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# Former Downey police officer charged with tampering

■ Eduardo Castro, a 14-year veteran of the Downey Police Department, was charged with felony witness tampering.

Downey Police said they are cooperating with the District Attorney's investigation.

By Eric Pierce Editor

**DOWNEY** – A former detective with the Downey Police Department was charged Tuesday with one felony count of witness tampering.

Eduardo Castro is scheduled to be arraigned Aug. 11 at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Details of the alleged witness tampering were not released. In a news release, however, Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon said his office has "a duty to hold accountable anyone who tries to illegally influence the judicial process for their own benefit or the benefit of others."

"It is especially troubling when a police officer is charged with

crimes that threaten the integrity of our legal system," Gascon said.

Castro was hired as a Downey police officer on June 2, 2008. His final day of employment was June 29, 2022.

It's not clear if Castro resigned or was fired. A spokesperson for the City of Downey declined to elaborate, citing "peace officer privacy laws."

"With the above said, the Downey Police Department reiterates that it holds its employees to the highest ethical standards," Police Chief Leslie Murray said in a statement. "We are committed to these standards and to providing quality public service to our community."

"When we become aware of possible misconduct, the allegations are thoroughly investigated and appropriate corrective action is taken. The Downey Police Department is committed to providing professional law enforcement services and it will work with the District Attorney's Office as necessary and to the extent the law allows."

# 3 killed at Downey house party

■ Three men were left dead after a shooting early Sunday morning.

The shooter was believed to be among the dead.

By City News Service

**DOWNEY** – Three men who were shot to death while attending a party in Downey were publicly identified Monday.

Paul Gonzales was a 33-year-old resident of Los Angeles, Shawn Garcia was a 36-year-old Pico Rivera resident and there was no city of residence available for 43-year-old Brandon Chavez, according to the

coroner's office.

The victims were attending "some sort of house party," according to Downey police Sgt. Perry Miller.

Officers were sent to the 8100 block of Leeds Street at about 12:45 a.m. Sunday on a call of gunshots, Miller said.

Gonzalez, Garcia and Chavez were pronounced dead at the scene, he said. Paramedics rushed a man and a woman to a hospital with non-life-threatening gunshot wounds.

The shooting was believed to be an isolated incident with no outstanding suspects, police told the LA Times.

# Voters to decide hotel tax increase

■ Downey is proposing a 4% increase to the city's nightly hotel tax.

**DOWNEY** – Downey voters will decide in November whether or not to increase the city's transient occupancy tax (TOT) from 9% to 13%.

A TOT, also known as a hotel bed tax, is charged to guests when they rent living accommodations in a hotel, motel, inn, or other lodging for less than 90 days.

The city does not currently

allow short term rentals – such as Air BnB's – however the TOT would apply to them should the city ever change its policy.

Downey's TOT was first established in 1965 and last amended (increasing the rate to 9%) in 1998 with voter approval.

Should voters approve the increase, it could result in approximately \$95,000 of new General Fund revenue annually.

Council members voted unanimously to place the measure on the ballot.

■ Downey joins Los Angeles in skipping the ballot and giving eligible healthcare workers a higher minimum wage.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – Members of local medical labor groups celebrated at city hall on Tuesday when the City Council voted 4-0 to establish a \$25 per hour minimum wage for eligible healthcare workers working in Downey's private hospitals.

The new ordinance applies to privately-owned healthcare facilities located within the city, including licensed general acute and psychiatric hospitals, hospital-based facilities, licensed dialysis clinics and psychiatric health facilities, and all facilities that are part of an Integrated Delivery System.

While the measure relates to both clinical and non-clinical staff, it does not apply to managers and supervisors.

The law also forbids cuts in hours, staffing, or services to raise wages.

The decision follows a successful petition campaign (requiring nearly 6,500 signatures) by proponents of the wage change.

Council members were given the option to send the initiative to November's ballot for voter approval, approve it outright as an ordinance, or order an impact report to be returned within 30 days, after which they would be required to make a decision.

The push for improved wages comes as some healthcare workers – weary from working through the pandemic – argued that they were struggling to make ends meet in addition to coping with the physical, emotional, and mental burdens of their jobs.

"Healthcare workers have a unique job; this pandemic has shown that our job is unique, and that we deal with diseases that are communicable like Covid-19," said Gabriel Montoya, who works at Kaiser Permanente and is a member of the SEIU-UHW union.

"We also deal with patients who are going through mental health crisis, and we have to be there to take care of them. We deal with

parents whose children are ill, and we have to be the ones to comfort them and take care of their kids.

"We want to do that job, we love serving our communities, but it doesn't make sense to have healthcare workers doing that work, and having them make \$16, \$18 dollars an hour when we know in LA County just to pay rent a family has to make at least \$70,000 a year."

Not all in attendance were in favor of the initiative.

Critics called the initiative "flawed" and "inequitable," arguing that a majority of healthcare staff in Downey would not be eligible.

"[The Hospital Association of Southern California] strongly urges the city council to refer this measure to the ballot for the Downey voters to decide," said Adena Tessler, regional vice president of HASC.

"We also request the city order an economic analysis prior to taking any action, so that the city council and voters are fully informed of the potential economic impacts."

"[The initiative] targets only private hospital facilities and their workers, excluding many providers serving the most vulnerable communities in Downey," she continued. "Our research has found that the workers at 65% of the healthcare facilities in Downey would be excluded from this benefit."

Councilman Mario Trujillo said that Downey's hospitals "will be okay."

"These last two years, the healthcare industry has come under the microscope, and the plight of the health workers, we hear you," said Trujillo.

"I remember clearly, the intersection of Bellflower and Imperial Highway, 'Heroes work here'...In thinking of healthcare workers, either we think they're heroes or they're not. The fact of the matter is, they were going to work while some of us had the luxury of being able to work behind a computer."

"I'm convinced that Kaiser and PIH will be okay, even if this ordinance is passed," he continued. "I have an obligation to do what's best for the residents and for the future of the city."

Will this deter some clinics,

maybe other healthcare providers from coming into the city? Perhaps. But I cannot stop thinking about the workers that had to go day in and day out towards danger."

Councilman Donald La Plante clapped back at hospital representatives.

"When I first heard of this, my initial reaction was to put this to the voters, and sort of wondered if we should be doing, frankly, decent wages sector by sector," said La Plante.

"I would be very happy to support an ordinance that includes the rest of the healthcare workers, as apparently our hospital association thinks we should do. We can't mandate public hospitals for the county, or the University of California, or the federal government what they pay; that's a duplicitous statement by the hospital council."

La Plante, holding up a mailer he had received in opposition of the wage increase, said "he knew exactly how [the hospital association] would have treated this thing if we put it on the ballot."

"They would have been putting out things like, 'Reject the unequal pay measure.' Instead of talking about whether healthcare workers deserve a fair wage, they'd be trying to play healthcare workers against each other, the same way negative campaigns work on everything else," said La Plante.

"Any thought I had of putting it to the voters changed the minute I got your mailing; you put me on the other side."

Councilwoman Claudia Frometa was forced to remove herself from the discussion due to her employment with Kaiser Permanente.

There were 10 potential cities where the initiative was filed, including Los Angeles, Anaheim, Inglewood, Long Beach, Monterey Park, Culver City, Baldwin Park, Duarte, and Lynwood.

Downey joins Los Angeles in setting the \$25 wage minimum, after Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti signed it into law last week.

The ordinance goes into effect 10 days after approval.



A healthcare worker addresses the Downey City Council on Tuesday. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

# City Council gives healthcare workers \$25 per hour minimum wage

### Weekend at a Glance

Friday	87°	
Saturday	90°	
Sunday	90°	

## THINGS TO DO



### Downtown Fullerton Ghost Walk

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## ON THIS DAY

**1789:** In Paris, revolutionaries stormed and seized control of the Bastille. The medieval prison contained only seven inmates at the time of its storming, but was seen by the revolutionaries as a symbol of the monarchy's abuse of power; its fall was the flashpoint of the French Revolution.

**1798:** The Sedition Act of 1798 became law in the United States, making it a federal crime to write, publish, or utter false or malicious statements about the United States government.

**1881:** American outlaw Billy the Kid was shot and killed at Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

**1911:** Harry Atwood, an exhibition pilot for the Wright brothers, was greeted by President Taft after landing his aeroplane on the South Lawn of the White House.

**1933:** Adolf Hitler abolished all German political parties except the Nazis.

**1943:** The George Washington Carver National Monument becomes the first United States national monument in honor of an African American.

**1960:** Jane Goodall arrived in present-day Tanzania to begin her studies of chimpanzees in the wild.

**1965:** Mariner 4 spacecraft took the first up-close photos of Mars. The photographs took approximately six hours to be transmitted back to Earth.

**1983:** Mario Bros. was released in Japan, beginning the popular Super Mario Bros franchise.



**2002:** French president Jacques Chirac escaped an assassination attempt during a Bastille Day parade at Champs-Élysées.

## Birthdays

"The Sopranos" actor **Vincent Pastore** (76), music executive **Tommy Mottola** (73), comedy actress **Jane Lynch** (62), Imagine Dragons singer **Dan Reynolds** (35), and MMA fighter **Conor McGregor** (34).

## Concerts in the Park



Pop and soul band Soul 3 Sixty performs live Wednesday at Downey's Concert in the Parks series. For details, see page 12.

# Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Evidently, our COVID-19 pandemic just hasn't been enough. Now we have monkeypox. What is it? Should we worry?

The virus that causes monkeypox shares the same family as smallpox. However, note that monkeypox is far less severe. Its symptoms

are similar, and include fever, aches, chills, exhaustion, sore throat and swollen lymph nodes, and skin lesions that can be intense.

However, smallpox had a mortality rate close to 30%, and the rate for monkeypox is in the range of 3-6%. Those who fare the worst are young children.

Due to the eradication of smallpox, the United States stopped administering

vaccinations in 1972. As it turns out, that vaccine was and still is protective against monkeypox. In fact, the most severe cases today occur among those under 50, who would not have received the smallpox vaccination.

This virus was originally transmitted from animals (monkeys and apes, rodents, and rabbits) to humans. The first human case of monkeypox was recorded in 1970 in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Monkeypox still occurs mostly in Central and Western Africa. The virus first reached the United States in Texas in 2003, from a shipment of animals from Ghana.

Humans can contract monkeypox from a bite from an infected animal, or through direct contact with the animal's lesions or body fluids. In order for the virus to spread from one human

to another, it takes close contact with an infected person's lesions, body fluids, respiratory droplets, or contaminated materials (such as bedding).

Don't be alarmed. Monkeypox does not spread easily among people. Still, confirmed cases in California have climbed to 136, mostly in Los Angeles and San Francisco. It is of particular concern among the LGBTQ community, especially through skin-to-skin contact in gay men.

Some seven thousand cases worldwide are a very far cry from the 557 million total cases of COVID-19 to date (and well over six million COVID-19 deaths). Nonetheless, monkeypox could become a significant global public health risk if the virus finds an easy way to spread to our vulnerable population of children, to those who are immune-suppressed, and to those who did not receive the smallpox vaccine.

We are gaining a better understanding about its spread, and are studying its epidemiology, sources of infection, and transmission patterns. Vaccines have been developed for prevention (although there is currently a serious shortage) and we now have antiviral medications to help treat it.

Stay tuned for new developments.

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



# Kaiser breaks ground on oncology treatment center in Bellflower

The radiation center will be equipped with the latest cancer-fighting technology.

It is scheduled to open in 2024.

## BELLFLOWER

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center recently held a groundbreaking ceremony for a new Radiation Oncology Treatment Center on its Bellflower Medical Offices campus.

The facility will be the fourth radiation therapy site in Kaiser Permanente's Southern California region - making radiation therapy much closer to home for members undergoing treatment for cancer in Southeast Los Angeles.

"Since 1965, our Bellflower facility has done an outstanding job in serving the needs of the community in southeast Los Angeles County and I'm pleased that we're expanding that commitment," said Payman Roshan, senior vice president and area manager, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center.

"We are thrilled to be breaking ground on this treatment center, which will be a complement and expansion on the existing life-saving hematology/oncology services we've provided at the Bellflower Medical Offices for decades."

Nationally, more than 500,000 cancer patients are



Members of Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center's Administrative Team (from left to right: Gregg Durkee, chief operating officer; Payman Roshan, senior vice president and area manager; JT Lee, MD, area medical director; and Lisa López RN, chief administrative officer) at the groundbreaking ceremony for the future site of a Radiation Oncology Treatment Center at the Kaiser Permanente Bellflower Medical Offices.

cared for each year by Kaiser Permanente physicians.

"With more than 75 years of knowledge and experience in cancer prevention, diagnosis, and treatment, our integrated model partners our cancer patient's primary care physician with subspecialists in every aspect of care tailored to their unique needs", said JT Lee, MD, area medical director, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center. "This brings true hope and optimism to those who need it most."

The Radiation Oncology Treatment Center is set to open in early 2024. Once completed, the 32,000 square foot facility will include the latest cancer-fighting technology.

It also will house nine provider offices and nine exam rooms, with expanded imaging services available to members.

Future plans also include pursuing membership in the Children's Oncology Group (COG) for treating the youngest cancer fighters.

**Happy Retirement Kathy**

My Best Friend. We have worked side by side for over 45 years. What a Blessing. Enjoy your next adventure.  
Love Always, Karen

# Police conducting DUI patrols

DOWNEY - The Downey Police Department will be conducting DUI patrols throughout the month of July in an effort to catch impaired drivers.

Drivers caught driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol face an average of \$13,500 in fines and penalties for a first-time offense.

"Impaired driving is preventable," said Downey Police Chief Leslie Murray. "It's a choice. If you've been drinking or taken drugs that impair, make the right choice by finding a sober driver or alternate transportation to take you places."

Funding for the DUI patrols was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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# Things you didn't know about Downey: Downey's early tribes

By Bobbi Bruce  
Downey Historical Society

**DOWNEY** - The following article is from the *Time Traveler* by John Adams, originally published on July 16, 1993 in the *Downey Eagle*.

Early Americans were peaceful people.

The Indians who first occupied this area were Shoshoneans, cousins of the Comanches of the Great Plain and the Hopi farmers of the Arizona mesas.

Their ancestors had trekked across from Asia to North America by the way of the Bering Straits.

When the European-American westward movement encountered them, they were referred to as "Diggers" because they often dug into the ground for edible roots. The Americans apparently failed to consider that they themselves rooted in the ground for leeks and potatoes.

The local enclave of "Diggers" was surrounded by a tribe known as the Hokans. To the south, near San Diego, were a separate tribe known as the Yuma. To the north, near Ventura, was another Hokan tribe known as the Chumash.

How the Shoshoneans settled on this prized piece of real estate is a mystery. They didn't seem to win it by warfare. Once here they were happy to stay. Their villages had such classic characteristics that anthropologists classify them as separate tribes.

On the arrival of the Franciscan Fathers, missions were established about a day's walk from each other. Eventually the tribes took on the names of the missions they were near. Those near Mission San Gabriel were the Gabrielinos, those near the Mission San Juan Capistrano the Juaneros, those near Mission San Luis Rey the Luisenos, those near Mission San Fernando the Fernandinos.

The most interesting locally were the Gabrielinos. They seem to have noticed very early that the white man's coming was a cultural threat. They promptly drifted away before much of their lore could be recorded.

But the other tribes held together long enough to provide more insight. In Juanero legend, the San Juan Capistrano tribe tells of its origin to the great village of Sehat in Gabrielinos country. This was the area known as Los Nietos (Downey).

A Scots trapper named Hugo Reid married a Gabriellino woman and listed her village as "Carpenter's Farm" in 1837. He referred to Lemuel Carpenter who journeyed west from Kentucky and took a Spanish wife. Carpenter later acquired most of the huge Los Nietos Spanish Land Grant. The village that bore his name was swept away in the great flood of

1867.

The remains of Indian villages have been found where the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroad tracks cross, as well as at Jaboneria on the west bank of the Rio Hondo River south of Telegraph Road. Other village remains are found near the old Pico Crossing of the San Gabriel River.

Gabrielinos villages dotted much of greater Los Angeles Basin. When Cabrillo arrived in San Pedro Bay in 1542, he called the land the "Bay of Smokes" because he saw so many village fires inland.

It was a good life for those early Indians. Father Geronimo Boscana, who lived at Mission San Gabriel and Mission San Juan Capistrano from 1812 to 1831, compared their life to the legend of creation and the Book of Genesis and Mosaic Law.

Close relatives in the tribes were not allowed to marry. The Chief's duty was benign. Gifts were brought to him which he in turn distributed to the poor and unfortunate. The respect he grew from the tribe was based on his condition of poverty. Since he gave away all he had, he was allowed more than one wife to gather acorns for him. Other than this, it was a monogamous society.

### Ralph Family

This article is from John Adams and was published in the *Downey Eagle* on Oct. 15, 1993.

It was April 14, 1922, and Art Ralph of Downey crouched for the start of the half-mile run at the 10th Annual Invitational Track and Field Meet at San Fernando High School.

Ralph was one of the best runners to come out of Downey in years, and along with sprinter Ed Reinke, gave Downey a rugged track combination in the sprints and middle distances.

He would probably have run even harder had he known that he was to be the first of three generations of Ralphs that would make Downey proud, both on the

athletic field and in the realm of community service.

Downey residents today probably know of Bill Ralph, Art's son, who through a quirk of fate didn't play football or run for Downey but competed instead for Compton High School.

It seems father Art, who for many years worked for the gas company, was made a division chief and moved with his family to Compton during young Bill's athletic years.

Bill made up for it by coming back to Downey and working 3 years for the city. He retired two years ago as the city's public works director, and now fills a seat on the Downey Cemetery District Board.

The archives of the Downey Historical Society still contains the old track and field programs with father Art Ralph's name. When asked about them, Bill reminisced about his father's athletic career.

It seems Art held the Downey High School record in the high hurdles until 1984, partially because Downey didn't run the highs for many years.

Bill said he almost got to see his father's and his son's name on the same record chart. Bill's son, Chris, set a shotput mark at Downey, but it came the year after his grandfather's hurdles mark was shattered.

Close enough to give the reader an idea of the athletic prowess of his family, however, Bill said his father went on to run one year for Whittier College, then transferred to the University of Nevada, Reno, where he trained by mail. Many athletics in the West in the 1920's and 1930's got their training directions from noted Easter coaches who mailed them their regimen.

Bill added that interestingly enough, his son Bill also attended the University of Nevada, Reno, years later.

While the old program indicates the Ralph family probably holds the record for having three generations of local athletics, Ed Reinke was the best local runner of his era.

He went on to compete at the 1923 CIF track and field championships in Santa Ana, and won the 100 and 220. Veterans who remember those days said he ran in the 10-flat range, very swift for the times.

Other Downey names of note in the old programs include Benstead, in the low hurdles, Hair and Nooschekian in the mile, Haygood who joined Ralph and Reinke in the half-mile relay, and Cline who ran with Ralph in the 440.

A toast to them all.

### Rancho Los Amigos

Downey can pride itself on being the location of one of the most singular institutions of recovery and healing the world: Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

Rancho didn't begin as a hospital at all. It was the county poor farm when it was first founded in 1887. And not a very successful poor farm either until the arrival of William Harriman in 1915.

Harriman succeeded a long line of directors who had achieved little or no success in either making the poor farm self-sufficient or improving the lot of its hapless residents.

Harriman, who ran Rancho until 1952, changed all that. He drove his Model T Ford every Monday to the county Board of Supervisors meeting in Los Angeles and presented them with a basket of flowers raised on the farm. He thus defeated the "out of sight, out of mind" syndrome that had been the undoing of many of his predecessors.

His philosophy was simple: "tax funds provide the necessity of life for the dependent poor. The spirit of Rancho Los Amigos provides the necessities of happiness without which life

would be unbearable."

Harriman improved the lot of the farm's residents. He offered the more ambitious among them plots of land on which to do horticultural research. He improved the dairy herd to the point it began to win prizes at the state farm yearly.

But good fortune was not to shine on Harriman and his farm forever. He was forced to order the prize dairy herd destroyed in 1924 when the dreaded hoof and mouth disease swept the area.

But persistence was one of his stronger traits. Harriman started the herd up again from scratch and within four years was winning state prizes once again.

In 1933 Rancho was hard hit by a great earthquake. Harriman rebuilt.

He saw the character of his poor farm change as the Great Depression progressed. At first there were the old people. Then younger members of the industrial and farm class began to appear. Then the service employees from hotels and restaurants appeared. And finally the CPAs, bankers, professors, the white collar class itself.

When Harriman rebuilt after the earthquake, he included hospital facilities. Rancho would no longer simply be concerned with custodial care but would now enter the field of complete rehabilitation.

In 1944, Rancho accepted the challenge that was to make it world famous. It began a long-term rehabilitation program for the victims of polio.

Under the direction of Elberta Arnold, who had studied the techniques of Sister Kenney in Minneapolis, the local program took hold. Patients were taught how to reeducate their muscular systems. Many innovations were perfected.

When polio was finally overcome with the discovery of the Salk vaccine, Rancho celebrated. But the hospital still had hundreds of patients who had been felled by the disease before the medical breakthrough.

The success of the hospital is world famous for its work in rehabilitation cases, such as spinal injuries. Today, Rancho is world famous for its work in rehabilitating a wide variety of injuries through long-term therapy and care.

Patients, their relatives, indeed all of us, may be grateful to Harriman whose persistence ranged from constant flattery of the county supervisors with flowers to rebuilding Rancho's crumpled structures after the quake.

Much of his spirit lives on in the fine therapy done at Rancho today.

# DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

**FRIDAY, JULY 15**

**Live Music at the Stardust**, 8 pm. Live performances by Los So Lows and Stephanie Amaro. \$10 presale, \$20 at

the door. Dress code is sharp (collars, slacks and dress shoes). Stardust, 7643 Firestone Ave.

**SATURDAY, JULY 16**

**Stay Gallery: Ecuamex Pop-up**, 9 am to 2 pm. Enjoy local art while sipping on local coffee. Local vegan coffee bar, Ecuamex, will be popping up for the day at Stay Gallery. See menu: staygallery.org/ecuamex

**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. Pop and soul band Soul 3 Sixty performs live. Food will be 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.

**Rhythm Nation**, 12 pm & 6 pm. Onstage Dance Center presents its 2022 recital, "Rhythm Nation." Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

**Stay Gallery: Family Paint Day**, 4-5:30 pm. July is World Watercolor Month! Explore the basics of watercolor painting in this guided family workshop at Stay

Gallery. Materials included. Purchase tickets: staygallery.org/paintday

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 27**

**Concerts at the Park**, 7 pm. The Downey Symphony closes out Downey's concerts in the park series. Food will be 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 29**

**"Dance is our Passion"**, 6 pm. Art Dance Academy of South Gate presents its live ballet and dance show. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

**Live Music at the Stardust**, 8 pm. Live performances by Nick Pagan and Rosalie Elena Rodriguez. \$10 presale, \$20 at the door. Dress code is sharp (collars, slacks and dress shoes). Stardust, 7643 Firestone Ave.

**SATURDAY, JULY 30**

**DFCU Local Business Festival**, 10 am to 2 pm. Join Downey Federal Credit Union for a day of shopping and supporting its members and local businesses. Downey Federal Credit Union, 8237 3rd St.

**Zinemaking 101**, 11 am to 12:30 pm. July is International Zine Month! Learn the history and basics of self publishing your own 8-fold zine with local artist, Ellie Cota. Taught in a hybrid setting (in-person + virtual). Free with online registration. Learn more & register: staygallery.org/zinemaking101

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 2**

**National Night Out**, 5:30 pm. Learn about crime prevention and local resources. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire 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**

**Backpack Giveaway**, 2 pm. Students and their families are invited to receive a free backpack and school supplies, courtesy of Gangs Out of Downey. Golden Park, 8840 Golden St.

**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.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**

**"The Magic of Folklore"**, 4 pm.



Downey Pride returns this year with two public events. The first event, the Downey Sunset Festival, is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 12, from 5-10 pm in Downtown Downey. The second event, the Downey Family Picnic, is Saturday, Aug. 13, from 12-6 pm at Furman Park.

Pictured above at last year's Downey Pride event (from left): Mayor Blanca Pacheco, LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Councilwoman Claudia Frometa, Councilman Mario Trujillo, and Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez.

Dances of Peru presents "The Magic of Folklore" (A Journey Through Peru and its Folklore).

(562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

**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.

**Downey Pride Sunset Festival**, 5-10 pm. Celebrate Pride in Downey with live entertainment, beer garden, DJ, dancing, vendors, food, and more. Downtown Downey

**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

**Downey Pride Family Picnic**, 12-6 pm. Free tacos, live performances, dance tent, petting zoo, games, free photo booth, art, raffles, resource booths, and more. Furman Park, 10419 Rives Ave.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31**

**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.

**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

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**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 jfitzl@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.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 3**

**Ricky Galvez Memorial Golf Tournament**, 12 pm. A golf tournament fundraiser hosted by Gangs Out of Downey. More details to follow. Rio Hondo Golf Course, 10627 Old River School Rd.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29**

**Downey Dia de los Muertos Festival**, 11 am to 8 pm. Save the date! Downey's annual Dia de los Muertos Festival returns to the Downey Civic Theatre. Stay tuned for details.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4**

**Christmas Parade**, 1 pm. Downey's annual Christmas Parade presented by the Downey Chamber of Commerce, featuring bands, floats, classic cars, dance troupes, and Santa Claus. Downey Avenue

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18**

**An Irish Christmas**, 2:30 pm. Experience the joy of An Irish Christmas as seen on PBS! Enjoy all the holiday carols you know and love plus a spectacular high-energy display of Irish dancing at its very best. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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**In Memory of**

**Anthony Frilot**

September 11, 1955 - July 2, 2022



Anthony Paul Frilot, 66, of Torrance, PA passed away on Saturday, July 2, 2022 at his home. The son of Charles A. and Betty A. (Wainwright) Frilot, he was born September 11, 1955 in South Gate, California. Anthony was of the catholic faith. He attended St. Helen Catholic School until 8th grade and went on to graduate from South Gate High School. After graduation he served in the US Marine Corp during the Vietnam War. He lived in South Gate and Big Bear, California, Wheat Ridge and Colorado Springs, Colorado and Buda, Texas before moving to Pennsylvania and living in Latrobe and Torrance, PA. He had a love for nature and the great outdoors. He also enjoyed fishing, woodworking, hiking and kayaking. Surviving is his wife, Lorie K. Bier, a daughter, Kayla M. Cowan (Nicholas) of Blairsville, PA; a brother, Charles Frilot (Carol) of San Luis Obispo, CA and two sisters, Deborah Roberson (Craig) of La Habra Heights, CA and Carol Fitch of Buda, TX. He was preceded in death by his parents. As per the wishes of Anthony, there will be no visitation or service. Shoemaker Funeral Home, Inc., 49 N. Walnut St., Blairsville, PA entrusted with the arrangements. To view the online obituary, sign the guest book or send condolences, visit www.shoemakerfamilyservices.com.

**In Memory of**

**Dominic Charles Ippolito**

April 21, 1929 - June 8, 2022



Dominic C. Ippolito, a Downey resident for the last sixty years of his life, passed away quietly at PIH Hospital after a short battle with advanced kidney disease on June 8, 2022. He was 93. Dominic and his identical twin George were born in 1929 in Cleveland, Ohio to Mary and Charles Ippolito who had immigrated to the United States from Palermo, Sicily in 1910. The twins were the youngest of seven children and six months after their birth, the stock market crashed, kicking off the Great Depression. Then without warning, their father died of consumption a few months later. To make ends meet, his older siblings began work at a very young age. Doing their part, he and George – who were inseparable growing up – found work at a spaghetti factory when they were 12. They went to high school at Cleveland's East Tech, the same school Jesse Owens attended before winning four gold medals at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin. In 1951, at the age of 21, he and George were drafted by the Army and spent two years in Germany during the Korean War. Once back in Ohio, Dominic found a job as an insurance adjuster, handling liability claims for a downtown Cleveland department store. It was there he met a secretary named Betty. They married in 1956 and gave birth to their first child, Dominic Jr., in 1959. Another boy, Victor, followed a year later. In 1961, Dominic faced the most important decision of his life. Shortly after buying a house in East Cleveland, he was recruited by Carl Warren & Co. who were scouring the country for insurance adjusters to staff their huge, new headquarters in Los Angeles. The thought of moving to California was exciting but it would be hard to leave his family in Cleveland, especially his twin brother George. In the end, they made an offer he couldn't refuse – double his salary plus moving expenses – and it was California here we come! He went first, making the 2,500 trip (most of it on Route 66) in the family car while Betty and the two infants took the train two weeks later. They initially rented a house in La Mirada but soon found their dream home in north Downey which they bought in 1962 for \$30,000. He & Betty would spend the rest of their lives in that house, celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary before she passed in 2017. Career-wise, he excelled at Carl Warren, quickly rising to Claims Manager before leaving in 1972 to open his own business on Lakewood Blvd - Downey Claims Service. Betty ran the office and it was just the two of them until he retired in 1997. When he wasn't working, he was an accomplished musician, playing alto saxophone in as many as four bands at any given time. He capped his music career by playing in the L.A.P.D. Band until he was 80. He possessed a great sense of humor, was an incredible storyteller, and was friendly to - and well-liked by - anyone he met. He is survived by his three sons: Dominic Jr. of Downey; Victor (and his wife Belle) of Little Rock, AR; and Vito (and his wife Deena) of Las Vegas.

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## Abortion rights

Dear Editor:

According to Wikipedia, prior to 1973 and for some 200 years, abortion issues were handled by the state courts. Since abortion rights are not part of the U.S. Constitution, the Supreme Court in 1973 had no authority to place into law Roe v. Wade without an amendment to the Constitution.

U.S. laws originate in Congress, not the Supreme Court. Congress needed to draft an amendment to the Constitution and get three-fourths of the states to ratify the amendment before abortion rights could be part of constitutional law. Therefore, today's Supreme Court justices who are sworn in to uphold the constitutional laws were in their rights to return abortion issues to the states.

With this said, my personal opinion is the courts – state, local, or U.S. – should not have authority over abortions. Pregnancy issues should be decided by the mothers of a baby in the womb, or the mother's parents in case she is a minor. Unwed adult mothers should seek the council of pregnancy centers such as the Living Help in Downey where they will be advised as to which way to go – keeping and raising the baby or placing the baby up for adoption. Many young mothers thinking about abortion, once seeing the sonogram, decide against abortion.

It seems cruel to force a minor to go through nine months of pregnancy if she got pregnant by incest or rape. Ideally, all babies should be born from parents who both have the desire to love and raise the baby. But, of course, this is not an ideal world.

As was in the case of a prohibition law criminalizing drinking alcohol, consuming alcohol was done underground. Strict abortion laws will cause the mothers to seek illegal abortions which could cause harm to her body and actually destroy more lives.

**Martha Morrissy  
Downey**

Dear Editor:

Years ago when I was a kid going to junior high school, I walked past a block-square Catholic orphanage. Years later when I repeated the walk, the orphanage was gone and a big housing tract stood in its place.

There are few, if any, Catholic orphanages in the US, leading me to conclude that Pastor Raymond Decipeda had better raise the ante on his fundraising activities.

I have no qualm with his anti-abortion position, but I don't want unwanted babies going to foster care either, further burdening the taxpayers. The Catholic Church and others who oppose abortion do so at no cost to themselves. Let the Catholic Church and the other churches that share the same view about abortion step up to the plate and guarantee that they will provide not just the financial support that will be needed but also all the other forms of support that come along as a child grows and develops. Let them put their money where their mouths are.

To that end: I think the folks who stand out in front of the abortion facilities with their signs should be donating a good sum of money each time they show up. The money would go into an escrow account to be used for the support of the babies born by women who change their minds. I can't see how the sign shakers would mind that a bit. Money for a cause they obviously believe in.

**Muriel Schuerman  
Downey**

### POET'S CORNER

#### Beauty is a Real Thing, I've Seen It

If only those parakeets would settle  
A little nearer to where I'm sitting, instead of at the tops of far-off  
trees, this morning  
Would be so much more remarkable.  
One could watch the blackbirds, I suppose, peck their ways like  
Oxford dons across  
The flagstone paths and lawns, or the swallows, or the sparrows,  
Or the crows. But those birds are so plain—, so...painfully  
available.  
No, only those parakeets will do and they will not do  
What I want them to. In this, they are like everything else in the  
world.  
Every beautiful thing.

**Jay Hopler, *The Abridged History of Rainfall, McSweeney's Poetry Series, 2016***

*"The speaker measures himself against a ravishing and disinterested natural world that is sometimes a mirror, sometimes an unattainable aspiration," said Publisher's Weekly. "Exuberant, frisky and haunted," said Nobelist Louise Glück. When Hopler died last month, a fellow poet said, "Jay was 100% pure gift." Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.*

## Fighting rhetoric with facts

Dear Editor:

This is in response to yet another piece written by Martha Morrissy, who fails to provide facts to her statements.

Let's start with her blaming the baby formula shortage on President Biden. The Washington Times dated May 12, 2022 clearly explains the cause of the formula shortage and it's quite clear no one person, including the President, is responsible: "The problems began last year as the COVID-19 pandemic led to disruptions in labor, transportation and raw materials – economy-wide issues that didn't spare the formula industry. Inventory was further squeezed by parents stockpiling during COVID-19 lockdowns."

Healthline.com presents the same information: "The issue behind the formula shortage is two-fold. First is the widespread supply chain issue due to the pandemic, which has affected everything from cars to Nutella. To make matters worse, in February, the FDA closed Abbott Nutrition's Michigan factory after Abbott voluntarily recalled brands of its formula. The formula was tied to a bacterial infection that was linked to the deaths of at least two infants."

The article goes on to explain what President Biden did to begin to remedy the situation: "President Joe Biden has invoked the Defense Production Act in an effort to ramp up production of infant formula amid the shortage. The efforts include speeding up the production of infant formula and authorizing flights to bring in a supply from abroad. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced they have come to an agreement with Abbott. Under a proposed consent decree, the company will take corrective actions proposed by the FDA, including having an independent expert review their facility operations and testing requirements. This will allow them to reopen the closed factory soon. In a letter to the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Agriculture, President Biden has instructed both agencies to help the Pentagon to identify formula from abroad that meets the standards of the U.S."

Ms. Morrissy states that Trump is being treated unfairly because his claims of voter fraud are being viewed as an attempt to overturn the election. Yes, he is trying to overturn the 2020 presidential election with falsehoods. PolitiFact.com states "In more than 60 cases, in state after state after state, and then at the Supreme Court, judges, including people considered 'his judges, Trump judges' to use his own words, looked at the allegations that Trump was making and determined they were without any merit..."

His attorney, Rudi Giuliani said "We've got lots of theories, we just don't have the evidence." (Washington Post, June 22, 2022) There are numerous accounts of Trump harassing politicians and private citizens for not following his lies. The 2020 presidential election was a fair vote won by Biden. I'm sure the January 6th Committee would be more than happy to have Trump sworn in and testify under oath and present his recollections leading up to the events of the Insurrection.

As for the price of gasoline, like any commodity, it's supply and demand. During the pandemic people were staying home and driving less, so less fuel was being consumed. Oil companies cut production. Now people are on the move and production hasn't caught up with the demand. Let's not forget California has its own gas tax that increased to 53.9 cents per gallon this month. Also, gas is an international commodity, so once again, no one person can determine what we pay per gallon.

As for Trump being our best president...some people need to take a good hard look at the past and consider the future. Is this really the group of people you want determining the wellbeing of America? Vote for the women and men that will "...support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic..."

The United States is not one political party. Nor is it one man.

**Kay Begich  
Downey**

## Library laptops

Dear Editor:

The world seems to run on Zoom meetings these days, and when two doctors and a potential employer requested them, I figured I needed to find somewhere that had better technology than my house, because my computer does not have a webcam (hey, I bought it before the pandemic!).

I was very disappointed to learn that despite spending over \$4 million in taxpayer money, the Downey Public Library, which has replaced plenty of books with things like 3-D printing labs, does not offer its citizens the ability to conduct a simple Zoom meeting.

It's true, they have dozens of laptops available for rental, but they have also manually disabled the microphones, rendering them useless for a call.

It's also less than ideal that very few library workers are made aware of this, and instead assured me multiple times that I would be able to use Zoom for my interview.

**Rhianan Thomas  
Downey**

## Support librarians

Dear Editor:

As a retired school librarian, I am appalled at the growing right-wing movement to ban and burn books. While this is not the first anti-intellectual, anti-diversity book banning movement in American history, it is the most vicious and vociferous in my career of 30 years.

No one has the right to force one's values on others. Librarians are trained to evaluate books according to high standards of literary merit and to know who in their community would be served by them.

There are procedures in place for those who disagree with a librarian's choices. Running roughshod over these procedures is both thoughtless and anti-democratic.

All fair-minded, thinking people must support their local school and public librarians now, not only when they come under attack at a heated school board meeting.

How do you do this? Make sure you know the name of your librarians. Talk to them when you go to the library. Tell them you want to show support for all they bring to our communities. Ask your local elected officials about their position on censorship. Write a letter of support to your local library board and send a copy to your local paper.

Take action to support democracy and freedom of expression — our First Amendment right.

**Marilyn Elie  
Cortlandt Manor, N.Y.**

## Library bookstore

Dear Editor:

The Board of the Friends of the Downey City Library are extending to you a personal invitation to come to the library and see what the combined funds from the sale of your donated books and magazines have provided for the children.

Recently your contributions helped purchase a kitchen set with stove, refrigerator and sink. The looks and smiles on the faces of the children show how much they enjoy the new items.

We also want to ask anyone that has books and magazines they would like to donate to bring them in and drop by the children's section and see the new items that were purchased.

The library is open Monday to Thursday, 10 am to 6 pm, and Friday and Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm.

**Friends of the Downey City Library**

## Ojos Locos not welcome

Dear Editor:

It was a violent weekend for Downey with a shocking multiple murder scene at a party that was well covered by the media.

While we may not be able to prevent all violence, we can demand our city leaders do their part to keep establishments with a proven track record of murders, prostitution, drug violence, and attacks on security guards out of our city.

I am representing several Downey residents in opposition to the ongoing plans to allow Ojos Locos to set up their bar in our high school's zone. The violent crime that this bar attracts is proven and documented in dozens of news reports that go back over a decade involving stabbings, shootings, double homicides, drug murders, prostitution, and a sexual harassment case in which they paid out \$700,000 to their victims, including a 17-year-old teenager that worked for them. Under the pretense of a family restaurant, they can and do hire 16- and 17-year-old girls as hostesses.

This establishment is being sued for wrongful deaths due to overserving intoxicated patrons resulting in drunk driving deaths. Their alcohol sales are always in the top rankings for bars in Texas. It's all about alcohol sales and no regard to public safety with Ojos Locos.

There is much to be said for correlation with the amount of crime that follows where they set up in regardless of which state, proving it's their bad business model that attracts a violent element. The scariest part is many of the serious incidents that occur at Ojos Locos go unreported to police and the magnitude of crime is even bigger than we know. Several online videos prove this to be true. Just Google Ojos Locos and Murders or Ojos Locos and multiple shootings (and stabbings), that will prove everything stated here.

Are we saying that Downey is crime free? No, but we don't want to make our city the hotspot for the drug and thug element that has a pattern of being drawn to Ojos Locos. Is it wrong for us to think Downey is too good for Ojos Locos? No, we have worked hard to maintain Downey as a family-friendly city with a good image. Murders and violence in Downey are a shocking story, but do we want it to be our city's norm?

We pay high rents and mortgages to live in Downey because we trust that Downey leadership will continue to make Downey stand out as a great city to live in. Why aren't our leaders protecting Downey from this? Why was such a crime magnet of a bar allowed in our city as a restaurant? Who thought it was safe to put it next to our high school? How were they ever allowed to open with a restaurant license when they promote themselves as a bar in every state they open in?

Downey can be progressive and have a safe nightlife atmosphere while keeping our city family-friendly.. Our public safety isn't for sale to slimy developers that have zero ethics. If Ojos Locos does invade Downey, everyone will know who and what they are and when the violence begins, just like George's Bar, we will fight to be rid of them too.

**Jennifer Alvarez  
Downey**

## Reader response

Dear Editor:

The June 23 opinion section of The Downey Patriot featured two letters that commented about me. I would like to reply to those comments:

1. To Nora Guzman: I respect Ms. Guzman's views about abortion. I believe that she should also respect other women's opinions about what to do with their bodies.

It is very easy to make decisions about somebody else's body. But just think of the scenario of a 13 year old girl being the victim of a double crime, rape and incest by her father. Do you think that is fair to have her carry a pregnancy that resulted from such a crime? Perhaps Ms. Guzman would feel different if that happened to somebody in her family and not to a total stranger.

I also want Ms. Guzman to know that me and my seven siblings were procreated as the result of consensual loving relationships of a couple that until my father died were married for 60 years so there was no reason to consider abortion.

2. To Elsa Van Leuven: I am amused at Ms. Van Leuven's reaction to my preposterous solution of stopping the killings by making the country poor. Given her intellectual acumen I would guess that she would take Jonathan Swift's "A Modest Proposal" at face value also.

**Jorge Montero  
Downey**

## Gas profits

Dear Editor:

So yesterday I went to a very expensive and exclusive place: the gas station.

So tell me, why are we Americans still subsidizing the petroleum industry? And yet they post billions of dollars in profit every quarter?

Gee, I wonder where they are getting all of their profits from?

**Larry Arellano  
Norwalk**

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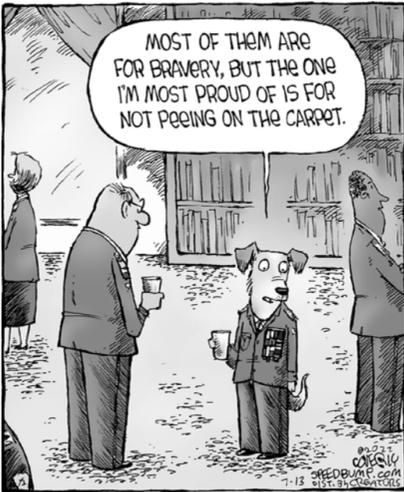
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## Downey Community Calendar

### 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 928-8000.  
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.  
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.  
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.  
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.  
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.  
 2nd Wed., 7 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 484-8415.  
 3rd Wed.: Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.  
 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call 860-8821 or 927-3635.  
 3rd Wed., 6:00 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.  
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.  
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

#### THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.  
 7:30 am.: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.  
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.  
 12 pm: Bingo, at Woman's Club of Downey - Proceeds benefit Rancho.  
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.  
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.  
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 351, at Furman Park, contact 562-500-5093 for more information.  
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #202, 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.

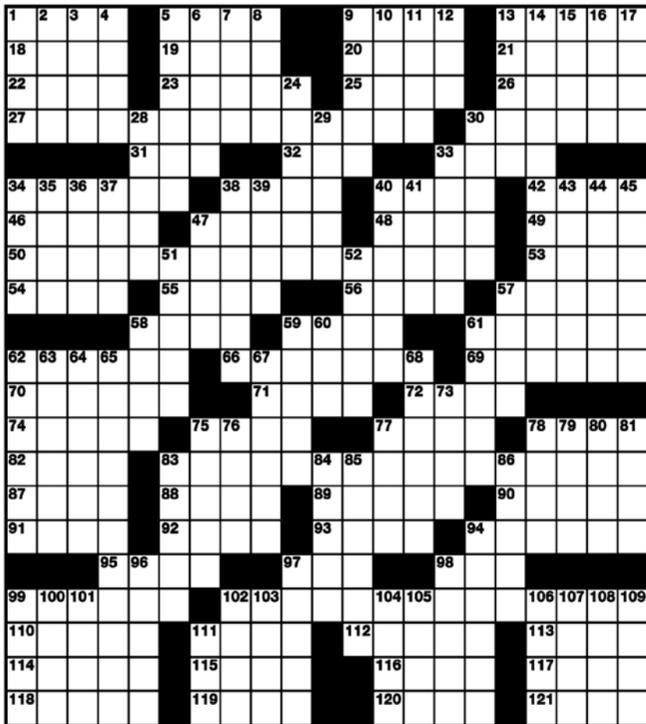
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| <b>ACROSS</b>                                      | <b>DOWN</b>       |
| 1 Brass band biggie                                | 1 Small squabble  |
| 5 Nearly lacking in color                          | 2 Wrinkly fruit   |
| 9 Water north of Cleveland                         | 3 Sow's mate      |
| 13 Later on  | 4 Boats of refuge |
| 18 Composer Stravinsky                             |                   |
| 19 Racetrack shape                                 |                   |
| 20 Overly inquisitive                              |                   |
| 21 Basic semiconductor                             |                   |
| 22 Harsh criticism                                 |                   |
| 23 Make broader                                    |                   |
| 25 Title for Julie Andrews                         |                   |
| 26 Condescend                                      |                   |
| 27 Stamp collector's collectibles                  |                   |
| 30 Rang, as bells                                  |                   |
| 31 Egg farm worker                                 |                   |
| 32 Experienced                                     |                   |
| 33 Melon scrap                                     |                   |
| 34 Spinning neutron star                           |                   |
| 38 Rec center amenity                              |                   |
| 40 Biblical gardener                               |                   |
| 42 Computer image file format                      |                   |
| 46 Option for an omelet                            |                   |
| 47 Square, for instance                            |                   |
| 48 Bering Sea port                                 |                   |
| 49 Golden Fleece ship                              |                   |
| 50 Stat followed by investors                      |                   |
| 53 Affectionate attention                          |                   |
| 54 Sound your horn                                 |                   |
| 55 "Unfortunately, . . ."                          |                   |
| 56 When morning ends                               |                   |
| 57 First noun in "America the Beautiful"           |                   |
| 58 Trivial complaints                              |                   |
| 59 Ants, for aardvarks                             |                   |
| 61 Ritual nap                                      |                   |
| 62 Heavily favored to win                          |                   |
| 66 Overshadow                                      |                   |
| 69 Affirm as true                                  |                   |
| 70 Insertion marks                                 |                   |
| 71 Totally absorbed                                |                   |
| 72 Rural road                                      |                   |
| 74 It used to be "yours"                           |                   |
| 75 Toe trouble                                     |                   |
| 77 Payroll stub acronym                            |                   |
| 78 Actor Idris                                     |                   |
| 82 She, in Naples or Nogales                       |                   |
| 83 National organization's subgroups               |                   |
| 87 Lean a bit                                      |                   |
| 88 That woman's                                    |                   |
| 89 Canadian Arctic natives                         |                   |
| 90 Mottled horses                                  |                   |
| 91 Convenience for RSVPing                         |                   |
| 92 "That clears it up"                             |                   |
| 93 Rainbow flag initialism                         |                   |
| 94 Hamstring, for instance                         |                   |
| 95 Cleanser scent                                  |                   |
| 97 Pub serving                                     |                   |
| 98 Live and breathe                                |                   |
| 99 Fruit juice selection                           |                   |
| 102 Required by statute                            |                   |
| 110 Traditional saying                             |                   |
| 111 Luau performance                               |                   |
| 112 Say something                                  |                   |
| 113 Yemeni port                                    |                   |
| 114 Data transfer device                           |                   |
| 115 ___ Prof.                                      |                   |
| 116 Corral entrance                                |                   |
| 117 Epsilon follower                               |                   |
| 118 Don't take no for an answer                    |                   |
| 119 It used to be "you"                            |                   |
| 120 Ally of the Trojans                            |                   |
| 121 Daybreak direction                             |                   |
| 5 Detergent medium                                 |                   |
| 6 Of birds   |                   |
| 7 Title for an ear's daughter                      |                   |
| 8 AC or DC   |                   |
| 9 Drew to a close                                  |                   |
| 10 Crowd sound                                     |                   |
| 11 Schools of thought                              |                   |
| 12 Visual discernment                              |                   |
| 13 Affix   |                   |
| 14 Military-inspired outerwear                     |                   |
| 15 Work hard                                       |                   |
| 16 Periphery                                       |                   |
| 17 Tear apart                                      |                   |
| 24 Lack of prospects                               |                   |
| 28 Give props to                                   |                   |
| 29 One paid to park                                |                   |
| 30 Armitron alternative                            |                   |
| 33 Low-budget lunch                                |                   |
| 34 Luxurious                                       |                   |
| 35 "For ___ Us a Child is Born" (Messiah movement) |                   |
| 36 "Literary" luminary                             |                   |
| 37 It's over a foot                                |                   |
| 38 Sentence segment                                |                   |
| 39 Sturdy trees                                    |                   |
| 40 Gets to   |                   |
| 41 Bygone bird                                     |                   |
| 43 Give props to                                   |                   |
| 44 Members of the heron family                     |                   |
| 45 Undertakes                                      |                   |
| 47 Popcorn topper                                  |                   |
| 51 Pipes from reservoirs                           |                   |
| 52 Hapless   |                   |
| 57 Construction venue                              |                   |
| 58 Brief jotting                                   |                   |
| 59 Teacher of Aristotle                            |                   |
| 60 Storied sleeper                                 |                   |
| 61 Yemeni capital                                  |                   |
| 62 Some jazz ensembles                             |                   |
| 63 Sunflower relative                              |                   |
| 64 Practice sessions                               |                   |
| 65 Capitol Hill aides                              |                   |
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# Paula Mejia, Cecilia Neuman named women of the year

■ The two Downey residents were among 11 women honored by Assemblymember Cristina Garcia.

**DOWNEY** – Two Downey women – Paula Mejia and Cecilia Neuman – were chosen as Women of the Year by Assemblymember Cristina Garcia.

Garcia selected 11 women in total to honor, representing the 58th Assembly District.

In addition to Mejia and Neuman, other honorees included Judge Laura Walton, Sasha Leonardo of Artesia, Rosa Carrero LVN of Bellflower, Jocelyn Del Real of Bell Gardens, Payal Sawhney of Cerritos, Makayla Rice of Commerce, Lorraine Richards of Montebello, Victoria Johnson of Norwalk, and Maria A. Rios of Pico Rivera.

“It is exciting to honor deserving women, who do extraordinary work in their hometown communities,” said Garcia, chair of the California Legislative Women’s Caucus. “They are our unsung heroes who work tirelessly; expecting nothing in return. They deserve to be recognized for their efforts and service.”

“I encourage everyone to take part in and recognize the achievements of women in your own communities.”

Cecilia Neuman is a first time immigrant and the eldest of six siblings. She came to the United States with a “luggage full of dreams” in search for a better future for her family.

She used that as motivation to earn her GED and finish Cosmetology School—all while working full-time. Despite facing adversity like homelessness, she took up two jobs, became a cosmetology teacher, and a proud owner of The Academy by Studio 18 Beauty Salon.

Through the Ready to Succeed organization, she has been able to provide scholarships to Downey High School students that they can use for advanced education tuition.

Paula Mejia has been a “pillar in the Downey community for over three decades,” according to a biography provided by Garcia’s office. She emigrated from Mexico to the United States at the age of 18 and started taking ESL classes at the Lynwood Community Adult School. Later, she transferred to Norwalk’s Adult School, and attended Cerritos College.

After becoming a U.S. citizen, Mejia began helping others obtain their citizenship. She has participated in marches supporting immigrant rights and the Black Lives Matter movement. In addition, she has volunteered during the elections of local, state, and national campaigns.

Her recent achievements include serving as vice president for the Chico State University Parent Association, treasurer for the CA Democratic Council, president-elect and cofounder of the Kiwanis 605 Club, co-vice president of the Hubert H. Humphrey Democratic Club, member of the Cerritos College Task Force/Ambassador for Area 2, and a board member of the Downey Chamber of Commerce serving as the co-chair the first virtual Downey Christmas parade in 2020, and Volunteer of the Year awards for the Downey Chamber of Commerce (2016) and Downey Sister Cities (2009).

“I want to honor all of my honorees and encourage everyone to do what they can to make our community better every day,” said Garcia.

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# Downey Kiwanis Foundation awards \$112K in college scholarships

■ In total, the Downey Kiwanis Foundation distributed \$112,125 to 37 graduating high school seniors.

**DOWNEY** – Jezabel Perez led a cavalcade of high school intellectual stars on the evening of May 5, as the Downey Kiwanis Foundation awarded over \$112,000 in college scholarships to high school students from Downey and Lakewood in front of a packed house at the Downey Embassy Suites banquet room.

Perez, a Downey High graduate, garnered the Downey Kiwanis Foundation Youth Services Award and the Bennie C. and Ann Reagan Memorial Scholarship for a total of \$16,000.

Two other Downey High grads, Fiorella Garcia and Litzzy Plata, were multiple winners. Garcia won the Downey Kiwanis Foundation Youth Service Award and the Downey Kiwanis Foundation Citizenship Award, while Plata took home the Lehman Family Scholarship and the Don and Carmen Ondrusek Cuevas Vasquez Family Scholarship.

The biggest total prize of the evening was the Everett Family Memorial Scholarship, a \$50,000 grant that was divided between Nina Cooper, Alyssa De La Cerda, Emily Falcon, and Pedro Loza. Vianni Richards and Perez divided the \$30,000 Reagan Scholarship.

In all, over \$112,125 was awarded to 37 awardees from Columbus High, Downey High, Warren High, and Lakewood high schools.

Billed as “Downey Kiwanis’s Finest Hour,” the event personified the mission of the Downey Kiwanis Foundation to improve the lives of youth everywhere, one person and one community at a time.



The banquet, attended by the awardees, their parents, teachers, and administrators, is the signature event of Downey Noon Kiwanis.

“This is to honor the brightest and the best and give each one of them a better chance in college,” remarked Kiwanis President Stephen Chu, himself a former president of the Downey High School Key Club. “We at Downey Noon Kiwanis are very proud of them and wish them the best.”

Scholarship applicants were interviewed by several committees comprised of the members of Downey Noon Kiwanis. Each scholarship has its own criteria. The banquet was a major undertaking. “Each member of Downey Kiwanis worked as a team to pull this together,” explained Downey Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship Chair, Carmen Vasquez Ondrusek, who also chaired the event. “This banquet is the heartbeat of Kiwanis.

I could not have been more proud of our club.”

In addition to the student scholarships, the Downey Kiwanis Foundation awarded three cash awards of \$2,000 each to teachers of the year of the three Downey high schools: Smith Prasirtpun (Columbus), Lonnie Shelton

(Downey), and Frank Menjivar (Warren).

“This is a super way to end the school year,” commented Chu. “We will be back next year as well. Kiwanis cannot wait to help.”

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(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)  
Escrow No. 68403-EK  
(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: MIN CHAI, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 12155 FIRESTONE BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650  
(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is:  
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: KEVIN IN SONG, 12155 FIRESTONE BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650  
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE of that certain business located at: 12155 FIRESTONE BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650  
(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: BURGER BASKET  
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is AUGUST 1, 2022 at the office of: UNITED ESCROW CO, 3440 WILSHIRE BLVD, #600, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010, Escrow No. 68403-EK, Escrow Officer: EUNICE KO  
(8) Claims may be filed with Same as “7” above  
(9) The last day for filing claims is: JULY 29, 2022.  
(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.  
(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.  
Dated: JUNE 28, 2022  
TRANSFEREES: KEVIN IN SONG  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2022127258  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) REAL ESTATE BUTTERFLIES, 7932 SPRINGER STREET, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SOLEDAD GUTIERREZ, 7932 SPRINGER STREET, DOWNEY CA 90242  
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/SOLEDAD GUTIERREZ, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 10, 2022  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2022136058  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) RICH PIZZAS AND GRILL, 214 E 52ND ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90011, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 5092843 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RICH PIZZAS AND GRILL, 214 E 52ND ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90011  
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2022  
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/RICH PIZZAS AND GRILL, PRESIDENT, PRECILLIANO HERNANDEZ PASTOR  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 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,

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2022128883  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SKILLSEE (2) SKILL SEE, 6016 WASHINGTON AVE, WHITTIER CA 90601, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) SKILLSEE SERVICES, INC., CEO, MARK A. COMSTOCK  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 17, 2022  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2022126237  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) CASTANEDA SOCCER GROUP, 8414 DEVENIR AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JONATHAN RENTERIA CASTANEDA, 8414 DEVENIR AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2022133540  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HIGH QUALITY ALLOYS (2) HOA WIRE PRODUCTS, 15060 DESMAN RD., LA MIRADA CA 90638, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HQ INDUSTRIES, INC., 15060 DESMAN RD., LA MIRADA CA 90638  
State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2022  
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/HQ INDUSTRIES, INC., CEO, MARK A. COMSTOCK  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 17, 2022  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2022146577  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THE HOUSE-RE, 10919 LAKEWOOD BLVD SUITE 202, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) YUMI E. HERNANDEZ, 10919 LAKEWOOD BLVD SUITE 202, 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: 06/2022  
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S/YUMI E. HERNANDEZ, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 1, 2022  
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S/ JONATHAN RENTERIA CASTANEDA, OWNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 9, 2022  
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.  
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File Number 2022144285  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MUNCHY FINEB SNAX (2) MF SNAX, 5125 HAROLD WAY APT 305, LOS ANGELES CA 90027, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) NHA THANH QUACH, 372 S MIRALESTE DR UNIT 393, SAN PEDRO CA 90732 (2) LUKAS KOSZEWSKI, 5125 HAROLD WAY 305, LOS ANGELES CA 90027  
State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a General Partnership  
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2022  
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/ LUKAS KOSZEWSKI, GENERAL PARTNER  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 29, 2022  
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than the hourly rate set forth herein or under the authority of this chapter for hours worked within the geographic boundaries of the City.

(b) The Minimum Wage for Healthcare Workers shall be as follows:

(1) On the effective date of this chapter, the Minimum Wage shall be no less than \$25 per hour.

(2) On January 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the Minimum Wage shall increase based on the annual increase in the cost of living, as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) for the Los Angeles metropolitan area (Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA), which is published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The City shall publish a bulletin announcing the adjusted rates, which shall take effect on January 1 of each year.

(c) An Employer may not fund the Minimum Wage increases required by this chapter in any of the following ways:

(1) Reducing Healthcare Workers' premium pay rates or shift differentials;

(2) Reducing vacation, healthcare, or other non-wage benefits of any Healthcare Worker;

(3) Reducing Healthcare Workers' hours of work;

(4) Laying off Healthcare Workers; or

(5) Increasing charges to any Healthcare Worker for parking, work-related materials or equipment.

(d) An Employer is in violation of subsection (c) of this section if the Minimum Wage requirements of this chapter are a motivating factor in the Employer's decision to take any of the actions described in subsection (c) of this section, unless the Employer proves that it would have taken the same action at the time that it did irrespective of the operation of this chapter.

**Section 6983. Retaliation.**

No Employer shall discharge, terminate a contract with, reduce compensation to, or otherwise discriminate against, take adverse action against any Healthcare Worker for opposing any practice proscribed by this chapter, for participating in proceedings related to this chapter, for seeking to enforce rights under this chapter by any lawful means, or for otherwise asserting rights under this chapter. Protections of this section shall apply to any Healthcare Worker who mistakenly, but in good faith, alleges noncompliance with this chapter. Taking any adverse action against a Healthcare Worker within 90 days of the Healthcare Worker's exercise of rights protected under this chapter shall raise a rebuttable presumption of having done so in retaliation for the exercise of such rights.

**Section 6984. Posting and Payroll Records.**

(a) Covered Healthcare Facilities shall post in a conspicuous place a notice of the current Minimum Wage for Healthcare Workers required by this chapter.

(b) Employers of Healthcare Workers shall retain payroll records pertaining to Healthcare Workers for a minimum of four years, and shall allow the City or its designee access to such records, with appropriate notice and during business hours, to monitor compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

**Section 6985. Enforcement and Implementation.**

(a) The City shall have responsibility for enforcement of this chapter, including, at a minimum:

(1) Establishing a process for reporting complaints of violations of this chapter.

(2) Establishing and implementing processes for investigating complaints and other possible violations of this chapter. Employers and Covered Healthcare Facilities shall cooperate fully in any such investigation.

(3) Establishing and implementing an administrative citation process that may include the issuance of correction orders, a hearing and appeal process, and the imposition of administrative fines.

(4) Taking appropriate enforcement action through the administrative citation process, civil actions, or other approaches on behalf of Healthcare Workers, collecting back wages and any other amounts owed to Healthcare Workers, and disbursing them to Healthcare Workers.

(5) Conducting any other education and enforcement activities necessary to ensure compliance with this chapter.

(b) The City is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations and issue determinations and interpretations relating to this chapter that are consistent with its purposes.

(c) The City may seek to enter into an agreement with the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of the County of Los Angeles to allow the County's Wage Enforcement Program to provide wage enforcement and education services necessary for enforcement of this chapter. If the City and County enter into such an agreement, it may include any services necessary to carry out the enforcement and education responsibilities and activities described in subsection (a) of this section or pursuant to rules and regulations relating to this chapter.

(d) A Healthcare Worker, a representative of a Healthcare Worker, the City Attorney, or another Person acting on behalf of the public as provided for under applicable state law may bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction against an Employer violating this chapter. If the City, a Healthcare Worker, or a representative of a Healthcare Worker prevails in the action, the Court shall

impose all remedies available under the law or in equity, including injunctive or other equitable relief, reinstatement, the payment of any wages unlawfully withheld, the payment of penalties in the amount of up to \$120 to each Healthcare Worker for each day that a violation occurred or continued, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. For retaliatory action by the Employer, the Healthcare Worker shall be entitled to reinstatement and a trebling of all wages and penalties owed. Any other Person enforcing this chapter on the public's behalf, upon prevailing, shall be entitled to an award of only equitable, injunctive, and/or restitutionary relief, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

**Section 6986. No Waiver of Rights.**

Any waiver by a Healthcare Worker of any or all of the provisions of this chapter or of rights or protections afforded under the authority of this chapter shall be deemed contrary to public policy and shall be void and unenforceable.

**Section 6987. Coexistence with Other Available Relief.**

The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed as limiting any Healthcare Worker's right to obtain relief through the Healthcare Worker may be entitled to at law or in equity.

**Section 6988. One-Year Court-Granted Waiver.**

This chapter is not intended to cause reduction in employment or work hours for Healthcare Workers. Therefore, a court may grant a one-year waiver from the Minimum Wage requirements of this chapter if an Employer can demonstrate by substantial evidence that compliance with this chapter would raise substantial doubt about the Employer's ability to continue as a going concern under generally accepted accounting standards. The evidence must include documentation of the Employer's financial condition, as well as the condition of any parent or affiliated entity, and evidence of the actual or potential direct financial impact of compliance with this chapter. A one-year waiver granted by a court pursuant to this section does not exempt an Employer from complying with any and all federal, state, or local laws and regulations, including any other applicable federal, state, or local minimum wage requirement.

**Section 6989. Conflicts.**

Nothing in this chapter shall be interpreted or applied so as to create any power or duty in conflict with any federal or state law.

**Section 6990. Severability.**

If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this chapter is found invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect."

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.** Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9215(a), the City Council hereby adopts this initiative Ordinance and it shall go into effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

**SECTION 5. CEQA.** The City Council hereby finds and determines that adoption of this Measure is not a discretionary action of the City Council within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the State CEQA Guidelines and its, therefore, not subject to CEQA review. See, Tuolumne Jobs and Small Business Alliance v. Superior Court, (2014) 59 Cal. 4th 1029.

**SECTION 6. Future Amendment.** Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9217, this Ordinance may not be repealed or amended except by a vote of the People of the City of Downey.

**SECTION 7. Publication.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause publication to occur in a newspaper of general circulation which is published and circulated in the City in a manner permitted under State law.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 12th day of July, 2022.

          
/s/ Blanca Pacheco  
BLANCA PACHECO, Mayor

**ATTEST:**  
          
/s/ Maria Alicia Duarte  
MARIA ALICIA DUARTE, CMC City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss:  
CITY OF DOWNEY)

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Ordinance No. 22-1485 was adopted at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Downey held on the 12th day of July, 2022, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Council Members: La Plante, Trujillo, Alvarez, Mayor Pacheco  
NOES: Council Members: None.  
ABSENT: Council Members: None.  
ABSTAIN: Council Members: Frometa

**I FURTHER CERTIFY** that the full text of the foregoing Ordinance No. 22-1485, was published in the Downey Patriot, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Downey, on July 14, 2022, (after adoption, including the vote thereon). It was also posted in the regular posting places in the City

of Downey on the same dates.

          
/s/ Maria Alicia Duarte  
MARIA ALICIA DUARTE, CMC  
City Clerk

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**NOTICE INVITING BIDS**  
**LYNWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lynwood Unified School District, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as "District", will receive prior to **10:00 a.m. on the 10th day of August, 2022 sealed Bids** for the award of a Contract for the following:

**BID NO. 22JULB-DN;**  
Lynwood High School-Bulldis; Culinary Arts Classroom Alterations; DSA Application #03-121994

Scope of Work Overview Summary: Alteration to existing classroom and new utilities, ventilation in conjunction with new culinary art labs, including the installation of new food service stations and equipment.

The contract time is anticipated to be 269 (two hundred sixty-nine) consecutive calendar days.

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

Prequalification of Bidders: As a condition of bidding for this Project, and in accordance with California Public Contract Code section 20111.5, prospective Bidders are required to submit to the District a completed set of prequalification documents on forms provided by the District.

Bids will not be accepted if a Bidder has not been prequalified. Prequalification documents are available from Susan M. Trevizo, Facilities Representative, Lynwood Unified School District, 11300 Wright Road, Lynwood, CA 90262. Email: smtrevizo@mylUSD.org and cc: Gustavo Gonzalez, Director of Maintenance, Email: ggonzalez@mylUSD.org upon request.

**Prequalification documents** must be submitted by **July 26, 2022 by noon** [not less than five days prior to Bid opening date]. Bidders will be notified by email of their prequalification status within a reasonable period of time after submission of their prequalification documents, but not less than one day prior to the Bid opening date.

The successful Bidder must possess a valid and active State of California Class "B" License at the time of Bid and throughout the duration of this Contract. Subcontractors shall be licensed pursuant to California law for the trades necessary to perform the Work called for in the Bid documents.

All Bidders and their subcontractors must be registered and approved by the State of California Department of Industrial Relations in order to bid on this project.

There will be a **Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Walk on July 22, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.** in front of the Lynwood High School main entrance located at 12124 Bullis Rd., Lynwood CA 90262. Any Bidder bidding on the Project who fails to attend the entire mandatory Pre-Bid site walk will be deemed a non-responsive Bidder and will have its Bid returned unopened.

**The BID and all requirements, instructions and associated documents will be emailed directly to those who attended the Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Walk and will also be available in the LUSD website to download after the Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Walk.**

Inquiries shall be sent in writing by email to: Daniela Navarro, Senior Buyer at [dnavarro@mylUSD.org](mailto:dnavarro@mylUSD.org), or cc: Porfiria Mora, Buyer at [pmora@mylUSD.org](mailto:pmora@mylUSD.org). No telephone or facsimile machines are available to Bidders on the District premises at any time.

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**NOTICES**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22LBCP00229**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner BRENDA RENE PATINO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) BRENDA MARISSA R. PATINO to Proposed name (1) BRENDA MARISSA RODRIGUEZ PATINO  
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: AUGUST 9, 2022, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: 26, Room: N/A**  
**The address of the court is 275 Magnolia Ave Long Beach CA 90802**  
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** JUNE 27, 2022  
MICHAEL P. VICENCIA  
Judge of the Superior Court

Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**BRENDA RENE PATINO**  
**1003 E 70TH WAY**  
**LONG BEACH CA 90805**  
**(562) 602-0920**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NUMBER: 22CMCP00106**  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner LEAH LEANNE MONTEJANO-BARKER filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Present name (1) LEAH LEANNE MONTEJANO-BARKER to Proposed name (1) LEAH LEANNE BARKER  
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: SEPTEMBER 1, 2022, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: A, Room: 904**  
**The address of the court is 200 WEST COMPTON BLVD., COMPTON CA 90220**  
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** JUNE 20, 2022  
JUDGE THOMAS D. LONG  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner  
**LEAH LEANNE MONTEJANO-BARKER**  
**7118 CORTLAND AVE**  
**PARAMOUNT CA 90723**  
**(562) 341-8337**  
**Lb10360@yahoo.com**

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**NOTICE OF COURT ORDERED SALE**

GILBERT A. MORENO AND BIANCA MARIE MORENO v. JOHANNA MORENO, ET AL., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV37359

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on July 26, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 55 of the Los Angeles Superior Court located at 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, a hearing will be held regarding the Motion of Partition Referee Blake Alsbrook to confirm the sale of real property commonly known as 11020 Leland Street, Whittier, California, 90605.

The real property to be sold is situated in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California and is legally described as follows:

Lot 116 of Tract No. 15518, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, as per Map recorded in Book 360, Page 44 to 46 inclusive of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder or Los Angeles County, except therefrom all of the minerals, oil, gas, and other hydrocarbon substances in, upon and under said land waiving the right however, to enter upon the surface of said land for the purpose of exploring, drilling for or excavating said oil, minerals, and gas and for the purpose of extracting the same therefrom, as reserved by Kilan Meyer Wittenberg, et al., in Deed recorded in Book 20885, Page 348, Official Records.

Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 8029-019-015

The proposed sale of the property is for \$565,000.00. This sale will allow for overbidding. The minimum overbid will be \$593,750.00. Any successful overbidder will step into the shoes of the current purchaser, with the sale made on a where is/as is basis, with no warranties or representations, and without any contingencies. In order to overbid, a cashier's or certified check in the amount of \$39,550.00 must be made payable to Partition Referee Blake A. Alsbrook and delivered to the Referee's broker Megan Husri at her office, located at Keller Williams Studio City, 4061 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Studio City, CA 91604 no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 25, 2022. If you wish to overbid you must contact the Referee directly to register for remote appearance at the hearing by LA CourtConnect. No in-person appearances will be allowed. The Referee may be contacted by telephone at 310.281.6349 or by email at [balsbrook@ecjlaw.com](mailto:balsbrook@ecjlaw.com).

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**PROBATE**

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RONALD JOHN BANNON aka RONALD J. BANNON aka RONALD BANNON**  
**Case No. 22APVB00228**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of RONALD JOHN BANNON aka RONALD J. BANNON aka RONALD BANNON  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Van H. Rider in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Van H. Rider be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests the decedent's lost will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. Copies of the lost will and any

codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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 Sept. 1, 2022 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. A-12 located at 42011 4TH ST WEST, LANCASTER CA 93534.

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.

**Attorney for petitioner:**  
**ANDREW M WARD ESQ**  
SBN 221825  
**THOMPSON**  
**VON TUNGEN APC**  
963 W AVENUE J  
LANCASTER CA 93534  
CN988424 BANNON Jul 7,14,21, 2022

**Attorney for petitioner:**  
**ANDREW M WARD ESQ**  
SBN 221825  
**THOMPSON**  
**VON TUNGEN APC**  
963 W AVENUE J  
LANCASTER CA 93534  
CN988424 BANNON Jul 7,14,21, 2022

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PEDRO GIMENEZ ACIN aka PEDRO ACIN**  
**Case No. 22STPB06087**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of PEDRO GIMENEZ ACIN aka PEDRO ACIN  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Norma Acin in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Norma Acin 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 July 27, 2022 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 79 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.

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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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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RICHARD HUNT AKA RICHARD V. HUNT AKA DICK HUNT**  
**Case No. 22STPB06855**  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of RICHARD HUNT AKA RICHARD V. HUNT AKA DICK HUNT  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Van H. Rider in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Van H. Rider be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests the decedent's lost will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. Copies of the lost will and any

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A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: MARGARET AMEY in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARGARET AMEY 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 AUGUST 17, 2022 AT 8:30 A.M. in Dept. 29 Room N/A located at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 111 NORTH HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012, STANLEY MOSK COURTHOUSE.

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# Downey delays decision on subsidizing street vendors

■ Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez proposed waiving permit fees for sidewalk vendors.

By Alex Dominguez  
Staff Writer

**DOWNEY** – Tuesday’s City Council meeting provided some ideas but no answers on how the city plans to encourage street vendors to apply for legal permits.

Unpermitted street vendors have been seen at Downey parks and along its city borders. While street vending was decriminalized in California in 2019, Downey does require vendors to acquire a permit, which cost \$63 annually.

Still, permit applications have remained almost nonexistent. According to the city’s public work’s staff, there has only been one street vending application received and awarded since 2019.

Meanwhile, enforcement has been focused on ceasing illegal activities and education of vendors on the approval process.

Last month, Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez proposed waiving the initial permit fees associated with the sidewalk vending program to aid vendors who may struggle with paying and encourage them to apply.

As council members would find out, there are actually several steps a vendor needs to take in addition to receiving a permit from the city, including obtaining a California seller’s permit, a Los Angeles County health permit, a Downey business license, and a background check, each with their own associated costs.

Councilman Mario Trujillo offered a suggestion of a \$1,000 allocation for 10 vendors (\$100 per vendor) but cast doubt that it would be utilized.

“It’s a very difficult process, as much as California wants to

make it easy, because we’re dealing with food, and we don’t want our residents to get sick,” said Trujillo. “Half of those vendors are probably not going to pass.

“It’s rigorous – as it should be – because the health of our residents is on the line.”

Council members also voiced several other concerns in addition to safety, including aesthetics of the city, and vendors who set up outside established brick and mortar stores and schools.

Alvarez said “We cannot not see what is going on in front of us.”

“I heard that it was difficult to get a permit from the city of Downey; this is where I’m coming from,” said Alvarez. “We need to help because they’re still here. They’re here; they’re not going to go nowhere.”

City staff will return to the city council at a later meeting with more information before an official decision on how to proceed is made.



## Women celebrated at Downey mixer

**DOWNEY** – On Thursday, July 7, nearly 100 women convened as part of the “FLEW Empower Hour,” a networking mixer designed for professional women of all ages who are looking to advance their careers while helping other women advance theirs.

The attendees consisted of women in different professions, with a heavy focus on women in the legal, mental health, and business professions. Most were local but many travelled from neighboring counties.

The event was held at Ola Restobar, where attendees were greeted with a professional photographer. The attendees were encouraged to network during what organizers called the: “Empower Hour,” a segment of the night where women exchanged their business cards and networked with each other.

The goals of the evening were that women attendees would build and expand their networks, that they would seek advice from more experienced women in their respective industry, and that they would provide advice for those women who were starting off in their professions.

The night’s honorees included Judge Rosa M. Fregoso, who was the “Woman of the Hour.” Judge Fregoso previously worked as an attorney in a variety of different roles, including years as a private attorney in Downey. Additionally, the “Breaking Barriers Award” was awarded to Lilianna T. Perez, Cultural Affairs Director for the Los Angeles Chargers and who was recently recognized by the NFL and by People en Español as the 2022 MVP – Women in the NFL Award recipient.

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