.

The stickers will alert officers that a person inside the home or vehicle may have special needs and to let them know that instructions may not be easily understood. The stickers are available free to the public and are designed to be placed on or near the front doors of homes or on car windows.

"Downey Police Officers receive specialized training on how to interact with people with special needs. The goal of this sticker is to assist us in identifying those with special needs when responding to calls for service in order to more effectively communicate with them and better serve the community," said Chief of Police Dean Milligan.

Stickers are available to the public and may be obtained at the Downey Police Department lobby located at 10911 Brookshire Ave.

For more information, contact the Downey Police Department at (562)861-0771



Downey, Mi Amiga Vieja

■ The actress Alanna Gonzalez Ubach recalls growing up in Downey and how it still impacts her life today.

By Alanna González Ubach

DOWNEY - My formative days in Downey spanned from the late 70's through the early 2000's. I witnessed its transition from skate town to the "Cuban Malibu" without Mel Gibson and the beach."

My mother was born in Sinaloa, Mexico, and my father was from San Turce, Puerto Rico. They met at the Hollywood Palladium on Salsa Night, scouting lovers when they were teenagers. Legend has it my father was taken by my mother's red hair, freckles, and alabaster skin - she was a Mexican Lucille Ball. My mother dug his "island blue eyes" and Chiclet smile. Together they looked like golden age movie stars.

Unlike my Mexican mother, my Puerto Rican father wasn't technically an immigrant, but he certainly felt like one. (He had the privilege of being the product of the only US territory to be allowed to fight for our president but not allowed to vote for him.) My parents' bond and attraction were one that many Latinx Los Angeleno couples from the 1950's shared. To improve and surpass their parents' experience. To either rebel against their limited dreams or make them proud. They knew they could be better off than their own parents without a college education.

Downey was Emerald City (with its own police station, fire station, civic center, and decent public schools). To start and raise a family of their own in Downey would be the ultimate American triumph - a universe away from east 40th Place where my mother grew up, and the suburban safe haven my father only saw in television shows.

I grew up in a two-story off of Mattock and Florence around the block from Karen and Richard. My mother knew them as the famous Carpenters, I knew them as the family that gave away dollar bills and giant Heath Bars on Halloween. One year, my bestie, Jesse Morales, (another light eyed Latinx) came up with a brilliant scheme. We would acquire as much Carpenters loot as possible with more costume changes ready than a Lady Gaga concert. Luckily, the Carpenters never caught on and we made \$18! That was enough cash to afford a Gremlins movie poster from Country Spice, a small Farrell's hot fudge sundae, a ride on the Little Indie Racers at Golf & Stuff, and a half day at Skate-O-Rama with a few arcade quarters to spare. Q*bert was my "go to" game and my all-time fave rink ballad was Lionel Richie's

"Penny Lover". Of course, my sister, Athena, (who was 11 years older than me and by all accounts the coolest punk rock girl in North Downey) would be our chaperone and insist we pay for her Berlinetta's unleaded.

We lived in the kind of house that belonged in a Paul Thomas Anderson movie mixed with a little Tim Burton. My mother's extensive Lladro collection and blue velvet furniture were her most prized possessions. The living room was off limits - roped off to prevent any dirty fingerprints from getting on the bowl of butterscotch disc candy and wax fruit displays. I would have to practice my Puttin' on The Hits audition in front of our rock fireplace. It was spacious and elevated and became my "go to" rehearsal space whenever I had pilot auditions. I'd throw slumber parties on our shaggy yellow carpets directly underneath the cottage cheese ceiling adorned with a crystal chandelier and learned how to swim in our pool shaped like Mickey Mouse's head. I thought we were the most exotic family since the Medici's.

Downey is where I honed my craft of mimicking. From the quirky music aficionado clerk at Middle Earth records and my middle-aged dentist (with an elaborate comb over, who wore braces and a head gear) to the bitter, blue-haired cooks at Hollander's Cafeteria, Downey was a unique combo of an immigrant 'Our Town' existence just a stone's throw from Hollywood. I could smell the grease paint 10 miles up the 110. To become a child actor made a whole lot of sense to me. My parents especially loved the idea of their weirdest, aggressively unabashed daughter pursuing one of the most unpredictable livelihoods known to man.

We lost my father in a tragic manner when I was 19. He had proudly created a flourishing lithography business from the ground up in his warehouse space near downtown Los Angeles, with my madre as his second in command and his loyal, colorful workers. His passing was a great loss to everyone who knew him. Mom chose to stay and cherish the home they made together. I processed my loss by literally acting out playing Latinx prison inmates, Spanish exchange students, and the cheery best friend in rom coms. Finding the myriad voices in my expressive mind all of which percolated in Downey.

I saw my mother take her last breath on February 1st of this year in that very same house of her dreams on Lesterford. She was diagnosed with an incredibly aggressive cancer diagnosis and died three months later. We celebrated her 81st birthday on January 27th with an all-female mariachi group that played her favorite Mexican ballads at her bedside (La Bruja and La Llorona to name a few). After sharing her



Christmastime at Stonewood Center (courtesy photo)

small plate of chicken, tostones, white rice and black beans from Havana Cafe, she had the calm of someone saying "goodbye." Not just "goodbye" to her daughters, her cousins, her chihuahua, "Bonita". But to the home and the town that saw her become a wife, a mother, an entrepreneur, a Catholic Republican, an agnostic Democrat, an avid reader, an art collector, a widow, a grandmother, and a force that I will never be without.

I carry my family's legacy like a badge of honor and hold this town in my heart and marrow. It always kept me feeling safe, comforted, welcomed, embraced, and understood. Naturally, we all must leave at some point, but I know I can always come back for pozole at Yoli's or a Pielon omelet.

I drove by our house on Lesterford last week. We sold it immediately after mom passed. Repainted a tasteful beige with brown trim. The lawn manicured and modern with succulents and potted bonsai. The windows adorned with French shutters. A kid's scooter in the driveway. Same neighbors. And as I turned onto the Lakewood on-ramp heading back to my home in Los Angeles, my husband, mom's dog, and her only grandchild, Tomacito, I waved. She waved back.

Downey, mi amiga vieja.

Eye on our Schools

By D. Mark Morris
School Board President

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is next week and winter break is just around the corner. 2021 has truly gone by in the blink of an eye.

This will be my last message as president of the Board of Education and I hope these articles have been informative and provided everyone with a bit of background into the workings of the school district. At the December board meeting, the reins as president will be handed over; however, this is not goodbye as I will continue serving as a member on our Board.

So, as I begin my final article, I want to provide a recap of some of the amazing things that have been accomplished by our students, staff and school sites since August.

As you may remember, we were able to kick off the 2021-22 school year by having our students return to school both through in-person instruction and online learning. Unlike many other districts, we were able to provide a new and robust 100% online instruction for grades K-12.

We began Downey Unified's first ever Online Elementary School, that has been serving nearly 800 kindergarten through 5th grade students since the first day of school; while approximately 900 of our middle and high school students have been enrolled in a rigorous online learning program offered through each of their home schools.

We are extremely proud that we have been able to offer our elementary and secondary students a learning approach that strongly simulates the in-person classroom experience and

schedule they are accustomed to, but fully online, all while also providing our in-person students with the same school experience and close-knit campus community that we all missed during the peak of the pandemic.

Making their debut this year, in an effort to further support our students, we were so proud to have launched our on-campus Wellness Centers at all middle and high schools. These have been up and running since August and are available for students, providing them access to additional mental health and wellness support services.

The Wellness Centers' dedicated staff have been working collaboratively with our academic counselors to provide personalized pathways for our students to seamlessly transition between academic and wellness support. With the addition of three full-time

therapists at Downey and Warren high schools, two at Columbus High and two at each of our four middle schools, these schools have more than doubled the availability of services and staff to students since last year.

Beyond the secondary schools, this school year our 13 elementary schools also have had additional therapists assigned and available to elementary students as needed. Although we have always had numerous supports in place, with the opening of these seven new on-campus Wellness Centers and expanded support at our elementary schools, we can say that we have created spaces that proactively provide students with the much-needed support both social emotionally and mentally for years to come.

One major accomplishment that bears repeating, if you didn't hear the news back in September, is five of our elementary schools were selected as Apple Distinguished Schools! This international designation was awarded to Gaudin, Imperial, Lewis, Old River and Rio San Gabriel elementary schools.

This is such a huge achievement for our schools and district because there are 546 schools in the entire world (31 being in California), that hold the designation of Apple Distinguished School...the fact that we had five schools within our district alone selected for this global designation showcases why this is such an enormous accomplishment.

During each school's three-year designation as an Apple Distinguished School, each is expected to continuously improve and grow their integration of technology into curriculum. Our remaining eight elementary schools will continue their technology efforts

toward the Apple Distinguished School recognition over the next two years, so you have our commitment that we will continue to provide a 21st Century education that ensures all of our students are globally competitive for years to come!

In an effort to grow our educational offerings for our families, we are proud that we were able to successfully open Leap, the district's first early education program for 3 to 5-year-old students. Currently housed at our Pace Education Center, this program continues to grow, but we are still looking for more little ones to enroll! If you are interested in learning more, please visit web.DUSD.net/leap.

Also, make sure to follow Downey Unified on social media for the latest district updates, new program announcements and student highlights. There's always something exciting being shared on our pages so find us on Instagram, Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.... you may even see your own child being featured in a school highlight photo, so make sure to follow us today!

I want to thank our Downey Unified students and the Downey community for your attendance and support at the Downey vs. Warren football game on October 29. The excellent manner in which you demonstrated your support was noticed by all who attended and tuned into the game. The Ballys Sports broadcasters who announced the game that evening repeatedly complimented those in attendance sharing that they had not seen such a level of fan support in all the games they had attended this year. They even commented on the excellent facilities and the manner in which they were treated. It was a very proud moment for me as Board president and I

just felt the need to share my appreciation to all.

Also, I want to express my appreciation and gratitude to Mayor Claudia M. Frometa and the Downey City Council for honoring all of our principals (elementary, middle and high school) these past few months. They received the City of Downey Mayor's Legacy Award for the excellent job that they, as well as our teachers, have done and all they have been able to accomplish throughout the pandemic.

It has truly been a unique and difficult time, but through it all, Downey Unified continues to provide the best education for our students and these recognitions are just another example that our efforts are being noticed and in turn, rewarded.

As we head into the last month of 2021, I want to close by thanking our entire Downey Unified family for all your support, particularly the patience, grace and flexibility that each of you have shown us this past year. I want to give a special thanks to our staff and union partners who participated in negotiations this past year and for the collaborative effort that was centered around one goal... our students.

It was a challenging year for us all, but I can truly say that we are stronger as a community because of it! It has been a pleasure representing our Downey Unified family as Board president this past year; have a happy and healthy holiday season.

Sincerely,
D. Mark Morris, Board of Education President

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Crime Report


- On Nov. 1 at 2 am, officers were dispatched to an aggravated assault at 10990 Downey Avenue, U.S. Bank. The adult male victim exited a nearby drinking establishment when he was assaulted. The victim sustained moderate injuries and was transported to a local hospital.
- On Nov. 3 at 11:45 pm, officers responded to the 8000 block of Imperial Hwy. in regards to an assault with a deadly weapon. The adult male victim was struck on the head with a glass bottle, causing a laceration. The victim refused to cooperate with the investigation.
- On Nov. 4 at 12 pm, officers were dispatched to a delayed robbery report at 11853 Stewart and Gray Rd. The adult male suspect entered the location with a handgun and took currency from the register.
- On Nov. 7 at 12:45 am, officers responded to the intersection of Glencliff and Dos Rios in regards to a road rage incident. Patrol officers determined the suspect intentionally collided with the victim's vehicle. The victim was not injured in the collision.
- On Nov. 10 at 9:50 am, officers responded to the intersection of Puritan Ave. and Paramount Blvd. in regards to a suspect brandishing a weapon. The adult male victim was walking in the area when he was approached by the suspect. The suspect brandished a black semi-automatic handgun and asked him where he was from. During the encounter, the suspect struck the victim on the head with the handgun and fled the scene. The victim was uninjured.
- On Nov. 11 at 1:45 pm, officers responded to the 8300 block of Cole St, in regards to a shooting. The adult victim was involved in an argument while at a fitness center. The victim stopped his vehicle in a driveway, when the suspect fired several rounds striking the victim's vehicle. The victim was uninjured and the suspect vehicle fled the scene. The detective bureau is handling the investigation.
- On Nov. 13 at 9:55 am, officers were dispatched to an alarm call at 12056 Lakewood Blvd, Harbor Freight. With the assistance of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's helicopter, officers were able to identify a burglary in progress. The adult suspect was arrested on the rooftop in an access hatch.
- On Nov. 14 at 12:10 am, officers responded to 8030 Imperial Hwy, Walgreens, in regards to a burglary alarm. Responding officers located an adult suspect inside the closed business trying to access an ATM machine. The suspect was arrested.

An Environmental Reminder...

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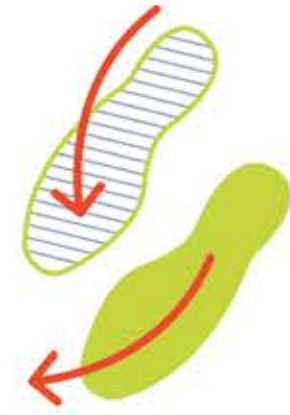
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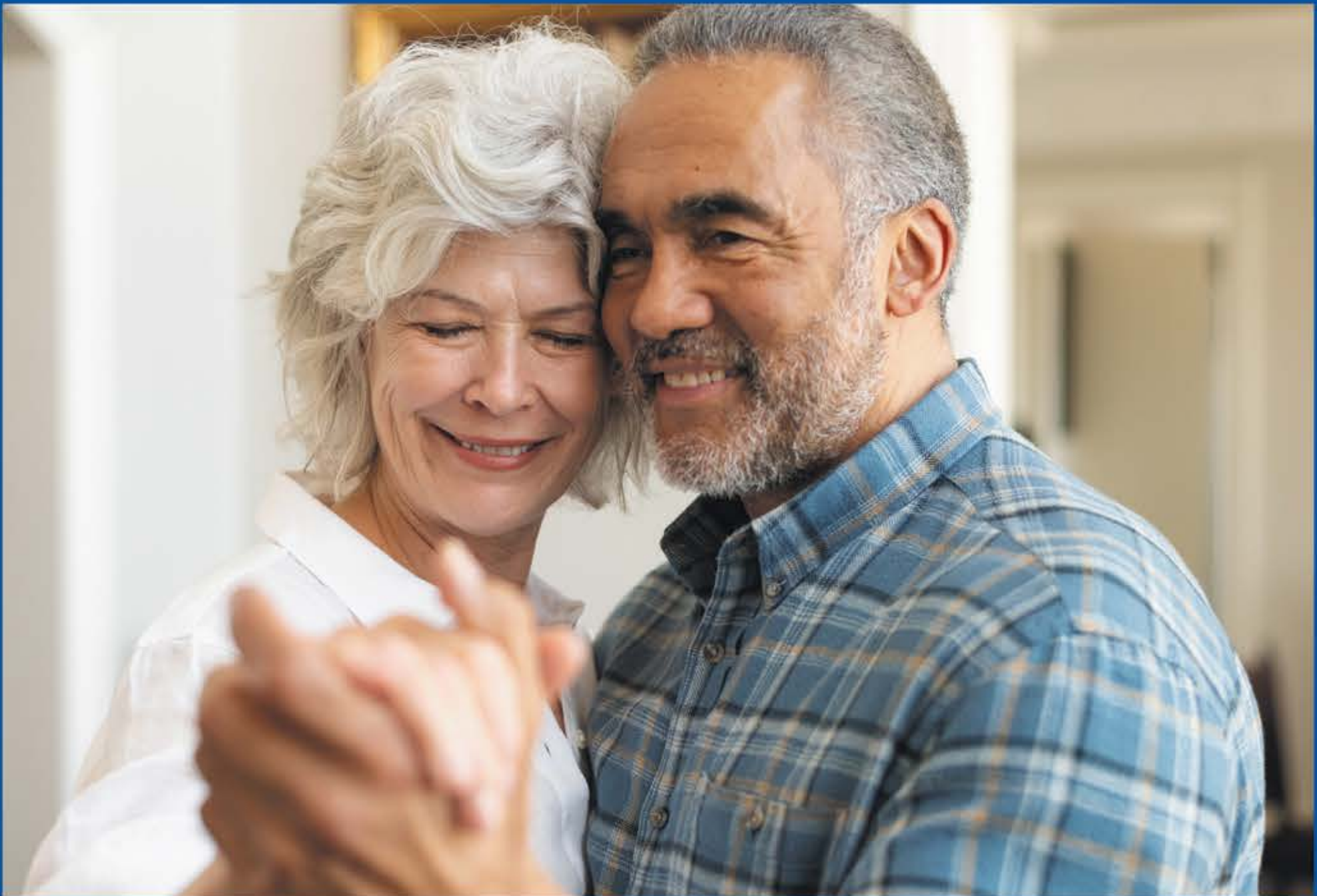
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Downey City Council does the necessary by reducing public speaking time

By Alex Dominguez

Let me make this clear off the bat: I believe in the First Amendment, and would adamantly oppose anything that I felt inhibited someone's ability to say what they felt needed to be said.

When the Council voted to once again adjust public speaking time on Tuesday, it wasn't an infringement on anyone's rights; it wasn't an attempt to silence anyone.

It was a move to start taking back control of their Council Chambers, and I 100% support it.

For around two years now, City Council and staff have wrestled with the integrity of their meetings, trying to find the line between lawful appreciation of democracy and keeping the dais from resembling a three-ring circus.

Yet almost to a fault, the Council always seemed to air on the side of caution, roll over and take the relentless abuse thrown at them, for fear of legal action.

It was one thing when it was just Armando Herman, who relishes the opportunity to rinse and repeat his favorite four-letter words.

It was another thing when it was the Downey Tenants Union, who though morally grey at times, could be afforded some benefit of the doubt. At the very least, they were organized and had some semblance of a protest.

What we have now is a whole different ball game.

The city and its council have been at the mercy of a minority who mistake being loud, crass, and obnoxious for activism.

Herman is as unhinged as ever, and is now accompanied by Mike Greenspan (The "Bruin butt-kickin' Florida Gator"), who is just as vile and vulgar as his counterpart.

There's Rudolpho Cortez with camera in hand, eagerly searching

for a "gotcha" moment. It's a shame, because when he speaks you can tell he is actually quite educated, even if you don't agree with what he says. There might be a place to open some dialogue, if he'd ever just get over himself.

And then there's Joey Martinez, who I can only describe as the ringleader. Along with his same dead-horse beating rants, he catcalls the mayor and city attorney from his seat, gets up and (loudly) speaks with the other gadflies, antagonizes other speakers he doesn't agree with, and yet somehow seems to always tow the line of the meeting rules just enough to be safe.

They are joined by a hodgepodge of other colorful characters off and on, all with their own quirks.

All of them zig-zag through the meeting rules as if they were more like guidelines, if they don't flat out ignore them. Instead of our city leadership, Council and staff are instead forced to act more like babysitters.

And whether this group wants to admit it or not, the decision made this week is no one's fault but their own.

You could say that by taking office, Claudia Frometa, Blanca Pacheco, Mario Trujillo, Sean Ashton, Catherine Alvarez, and all council members past and yet to come have opened themselves up for scrutiny.

To that, I'd say you're right.

But what has transpired over the last couple of years - culminating in two consecutive meetings that deteriorated enough that the council chambers needed to be cleared - is far beyond protest. It borders on anarchy. At the very least, it's unreasonable.

I'd even add that it's cowardly. If nothing else, it's counterproductive.

The actions of these select few, whether they know it or not,

discourages others from doing what they themselves seem to be seeking to do.

Imagine being a resident who wanted to approach the council on an issue on their street, in their neighborhood, or at their business, and being forced to not only witness the antics of a handful of renegades, but wait and put your concern on hold until the late hours of the night because of it.

Imagine being a business owner wanting to bring your business into Downey, only to see the inmates run the asylum every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

Votes are happening in the council chambers. Decisions are being made. Policy is being passed.

Technically.

But real work, democracy, and progress? That's been missing for a long time.

Downey used to allow five minutes for speaking practically whenever Council spoke about anything, which I'll admit even I thought was a bit much.

We're down to a single four minute opportunity.

I'm glad to see the council start to take its chamber back; it should have happened a long time ago.

And yes, I realize I'll probably get an earful about this next Tuesday. That's fine.

It's been needed to be said for a long time, and luckily, I have the freedom of speech (and press) on my side.

Alex Dominguez is a staff writer for the Downey Patriot.

Moderate Democrats stifle progress and hurt their party

By Jim Hightower

Here they come again — the usual gaggle of Washington politicians and pundits who keep assailing President Joe Biden's package of FDR-ish proposals that, at long last, would begin lifting up America's infrastructure and working class.

"Too big," screech these small thinkers and servants of the established plutocratic order. "Too costly, too ambitious, and ... well, too democratic." You would expect such adamant minginess from anti-everything Republicans — but these are Democrats! Well, sort of. They're Chicken Little Democrats, a subset whose members fastidiously call themselves middle-of-the-road moderates. Actually, though, you can almost always find them hugging the right-hand lane, clucking that the Party of the People is scaring the people with policies that — get this — directly benefit the people.

The latest example of their perverse assertion came after one of their own political adherents, Terry McAuliffe, recently lost the Virginia gubernatorial election. It's their fault, cried the mods, pointing their blamethrowers at the Party's progressive forces, claiming that poor Terry lost because progressives refused to cave in to conservative demands that key democratic reforms from Biden's infrastructure bill be slashed. The go-small cognoscenti claimed that cutting the bill's proposals to raise wages, lower drug prices, etc., would've made it more acceptable to Virginians. As one Washington political columnist wailed, "Had congressional Democrats given voters a reason to turn out, that could well have made the difference."

But wait — isn't it the job of the candidate to motivate voters? McAuliffe, a lackluster corporatist and peer of the business-as-usual Washington power structure, ran a lousy campaign basically assailing his Republican opponent for being a less-blustery political clone of former President Donald Trump. That's true, but besides not being Trump, what was Terry offering to grassroots families to excite them about voting for him?

How's this for poetic justice? One issue that would've been a winner for McAuliffe is that big progressive version of Biden's infrastructure bill! It happens to be very popular among the voters he needed.

Sometimes, when I watch Congress in action, I can't decide whether to laugh, cry or check myself into an insane asylum.

I'm not one who thinks all lawmakers are political hacks, quacks and corporate toadies — but that contingent does seem to dominate. Most infuriating is that our nation's legislative institution, Congress, which purports to represent the people, routinely does what the American majority does not want done and fails to do what people do want. Take a peek at the long, slow legislative hash that Congress is making of Biden's landmark infrastructure proposals, submitted months ago.

This is a monumental, long-overdue undertaking to reinvest in America's physical house and social underpinnings (everything from roads and broadband networks to child care and paid family leave).

The package would deliver real, tangible benefits across our nation, especially for low- and middle-income families, so it is enormously popular. Yet, when the first half of the plan recently came to a vote in the House, Republican leaders turned the people's needs into a partisan mud-wrestling show. Nearly every GOP member voted a loud NO on such obvious needs as fixing decrepit bridges, providing clean tap water in every community and opening preschool education programs to all 3- and 4-year-olds.

Cynical Republican gamesmanship aside, even more infuriating is the clique of self-described "moderate" Democrats who pose as champions of workaday Americans but constantly scuttle public policies that would make their lives better, instead selling them out to the priorities and power of wealthy interests. That has been the ugly "ethics" behind the stalling and track-offs in the joint demand by GOP and corporate Democrats for a trillion-dollar "compromise" in Biden's national investment plans. What's being compromised? Not proposals to fund the corporate wish list, but long-postponed needs of everyday Americans, including home health care, free community college, affordable housing, wage hikes, environmental justice, etc.

The wealthy and their political enablers complain that America can't

afford such projects. But, hello — these aren't "projects," they're people! And permitting politicians and lobbyists to leave them behind yet again would be an abominable moral failure of our society.

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Mayor takes on climate change

Dear Editor:

Who supports a price on carbon?

Economists, scientists, businesses, members of Congress, and state and local officials all support a price on carbon as one of the most effective ways to reduce emissions. And Americans across the country support carbon pricing as a way to stabilize the climate and protect our future.

The dangers of climate change include extreme heat, wildfires, coastal flooding, and drought, according to the Los Angeles County Climate Vulnerability Assessment. The report found that about 56% of county residents, some 5.7 million people, will be "highly exposed" and vulnerable to severe weather impacts such as these between now and 2050.

For this reason, I was delighted to see in last week's Patriot that Mayor Claudia Frometa and her staff are working on a proposal to reduce our city's carbon footprint by installing solar panels on all city buildings. This will result in energy cost savings of \$10 million over the next 25 years as well as a reduction of carbon dioxide and methane pollution caused by burning fossil fuels to generate electricity. The reduction in greenhouse gases will be equivalent to five million less vehicle miles driven annually or the equivalent of the carbon sequestered by 2,246 acres of trees in one year.

I'd like to give a big thanks to our mayor and her staff for their vision to preserve our future.

Anita Rivero Downey

Dear Editor:

In her recent Mayor's Corner, Downey Mayor Claudia M. Frometa announced positive news about clean energy: that one of her objectives is to install solar panels on all city buildings, saving the city \$10 million over the next 25 years.

That is great news, and it will help tackle climate change that is affecting Planet Earth.

There are three main gases that cause climate change: carbon dioxide (CO2), methane, and water vapor. An excess of carbon dioxide and methane gases from burning fossil fuels is causing our planet to overheat.

Every time one turns on a car or truck fueled by gasoline, one produces CO2; and if the electricity comes from power plants run by gas, oil or coal, every time one turns on the lights, one produces CO2.

So, it is good to hear that, led by Mayor Frometa, our city will be working to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere by installing solar panels on all city buildings.

It just makes sense to save the planet and save taxpayers' money at the same time.

It also makes sense for Congress to put a fee on carbon pollution, pay the money back equally to American families via "carbon cash back" dividends, and protect American companies and their workers by charging the same fee on imported goods. H.R. 2307, a bill in the House of Representatives, does just that, and professional economic studies project that it will reduce America's carbon pollution 50% by 2030 while creating jobs, improving health outcomes, and putting money in American families' pockets. That is why I support this bill as a member of Citizens' Climate Lobby.

As strongly as I support this proposed legislation, I also believe that climate policy should be the result of the give and take of the democratic process, and I know there are other carbon pricing bills in Congress worthy of consideration.

That's why, beginning in July, Citizens' Climate Lobby volunteers nationwide made almost 170,000 contacts, phoning and emailing the House of Representatives, Senate, and White House asking our elected representatives to put a price on carbon during the current legislative session.

In other words, we are asking our national elected officials to make fighting climate change a priority, just as our Mayor, Claudia M. Frometa, is doing here at home.

I commend and thank our mayor.

Guido Rivero Downey

Masks equal respect

Dear Editor:

The anti-vaccine crowd has labeled those who follow health protocols as "living in fear."

While this may not be an entirely inappropriate term, we wear safety belts because of a fear of getting killed in an accident, we get mammograms/prostate checks because of a fear of an advanced cancer diagnosis, we discipline our children, partly because of a fear that they may grow up lacking the discipline and resilience to live productive adult lives, etc.

With that said, I would argue that those who follow scientific and medical guidelines do so more in the spirit of respect -- respect for the vulnerable immunocompromised people who may not be able to be vaccinated, respect for our healthcare workers who have risked their lives over and over again to continue to care for severely ill people, most of whom consist of the non-vaccinated, respect for those who are still too young to be vaccinated.

I feel pretty good about living a life which may be motivated in part by fear but is also driven by the responsibility of showing communal respect for others.

M. Padilla Downey

Catherine Alvarez unfit for office

Dear Editor:

Frank Kearns' letter of October 28th deeply saddened me. Just because Catherine Alvarez was "duly" elected as a Downey council member regardless of her history of theft, fraud, disruptive behavior with the bullhorn, Mr. Kearns and like-minded individuals feel she should remain as my representative in the 3rd district.

When I had heard of her and other comrades sounding off with the bullhorn in front of the homes of council members, this was a turn off to me, and I was totally aghast that this criminal was chosen over Eric Pierce who could have contributed a lot to the Downey council.

I was aghast, but not surprised at her election, because in my district there appears to be many rentals with tenants, who of course, want rent control and willingly, and knowingly cast their vote for Ms. Alvarez because of her being president of the Downey Tenants Association.

A district council member should represent the interests of all residents - even landlords. Perhaps had Catherine paid her rent, she would not have been evicted.

In regards to landlords, I having a small interest in rentals, know the expense involved in keeping up with taxes, maintenance, and etc. There are times because of new roofing needed, there was no income.

A background check on candidates running for any public office should be checked out, and integrity, morality, and honesty should be a factor in a person's running for any public office.

Martha Morrissy Downey

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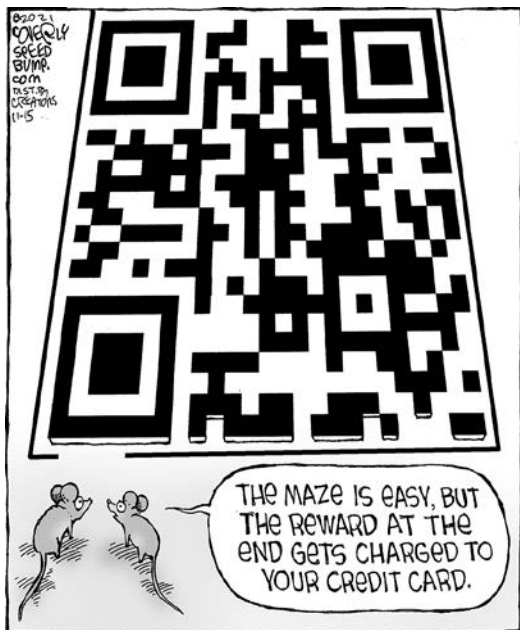
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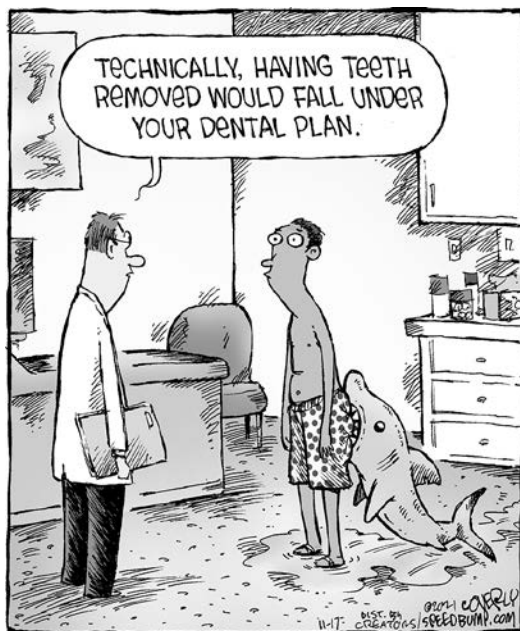
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 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.
 3rd Thurs., 6:30pm: CERT, at Downey City Council Chamber at City Hall, for more info call 299-5462.
 4th Mon., 5 pm: Green Task 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.
 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: Boy Scout Troop 441, at Apollo Park, email scoutmaster@downeyboyscouts.com.
 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., 12 pm: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
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 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
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 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., 6:00 pm: Sister Cites of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.
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 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

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 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.
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 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
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 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.
 2nd Thurs., 12 Noon: Creative Purposes, call Bill Wallace 923-2311.
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 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.
 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.

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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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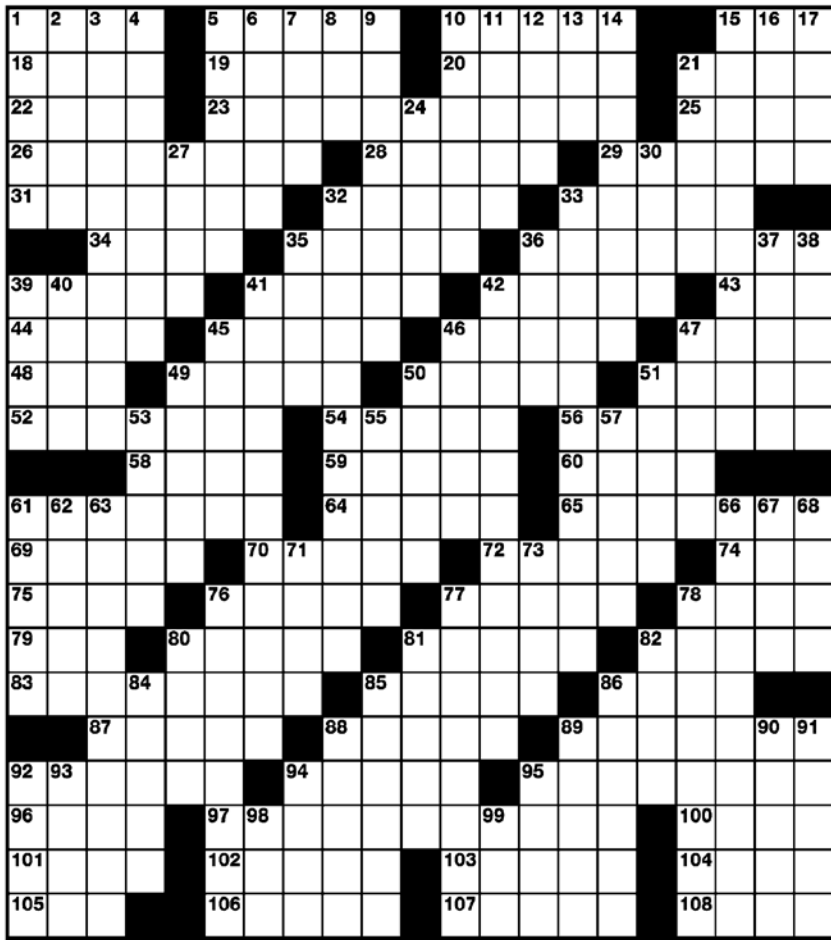
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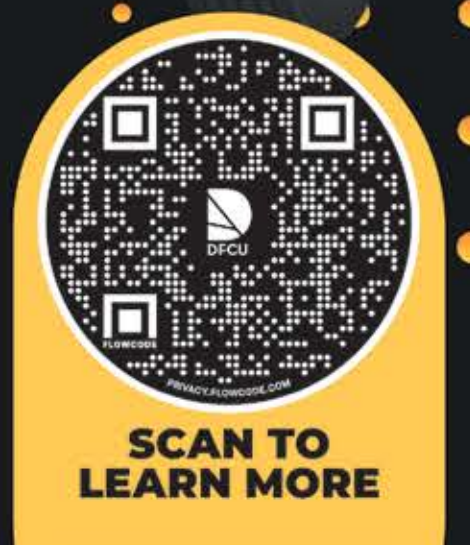
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Unlikely Calvary Grizzly team secures first football championship

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY - During what can only be described as the unlikely of times, the Calvary Chapel Christian School Grizzlies secured the school's first ever Express League football championship.

Head Coach Michael Nuno looked at his team at the beginning of the season knowing he'd have his work cut out for

him. Coming from a prior year where Covid-19 had robbed the Grizzlies of most of their season, 2021 saw a surge of players into Calvary's program.

"I only had two freshman last year during the Covid season. Those two guys continued on as sophomores, and I had seven brand-new 10th graders join them," said Nuno. "So, my two freshmen became nine sophomores, and I had 13 ninth graders join the program this

year." Nuno also had eight seniors on his squad, six of which had been with him for four years and made up his core.

Unfortunately, the team's depth seemed to end there, and many of the programs new recruits were as green as they were plentiful.

"The tough thing is behind [my seniors] I had no juniors; in fact, we got one brand-new first-year-playing-football 11th grader, and he's my only junior on the team," said Nuno. "Then we had the huge influx of ninth and 10th graders, all of them first-year players. I think when I tallied it up, we had 21, 22 first year-football players."

"When we were at practices in the summer, I'm like, 'This is the most young and inexperienced team I've ever had.'... Just doing jumping jacks was a challenge for some of these kids."

Things looked bleak. "One of the seniors, well, a couple of them expressed frustration with me, that, 'Coach, we've never seen ninth graders like this,'" said Nuno. "There was some truth to it; I've never seen so many inexperienced - not just inexperienced in football - but inexperienced in athletic movements."

So, how does such a young, inexperienced team march their way to glory?

The Grizzlies were able to win their first two games and gain some confidence before a couple of losses brought them back down to earth.

"I think we got a little bit, maybe over-confident after starting off 2-0," said Nuno. "We got worked a little bit by Faith Baptist in our third game, and then had a battle in our fourth game and lost a close one against California School for the Deaf."

Nuno said that at that point, he hoped that his players realized



where they were: "good, but not where we want to be."

"I think we grew up a little bit that night, took a few steps forward," said Nuno. "We needed that grit when we faced Avalon."

Things would come down to the wire in that first league matchup against Avalon, with the Grizzlies taking the lead with 30 seconds left in the game and holding on to secure victory.

"That was a big win for us," said Nuno. "I think that really kind of motivated the kids, propelled them to show that their hard work was paying off. To be in a battle and be on the winning side of it I think was big for them."

Calvary would continue to prove their mettle, stringing along wins until their climactic game with Sage Hill.

Aside from having the championship on the line, it was a matchup with some history behind it.

"We've lost to them the last four years in a row, including the Covid year; that was our one opponent for our single game," said Nuno. "They've been good. They're efficient, they have more kids than we do."

Nuno says that his players had "another battle."

"It was a little stressful, but exciting. That's what you coach for, that's what you play for," said Nuno. "It was fun."

The Grizzlies would beat their

rivals 59-38, securing their first ever championship and a home game in the playoffs.

On the field, Calvary was led all season by a core of Nuno's senior players.

Senior running back and linebacker Eliab Carrera, who ran for 1249 rushing yards and 23 touchdowns in 136 carries over eight games, and broke several school records including most rushing yards in a game and most touchdowns in a game for eight-man football. He has been named League MVP for the Express League.

Senior tight end, wide receiver and defensive end Edgar Sactic had 34 solo tackles, 15 assisted tackles, and 14 sacks on the year. He has been named Defensive Player of the Year for the Express League.

Other notables include Senior WR/DB Christian Naaktgeboren, who had 32 solo tackles, including breaking the school record for tackles in a game.

Nuno also mentioned Senior Quarterback Josiah El Nababout, who Nuno described as "the guy I trust to have the ball in his hands every play."

Nuno also praised his coaching staff.

"My brothers that coach with me, obviously those guys do a heck of a lot," said Nuno. "I think assistant football coaches are probably the unsung heroes in every program."

Ultimately though, Nuno attributes the team's success to a bit of divine intervention.

"I think it's because [God] blessed the hearts of the kids and the coaches," said Nuno. "Three years ago, which would have been maybe my fourth, fifth season as the head coach, the lord placed it heavily on heart that I was worried too much about football, and not enough about training kids to be godly leaders. So, I shifted, a huge shift in my mentality of how we structured practice to be more geared towards 'what does God want us to be as men, and how does that look on the football field.' I think we started to build and grow a bit."

Nuno says that this particular team - even if not as talented on the field - has more heart than previous Calvary teams.

"This team has more heart than the teams of the past," said Nuno. "As I mentioned the battles, and the fighting through adversity, and looking at those ninth graders (now seniors), some of my seniors of years past would have been yelling, and blaming, and hazing, and frustrated with these nine and 10th graders we have..."

"I think the heart that my seniors have really helped bring those guys along, and is what was needed to be true leaders on the field when we went through those times of adversity."

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The happiest summer of my life

Short Story

By Yolanda Adele

The best summer of my youth (1963) was spent living in a government issued 28-ft. silver metal trailer in the middle of a record summer heat wave without the benefits of air-conditioning. We improvised our own way of cooling off our metal abode by criss crossing two garden hoses atop the roof and letting water run off the wall sidings.

These trailers were built in the 1940's. The government issued them to a part of the Marine Corp military, called "grunts," who were awaiting deployment overseas, so they may live on the Camp Pendleton base with their spouse.

This was the first home Vic and I lived alone in as husband and wife.

I remember thinking that it looked like a very long tin can set on its side with four windows and two doors. On the inside it looked to me like a doll house. It had a tiny sink, a little refrigerator with a freezer compartment with room for only one ice tray. The bathroom was so small that one could sit on the commode and wash their hands in the bathroom sink at the same time.

I moved in with my combination record player/stereo radio, a few pots, pan and a Monopoly board game, medium shopping bag of maternity clothes and the one pair of sandals that I could get my toxemia, swollen feet into.

It was near midnight when we arrived at the trailer that first night. Vic had to leave immediately for his Military Police post on base.

I had never seen the trailer prior to moving in and, in fact, it was the first time I had ever been in any trailer. I had failed to notice or to ask Vic if the trailer was on tires secured to the ground, assuring it was locked in position. I was concerned about walking and moving in the trailer because I had gained 60 pounds and I was afraid that all my weight might start the trailer rolling down the street. In retrospect that is hilarious.

In the early morning when Vic got back, he found me still dressed in the same clothes sitting on the corner of the little sofa where he left me the night before. My bedclothes, toothbrush, comb were still in the shopping bag just a few feet away from me.

When I asked him if the trailer was stable he thought I was kidding.

I said, "Do I look like I'm kidding?" I began to cry. My eyes and bladder couldn't hold any more water.

Vic helped me down the two wobbly wooden steps out of our front door that were not attached to the trailer that he fixed that day. He showed me where the trailer was indeed anchored to the foundation.

He kissed my tear-stained face and from then on I felt safe in our illustrious home.

Vic got paid every two weeks, as did everyone in our neighborhood. I guess that is why we didn't feel any worse off than anybody else even if on occasion we ate from cans containing food rations that were packed during World War 2.

We experienced such bliss that being poor was an adventure. It was fun having to "make do." We made curtain rods by stretching out wire clothes hangers for the curtain valances. The ends of the wires were twisted and hooked to nails attached to each side of the windows; "Volal!" We transformed the trailer into our home.

Our bedroom barely accommodated our bed, a little bassinet and two orange crates that we spray painted white and stacked on top of each other for storing diapers in anticipation of the birth of our first baby, Yvette, who was due in a short time.

I enjoyed going to the commissary. It made me feel so mature and independent to choose what "I" wanted to buy for our home.

Affordable entertainment was going to the free drive-in movies on base. One of the drawbacks was that we had to leave the car windows rolled down to hear from the only speaker that was on the outside

atop the projectors shed. There were no individual car speakers.

Another inconvenience was the mosquitoes! We had to take a net to put over us as we watched the movie to prevent being bitten by the multitude of mosquitoes that plagued the base that summer. Still we'd cozy up and eat our home-made sandwiches, popcorn and drink Kool-Aid.

The way in which we combated the mosquitoes at our trailer was to leave the light on in the bathroom at night and fill the bathtub with water. In the morning we'd find swarms of them drowned. I never got more than a couple of mosquito bites. In fact, the seven or eight neighbor girls on our street who were also pregnant didn't get many mosquito bites either. My sweetheart on the other hand seemed like a main course for the little pests.

We didn't own a TV. We played marathon games of Monopoly. In the morning I'd love to bring Vic breakfast in bed. I served him fried bologna and eggs on a tray. By his goofy expression I knew that it made him feel special. I wanted him to feel like the king of his trailer.

Our neighbor, Patricia, was a little older than I; she was about 18 or 19 years old. She showed me how to make a meatloaf. I was so excited to serve it to Vic for dinner. I didn't own a loaf pan, so I baked it in a heart shaped cake pan and frosted it with mashed potatoes then spelled out "I love you" with string beans on top of the potatoes. He was impressed and I

was delighted.

The bliss we experienced living in the trailer was all too soon bitter sweet. On a cool autumn morning, Vic got his "shipping out" orders and had to report to the barracks. I was given notice to vacate the trailer to another couple awaiting deployment.

My record player and bassinet, Monopoly game, and acquired baby things were all stacked by the curb while I waited with my 3-month-old baby daughter to be picked up by my mother and godfather, Uncle Brown, to take us back to my parents' house. Though their home was spacious with many conveniences, I had never felt more destitute having to leave our little home with its sense of fun and bliss we created in the

midst of our meager means.

Still it would all be meaningless if Vic could not be there to share it with our daughter and me. I soon learned that being a soldier's wife while on the homefront has its own challenges and battles.

In our 59 years together we've paid off our home, cars, R.V. and accumulated many possessions... yet when I think of our happiest times, I vicariously wander back to our summer of hard times and bliss and I'm filled with an abundance of precious memories.

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Short Story

By Gail Earl

Back in the day when patriotism was on the mind of every young man and woman in the country, all very willing to do their part and serve in the war effort, my father enlisted on Oct. 7, 1943.

I'm told that he was enthusiastic and proud to do what he could. His patriotism and honor toward the country superseded his own fear. He was in service for almost two years when he was shipped to Iwo Jima.

On Feb. 19, 1945, 30,000 troops landed on the island of Iwo Jima. The task at hand was to take this dirt and rock island and use it for a much needed air strip for the continued attacks in an epic military campaign.

The enemy waited in their foxholes and caves until everyone was on the beach before they opened fire, causing a complete bloodbath. One hundred percent of my father's platoon was either killed or wounded. That fact astounds me. There is no way that I can even imagine the horror of laying on the ground with thousands of wounded and dead soldiers.

Dad was a mere 24 years old and was only on the island two days when he had his knee and shoulder blown apart by mortar fragments. He was loaded onto

a hospital ship and transferred to a Navy hospital in Hawaii and then to New York. He spent over a year in the hospital recovering and rehabbing.

The hideous and disturbing images that I have only seen from file footage from the Battle haunt me to my core. I can't imagine someone living with those actual memories. I question how any soldier that has been in battle is able to put life back into perspective, and I can't imagine how they can possibly emotionally move past the visions in their heads.

This is the letter that my grandmother received, dated March 20, 1945:

"My dear Mrs. Steensma,

A report has just been received that your son, Private First Class Donald Steensma USMC, was wounded in action Feb. 22 1945 at Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands.

Because of the great volume of communications now required for essential military operations, the report received was necessarily brief and did not disclose the extent of his injuries. It is hoped that he will communicate with you soon, informing you of his welfare.

Your anxiety is realized and you may be sure that when any new information is received it will be forwarded. Meanwhile you have been furnished all the details, and you'll help this headquarters if you will only write to notify us of any change in your address.

Sincerely Major F Belton"

How does a mother breathe after opening that letter?

The part of all of this that troubles me the most is how such an injured man both physically and emotionally, moves forward, gets married and has four children and has an especially wonderfully admirable and happy life? Dad was the warmest, most loving, tender man you could ask for. Over my entire life, not once did I see him raise his voice in anger or even have an argument.

In all of the years up until his death in 1993, he never once talked about the service. There are so many questions that I wish I had known to ask. Because he never mentioned it, we as children never thought to ask. I don't have an answer as to why as an adult I never asked questions.

I am saddened to think of the silent pain he kept in his mind for all those years. I think it was just probably too tormenting to speak of. I knew he was a proud Marine but that's all I knew. Maybe all the horror is what made his heart so tender to all that knew him after the service.

Daddy, for whatever your reason, I'm sorry that you had to keep all your pain inside. I have loved you every day of my life and I thank you for your service.

Gail Earl 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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Do you like Thanksgiving leftovers?

Short Story

By Yolanda Reyna

My daughter, two sons, grandson and I love Thanksgiving leftovers. They are so important to us.

Each year, I prepare the biggest turkey for Thanksgiving. It's usually an 18-23 pound bird stuffed with my simple sausage stuffing. The turkey is then placed in the oven and roasted until golden. My family and I then eagerly wait to enjoy our delightful Thanksgiving meal. There's also mashed potatoes sprinkled with crisp bacon, with thick turkey gravy poured over them, a green bean casserole, biscuits, cranberry sauce, cherry and apple pies, and vanilla ice cream.

My children always rave about my cooking. They even tell their friends about it. I really don't know what the big fuss is. They particularly rave about my stuffing. I personally think the secret to delicious, moist stuffing is when it's stuffed inside the turkey before roasting.

It takes three full days to prepare our Thanksgiving meal, including cleaning the kitchen, chopping, dicing and slicing the ingredients, and baking store-bought pies. In the end, it's all worth it!

After feasting on our meal, we look forward to Thanksgiving breakfast the next day. I use my cast-iron skillet to reheat the meal with vegetable oil and butter. I heat the turkey and stuffing until they are moist and juicy. I also reheat the mashed potatoes until they have a crisp texture to them. Another batch of biscuits is usually baked. My daughter and I enjoy over-easy eggs with our leftover turkey breakfast. When everything is ready to be eaten, we relish the

meal and are grateful for it.

Lastly, there are two more days of eating the rest of the turkey and trimmings and our dessert of cherry and apple pies and vanilla ice cream. It's a repeat each day using my cast-iron skillet.

After everything has been eaten and every last morsel is gone, we look forward to going out and having a hamburger!

Thanksgiving leftovers are so important to my children and me. When I see my family enjoying the Thanksgiving leftovers that I reheated for them, it warms my heart, and I can hardly wait for next year's Thanksgiving meal.

Yolanda Reyna 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.

POET'S CORNER

Bless Their Hearts

AT Steak'n Shake I learned that if you add "Bless their hearts" after their names, you can say whatever you want about them and it's OK. My son, bless his heart, is an idiot, she said. He rents storage space for his kids' toys—they're only one and three years old! I said, my father, bless his heart, has turned into a sentimental old fool. He gets weepy when he hears my daughter's greeting on our voice mail. Before our Steaks came someone else blessed her office mate's heart, then, as an afterthought, the jealous hearts of the entire anthropology department. We bestowed blessings on many a heart that day. I even blessed my ex-wife's heart. Our waiter, bless his heart, would not be getting much tip, for which, no doubt, he'd bless our hearts. In a week it would be Thanksgiving, and we would each sit with our respective families, counting our blessings and blessing the hearts of family members as only family does best. Oh, bless us all, yes, bless us, please bless us and bless our crummy little hearts.

Richard Newman, Domestic Fugues, Steel Toe Books, 2009

"I like elevating what people consider the ordinary and ugly," said Newman, "to the realm of high art." Formerly the editor of River Styx, he lives in St. Louis and currently teaches at Al Akhawayn University in Morocco, a school based on the American liberal arts model. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

Fewer people plan to travel this Thanksgiving

While the economy may be bouncing back, Thanksgiving travel is not.

GasBuddy, a website that tracks gas prices, revealed in its 2021 Annual Thanksgiving Travel Survey that 32% of Americans plan to travel for Thanksgiving this year, a decline from 35% last year that compares to some 65% that planned to hit the road for Thanksgiving 2019.

The national average price of gasoline is projected to decline to \$3.35 per gallon on Thanksgiving Day, still amongst the highest we've seen in over seven years. But there remains a remote chance that should oil suddenly surge, gas prices could quickly follow and potentially beat 2012's record for most expensive national average ever for the date: \$3.44 per gallon.

California's gas prices are higher, on average, than any other state: in the Long Beach/Los Angeles area, the average price for one gallon of regular gas is \$4.67

Gas prices have risen sharply during the pandemic amid a spike in the price of oil, which is refined into gasoline. The price of U.S. benchmark crude oil has nearly doubled over the last 12 months and was trading in the \$79 per barrel range on Wednesday morning.

"Similarly to last year, motorists are contending with a rise in Covid cases ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday when many

drive to celebrate with friends and family. Only this year, we're also just cents away from the highest Thanksgiving gas prices ever recorded," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "With global oil demand surging this year as the pandemic has eased, we find ourselves in unfamiliar territory - some of the highest Thanksgiving gas prices on record. Americans are responding to the prices by slamming the car door shut and staying off the road."

Seventy-five percent of Americans also say that Covid-19 has had no impact on their holiday plans this year, up substantially from last year's 46%. Yet, even less are traveling this year than in 2020. Fifty percent of Americans say they are driving less overall this year, and when asked what it would take for them to drive more, an overwhelming 78% said lower gas prices.

Those who are traveling are opting for shorter trips, with most (13%) expecting to spend 1-3 hours in the car. When it comes to making a rest stop, decent gas prices remained of most importance to those selecting, though location and convenience rose above the rest stop's cleanliness in 2021's results.

President Joe Biden on Wednesday called for federal regulators to investigate whether oil and gas companies are engaging in "illegal conduct" by profiting from high gas prices that have skyrocketed during the

pandemic.

"The bottom line is this: gasoline prices at the pump remain high, even though oil and gas companies' costs are declining," Biden said in the letter. "The Federal Trade Commission has authority to consider whether illegal conduct is costing families at the pump. I believe you should do so immediately."

Biden said the two largest oil and gas companies - ExxonMobil and Chevron - are on track to nearly double their net income over 2019, the last full year before the pandemic. He said both companies have announced plans to "engage in billions of dollars of stock buybacks and dividends this year or next."

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Adopted Ordinance No. 21-1472, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Downey adding Chapter 13 ("Targeted Residential Picketing") of Article IV ("Public Welfare, Morals, and Policy") of the Downey Municipal Code to establish distance requirements for targeted residential picketing.

AYES: Council Members: Ashton, Trujillo, Pacheco, Mayor Frometa
NOES: Council Member: None
ABSENT: Council Member: None
ABSTAIN: Council Member: Alvarez

Copy of the full text is available in the City Clerk's Office.

Maria Alicia Duarte, CMC City Clerk

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS LYNNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lynnwood Unified School District, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as "District", sealed bids for the award of a Contract for the following prior to:

10:00 a.m. on the 12th day of January, 2022

BID NO. CM-221105: REBID WILL ROGERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT OF HVAC UNITS ON BUILDINGS A&B PROJECT

Scope of Work Overview

The Scope of Work shall consist of replacement of 27 rooftop heat pump units, associated structural reinforcing and roof repairs and new ductwork, replace lay-in ceiling. Demolish, furnish and install all items shown on the DSA approved plans for the subject project for DSA certification of the project. The Contract Time is 256 consecutive calendar days.

Bids shall be received in written form at the Purchasing Dept. on the second floor of the District Office, 11321 Bullis Road, Lynnwood, CA 90262 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

Any bids received after the time specified above or after any extensions due to material changes shall be returned unopened.

It is each bidder's sole responsibility to ensure its bid is timely delivered and received at the location designated as specified above.

This Project is being let in accordance with the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act ("UPCCAA") (specifically, the formal bidding procedures in Section 22032(c)).

As a condition of bidding for this Project, and in accordance with California Public Contract Code section 20111.5, prospective bidders are required to submit to the District a completed set of prequalification documents on forms provided by the District. These documents will be the basis for determining which bidders are qualified to bid on this Project.

Bids will not be accepted if a Contractor has not been prequalified. Prequalification documents are available from Del Terra Construction Group, 13181 Crossroads Pkwy, N., Suite 540, City of Industry, CA 91746, upon request. Prequalification documents must be submitted by April 22, 2020 at noon [not less than five days prior to bid opening date]. Contractors will be notified by telephone, fax or by mail of their prequalification rating within a reasonable period of time after submission of their prequalification documents, but not less than one day prior to the bid opening date.

There will be a **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Job Walk on Monday, November 29, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at the entrance to Will Rogers Elementary School located at 11220 Duncan Ave., Lynnwood, CA 90262.** Any Contractor bidding on the Project who fails to attend the entire mandatory job walk and conference will be deemed a non-responsive bidder and will have its bid returned unopened. Attendees are asked to bring business cards as part of the sign-in process.

A Cloud link to download bid documents will be emailed at the end of the mandatory bid walk by Del Terra. All bids shall be made and presented only on the forms presented by the District.

All Inquiries shall be sent in writing BY EMAIL to: mjaramillo@delterra.com or Fax: 626-839-9307

Manuel Jaramillo, Program Manager, Del Terra Group, 13181 Crossroads Parkway North, Suite 540, City of Industry, CA 91746

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CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A SITE PLAN REVIEW PLN-21-00111

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 1st day of December, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. to consider the following item:

(PLN-21-00111) Site Plan Review: A request for a Site Plan Review to construct a 3-unit multi-family development on property located at 10225 La Reina Avenue, and zoned R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential).

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or attempt to give testimony. The agenda and staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City's website (<http://www.downeyca.org>) on the Friday prior to the public hearing.

As required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this request has been found to be Categorical Exempt from CEQA, per CEQA Guideline, Section 15303 (Class 3, New construction or conversion of small structures).

NOTE: STATE GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65009 NOTICE: If you challenge the proposed actions in court,

you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Division at, or prior to, the public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, contact the City Clerk's Department at 562-904-7280 or the California Relay Service at 711. Notification of at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make arrangements to assure accessibility. The City of Downey does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services or activities. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for additional information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act may be forwarded to the City's ADA Section 504 Coordinator at 1111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, ADACoordinator@downeyca.org, Phone: 562-299-6619, Fax: 562-923-6388, and California Relay 711.

If you have any questions concerning this application, please contact Assistant Planner Gissel Enriquez at (562) 904-7154, or at genriquez@downeyca.org

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LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF SALE

In accordance with the provisions of the California Uniform Commercial Code, there being due and unpaid storage and other charges related to the storage for which SAN RAFAEL MOBILE HOME ESTATES is entitled to a lien as Warehouse on the goods hereinafter described, and due notice having been given to the parties known to claim an interest, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such charges having expired, notice is hereby given that these goods will be sold at public auction at **1065 Lomita Blvd., Space 222, Harbor City, California 90710 on December 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** The following is a brief description of the property to be sold: A 1973 Royal Monarch Mobilehome, Decal numbers(s) AAM8538, Serial Number(s) S31999J, S31999X HUD/Label/Insignia Number(s) 120350, 120351, 60 feet in length, 24 feet in width.

Purchase of the mobilehome and its contents by any party will require its removal from San Rafael Mobile Home Estates

Name of Owner: Paul E Denton Sang K Denton
Amount Due: \$7,444.58

Dated at Sunnyvale, California November 12, 2021
By: JUDY C. TSAI
Attorney for San Rafael Mobile Home Estates

710 Lakeway Drive, Suite 180 Sunnyvale, CA 94085 (408) 775-8848

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NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00328
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MICHELLE GUADALUPE HERNANDEZ RAMIREZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) MICHELLE GUADALUPE HERNANDEZ RAMIREZ to Proposed name (1) MICHELLE VASQUEZ RAMIREZ
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: JANUARY 28, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT AUGUST 23, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner MICHELLE GUADALUPE HERNANDEZ RAMIREZ
7013 SEVILLE AVE APT. C HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255 323-812-3732

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00411
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ALICIA JAZMIN BERNAL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) ALICIA JAZMIN BERNAL to Proposed name (1) JAZMIN MERCADO
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: JANUARY 3, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT AUGUST 27, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CELINNE LORRAINE MACKORTY
6367 GOTHAM ST. APT. B BELL GARDENS, CA 90201 (562) 607-2836
Mary71bernal@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00417
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JIMMY ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JIMMY ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ to Proposed name (1) JIMMY ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ
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.
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Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CELINNE LORRAINE MACKORTY
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mackortykim@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00417
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JIMMY ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ filed a

petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JIMMY ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ to Proposed name (1) JIMMY ALEXANDER
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: JANUARY 7, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NOVEMBER 12, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner JIMMY ALEXANDER HERNANDEZ
12430 AMESBURY CIRCLE WHITTIER, CA 90602 (951) 238-8322

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00406

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner VANESSA BANUELOS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) VANESSA BANUELOS to Proposed name (1) VANESSA BANUELOS
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: JANUARY 3, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NOVEMBER 04, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner Vanessa Banuelos
8123 4th St Downey, CA, 90241 (323) 516-4077
Vanessabanuelos77@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00400
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARIA L. PEREZ FOR ADRIAN MONTES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) ADRIAN MONTES to Proposed name (1) ADRIAN BERNAL
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.
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Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CELINNE LORRAINE MACKORTY
6367 GOTHAM ST. APT. B BELL GARDENS, CA 90201 (323) 494-1920
mackoceli@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00415
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner CODY ROBERT HEAD filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) CODY ROBERT HEAD to Proposed name (1) CODY ROBERT SOARES
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.
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Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CODY HEAD
21002 HAWAIIAN AVE LAKEWOOD, CA 90715 (714) 818-7304

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00419
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JESSICA NICOLE BEACH filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JESSICA NICOLE BEACH to Proposed name (1) JESSICA NICOLE BEACH
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.
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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 NOVEMBER 08, 2021
Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00419
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00419
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JESSICA NICOLE BEACH filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JESSICA NICOLE BEACH to Proposed name (1) JESSICA NICOLE BEACH
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00419
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JESSICA NICOLE BEACH filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JESSICA NICOLE BEACH to Proposed name (1) JESSICA NICOLE BEACH
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Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner KARINA YVETTE MONTENEGRO
10411 ORANGE AVE. SOUTH GATE, CA 90280 (562) 382-4970

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00398
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner CELINNE LORRAINE MACKORTY filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) CELINNE LORRAINE MACKORTY to Proposed name (1) CELINNE LORRAINE CASELIN
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
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The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650
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Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CELINNE LORRAINE MACKORTY
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 21NWCP00415
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner CODY ROBERT HEAD filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) CODY ROBERT HEAD to Proposed name (1) CODY ROBERT SOARES
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.
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Judge MARGARET M. BERNAL Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner CODY HEAD
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
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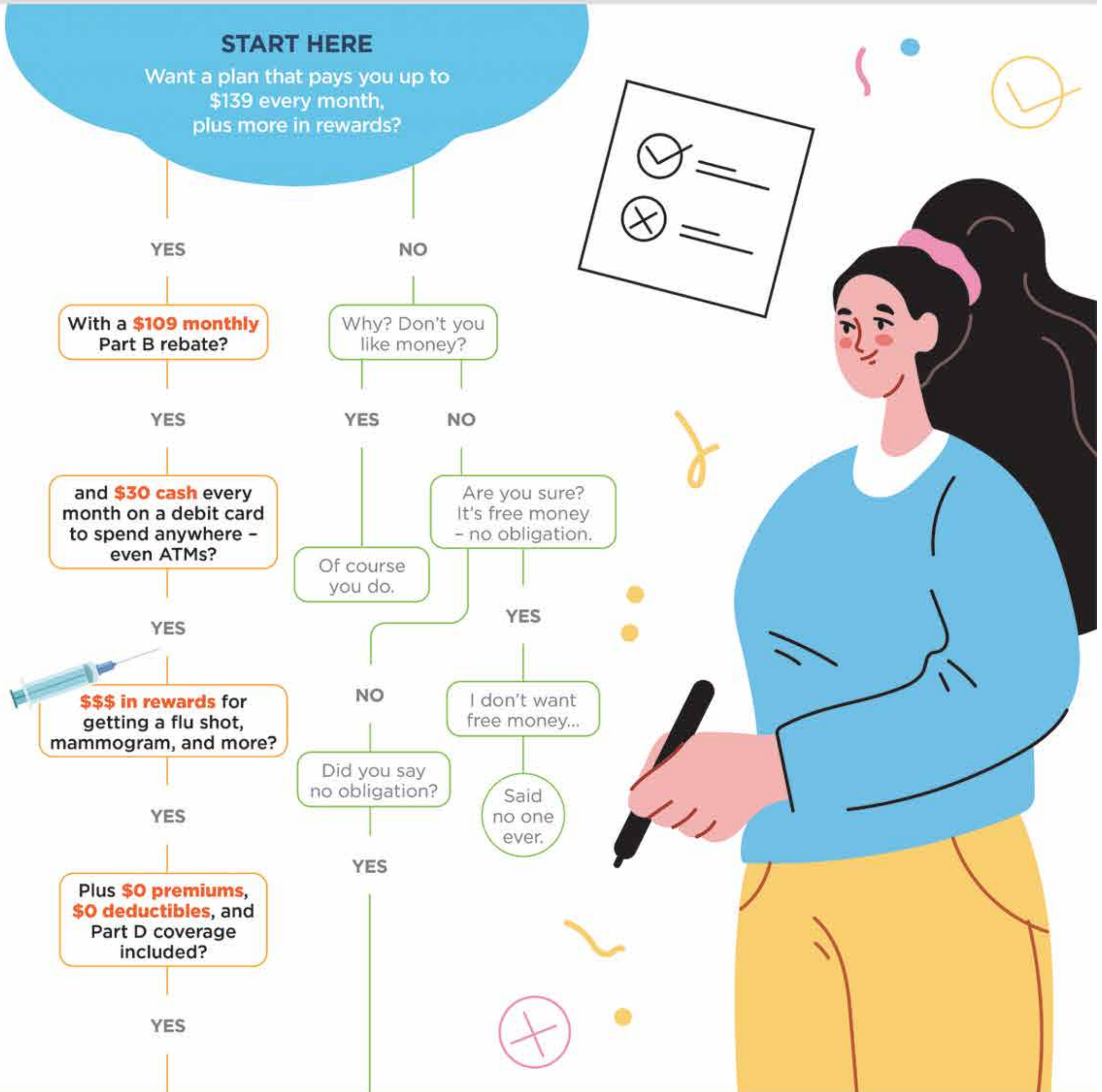
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"Clue: On Stage," 7 pm. A live performance of "Clue: On Stage" by Downey High School's Drama students. Tickets are \$7 for students and staff, \$12 general admission. Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Keep Downey Beautiful, 9 am. Join Keep Downey Beautiful for a one-hour community clean-up. Volunteers should wear closed-toe shoes and old clothes. Gloves, safety vests litter sticks and trash bags are provided. Meet in the city parking lot behind Independence Park.

Legal Clinic, 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. Free legal consultations with licensed attorneys regarding immigration law, tenants law, family law, criminal defense, and personal injury. Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

Texas Hold'em Tournament, 6 pm. \$50 buy-in with proceeds benefiting the Knights of Columbus' building fund. For tickets, call Mario Mendoza at (323) 377-1535. Knights of Columbus Hall, 11231 Rives Ave.

JJ Comedy Show, 8 pm. Spanish comedy show featuring JJ El Gigante de la Comedia and Polin Teto. Tickets start at \$40. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Retro Game Festival, 10 am to 2 pm. Buy, sell or trade retro and modern video games, consoles, Funko pops, DVDs, VHS tapes, accessories, and more. OG Collectibles, 8124 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

"Show Me the Father," 5 pm. A free screening of "Show Me the Father," a documentary about the roles of fathers in today's society. Desert Reign Church, 11610 Lakewood Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Networking Breakfast, 7:30-9:30 am. Wear your ugly Christmas sweater to this networking breakfast presented by the Downey, Paramount and Santa Fe Springs chambers of commerce. \$15 for chamber members, \$25 non-members. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

Book and a Movie, 11 am. Read a book and then watch the movie

inspired by it. Discuss the storyline, symbolism and parallels between the literature and cinematography. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

Downey Dance Day, 9 am to 3 pm. Presented by Downey High School's dance team, the youth dance clinic from 9 am to noon is for ages pre-school through eighth grade (no experience necessary). Two hip-hop master classes from 12-3 pm are for grades 6 through college (beginning, intermediate and advanced level classes available). Registration details to be released soon. Downey High, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

Tree Lighting, 2:30-6:30 pm. Holiday photos, kids activities, DJ, free food, and a tree lighting ceremony. Tree lighting is at 6:30 pm. Downey Promenade, 12214 Lakewood Blvd.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

OLPH Christmas Gala, 11 am to 3 pm. OLPH Women's Guild hosts its annual Christmas gala featuring a lunch buffet, mimosas, photo booth, and music by Christine Pohlen. \$45 adults, \$30 kids. RSVP and payment due by Nov. 19. For reservations, call Linda Malme (562) 869-6491. Azar Event Center, 12215 Slauson Ave. in Santa Fe Springs

Downey Christmas Parade, 1 pm. Downey's annual Christmas Parade returns, presented by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. Downey Avenue, from Florence to 3rd Street.

Downey Christmas Festival, 3-7 pm. A free community event featuring train rides, hot chocolate, Candy Cane

Lane, and more. Legacy Church, 8333 2nd St.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

Christmas Tree Lighting, 6-8:30 pm. Join the city of Downey as it lights its Christmas tree outside City Hall. Featuring live entertainment from local schools, snow play area, arts and crafts, refreshments sold by the Downey Rose Float Association, and photos with Santa Claus. Actual tree lighting will occur at 6:30 pm.

Family Story Night, 6-8 pm. Enjoy family fun with stories, music, crafts and more. All ages. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

Santa Claus Visits, 6 pm. Santa Claus visits with children at the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave. Free, bring your own cameras.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

Food and Toy Giveaway, 10 am to 2 pm. Receive a free box of food along with gifts for children ages 3-16 (kids must be present). Pre-registration is required on EventBrite.com event page. For questions, email rida.hamida@asm.ca.gov or call (562) 861-5803. LA County Library Headquarters, 7400 Imperial Hwy.

Legal Clinic, 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. Free legal consultations with licensed attorneys regarding immigration law, tenants law, family law, criminal defense, and personal injury. Barbara J. Riley Community and Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

The Edwards Twins, 7:30 pm. Anthony and Eddie Edwards use state of the art make-up to look and sound like the superstars of today and yesterday, including Cher, Elton John, Dolly Parton and Barbra Streisand. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. The Downey Symphony Orchestra performs Mozart's Overture to Don Giovanni, George Walker's Lyric for Strings, and Respighi's Ancient Airs and Dances, plus a special performance of Beethoven's Concerto for Violin, Cello and Piano in C Major with Carolyn Osborn on violin, Dane Little on Cello, and an artist to be announced on piano. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Kiwanis Meeting, 6 pm. Larry Cunningham (Downey High School class of 2003) speaks about his career as a professional basketball player and being inducted into the UC Riverside Hall of Fame. Cost is \$22. Hosted by Downey Kiwanis at Frantone's Pizza, 9148 Telegraph Rd.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20

Beauty & the Beast Sing-Along, 2 pm. This interactive presentation of Disney's favorite classic has been customized with on-screen lyrics for all the songs so that audiences can sing along. Your hosts will introduce each performance and in addition, goody bags are available for purchase and audience members are encouraged to participate. Add to the fun by dressing

up as a favorite character from the film. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

Willy Chirino, 8 pm. Combining the musical traditions of Cuba with American rock and jazz, Cuba-born and South Florida-based vocalist and bandleader Willy Chirino helped to create the "Miami sound" of salsa music. The composer of more than 100 songs, Chirino's material has been covered by a lengthy list of artists. First of two concerts. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

City of STEM Kick-Off Festival. City of STEM returns in-person, starting with this kick-off festival featuring booths, activities, performances, and panels provided by STEM organizations throughout the Los Angeles area, including colleges and universities, museums, learning centers, libraries, science clubs, and many more. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

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SATURDAY, APRIL 9

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. The Downey Symphony Orchestra

performs Bernstein's Overture to Candide, Pinar Toprak's "Open World" from Captain Marvel, Ives' Variations on "America," and Bernstein's Symphonic Dances from West Side Story. Plus a percussion concerto with Wesley Sumpter. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

Grease Sing-Along, 7 pm. Hand jive in the aisles, enjoy specialty treats and drinks and get ready to fall in love with John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John all over again as you sing along to "You're the One That I Want," "Beauty School Dropout," "Summer Nights" and all of the film's big hits. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, MAY 8

Mariachi Los Camperos, 4 pm. Two-Time Grammy award winner Mariachi Los Camperos originated in 1961 and played a fundamental role in the development of Mariachi music in the United States and was the first to take the Mariachi performances out of customary locations such as cantinas and into concert halls. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MAY 21

Carpenters Legacy Concert, 8 pm. A recreation of The Carpenters' 1976 UK tour, starring Sally Olson and Ned Mills. Plus a special tribute to Herb Alpert & the Tijuana Brass. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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