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# County shifts oversight of homeless programs

Officials hope a change in oversight will improve the county's response to homelessness.

By City News Service

LOS ANGELES - A divided Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted a series of recommendations Tuesday aimed at streamlining and improving the response to homelessness, with a majority calling the move a step in the right direction, but two others questioning whether the proposals will have any real impact.

Supervisors Holly Mitchell and Sheila Kuehl cast the dissenting votes in the 3-2 decision, with Kuehl suggesting she doesn't think any of the measures will help the homelessness problem. She compared them to "rearranging deck chairs on the Titanic."



Janice Hahn

Mitchell said there was "no golden ticket" in any of the recommendations, saying, "I can't say that my vote on this action today will have a ... direct impact on those women, families, seniors, veterans, Black and Brown citizens who are unhoused."

But Supervisors Kathryn Barger, Janice Hahn and Hilda Solis voted in favor of the seven recommendations offered by the Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness, which was established by the county last year to perform a comprehensive review of the homelessness issue and the system of responding to it.

The report identified a series of concerns, many of which were expressed last year by Los Angeles city officials, most notably the lack of an authoritative regional agency charged with responding to the issue.

The commission made seven recommendations, most notably the creation of a specific county entity with a designated leader to "unify" the work of various departments involved in the homelessness issue. The recommendations also included a call to streamline the work of the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority -- a quasi-city-county agency the commission said operates with limited abilities that

hamper its ultimate effectiveness.

The commission also called for collection and sharing of specific data measuring the effectiveness of homelessness programs.

"The commission's job was also to identify how our county can enhance accountability," Barger said in a statement following the vote. "The end goal is to reform the systematic dysfunction that has resulted in the dismal outcomes we're seeing play out on our streets, in our storefronts, and in our neighborhoods. I believe they've done their job and accomplished their mission. We now have a path forward."

Hahn said the recommendations won't completely solve homelessness, "but there is no excuse for settling for the status quo."

"We need to keep adjusting our strategies until we find the most effective way to get people the help they need," she said. "I do not kid myself into believing we have done enough today to solve the homelessness crisis, but these reforms represent progress, and I am hopeful they will help."

The commission's report cited a lack of "vital infrastructure" in the city and county to effectively address the homelessness issue.

"While many county and city departments touch homelessness, none are dedicated exclusively to serving people experiencing homelessness nor able to cut across silos to provide leadership across agencies," according to the panel's report, released in March.

"... These factors, coupled with a web of sometimes inconsistent and poorly communicated policies and practices, leave LAHSA, service providers, community groups, other cities in the region and other stakeholders feeling devalued, unheard and frustrated.

"... Now is the time to reject the status quo and bring new life, new ideas, and new partners into the arena to support those that work to improve our system every day," according to the report.

Los Angeles city officials last year expressed many similar concerns expressed in the report, leading the City Council to consider options such as withdrawing from LAHSA and advocating the creation of an agency to integrate all homeless services.



Donald La Plante takes the oath of office Tuesday at City Hall. The City Council selected La Plante to finish the term of Sean Ashton, who resigned in March. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

# La Plante takes oath as Downey's newest council member

Donald La Plante joins the City Council with City Hall in disarray and council members fighting over the city's future.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

DOWNEY - Retired Downey Unified School District Board member Donald La Plante was sworn in at City Hall on Tuesday, taking his place as District 2's interim city council member.

La Plante kept his remarks brief, reiterating comments he

made last week during the selection process.

"As I said during the interviews, I look forward over the next seven months of doing my best for the city of Downey, to help and make sure that things go well and we try to bring the city together," said LaPlante. "Those are my goals for these seven months, to help us move forward, prosperously and beneficially."

La Plante was selected from a pool of five applicants which included former mayor Mario Guerra, Planning Commissioner Patrick Owens, retired police officer Victoria Valdez, and Southern

California Edison advisor Jeremy Shedd. He will be thrust into several critical decisions almost immediately, as the city is due to select a new city manager and vote on the upcoming city budget in the next few months.

Barring a lack of candidates or some other extreme, La Plante has said multiple times that he does not plan on running for the seat come November.

He replaces Sean Ashton, who relinquished the seat in March, citing a job promotion.

# Third LASD official alleges coverup

Lajuana Haselrig is the third high-ranking Sheriff's Department official to accuse Sheriff Alex Villanueva of lying about a use-of-force video.

By City News Service

DOWNEY - Retired Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Chief Lajuana Haselrig was often seen standing right alongside Sheriff Alex Villanueva, but now she's planning to take him and the department to court.

Haselrig, a 34-year veteran of the department, is the third high-ranking LASD executive to file a legal claim saying that Villanueva tried to cover up a controversial use-of-force incident from March 2021 and is the fourth LASD executive to claim knowledge of Villanueva's alleged role in the cover-up.

Video of the incident was first obtained by the Los Angeles Times and later obtained by Eyewitness News and other media outlets.

It shows Dep. Douglas Johnson kneeling on a hand-cuffed inmate's head and neck for more than three minutes, even after he'd stopped resisting.

"Chief Haselrig is a whistleblower who was retaliated against, had her career destroyed by this man," said Vincent Miller, Haselrig's attorney, referring to Villanueva.

An internal report previously obtained by Eyewitness News said LASD buried the case because

of its similarities to the killing of George Floyd in 2020 by former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin.

In her legal claim, which is a precursor to a lawsuit, Haselrig said Villanueva "maliciously lied and framed" her and former Assistant Sheriff Robin Limon to make it look like "they had done the cover up instead of the sheriff."

Haselrig said she gave the video to Limon around March 15, 2021 and that Limon said "she was heading immediately from there to Villanueva's office to show him the video."

"The same day, Limon confirmed to the complainant that she watched the video with Villanueva and that he agreed the force looked troubling and that he would 'handle it,'" Haselrig's claim stated.

"After Sheriff Villanueva got caught red-handed on March 29th, when the video of the excessive use of force was leaked to the media, Sheriff Villanueva then suddenly panicked and was desperate to cover his tracks," said Miller.

Miller is representing Haselrig, Limon and LASD Commander Allen Castellano. All three have filed legal claims against the department alleging retaliation.

"They also confirm that Sheriff Villanueva saw the video within a few days of the incident, and he is now lying about it. He keeps changing his story," said Miller.

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**1877:** Sitting Bull led his band of Lakota into Canada to avoid harassment by the United States Army under Colonel Nelson Miles.

**1891:** Carnegie Hall (then named Music Hall) opened in New York City.

**1892:** Congress extended the Chinese Exclusion Act for 10 years, prohibiting all immigration of Chinese laborers.

**1893:** Panic hit the New York Stock Exchange; by year's end, the country was in the throes of a severe depression.

**1904:** Cy Young of the Boston Americans pitched the first perfect game in modern major league baseball history in a 3-0 victory over the Philadelphia Athletics.



**1925:** John T. Scopes was arrested in Tennessee for teaching Darwin's theory of evolution.

**1981:** Irish Republican Army hunger-striker Bobby Sands died in prison in Northern Ireland on his 66th day without food.

**1985:** President Ronald Reagan attended a wreath-laying ceremony at a military cemetery in Bitburg, West Germany. The visit drew worldwide condemnation because 49 members of the Waffen SS were buried there.

## Birthdays

"Boy Meets Girl" actress **Danielle Fishel** (41), philanthropist **Vanessa Bryant** (40), "Superman" actor **Henry Cavill** (39), singer **Adele** (34), and R&B singer **Chris Brown** (33).



A homeless person living in the San Gabriel Riverbed in Downey. L.A. County is re-examining its oversight of homeless prevention programs. (Photo by Joan Anderson)



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Rotary Club of Downey president Jesse Vargas, right, presents an \$800 donation to Downey City Library director Ben Dickow. Rotary is a longtime supporter of the library and early childhood literacy.

## Downey Rotary tours new-look library

■ The Rotary Club donated \$800 to expand the children's book collection at the Downey City Library.

By Lorine Parks  
Society Editor

**DOWNEY** - "One of the greatest gifts adults can give to their offspring and to their society is to read to children." - Carl Sagan

Rotary Club of Downey's President Jesse Vargas presented Downey City Library Director Ben Dickow with a donation to build the Children's Book Collection.

Rotary encourages grown-ups to read to children.

"If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairy tales," Albert Einstein has been quoted as saying. "If you want them to be more intelligent, read them more fairy tales."

Family read-aloud time is fun and promotes better reading skills, even with the littlest ones.

The revamped Downey City Library can now be used as a gathering space and not only a quiet place. Director Ben encouraged Rotarians meeting in the glass-walled Cormack Room to enjoy their usual lively conversations there, along with their box lunches. Then there was a tour of the new layout of the library.

The Children's Room is

designed from a child's perspective, and invites little ones to browse in low-slung curved bookcases, and small-sized tables and chairs. There is a low raised platform in the middle of the room for performing stories from books.

Even small children will have much improved language skills if they are read aloud to, and if they are engaged with another person during reading time. They'll learn to communicate with them about the story, rather than keep their thoughts to themselves. It's a special time they'll really treasure. As Dr. Seuss says, "You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."



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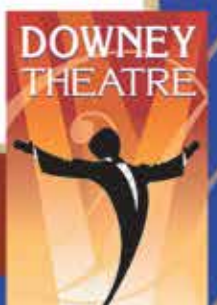
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# Save the last dance for Bob

■ Bob Earl remembered for his positive approach to life.

By Lorine Parks  
Society Editor

**DOWNEY** - Through the miracles of modern technology, Bob Earl's family and friends could gather in person, and on Zoom from Downey and as far away as Stockholm, Sweden, to celebrate his life with deep affection and good humor.

Bob died April 6 at "only" 85, surprising everyone because he had proclaimed the good news that his sensible lifestyle would take him to 105. Son Eddie Earl emceed the celebration at the Azar Event Center, and friend Steve Roberson opened his talk with two songs for Bob.

"Everyone keeps saying what a good guy he was," said Steve, Bob's friend from the Kiwanis Club and endless YMCA fund-raising campaigns. "No one can argue with that, but what I want to add is that he was a good friend. He and JoAnne made me feel at home when I was new." One of Steve's songs ended, "You're walking with angels now."

Bob was a health food and exercise enthusiast, having lost his father to heart disease when Bob was a pre-teen.

"He was trying to help, with all those lectures he would give," Steve said, "and to this day I can't look at white bread. Go topless, Bob would say, and he would show what he meant by taking the top off sandwiches and hamburgers."

"We started planning his 105th birthday 20 years ago," said Steve, "when Bob had his first heart attack."

From the tributes it was easy to see how much of himself Bob gave to the Downey community as well



as to his family. Longest serving member of the Downey Family YMCA Board, for 50 years, Bob was equally proud of making those early morning meetings of Los Amigos Kiwanis, where he served as president and Pathfinder mentor for young boys.

"This is not an end," said son Eddie Earl, "it's a continuation. I am my father's son."

The many contributions Bob made have already been well told, but the little stories this afternoon were the man himself, the real deal who drew his strength from family and friends, a network that expanded today to share his story.

Bob's real name was Edward Dennis Earl, but his Arkansas grandfather liked to call him Bobby, a discrepancy his friend Ron Kolar, who gave the next tribute, was quick to tell us about.

"He always called his friends on their birthday," said Ron, "and he'd always save seats at Kiwanis so we could be together. But one day he called to say we couldn't sit together because he'd be at the Bob Table, with fellow Bob's like Bob Belcher and Bob Brazelton. So

I couldn't sit with them," said Ron, "and the funny thing was, Bob's not his name."

Bob's full name was inscribed in 2007 in the Golden Book of Distinguished Service of the Metropolitan Los Angeles YMCA, a rare honor reserved for exemplary service and dedication to the YMCA. Ron, a fellow Kiwanian and also a long-term supporter of the Downey Family YMCA, recalled more times together.

Bob loved the game of golf. "We played together, with Bill Zacker and Bill Lehman," Ron said, naming old Kiwanis buddies. "Bob's goal was always to beat us, at least on the back nine. And one time, he did. And he was always dreaming of 'three perfect three woods.' One day at Candlewood on a long par 5, Bob hit a three wood off the tee. 'Now if I can put together three perfect three woods,' Bob said. But he never did."

Son Eddie paid the last of the three formal tributes, recalling how his motivating force in his young years was to beat his father at golf, even giving up baseball his senior year in high school to play on the golf team to improve his game.

Eddie waved a plastic step-stool. "My dad used this in his speeches to show the three legs that support us in life," he said. "One is unconditional love. Be kind and patient. The second is learning the great healing power of forgiveness. The third is gratitude for life."

"My dad missed saying goodbye to his father when he died," said Eddie. "So I never took my time with my father for granted."

At their home in Palm Desert, Bob always said it was just about as fun watching your grandchildren grow as it was watching your own children. His grandchildren loved spending time with 'Nonni and Papa' as Bob and Joanne are affectionately called.

"My dad was in love with life," said Eddy. "He danced with life. During the isolating times of Covid, my dad and my mom would come here to this beautiful Azar Center his friend Ebie Ghahanian has built, and they would stand outside and listen to the music. My mom JoAnne loves to dance, so she and Bob would dance together outside."

"I'd like to ask everyone to stand," said Eddy, "and dance one last time with Bob and JoAnne."

A large color video filled the screen, and lo and behold, as Frank Sinatra sang "You're young at heart," there were Bob and JoAnne, laughing and dancing together on the pavement.

The video ended with "It's a Wonderful World," positive-thinking words Bob Earl lived by every day.



## Amistad Gala returns with sold out program

**DOWNEY** - More than 300 people came together last Saturday after a two-year hiatus to celebrate Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center's "resilient and strong" at the 36th annual Amistad Gala, held at the Westin hotel in Long Beach.

The work that the nationally renowned Rancho Los Amigos hospital does changes lives impacted by spinal cord injuries.

Supervisor Janice Hahn donated \$10,000 to the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation.

Downey Councilmember Claudia M. Frometa, a foundation board member and involved with the Amistad Gala planning committee, expressed her appreciation to all who attended and especially to Hahn for her continuous support.

Pictured from left: Nolveris Frometa, Janice Hahn, Claudia Frometa, Lupe Rodriguez and Rick Rodriguez.

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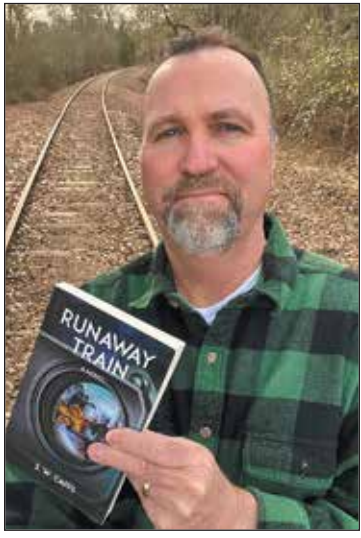
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# Downey author returns for book signing



"I'm beyond excited," Capps, who graduated from Warren High in 1982, says. "That library is directly responsible for my lifelong love affair with books. I spent countless hours there as a kid—and loved every minute!"

Capps, 58, grew up on Guatemala Avenue in Downey, attending Roger Casier, Maude Price, Griffiths Middle and Warren High schools. He went on to graduate from the University of Southern California with a degree in Broadcast Journalism before working as a TV reporter in Texas and Oklahoma.

"The new novel is loosely based on my time as a journalist," Capps, who writes under the name S.W. Capps, says. "And with recent studies showing trust in the media at all-time lows, the timing for a book like this is perfect."

Those studies are revealing. According to a recent Gallup poll, only 9 percent of Americans "trust the media a great deal", while 33 percent "don't trust them at all".

"It didn't used to be that way," Capps says. "When I started out in the business, people trusted the

Dan Rathers and Tom Brokaws of the world. But somewhere along the way, that changed. My new book sheds some light on how it all happened."

Runaway Train, published by D.X. Varos, Ltd. in Denver, Colorado, is set in 1987, shortly after the FCC killed the Fairness Doctrine. It is the story of a wary first-time TV reporter, forced to confront the sinister forces behind the station he works for.

The novel, an 'Independent Press', 'Reading the West' and 'Eric Hoffer' book awards nominee, is Capps' third work of fiction, the Midwest Book Review calling it "a solid, fast-paced action piece, compelling on many levels, from social commentary to intrigue".

"Good reviews are nice," Capps says, "but talking to readers is the real reward. And in this case, I'll have the opportunity to spend time in a place I love and catch up with some old friends."

Capps will be making the trip to Downey from Brush Prairie, Washington, where he now lives. Since leaving the world of television news, he has spent much of his time on two wheels, exploring the country via motorcycle and writing about it. Over the years, his features have appeared in Rider, RoadBike, and RoadRUNNER magazines. And he is currently working on a childhood memoir set entirely in Downey.

The City Library is one of the last stops on Capps' book tour, one that included signings in Arizona, Oregon and Washington. Copies of Runaway Train will be available for purchase at the Cormack Room event, but Capps will also be happy to sign pre-purchased copies.

The novel is available in paperback and eBook on Amazon, BarnesandNoble.com and the author's Web site at swcapps.com.

For more information about the May 14 event, which is free to the public, readers are encouraged to contact the Friends of the Downey City Library at 562-231-7099.



# Downey Greek Festival returning after hiatus

■ The cultural festival returns June 4-5 with live music, dancing, and its signature barbecued lambs.

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** - Downey's popular Downey Greek Food Festival will return next month.

The Greek Festival will take place on June 4 and 5 this year.

Known to draw thousands to the St. George Greek Church each year, the beloved exhibition of Greek Food and Culture has been forcibly put on hiatus for the last two years due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Festival Marketing Director Thanasi Papoulias says that festival organizers "are just happy to be back."

"We're looking to just get back into the groove of things, bring back what everybody has known in the past," said Papoulias. "Really, the focus is on the food; trying to bring authentic Greek cuisine to Downey,

which most festivals try to do, but we feel we do the best."

Upon return, Papoulias says that attendees will see anywhere from 10 to 15 lambs cooking over a barbecue at any one time. The festival will also offer other traditional food options. There will also be plenty of family entertainment offered.

Now nearly 40 years since its inception, the festival acts as a fundraiser and one of the main revenue streams for the St. George Church. Papoulias says that missing out on that opportunity for the last two years "made it tough coming into this year."

"Usually, we rely on money from previous years to be able to boost us," said Papoulias. "That's probably the biggest challenge, was losing out on a couple years' worth of funds going back into the programs at St. George Church, including the hall they're trying to build, including the sports events and the sports activities that we have for the kids, and of course your day-to-day operational costs to run a church."

With some uncertainty amongst

some concerning the pandemic still, there is some cautious optimism heading into this year's event.

"We are prepared to make some pivots if we have to leading up to the event," said Papoulias. "A couple weeks beforehand, if we see that things look good, there's no uptick, we can still make a decision to increase whatever it is we were looking at, that we were staying cautious about."

While the festival usually tries to bring something new and exciting with every passing iteration, this year will be primarily about getting back to its roots and the community.

"I think this year everybody agrees, you know what, we're not going to try to hit that; let's just try to maintain what we had," said Papoulias. "First year after the pandemic, let's see how it goes, and then the following year we can do that."

"Really, it's just about making awareness this year. We want to let everybody know that we're back, we're excited to be back," said Papoulias.

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# Opinion

## It's time to rage.

By Roxane Gay

My wife's stepfather began raping her when she was 11 years old. The abuse went on for years, and as Debbie got older, she was constantly terrified that she was pregnant. She had no one to talk to and nowhere to turn.

Her stepfather often threatened to kill her younger brother and her mother if Debbie told anyone, so when the fear of pregnancy became too consuming, she told her mother she was assaulted at school. Her mother took Debbie to a doctor, who said that because of her scar tissue, she was sexually active and must have a boyfriend. It was the early 1970s.

A pregnancy would have, in Debbie's words, ruined her life. Today, she is 60 years old. She is still dealing with the repercussions of that trauma. It is unfathomable to consider how a forced pregnancy would have further altered the trajectory of her life.

I was sexually assaulted by several young men when I was 12. I have told the story and am tired of telling it, and the story is not the point. I had not yet had my first period. And still, in the weeks and months after, of course I worried I was pregnant. I worried I would not know who the father was.

If I had been pregnant, I don't know what I would have done. I was Catholic. Abortion was a sin. But a 12-year-old is not equipped for childbirth or parenthood. The trauma I endured would have only been compounded by a forced pregnancy. And the trajectory of my life, too, would have been further altered.

It is stunning that a draft of a Supreme Court ruling that would overturn Roe v. Wade was leaked before the justices planned to announce their decision, likely next month. It is also telling. Whoever leaked it wanted people to understand the fate awaiting us.

At least, that is what I am telling myself. And thank God somebody did, so we know. So we can prepare. So we can rage.

We should not live in a world where sexual violence exists, but we do. Given that unfortunate reality, we should not live in a world where someone who is raped is forced to carry a pregnancy to term because a minority of Americans believe the unborn are more important than the people who give birth to them.

And we should defend abortion access not only in cases of sexual violence. All those who want an abortion should be able to avail themselves of that medical procedure. Their reasons are no one's business. People should not have to demonstrate their virtue to justify a personal decision about how to handle a life-altering circumstance.

We should not live in a country where bodily autonomy can be granted or taken away by nine political appointees, most of whom are men and cannot become pregnant. Any civil right contingent upon political whims is not actually a civil right.

Without the right to abortion, women are forced to make terrible choices. These burdens disproportionately fall upon poor and working-class women without the means to travel across state lines to receive the care they need. Despite promises from the anti-abortion movement to support pregnant women and children, the "pro-life" lobby appears to be invested only in the unborn. The same mostly male politicians who oppose abortion so often do everything in their power to oppose rights to paid parental leave, subsidized child care, single-payer health care or any kind of social safety net that could improve family life.

The leaked document is a draft. Abortion is still legal, though it is largely inaccessible in parts of the country. The Supreme Court has issued a statement emphasizing that the draft, while authentic, may still change. Still,

it is a harbinger of terrible things to come. As many as 25 states are poised to ban abortion the moment Roe v. Wade is overturned.

And there are other disturbing considerations in the draft decision, written by Justice Samuel Alito. Some have expressed the concern that by extending Justice Alito's reasoning, other hard-won rights — such as the rights to contraception and marriage equality — could be struck down too. That is to say, this decision is opening the door for social progress and civil rights to be systematically dismantled on the most absurd of pretexts.

And this is not a theoretical threat. We are already seeing how several states are trying to legislate trans people out of existence with laws banning gender-affirming health care for children, and in Missouri, a proposed law could extend that denial to adults.

I do not know where this retraction of civil rights will end, but I do know it will go down as a milestone in a decades-long conservative campaign to force a country of 330 million people to abide by a bigoted set of ideologies. This movement seeks to rule by hollow theocracy, despite our constitutional separation of church and state. The people behind this campaign do not represent the majority of this country, and they know it, so they consistently try to undermine the democratic process. They attack voting rights, gerrymander voting districts and shove unpopular legislation through so that they can live in a world of their choosing and hoard as much power and wealth as possible.

Where do we go from here? To protect women's bodily autonomy, the right to abortion must be codified in federal law. But the possibility of that seems very distant. In their joint statement, issued after the Supreme Court leak, the Senate majority leader, Chuck Schumer, and the House speaker, Nancy Pelosi, did not use the word "abortion" even once. President Biden has barely uttered it during his presidency. It's hard to believe they are as committed as they need to be to protecting a right whose name they dare not speak. Until the Democrats stop lounging in the middle of the political aisle — where no one is coming to meet them — nothing will change.

The possibility of so many civil rights being rolled back is terrifying. Millions of Americans now wonder which of our rights could be stripped away from us, our friends and family, our communities. The sky is falling, and a great many of us are desperately trying to hold it up.

As Debbie and I discuss the strong likelihood of Roe v. Wade being overturned, we have started worrying about potential legal consequences for our very happy marriage. In June, we will celebrate our second wedding anniversary.

When we exchanged our vows, everything changed. We were already committed, but our commitment deepened. There was a new and satisfying gravity to our relationship. In an instant, I understood that marriage is far more than a piece of paper — but that having that paper mattered.

We have each worked very hard to overcome the traumas we endured as children, to allow ourselves to love and be loved wholly. This life we share would not be possible had we ended up pregnant far too young and against our will, with no recourse. This life we have made together isn't political. It is deeply personal. And yet our lives and our bodies remain subject to political debate. In one way or another, they always have.

How are we free, under these circumstances? How can any of us be free?

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## Downey City Council

Dear Editor:

In a few short months the trio on our City Council has managed to dismantle a century of stability in Downey. We have lost our top five management personnel, and a city council member.

What is next on their chopping block? What else do they have in mind to replace then control? Our beloved fire department? Our amazing police department? Our effective waste management provider?

So far, all this team has touched has been ruined. We, the residents of Downey, need to clean house ourselves. Let's begin by supporting the recall campaign in district 3. Join the movement to save Downey.

**Victoria Smith  
Downey**

Dear Editor:

It would be good if the City Council would explain to taxpayers why they voted for \$25,000 to be given for a Gay Pride celebration and another \$28,000 to keep Stay Gallery open and then pay \$123,250 to a public relations group to come to Downey to try to tell us how to vote and then raise taxes on hotels to pay for their overspending.

I'm asking the City Council to reverse their decision on the Pride festival. This is not something taxpayers should have to pay for. Spend the money on road repairs, etc. where it is needed.

**Marilyn Madru  
Downey**

## Student loan debt

Dear Editor:

Senator Elizabeth Warren and her Democrat cohorts planning to cancel student debt is a perfect example of the Robin Hood philosophy but it does not go far enough.

Recognizing that it is very easy and politically useful to be generous with other people's money, it should not stop in only rewarding irresponsible behavior. Those of us who worked hard and made many sacrifices so that our children could graduate debt free from college are also entitled to that bonanza.

My son graduated with an Aerospace Engineer degree at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, FL. My daughter earned a Marketing degree at St John's Catholic University in New York, NY. Both are private universities. Their education cost \$492,000.

If justice is to prevail, responsible parents like myself should get a refund of the money we spent on our children's education. After all, the government will benefit for some 48 years from the high income taxes our children will pay because of their high-paying jobs that they have because of their education and like their parent's hard work.

**Jorge Montero  
Downey**

## Defending Trump

Dear Editor:

I would like answers as to why Jorge Montero and like-minded individuals continue to tear down a great president, Donald J. Trump, who, in his four years, gave us a secure southern border, kept us out of foreign wars, enabled our country to be energy independent, brokered a peace accord with Israel and Muslim countries, expedited the production of COVID-19 vaccines, negotiated with Kim Jong-un, Vladimir Putin, and Xi Jinping in order to prevent wars and maintain stability in the world not because he admired them or wanted to emulate them.

Sure, Trump may have said Putin was a genius and was very smart, but according to Webster's dictionary, smart can mean many things — such as scheming or shrewd. Trump recognized Putin to be an intelligent man as was Kim Jong-un and Xi Jinping, however, in no way did he approve of their ideology and treatment of the people under their leadership.

Our country cannot go into all dictatorship countries and attempt to democratize them as was the attempt in Iraq and Afghanistan. We do, however, need to keep our military strong, as was under Trump, become energy independent as we were under Trump's administration, and produce more in our country so we are not dependent upon rogue nations for products. Our country's strengths — strong militarily and leadership — are our greatest assets in maintaining peace and Trump brilliantly, through these strengths, kept us out of wars.

Under Trump's leadership Putin's invasion of Ukraine would not have happened, nor would the disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan taken place, nor would we have a wide open southern border, nor would we have this high inflation and flattened economy.

I'm puzzled as to how many Americans continue to support this administration, and fear that under the Biden Administration's leadership for the next 2-1/2 years, we may no longer be a sovereign nation with the freedoms we hold dear.

**Martha Morrissy  
Downey**

Dear Editor:

I still see people bad-mouthing Donald Trump. I feel that it is appropriate for me to explain why I voted for him.

My education is Aeronautical Engineering (BS) and Business (SO CAL MS). I understand economics and I know that no entity can run deficits forever without surrendering everything to creditors. About five years ago I was considering where my vote would do the most good.

Two candidates, Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump, were campaigning for president of the U.S. I had voted twice for Bill Clinton and considered him a good president. I was looking favorably toward his wife, Hillary. Donald Trump had good skills in business but had no experience in politics.

About that time the LA Times ran an article about the national debt. It said the national debt had doubled under Mr. Obama. A day or so after that, they ran another article saying that the national debt had doubled under Mr. Bush. At that point I told myself that something is terribly wrong.

We cannot run endless deficits in the national budget nor can we survive exponential growth in the national debt. It looks like it does not depend on which party is in control. We badly need to throw in a monkey wrench and shake up the system in Washington. To me that clearly meant that my vote had to go to Mr. Trump. Obviously I had a lot of company.

I defy anyone to show me that Trump was a bad president, based on evidence leaving out the vitriol. It is just too soon to tell.

**Gordon Wall  
Downey**

# For corporations, 'inflation' is an excuse to raise prices

By Jim Hightower

The problem with our so-called "free market" is that it's not free for you and me. It's largely controlled by monopolies, which are free to inflate prices just because they can, without worrying that consumers will be able to flee to cheaper sellers. In turn, this market punch lets the noncompetitive gougers gleefully extract unwarranted monopoly profits. It's a phenomenon that corporatists euphemistically label "pricing power."

This economy-wide milking of consumers by tightly consolidated industries is the unbridled force propelling today's surging price hikes. Brand-name corporations claim they are being forced to mark up price tags just to cover rising costs for raw materials, labor, transportation, etc. But in a competitive marketplace, they'd have to eat much of those increases by taking a bit less in profits. The giants have been stockpiling record profits for years, so they could easily weather a downturn. Instead, they're raising prices not simply to maintain exorbitant profits, but to squeeze even greater profits from hard-hit consumers. It's a game of corporate greed that socks America's economy: Monopolies cynically exploit the public's worry about inflation to create more inflation.

Consider diapers, a necessity for many families. As corporate watchdog Judd Legum reported, the huge consumer product seller Procter & Gamble Co. announced a year ago that COVID-19-driven production costs were forcing it to raise the price for its Pampers brand. At the time, it had just posted a quarterly profit of \$3.8 billion, so P&G could easily have absorbed a temporary rise in its costs. But instead of holding the price to ease their

customers' economic pain, the conglomerate used a global health crisis to justify upping diaper prices.

Six months later, P&G's quarterly profit topped \$5 billion. And — in that same quarter — P&G spent \$3 billion to buy back shares of its own stock — a Wall Street manipulation that artificially bloats the wealth of top execs and other big shareholders.

In sum, P&G used the excuse of inflation to inflate the price of diapers, then used the extra money it extracted from families to inflate the value of its stock in a ploy to further enrich its biggest shareholders.

And why wouldn't savvy consumers switch from Pampers to Huggies, the brand sold by Kimberly-Clark, P&G's main "competitor"? Because co-monopolist Kimberly-Clark goosed up its prices at the same time. And — get this — the two companies control 80% of the global disposable diaper market.

Welcome to the monopoly merry-go-round.

Almost all CEOs of big corporations are playing this tricky inflation blame game. Publicly, they moan that the pandemic is slamming their poor corporation with factory shutdowns, supply chain delays, labor shortages, wage hikes and other increased costs. But wait — inside their boardrooms, executives are high-fiving each other and pocketing bonuses. What's going on?

It turns out that inflation is a boon for monopolies, for it gives them cover to flash their pricing power. The trick is that these giants are in noncompetitive markets operating as monopolies, so they can set higher prices, mug you and me, and scamper away with a record-busting share of America's total economic output.

In 2019 for example, before the pandemic hit, big U.S. corporations hauled in roughly a trillion dollars in profit. In 2021, during the pandemic, they grabbed more than \$1.7 trillion. Antitrust analyst Matt Stoller finds that this huge profit jump accounts for 60% of the inflation now slapping U.S. families!

Take Rodney McMullen, CEO of the supermarket goliath Kroger. He gloated last summer that "a little bit of inflation is always good in our business," adding that "we've been very comfortable with our ability to pass on (price) increases" to consumers.

"Comfortable" indeed. Last year, Kroger used its "monopoly pricing" power to reap record profits, then it spent \$1.5 billion of those gains not to benefit consumers or workers, but to buy back its own stock — a scam that gives more money to top executives and big shareholders.

Or take fast-food purveyor McDonald's. It gushed to its shareholders that 2021 had been "a banner year." Executives bragged that despite the supply disruptions of the pandemic and higher costs for meat and labor, they used the chain's pricing power to up prices, thus increasing corporate profits by a stunning 59% over the previous year.

And the party goes on: "We're going to have the best growth we've ever had this year," Wall Street banking titan Jamie Dimon exulted at the start of 2022.

Hocus pocus: This is how the rich get richer and inequality "happens."

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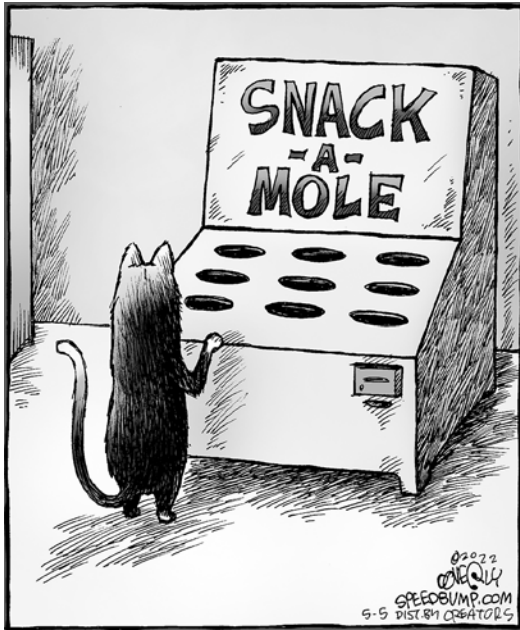
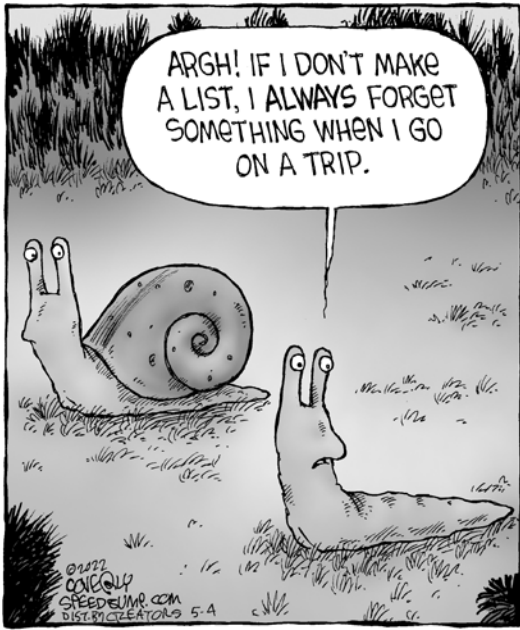
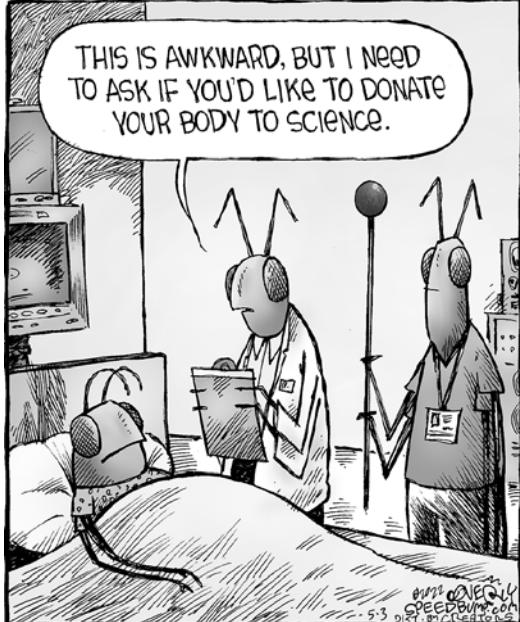
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# Downey Community Calendar

### CITY MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.  
 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.  
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.  
 3rd Tue., 6:00pm: 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 428-8000.  
 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.  
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Amateur Radio Club, EOC room Downey Fire Station #1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.  
 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.  
 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.

#### SATURDAYS

9 am: Farmers Market, Downey Avenue at 3rd Street, call 904-7246.

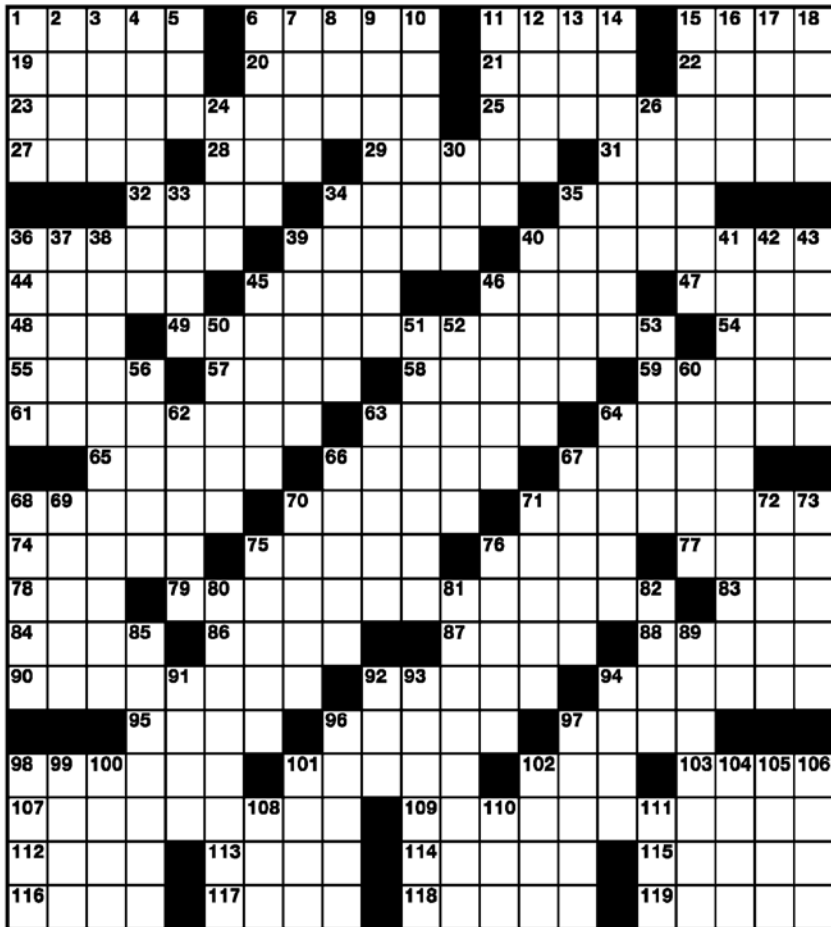
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# The days of illegal booze in Downey

By Bobbi Bruce  
Downey Historical Society

The following story was published June, 1994 in the Downey Eagle as part of John Adams's "Time Traveler" series:

Have you ever heard of the illegal whisky still that federal agents raided in the thick brush off Florence Avenue near the Rio Hondo River? Or how the corner of Florence and Paramount Boulevard was once called the

"Dago Red" intersection because that's where you could buy a bottle of strong wine during the dry days of prohibition?

John Sims, Downey dentist and fountain of local history that the blue noses would just as soon forget, recalls it all.

Sims actually heard the story of the still from security personnel in Las Vegas, who had once known the players on both sides in the catch-me-if-you-can game of tag

between the feds and those who peddled alcohol illegally.

The raid came down in the late 1920s. The bootleggers were actually undone by the owner of a nearby orange grove who wondered why his trees didn't produce like they should. He called the Department of Agriculture who sadly informed him the trees weren't producing because there was too much malt mixed with their soil.

The feds were subsequently notified and the still was uncovered and raided in a matter of days. If you don't know, malt is used in the brewing of strong drink. The still operators had been dumping it in the nearby orchard for years.

And then comes the Dago Red story. Downey had a number of Italian residents in the late 1920's and early 1930's, the height of prohibition. They found an easy way to make money was to make homemade wine, just like their fathers before them. They then took it to Florence and Paramount and sold it by the bottle. That innocent fellow by curbside had a bottle under his coat for you if you wanted it.

A car pulled up, in went the bottle, out came the cash and the intersection was known as "Dago Red" for years thereafter.

Sims also recalls the old Mexican town where Downey

Community Hospital stands today. If you know the residents, you could get a free meal and a glass of homebrew anytime there. Many of the residents worked at the old EMSCO asbestos company that manufactured items such as brake shoes.

EMSCO was famous for resisting all efforts to incorporate the city. Management felt it didn't need a city government nosing around in its corporate affairs.

Workers were allegedly told to vote against incorporation "or else."

The company finally accepted the inevitable and moved on, said Sims, as did most of the workers.

**Bobbi Bruce is a docent with the Downey Historical Society.**

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# Caroline Medina finds her niche in horror

■ The Downey resident is creator of Caffeinated Coven Company, a retailer that specializes in goth-inspired merchandise.

By Bianca Martinez Contributor

**B**lood, gore, a knife flashing and disappearing in flesh as someone screams out in pain, these are all nuances that come to mind when one thinks of the genre that is horror.

Caroline Medina, owner of Caffeinated Coven Company, is adding a splash of pink to these motifs and giving a feminine vibe to a community with a once-heavy masculine atmosphere.

With visions of pink Jason Voorhees masks and American traditional Billy Loomis hearts, Medina can be found at one of the many horror-themed conventions in Southern California, such as Midsummer Scream and Monsterpalooza.

“Growing up I was always kind of like a little bit of an outcast kid, I grew up really loving Halloween, I was really inspired by Tim Burton when I

was young,” said Medina.

It was when Medina was a teenager that she got a taste for horror when she would watch horror movies with her parents. Medina recounts that she doesn’t know what it was about the genre that made her love it so much.

Once Medina got a taste for cinematic blood, she delved deeper and discovered that there was a community in Southern California for those who shared the same love for scary movies.

“That’s when I started going to conventions and whenever I would look at the small businesses that were vending at those conventions, they were all also inspired by horror and Halloween and I thought that it was all so cool, I didn’t know that someone could own a business in that so it really piqued my interest,” said Medina

The color pink traditionally symbolizes gentleness, love, compassion and most notoriously, femininity. It can be safe to say that this is not what comes to mind when one is gripping their covers in fear as the murderer on their screen is hacking away at some poor person.

Medina, however, is contradicting the stereotype that horror-themed merchandise has to be inherently gritty and grim.

“I wanted to kind of find my niche because I’m like, ‘Okay well there’s a lot of other people that kind of sell the same type of merchandise that I want to sell,’” said Medina, “I love pink, my hair is dyed pink, no one would guess because I wear all black almost all the time but I just really love pink and pastels. I’ve embraced my femininity so I love cute, bubbly things so I take all these really scary characters and I make them super cute. I feel like horror is a very male dominated genre so I wanted to make something that would appeal to femmes.”

Regular Caffeinated Coven Co. customer Reesa Florian said it was “the artwork and designs. The combination of cute colors and spooky designs and the wide variety of her [Medina’s] artwork,” that first interested her about Medina’s business.

Caffeinated Coven Co. was started in December of 2019 and is home to acrylic keychains, vinyl stickers and enamel pins that allude towards horror pop culture references.

Before Medina started Caffeinated Coven, she would attend horror conventions and vending pop-ups and speak to her soon to be peers about their business and would offer her help if they needed it.

It was this engagement and interaction that has helped Medina in her venture as an artist and small business owner.

“Before she [Medina] was vending at these events and vending online as much as she is now, she was attending these events and she was meeting the people behind the shops she liked and taking mental notes of that so when I think that it was time for her to start selling and start vending at these events everyone that was part of these events were already familiar with her as a customer, as a fan of the genre,” said Mariana Chavez, owner of Rattlehead Crafts. “I think it was a lot quicker for people to take her shop seriously because they already knew the person behind it so when people ask me how do I have a successful shop, my thought is always Caroline being a part of the community and being a part of these shops before being a part of it if that makes sense.”

Chavez and Medina met in that manner about three years ago, and provide help and support for one another when needed at the various horror and Halloween themed conventions that they vend at.

Since the inception of her business, Medina has reached 10,700 followers on Instagram and has fundraised for Black Lives Matter LA.

“During the murdering of George Floyd, I felt kind of helpless, I didn’t want it to feel like I was making it about myself but I felt helpless,” Medina said. “I wanted to do something so I was able to partner and gather up about 23 other small businesses and we created a fundraising raffle.

“All of the businesses donated something for the raffle and we were able to raise \$13,000 for Black Lives Matter LA, that was something I never sought to do when I opened my business but it was just something that I was very compelled to do and was happy to throw together so when we did that and when I saw how much money we raised, I was just like, ‘Wow, that’s a lot of money’ and because I was able to partner with all those different businesses I was able to organize that.”

Florian said, “She is truly a



good and generous person and the fact that she is an amazing artist and shares her gifts via her artwork to help others in need is just one of the many reasons I continue to support her small business.”

Success as a full-time artist wasn’t always a feasible accomplishment for Medina.

“I had always been a very creative person as I was young. I really loved drawing for the longest time, I was convinced that I was gonna be a tattoo artist but growing up I was always taught that art wasn’t a marketable skill, my parents didn’t want me to invest into going to school for art or studying art because it was gonna be so hard to find a quote on quote real job if I studied that,” said Medina.

It was this reminder by her parents that Medina kept her interest in art as a hobby throughout her childhood and early adulthood.

“I got my bachelor’s degree in political science and I ended up never using it because it made me so miserable, I found a job that I liked after I graduated university and then I thought I wanted to pursue education but something about it just wasn’t

making me feel totally fulfilled, I loved working with the kids but something about it just didn’t scream that it was it for me,” said Medina.

With lockdowns initiated as a result of the pandemic, Medina was able to utilize that time into focusing on drawing and designing more items for Caffeinated Coven.

Eventually, Medina made being an artist and operating Caffeinated Coven Co. a full time career.

“I was kind of fueled by spite a little bit, I was like ‘well they think I can’t do this so I’m going to do it harder’ I’m still going to try, if I fail, I fail, at least I still have a degree I can fall back on, but I still want to try,” Medina.

Despite the words of her parents being ingrained in her at such a young age, said Medina, she persevered and although self-doubt may creep upon her at times, she looks back at the fact that she single-handedly owns and runs her own small business.

“With my shop it took me a few years to be really confident and feel confident saying I do art for a living and with her it seems like as soon as she jumped into it [owning a business] she was very confident and when people try to tell her that she’s not an artist yet or that she has to earn that, I think she’s always been very good about saying, ‘no I do art for a living, I am an artist,’” said Chavez.

Medina said, “Eventually I came to the realization that this is what I want to dedicate my life to, I don’t want it to be just my small business, I want it to be my whole career.”

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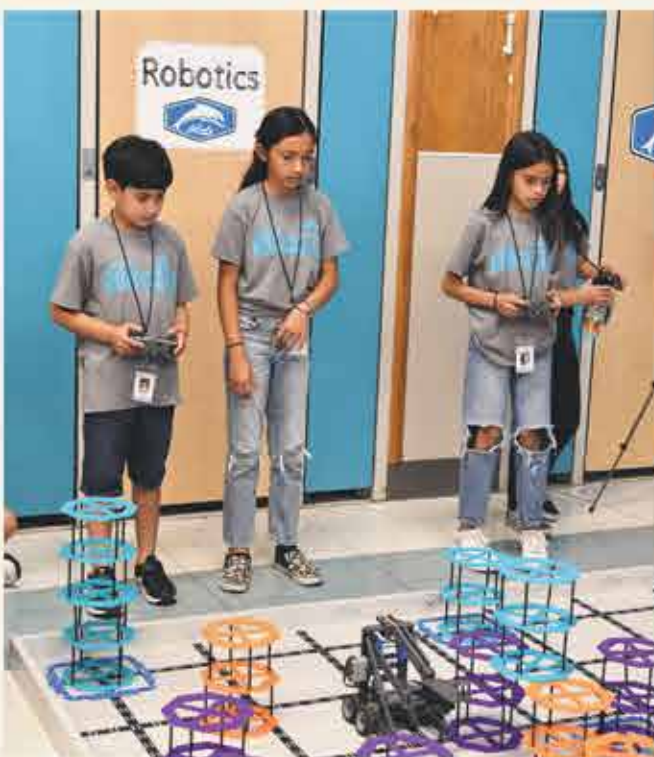


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**Stay Gallery: First Friday**, 7-10 pm. Local art exhibition. Live music and DJ set. Drinks and small bites. Free draw – bring your art supplies! Open to the public. Learn more & RSVP: staygallery.org/firstfriday

## SATURDAY, MAY 7

**Touch-A-Truck**, 10 am to 1 pm. Get up close with emergency rescue demonstrations, Public Works trucks, police patrol vehicles, K9 unit, fire engines, construction equipment, and more. 10-11 am is "quiet hour" with no sirens, horns or lights for people with sensitive eyes or ears. A vehicle extraction demonstration is at 11 am and a vehicle fire demonstration at noon.

**Mother's Day Mercado**, 3-9 pm. Live music and a DJ, 40-plus vendors, kids activities, giveaways, and free professional photos. Downey Promenade, 12214 Lakewood Blvd.

**Super Smash Bros. Tournament**, 10-11 pm. Compete against other players in a best of three, double elimination Super Smash Bros. tournament. \$10 entry fee with a cash prize for the winner. OG Collectibles, 8124 Firestone Blvd.

**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 Kevin Fitz-Gerald

on piano. 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.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

**Weaving Hope SELA: Porto's Pop-up**, 11 am to 2 pm. A one-day interactive public art installation with artist Yeu Q Nguyen at Porto's Bakery, in collaboration with Stay

Gallery. Made possible by Eastside Arts Initiative. Learn more: staygallery.org/weavinghope

## SATURDAY, MAY 14

**Keep Downey Beautiful**, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags are provided. Wear closed-toe shoes and old clothes. Independence Park, 12334 Bellflower Blvd.

**Meet & Greet Signing**, 11 am. Voice actors Michael Sorich and David Lodge will meet fans for photos and autographs. OG Collectibles, 8124 Firestone Blvd.

**Author Book Signing**, 1-3 pm. Author Shannon Capps will meet readers and sign copies of his new novel, "Runaway Train." Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

**Active Shooter Training**, 9 am. Downey Police officers will lead this seminar open to the Downey business community. For details, call (562) 904-7284. City Hall council chambers, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

**Book Club**, 12 pm. Bring your lunch and join a lively discussion of "The Reading List" by Sara Nisha Adams. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

## FRIDAY, MAY 20

**Stay Gallery: "The Resilience Archive" Opening Reception**, 7-10 pm. Join Stay Gallery for the opening reception of "The Resilience Archive", a group exhibition co-curated by artist Yeu Q Nguyen. Made possible by Eastside Arts Initiative and The Puffin Foundation. Learn more: staygallery.org/resilience

## SATURDAY, MAY 21

**DFOE Enrichment Expo**, 10 am to

3 pm. An end-of-the-school year culmination event celebrating what Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities students have accomplished. The event includes a wellness fair, dance and music recitals, art show, basketball tournament, and soccer tournament. More details at dfeo.org/expo Doty Middle School, 10301 Woodruff Ave.

**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.

## SUNDAY, MAY 22

**Book Signing**, 11 am. Veteran TV news anchor Dave Lopez signs copies of his new book, "It's a Great Life If You Don't Weaken." Messiah Lutheran Church, 10711 Paramount Blvd.

## MONDAY, MAY 23

**10-20 Club Golf Tournament**, 10 am. Annual golf fundraiser benefiting the 10-20 Club, a Downey non-profit that works with at-risk youth. For details, call Darrell Jackson at (562) 618-2550. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

## FRIDAY, MAY 27

**Stay Gallery: Ecuamex Pop-up**, 9 am to 5 pm. Enjoy local art while sipping on local coffee. Local vegan coffee bar, Ecuamex, will be popping up for the day at Stay Gallery.

**Blood Drive**, 11 am to 5 pm. Sign up at redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code "Downey" Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

**Murder Mystery**, 6 pm. Join the Downey Rose Float Association for a fun night of mystery. Help us find the diamond thief at "Now You See It, Now You Don't". Tickets can be purchased at https://form.jotform.com/213137096685058 or by calling (562) 822-7678. \$30 including dinner. 13030 Erickson Ave.

## SATURDAY, MAY 28

**Stay Gallery: Family Paint Day**, 11 am to 12:30 pm. Create a Resplendent

Quetzal bird painting with your family in this guided workshop! Includes paint supplies. Register: staygallery.org/paintday

## MONDAY, MAY 30

**Memorial Day Block Party**, 12-10 pm. Live music, beer garden, smoked barbecue, vendors, and more. Bastards Canteen, 11045 Downey Ave.

## TUESDAY, MAY 31

**Fair Housing Workshop**, 1:30 pm. This workshop will cover new state housing laws, housing discrimination, security deposits, the eviction process, rent increases, and more. Workshop will be held via Zoom. RSVP at bit.ly/3gB6SSI or call (800) 446-3247.

**Griffiths Middle School Promotion**, 2 pm. Promotion ceremony for Griffith's eighth grade students. Warren High School stadium, 8141 De Palma St.

**Sussman Middle School Promotion**, 2 pm. Promotion ceremony for Sussman's eighth grade students. Downey High School stadium, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

**Doty Middle School Promotion**, 2 pm. Promotion ceremony for Doty's eighth grade students. Downey High School stadium, 11040 Brookshire Ave.

**Stauffer Middle School Promotion**, 2 pm. Promotion ceremony for Stauffer's eighth grade students. Warren High School stadium, 8141 De Palma St.

**Columbus High School Graduation**, 6:30 pm. Commencement ceremony for Columbus High School's Class of 2022. Warren High School stadium, 8141 De Palma St.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 2

**Woodruff Academy Promotion**, 10 am. Promotion ceremony for Woodruff's eighth grade students. Woodruff Academy garden, 12330 Woodruff Ave.

**Downey High School Graduation**, 7 pm. Commencement ceremony for Downey High School's Class of 2022. Veterans Memorial Stadium, 5000 E. Lew Davis St.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 3

**Warren High School Graduation**, 6 pm. Commencement ceremony for Warren High School's Class of 2022. Veterans Memorial Stadium, 5000 E. Lew Davis St.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 4

**Downey Greek Festival**, 11 am to 11 pm. The Downey Greek Festival returns with live dancing, music, food vendors, church tours, and more. St. George Greek Church, 10830 Downey Ave.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 5

**Downey Greek Festival**, 11 am to 10 pm. The Downey Greek Festival returns with live dancing, music, food vendors, church tours, and more. St. George Greek Church, 10830 Downey Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

**Downey Adult School Graduation**, 5 pm. Commencement ceremony for Downey Adult School's Class of 2022. Griffiths Middle School gymnasium, 9633 Tweedy Lane.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 10

**Excursion to Catalina Island**, 6:45 am. Enjoy all that Catalina Island has to offer in this day trip open to seniors ages 50 and older. \$50 for Downey residents, \$54 for non-residents. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

**Health Workshop: Special Needs Plans**, 10 am. A free workshop for adults ages 50 and older sponsored by Medicare Corner Group. Reservations required by calling (562) 904-7223. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

**Luau Quill**, 4 pm. A Hawaiian luau for Downey senior citizens. \$5 admission. Reservations must be made in person no later than 2 pm the Friday prior. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 17

**Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament**, 10 am. The Downey Chamber of Commerce's 30th annual golf tournament. For details, call the chamber at (562) 923-2191. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 18

**Keep Downey Beautiful**, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags are provided. Wear closed-toe shoes and old clothes. Big Lots, 9020 Firestone Blvd.

## In Memory of



### Kyle Jaxon Cooper

August 17, 1989 - April 3, 2022

On Sunday, April 3, 2022, Kyle Jaxon Cooper, a loving son, partner, father and stepbrother, passed at the age of 32. He was surrounded by his mother, father and partner, Jennifer.

Kyle was born on August 17, 1989, in Long Beach, CA. He grew up in Downey and made many lifelong friends. He was athletic and participated in many sports through Little League, YMCA and DJAA. He was a graduate of Columbus High School Class of 2007. After high school Kyle moved to Houston, Texas, where he attended the Universal Technical Institute "UTI" and graduated the Collision Repair & Refinishing Technology program in the Class of 2010. Kyle worked with some of the top collision repair shops in southern California and steadily moved up from Painter's Helper to Estimator, then to Production Manager, and finally Manager.

Kyle was very intelligent, charming and kind. He loved to laugh and had a great sense of humor. He was gifted artistically and loved Street Art. He was a devoted friend to all who knew him. Kyle loved the beach, the Colorado River, boating and fishing. Kyle also enjoyed making things with his hands and tinkering in his garage. Most of all Kyle loved his friends and family, especially his children, who were the center of his life. They were his pride and joy, and he loved them with all his heart.

Kyle leaves behind his partner Jennifer, his children Jaxon (5) and Mila (2), his parents Kathy and Richard, and stepbrother Richie.

A Celebration of Kyle's life will be held on May 14 from 2pm-4pm at the Downey First Christian Church, located at 10909 New St., Downey, CA 90241.

Please visit our GoFundMe page if you would like to donate toward Jaxon and Mila Cooper's Education Fund. <https://gofund.me/1ea37d91>

## In Memory of



### Mary Elizabeth Lewis Lash

April 21, 1928 - February 5, 2022

Mary was born on April 21, 1928 on a 25-acre farm called the Golden Gate Ranch, to parents Edward Cadman Lewis and Bertha Johanna Rothenberger. The home she was born in and lived in her entire life was built in 1871 and is the oldest residence in Downey. They grew corn, cabbage, green beans, and sugar beets for Knott's Berry Farm and other local consumers. Mary's father died when she was 14 and her brother Ed who was 10 years older took over the farming.

A member of the Downey United Methodist Church all her life. She served on the Administrative Board, was a worship and music chairperson, Sunday school teacher, superintendent, and vacation bible school teacher, as well as Women's Society officer and Chairperson.

Mary was active in the 4-H youth program for 83 years. Mary's father was a 4-H leader and her brother Ed a member before she was born. Starting in 1960 to 2008 Mary, Ed and wife Emily began planning menus and cooking every year for two-week sessions at the 4-H Summer Camp.

Mary served as the Downey Greenleaf 4-H Club Community Leader from the age of 17 (1945). In 2012 she was awarded the Keith Barnes 4-H Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Award (Golden Clover). There have been thousands of former 4-Hers who have been inspired and benefited from Mary's generous contribution of her time and resources. Mary was always patient, thoughtful, positive, giving and an incredible representation of the best 4-H has to offer.

Mary's mentor was her 4-H leader in the Alameda School Girls 4-H Club. She was a kindergarten teacher and was the inspiration for Mary to become a teacher. Mary graduated from Downey High School in 1946. She attended Compton College, Pepperdine University, and received her master's degree from California State University, Long Beach.

Mary was a 2001 Inductee to the Downey High School's Hall of Fame.

She has been recognized by the California Department of Education as the state's longest-serving credentialed teacher and for her commitment, inspiration and enduring efforts on behalf of students. Mary is mentioned in the Congressional Record as the longest tenured schoolteacher in the country and taught Home Economics at Paramount High School for 67 years. She has a street on campus named after her.

She was the Director of the Future Homemakers Association (FHA/HERO) at her school and the Paramount High School Corsaires (Service Club). She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma (professional honorary society of women educators) for 57 years.

A block away from Mary's home in Downey you will find the Lewis Elementary School that was named after her father. Edward C Lewis was very active and well respected in the community and at church and served on the school board for twelve years. Mary's brother Edward H Lewis was on the local planning commission, and school board. He also had great support of the community.

Mary Lash is an inspiration. All awards and honors do not change the relationships she had with family, friends and students. Mary was available for conversations and visits. People, young and old, eagerly awaited her greeting with a hug. They sat close to enjoy her warmth, kindness and loving nature. We thank you. You will always be our motivation.

Mary was a cancer survivor. In 2007 she was diagnosis with stage 4 cancer stemming from the root of the appendix and had surgery. They were not able to get all of the cancer. She had Chemotherapy from 2007 to 2013. The cancer remained in remission after treatment. She had never taken a sick day from school until then. She was able to use her over two years of accumulated sick time to keep working while recuperating and having days off for Chemo. Her strength and perseverance were remarkable.

Mary was loved and adored by so many. She saved hundreds of cards and letters from former students, friends, and club members thanking her for the role she played in their lives and accrediting her for the people they had become.

She taught children and young adults how to sew, cook, plan and prepare healthy meals, care for livestock, and much more. Above all, she taught by example how to be amazing human beings. Through selfless devotion, patients, honesty, respect, humor, and kindness. We will forever be grateful to her and honor her legacy.

Mary passed away on February 5, 2022, at the age of 93. She was laid to rest at Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, CA.

Memorial Service was held at Downey United Methodist Church on April 30, 2022.

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# Details emerge of new Norwalk housing development

**NORWALK** - The Norwalk City Council recently saw plans for a potential redevelopment of the closed California Youth Authority facility.

The property, located on Bloomfield Avenue between Imperial and Rosecrans, was closed by the state in 2011. Norwalk now has the opportunity to purchase the property from California for new development.

The presentation made to the council by developer Lewis Group of Companies outlined key steps in their project schedule and details of what the project is expected to include, such as:

- Housing at different price points
- Retail, grocery, restaurants, and health and wellness facilities
- New green spaces, including parks
- Pathways for walking, biking, and access to the Metrolink station and Zimmerman Park

At least 80 percent of the redevelopment area must be allocated to housing, with 40% classified as affordable, city officials said, citing a state law.

“Our city is embracing the importance of economic development,” said Mayor Rick Ramirez. “The Metrolink station will be within a short distance of this development, bringing with it a tremendous opportunity for homeownership and commerce to the region.”

The project is currently in the community engagement phase, with public meetings scheduled to continue through early 2023.

Residents with questions can call (562) 929-5319 or email [publicaffairs@norwalkca.gov](mailto:publicaffairs@norwalkca.gov).

# DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

## TUESDAY, JUNE 21

**Go Skate Day**, 12-5 pm. Kids ages 6-17 are invited to participate in games, competitions, and more. Independence Park, 12334 Bellflower Blvd.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. Live music (band to be announced) plus food sold by the Downey Rose Float Association. Dogs must be on a leash, bring your own chair. No umbrellas or pop-up shade structures. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. Live music (band to be announced) plus food sold by the Downey Rose Float Association. Dogs must be on a leash, bring your own chair. No umbrellas or pop-up shade structures. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. Live music (band to be announced) plus food sold by the Downey Rose Float Association. Dogs must be on a leash, bring your own chair. No umbrellas or pop-up shade structures. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

## FRIDAY, JULY 8

**Health Workshop: Muffins &**

**Medicare**, 10 am. A free workshop for adults ages 50 and older sponsored by Medicare Corner Group. Reservations required by calling (562) 904-7223. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

## SATURDAY, JULY 9

**Intro to Computers**, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the basics of using a computer and learn how to sign up for and use email, type up text documents, and browse the internet. Free but registration required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

**Book & Movie Club: 12 Angry Men**, 11 am. Read the play and then watch a special screening of the Sidney Lumet directed movie, “12 Angry Men,” with a discussion afterwards. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

**Wild West Quill**, 4 pm. A Cowboy-themed dinner for Downey senior citizens. \$5 admission. Reservations must be made in person no later than 2 pm the Friday prior. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. Live music (band to be announced) plus food sold by the Downey Rose Float Association. Dogs must be on a leash, bring your own chair. No umbrellas or pop-up shade structures. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

## SUNDAY, JULY 17

**Excursion to see “Pretty Woman: The Musical,”** 3 pm. A day trip to the Segerstrom Center for the Arts to see “Pretty Woman: The Musical.” Open to adults ages 50 and older. \$55 for Downey residents, \$59 for non-residents. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. Live music (band to be announced) plus food sold by the Downey Rose Float Association. Dogs must be on a leash, bring your own chair. No umbrellas or pop-up shade structures. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

## SATURDAY, JULY 23

**Intro to Computers**, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the basics of using a computer and learn how to sign up for and use email, type up text documents, and browse the internet. Free but registration required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. Live music (band to be announced) plus food sold by the Downey Rose Float Association. Dogs must be on a leash, bring your

own chair. No umbrellas or pop-up shade structures. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

**Excursion to Pageant of the Masters**, 4 pm. “Wonderful World” is the theme of this year’s Pageant of the Masters in Laguna Beach. Trip includes plenty of time for dinner before the show and to explore the pageant amphitheater. \$45 for Downey residents, \$49 for non-residents. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

**Music and a Movie**, 5 pm. Enjoy live music, food booths, food trucks, a prize walk, and a movie starting at dusk. Golden Park, 8840 Golden St.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

**Health Workshop: Medicare & Medical Plans**, 10 am. A free workshop for adults ages 50 and older sponsored by Medicare Corner Group. Reservations required by calling (562) 904-7223. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

**Rocket Fever**, 10 am to 5 pm. Come by and build then fly your own rocket. Sponsored by Financial Partners Credit Union., Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

**Blood Drive**, 11 am to 5 pm. Sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code “Downey” Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

**Computer & Internet Safety**, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the fundamentals of safe internet browsing and how to better safeguard yourself both on and offline. Free but registration required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

**Computer & Internet Safety**, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the fundamentals of safe internet browsing and how to better safeguard yourself both on and offline. Free but registration required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

**Kiwanis Golf Tournament**, 12 pm. The 24th annual L’Abri Golf Classic benefiting Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis and the Downey Family YMCA.RSVP to [jfritz@labrimanagement.com](mailto:jfritz@labrimanagement.com). Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

**16th Annual Senior Follies**, 1 pm and 5 pm. A talent show by Downey’s most talented senior citizens. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

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# LEGALS

## BULK SALES

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code) Escrow No. 002712-CK

(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: LUCOBINA CORPORATION, 251 STONEWOOD ST., #MMA5, DOWNEY, CA 90241-3935

(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: NONE

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: SIKHENG UNG AND SENG HOUR SBONG, 440 E SAXON AVE., SAN GABRIEL CA 91776

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASEHOLD INTEREST AND IMPROVEMENTS, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE of that certain business located at: 251 STONEWOOD ST., #MMA5, DOWNEY, CA 90241-3935

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: TWO HANDS FRESH CORNDOG

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is: MAY 24, 2022 at the office of: HANA ESCROW COMPANY, INC., 3580, WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1170 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010

(8) Claims may be filed with Same as “7” above

(9) The last date for filing claims is: MAY 23, 2022.

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

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: SAME.

Dated: APRIL 21, 2022  
TRANSFEREES: SIKHENG UNG AND SENG HOUR SBONG  
ORD-924450 DOWNEY PATRIOT 5/5/22

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The Downey Patriot  
5/5/22

## FICT. BUS NAME

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022063140

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) DBAR FINANCIAL & INSURANCE SERVICES, 11810 1/2 LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) DIEGO F

BARCO CA STILLO, 11810 1/2 LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 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/DIEGO F BARCO CA STILLO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MARCH 22, 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 Downey Patriot  
4/14/22, 4/21/22, 4/28/22, 5/5/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022070979

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) OH FLOORING SERVICES, 9434 BUELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) OSCAR D. HERNANDEZ, 9434 BUELL ST, DOWNEY CA 90241

State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2003

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/OSCAR D. HERNANDEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 1, 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 Downey Patriot  
4/14/22, 4/21/22, 4/28/22, 5/5/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022098070

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) GREEN STAR SERVICES, 9812 VIRGINIA AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) MAURO A. HERNANDEZ ANDRADE, 9812 VIRGINIA AVE, SOUTH GATE CA 90280

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: 05/2022

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/MAURO A. HERNANDEZ ANDRADE, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAY 4, 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 Downey Patriot  
4/28/22, 5/5/22, 5/12/22, 5/19/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022073789

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) STYLING LA, 1081 CANDACE LANE, LA HABRA CA 90631, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 202200611107

REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) STYLE WITH STYLE LLC, 1061 CANDACE LANE, LA HABRA CA 90631

State of Incorporation: CA

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The Downey Patriot  
5/5/22, 5/12/22, 5/19/22, 5/26/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022091614

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CERTIFIED LOGISTICS, 13470 MEYER RD UNIT 23, WHITTIER CA 90605, LA COUNTY

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BLANCA LETICIA AVALOS VENEGAS, 13470 MEYER RD UNIT 23, WHITTIER CA 90605

State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 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/BLANCA LETICIA AVALOS VENEGAS, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 25, 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 Downey Patriot  
4/28/22, 5/5/22, 5/12/22, 5/19/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022081227

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CARLTON PARK APARTMENTS, 13521 WOODRUFF AVE, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 8141 EAST SECOND STREET STE 300, DOWNEY CA 90241

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PAMELA R VANT HUL, 5 FLORES, IRVINE CA 92612

State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Partnership

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/1994

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/PAMELA R VANT HUL, GENERAL PARTNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 13, 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

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/STYLE WITH STYLE LLC, CEO, JESSICA LOPEZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 8, 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 Downey Patriot  
4/14/22, 4/21/22, 4/28/22, 5/5/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022081227

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CARLTON PARK APARTMENTS, 13521 WOODRUFF AVE, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 8141 EAST SECOND STREET STE 300, DOWNEY CA 90241

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PAMELA R VANT HUL, 5 FLORES, IRVINE CA 92612

State of Incorporation: N/A

THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Partnership

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 04/2022

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/HONEY GREENS RESTAURANT GROUP, MEMBER, SKARLETH GRANADOS

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 19, 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  
4/28/22, 5/5/22, 5/12/22, 5/19/22

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File Number 2022087075

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HONEY GREENS CAFE, 555 S 3RD AVE, LA PUENTE CA 91746, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HONEY GREENS RESTAURANT GROUP, 555 S 3RD AVE., LA PUENTE CA 91746

State of Incorporation: CALIFORNIA

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: 04/2022

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/HONEY GREENS RESTAURANT GROUP, MEMBER, SKARLETH GRANADOS

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on APRIL 19, 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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**CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT PLN-22-00001**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the DOWNEY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION on the 18th day of May, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Downey City Hall, 1111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California. At that time and place, consideration will be given to the following:

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT (PLN-22-00001):** A request to modify an existing Conditional Use Permit for live entertainment at the Bar Louie restaurant. The project involves the expansion of the interior dining area and outdoor patio. Live entertainment consists of a disc-jockey, karaoke, and live microphone. The property is located at 8860 Apollo Way, within Downey Landing Specific Plan.

All interested parties are invited to submit written comments and/or to attend and give testimony. The agenda and staff report, which provides a detailed description and analysis of this project, will be posted to the City Boards and Commission Meetings page of 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 categorically exempt from CEQA per CEQA Guideline, Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities).

**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 of, 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.

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**DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF BID**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education for the DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Downey, CA (Los Angeles County), will receive **Bid Number 22-23-05** for the procurement of the following:

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Sealed bids must be delivered to the Downey Unified School District, Purchasing Department, 11627 Brookshire Ave. Room 169, Downey CA 90241 no later than 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 3, 2022.

Companies interested in bidding should request appropriate bid documents from the Purchasing Department at [fsnih@ued.net](mailto:fsnih@ued.net) or download them from our website ([web.district.net](http://web.district.net)) under **Bids and RFIs**. We encourage small, minority, women, and disabled-veteran owned business enterprises to participate in the bid process. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Refer to the formal bid documents and specifications for additional information, terms, and conditions.

Darren Pursaglove, C.P.M., Director of Purchasing and Warehouse

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**NOTICES**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00151**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JAMES WARREN GLORE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) JAMES WARREN GLORE to Proposed name (1) JAMES WARREN BARNES  
 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: JUNE 8, 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  
 APRIL 05, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**MICHELE ANN AYERS**  
 11720 1/2 COLDBROOK AVE.  
 DOWNEY, CA 90241  
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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: JUNE 15, 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, DOWNEY PATRIOT  
 APRIL 13, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**JAMES WARREN GLORE**  
 13440 LAKEWOOD BLVD. SPACE 24  
 BELLFLOWER, CA 90706  
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**BIGDIESEL5603@HOTMAIL.COM**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME AMENDED CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00041**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JEFFREY MARCUS BUSTILLOS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) JEFFREY MARCUS BUSTILLOS to Proposed name (1) JEFFREY MARCUS FIVECOAT  
 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: JUNE 8, 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  
 MARCH 30, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**JEFFREY MARCUS BUSTILLOS**  
 7130 NORWALK BLVD  
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**Crawlhard88@gmail.com**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00137**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MICHELE ANN AYERS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) MICHELE ANN AYERS to Proposed name (1) MICHELE ANN CISNEROS  
 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: JUNE 8, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA 90650**  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00164**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner GUADALUPE ARACELI CASTANEDA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) GUADALUPE ARACELI CASTANEDA to Proposed name (1) GUADALUPE ARACELI 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: JUNE 8, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**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  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00157**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner DEISY GONZALEZ FOR STEPHANIE LIZETTE MENA GALLEGOS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) STEPHANIE LIZETTE MENA GALLEGOS to Proposed name (1) STEPHANIE LIZETTE GONZALEZ  
 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: JUNE 24, 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, DOWNEY PATRIOT  
 APRIL 12, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**OSCAR RUBIO PRECIADO**  
 12648 ZETTA AVE  
 DOWNEY CA, 90242  
 (562) 556-4667  
**oekpreciado@yahoo.com**

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: JUNE 20, 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, DOWNEY PATRIOT  
 APRIL 22, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**GUADALUPE ARACELI CASTANEDA**  
 7306 MARBRISA AVE. #36  
 HUNTINGTON PARK, CA 90255  
 (562) 413-7744  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00152**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner REUBEN LEE SLOAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) REUBEN LEE SLOAN to Proposed name (1) RUDY L SLOAN-CASANOVA  
 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: JUNE 10, 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, DOWNEY PATRIOT  
 APRIL 14, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**REUBEN LEE SLOAN**  
 8933 GARDENLADE ST. #2  
 DOWNEY CA 90242  
 (562) 212-6243  
**RUDYCASA1@GMAIL.COM**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00148**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner OSCAR RUBIO PRECIADO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) OSCAR RUBIO PRECIADO to Proposed name (1) OSCAR PRECIADO  
 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: JUNE 24, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA 90650**  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00176**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SEBASTIAN DOMINGO FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) SEBASTIAN DOMINGO FLORES to Proposed name (1) ALEPH AARON GONZALEZ  
 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: JUNE 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, DOWNEY PATRIOT  
 MAY 3, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**SEBASTIAN DOMINGO FLORES**  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22STPB003497**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SHERRY LYNN SHELTON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) SHERRY LYNN SHELTON to Proposed name (1) SHERRY LYNN WELDON  
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Matthew R. McKay be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested

**Date: JUNE 13, 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, 8301 E FLORENCE AVENUE, SUITE 100, DOWNEY CA 90240 (562) 904-3668  
 APRIL 18, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**DEISY GONZALEZ FOR STEPHANIE LIZETTE MENA GALLEGOS**  
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 (323) 945-3832  
**DEISYGONZALEZ716@GMAIL.COM**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00150**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner BRIANA SILVA FOR HARMONY KALILA MARTINEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) HARMONY KALILA MARTINEZ to Proposed name (1) HARMONY KALILA OSBY  
 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: JUNE 17, 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, DOWNEY PATRIOT  
 APRIL 13, 2022  
 JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00176**  
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SEBASTIAN DOMINGO FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
 Present name (1) SEBASTIAN DOMINGO FLORES to Proposed name (1) ALEPH AARON GONZALEZ  
 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: JUNE 3, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**  
**The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA 90650**  
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 MAY 3, 2022  
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**PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SHERRY LYNN SHELTON**  
**Case No. 22STPB003497**  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of SHERRY LYNN SHELTON  
 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Matthew R. McKay in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Matthew R. McKay be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
 THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested

person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 13, 2022 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 11 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
 IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.  
 Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
 YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.  
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**Case No. 22STPB04151**  
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 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ronald Talbot in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Ronald Talbot be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
 THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
 A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 1, 2022 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 29 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.  
 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
 IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of



# Man shot, killed by CHP officers

■ Officials have not said why officers opened fire on the man, who was running through lanes on the 105 Freeway.

By City News Service

**PARAMOUNT** - A man was shot and killed by California Highway Patrol officers on the westbound Glenn Anderson (105) Freeway in Paramount Wednesday.

CHP officers were called to the freeway near Garfield Avenue at about 11:20 a.m. after receiving reports of a pedestrian in the roadway, a CHP officer told reporters at the scene.

ABC7 reported Los Angeles County Fire Department firefighters were called to the scene on similar reports, but the pedestrian was identified as a man "described as a psychiatric patient."

CHP officers discovered the man apparently injured on the freeway and "went to check on the welfare of the downed pedestrian" when the shooting occurred, but no further details on what led up to the shooting were available, according to the CHP.

No officers were injured.

Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedics took the man to St. Francis Medical Center, where he died. The man's name was withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Authorities closed the westbound Glenn Anderson Freeway in the vicinity of the shooting, along with the Garfield Avenue on-ramp, for hours Wednesday afternoon while an investigation was conducted. Caltrans announced just after 7:05 p.m. that the carpool and No. 1 lanes were reopened.



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# Bill pitched by Downey alumnus begins journey through legislature

■ Sade Neri proposed legislation to help high school students become mental health supporters on campus.

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** - New legislation pitched by a Downey High School graduate as part of Assemblymember Cristina Garcia's "There Ought to be a Law" contest is starting to make progress through the legislature.

Assembly Bill 2124 (previously AB 2221) was originally submitted by 19-year-old Downey resident Sade Neri, who is currently a student at UC Berkeley.

AB 2124 would allow local educational agencies to apply for grant funding in order to train 9-12 grade students to act as peer mental health supporters on campus.

"The bill idea essentially is pupil support training programs through the state," said Neri. "The state gives grants to schools that apply for the grant, and from there they're able to use these to bring in or have mental health professionals train and supervise students in these types of programs so they can access peer support...to bridge the gap between school professionals and young students."

Neri was inspired to pursue the bill after her own struggles in her sophomore year, when she struggled to cope with the mounting pressure of future college plans, school work, and her own mental health.

"I didn't have any friends to go to, and I didn't feel that I had adequate support from my school," said Neri. "We had over 4,000 students, and my school counselor, I just couldn't connect that much with her. I really felt that loneliness and that gap, that lack of resources."

Neri said it was easier to open up to a fellow student than an adult.



"After I was able to overcome my own personal struggles, get out of depression, deal with the anxiety, I realized what I needed was to have other students, my peers," said Neri. "Even if they weren't my friends, there were students there that would be able to listen to me, and help me if I needed to, if I needed an extra hand."

Her first foray into her bill's concept came when she sat down with Downey principal Tom Houts and began discussions about creating a "mental health awareness initiative." She would eventually find her way to Assemblywoman Garcia, who encouraged her to apply for her annual contest.

Garcia would select Neri's bill in 2020, however things would be postponed due to the pandemic.

"There are many known benefits to peer support programs and given the pandemic's toll on our youth's mental health, we must take action now to activate all tools available to ensure they have the support they need," said Garcia. "Young students are in a unique position to support each other - they can bridge a connection to trained adults. Students are often more willing to communicate with other students, especially when it comes to sensitive issues such as mental health."

"Peer support programs are a piece of the puzzle in bolstering young people's mental health by

making them feel supported at the place they spend so much of their lives."

Last month, AB 2124 cleared the first of several hurdles, successfully passing the Committee of Education.

It will now need to clear the appropriations committee before being sent to the Assembly floor. If passed at the Assembly, it would then move on to the Senate for approval, then back to the Assembly if amended.

Neri says the feeling of watching her bill go through the process of becoming law is "incredible."

"These are real people all over the state that are being impacted.

I can't even comprehend 6 million students, but I understand what that means," said Neri. "I feel speechless. It's very difficult to describe, but I feel very grateful to have this opportunity. Without my Assemblymember, none of this would be possible, and I really appreciate her acknowledging this... it definitely means so much to me."

## POET'S CORNER

### The Locust Tree in Flower

Among of green stiff old bright broken branch come white sweet May again

William Carlos Williams

Williams famously explained the reason for his revision: "I didn't think the first version gave a picture of the locust flower, so I had to cut it down." The power comes from the broken syntax and the minimalist nature of this short, short poem where each word is given a line. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

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