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L.A. County prepares to end eviction moratorium

■ A ban on rental evictions put in place in response to the Covid-19 pandemic is scheduled to expire at the end of this year.

By City News Service

LOS ANGELES – A divided Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors directed its staff Tuesday to begin a sweeping outreach campaign to ensure that renters, landlords and the 88 cities in the county are prepared for the rapidly approaching end of an eviction moratorium enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The county's tenant protections are set to expire Dec. 31, and the board on a 3-2 vote Tuesday called for the development of a "coordinated strategy" to ensure all affected people and municipalities are prepared and aware of resources and financial assistance available to them.

"We must be proactive and perform robust outreach and communication to those that are going to be impacted," Supervisor Kathryn Barger, who introduced the motion, told her colleagues. "... This provides a plan to prepare both the tenants ... as well as the landlords."

Supervisors Sheila Kuehl and Hilda Solis opposed the motion, calling such an outreach campaign premature and suggesting the board may consider extending some renter protections.

"I intend to do everything I can to continue to protect them," Kuehl said, suggesting that launching a public outreach campaign now would "cause a lot of confusion."

Board Chair Holly Mitchell countered that the board voted in January to end the renter

protections at the end of the year, and she's yet to see any motions or proposals that would extend them beyond Dec. 31. She said Barger's motion was only designed to ensure that people are aware the protections are set to expire.

"The motion before us today is merely developing a plan to communicate what is going to happen in three months unless we change course," Mitchell said. "This motion ... doesn't for the first time articulate Dec. 31 as the end date. That happened in January. ... This says we have a responsibility to communicate the formal phase-out plan."

Kuehl conceded that the eviction protection for non-payment of rent must end, but said she is interested in possibly extending some other protections, such as ensuring that people can only be evicted for just cause and preventing landlords from imposing dramatic rent increases.

Mitchell responded, "If motions are coming forward to extend the emergency protections, great." But she added, "This motion says we need to communicate the impact of an action we took nine months ago."

The motion specifically calls on county staff to create a strategy "to communicate the formal phase out of the county's emergency tenant protections for both landlords and tenants."

It also calls on the county to reach out to the 88 cities within the county to notify them of the lifting of the protections. According to the motion, the county's eviction ordinance was used as a baseline for renter protections in individual cities, some of which chose to enact even more extensive protections.

Alvarez would address the situation during her comments on Tuesday, accusing the council of "changing the rules," treating her item differently than others, and violating the Brown Act.

"I was not asking to bring back our previous discussion [on rent control]; I wanted to discuss the Bell Gardens ordinance with a future conversation to bring rent control to the agenda," said Alvarez. "What happened instead is that my colleagues and the city manager violated my rights. They did that because they don't want rent control in our city. They don't want to help the hardworking working-class families of Downey."

The City Council voted 4-1 to implement the new policy, with Alvarez in opposition.

Under its policy, the council will now need to review five items – including Alvarez's rent control item – at its next council meeting for potential consideration to future agendas.

Council clarifies agenda rules

■ New procedures require support from at least two council members before an item is placed on a meeting agenda for consideration.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The Downey City Council adopted an official policy on Tuesday regarding how council members may add items to its future meeting agendas.

Council members will now be required to request a potential future agenda item publicly during meetings, and will need to have the backing of at least one other member.

There had previously been no formal policy for a council member requests to be added to an agenda. This caused some confusion at the Aug. 23 meeting, when Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez attempted to agendize a discussion of the City of Bell Gardens rent stabilization ordinance, however was turned away due to lack of support from the rest of the council.

Matters of rent control and stabilization have been brought up several times since around late 2019, however have failed to gain any traction with the Downey City Council.

Catherine Alvarez



City Council votes to give \$30K to Downey Rose Float

■ Pandemic restrictions have hampered fundraising efforts by the Downey Rose Float, which was awarded \$30,000 in taxpayer subsidies Tuesday.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The City of Downey will donate \$30,000 to the Downey Rose Float Association to go towards their 2023 parade float.

The City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to approve the donation, with the money coming from the city's General Fund.

Councilman Mario Trujillo said that he hoped the Rose Float "was part of the fabric of our city going forward."

"This is a float that I hope is around when my grandkids are being raised here in Downey someday," said Trujillo. "I think a way to do that is by funding them, at least partly, so they have that seed money to start because it's so difficult to fundraise."

Downey's yearly float entry is one of only six "self-built," non-commercial floats in the Rose Parade, funded by donations and designed, constructed, and decorated by volunteers.

Depending on float need, the Downey Rose Float Association raises anywhere between \$65,000 to \$100,000 annually, most of which coming from three major fundraisers: a Fourth of July firework stand, a Parade of Winners fundraiser, and the Miss Downey Pageant.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, however, Parade of Winners and the Miss Downey Pageant have not been held in two and a half years, greatly impacting the organization's



Downey's float in the 2015 Rose Parade. Photo courtesy Tournament of Roses.

funding, according to a report presented to the City Council.

The City Council briefly considered making the donation an annual expenditure but those decisions will likely be held for budget talks next year.

Downey Rose Float has also historically applied and been approved for \$8,000 in rental credit through the Downey Civic Theater Financial Assistance Program.

Construction Chair Kelley Roberts said that he's seen "more support from our city in the last 10 years" than over his over 40 years volunteering with Downey Rose Float.

"I'm very proud of the city's decision, the float is happy with the decision," said Roberts. "It's going to move the float forward from here on out."

According to Kelley, the \$30,000 donation could cover the cost of flowers this year.

"It takes a lot of the stress off the association's back to raise money," said Roberts. "Every year, we deplete all the funds we raise by the

end of the year, by the Rose Parade itself, January 1. The very next day, we're already planning the next float; we have to come up with our insurance fees, our entry fees which are over probably \$6,500 soon, just to enter our float in the parade.

"When you spend all your raising money, and then towards the end of the year you're paying out all the bills for flowers, construction material, etc., and then you start the new year, you're like, 'There's nothing in the bank,' or its very little so we've got to find ways to raise the money real quick to get that entry fee. So this is going to help the float move forward and do some things."

Talks of subsidizing the Downey Rose Float began in early August at the suggestion of Councilmembers Claudia M. Frometa and Trujillo, with further discussions taking place at the Aug. 23 meeting.

Though a majority of the City Council seemed to be behind the funding, further information from city staff and an official request from the Rose Float Organization was requested.

Downey sees drop in homeless population

DOWNEY – Results of the 2022 homeless count indicate a drop in Downey and a slowing of growth county wide.

In Downey, 218 homeless individuals were counted, down from 258 in 2020.

In LA County's Fourth District (in which the city of Downey resides), a 5% increase was reported, tallying 4,925 persons experiencing homelessness.

A majority of the Fourth District's homeless were adults age 25 and older (82%). Those of Hispanic / Latino descent made up just over half of the demographic, at 52%. Men (65%) also made up a majority of District Four's homeless. A total of 67 were listed as veterans.

In total, Los Angeles County tallied 69,144 homeless persons, showing a 4% increase from the last count in 2020. The slight increase this year comes in contrast to the previous 2020 count, which reflected a larger 15% increase from 2019.

The county is attributing the progress to efforts to aid the homeless during the Covid-19 pandemic.

LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn responded to the results on Twitter, saying:

"The 2022 Homeless Count may contain signs of progress, but we aren't going to pat ourselves on the back when close to 70,000 people are homeless in LA County."

The count, coordinated by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, was conducted over three nights in February.

Alex Dominguez, staff writer

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 84°

Saturday 81°

Sunday 80°

THINGS TO DO



Beyond the Book Festival
Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm
Downey City Library

Free all ages event featuring local authors, artists, crafters, musicians and other creative explorers. Plus an outdoor playground, obstacle course, workshops, ballet folklorico performances, food trucks, and more.

ON THIS DAY

1821: Central American notables accepted a plan drafted by the Mexican caudillo Agustín de Iturbide that brought independence from Spain to Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua.

1862: During the American Civil War, Confederates under General Stonewall Jackson captured Harpers Ferry, Virginia (now in West Virginia), and took more than 12,500 prisoners, the largest Union surrender in the war.

1916: The tank was used for the first time in combat, by the British during World War I.

1935: The Nürnberg Laws, among the first pieces of racist Nazi legislation that would culminate in the Holocaust, were passed in Germany; designed by Adolf Hitler, they deprived Jews of German citizenship and forbade marriage or sexual relations between Jews and "citizens of German or kindred blood."

1949: The Lone Ranger, originally a radio series, debuted on television, with Clayton Moore as the renegade lawman and Jay Silverheels as Tonto.

1963: Members of the Ku Klux Klan bombed the predominantly African American 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama, killing four girls.

1978: Muhammad Ali won the world heavyweight boxing championship for the third time with his victory over Leon Spinks.

1984: Prince Harry of Wales—the younger son of Charles, prince of Wales, and Diana, princess of Wales—was born in London.

Birthdays

Baseball hall of fame pitcher **Gaylord Perry** (84), film director **Oliver Stone** (76), actor **Tommy Lee Jones** (76), NFL head coach **Pete Carroll** (71), restaurateur and author **Lisa Vanderpump** (62), NFL hall of famer **Dan Marino** (61), actor **Tom Hardy** (45), British royal **Prince Harry** (38), and Disney actress **Chelsea Kane** (34).

Memories from the 1920-30s

■ A family kept meticulous records of their early years in the Downey area. This is the first installment in a multi-part series.

By Bobbi Bruce
Downey Historical Society

DOWNEY – Several weeks ago, Bob Knox came into the Downey History Museum with a copy of his family's history that he wanted to share with us. Being a very good, detailed history of the area around Downey, I am going to share this story with you.

His family history will be in several weeks of the newspaper and will give readers the chance to capture what time was like in early 1920s and 1930s.

My Home Place.

A modest farmhouse, located halfway between Bell and Downey, in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County, California, in the vicinity of Florence Avenue and Perry Road, was where I was born on Oct. 10, 1918. I have lived within two miles of my birthplace all my life. I was named Dorothy Clydena; Dorothy because my mother liked the name and Clydena after my father's sister.

In the early '20s our family moved to a small house on the property owned and farmed by Xelis Gephard, my uncle (husband of Aunt Dena). We lived there until about 1923, when we moved to the

Clara Street home near the Los Angeles River. The 15 acres of land, originally owned by Clara Fay, were purchased by my father and his brother, Clarence, in 1919 to use for farming.

The house we lived in was one which had been washed from its foundation during one of many floods from the local rivers: the Los Angeles and the San Antonio. My father bought it for \$200 and had it moved to the Clara Street property. He and his father, my Grandpa Dimmitt, remodeled it, making it livable. It had three bedrooms, an indoors bathroom, kitchen and a living/dining room.

As long as Dad farmed, we lived in the house "just a stone's throw" from the Los Angeles River. We could stand on the steps of our front porch and see the water flowing as the winter rains filled the river.

Our mailing address for the house changed three times: Originally it was 1551 E. Clara St., then 5501 E. Clara St. When the house was moved in 1938, a half block east, the address was 5629, Bell Post Office.

Mail was delivered by the mailman driving an auto with a sliding seat to provide easy access to mailboxes at the roadside. For many years, our mailman was W.O. "Bud" Fawley who was also superintendent of our Sunday School at Randolph Street Christian Church in Bell.

Our home was one of many scattered throughout the surrounding farm area, much of it

used by Japanese farmers raising vegetables. Most of the farms had some fruit trees near the residence as well as corn, alfalfa, potatoes and sugar beets for crops.

Between our house and the river lived an elderly couple, the Williamses, who ran a goat dairy. They raised asparagus in the sandy soil as well as beautiful dahlias for the flower market. Mother often purchased fresh asparagus from them – all we could eat for 25 or 30 cents.

Neighboring Downey had groves of citrus trees which were protected from the winter freeze by smudge pots. Oil was burned in individual heaters placed throughout the groves of trees. A black soot (smudge) emitted from the heat producers, filling the air. Our nostrils accumulated the soot and it settled on everything. One winter, some of the farmers burned old tires, a more economical fuel, and the smudge was even worse.

Downey, though a small town, was noted for its fine homes, many occupied by doctors and lawyers. It was also known as Cadillac City. Many of the well-off owned and drove Cadillacs.

Clara Street was a dirt road in the country for many of the years we lived there. Mother would trim the hedges and bushes and throw the trimmings on the dry, dirt road, then sprinkle it with water to keep down the dust.

Our farm had a water tank on top of the tankhouse which was located between the house and the barn. It was filled with water from

our well by a wind-powered pump (windmill) to supply domestic water. When the wind blew, we had water. When the wind blew hard for long periods of time, we had to restrain the windmill so the tank wouldn't overflow. Often, in the summer time, due to lack of wind, the water supply diminished.

Inside the tank support and foundation was a space used by my mother as a wash house. She had an electric washing machine and two big wash tubs for rinsing. In the second rinse, she added bluing to whiten the whites. Outside was another wash tub, blackened from the open fire for heating water. When near boiling temperature, water was carried by bucketsful to fill the washing machine.

The open fire was a sore point between Mother and Daddy since he considered it a threat to his barn, usually full of dry hay, a potential for a fire. Mother hung the washed clothes and household linens with springtype clothespins on clotheslines to dry in the sunshine and fresh, country air.

We did not have hot water piped into the house. This meant bath water must be heated outside. Each of us, as we grew big enough, was required to carry into the tub in the bathroom, the limited one bucket of hot water. Before we sat down to eat a meal, the tea kettle was put on the kitchen stove to heat water for washing and rinsing dishes.

The first kitchen stove was a kerosene (coal oil) burning, four-burner with a detached oven which was placed over a burner for baking. Later, we had an electric range and, as progress was made, a natural gas stove.

We had an ice box for keeping food cold. A block of ice was put in the top compartment. As it melted, it dropped into a catch pan underneath which had to be emptied daily. Sometimes we



Heavy rains and flooding devastated Los Angeles communities in 1938. Photo courtesy USC Digital Library

forgot! Ice could be delivered twice a week. We often drove to Bell to the ice house at Gage and Otis avenues to get ice at the price of 25 cents per block.

There was a big barn, possibly with more square footage than the house. Daddy was proud of his barn. The baled hay was stored in it and the farm machinery kept in from the weather. On the north side was the stable where his team of work horses (Ned and Molly) was fed and sheltered. Outside the entry on the east side was a blacksmith forge and anvil, used for repairing farm machinery. It was also used by Freddy, the jolly blacksmith, when he came to shoe the horses and care for their hooves. A space was reserved on the southwest corner of the barn (near the back door of the house) for the family car, first, a Model T

Ford touring car, then a Model A Ford sedan, and so on.

In 1938, heavy rains lasting a month or so caused the river to swell and the force of tons of water broke up and washed out the railroad bridge across the Los Angeles River at Randolph Street and the wooden bridges at Gage Avenue, Florence Avenue and Clara Street. All of the debris piled up against the iron and steel railroad trestle south of Clara Street, creating an eerie mass of twisted metal and wood.

New bridges had to be built - bigger bridges with longer approach ramps. Consequently, there would be a high bank for the ramp, blocking the view from the front of the house. Also, an access road on each side of the ramp would take some of the property.

My parents decided to move the house about a half block east to a more desirable location. The house stood there until 1988, when it was sold following Mother's death. It was eventually demolished by the new owners.

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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Selena Tribute, 10:30 pm. Selena tribute artist Vicky Chavarria performs live. Early arrival recommended. Muevelo, located inside the Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Beyond the Book Festival, 10 am. An annual celebration that highlights artists, makers, crafters, writers, musicians and performers from Downey and the greater Los Angeles region. Featuring baby races, outdoor playground, VR games, ballet folklorico, author discussion panels, food vendors, and more. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

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

Paint Pots, Paint & Sip, 11 am. Paint your own planter pot and sip on locally made, vegan coffee in this guided workshop. Hosted by EcuaMex, Dearly Beloved Creations and Semperviva Succulents. Tickets are \$60 per person, all inclusive. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

Small Business Pop-Up, 4-7 pm. A pop-up event featuring food vendors and small businesses. 9102 Firestone Blvd., unit R (next to Big 5)

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 jfitz@labrimanagement.com. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Ribbon Cutting, 1:30 pm. Join the Downey Chamber of Commerce for a ribbon cutting ceremony at Code 4 Private Security, a veteran-owned business that provides a variety of guard and protection services. 10907 Downey Ave., suite 202

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Ribbon Cutting, 3 pm. Join the Downey Chamber of Commerce at a ribbon cutting ceremony for Honey Greens Cafe, 10407 Lakewood Blvd.

Stauffer Open House, 6-7 pm. Tour the recently-renovated campus, including the school's new locker rooms, gymnasiums, libraries and two-story classroom buildings. Coffee and desserts available while supplies last. Stauffer Middle School, 11985 Old River School Rd.

Political Fundraiser, 6-8 pm. Fundraiser benefiting Blanca Pacheco for state Assembly. Featured speaker is Assembly speaker Anthony Rendon. Ola Restobar, 11040 Downey Ave.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

City Affairs Meeting, 12 pm. Interim city manager Mark Scott is the guest speaker at the Downey Chamber of Commerce's City Affairs meeting. Downey Chamber of Commerce, 11131 Brookshire Ave.

Griffiths Open House, 6-7 pm. Tour the recently-renovated campus, including the school's new locker rooms, gymnasiums, libraries and two-story classroom buildings. Coffee and desserts available while supplies last. Griffiths Middle School, 9633 Tweedy Lane

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

"The Local Group Show IV" Closing Reception, 7 pm. Join Stay Gallery for the closing reception of its fourth

annual installation of The Local Group Show, featuring 52 LA County artists. This will be the final opportunity to view the exhibition in person. Free admission. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

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.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

A Black Light Affair, 7 pm. A one night, pop-up art exhibition by Angel Acordagoitia, featuring a collection of paintings that undergo live transformation through black light with VDR application. Free admission. Stay Gallery, 11140 Downey Ave.

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.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

Havana Nights, 6-9:30 pm. Downey's annual Havana Nights party returns to Downtown Downey with live entertainment, food vendors, a beer and wine garden, and arts and crafts for kids. For more information, call (562) 904-7238. Downtown Downey

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

DUSD State of the Schools. Save the date. After a two-year hiatus, Downey Unified School District plans to host its State of the Schools breakfast. More details to follow.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

Pink Patch Fundraiser, 5-9 pm. Downey police officers will be working as servers in support of the Pink Patch Project, which raises money and awareness for breast cancer research. Any tips the officers receive will be donated to a local cancer research organization. Shirts, a pink version of the Downey Police patch, and keychains will be available for purchase. Lazy Dog Restaurant, 8800 Apollo Way

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

Video Shoot, 3-6 pm. The Downey Historical Society is shooting video for its "Downey Then and Now" series at Bob's Big Boy. Paying customers are needed to fill the restaurant. Classic cars are also needed. Bob's Big Boy, 7447 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "Somewhere in Time," the concert features The Polovtsian Dances by Alexander Borodin; Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini by Sergei Rachmaninoff; Adventures on Earth from E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial by John Williams; Firebird Suite (1919 Version) by Igor Stravinsky; and a piano solo by Man-Ling Bai. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

Rancho Golf Classic, 10 am. The 32nd annual Rancho Golf Classic with proceeds benefiting the programs and services at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center in Downey. Friendly Hills Country Club in Whittier

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.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

Pumpkin Patch, 5-8:30 pm. A free, family-friendly event with games, activities, candy, costume contests, and more. Downey Adult School, 12340 Woodruff Ave.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Rotary Golf Tournament, 11 am. Rotary Club of Downey's annual golf tournament, with proceeds benefiting The Arc Los Angeles & Orange Counties. California Country Club in Whittier

Toys for Tecate, 6 pm. Live comedy from professional comedians. Proceeds will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for children in Tecate, Mexico. For info, call Monica Sanchez at (562) 644-6514. Embassy Suites, 8425 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

"Foster Boy" Film Screening, 6 pm. "Foster Boy" is a true story about children caught in an often failing foster care system. Presented by Father Con. \$10. LOOK Dine-In Cinema, 8200 3rd St.

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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

Tree Lighting Ceremony, 6-8:30 pm. Downey's annual tree lighting ceremony returns with entertainment from local schools, a snow play area, arts & crafts, photos with Santa Claus, and more. The actual tree lighting will occur at approximately 6:30 pm. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

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.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "With a Song in My Heart," the concert features Concerto in G major "alla rustica" for strings, RV 151 by Vivaldi; "Irish Tune from County Derry" and "Molly on the Shore" by Grainger; Serenade for Strings in C Major, Op. 48 by Tchaikovsky; and a clarinet solo by Kelli O'Connor. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

Downey Symphony Concert, 8 pm. Titled "¡Danzón!", the concert features Ritual Fire Dance from El Amor Brujo by De Falla; Marichitlán by Juan Pablo Contreras; Danzón No.2 by Arturo Marquez; "Fanfare for Earth" (world premiere) by Giovanni Santos; Capriccio espagnol, Op. 34 by Rimsky-Korsakov; and a solo by baritone Anthony Moreno. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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Shirley Girardin (5/22/1928 – 7/29/2022, age 94), my wife, succumbed to Alzheimer's in the early morning of Friday, July 29, 2022.

We were married for 18 years. During twelve of those years, Shirley was descending into Alzheimer's disease. My heart was absolutely broken. The woman I loved was slowly dying. It was my honor and privilege to care for my wife. My hope was to keep her at home in her most familiar environment. However, the disease became so severe that we were forced to make the difficult decision to place her in Ivy Cottages, an Alzheimer's care facility.

Carmen Rodriguez, the owner, and her staff provided exceptional care. We are eternally grateful for that loving, nurturing environment.

For both of us, this was our second helping of happiness. We had each suffered the great loss of our respective spouses. We actually lived about a mile from each other, and our daughters introduced us. We dated for a few years and were later married. Oh, how we enjoyed our life together! We traveled around the world together, and even traveled with our dear friends! We visited so many amazing places, such as France, China and we hoped to visit Greece! We made it a habit, most summers, to drive about 7000 miles or so all around the United States visiting cherished family and friends. We filled our days together with life, laughter and love!

I will always cherish and honor my wife, Shirley Girardin, by the way I will continue to live my life. I will continue to live with integrity and honesty, care for all those around me, and find ways to fill my days with life, laughter, and love! Shirley would have wanted it that way.

An exclusive private Time of Remembrance has been arranged. We are looking forward to reminiscing as we share memories and photographs of our lives together.

Rest In Peace, my dear Shirley! I will always love you!

Your loving husband,
JB Gibson, age 93
and the entire Gibson family

Goodbye my friend, Joyce Sherwin

■ They don't make them anymore like Joyce Sherwin, who lived a life of wonder and imagination.

By Lorine Parks
Society Editor

DOWNEY – Joyce Sherwin lived in Downey for well over 50 years, and normally could be seen with her feet on the ground. But just three months ago, in June, Joyce went parasailing, for the eighth time in her life.

She had sailed in Maui and Tahiti, and this time, for her birthday, she invited her children and grandchildren to come along. She soared over the Long Beach skyline, and then touched down safe and dry in the boat.

"It is quiet," said Joyce, "the eyes love the spaciousness of the sea viewed so close, and it is so joyous."

Last week, Joyce sailed into that quiet space again, and this time she did not come back down. Joyce Sherwin was 94.

Several years ago Joyce won the bid for the conductor's baton, and conducted the Downey Symphony Orchestra in Seventy-six Trombones, the march from The Music Man, written by land-locked Mason City, Iowa native

Meredith Wilson. That's Joyce's hometown too.

And now we have lost Mason City's finest and fairest.

Others will be writing about the many facets of Joyce's long full life, but I knew her as an advocate of the arts.

"Her energy and radiant smile lit up the Downey Theatre lobbies at every concert," said Sharon Lavery, Music Director for the Downey Symphonic Society. "She worked meticulously behind the scenes in making sure the Downey Symphony was an unforgettable musical experience for all."

"What's your job tonight?" I once asked DSS Board member Cindy Kovach, who was stationed at the door to the banquet room at the 60th Anniversary Celebration for the Downey Symphonic Society.

"I'm on Joyce' team," said Cindy, "and Joyce told me to get here early and hand out programs. We spent weeks planning this day, and I do whatever Joyce says."

The idea for that 60th anniversary celebration was Joyce's, and she also spearheaded a dinner party for 60 that was held on the huge stage of the Downey Theatre.

Joyce enjoyed big events, planning them with meticulous

detail and a minute-by-minute time table. Her committee meetings for the concerts by the Downey Symphony Orchestra, held in her home, were always well attended because Joyce promised a scrumptious dessert for all. Result, events flowed smoothly, and the lobby of the Downey Theatre pulsed with patrons and greeters at the start of each concert, when the Downey Symphony Orchestra performed.

All those receptions after the concert on the Theater's patio were Joyce's projects too, and she would cajole board members into bringing home-baked cookies and donating champagne. The receptions will continue, in her spirit, but the preparations just won't be the same.

And this doesn't begin to cover Joyce as a warm and thoughtful friend...

Joyce was a longtime member and generous supporter of the Board of Directors of the Downey Symphonic Society, and as an active and contributing member of the DSS's support group, the Guild. She also enjoyed supporting the Whittier Bel Canto Choir.

Music was a big part of Joyce's life and she had a beautiful alto singing voice. One year her most prized Christmas present

was tickets to the Los Angeles Philharmonic's sing-along performance of Handel's Messiah, complete with the full libretto so she could join with the Orchestra and voices in the Hallelujah Chorus.

Not only did Joyce love music, she supported all the arts, and the Downey Arts Coalition. For six years she faithfully attended all the evening poetry readings for DAC's Poetry Matters series, at all the venues, from the Rives Mansion to Epic Lounge and the Stay Gallery. She hosted a reading in her garden of my book of poems "Catalina Eddy," and served her famous lemonade punch and cookies.

She was also a long-time supporter of Hidden Valley Music Seminars, an Institute of the Arts in Carmel Valley, California. HVMS recently dedicated 'Jerce Circle' in her honor and there is a plaque on a large rock there inscribed with her name.

One example of Joyce's love for the beautiful and the unusual was an absolutely unique evening she hosted one summer when the egrets came to Downey. The tallest tree on the block was in Joyce's front yard, and she invited a few lucky friends to come at twilight when the egrets came to the tree to roost.

We were provided with lawn chairs and our choice of warm fluffy scarves because the evenings could run cool, and some wooden noisemakers. Joyce through maybe their rasping would sound like another egret to the birds. As dusk came on, they arrived from the river bed. They circled the tree and gradually settled into the branches, tucking their knobby legs into neat small white bundles.

We sat there as the evening deepened, as if nothing in the world were more important than trying to make contact with beauty from another world.

In an open letter to Joyce's friends announcing her mother's passing, her daughter Linden spoke for herself and siblings Pinky and Laird, when she said, "She lived a full, long life that we are grateful for, and we thank each and every one of you for enriching it, in so many ways."



Joyce Sherwin, left, with music director Sharon Lavery

POET'S CORNER

The egrets come to Downey

Like the old Japanese gentlemen who arranged themselves for moon-viewing to celebrate what is bright and beautiful we settled down for an egret-viewing party

Arriving at twilight we composed ourselves wrapped in soft shawls in lawn chairs Our hostess equipped us with toys that cawed when raked and other bird-welcoming devices As the eastern quadrant darkened a flock of egrets flew to her cedar tree the tallest tree in the block

Folding themselves on the arms of the tree the egrets settled down their bony knobs impossibly realigned like elegant bundles of laundry the size of hand towels and handkerchiefs except a few sentinels who stood like lone white candles on the tips of the dark green branches

We nestled on the grass and as the night deepened we whirred our wooden rattles as if nothing were more important than trying to make contact with beauty from another world

Lorine Parks

Only three months ago Joyce Sherwin, the hostess in this true story, celebrated her 94th birthday by parasailing in Long Beach Harbor. Last week, Joyce, an unparalleled free spirit, my friend, and passionate advocate of the arts, especially the Downey Symphonic Society, died. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.

In Memory of



Shirley Girardin

May 22, 1928 - July 29, 2022

On the morning of July 29, 2022, Shirley Girardin passed away peacefully in her sleep. Shirley was born to Mary and Arch Brown in Detroit, Michigan on May 22, 1928. She attended Sexton High School and graduated in the class of 1946. She attended Michigan State University, majoring in Education and graduated in 1950. She also worked as a volunteer Gray Lady at the local hospital in Lansing, Michigan.

While at MSU she was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority and later she continued her Kappa Delta as an alumnae. In 1950, she married the love of her life, Robert Girardin and had 3 children. She was awarded the Order of the Emerald for Kappa Delta in 1999. She was a member and former president of Long Beach and Downey Panhellenic, along with being a member of Downey Assistance League in 1990. She was a Job Daughters advisor for Bethel 173 in South Gate while her daughters Kathy and Debbie were members. Shirley was a founding member of South Gate Azalea Festival from 1965 to 2000, She was Azalea Queen in 1990. In addition, Shirley was a member of the South Gate Chamber of Commerce from 1985 to 1997 and was associated with the Girl Scouts, South Gate Youth Band, and PTA at each of her children's schools as well as a member of the Boy Scouts Mother's Club. On top of all that Robert and Shirley hosted an American Field Service Student from Germany, Bertram Matringa in 1971.

Shirley taught 44 years in elementary school. She taught in Georgia, while Bob was in training. When Robert was stationed in Japan, Shirley taught English as a second language for students. She taught in Michigan for 9 years. They moved to California in 1963, where she taught elementary school for Downey Unified School District for 34 years.

Shirley loved to travel, with her husband and 3 children. They often would camp in the state parks in Michigan. She traveled with Robert to the Caribbean, Hawaii as well as many places in the US. Robert and Shirley traveled with the South Gate Youth Band to Europe the summer of 1972. They took many cruises.

Shirley married JB Gibson in 2003. They traveled to China and France as well as around the country visiting many relatives and friends. They were very active in the Assistance League of Downey. They had many good friends in Palm Springs whom they traveled throughout the US and Europe.

Shirley was diagnosed with Alzheimer's in 2018. She leaves her husband JB, daughters, Kathy (Fred Mayfield) and Debbie, 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Robert in 1985 her son, David in 2015 and her father in 1978 and her mother in 1995. Shirley lived a happy life until her death. She dedicated her whole life to serving others and now she is home with her Father in heaven.

A celebration of Shirley's life will be held on Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 6:30pm at Legacy Church of Downey.



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Montebello Unified School District at (323) 887-7900

Biden, Trump stoke division while complaining about it

By Jacob Sullum

Last week in Philadelphia, President Joe Biden gave “the most vicious, hateful and divisive speech ever delivered by an American president,” so former President Donald Trump proclaimed at a rally in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, on Saturday before proceeding to outdo Biden.

The two speeches — one decrying “MAGA Republicans” who “represent an extremism that threatens the very foundations of our republic,” the other condemning “the radical left lunatics” who are “trying to destroy our country” — mirrored each other in ways neither man would be willing to admit. Both portrayed the other side as not just mistaken but malevolent and warned that its victory this fall would doom everything Americans hold dear.

Biden prefaced his attack on Trump and his followers by drawing a distinction between “MAGA Republicans” and “mainstream Republicans,” whom “I’ve been able to work with.” But even as he averred that “not even the majority of Republicans are MAGA Republicans,” Biden warned that “the Republican Party today is dominated, driven and intimidated by Donald Trump and the MAGA Republicans,” who pose “a threat to this country.”

Trump’s supporters, Biden explained, “do not respect the Constitution,” “do not believe in the rule of law” and “do not recognize the will of the people.” They “promote authoritarian leaders” and “fan the flames of political violence,” which threatens “the very soul of this country.”

MAGA Republicans “refuse to accept the results of a free election,” which makes them “a clear and present danger” to “our democracy.” They “don’t understand what every patriotic American knows: You can’t love your country only when you win.” They “embrace anger,” “thrive on chaos,” and “live not in the light of truth but in the shadow of lies.” They are “committed” to “destroying American democracy” and “determined to take this country backwards.”

Trump complained that Biden was “trying to demonize half of the population” — more than half, actually, since Trump still insists that he won the 2020 presidential election by a wide margin. Referring to the number of votes he received that year, Trump accused Biden of “vilifying 75 million citizens — plus another probably 75 to 150 (million), if we want to be accurate about it — as threats to democracy and as enemies of the state.”

Trump’s rejoinder: I know you are, but what am I? “The enemy of the state is him,” Trump said. “The danger to democracy comes from the radical left, not from the right.”

Although Trump claimed to be dismayed by Biden’s “hatred and anger,” his remarks in Wilkes-Barre were not exactly full of sweetness and light. “Radical Democrats,” he explained, are “sick, sinister and evil people” who are “trying to destroy our country” because they “hate our country.”

Democrats are “against God, guns, oil, law enforcement, voter ID, tax cuts, regulation cuts, the Constitution, and ... our founding fathers,”

Trump said. Their agenda is so repellant that “the way they win is to cheat in elections” — the conviction that led Trump to embrace one wild election fraud claim after another.

Although those sore-loser excuses are at the core of the “extreme MAGA ideology” that Biden perceives, Trump insists the movement is about more than his vanity and lust for power. “The 2020 election was rigged, and now our country is being destroyed by people who got into office through cheating and through fraud,” he said in Wilkes-Barre. “This battle is not about me. This is a struggle for the very fate of our republic.”

Biden agrees, offering his own apocalyptic take on the next election. While he is obviously right that accepting electoral defeat is a crucial part of democracy, he has his own reasons for exaggerating the imminence of the republic’s demise.

Trump and Biden also agree that Americans should be united against division. Voting for Democrats, Biden said in Philadelphia, means choosing “hope and unity and optimism” over “fear, division and darkness.” Democrats “think they can divide us,” Trump said in Wilkes-Barre, “but they can’t.”

Why is the other side always so divisive?

Jacob Sullum is a senior editor at Reason magazine.

It’s time to legalize sex work

By John Stossel

Football players make money with their bodies. Some are injured. But football is legal.

So why is sex work illegal?

My video - available on YouTube - this week focuses on that.

Sex worker “Aella” has made hundreds of thousands of dollars, mostly by “camming,” showing her body to men online and talking intimately with them. Her customers are happy to pay for that.

This offends people.

It’s “exploitation ... under the banner of a career choice!” complains feminist Heather Brunskell-Evans.

Aella laughs at that, saying, “Where was she when I was working at a factory? Lots of people work terrible jobs. (But) a lot of sex workers make more money.”

Aella left home to escape strict parents when she was 17. That’s when she got that factory job.

Eventually, someone suggested she try camming, which Aella says turned out to be much better than factory work. “I could decide what kind of things I wanted to do, what my limits were.”

Also, she made \$200 an hour.

After camming, Aella tried “escort” work. That’s really just another word for prostitution.

“I remember going into my first appointment feeling really nervous. Then it was actually a lovely experience. ... And I left with a bunch of money in my

pocket. I was like, “This was awesome.”

To protect themselves, Aella and her friends have a screening process. When a new man calls, they demand references from previous escorts.

She doesn’t understand why prostitution is illegal, why people like her need to be “protected” from prostitution. On Twitter, Aella labels herself “whorelord.”

“When I was working at the factory, that was a thousand times worse,” she says. “But nobody cared about that.”

Prostitution is legal in parts of Nevada, in Germany, Switzerland, Greece, Netherlands, Hungary, Turkey, Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand.

Legalizing sex work doesn’t solve its problems, but it makes it safer, and easier to regulate.

Of course, some women are forced into prostitution. Some are tricked into coming to America, where traffickers confiscate identity papers, withhold pay, and tell the woman they owe them for bringing them to the U.S.

That’s obviously evil and should be prosecuted. But that would be easier to do if sex work were legal.

“It really would be a lot safer if it were decriminalized,” says Aella. “I’ve been assaulted during sex work. It wasn’t an option in my mind to go get the authorities’ help.”

Also, the vast majority of sex work is voluntary — a business transaction between consenting adults.

You might not realize that most is voluntary because police and media routinely call voluntary sex work slavery.

In 2019, New England Patriots owners Robert Kraft patronized a

massage parlor that offered “happy endings.” Police arrested him as part of what they called a “sex trafficking” sting.

But there was no “trafficking.” Later prosecutors conceded that.

“Ninety-nine percent of the headlines are not true,” says Reason reporter Elizabeth Nolan Brown. “They say ‘we rescued these women,’ but by ‘rescue,’ they put them in jail and give them a criminal record. The victims are the sex workers themselves.”

Today, Aella has mostly retired from sex work. She got funded to work as a data scientist.

She uses her hundreds of thousands of followers on Twitter, Reddit, FetLife and TikTok to run polls that ask provocative questions like, “Do women have systemic privilege due to their gender?”

“I’m really curious about the ways that our moral intuitions don’t line up,” Aella says. “I poke at things that make people feel confused about what they believe.”

Sex work is one of those things.

Polls show a slight majority of Americans think sex work should be decriminalized. Support for legalization has been increasing.

“It should be legal,” says Aella. “Discovering sex work was one of the best things that’s happened to me. I have my own life. I make good money. I have a ton of spare time to do what I want. People are concerned about my ‘exploitation’? That’s wrong.”

John Stossel posts a new video every Tuesday on JohnStossel.com. He is the author of “Give Me a Break: How I Exposed Hucksters, Cheats, and Scam Artists and Became the Scourge of the Liberal Media.”

The government should buy Boy Scout camps

By Tom Condon

The Inflation Reduction Act signed into law last month includes billions of dollars for conservation and forestry. Let me suggest a way to spend some of it: Buy Boy Scout camps. Get them while supplies last.

The Boy Scouts of America organization is, as the cops say, jammed up. The BSA is in federal bankruptcy court in Delaware, where this past week it gained approval for a \$2.46 billion plan to settle more than 82,000 claims of child sexual abuse spanning decades.

The BSA’s approximately 250 local councils will be on the hook for more than \$500 million in cash or land, which is why many of them have sold, or announced they are selling, their camps.

Many of these camps are almost pristine, ecologically valuable parcels, with waterfront and forested land. While local governments and nonprofits are trying to save some of the camps, others are being sold and converted to other uses, including a gated community, a water park, a gravel mine and an off-road driving facility.

The federal government needs to step in. This is the moment when these lands will be saved or lost.

BSA campgrounds were being sold even before the sexual-abuse scandal sent the organization into Chapter 11. The BSA has been losing membership for decades, from more than 4 million in the 1970s to less than 800,000 today.

The decline has left the Boy Scouts with more properties than they need. My own Boy Scout camp, Camp Wakenah, on an exquisite 32-acre lakefront site in rural Connecticut, was sold two decades ago and is now a multimillion-dollar residence that offers, among other amenities, an elevator to the wine cellar. Some might view that as an upgrade from a dirt path to the outhouse, I do not.

The BSA bankruptcy and looming settlement only hastened the pace of camp divestment. In July, New York magazine called it “The Great Boy Scouts Land Sell-Off.”

Evidence in the bankruptcy case indicated that local councils own as many as 2,000 camps worth \$8 billion to \$10 billion, an attorney representing 12,000 claimants told the Associated Press in June. The councils control 35,000 acres in New York State alone, a larger footprint than that of Disney World in Florida, New York magazine noted.

Keeping Scout properties as open space can be a challenge. Consider the Deer Lake Scout Reservation, in Killingworth, Conn., not far from my old camp. A year ago, the BSA’s Connecticut Yankee Council announced it was selling the wooded, 255-acre site.

The Trust for Public Land, a nonprofit that has preserved thousands of acres in the state, appraised the property and bid \$2.4 million. A real estate developer nearly doubled that amount, offering \$4.6 million.

But then, this summer, a nonprofit called Pathfinders, which for years had been running summer camping programs at Deer Lake under a lease arrangement with the Boy Scouts, stretched itself to the limit and came up with \$4.75 million in contributions and loans to top the developer’s bid. The closing is scheduled for Thursday.

The nonprofit plans to maintain its camping program and keep the property, popular with hikers and birders, as open space.

Deer Lake is the kind of property that should be kept undeveloped. It’s heavily forested, with a mile-long lake and exotic rock formations. It is part of a broader greenway that includes a 17,000-acre state forest.

Small fragments of forests — topographical measles — aren’t of much environmental help, but large deep forests are. The benefits from deep woods include helping to clean air and water, store carbon in plants and soil, foster biodiversity and protect communities from flooding.

The Agriculture Department reports that the United States loses approximately 6,000 acres of open space — including “forests, grasslands, and other natural areas” — every day. Deer Lake nearly fell into that category.

It shouldn’t take a nonprofit’s last-minute rescue to save Boy Scout campgrounds from development when they come onto the market. There is plenty of precedent for government involvement in land preservation.

When Deer Lake appeared on the verge of being sold to a developer, Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.) began looking into the use of money from the National Park Service’s Land and Water Conservation Fund to aid with the purchase of Deer Lake and other BSA properties on the market nationwide. That might be a useful strategy, but the Inflation Reduction Act’s funding for conservation and efforts to combat climate change seems especially suitable for this purpose.

No matter how it’s accomplished, many of these Boy Scouts properties should be saved, for ecological, recreational and aesthetic reasons — and,

who knows, maybe one day they’ll be needed to serve as campgrounds again. Once they’re gone, it’s pretty much an elevator to the wine cellar.

Tom Condon, a former Hartford Courant columnist and editorial writer, writes online about Connecticut urban and regional affairs for the CT Mirror.

Praise for Biden

Dear Editor:

Once again I find myself completely baffled by comments made regarding our current President and his administration. It seems as if Donald Trump is being hailed as the everlasting cure all for everything that’s wrong with America.

Yes, America has difficulties. What nation doesn’t? What makes success is how these problems are approached, and the cooperation that occurs to reach a solution. The quote by John Lydgate made famous by President Lincoln, “You can please some of the people all of the time, you can please all of the people some of the time, but you can’t please all of the people all of the time” certainly describes any administration’s attempt at governing.

Recent opinions submitted have listed successes of Trump and apparent failures of Joe Biden. Now it’s time to do the opposite. I’m not going to go on and on about what a terrible leader Trump was but I would like to list accomplishments of President Biden.

The American Rescue Plan that helped us deal with the COVID pandemic, the bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, the Inflation Reduction Act, the appointment of federal judges — 80% are women and 53% are people of color, a strong commitment to deal with climate change by rejoining the Paris Climate Accord and promoting measures for clean air and water, Safer Communities Act passed with bipartisan support to prevent gun violence, reinstatement of the Violence Against Women Act, CHIPS & Science Act to manufacture semiconductors in the US, and finally showing the world that America is a nation that can stand by its principles.

Paul Krugman, an opinion columnist for the New York Times, said it best, “I don’t want to claim...that Biden is doing an awesome job, a perfect job, the best job anyone has ever seen. What has he done...is deal, reasonably effectively, with the real problems America is facing”.

Keep in mind if Democrats and Republicans (bipartisan) ever decide to represent all Americans with equality and justice, a whole lot more can be accomplished to improve everything about America.

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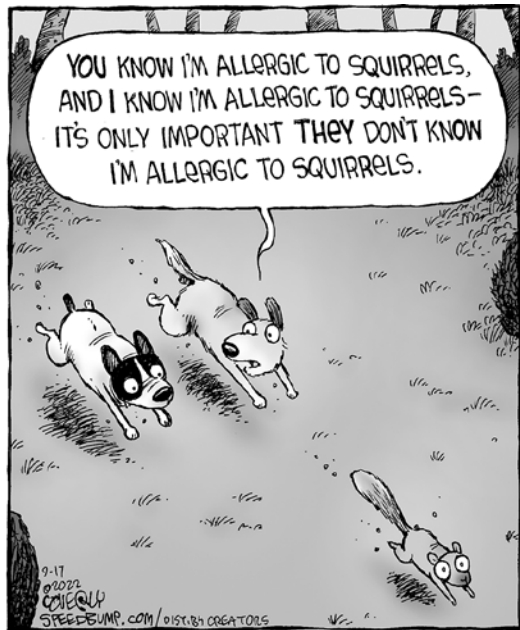
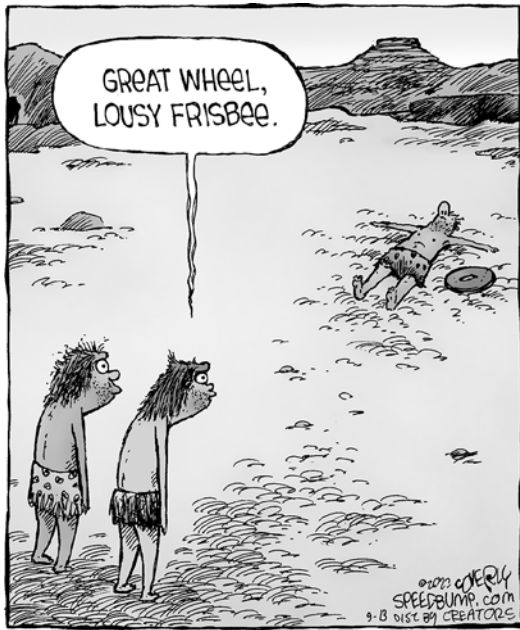
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1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm: Planning Commission, Council Chamber at City Hall.
 1st Tue., 4:00pm.: Recreation and Community Services Commission, Council Chamber, City Hall.
 2nd & 4th Tue., 6:30pm: City Council, Council Chamber.
 3rd Tue., 6:00pm: 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 351, at Furman Park, contact 562-500-5093 for more information.
 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., 11:30 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.
 10:30 am: Ballroom dance class, at Downey Community Center, call 776 7270.
 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., 11:30 am: 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 Barbara 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 Barbara 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.
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.
 1st Thurs., 6 pm, All other Thurs. 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at Frantone's Downey, call Roy Jimenez 283-2335.
 1st Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Amateur Radio Club, EOC room Downey Fire Station #1, 12222 Paramount Blvd.
 2nd Thurs., 12 pm: Creative Purposes, call Bill Wallace 923-2311.
 2nd Thurs., 7:30 pm: Beaming Rebel Foxes Collectors Club, call Carl D. Jones at 923-2400.
 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6:30 pm: Downey Lions Club, at Mimi's, call Lenora (310) 283-9825.
 3rd Thurs., 4 pm: Public Works Committee, at City Hall Training Room.
 4th Thurs., 10 am: Assistance League, at Casa De Parley Johnson, call 869-0232.
 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm: Downey Historical Society programs, at Community Center, call 862-2777.

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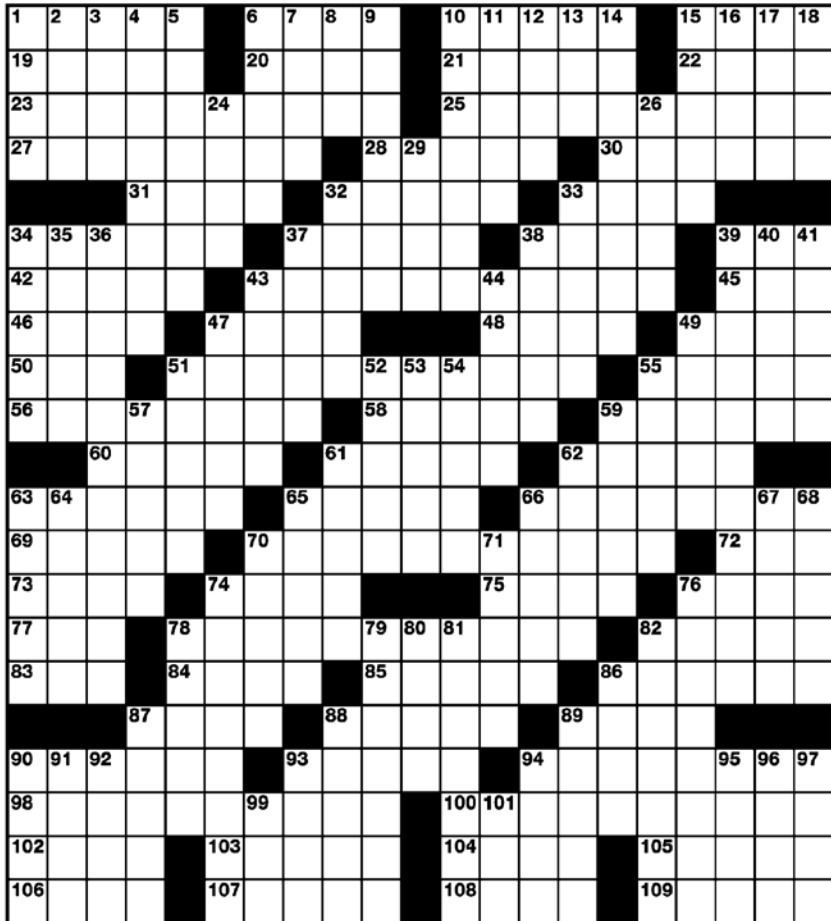
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Warren High water polo in good hands with new coach

■ Celeste Moreira, a Warren Alum, is a proven winner with two CIF titles as a player.

By John M. Sherrard Contributor

DOWNEY – A new era has begun with a familiar face around the pool these days for both the girls and boys water polo teams at Warren High School.

That new face is coach Celeste Moreira and she is no stranger to winning.

After a couple of coaches in the last four years, stability could be right around the corner for the Bears water polo program.

Moreira, a 2013 graduate, is right where she belongs and her smile and pure excitement shows. Additionally, the players all agree that the program is on the upswing.

"I'm very excited to be back and very excited to be with a great group of boys," Moreira said.

She was a member of both back-to-back CIF-Southern Section Championship teams in 2011-'12. The Bears also won the San Gabriel Valley League Championships both years.

Moreira began her coaching career this past week with three games, starting with a blow-out, 21-6, win over visiting Pioneer in the 2022 opener.

The next game (Monday, Sept. 12) was a complete 360 degrees from the opener, as visiting Hoover (Glendale) defeated the Bears, 12-6, for a hard-fought victory.

Tuesday (Sept. 13) was another close game the entire way, as host La Quinta handed the Bears (1-2) their second consecutive loss, 8-5.

Warren 21, Pioneer 6

In the first game against



Warren's Sean "Sonny" Lopez takes a shot in a non-league water polo game against Hoover at Warren High School on Monday. Hoover defeated Warren 12-6. (Photo by Mia Hattery)

Pioneer, Warren was led by sophomore utility Sean "Sonny" Lopez with a game-high five goals. He was followed by junior utility Nathan Labrin and junior utility Gabriel Labrado with four goals each.

Three other players had a pair of goals – sophomore utility Matthew Casalegno, senior utility Christopher Golden and junior utility Carlos Banuelos. Senior utility Tony Batres and Chris Gonzalez added one each.

"It was a nice win to start the season," said Moreira, after their opening-game win over Pioneer.

The Bears took a 3-1 lead after the first period, as Golden, Lopez and Banuelos all scored.

Warren opened the game up in the second period with six goals, as Lopez added three to lead the Bears to a 9-1 halftime lead.

Gonzalez, Banuelos and Labrado added single goals.

Pioneer scored three goals in

Casalegno and Golden.

Leading Hoover with four goals each was Menua Iskandaryan and sophomore utility Davo Harutnnyan. Center Rocco Boyadjian added two goals and David Tarakhchyan and Haik Aghadjanian had one each.

Harutnnyan and Boyadjian scored for Hoover in close to take a 2-0 lead with 3:10 left in the opening period.

Casalegno took a pass from Labrado inside 5-meters with just 10 seconds left in the period to cut the lead in half.

In the second period, Warren goalie Jake Jureidini made the first of many saves at the post from going in the net.

The Bears got even seconds after an exclusion was called on a Hoover player, as Labrin scored the first of his two goals in the period to tie it at 2-2 at the 4:57 mark. That was the first of four ties in the game.

A minute and a half later, Hoover's Harutnnyan scored for a 3-2 lead.

Warren again tied the game, 3-3, with Labrin's second tally of the period on a pass from Golden at 2:01.

The first 6 on 5 advantage for Hoover resulted in a goal by Iskandaryan with 1:28 left in the half.

The offense opened up for both teams in the third period, with five goals by Hoover and three by the Bears.

The first 5-meter penalty shot of the game resulted in a goal for Warren, as Batres evened the game at 4-4 early in the period.

Just 19 seconds later, Golden excited the Warren crowd with a break-away and swam half the

length of the pool with nothing but the Hoover goalie in front of him. Golden pulled up and scored in the right side of the goal for the 5-4 lead. That was the last lead of the game by the Bears.

After a Warren exclusion that resulted in another 6 on 5 for Hoover, Boyadjian tied the game at 5-5. The goal was the Tornados first of three consecutive goals in the game to take an 7-5 lead.

With 23 seconds left in the period, Golden passed into Labrin, who took a soft shot into the left corner of the goal, to trail, 7-6.

"Last week (Pioneer) was a fun game, but we didn't learn much, but this game (Hoover) we had to try and they were pushing us and they were a very strict team," Labrin said. "They punished us when we messed up.

"You couldn't tell, but I was sweating under all of that water."

The fourth period was all Hoover offensively, as they scored five consecutive goals. Jureidini made some nice saves for the Bears in the period.

La Quinta 8, Warren 5

With the score tied 3-3 at the half, La Quinta outscored Warren, 5-2 in the second half for the win.

Warren continues non-league action with two more games next week at Cal High on Tuesday and will host Whittier on Thursday.

The Bears begin a new era in a reorganized league beginning Sept. 27 against rival Downey in the Gateway League, which is one of two leagues in the newly formed Suburban Valley Conference.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00368
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARIA ARACELI RONQUILLO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) MARIA ARACELI RONQUILLO to Proposed name (1) MARIA ARACELI CASELIN THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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Date: **NOVEMBER 4, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00364
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ELISA CAZARES DE FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) ELISA CAZARES DE FLORES to Proposed name (1) ELISA FLORES 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: **NOVEMBER 2, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00369
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JOVANI STEVEN MORENO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JOVANI STEVEN MORENO to Proposed name (1) JOVANI STEVEN VIRGEN THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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Date: **NOVEMBER 7, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00354
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARIA SOCORRO PAREDEZ DE CONTRERAS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) MARIA SOCORRO PAREDEZ DE CONTRERAS to Proposed name (1) SOCORRO M CONTRERAS THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
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Date: **OCTOBER 24, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00346
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SHAREKIA LAKESHA DIXON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) SHAREKIA LAKESHA DIXON to Proposed name (1) HANA KESHA DIXON 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

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Rancho helps college football team prepare for season



Medical staff at Rancho Los Amigos hospital stepped in when the Compton College football team came under a critical deadline.

DOWNEY — Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center staff were recently able to assist the young men of Compton College's football team prepare for their upcoming 2022-23 season.

With healthcare in such high

demand, the team's usual medical office was unable to provide the physicals that are required for approval to play.

The team, challenged with completing their physicals before the start of the season or not playing at all, was in a difficult position and time was running out. That is when Coach Al Dorsey had the idea to reach out to his wife's friends at Rancho.

After a few phone calls,

arrangements were made within a week to have the team come to Rancho. A handful of Rancho's nurses and physicians jumped at the chance to donate their time after hours to provide physicals for more than 20 of the team's players.

"We should always look to give back to the community whenever we can," said Dr. Dennis Wong, who spearheaded the project. "These young men rely on the scholarships football provides them for their education so of course we wanted

to help. This was also a chance to show these young men different opportunities available to them in the healthcare fields."

After the team were shown around campus and given their physicals, they were treated to dinner provided by the medical staff and the Rancho Foundation.

"Many on our team often face food insecurity and playing football is their path through college and to a more stable life," Coach Dorsey said. "These boys are often from underserved communities and need these opportunities to get the education they deserve. We're indebted to Rancho for taking us in so last minute, feeding the team, and for making us feel so welcomed."

Now with the proper paperwork in place, the Compton College football team is ready to take on the upcoming season armed with the knowledge that Rancho has their back. Visit www.comptontartars.com/sports/fball/2022-23/ to schedule to check out the Compton College football team in action.

For more information about the programs and services funded by the Rancho Los Amigos Foundation or to make a donation, visit at www.RanchoFoundation.org.



Warren High School track coach Jay Waldron, right, visited the Rotary Club of Downey last week where he accepted a \$1,000 donation in support of the track team's recent travels to Nashville for a competition. Waldron is pictured with Rotary member Anthony Zamora.

PMA students awarded college board national recognition

DOWNEY — Ten St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy (PMA) students have earned academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Programs.

These National Recognition Programs grant underrepresented students with academic honors that can be included on college and scholarship applications and connect students with universities across the country, helping them meaningfully connect to colleges and stand out during the admissions process.

Colleges and scholarship programs identify students awarded National African American, Hispanic, Indigenous and/or Rural/Small Town Recognition through College Board's Student Search Service.

Charles Aguilar ('23), Christian Gomez ('23), Guadalupe Sanchez ('24), Isabela Salazar ('24), Jonathan Rodriguez ('24), Lucia Orozco ('23), Natalie Olmos ('24), Samantha Soto ('23), and Valeria Rodriguez ('23) have earned the National Hispanic Recognition Award, while the National Indigenous Recognition Award will be presented to Isaiah Grey ('23).

These 10 students will be recognized during PMA's honor roll assembly on Sept. 29.

"PMA is honored and blessed to have such exceptional students," said Principal Zozaya. "I am very proud of our Warriors who have received this recognition from College Board. It's a true testament

of what wonderful things can come from hard work and dedication.

"I hope that these students can continue to recognize their significance and seize their opportunities and that they can inspire others to do the same."

These programs help students from underrepresented backgrounds stand out in the college admissions process. Students who are eligible maintain a GPA of 3.5 or higher and have excelled on the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or earned

a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP Exams; and are African American or Black, Hispanic American or Latinx, Indigenous, and/or attend school in a rural area or small town.

Downey's only Catholic high school, St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy sits on 17 acres and offers a co-educational, college-preparatory curriculum. More information is available on the school's website, piusmatthias.org, or by contacting the high school at (562) 861-2271.

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