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After hiatus, Easter Caravan returns this spring

Thousands of middle school students have gone through the camp, experiencing outdoor adventures where cell phone signals can't reach.

By Carol Kearns
Contributor

DOWNEY - The renowned Easter Caravan outdoor adventure for boys is returning this year, April 9-16, and organizers are keen to alert Downey families.

After a two-year hiatus due to the COVID pandemic, Easter Caravan is once again taking applications from Downey boys in middle school and ninth grade. Space is limited to 60 campers with slots allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis. The fee is \$100 and scholarships are available.

The campsite is part of a federal recreation area along Lake Mojave near the Colorado River, just north of Davis Dam. The boys sleep in individual tents, the federal government maintains three outhouses, and supplies are available in Bullhead City—15 miles away.

While there may not be cellphone service, activities include 21st-century fun. In addition to the traditional camping, hiking, and fishing, the young campers can enjoy water skiing, wake boarding, boating, inner tubing, kayaking, and mountain biking.

"It's a very beautiful area," says Tod Corrin, former board member of the Downey Unified School District and Caravan organizer since its inception in 1973. "There's canyons and hills, large bushes, a few cottonwood trees on the edge of the lake. We're exposing kids to a wonderful area of nature."

This year is Corrin's 50th anniversary as organizer. He was a young man in his early twenties when the first Caravan set out. For six years he led the group as a paid staff member of the Downey Family YMCA. Seeing the impact on the lives of young boys was such a moving experience for Corrin that he has continued leading the annual excursion as a volunteer for over forty years.

"I get more out of it than the kids every single year," Corrin affirms. "Kids have experiences they've never had before, and they come back telling their families how wonderful it was." He describes seeing someone at a store or business who would ask if he "was the guy who does Easter Caravan?"

"It was so enjoyable," Corrin

continues, "to see these kids who were older, in their teens, their twenties, their thirties, and they would say, 'That was the best experience of my life. I had a great time at Easter Caravan.' And that's exactly why I still do it."

Corrin's all-volunteer leadership team shares his feelings and many return annually to assist with the event even if they have moved out of state.

The camp's focus is on middle school students, Corrin explains, because "the kids are very impressionable. They're looking for what their direction in life is going to be." He believes that offering new experiences and the opportunity to interact with adult staff who are successful will help the boys make good decisions in life.

Camp supervision, with eight directors and 34 counselors, approaches a 1:1 ratio of supervisors to campers. In addition, there are 15 junior counselors, high school students from tenth through twelfth grade.

"They go as a training experience," says Corrin, "so hopefully they will be a counselor someday."

Doty Middle School teacher Gordon Sodetani first attended as a sixth-grader in 2008. When his father died unexpectedly, his mother grew concerned about having male role models in his life.

"I instantly fell in love with it," says Sodetani, referring to the camp. "I went all four years, I got all my friends to go, and it had a profound impact on my life."

Sodetani continued on as a junior counselor in high school, and then as a counselor when he started college. Since first participating as a sixth-grader, Sodetani has missed only one year of Easter Caravan.

"The takeaway for me," explains Sodetani, "is that it fills a void of not having a male role model. Many kids have similar stories like me. They come from single-parent households, maybe for a variety of reasons. It gives them an opportunity to interact with people who will take the time to listen to them and hear their story. At the end of the day, most of those kids just want to be heard and know that someone cares."

A Family Tradition

The Easter Caravan has become a tradition for Corrin's entire family. Corrin's two sons, Philip and Benjamin, use vacation time from their jobs to



Easter Caravan campers in 2019. The Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities is bringing back Easter Caravan this April. (Courtesy photo)

serve as staff even though they live in Texas.

"Both my sons attended as tagalongs when they were little," says Corrin. "They also attended all four years when they were eligible as campers, then as junior counselors, and then counselors." This year Corrin says his grandson will also be attending as a tagalong.

The annual funding for Easter Caravan reflects the broad support among current and past residents of Downey. Corrin estimates the yearly budget for items like food and transportation (labor is volunteered) at \$25,000. Only \$6,000 is collected from camperships. Corrin says the balance of the money raised each year comes largely from individuals connected with Downey.

Up until two years ago, the Easter Caravan operated with the Downey Family YMCA as the organizing sponsor. When the YMCA could no longer continue in this role, Caravan organizers approached the Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunity (DFEO), which has an office at the school district headquarters.

Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone, DFEO's executive director, says the foundation quickly agreed to be the organizing sponsor.

"We said absolutely," she reports. "We'll help you and advertise for you and get the word out because we believe clearly that this is such an important thing for young boys. Our mission is to do everything we can to prepare our DUSD students to be successful individuals and this just fell right in."



Tod Corrin, left, and Gordon Sodetani.

Downey school board member Martha Sodetani encourages parents and teachers to refer young boys to the program who might benefit, even if the family does not have the funds. Gangs Out of Downey (GOOD) and RMI International (a local company) together sponsor 13 camperships.

"I can be contacted at msodetani@gmail.com," offers Sodetani.

COVID virus vaccinations are not required for students to participate, and masks are not

required at the outdoor camp. But as a precaution, Corrin says campers and staff will be asked to wear masks while traveling on buses.

Interested families can see pictures of the Easter Caravan experience and learn more details on the website EasterCaravan.com. Information and application forms are also available at DFEO.org/ecaravan.

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 76°

Saturday 73°

Sunday 67°

THINGS TO DO



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ON THIS DAY FEBRUARY 17

1863

The International Red Cross was founded in Geneva.

1874

Thomas J. Watson, Sr., the American industrialist who built IBM, was born.

1933

Newsweek magazine was first published.

1964

In *Wesberry v. Sanders* the Supreme Court ruled that congressional districts have to be approximately equal in population.

1972

President Richard M. Nixon departed on a historic trip to China.

1974

Robert K. Preston, a disgruntled U.S. Army private, stole a military helicopter and landed it on the south lawn of the White House in a major security breach.

1992

Serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer was sentenced in Milwaukee to life in prison.



1996

World chess champion Garry Kasparov beat IBM supercomputer "Deep Blue," winning a six-game match in Philadelphia.

2002

The new Transportation Security Administration took over supervision of aviation security from the airline industry and the Federal Aviation Administration.

2009

President Barack Obama signed a \$757 billion economic stimulus package into law.

Birthdays

NFL great **Jim Brown** (86), basketball hall of famer **Michael Jordan** (59), actor and comedian **Larry the Cable Guy** (59), actress **Denise Richards** (51), Green Day frontman **Billie Joe Armstrong** (50), reality star **Paris Hilton** (41), actor **Joseph Gordon-Levitt** (41), and pop singer **Ed Sheeran** (31).

Downey Unified pauses graduation changes

A plan to change graduation requirements is on hold as sophomores struggle to adapt.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY - The Downey Unified School District has put a one year pause on a planned transition of graduation requirements, citing underperformance with the current 10th grade class.

Starting this year, DUSD was set to start aligning its graduation requirements with those accepted by the University of California and California State University systems.

"We had original graduation requirements that only required two years of math, one year of visual performing arts, and one year of a foreign language," said Assistant

Superintendent Dr. Roger Brossmer. "Those don't match with the 'critical 15' we call them, the A-G courses required by UC's and Cal States."

The changes were originally to take place over the course of eight years.

The district is currently in the first year of the transition, with the classes of 2022 and 2023 held to four years of English, three years of math, two years of history, two years of science, two years of a foreign language, one year of a visual or performing art, and one year of an elective, for a total of 220 credits.

Without the pause, the rigor of requirements would have then been increased with the class of 2024 held to the "critical 15" UC approved courses along with the 2022 criteria.

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Recall effort against Alvarez fails

Organizers were 35 signatures short in their efforts to recall Councilwoman Catherine Alvarez.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY - The campaign to recall Downey Councilwoman Catherine Alvarez failed to collect the number of verified signatures needed to bring it to ballot, though organizers said they intend to appeal the count.

To have been successful, 3,454 signatures - or 20% of registered voters in District 3 - would have been needed to be collected and verified by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder's Office.

Recall volunteers submitted 4,016

signatures on Jan. 4, believing they had enough of a buffer for success. However, the final tally came up 35 shy, with only 3,419 approved signatures.

Alvarez was elected in November 2020 and was later criticized for not disclosing her criminal record before the election.

Despite its failure, representatives of the recall have made it clear that they intend to continue to pursue the councilwoman's removal.

"While disappointing, the fact that only an additional 35 signatures were needed is huge. People in her district want Catherine Alvarez out of office! Over 4,000 signatures were collected. It speaks volumes and encourages our team of volunteers to keep on going and never give up," recall proponents said in a statement to the Downey Patriot.

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Catherine Alvarez

Grades suffered as students struggled with at-home learning

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The new graduation requirement implementation would then be completed with the class of 2024 - have fallen behind, requiring the District to put a momentary pause on its initial plan.

However, data presented at the Board of Education's meeting last week has shown that some students - specifically within the class of 2024 - have fallen behind, requiring the District to put a momentary pause on its initial plan.

According to the District's numbers as of the end of the first semester, 26% of sophomores are not meeting requirements in English, 30% are not meeting requirements in math, 39% are not meeting requirements in science, and 14% are not meeting requirements in social science. A total of 875 (45%) of total sophomores are also missing credits, 152 (8%) of which are missing 60 and above and are a year or over behind.

It's a trend that is being attributed to the Covid-19 pandemic.

"I think a lot of the kids have struggled, but [the current sophomores] missed their first full year of high school, it was online," said Brossmer. "That's just a hard way to start high school."

"Knowing that and looking at their progress, we want to continue to ramp up the rigor but we don't want to do it at the cost of hurting kids."

Brossmer added that the district saw a fork in student success during the pandemic, widening the gap between the numbers of A's and B's and D's and F's.

"Kids were successful and had the supports maybe at home, and could get that extra help, and other kids, they just didn't have the support," said Brossmer. "As a district, we did what we could, but at the end of the day, kids

online at home without supports is a tough situation for those families and those kids."

At the secondary level, Brossmer said that there has been a higher rate of poorer grades amongst students who remained in at-home learning, even after being given the choice to return to campus.

"Even before the pandemic, kids struggled; this is nothing new," said Brossmer. "But I would say [we're seeing] at almost twice the rate of D's and F's that we're seeing for those kids that remained at home than we are in person."

By pausing their initial plans, the district and students have more time to tend to the needs of struggling students without the added pressure that the new requirements might bring.

"With everything going on... if you're going down the freeway and a light comes on, you usually pull over and assess it, you

don't floor it," said Brossmer. "Really, it's this idea of if there's uncertainty with such big decisions, let's don't just put our heads down and trudge forward; let's pause and evaluate, and make sure, like any good doctor, do no harm."

"We're not here to hurt, we're doing this to help kids be more successful."

The pause pushes everything back by a year, meaning that the class of 2024 will be held to the same graduation standards as the classes of 2022 and 2023. Current freshmen and eighth graders will be required to meet the "critical 15" UC approved courses, and the class of 2027 (seventh graders and younger) will need to meet those standards with a C or better.

Brossmer said that if needed, another year pause could be implemented, however, he was confident that things would be back on track by next year.

Recall campaign comes up short against Alvarez

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"This only confirmed what we thought, that Downey residents are not happy having somebody with a criminal record like Catherine Alvarez representing them at City Hall. With her welfare fraud conviction, ban from Michael's in Downey Landing for shoplifting and troubled history of harassment and intimidation at people's homes late at night, we are determined to maintain the momentum."

"Since we were only 35 votes short (from over 4,000) we will appeal the verification of signatures and move forward."

Our grassroots effort was slow in late 2021 due to the holidays, weather, COVID and will now be able to dedicate our efforts to regroup and proceed to gather the additional signatures needed. Downey residents in her district are frustrated. They now know the facts about who she is and her criminal record. It will be easier and faster now to build support from the community and to collect more signatures.

"Our commitment to Downey residents is to let them decide after knowing about her criminal past. We deserve an honest and ethical council person and we know our residents want the same. We won't stop."

Mayor defends vote

Mayor Blanca Pacheco was criticized for voting in favor of a separation agreement with city manager Gilbert Livas.

in opposition.

Below is Pacheco's full statement:

"I would like to clear up an apparent misconception that some people may have about my vote on February 8th regarding the future of City Manager Gilbert Livas with the City of Downey."

"To be clear, my affirmative vote was NOT to terminate Mr. Livas as City Manager. To the contrary, I have greatly valued Mr. Livas' unparalleled service to the City and continue to value it to this day. Instead, my vote was to accept the resignation of Mr. Livas under the terms of a

mutually beneficial separation agreement.

"Critically, that agreement allows the City to retain the leadership of Mr. Livas through the fiscal year, which is of great benefit to the City and its residents. My genuine feelings about Mr. Livas and his service to Downey is reflected in the statement that was released following the Council meeting."

"Mr. Livas has led our City through difficult times and it has been a pleasure serving alongside him. He is not only our City Manager, but also my friend and I am truly sad to see him go."



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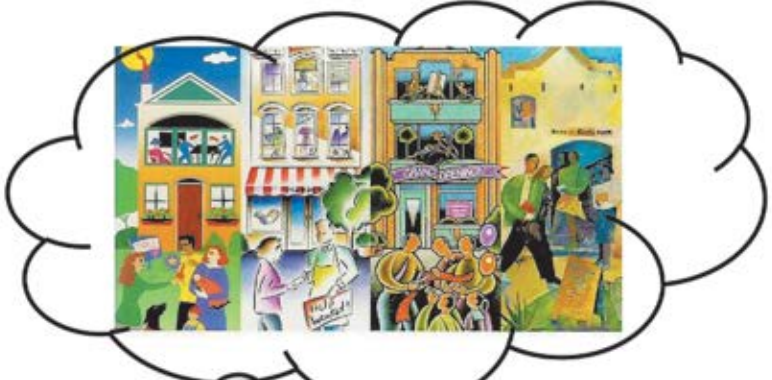









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CDBG & HOME Community Meetings

The City of Downey has scheduled three (3) community meetings for review of the City's Fiscal Year 2022-23 federal CDBG and HOME Programs. These meetings provide information on both the CDBG & HOME programs, and discuss the community's needs. The meetings also allow an opportunity for community members and service providers to offer input regarding the annual development process of the Action Plan, by commenting on the City's housing and non-housing needs, program priorities, and allows for the proposal of uses for both of these funding sources.

The City estimates that in Fiscal Year 2022-23 it will receive up to \$1,038,156 in CDBG and \$426,788 in HOME funds. You are invited to join staff at any of the scheduled virtual community meetings below:

Thursday, February 10th at 10 am
ZOOM Meeting ID: 853 8965 2139, Passcode: 12345

Wednesday, February 16th at 6 pm
ZOOM Meeting ID: 898 7151 8334, Passcode: 12345

Saturday, February 19th at 9 am
ZOOM Meeting ID: 817 5976 4611, Passcode: 12345

Call-in Number for All Meetings (Audio Only): (888) 788-0099
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Eyes on our Schools



By Bobbi Samperi
School Board President

The first full month of the new year is behind us and it's odd to think that we are in the year 2022. I want to take a moment to re-introduce myself to our Downey Unified families and community.

Since transitioning from vice president to president in

December, I feel like a lot has happened, but I will get into that in just a moment. I'm Barbara (but everyone calls me Bobbie) Samperi and I'm the new Board of Education President. I was raised right here in Downey and am a proud product of our very lovely school district.

I met my husband, Daryl, at Warren High School and we have been married since 1972.

Our two sons were both raised and attended Downey Unified schools, so as you can see, I'm rooted very deeply in this city and our schools. My service as a board member has always been my way to serve this community that has given my family and I so much.

Ok, enough about me, let's get into some updates. I am very happy to share that Los Angeles County, and all of California for that matter, is beginning to see a downturn in COVID case numbers. This entire pandemic has been a series of ups and downs, and we continue to hope that things stay the course and keep getting better as we get closer to the end of this school year.

At the beginning of January, although we wish we had received them a week sooner, we were able to distribute the state-provided COVID at-home test kits to all 22,000 of our students.

If you remember, we first started with a "drive through" for those students who had been missing school because they were feeling ill, in hopes to get them back into the classroom more quickly.

Then, just two days later, we were able to hand a test kit (containing two tests) into the hands of each of our students districtwide. Then to ensure that we didn't miss anyone, we held a drive through on a Saturday that lasted over six hours for those students who were absent the day the kits were distributed in person. To say it was a very busy week for our staff is an understatement but knowing that our students and their families were being provided this extra measure was well worth it.

Now let's get into some district highlights! I want to give huge congratulations to Doty, Griffiths and Stauffer middle schools for being redesignated with the nationally recognized Schools to Watch designation! Griffiths and Stauffer originally received this award in 2018, with Doty following close behind in 2019, and we could not be

more proud that all three have been redesignated to receive this award! Our schools were recognized once again for being high-performing model schools that demonstrate academic excellence, social equity and responsiveness to the needs of young adolescents. Great job Knights, Thunderbirds and Spartans!

Next, I want to congratulate Columbus High School for being named a 2022 Model Continuation High School by the California Department of Education because of their continued work with students who have faced many challenges all while getting them back on the pathway to learning. This program honors continuation high schools for the comprehensive services they provide at-risk youth through instructional strategies, flexible scheduling, guidance and counseling.

Great job, CHS! Please be on the lookout for more details about this recognition to be shared in the coming weeks.

I want to thank all the

teachers and staff members at Doty, Griffiths and Stauffer middle schools as well as Columbus High for ALL of their hard work in making these awards and designations possible! We could not have accomplished these goals if it wasn't for your dedication and drive. I, and all of my fellow Board members, truly thank you!

As we look ahead, March 2 marks National Read Across America Day and throughout the month of March, schools across Downey Unified will be holding various events celebrating literacy. Make sure to keep an eye out for activities and events being shared on our Downey Unified and school site social media pages as well as on our school marquees.

I look forward to reaching out next month to tell you about more amazing achievements and updates within Downey Unified!

Bobbie Samperi
President, Downey Unified Board of Education

Silent auction taking bids

DOWNEY - Bids are now being accepted for the Friends of the Downey City Library's monthly silent auction.

Bids are due by 12 pm on Feb. 26 and can be placed inside the bookstore located inside the Downey City Library.

February's auction items include:

"*Courage Has No Color, The True Story of the Triple Nickles: America's First Black Paratroopers*," Tanya Lee Stone. In spite of institutional racism, the Triple Nickles' courage paved the way in World War II for a more integrated military against the unchecked injustice of discrimination against African Americans. Minimum bid: \$8.

"*A Victorian Scrapbook*," Cynthia Hart, John Grossman, Priscilla Dunhill. Inspired by the charming scrapbooks kept by Victorian ladies and their children, this book is a joyful celebration of nineteenth-century society and its ideals. Includes excerpts from the era's

poets and chroniclers; features richly colored illustrations. Minimum bid: \$8

"*Frederick Douglass: Prophet of Freedom*," David W. Blight. A great American biography of one of the most important African-American of the nineteenth century: Frederick Douglass, the escaped slave who became the greatest orator of his day and one of the leading abolitionists and writers of the era. Minimum bid: \$12

"*The Hobbit*," J.R.R. Tolkien. This lavish gift edition of J.R.R. Tolkien's classic features cover art, illustrations, and watercolor paintings by the artist Alan Lee. Minimum bid: \$8

"*Georgia O'Keeffe: An American Perspective*," Lauris Morgan-Griffiths. A lavishly illustrated celebration of the life and works of one of the most successful American artists of the 20th century. This book explores the influences and the stories behind some of Georgia's most important works - including

her famous flower paintings. Minimum bid: \$14

"*Vatican City*," Edizioni Musei Vatican. This agile text, richly illustrated with magnificent photographs, is an indispensable source for those wanting to deepen their knowledge of Vatican City, its history and culture. Minimum bid: \$9

"*The Ultimate Harley Davidson*," Mac McDiarmid. The ultimate reference book for aficionados of the most revered motorcycle in the world tells the complete history and evolution of Harley-Davidson, from its humble beginnings to its role as a cultural icon. Minimum bid: \$8

"*The Smithsonian Collection of Newspaper Comics*," edited by Bill Blackbeard and Martin Williams. Selected comic treasures from American newspaper pages from 1896 to the 1970s display imaginative storytelling from some of the most critically notable strips. Minimum bid: \$15

Crime Report

- On Feb. 6 at 2:20 am, officers responded to a fight in progress at Downey Ave. and Second St. Upon arrival, the adult victim stated he had been in a fight with two other males. During the fight, one of the suspects took the victim's gold chain and ring prior to fleeing the scene. Officers responded to the scene and located the suspect who was arrested for robbery.
- On Feb. 6 at 11:15 am, officers were dispatched to 8425 Firestone Blvd, in regards to an armed robbery. The victim was in the rear parking lot of the Embassy Suites when he was contacted by the two suspects. One suspect brandished a black handgun and took the victim's belt and watch. The suspects entered their vehicle and fled the scene. The victim was not injured during the robbery.
- On Feb. 13 at 12 am, officers responded to an in-progress assault on the 12500 block of Rose Ave. The victim and suspect began arguing over a lost cell phone. The argument led to the suspect brandishing a knife and making attempts to slash the victim with it. The victim was able to move out of the way

and avoided being cut. Officers responded and arrested the suspect for assault with a deadly weapon.

- On Feb. 13 at 12:55 am, officers were dispatched to the 12500 block of Columbia Way, in regards to an attempted carjacking. The adult victim stated while she was stopped in traffic at Lakewood/Columbia, the suspect approached her driver's window. The suspect asked the victim where she was staying at and then opened the driver's door while holding his waistband. The victim was able to pull the door shut and fled. The suspect was not located and the victim was uninjured.
- On Feb. 13 at 10:10 pm, officers were dispatched to 7915 Florence Ave (CVS), in regards to an armed robbery. The security guard stated the suspect had entered the store and walked out of the store without paying for the items. When loss prevention confronted the suspect, he threatened the victim and simulated he had a weapon. The suspect fled but was detained by officers.

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LA County moves closer to licensing commercial cannabis

■ Marijuana dispensaries are currently banned in unincorporated parts of LA County but that is expected to change soon.

By City News Service

LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors agreed Tuesday to move forward with the development and implementation of an "equitable" system for licensing commercial cannabis businesses in unincorporated areas.

The board's action means an end is potentially in sight to the county's years-long ban on marijuana dispensaries and other cannabis-related activities. The county's prohibition on marijuana dispensaries in unincorporated areas has been

in place since 2010 and was broadened in 2017 to include the cultivation, manufacture, testing and distribution of the drug for other than personal use.

California voted to legalize cannabis in 2016 and legal recreational sales began in January 2018.

The board directed its Department of Consumer and Business Affairs to develop and implement a commercial cannabis licensing program for unincorporated areas, beginning with a limited number of licenses while prioritizing "equity" applicants.

The framework authorized by the board allows for up to 25 retail, 25 delivery, 10 cultivation, 10 manufacturing, 10 distribution and 10 testing licenses. County officials said limiting the initial number of licenses will assure that the permits are being

distributed equitably in the community.

"A cannabis program that is safe, regulated and equitable is necessary for unincorporated L.A. County and for addressing the injustices that have caused communities of color to be disproportionately criminalized and shut out of economic gains from the legalization of cannabis," Board of Supervisors Chair Holly J. Mitchell, who co-authored the motion, said in a statement.

County officials noted that illegal marijuana operations

have been a growing issue in many unincorporated areas, creating safety issues for affected neighborhoods and opening an illegal trade ripe for violence and organized criminal activity.

"For the past few years, my office and I have worked closely with many community members to combat illegally cannabis businesses in unincorporated areas of the First District," Supervisor Hilda Solis, a motion co-author, said in a statement. "And while we've been able to shut down many illegal dispensaries quickly and permanently, our

residents remain frustrated on the lack of effective measures to protect their families from the negative impacts of these unlicensed establishments while also respecting the intent of California's voters who supported the legalization of cannabis.

"To that end, the time is right to begin developing a plan for the legal distribution, retail, manufacturing and enforcement and regulation of cannabis in unincorporated Los Angeles County that is rooted in equitable access, strong and effective enforcement, and community

awareness and education."

Under the board's action, the DCBA will also offer potential licensees with referrals and access to education, job-training and technical assistance, along with possible financial assistance.

Until the department fully develops the system, all commercial cannabis activity will continue to be illegal in unincorporated areas. It was unclear how long it will take to fully develop the program.

Judge dismisses LAFD vaccine mandate suit

■ Firefighters had sued the City of Los Angeles last year over its vaccination mandate.

By City News Service

LOS ANGELES - A judge who previously denied a preliminary injunction sought by a group of Los Angeles firefighters -- who sued the city asking to be paid pending hearings about possible termination for refusing the coronavirus vaccine -- Tuesday dismissed the lawsuit in its entirety.

Saying the balance of harms weighed against granting their request, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Michael P. Linfield issued his preliminary injunction ruling Dec. 21, a day after hearing arguments in the lawsuit filed Sept. 17 by the nonprofit

Firefighters4Freedom Foundation, which represents more than 500 members of the Los Angeles Fire Department.

The City Attorney's Office on Jan. 18 filed a motion to dismiss the suit, with lawyers arguing in their court papers that it has been "well settled" under the U.S. Constitution for more than a century that compulsory vaccination is lawful.

"In fact, courts have consistently rejected challenges to COVID-19 vaccine mandates, such as the one at issue here," the City Attorney's Office wrote in its court papers.

In a tentative ruling issued Friday and finalized Tuesday, Linfield concurred with the city's arguments.

"This is another in a long line of cases that challenge vaccination mandates," Linfield wrote. "No court has upheld such a challenge. This case is equally without merit."

City Attorney Mike Feuer

noted that the ruling was the fourth victory obtained by his office against challengers of vaccine mandates since December.

"The overwhelming majority of our city's first responders have protected themselves, their colleagues, their loved ones and our community by complying with the vaccine mandate," Feuer said. "It's time for everyone in the city family to step up. Cases are finally coming down. Getting vaccinated and boosted can help us continue this encouraging, and long overdue, trend."

Firefighters4Freedom alleged that the city's vaccination directive, among other things, violates their members' constitutionally protected right to privacy.

In his court papers opposing the dismissal motion, Firefighters4Freedom attorney Scott J. Street stated that his clients were not challenging the vaccine ordinance on its face. He said the suit instead focused on

the city's decision, made several months later, to stop paying more than 100 city firefighters without a prior hearing -- and action Street maintained was unconstitutional.

But the judge wrote that the law does not entitle municipal firefighters to a hearing before an adverse employment action during an emergency.

Rather, the law affords the firefighters "a framework to determine whether a post-deprivation adverse employment action complied with the employee's due process rights," the judge wrote.

The firefighters' suit "does not challenge the city's determination that it navigated an emergency; rather (Firefighters4Freedom) essentially pleads that even during an emergency, due process equates to notice and a hearing before any adverse employment actions take effect," the judge wrote. "This is not the law."

Federal workers endorse Robert Garcia

DOIWNEY - The American Federation of Government Employees on Tuesday announced its endorsement of Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia for election to Congress representing California's 42nd Congressional District. The primary election is June 7.

"We are endorsing Robert Garcia because he understands union workers," said AFGE District 12 National Vice President

Mario Campos.

"When the government was shut down and our members were working without knowing when or if they would get paid, Mayor Robert Garcia went to LAX with AFGE Local 1260 to support our members and fight to make sure they got paid," Campos said. "And when our VA Council was fighting for a fair contract at the VA, Mayor Garcia once again turned out to help AFGE Local 1061 demand fair working conditions for nurses, doctors, and all the staff at the VA."

Garcia has spoken on behalf of AFGE members fighting for proper PPE during the pandemic and for fair bargaining, showing up at many AFGE rallies and events.

"Robert Garcia has stood up

for working men and women and knows the importance of having a union, and because of that we are endorsing his candidacy for Congressional District 42," Campos added.

About 245,000 federal employees live in California - caring for veterans, supporting the military, and getting Social Security recipients their benefits accurately and on time. There are more than 17,000 federal employees and retirees in the 42nd Congressional District.

AFGE is the largest federal employee union in the country, representing 700,000 federal and D.C. government workers in all functions of government. AFGE represents more than 78,000 federal employees in District 12, which includes Arizona, California, Hawaii, and Nevada.

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Banning ‘no-knock’ search warrants

By Jacob Sullum

The Minneapolis police officers who killed Amir Locke stormed into the apartment where he was sleeping before dawn on Feb. 2, shouting orders. They said they took that approach to “decrease the risk for injuries.”

That strategy is dubious even when cops are confident that the home they are invading is occupied only by criminal suspects. It is beyond reckless when they have no idea who might be there, especially in a country where citizens have a constitutional right to armed self-defense.

Locke, a 22-year-old aspiring hip-hop artist who was planning a move to Dallas, was staying with his cousin in the meantime. The Minneapolis SWAT officers who woke him up that morning as he slept on his cousin’s couch were assisting the St. Paul Police Department by serving a “no-knock” search warrant seeking evidence for a homicide investigation in which Locke was not a suspect.

Body camera video shows the officers quietly unlocking the door to the apartment at 6:48 a.m. before charging in while shouting, “Police — search warrant!” and, “Get on the ground!” An officer kicks the sofa where Locke is sleeping under a blanket, which seems to rouse him.

Seeing a gun in Locke’s hand, Officer Mark Hanneman immediately fires three shots. Nine seconds have elapsed since the cops entered the apartment.

The Minneapolis Police Department claimed Locke pointed his gun “in the direction of officers.” But the video shows the gun pointed toward the floor with Locke’s index finger on the barrel rather than the trigger.

Here is how Benjamin Crump, a lawyer representing Locke’s family,

summed up the situation: “Strange people bust in his house, awaken him from his sleep, and he reached for his weapon, which he had a Second Amendment right to, to defend himself.” Locke’s father said, “Amir did what ... any reasonable, law-abiding citizen would do to protect himself.”

Rob Doar, a senior vice president at the Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus, agreed. “Mr. Locke did what many of us might do in the same confusing circumstances,” Doar said. “He reached for a legal means of self-defense while he sought to understand what was happening.”

Interim Minneapolis Police Chief Amelia Huffman suggested that Hanneman’s decision to shoot Locke was likewise reasonable in the circumstances. “The officer had to make a split-second decision,” she said, based on his assessment of whether “he needed to take action right then to protect himself and his partners.”

If this situation sounds familiar, that’s because the same basic scenario has been playing out in cities across the country for years. Cops who burst into a home, hoping a sudden, overwhelming and discombobulating show of force will “decrease the risk for injuries,” can easily be mistaken for violent criminals.

That’s what happened during the 2020 Louisville, Kentucky, drug raid that killed Breonna Taylor, an unarmed 26-year-old EMT who, like Locke, had no criminal record. Taylor’s boyfriend, Kenneth Walker, responded to the middle-of-the-night home invasion by grabbing a gun and firing a shot at the intruders, which provoked the hail of bullets that killed Taylor.

Local prosecutors initially charged Walker with attempted murder of a police officer but dropped that charge a couple of months later, implicitly recognizing that Walker had a strong self-defense claim. At the same time, prosecutors concluded that charges against the officers who killed

Taylor were not justified, and Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron concurred that they too had acted in self-defense.

To avoid lethal confrontations like these, reformers frequently propose banning or restricting no-knock warrants. But the Taylor case shows that solution is inadequate.

The Louisville cops banged on the door of Taylor’s apartment for about 30 seconds before breaking in and claimed they also announced themselves. She and Walker still did not realize the intruders were police officers.

What’s needed is a fundamental reevaluation of “dynamic entry” tactics, which should be reserved for life-or-death emergencies. Routinely deploying them when police execute search warrants is an invitation to tragedies like Locke’s senseless death.

Jacob Sullum is a senior editor at Reason magazine.

City manager’s departure

Dear Editor:

Downey government is at a possible crisis juncture.

A misguided majority of the current city council (Catherine Alvarez, Sean Ashton and Mario Trujillo) voted to oust Gilbert Livas as city manager. Fortunately, after serious objections by citizens and city employees, the council backed off. However, since Gilbert determined he could not work further with such a council, he has tendered his resignation, effective next July.

The pending crisis is what does the misguided majority of the council desire? Do they desire a weak replacement city manager who will follow their misguided dictates, such as increasing their and the manager’s payments from the city? Are we going to follow such illegal actions as did the city of Bell?

I know that Downey has intelligent and educated citizens who could serve well on the council. I suggest that some consider getting involved. I moved to Downey in 1957 with my new bride. I served on the council for two terms in the 1990’s, with a capable city manager and a good council. We worked well together and did many helpful things for the city. Downey is a wonderful city in which to live and raise a family.

Let’s keep it that way! Come forward good citizens – get involved with the city and avoid a crisis.

**Bob Brazelton
Downey**

Dear Editor:

The old ways of conducting City Council meetings with respect and decorum have been thrown, beaten, and burned. I know Valentine’s Day just passed but perhaps couples from Downey can catch the local circus at the next council meeting. The event is free but virtual.

The latest debauchery at City Hall involved the resignation of our 15-year city manager, Gilbert Livas. Mr. Livas will step down and retire July 1, 2022, with an extra \$452,000 given as part of the “separation agreement.”

What is the role of a city manager? For me, a city manager is akin to a chief executive officer at a Fortune 100 or 500 corporation. It is a tough job. The job likely involves late night calls every night, working weekends, dealing with disgruntled constituents, and dealing with potential business investors. At the end of the day, the buck stops with the city manager.

Hypothetically speaking, even if the city manager was not the cause of some major failure within the city, he would be responsible. In short, I imagine a short list of qualified people rise to the level of Gilbert Livas.

On Feb. 8, the current Downey City Council voted 4-1 and accepted Mr. Livas’ resignation. Now, I know that I am not the sharpest knife in the box, but if a person resigns, it is on their own volition. Essentially, the person writes a letter to their immediate supervisor, here the Downey City Council Members, stating “I am resigning for....” And that is the end of the conversation.

However, in Downey, the City Council members must vote to accept or reject Mr. Livas’ resignation. Taking the procedure of the Downey City Council regarding resignations to its logical extreme would mean that a person who does not want to work in the role they are presently employed at must secure a majority vote from Downey City Council members to formally resign.

The procedure is quite facetious. On one hand, an employee has provided notice of resignation, which ends an employment relationship, but then if the majority of City Council members vote to reject the resignation, the person stays. What if the majority voted to not accept Mr. Livas’ resignation? Would that outcome have secured Mr. Livas’ job?

At that point, the hypothetical person is in a tough place; on one hand, he does not wish to work for an organization, but on the other hand, he could be forced to stay if the resignation is not accepted.

**Vijay Patel
Downey**

Dear Editor:

I’m sorry to see Gilbert Livas resigning his city manager post. He did such a wonderful job.

Why the sudden unexplained dissatisfaction? Is it possible that the anti-Livas cabal within our city council has a political crony in the wings waiting to fill the city manager position? A crony who needs a job?

Usually such machinations are well planned ahead of time behind closed doors. What were the grounds for the anti-Livas faction’s move to dismiss Gilbert? Why the closed meeting secrecy?

**John Marinelli
Downey**

Fire department’s shortcomings

Dear Editor:

The Downey Fire Department needs a new ladder truck/aerial firefighting apparatus. The existing fire apparatus is obsolete and constantly in need of major repairs, taking it out of service for weeks at a time.

In its place, the forcible entry tools, ventilation, overhaul, and salvage equipment, as well as the ground ladders normally carried on the Truck Company are delivered to an incident on a flat bed truck and a trailer pulled by pick up trucks driven by crew members usually assigned to the out-of-service apparatus.

While Downey firefighters demonstrate their ability to improvise, adapt and overcome the lack of a reliable Truck Company, it is quite something to see these pickups and trailers responding with lights and sirens through Downey on their way to an incident.

This arrangement is hardly optimal.

With all of the existing high-rise structures in the city and more in planning by Los Angeles County on the Rancho Los Amigos South Campus, the City of Downey should request that the county fund a new truck/aerial fire apparatus, which will be used to protect the new county facilities.

It may also be time for the city to once again consider contracting out fire and rescue services to Los Angeles County Fire Department.

They have real truck companies.

**Brian Heyman
Downey**

Hey, Democrats: Your hypocrisy is showing

By Larry Elder

When President Donald Trump, in October 2019, ordered a successful takedown of top Islamic State group leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, Democrats and even the anti-Trump media celebrated the death of the terror leader. But top leaders of the Democratic party still chastised Trump for failing to notify top congressional Democrats of the impending strike.

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi issued the following statement: “The House must be briefed on this raid, which the Russians but not top congressional leadership were notified of in advance, and on the administration’s overall strategy in the region. Our military and allies deserve strong, smart and strategic leadership from Washington.”

Trump did inform two Republican leaders of the strike, but admitted he completely excluded Democrats, including Pelosi. As to informing Pelosi, Trump said: “No, I didn’t. I didn’t do that. I wanted to make sure this kept secret. I don’t want to have men lost, and women. I don’t want to have people lost.”

He also said: “(I was) going to notify (congressional leaders) last night, but we decided not to do that, because Washington leaks like I’ve never seen before. Washington is a leaking machine. And I told my people, we will not notify them until our great people are out — not just in, but out. I don’t want to have them greeted with firepower like you wouldn’t believe.”

House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam B. Schiff, D-Calif., called Trump’s lack of notice “a mistake.” Schiff said, “In terms of notifying the Gang of Eight, that wasn’t done,” referring to the leaders of both parties in the House, the Senate and their Intelligence Committees.

And according to former National Security Adviser Susan Rice, Trump also broke protocol by not informing his predecessor of the elimination of this ISIS leader. Rice said: “There is a tradition of common courtesy of presidents informing their predecessors of things of significance like this. Since the White House seemingly didn’t feel it necessary to inform the leadership of the intelligence committees on a bipartisan basis, I’m quite confident that they didn’t do the normal protocol with respect to

predecessors either.”

That was then.

Last week President Joe Biden ordered a strike that killed al-Baghdadi’s successor, Abu Ibrahim al-Hashimi al-Qurayshi.

Did Biden, pre-strike, notify top congressional leaders or give former President Donald Trump an advance warning? The same Democrats who criticized Trump said nothing about whether they received notice of the strike. But it appears that Biden, like Trump, kept House intelligence leaders in the dark.

The Washington Post wrote: “A House Intelligence committee official, speaking on the condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive matters, said Thursday that the committee was not notified before the Syria mission ‘and will ask for additional information from the administration on that decision.’”

What about Pelosi? The Post said: “Gen. Mark A. Milley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, called House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., on Thursday morning to inform her about the Syria mission, according to Pelosi spokesman Drew Hammill. It is unclear whether Milley’s call to Pelosi came before or after the strike.”

Whether Pelosi received notification before or after the strike, given her criticism of Trump, seems awfully relevant. But Dems and the media appear blase about the difference.

Did Biden, like Trump, worry about leaks from congressional intel leaders, including Democrats like Pelosi and Schiff? Did Biden, like Trump, fail to follow what Rice called “the tradition of common courtesy” by notifying his predecessor, the man the Biden administration calls “the former president,” of the impending strike against the IS leader?

Who knows? And it appears that neither Democratic intel leaders nor the pro-Biden media care to find out or even to ask. Oh, what a difference a Democratic administration makes.

Larry Elder is a bestselling author and talk radio host.

Shredder-in-Chief

By Jeff Robbins

Until last week the most uproarious explanation ever offered for the disappearance of evidence in the possession of an American president involved the erasure of 18 1/2 minutes of Richard Nixon’s tape recording of a key White House meeting he had about the Watergate break-in just after it took place. The tape of Nixon’s meeting about the break-in was subpoenaed, which led to the darndest discovery: a large portion of the tape was missing, and Nixon had no explanation for what in the heck had happened to it.

His longtime secretary, Rose Mary Woods, loyally volunteered to offer reporters a theory of how she might have accidentally destroyed a portion of the tape. While reviewing the tape at Nixon’s request, she speculated, she might have inadvertently placed her foot on a pedal that erased the tape while keeping her foot there for an extended period of time, stretching the rest of her body several feet in the opposite direction to answer the phone. While attempting to demonstrate this, however, what she demonstrated was that no circus performer on earth could have kept foot and torso virtually in separate rooms for 10 seconds, let alone

the length of time she professed. Woods’ claim of truly superhuman elasticity led the late Rep. Al Lowenstein to dub her “Miss Glue-Shoes The Contortionist” and, indeed, her valiant attempt to take the fall for Somebody Else was later found by forensic testing to be impossible.

Last week’s revelations about plumbing problems at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. trumped the Rose Mary Woods Stretch in more ways than one. So very much about former President Donald Trump was so very clearly amiss that his fixation on problematic toilet-flushing was far down a long list of concerns about him. “People are flushing toilets 10 times, 15 times, as opposed to one,” the leader of the free world proclaimed from the Roosevelt Room. “Ten times, right, 10 times,” he told a rally. “Not me, of course, not me. But you,” he said, no doubt mystifying a crowd of Make America Greaters. “I won’t talk about the fact that people have to flush their toilets 15 times,” Trump assured another crowd, thereby talking about it.

It seemed fair even at the time to wonder what in God’s name would lead the president of the United States to publicly mention even once his concerns about having to flush a toilet multiple times before dispatching whatever was in the bowl, let alone to return to the subject repeatedly. The explanation for why flushing troubles were so often top of Trump’s mind may have arrived with news that journalist Maggie Haberman’s forthcoming book reports that White House staff would find wads of printed paper clogging a toilet used by Trump and concluded that he flushed government documents therein. Trump denies this, trotting out the usual “fake news” line, but he does not enjoy a great deal of credibility on any subject, much less on subjects involving himself.

Trump’s credibility was not helped by a Washington Post report that he regularly tore up briefing materials, letters and memos, or by a former White House staffer’s on-the-record disclosure that Trump “loved to tear up those documents” and that she observed him eat the pieces of documents he had just ripped up.

And Trump’s attempts to destroy or otherwise make unavailable government documents appear to have been wholesale rather than merely retail. Late last week the National Archives and Records Administration said that it had retrieved 15 boxes of White House records that were supposed to have been transferred to the National Archives when Trump left office, but that instead were taken to Mar-a-Lago. Like the flushing, the ripping and the eating of documents, this is more than a fetish or a penchant for hiding information that the former guy doesn’t want anyone to see. It’s an apparent violation of federal law.

“Lock her up,” Donald Trump would cry about Hillary Clinton’s improper handling of government emails.

Just sayin’.

Jeff Robbins, a former assistant United States attorney and United States delegate to the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, was chief counsel for the minority of the United States Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations.

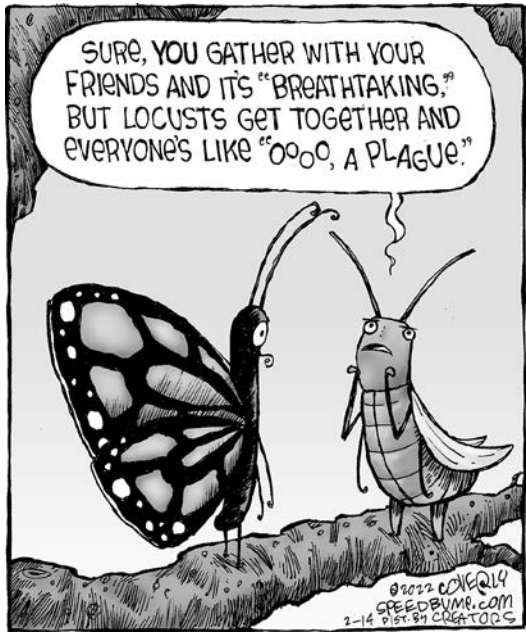
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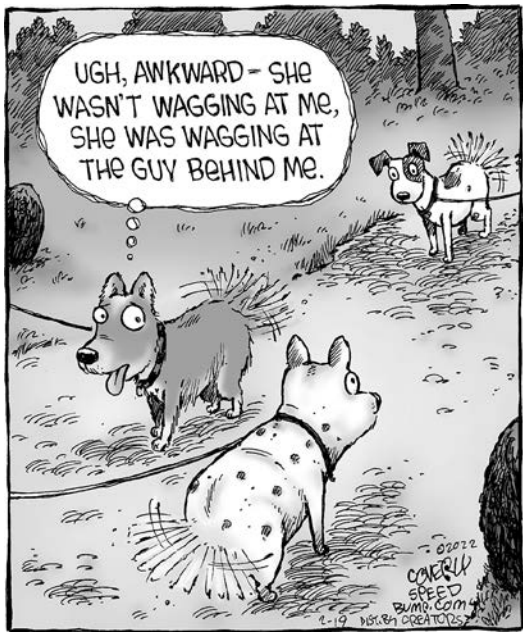
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 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tue., 6:30pm: Library Advisory Board, at Downey City Library.
 3rd Thurs., 6:30pm: CERT, at Downey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

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

MONDAYS

7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 2, at Downey United Methodist Church, call 869-6478.
 4:30 pm: Courage Forward Meeting, at 10829 New St, 2nd Floor, call 213-545-6810.
 2nd Mon., 11 am: American Legion Auxiliary #270, at United Methodist Church, call 310-386-8112.
 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.
 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

WEDNESDAYS

7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
 1 pm: Women's Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call Marie Puch at 869-4366.
 7 pm: Out Post 132 Royal Rangers, at Desert Reign Church, call 928-8000.
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.
 2nd Wed., 7 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 484-8415.
 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 Cities of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
 12 pm: Bingo, at Woman's Club of Downey - Proceeds benefit Rancho.
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 351, at Furman Park, contact 562-500-5093 for more information.
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.
 1st Thurs., 6 pm, All other Thurs. 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Frantone's Downey, call Roy Jimenez 283-2335.
 2nd Thurs., 12 pm: Creative Purposes, call Bill Wallace 923-2311.
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.
 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.
 3rd Thurs., 6 pm: Downey CIPAC, at Sizzler's Restaurant, call Rich Tuttle 413-6045.
 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.
 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

FRIDAYS

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

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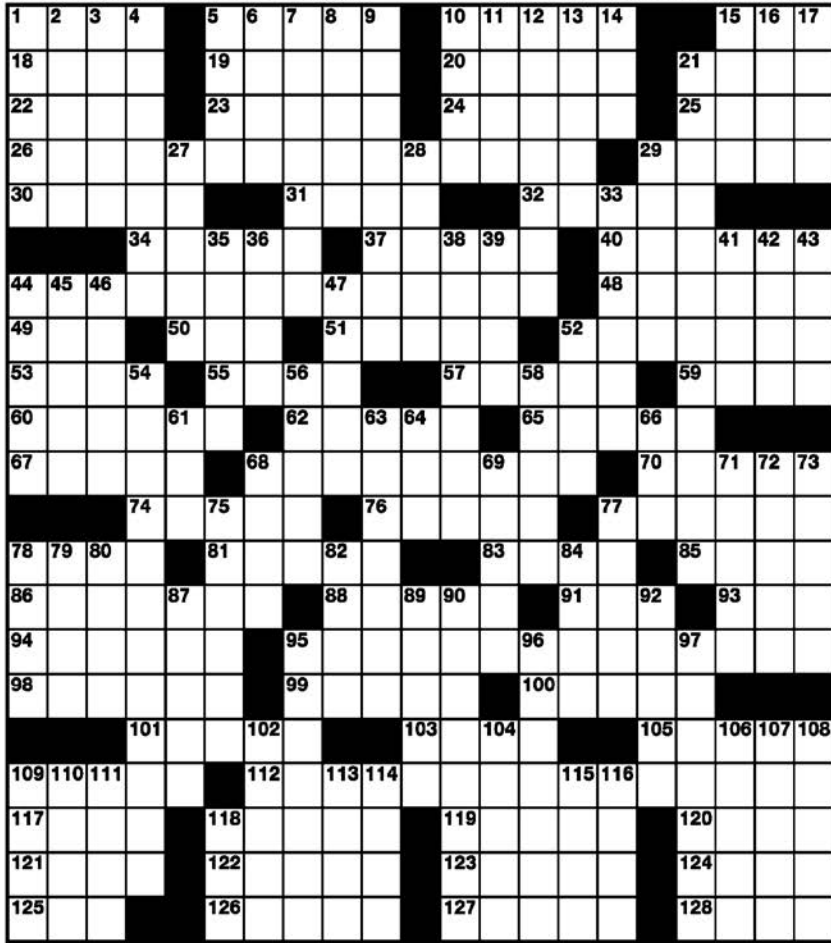
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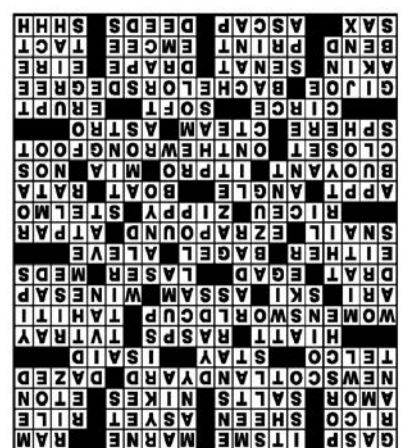
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Numerous French artists have painted the MARNE RIVER (10 Across), including Corot, Cézanne and Pissarro. Founded in 1991, the FIFIA WOMEN'S WORLD CUP (44 Across) is held every four years. Similar to a CD player, the LASER (57 Across) in a DVD player reads a disc's encoded video file.



Public invited to inspect textbooks

DOWNEY – Downey Unified invites the public to examine a new English Language Arts (ELA) Curriculum being considered for adoption by the Board of Education for use in middle school and high school.

The materials selected are in alignment with State Content Standards as required by California Code of Regulation (CCR), Title 5, Section 9531(a).

Copies of the materials will be on display for five consecutive weeks, Monday through Friday, from Feb. 22 until March 22, in the Secondary Education Department of the Downey Unified District Office.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, appointments need to be made for any person wishing to review these materials. Please contact the office of Secondary Education at (562) 469-6781 to make an appointment.

The policy of the Board of Education provides that anyone wishing to offer suggestions or criticism about this curriculum proposed for adoption must submit comments in writing to the Superintendent seven days prior to the Board meeting at which this curriculum will be adopted.

Adoption will be recommended at the Board of Education meeting scheduled for April 5.

SEAACA has sale on large dogs

DOWNEY – SEAACA has temporarily discounted the price on large dog adoptions through Feb. 26.

Dogs weighing 40 lbs. or more can now be adopted for \$40. The fee includes spay/neuter, microchip ID, flea treatment, and first set of vaccinations.

Adoptions are facilitated by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call (562) 803-3301.

Adoptable pets can be viewed online at seaaca.org.

Show pays tribute to Rat Pack and Marilyn Monroe

CERRITOS – The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) presents “A Toast to the Rat Pack & Marilyn” on Saturday, March 19, at 8 pm. Tickets start at \$35.

In a high-energy show honoring the 1960s heyday of the Rat Pack’s legendary Las Vegas concerts, four acclaimed tribute artists recreate the songs, humor, and camaraderie of The Rat Pack: Sebastian Anzaldo as Frank Sinatra; Andy DiMino as Dean Martin; Lambus Dean as Sammy Davis, Jr.; and Susan Griffiths as Marilyn Monroe.

The show also features The Rat Pack Orchestra.

An Omaha, Nebraska native, Anzaldo started playing drums and singing at age 11. Gigs in New York and Los Angeles eventually led him to Las Vegas, where he discovered his knack for impersonating Ol’ Blue Eyes. He has toured as Sinatra throughout the United States, Canada, Spain, Italy, London, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, and the Bahamas.

As a child, DiMino watched the Dean Martin Variety Hour on television. He was drawn to Martin’s relaxed style of singing and became a collector of all things Dean Martin. Capitalizing on his likeness of the icon, DiMino took his “Dino” act on the road, performing as the Rat Packer in a lounge show at Harrahs; big-band concerts in Arizona, Lake Tahoe, and Boston; and at local corporate events.

A much sought-after performer in Las Vegas, Lambus keeps busy performing as himself or as Sammy Davis, Jr. He produced and starred in his own show, A Musical Journey on Route 66, at the Westward Ho Hotel and Casino. He came in second place in the NBC television show America’s Most Talented Senior.

One of the most acclaimed Marilyn Monroe impersonators in the world, Griffiths starred in the ABC “Movie of the Week” Marilyn and Me. She has portrayed the Hollywood icon in the television shows Quantum Leap, Nip/Tuck, and Curb Your Enthusiasm and has appeared on the television shows The Defenders, American Idol, and The Tonight Show With Jay Leno.

For tickets or more information on this performance, call (562) 916-8500 or go to cerritoscenter.com.

Man faces arson charges for Whittier hills fire

WHITTIER – Arraignment was postponed Tuesday until next week for a man charged with arson counts stemming from a fire in the Whittier area that destroyed two homes and severely damaged four others amid Santa Ana winds.

Kevin Whitlock, 55, is due to appear at Downey Superior Court on Feb. 22 on six counts of arson of an inhabited structure or property and one count each of arson of property of another and arson of a structure or forest, according to the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office.

The fire was reported at about 2:30 p.m. Thursday near Cinco View Drive and East Banyon Rim Drive, according to the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

Whitlock allegedly started the blaze above a small trail in a brush area below the rim of several houses on two streets, according to the District Attorney’s Office. The fire quickly spread up the hill aided by windy conditions, destroying two homes, damaging four others and causing fire damage to the back yard of another home, according to prosecutors.

Fixed-wing aircraft and more than 200 firefighters were sent to battle the flames, which had quickly engulfed one home and then spread to several others.

The suspect was found on a hiking trail with a “non-lethal” burn injury and was taken to a hospital, authorities said.

Whitlock was subsequently arrested and remains jailed in lieu of \$500,000 bail, according to jail records.

The fire was 100% contained by Thursday night, the fire department reported.

“This fire could have had fatal consequences and even though it didn’t, there was tremendous loss for several families due to the unnecessary actions of one individual,” District Attorney George Gascón said in a statement Monday shortly after the charges were filed.

Cerritos College forgives \$1.3M in unpaid fees

NORWALK – Cerritos College announced it has distributed \$1.3 million from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to forgive 2,400 unpaid student accounts from summer 2020 through fall 2021.

The college forgave past-due delinquencies to allow students to enroll in classes without penalty, giving them a chance to stay in school.

The campus dismissed unpaid fees related to enrollment, class materials, student representation, and health services for resident, non-resident, and international students.

“We understand the negative impacts the pandemic has had on our students. Over the last two years, students had to abruptly transition from taking classes in person to going online,” said Yvette Tafoya, dean of enrollment services at Cerritos College.

“At the same time, many students lost their jobs and were unable to pay for food, housing, health care, and college expenses. By forgiving delinquent accounts, we put the needs of our students first and eliminated a major financial barrier. We want students to complete the classes they need to graduate or transfer without delaying their progress.

“Aside from dismissing account balances, our Student Services team also implemented several programs to help students succeed, including Falcons Nest Basic Needs, which provides hygiene and food support and The Village for students facing homelessness, among others.”

The American Rescue Plan of 2021 allows institutional HEERF funds to be utilized to reengage students by discharging the complete balance of a student’s institutional debt as lost revenue and reimburse themselves through the HEERF institutional grant.



Real estate group installs officers

The National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals South Bay hosted its 2022 New Board Installation Gala on Friday Feb. 11, at the Palos Verdes Golf Club in Palos Verdes.

This year the group installed its youngest president in the history of NAHREP, Alfred Tovar.

The new board was installed by State Sen. Bob Archuleta, with Assemblymember Cristina Garcia as keynote speaker. Downey Mayor Blanca Pacheco and Cerritos College Board of Trustees Mariana Pacheco were invited as guests.

The Executive Board of Directors includes: President Alfred Tovar, Immediate Past President Shalimar Guillen, Vice President Ray Fernandez-Silva, Secretary Irma Rene Garcia and Treasurer Paula Mejia.

Directors include: Maria Rubio, Sandra Carnet, Dulce Poncelis, Yvette Gilliam-McCullough, Denise Garcia, Norma Angelica Gutierrez, Sonia Moncayo, Alfonso Osorio, Gay-Lynn Olmos Barnes, Lisa Lombardi, Angelica Vazquez, Maxine Munoz Woodley.

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File Number 2022009736

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) L.A. BUSINESS CAPITAL, 10029 LANETT AVE, WHITTIER CA 90605, COUPTION or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LABC LLC, 10029 LANETT AVE, WHITTIER CA 90605 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 10/2013 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/LABC LLC, MANAGING MEMBER, ANTONIO ESTRADA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 14, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022034835

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) PALADAR, 1044 FREEMAN AVE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TREFOUR FOOD GROUP INC., 10141 FREEMAN AVE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

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

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

S/TREFOUR FOOD GROUP INC., SECRETARY, JIMAS, SULLIN

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 11, 2022

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 202206084

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LENDING ENTERPRISE (2) SOLDIER MORTGAGE (3) CAPTAIN LENDING (4) LENDING ENTERPRISE (5) SOLDIER LENDING (6) UPTOWN GIRL MORTGAGE, 12501 PHILADELPHIA STREET, WHITTIER CA 90601, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) EQUITY SMART HOME LOANS INC., 1010 SYCAMORE AVENUE UNIT 106, SOUTH PASADENA CA 91030 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2017

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

S/EQUITY SMART HOME LOANS, INC., SECRETARY, MELINDA ESTRADA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 3, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022013637

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) WHITTWOOD NAILS, 15334 WHITTIER BLVD SUITE 9, WHITTIER CA 90603, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HUY LE, 10591 JENNIRCH AVENUE, GARDEN GROVE CA 92843 (2) DANE SUTTON, 12642 KATHY LANE, GARDEN GROVE CA 92840 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: Copartners

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 04/2014

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

S/DANE SUTTON, GENERAL PARTNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 20, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022020160

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SAN ANDRE PRESSURE WASHING, 3450 MARICOPA ST APT 39, TORRANCE CA 90503, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) THIAGO VINICIUS COSTA NALI, 3450 MARICOPA ST, APT 39, TORRANCE CA 90503 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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

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S/THIAGO VINICIUS COSTA NALI, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 27, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

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File Number 2022024576

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THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

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

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S/ACAVEA ENTERTAINMENT LLC, CEO, BRANDON J. DAVIS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022024576

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HI VIEW INN & SUITES, 100 SOUTH SEPULVEDA BLVD, MANHATTAN BEACH CA 90266, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JIREYZEN, INC., 100 SOUTH SEPULVEDA BLVD, MANHATTAN BEACH CA 90266 State of Incorporation: CA

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 01/2002

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S/JEFF CHEN, HUSBAND

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022016488

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) VEGANDIZIAC, 1124 E PACIFIC COAST HWY, LONG BEACH CA 90806-5102, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HOVIG KASSARJIAN, 1124 E PACIFIC COAST HWY #1038, LONG BEACH CA 90806-5102 State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 03/2021

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

S/MARLI BESSA DA COSTA NALI, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 27, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name

Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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

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S/S/SALEM FABRICATION TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC., SECRETARY, JUDY GALE MARETT

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 21, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2007

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S/BALARIE & MARTINEZ, DDS, INC., CEO, ROSSY MARTINEZ BALARIE

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on FEBRUARY 07, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot

2/3/22, 2/10/22, 2/17/22, 2/24/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022030338

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) FRIENDLY FAMILY DENTISTRY (2) FRIENDLY FAMILY DENTISTRY INC, 7444 E FLORENCE AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BALARIE & MARTINEZ, DDS, INC., 7444 E FLORENCE AVE #D, DOWNEY CA 90240

State of Incorporation: CALIFORNIA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2007

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

S/R O M A N O I N V E S T M E N T CONSULTING, GENERAL PARTNER, BRUCE ROMANO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JANUARY 28, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot

2/17/22, 2/24/22, 3/3/22, 3/10/22

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

2022008444

FILE NO: 2017110652 DATE FILED: MAY 01, 2017

NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): SOUTHEAST PET HOSPITAL

STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: 13492 E TELEGRAPH RD , WHITTIER CA 90607

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SUMUKH VET INC., 12124 PHILADELPHIA ST, WHITTIER CA 90601

If Corporation or LLC - Print State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA

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

S/DILIP P. BHALEROO DVM, INC., PRESIDENT, DILIP P. BHALEROO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on JANUARY 13, 2022

The Downey Patriot

2/10/22, 2/17/22, 2/24/22, 3/3/22

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

2022008443

FILE NO: 2021195095 DATE FILED: NOVEMBER 20, 2020

NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): WHITTIER DOG AND CAT HOSPITAL

STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: 12124 PHILADELPHIA ST, WHITTIER, CA, 90601

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DILIP P. BHALEROO DVM, INC., 12124 PHILADELPHIA ST, WHITTIER CA 90601

If Corporation or LLC - Print State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA

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

S/DILIP P. BHALEROO DVM, INC., PRESIDENT, DILIP P. BHALEROO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on JANUARY 13, 2022

The Downey Patriot

1/27/22, 2/3/22, 2/10/22, 2/17/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022014465

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) JIBBCO FINANCIAL SERVICES, 12902 GLENDA ST, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) INGRID Y HUANG, 12902 GLENDA ST, CERRITOS CA 90703 (2) JEFF CHEN, 12902 GLENDA ST, CERRITOS CA 90703

Boyle Heights street to be renamed after Vicente Fernández

■ A stretch of roadway near Mariachi Plaza will be renamed in honor of the Mexican singing legend.

By City News Service

LOS ANGELES – The Los Angeles City Council voted Tuesday to rename a Boyle Heights street, east of Mariachi Plaza, after Mexican singer Vicente “Chente” Fernández, who died at the age of 81 on Dec. 12.

Councilman Kevin de León introduced the motion on Jan. 12 to begin the process of having Bailey Street, from First Street to Pennsylvania Avenue, changed to “Vicente Fernández Street.”

The councilman called Fernández a “cultural icon,” adding that his “music and talent impacted generations of Latinos, not only in his native homeland of Mexico, but across the globe.”

David Silvas, the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council’s vice president and chair of its Planning and Land Use Committee, submitted a letter to

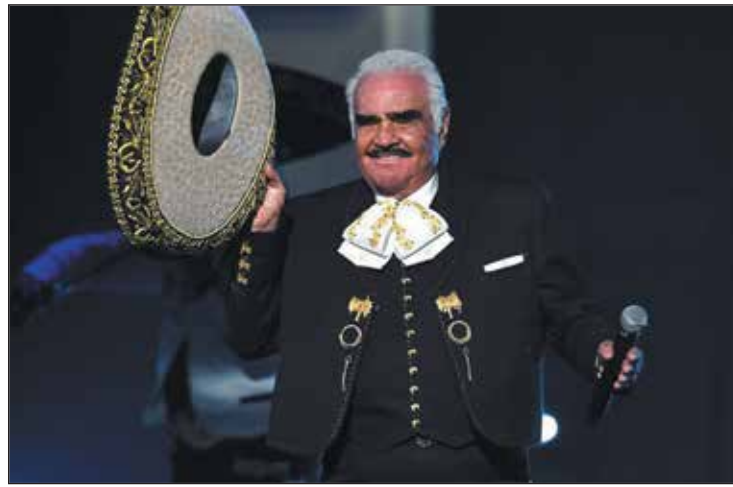
the City Council’s Public Works Committee on Feb. 7 to oppose the motion to name the street for Fernández, citing a comment Fernández made during an interview in which he said he refused a liver transplant because he didn’t know if the donor was homosexual or addicted to drugs. Silvas also noted reports of Fernández being accused of inappropriately touching women.

In his letter, Silvas said naming the street for Fernández would be “insulting and denigrating to the LGBTQ+ community and anyone facing the struggles of addiction” as well as “victims of sexual abuse.”

De León’s communications director Pete Brown told City News Service after Tuesday’s vote that the councilman has received “an outpouring of support” from the Boyle Heights community for renaming the street.

The motion also received support from the Mariachi Plaza Festival Foundation, the nonprofit that supports Mariachi Plaza.

During his more than



six decades playing music, Fernández was recognized with three Grammy Awards, nine Latin Grammy Awards and 14 Lo Nuestro Awards. He also received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and sold more than 50 million albums worldwide.

“He is one of the best selling Mexican artists, one of the best artists of all time, period. His legacy is not only the music that

he made, but the memories that we all were able to make listening to the music he created and shared with us,” de León said on Jan. 12.

Fernández retired from the stage in 2016. He died in December in Guadalajara, Mexico, where he was also born. His death followed months of health issues and an August injury at his ranch in Guadalajara.

POET’S CORNER

The Bait

Come live with me, and be my love,
And we will some new pleasures prove
Of golden sands, and crystal brooks,
With silken lines, and silver hooks

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Will amorously to thee swim,
Gladder to catch thee, than thou him.

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And cut their legs with shells and weeds,
Or treacherously poor fish beset,
With strangling snare, or windowy net.

For thee, thou need’st no such deceit,
For thou thyself art thine own bait:
That fish, that is not catch’d thereby,
Alas, is wiser far than I.

John Donne

Donne wrote this witty Valentine 500 years ago. He was answering Christopher Marlowe’s poem *The Passionate Shepherd to His Love*, and Sir Walter Raleigh’s reply from the *Passionate Shepherdess*. In Elizabethan times, poets treated poetry writing as a sport. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

Credit union partners with HGTV’s Mike Pyle

DOWNEY – Financial Partners Credit Union, among the largest credit unions in California, has once again joined forces with HGTV’s Mike Pyle to provide consumers with relevant content to help them make the most of their homes – whether when buying a new home or looking to improve their existing home.

Pyle will provide video content each month which will be distributed via social media, Financial Partners’ email communications, and in branches as well as through advertising campaigns.

“Last year, Mike worked with us during June’s National Homeownership Month which was extremely successful in engaging consumers and providing valuable content for homeowners,” said Nader Moghaddam, President and CEO of Financial Partners. “We are thrilled to be working with him in 2022 to once again create monthly home improvement content and supplement the financial content we provide with actionable, on-trend ideas to increase the value of our audience’s homes and help them create the home of their dreams.”

Financial Partners has been recognized as one of the leading mortgage lenders in the state among credit unions. In a report released by the American Credit Union Mortgage Association (ACUMA), Financial Partners ranked #5 in the United States.

“On Inside/Out, my co-host

Carmine Sabatella and I compete for a homeowner’s budget to remodel, upgrade and add value to their homes, and the content I’m creating with Financial Partners is a terrific fit,” said Pyle. “Financial Partners is known in my hometown here in Orange County and throughout Southern California for truly caring about their members and helping them build better lives, so I’m honored to partner with them again. Through this partnership, we’ll be sharing

great ways to maximize one of the most important investments: the home.”

Mike’s monthly tips can be viewed on Financial Partners’ social media channels @FinancialPartnersCU and via a monthly newsletter, which users can register to receive at FPCU.org/MikePyle



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