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Task force aims to combat fentanyl

Residents hope to bring awareness to the dangers of fentanyl.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – A new community movement is set to take the fight to fentanyl.

Founded by Lissette Rivera, War on Lethal Fentanyl (WOLF) was formed after Downey suffered its own tragedies at the hand of fentanyl.

Rivera says that “some of us felt a need to take action.”

“We’ve been working on this for about five weeks I would say,” said Rivera. “We all came together; each of us has a personal take on it. I myself haven’t dealt with any drugs in my family or myself, but my approach is let’s be proactive, and that’s a sense I get from the group as well, is let’s be proactive instead of reactive; let’s deal with the issue at hand that we’re currently facing.”

The United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) describes fentanyl as a synthetic opioid 50-100 times stronger than morphine. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention says that fentanyl and other synthetic opioids are the most common drugs involved in overdose deaths, causing over 150 a day.

Fentanyl is found in several forms including powder and liquid. In its powder form, it is commonly mixed with other drugs and made into pills that resemble other drugs.

Tasteless, odorless, and extremely addictive, it is almost impossible to tell if drugs have been laced with fentanyl.

WOLF member Andy Chavez lost his son to a fentanyl overdose in April. Andy Dally Chavez graduated from Downey High School in 2020 and was only 19 at the time of his death.

“He was hooked on fentanyl for about six months,” said Chavez. “Then he tried to recover and go to rehab. That lasted one month shy of a year, and during that process he passed away. Fentanyl was involved, he relapsed.”

Chavez said he “was able to see firsthand how this grabs people.”

“It makes people transform from an ordinary child and ordinary person to something beyond even an addict,” said Chavez. “I’ve heard mothers say they don’t recognize their child, and that’s very true. We lost our child to this.”

Chavez added that there “were resources that lack” in communities.

“I think that’s why we are here, and that’s the purpose that I’m here,” said Chavez. “During my struggle with my son, very few resources were available. Unfortunately, the police are limited by law and by policy, and there isn’t a lot of laws and policies in regards to fentanyl. Laws are still changing and they’re evolving, and they’re finally adapting to this new poison that’s out in the street, but they’re not where we have full prevention and full security from law enforcement, or even from district attorneys and prosecutors; it’s not being looked at as it should be as of now.”

WOLF member Sonia Pena said “our kids are not aware of the dangers of [fentanyl].”

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With ridership down, Downey considers eliminating bus service

Fewer people are using the Downey Link, putting its future in jeopardy.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The Downey Link’s days may be numbered, as at least two council members have signaled interest in doing away with the public transportation service.

At the city council meeting last Thursday, Councilman Mario Trujillo said that he would like the council “to consider eliminating the Downey Link” come budget talks next year.

“Every time I see a Downey Link there’s no one in it, except for one time I saw one person,” said Trujillo. “I understand that some cities are providing alternative methods of transportation for those in need, but I think it’s time we consider eliminating the Downey Link.”

Councilmember Donald La Plante agreed, saying there were things the city needed to do other than “continue to run the service that isn’t being used by virtually anyone.”

“That bus serves what I’m told is 60,000 people a year. When you back it out, that’s 250 a day, and I’m told most of those are students going to or from high school,” said La Plante. “I’ve seen buses with two [people], but most of the time I see either zero or one.”

“We’re running buses around town, using up fuel, polluting the air, doing whatever we’re doing



Council members are considering eliminating the Downey Link, citing declining ridership. (Photo by Eric Pierce)

and transporting no one.”

The Downey Link runs four routes Monday through Friday, from 6:30-9 am, and 2-6:30 pm. Riders are charged a 50 cent fare or one Downey Link bus ticket.

Downey Link usage has been on a steady decline over the years, according to information included in the city’s latest budget report.

In fiscal year 2017-18, the Downey Link transported more than 120,500 riders. This year, however, the city’s buses are only

anticipated to see 68,000 riders, less than Downey’s annual goal of 105,000.

La Plante said that the city needed “a different model.”

“Whether that means we need to expand our Dial-a-Ride programs to people other than those that are just over 65, that’s our current rule. Maybe it’s, say, 55. Maybe it’s 50, maybe it’s anybody. But at the amount of money we’re spending on the Downey Link, we could hire Uber to drive those people around.”

The city’s Parks and Recreation Department is budgeted to spend \$3,331,581 in grant funding this fiscal year.

According to Parks and Recreation Director Jason Chacon, those monies are split between Downey Link and Dial-a-Ride, with a majority going to the Downey Link.

Downey agrees to barricades near taco shop

Residents living near Tacos Don Goyo say the restaurant causes disruptions in their neighborhood.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Residents living on Manzanar and MelDar avenues received their first glimmer of relief Thursday from the traffic and business issues that they say have plagued their neighborhood for years.

At their meeting this week, the City Council voted 3-0 (with Mayor Blanca Pacheco and Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Alvarez absent) to place temporary barricades at the entrance of Manzanar Avenue, at its intersection with Telegraph Road, in a trial to test the diversion of commercial traffic away from the impacted residential streets.

According to those residing in the area, drivers have tended to use Manzanar to avoid the intersection at Lakewood Boulevard and Telegraph Road, often speeding down the street and causing safety concerns.

In addition to the traffic, residents say that parking has been impacted by Starbucks, Arthur’s Restaurant and Tacos Don Goyo.

The neighborhood has also suffered from unsavory activity stemming from patrons of the taco shop.

“Some of the issues we’ve been having is people throwing trash on our lawns, people throwing trash in the neighborhood, people parking in front of our driveways, people parking in front of cars,” said Christopher Rowland, who lives on Manzanar. “Before we had all the streets and sidewalks done, [customers] were peeing and pooping in our yards.”

Rowland said that a lot of the activity stretches into the late hours of the night.

“We have cars over there at 1, 2 o’clock in the morning, and people eat outside their cars looking into our houses,” said Rowland. “This has been going on for five years since this guy has been there. We have car alarms going off all night long; during Covid, they would bring their chairs and tables and sit outside their cars to eat. I don’t want that in my neighborhood.”

Rowland said he has also sustained property damage, in the form of slashed tires and his Jeep being keyed. He added that ownership of the taco restaurant “has done nothing to work with us.”

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SEAACA warns of mass euthanizations

More than 50 dogs, cats and rabbits may be put down due to overcrowding at the Downey animal shelter.

By City News Service

DOWNEY – Animal rescue groups are sending out urgent pleas for potential adopters for unwanted animals at the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority, where more than 50 animals are in danger of euthanasia due to overcrowding.

SEAACA was formed in 1975 to serve Downey, Norwalk and Pico Rivera, but has since expanded

to encompass 14 cities that are not served by Los Angeles County Animal Care.

Its shelter at 9777 Seaca St. in Downey is frequently overcrowded with the burden of serving communities with a combined population of approximately 900,000 people.

On Wednesday, the shelter sent a notice to its rescue partners with a long list of animals on its “All Alert Report” who are “in need of a rapid exit strategy from SEAACA’s Care Center.”

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Weekend at a Glance

Friday 71°

Saturday 77°

Sunday 77°

THINGS TO DO



Downey Police 5K
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ON THIS DAY

1800: The U.S. Congress held its first session in Washington, D.C.

1869: After 10 years of construction, the Suez Canal opened in Egypt.

1871: The National Rifle Association was granted a charter by New York state; the NRA’s initial goal was to “promote and encourage rifle shooting on a scientific basis,” and it later became a leading advocate of gun rights.

1962: President John F. Kennedy dedicated Washington Dulles International Airport.

1968: Viewers of the Raiders–Jets football game in the eastern United States were denied the opportunity to watch its exciting finish when NBC broadcast “Heidi” instead, prompting changes to sports broadcasting in the U.S.

1973: During the Watergate scandal, U.S. President Richard Nixon held a press conference in which he declared, “I am not a crook.”

2003: Republican Arnold Schwarzenegger was inaugurated as the governor of California following a recall election that ousted the sitting governor.



2008: The first film adaptation of Stephenie Meyer’s popular Twilight Saga, a vampire-themed series of novels for teenagers, premiered in Los Angeles.

Top Songs on this Date

1992: “How Do You Talk to an Angel” by The Heights
2002: “Work It” by Missy Elliott
2012: “One More Night” by Maroon 5

Birthdays

Film director **Martin Scorsese** (80), actor **Danny DeVito** (78), “Saturday Night Live” creator **Lorne Michaels** (78), TV host **RuPaul** (62), and actress **Rachel McAdams** (44).

Rancho Los Amigos amphitheater to be renamed after disability rights advocate

■ Carlos Benavides became an advocate for Rancho Los Amigos after he was hospitalized there in 2003.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – The amphitheater at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center will soon be renamed in honor of Carlos Benavides, in recognition of his years of service and advocacy for disability rights and the inclusion of individuals of all abilities.

The move was spearheaded by Supervisor Janice Hahn, and approved unanimously by her Board colleagues.

“Carlos has made such an impact at Rancho Los Amigos – whether it is his artwork that is featured across the hospital, the work he does there with patients nearly every day, or his ongoing advocacy for the rights of people with disabilities across the County as long-time President of the Commission on Disabilities,” said Hahn. “We thought long and hard about how we would honor all of Carlos’s contributions and renaming this amphitheater is so fitting – honoring both his work with Rancho patients, and his passion for the arts.”

Benavides said the dedication is “a big honor” and “something I never expected.”

“Having something named after you, it’s like, wow, you know,” said Benavides. “Considering this is something I do just to do, because it’s something that needed to be done. But I never expected something like that.”

Benavides began his advocacy a few years after his own accident and spinal cord injury in 2003. Familiar with the quality of care that campus

provided, he struggled to get his own recovery at Rancho started.

“When I got hurt, I was trying to get into Rancho, and it was hard for me to get here, but I knew this was the best place to be,” said Benavides. “I had to come in, take a whole lot of steps to get into this place... I found out how hard it was, and challenging for me to get in here. I came in through workman’s comp; at the time they didn’t have workman’s comp, so I had to come in through polio.”

“When I came in here for my physical therapy, I couldn’t see a spinal cord doctor because I had polio, and I couldn’t see the polio doctor because I didn’t have polio.”

Ultimately, Benavides says he “was one of the people who paid to come here.”

“That’s how bad I wanted to be here, because I’ve seen what they do, I’ve seen what they do for the patients,” said Benavides. “You know what, I didn’t want the patients to go through the same challenges I had to go through, so I started working with different patients and got into the patient advisory council, and that was my first step here.”

It would not be his last.

Since 2014, Benavides has served as a representative of the 4th Supervisorial District on the Los Angeles County Commission on Disabilities, including as its president for the past five.

At Rancho, Benavides is a member of the Cultural Diversity and Operations Council, LGBTQ+ Committee, Rancho Foundation’s Art of Rancho Program, and of the Patient/Family Advisory Council, where he is currently Co-Chair.

“Anything that I do out there that I try to find, this is the first place I bring it to because this is my home,” said Benavides.

With his achievements soon to be cemented into Rancho’s legacy,



Carlos Benavides is an advocate for Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center. The facility’s amphitheater will be renamed in his honor. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

Benavides expressed gratitude to his family, hospital staff, administration, and to Supervisor Janice Hahn.

“I appreciate [Rancho Los Amigos CEO] Aries [Limbaga], [Rancho Los Amigos Foundation Executive Director] Deb [Arroyo], all the staff here at Rancho, Verence [Zepeda] for always having my back and letting me get away with as much as I possibly could, the Pushrim Foundation, Supervisor Hahn for having confidence in me, and her staff for backing it. It’s a great honor for me.”

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County changes Restorative Care Village treatment providers

■ L.A. County contracts new company to treat patients at Downey transitional facility.

By Eric Pierce
Editor

DOWNEY – Los Angeles County is poised to replace its crisis residential treatment provider

at the Restorative Care Village at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

Opened in 2021, the Restorative Care Village takes in patients discharged from county hospitals. It has 50 beds available for homeless patients and 80 beds for people requiring psychiatric care.

Last November, the county hired Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services to provide treatment services at the Restorative Care Villages at Rancho and Olive View-UCLA Medical Center.

However, Didi Hirsch and the

county’s Department of Mental Health were unable to negotiate contracts due to Didi Hirsch’s request of a cost-based contract that could not be accommodated as treatment services are paid based on provisional rate and settled at cost report reconciliation.

Instead, the county will utilize Bel Air Health Services to provide treatment services. The proposed contract – which requires approval from the Board of Supervisors – is for three years and worth \$3.5 million annually per site.

The contract will be funded

by Medi-Cal and Mental Health Services Act revenue.

“The incredible doctors at Rancho Los Amigos treat patients who have experienced life-changing illnesses and injury and give them hope for their futures,” Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn said last year of the Restorative Care Village.

“But even after they are discharged, patients need time to recover and adapt to their new normal.”

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Shelter animals at risk of being put down

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Those who have not secured a commitment by their mandatory pick-up deadlines are subject to euthanasia, with the various deadlines occurring this weekend and next week.

The list of endangered animals included 27 dogs, 14 cats and 15 rabbits.

The SEACA shelter is open to the public from 1 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday through Saturday for browsing, but also takes adoption holds and appointments by phone. Animals currently at the shelter can be viewed at www.seaca.org/adoptions/view-our-animals. More information can be found at www.seaca.org, or by calling 562-803-3301.

SEACA is running a "Fall in Love" promotion through Nov. 30 offering a \$15 adoption fee for cats and \$30 for dogs who weigh 30 pounds or more.

With most of the attention generally paid to dogs and cats, rabbits are often overlooked, but they are also a sad and persistent presence at shelters.

Lejla Hadzimiratovic, founder and president of Bunny World Foundation, a Los Angeles-based nonprofit that's rescued thousands of unwanted rabbits from shelters and owner surrenders since 2008, was frantically trying to arrange for fosters or adopters for the 16 rabbits, but her group is already stretched thin caring for bunnies they normally rescue from the six shelters in the city of Los Angeles.

BWF was able to pull three of the 15 alerted rabbits from SEACA, and Hadzimiratovic is asking interested parties to adopt directly from SEACA or contact her to foster at info@bunnyworldfoundation.org.

"Bunny World Foundation is deeply saddened at witnessing the dire situation at SEACA and struggling to assist with pulling each and every discarded rabbit on death row," Hadzimiratovic said. "The shelter claims that they do not have space to house so many animals and are reaching out to partners on daily

basis to clear the shelter of dogs, cats, and rabbits. They do not have the resources to find out the gender of rabbits scheduled for euthanasia, let alone to spay/neuter them prior to sending them to partners."

She blames people who breed bunnies and those who fail to spay and neuter their pet rabbits for much of the overpopulation problem.

"When you buy a bunny, no matter where you buy that bunny from, you are supporting the breeders and the bunny mill owners. Please, never ever buy, always adopt; we promise you that whatever bunny you want, there is one waiting for you in a shelter or rescue today," she said. "If you have never adopted a bunny, then you have missed out on the most fantastic feeling, it's that feeling of saving a life. Ask anyone who has done it, and they will tell you the same, that bunny will repay you with a lifetime of love and affection."

Anyone considering adopting a domestic rabbit should do their homework first and know what to expect, for although they're undeniably adorable, rabbits are not low-maintenance pets. They require

a specific diet of hay, pellets and green vegetables, humane indoor housing in a bunny-proofed room, veterinary care when necessary and understanding of their emotional needs, which are different from cats and dogs.

They're not ideal pets for small children, as they respond best to quiet energy and can be easily spooked by the hyperactivity of a child. Most bunnies do not like to be picked up or held, may scratch or bite in an effort to get free, and can be seriously injured or even killed if they're dropped.

Advocates for the animals do want them to be adopted into loving homes, but they stress that adoption is a serious commitment that requires a willingness to learn the ropes.

Retail sales of rabbits, dogs and cats is prohibited in California, but direct sales are still permitted, including online, and illegal street sales occur in urban areas where baby bunnies are sometimes deceptively marketed as adult "dwarfs."

Bunny World Foundation offers a support group with free mentoring for new bunny owners. The group's

Facebook page has a wealth of tips, but here are a few basics:

-- Domestic rabbits should be kept indoors at all times.

-- They should be fed a diet of unlimited timothy hay and a daily portion of leafy greens, plus pellets and alfalfa hay for rabbits under 6 months.

-- They should never be kept in cages, as they need room to hop around and exercise their legs.

-- They need to be thoroughly groomed every two to three months to remove excess fur and have their nails trimmed.

-- They're aggressive chewers, and need to be kept away from electrical cords and anything that can be dangerous if ingested, such as taped or glued boxes.

-- Bunnies who stop eating or appear to be in pain need immediate care from a veterinarian trained in the care of rabbits. Bunnies who stop eating can die within 36 hours. Not every vet has expertise with rabbits, so owners should find the one nearest them that they can rely on in an emergency.

In Memory of

Dennis Kent Rice

May 26, 1969 - November 10, 2022



Dennis Kent Rice, 53, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, November 10, 2022. Dennis was born on May 26, 1969 in Downey, CA to Richard and Maureen Rice. He attended Downey High School. He is survived by his partner Lisa and their son Dennis, his mother Maureen, his brothers, Richard (Sandy), Danny (Tina), his nephews, Sean (Amanda), Bryan. He is preceded in death by his father, Richard Rice and his grandparents, Joe and Leona Gurrola.

In Memory of

Martha Lea Neal



Martha L. Neal was laid to rest at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier, at the age of 88. In May of this year, her, and her husband Harold Neal, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. Her husband was a Pastor and in 1971 he became the Pastor of the Rio Hondo Baptist Church on Paramount Blvd. in Downey, near the High School.

Martha and Harold worked hard in the work of the Ministry, including starting 4 brand new Churches in Illinois, before coming to California. The highlight in Martha's Ministry came this past month as she would lead the music at her own "Celebration of Life" Service, at the First Baptist Church of Santa Fe Springs, following her death. She had prepared for the service ahead of time, and it was quite a thrill to hear her sing "Blessed Assurance," and to know she was there with the Lord, as we sang.

Martha had been quite active with her husband here in Southern California, beginning with the Church in Manhattan Beach in 1965, to the Santa Fe Springs Church in 2000. In 2003, Martha would assist her husband, and they started a weekly Bible Class in their home, which would last for more than 17 years, and then the Virus came. But the Virus was not going to stop it, so the class was moved to Facebook, and continues after 2 1/2 years. You could always hear Martha as she would yell "WE LOVE YOU," at the Facebook folks. And then she was blessed as she got a note from a Facebook listener, a Pastor in India who said "I am Praying for you."

Martha's HUGE personal collection of things will go on sale at the Church on Friday & Saturday after Thanksgiving. The address is 10300 Orr and Day Rd., Santa Fe Springs, CA., and is located just North of the High School.

In Memory of

Donald Dean Wright

February 11, 1930 - November 4, 2022



Donald Dean Wright was placed on this earth in the heart of Iowa on Feb. 11, 1930. The adopted infant of Earl Richard Wright and Velma Goldie (Merriam) was called "Dean" to avoid confusing his name with that of his uncle, Donald Dean Wright, Earl's brother.

Dean spent his youth in Iowa until, at the age of 15, he journeyed with a friend to Wyoming to work on a ranch. There, Dean's job was to carry buckets of water to German prisoners of war who were working the ranch and fields. Upon returning to Iowa, Dean continued to work with his father on the farm, and completed his education, graduating from Churdan High School in 1947.

Dean joined the U.S. Air Force the following year, reaching the rank of Staff Sergeant and serving at Offutt AFB, Omaha, under Gen. Curtis LeMay. While in the Air Force, Dean met Helen Jean Witter on a Greyhound bus, married her in March 1951, and later had a son, Larry. During this time, Dean conducted a successful search for his biological mother, resulting in a joyous reunion with her and with his half-sisters. The warm relationship with his "new family" continued in the succeeding decades for as long as they all lived.

Within a year of receiving his Honorable Discharge in May 1952, Dean and Helen took their young son to rejoin his widowed father who had previously moved to Downey. In 1954, Dean and Helen again became parents with the birth of their daughter, Dana. Dean lived at the same residence for over 70 years.

At age 23, Dean got a job as a claims adjuster for the Auto Club. He worked for AAA for 25 years until he retired to focus on growing his own mail order catalog business. While running his business, Dean mentored numerous children into adulthood. Over the years, he was active in DJAA, AYSO, and Ponytail Softball.

Dean's simple pleasures included watching baseball, football and basketball games, enjoying sweet desserts, and taking an occasional trip to Las Vegas. In his younger years through middle age, he enjoyed freshwater fishing. He was fascinated by, and toyed with, the new technologies of the day, even taking computer and web site classes well into his 80's.

Dean passed from this earth on Nov. 4 after battling several serious and lengthy illnesses, ultimately succumbing to congestive heart failure. He is preceded in death by his wife, Helen, his adoptive and biological parents, and his half-sisters. His survivors include his son and daughter-in-law (Larry and Alicia), and their son (Victor); his daughter and son-in-law (Dana and Daniel); and a step-son and his wife (Greg and Diana). He also leaves behind many mourners. Condolences can be mailed to Larry Wright and Family, PO Box 4999, Downey CA 90241.

Taco restaurant blamed for increase in traffic, littering

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While Thursday's city council action did bring some relief, it came with some blunt honesty from the council and interim City Manager Mark Scott: it likely wouldn't fix all the neighborhood's problems.

"I will say right now very candidly, I'm not sure the phase one part of this test will work, and that's because I think it is very possible that we will still have

people go down from a southern entry into Manzanar, MelDar and still create the same imposition into the neighborhood," said Scott.

"If in fact we find that it doesn't work, phase two of this test would be to close the sidewalk access so that people would not be able to park down below and then walk up into the northern area to get to the commercial areas.

"We're simply trying to

keep commercial activity in the commercial zone and out of the residential zone."

"We know it may not solve everything, but we're going to have to go step by step," added Councilman Donald LaPlante. "Step one is now happening."

Rowland agreed but said that it would "at least cut down on the traffic on Telegraph to Lakewood."

"I have a kid who likes to go

outside and ride his bike...You don't see anybody outside our houses between 4 o'clock and 7 o'clock because people are flying down that road all the time," said Rowland.

He said there was some satisfaction in the city council's decision.

"At least they're doing something," he said.

Downey residents draw attention to fentanyl dangers

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"Hearing about this, I feel that it's very important to bring awareness to our kids," said Pena. "As parents, we might be doing our part, but there might be other parents that aren't, and I'm not going to wait around for the schools to see what so-and-so is doing or how are they bringing awareness. If we can be that change, we need to be proactive; as a mom, I think that is very important."

WOLF is self-funded and self-promoted. It's mission is split into

two parts, the first being education, awareness and prevention, and the second eventually being policy and change.

"This whole movement that we have going on has many moving parts," said Chavez. "If we try to cover it all at once, I think our message is going to be lost. We decided on awareness and prevention as 'Part A,' and eventually we're going to get into 'Part B,' or maybe couple 'Part A' and 'Part B' together.

"As of now, it's awareness and prevention, and spreading that word as much as we can."

WOLF already has the support of Councilmember Claudia M. Frometa, who applauded WOLF's efforts.

"Undoubtedly, our communities are facing a fentanyl epidemic and we must work collaboratively and in partnership to combat this threat to our youth and children through informational and educational forums for parents, children,

and teens," said Frometa. "I have pledged my efforts and involvement from a city standpoint to increase awareness through education and by providing additional resources. Conversations are also happening with our DUSD leaders.

"I look forward to a stronger collaboration with WOLF and our community partners. We are all in this together as our priority is a safe and healthy community."



In Memory of

Doreen Tomczak

November 11, 1927 - November 1, 2022



Mrs. Doreen Tomczak of Downey California, passed away on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at age 94. She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 63 years, Adam Tomczak.

Doreen was born on November 11, 1927 in Holdenhurst Village, England to William Henry and Evelyn Rose Blake, and was the oldest of four children. She met and married her husband Adam in 1944 while he served in the Royal Canadian Air Force during WWII,

and moved with him to Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. In 1955, they moved with their three sons to Downey. A loving homemaker, Doreen had fond memories that included playing piano in Sunday School, keeping score at her sons' baseball games, and volunteering at local Downey schools when her daughters were young. She had been an active member at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Norwalk where she enjoyed singing in the choir and serving on the Bishop's Committee. Doreen was an intelligent person, and some of her talents and interests were sewing, knitting, cooking, reading, and rooting for her favorite L.A. Dodgers. She especially enjoyed dancing all throughout her life.

She will be deeply missed by her two daughters Evelyn Mary Erickson and Sandra Joan (Eric Schmidt) Tomczak, and her grandchildren Griffin Dean, Hannah Doreen, Bridget Rose, and Simon Eric. She was also predeceased by her dearly loved sons John Robert Tomczak, Brent Alexander Tomczak, and Gary Alan Tomczak, and grandson Sammy Robert Tomczak.

The viewing for Doreen will be on Thursday, Nov. 17, 4-8pm at Miller Mies Downey Mortuary, 10229 Paramount Blvd., Downey. The funeral service will be held on Friday, Nov. 18, 9am at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 2700 Paddison Ave., Norwalk, a graveside service will be held 11am at Forest Lawn Memorial Park-Cypress, 4471 Lincoln Ave., Cypress, followed by return to St. Francis Church for lunch and remembrance.

Republicans refuse to vote by mail. They suffer because of it.

By Salena Zito

The first thing Allegheny County Republican Chairman Sam DeMarco saw on election night after the polls closed was the more than 100,000 votes from his home county that dropped for Democrat John Fetterman through mail-in ballots. Although he wasn't sure just yet that that meant the race was lost, he also knew Republicans needed to fix something in the party's way of doing things going forward.

"Those initial large dump of voters were mail-in ballots from Democrats," he said of the advance voting that began in 2020 during the pandemic. Democrats embraced it with gusto, but Republicans shied away.

"The biggest takeaway from Tuesday night is that Republican attitudes in regard to mail-in voting needs to change," he continued. "Right now, it's like we're running a 100-yard race against the Democrats and giving them a 45-yard head start. Both parties have limited resources, but while they work during the 50 days of early voting collecting and banking early votes ... we're just collecting promises to show up on Election Day; it's not sustainable, and Democrats get better at it every cycle."

When all the dust is settled, it will be interesting to see what the percentage of mail-in votes for Democrats was in the final count; anything over 40% is a real problem for Republicans going forward if

they don't right their mail-in ballot ship.

Before the pandemic, Pennsylvania voters needed a valid excuse to cast an absentee ballot. Act 77, which was signed on Oct. 31, 2019, and went into effect on Jan. 1, 2020, added no-excuse mail-in voting up to 50 days before an election.

It also changed how these ballots are canvassed, moving from the individual precincts or polls to a central canvassing facility.

In this state, no one really thought it would be a big deal. Most of the people who used absentee balloting were bedridden or traveling out of state on Election Day. Then the pandemic hit.

Although states such as Arizona and Oregon had been voting by mail forever — and for the most part, they did it quite well — then-President Donald Trump scoffed at it for his voters. While Democrats encouraged their voters to cast their ballots by mail, Trump discouraged it, warning that it was a vessel for voter fraud. That gave Democrats the advantage.

Republicans in Pennsylvania and also across the country are still reeling from Tuesday's disappointing finish. They say that if this is the new normal for voting going forward, then Republicans need to step up and get their voters to do the same — otherwise, they will find themselves on the wrong end of big elections going forward.

Currently, Democrats are miles ahead of Republicans at

targeting specific races and voters. Through mail balloting, they put those voters in the bank early. This year, they executed and focused and performed; that's why they have probably saved their U.S. Senate majority, based on vote counts as of this writing. It's why they were able to limit Republican gains in the House to maybe just a handful, or maybe none at all.

A lot of pollsters missed this, because Democrats had timed a lot of their advertising to hit right when the early voting began — especially their messages on abortion. This paid dividends. They banked their voters and created a mirage for analysts who thought the races were closer than they calculated.

Republicans can complain about the current rules all they want, but what they need to do is wake up and start competing with the Democrats where they are. Otherwise, they're just leaving winnable races on the table.

Florida Republicans certainly have figured it out. In 2018 and 2020, the Democrats went into Election Day with more ballots cast than Republicans in early voting. This year, Florida Republicans flipped that on its head. Republicans in other states should take note.

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Why did we put so much faith in the crypto whiz kid?



Samuel Bankman-Fried, the founder and former CEO of FTX, a cryptocurrency exchange.

By Margaret O'Mara

Disheveled, young and exceedingly brainy, Sam Bankman-Fried perfectly fit the role of a Silicon Valley mogul in the making. Mr. Bankman-Fried, the 30-year-old founder of the cryptocurrency exchange FTX, leaned into the Silicon Valley stereotype and then some, playing video games while pitching investors and wearing a T-shirt and shorts onstage with Bill Clinton and Tony Blair. Blue-chip investors fell for his persona, and Mr. Bankman-Fried profited greatly, with his estimated net worth reaching over \$26 billion at one point.

That net worth is now close to zero. In last week's sudden collapse of FTX — which nine months ago was the star of a Larry David Super Bowl ad — billions evaporated as revelations emerged of questionable transfers between FTX and Alameda Research, Mr. Bankman-Fried's trading company. Law enforcement is now investigating, which could lead to criminal charges.

We've seen this movie before: A casually attired whiz kid emerging from seemingly nowhere is proclaimed both savior and savior, and takes the world by storm. Growing concern about Big Tech's power and intense criticism of onetime wunderkinds like Mark Zuckerberg and Jeff Bezos set the stage perfectly for a figure like Mr. Bankman-Fried. Amid power-hungry moguls and crypto hustlers, here was a white-knight superhero in the perfect costume, championing philanthropy and pledging to make the world a better place — for real, this time.

But even Mr. Bankman-Fried's collapse probably won't kill the whiz-kid archetype. This all-American notion has fueled some spectacular meltdowns but also scored big wins. The willingness of U.S. investors and customers to take bets on the young, untested and brainy has delivered world-transforming innovations and companies — a computer on every desk, a smartphone in every hand.

But the whiz-kid fixation also reflects a less healthy societal tendency to overstate the importance of individual "genius" and gloss over other things critical to any whiz kid's success —

especially connections, timing and luck. It also devalues experience and maturity. We invest so much in the ideal that it excludes those who don't fit the part and places too much faith in those who do.

Silicon Valley's whiz kids owe their mythology to America's very beginnings. Ben Franklin, who conducted electrical experiments in lightning storms in the 1750s, shocked the bewigged and bejeweled French court in the 1770s by arriving in a homespun coat and frontiersman's fur cap. Thomas Jefferson, Virginia planter and perpetually tinkering inventor, padded around the White House wearing the early 1800s version of work-from-home sweatpants.

Their getups deliberately sent a message to their fellow citizens and to European rulers: Americans were democratic, humble and uninterested in dressing to show off their wealth. They were too busy working and inventing to bother.

The Great Inventor himself, Thomas Edison, holder of over 1,000 patents, cannily cultivated an eccentric-genius reputation. At the peak of his fame in the 1870s and 1880s, Edison wore rumpled suits and played pranks using dangerous chemicals on co-workers. Admirers pointed to these quirks as further signs of Edison's brilliance.

And while Edison had detractors, he was never as controversial as the railroad barons, steel kings and financiers whose sharp-elbowed and sometimes fraudulent dealings drove the boom-and-bust Gilded Age economy.

The whiz-kid myth lay largely dormant until the 1970s, when the buttoned-up business type was under siege and once unassailable American brands were being battered by oil shocks, stagflation and foreign competition. Enter Steve Jobs of Apple and Bill Gates of Microsoft: impossibly young, tousle-haired, looking nothing like typical business executives. A venture capitalist who visited Apple's first headquarters — in Mr. Jobs's parents' suburban garage — quipped that the wispy-bearded entrepreneur and his business partner, Steve Wozniak, looked like "renegades from the human race."

Freckled and slight, Mr. Gates looked more like a teenager and could behave that way as well. "At times during an interview he slumped so far in his chair as to be almost prone," a Seattle Times reporter wrote in 1982. Microsoft's co-founder, Paul Allen, was "a large, heavily bearded, mild-mannered man who wore a rumpled corduroy sports jacket." To become a tech millionaire, it seems, you need to avoid using an iron.

Then the dot-com boom took the stereotype into hyperdrive, largely because being a tech whiz kid now meant becoming really, really rich. "The Golden Geeks," exclaimed a headline on the cover of Time magazine in early 1996 featuring Marc Andreessen, the 24-year-old co-founder of Netscape, sitting (barefoot, of course) on a gilded throne.

The dot-com bust tanked companies and investment portfolios. Instead of dispensing with the whiz-kid model, however, Silicon Valley doubled down. Venture capitalists lost money when the bubble burst, but they were still far wealthier than before the boom, and they knew that the internet age was only getting started.

Out of another garage came Sergey Brin and Larry Page of Google, who took that brand of iconoclasm and scaled it up to an entire enterprise. Six years later, in 2004, out of a Harvard dorm room, came Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook — similarly single-

minded and geeky, readily posing barefoot, making the hoodie into a shorthand signal for business genius.

As the tech world and its group of golden geeks got larger, wealthier and ever more dominant, one thing stayed the same. The whiz kids were, almost exclusively, male, white and young. Women could never get away with being such slobs.

They could, however, dress the part in other ways. Less than a decade ago, the Therasanos C.E.O. Elizabeth Holmes seized the public's imagination by wearing Steve Jobs-style black turtlenecks and professing a single-minded devotion to changing the world. She had a seemingly monastic routine, an awkward affect and an unvarying wardrobe — like Mr. Zuckerberg, she explained that she wore the same thing every day to avoid having to make one more decision. All these things had become so strongly associated with successful tech founders that they served as proxies for her credibility.

Revelations that Therasanos's vaunted blood-testing technology didn't work led to Ms. Holmes being tried and convicted of criminal fraud. Last week, she was denied a retrial and will soon be sentenced. The downfall of "the female Steve Jobs" may have made it even more difficult for women and other underrepresented entrepreneurs to obtain funding.

We are waiting to learn whether Mr. Bankman-Fried's actions crossed the line from questionable to fraudulent. But the fact that the rocketing rise and sudden tumble of him and Ms. Holmes — magnetic, charismatic and remarkably good at getting rich people to give them money — occurred so close together should serve as a warning.

It is not surprising that a nation born from the overthrow of hereditary wealth has long celebrated self-made inventors who forge an independent path. But the startling fall of Sam Bankman-Fried is a good moment to reflect on the perils of placing so much money, faith and power in the hands of a few golden geeks.

Margaret O'Mara is a history professor at the University of Washington and the author of "The Code: Silicon Valley and the Remaking of America."

Larry Elder twists the facts

Dear Editor:

Once again, we have been treated to an editorial in the Downey Patriot about the supposed wisdom of Larry Elder. As usual, his piece is a master class of deception which includes selected bits of fact, twisted interpretations, and shadowy "what-about-ism," ending with the remarkable conclusion that the concern over the attack on Nancy Pelosi's husband is "yet another classic case of left-wing hypocrisy."

Elder tries to make the claim that there was no connection between the attack on the husband of the current Speaker of the House and hateful political rhetoric. In Mr. Elder's mind, the attack was another random attack from a crazy man. The facts of the case are entirely different. The attacker left a long trail on social media outlining his right-wing MAGA beliefs. He described to the police his plan to try to capture Nancy Pelosi and torture her, eerily echoing the chants of "where's Nancy" and "hang Pence" that rang through the halls of congress on Jan. 6. And it is one of a series of attacks, starting with Jan. 6, and including a subsequent attack on an FBI office.

Elder cites a supposedly sympathetic denunciation from Trump of the attack on Pelosi, but even the quote he cited was more a cynical attack on San Francisco than anything approaching heart-felt concern. More typical of the reaction from the right was Don Jr.'s tweet of a Halloween costume that included a hammer and a mask, mocking the whole affair.

Then, Elder drops into classic "what-about-ism," quoting Maxine Waters about making posing politicians feel uncomfortable in restaurants. But there is no comparison between this and the wave of violent MAGA Republican campaign ads which have included candidates storming into houses with AR-15s looking for their political enemies.

In short, Elder claims that the concern about the attack on the family of the person second in the line of succession to the President is just another case of Democratic hypocrisy. No Larry, the facts show otherwise. It's a concern about the violent political atmosphere being whipped up by the MAGA Right, and set on fire by Trump himself. And Larry Elder shows himself to be another divisive voice devoid of wisdom and lacking anything to say about how to move our divided country forward.

**Frank Kearns
Downey**

Downey is heading in the right direction

Dear Editor:

Last Tuesday was a great day for the future of the City of Downey with the election of not one, but two candidates committed to serving the city's best interests.

During the past four years, Claudia Frometa has a proven track record of running this city by making good decisions for infrastructure, public safety and quality of life. The residents of District 4 confirmed this by reelecting her by a wide margin.

Hector Sosa is a community leader who has been involved with many service organizations and giving back to the community. He too is prioritizing safety and business growth.

Both are very concerned where our city could be heading with the exodus of several key city officials. I know that this new council will work together to select an experienced city manager and city attorney to again steer Downey in the right direction.

Claudia and Hector are dedicated to maintaining Downey's excellent reputation as a top location to live, work and enjoy the many benefits we have to offer. Yes, we've only just begun.

**Dorothy Pemberton
Downey**

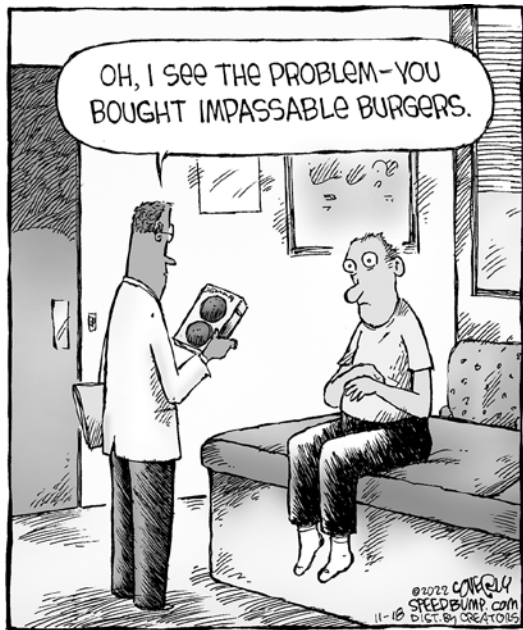
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Downey Community Calendar

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 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., 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.
 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.,: 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 Rio Hondo Events Center, 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.

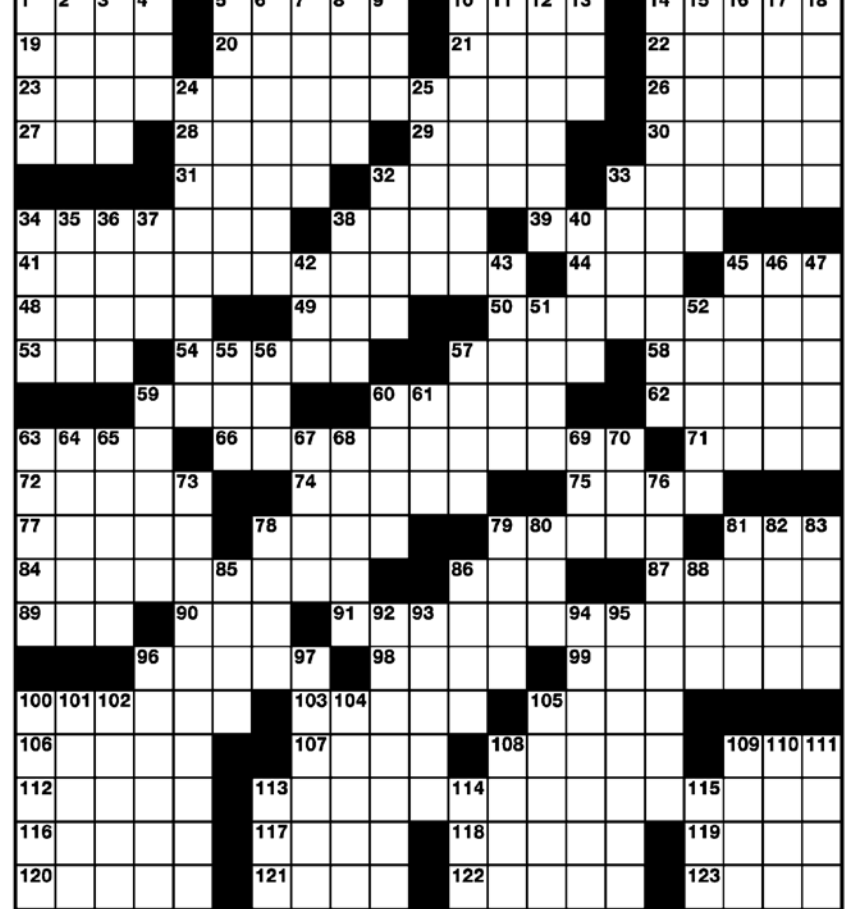
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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Ribbon Cutting, 11 am. Join the Downey Chamber of Commerce in welcoming new business Younger World Med Spa, 10403 Lakewood Blvd.

Flavorful Fall, 12 pm. A fall-inspired, four course meal prepared by program participants and executive chefs at The Arc. \$50 per person. RSVP with Christina Hernandez at (562) 855-3466. The Arc, 9545 Washburn Blvd.

"Napoleon Dynamite," 8 pm. This unique evening includes a full screening of "Napoleon Dynamite" followed by a lively, freewheeling, moderated discussion with fan-favorite cast members; Jon Heder (Napoleon Dynamite), Efrén Ramirez (Pedro) and Jon Gries (Uncle Rico). Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags provided. Wear old clothes and close-toed shoes. Meet in the See's Candy parking lot, 9839 Paramount Blvd.

Here Comes Santa Claus, 9 am. Santa Claus makes his grand arrival at Stonewood Center, accompanied by elves. Join Santa at his new home near Macy's.

Intro to Embroidery, 10 am. Explore the basics of embroidery. Learn about the different methods, both historical and contemporary, and have a chance to work on your own embroidery project. All materials are provided. This class is intended for beginners with no previous experience. Free but pre-registration is required by contacting the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Legal Clinic, 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. Free legal consultations in the area of immigration law, tenants law, family law, criminal defense and personal injury. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

Online Shopping Safety Workshop, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn how to shop online and avoid internet scams this holiday season. PC's will be provided to work on during the class. Ages 18-plus. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Open Mic, 3 pm. Come listen to great poets and maybe contribute one of your own. Hosted by poet Mike Sonksen. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

5K Run/Walk, 7 am. A 5K run/walk in honor of late Downey police officer Ricky Galvez, presented by the Downey Police Officers Association and Friends of Downey PD K9 Foundation. Warm-ups begin at 7 am, followed by the national anthem at 7:15 and the run at 7:30 am. \$40 if registering online at racewire.com. \$45 day of event. Columbia Sports Complex, 12400 Columbia Way

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Pet Night with Santa, 4-7 pm. Bring your pets for photos with Santa Claus. Located inside Macy's Court at Stonewood Center

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Christmas Market, 10 am to 2:30 pm. Kids activities, live music, vendors, and more. Imago Dei Church, 9826 Priscilla St.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Pet Night with Santa, 4-7 pm. Bring your pets for photos with Santa Claus. Located inside Macy's Court at Stonewood Center

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

Holiday Home Tour, 11 am to 6 pm. Tour Downey's historic Casa de Parley Johnson decorated for the holidays. \$25 donation (\$10 lunch available) with proceeds benefiting the Assistance League of Downey. For reservations, call or text Stacy Brabant at (310) 991-3757. Casa de Parley Johnson, 7749 Florence Ave.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Intro to Quilting, 10 am. Discover the satisfaction of quilting with this free workshop. This class is intended for beginners with no previous experience. Class is from 10 am to 12 pm for adults and 2-4 pm for teens. Free but pre-registration is required by contacting the Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Holiday Home Tour, 11 am to 4 pm. Tour Downey's historic Casa de Parley Johnson decorated for the holidays. \$25 donation (\$10 lunch available) with proceeds benefiting the Assistance League of Downey. For reservations, call or text Stacy Brabant at (310) 991-3757. Casa de Parley Johnson, 7749 Florence Ave.

Evening at the Casa, 6-9 pm. Live jazz music, raffles, extended tours, heavy appetizers, no-host bar, antique car show, Blitzen's bake sale, boutique shopping, and more. \$50. For tickets, call or text Stacy Brabant at (310) 991-3757. Casa de Parley Johnson, 7749 Florence Ave.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Sensory-Friendly Photos with Santa, 10-11:30 am. Visit Santa Claus in a sensory-friendly environment. Exclusively for children & families with special needs. Reservations are required for this private photo experience. Donations will be accepted for Autism Speaks. Register at ShopStonewoodCenter.com

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

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 3 pm. Join other volunteers in helping clean up the streets after the Downey Christmas Parade. Meet in front of the Downey City Library

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

Pet Night with Santa, 4-7 pm. Bring your pets for photos with Santa Claus. Located inside Macy's Court at Stonewood Center

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.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Fair Housing Workshop, 1:30 pm. Presented by the Fair Housing Foundation, this workshop will provide information on fair housing laws, rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords, how to deal with tenant and landlord disputes, and more. The workshop will be presented over Zoom. Sign up at bit.ly/3s652P3

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

Mariachi Divas Christmas, 8 pm. The Grammy Award-winning Mariachi Divas perform a live Christmas show. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

Christmas Tree Lane, 4:30 pm. Enjoy no-host cocktails, dinner and a raffle, with proceeds benefiting the Downey PTA HELPS Room, Downey Family Exchange, Living Help Center and Downey Elks. \$10 donation includes dinner. Hosted by Downey Emblem Club #309. Downey Elks Lodge, 11263 Woodruff Ave.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Holiday Pajama Quill, 4 pm. The Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center is hosting its Holiday Pajama Quill. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in person at the senior center or by calling (562) 904-7223.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

Comedy & Karaoke, 8 pm. Live stand-up comedy from Rich Weiss,

Kris Rubio, Donna Maine and Chris Porter, followed by karaoke from 10 pm to 2 am. \$10 admission. Epic Lounge, 8239 2nd St.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

Navidad Mestiza, 6 pm. Danza Artes de México presents: Navidad Mestiza 2022 "La Pastorela." Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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 14

Ladies Night with Taylor Dayne & Sheena Easton, 8 pm. Taylor Dayne is an American pop icon with a career spanning three decades. Sheena Easton was the first, and still the only, artist to have top five records on five major Billboard charts. Her recording career has included Gold and Platinum albums in the United States, Europe and Asia. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Keep Downey Beautiful Clean-Up, 9 am. Join other volunteers in a one-hour neighborhood cleanup. Gloves, safety vests, litter sticks and trash bags provided. Wear old clothes and close-toed shoes. Meet at Big Lots, 9020 Firestone Blvd.

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.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Coffee with the Superintendent, 6 pm. Enjoy coffee and conversation with Downey Unified School District superintendent Dr. John Garcia. Stauffer Middle School, 11985 Old River School Rd.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Mariachi Rock Revolution, 8 pm. Mariachi Rock Revolution is a metal-fueled, Mariachi-infused spectacle of sight and sound paying homage to the tradition of Mariachi through an unprecedented fusion with modern rock and electronica. Downey Civic Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

TLC 5K, 7 am. The TLC 5K run/walk returns with proceeds benefiting the TLC Family Resource Center. For details, email tlc@dusd.net or call (562) 904-3577. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

Coffee with the Superintendent, 6 pm. Enjoy coffee and conversation with Downey Unified School District superintendent Dr. John Garcia. Price Elementary, 9525 Tweedy Lane

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Downey Coordinating Council Awards Banquet. Downey service clubs and non-profits recognize their volunteers of the year. Woman's Club of Downey, 9813 Paramount Blvd.

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Agency extends hours for open enrollment

DOWNEY – St. Louise Resource Services (StLRS) is extending their business hours throughout the Covered California's Open Enrollment Period.

This is part of StLRS' efforts to help reduce health disparities by becoming more accessible to families across marginalized communities and areas where healthcare systems may be challenging to access due to socio-economic, cultural, or linguistic barriers.

The mission of St. Louise Resource Services is to empower people to access health care benefits and social services they may need, such as Covered California, Medi-Cal, and CalFresh.

Typically, throughout the year, individuals and families who need to enroll into health insurance must be experiencing a "big life change" or event in accordance with Covered California guidelines. This is known as the Special Enrollment Period.

Those who do not qualify under these guidelines must wait until Open Enrollment Period, which typically runs from November to January. During this period, all eligible Californians can apply to enroll into health insurance.

During StLRS' extended hours, Certified Enrollment Counselors will be available through appointments to provide application assistance and guidance. On selected dates, there will also be open events to the community for on-the-spot Shop and Compare enrollment.

Additionally, StLRS will be hosting live sessions across their social media platforms to promote Covered California Open Enrollment and the benefits of enrolling into health insurance.

The extended hours are from 5-6:30 pm during weekdays and 9 am to 1 pm on the weekends, including Thursday, Dec. 1, Saturday, Dec. 3, Tuesday, Dec. 13, and Saturday, Dec. 17.

Individuals interested in scheduling an appointment with StLRS' Certified Enrollment Counselors should call its office based in Downey at (424) 220-6645 or the toll-free line (844) 245-1900.

Norwalk cracks down on street racing spectators

NORWALK – The Norwalk City Council last month unanimously approved an ordinance, by title only, to regulate spectators at illegal speed contests or exhibitions of speed.

The new ordinance will make it unlawful and a misdemeanor for any person to be present as a spectator at a street race or illegal exhibition of speed.

Spectators are considered people either on a public street or highway, or on private property generally open to the public without consent of the owner, operator, or agent thereof.

"Across the region, we have been plagued by illegal street races and street takeovers," said Mayor Rick Ramirez. "This ordinance is targeting spectators because it will curb the appeal for drivers to engage in risky behavior for the sake of gaining attention."

If passed, the ordinance will work in conjunction with California Vehicle Code, which already prohibits engaging, facilitating, or aiding and abetting in motor vehicle speed contests and exhibitions on public streets and highways.

The ordinance will be scheduled for adoption at a future City Council meeting.

Street racing is illegal in California, usually punishable by up to 90 days in county jail and a fine of up to \$1,000.

However, penalties can vary, depending on the criminal histories of the people involved, other charges and the facts of the case.

In most cases, street racing in California is a misdemeanor.

Police holding 5K run/walk Sunday

DOWNEY – A 5K run/walk honoring the memory of late Downey police officer Rickey Galvez will be held Sunday, Nov. 20, at the Columbia Memorial Space Center in Downey.

Registration is \$40 if purchased online at racewire.com. On-site registration is \$45 and begins at 6 am.

Warm-ups begin at 7 am, with the run starting at 7:30.

The event is hosted by the Downey Police Officers' Association and Friends of the Downey Police K-9 Foundation. Both are nonprofit organizations.

For vendor/booth inquiries contact (562) 904-2346.

Friends of Library auctioning dollhouse

DOWNEY – In addition to their regular monthly silent auction, The Friends of the Downey City Library are holding a special silent auction featuring a Victorian dollhouse complete with furniture, furnishings, and accessories.

The dollhouse was made by library patron Ana Lopez for her late Maria Concepcion, known by family and friends as 'Conchita'. Conchita was fond of miniatures and delighted in the details, remembering her childhood fascination with a neighbor's miniature dollhouse.

Upon hearing that memory, Lopez embarked on a year-long labor of love to create a dollhouse for her mother. Unfortunately, by the time she completed the project, Conchita's health had declined, and she was no longer able to enjoy the dollhouse.

Although Lopez invested approximately \$1,000 in material, furniture, furnishings, and accessories, the opening bid has been set at \$550, with new bids increased by a minimum of \$20.

The auction period will last from Nov. 1 to Dec. 10. To place a bid, please call or text FODCL Bookstore Director Ramie Johnson at (562) 964-4007.

It is Lopez's hope, along with the FODCL, that the dollhouse will bring the joy and delight Lopez intended Conchita into someone else's life.

Kaiser named a top maternity hospital

DOWNEY – Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center has been recognized as one of the nation's top maternity hospitals by Money magazine and The Leapfrog Group.

Fewer than 1 out of every 8 hospitals analyzed received this award.

To be included in the list, eligible hospitals had to carry an "A" or "B" letter grade on the spring 2022 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade assessment. Additionally, recognized hospitals were required to meet six other criteria specific to providing maternity care. They included early elective deliveries, cesarean birth, episiotomy, deep vein thrombosis prophylaxis, high-risk deliveries and bilirubin screening.

'Napoleon Dynamite' stars coming to Downey for Q&A

DOWNEY – Comedy fan favorite "Napoleon Dynamite" is coming to Downey for a full screening followed by cast Q&A on Friday, Nov. 18, at 8 pm at the Downey Theatre.

Film stars Jon Heder, Efrén Ramirez and Jon Gries will lead the post-show "party."

"Napoleon Dynamite" tells the story of a socially awkward and bullied high school student's love, loss, and daily life exploits in contemporary mid-western America.

While not a mainstream hit, the film gained a devoted following of fans of its quirky characters and off-the-wall sense of humor. Its release at the 2004 Sundance Film Festival caused a sensation, and it is often included in "the funniest movies of all time" list.

Bravo listed "Napoleon Dynamite" at No. 14 on its list of the 100 funniest movies.

Tickets may be purchased at the box office, located at 8435 Firestone Blvd., Tuesday through Friday from 11 am to 5 pm. They are also available at www.downeytheatre.org, or by calling (562) 861-8211.

POET'S CORNER

Why just this autumn

Have I grown suddenly old—

A bird in the clouds

Basho

Basho was a 17th-century poet who often left his home to go on long wanders through Japan. He wrote about his travels in both haiku and prose, describing beauty, but also griping constantly about weariness and cold and his aging body – "Travelogue of Weather-Beaten Bones" is a typical title. The road is poetry, Zen practice, and life itself. Just before his death at age 50, Basho wrote this haiku:

All along this road Kono michi ya

not a single soul—only yuku hito nashi ni

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 18, 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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GOVERNMENT

CITY OF DOWNEY NOTICE AND SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE NOS. 22-1490 – 22-1501

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NOS. 22-1490 – 22-1501 BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY AMENDING THE DOWNEY MUNICIPAL TO UPDATE THE FIRE AND BUILDING CODES REFERENCED IN THE DOWNEY MUNICIPAL CODE

Notice is hereby given that on November 10, 2022, the City Council of the City of Downey adopted Ordinance Nos. 22-1490 through 22-1501 making certain amendments to the Downey Municipal Code related to Fire and various Building Codes (i.e., Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, etc.). The following is a summary of each of the Ordinances:

- Adopted by reference the 2022 California Fire Code (California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 9), including Appendices A through O, together with certain additions, insertions, deletions and changes thereto, for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to the life and property from fire or explosion; and adopting Chapter 6.95 of California Health and Safety Code for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from the handling, use, storage or release of hazardous materials or hazardous waste (Ordinance No. 22-1490)
- Adopted by reference the 2022 California Building Standards Code (California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 2), incorporating and amending the 2021 International Building Code; and making certain local additions and amendments thereto (Ordinance No. 22-1491)
- Adopted by reference the 2022 California Electrical Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 3) (Ordinance No. 22-1492).
- Adopted by reference the 2022 California Mechanical Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 4) (Ordinance No. 22-1493)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Plumbing Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 5) (Ordinance No. 22-1494)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Historical Building Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 8) (Ordinance No. 22-1495)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Green Building Standards Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 11) (Ordinance No. 22-1496)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Energy Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 6) (Ordinance No. 22-1497)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Existing Building Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 10) (Ordinance No. 22-1498)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Referenced Standards Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 12) (Ordinance No. 22-1499)

• Adopted by reference the 2022 California Residential Code (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 2.5); and making certain local additions and amendments thereto (Ordinance No. 22-1500)

• Added a new Section 8730 (Downey Grading Regulations) to Chapter 8 (Floodplain Management, Grading and Paving) of the Downey Municipal Code by adopting by reference the 2022 California Building Code, Appendix J, with local amendments thereto (Ordinance No. 22-1501)

The Ordinances were adopted by the City Council by the following vote:

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

Note: The above is a simply a summary of the Ordinance. To obtain a full understanding of the Ordinance it should be read in its entirety. A certified copy of the full text of the Ordinance is posted in the City Clerk's office at 11111 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241, or on the City's website at <http://downeyca.org>.

Maria Alicia Duarte, CMC
City Clerk

The Downey Patriot
11/17/22

NOTICES

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THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: JANUARY 13, 2023, Time: 10:30 a.m. Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK, CA 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, THE DOWNEY PATRIOT NOVEMBER 14, 2022
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner A K M SAMDAD HOSSAIN AND ELAINE DENISE GARCIA
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00450
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARCOS SALCEDO RODRIGUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) MARCOS SALCEDO RODRIGUEZ to Proposed name (1) MARCOS RODRIGUEZ
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: JANUARY 9, 2023, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, DOWNEY PATRIOT NOVEMBER 8, 2022
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner MARCOS SALCEDO RODRIGUEZ
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 22NWCP00436
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner WILLIAM YTALMIR HERNANDEZ QUINTEROS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name (1) WILLIAM YTALMIR HERNANDEZ QUINTEROS to Proposed name (1) WILLIAM YTALMIR HERNANDEZ THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: DECEMBER 23, 2022, Time: 10:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312
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A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, DOWNEY PATRIOT OCTOBER 28, 2022
JUDGE MARGARET M. BERNAL
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner WILLIAM YTALMIR HERNANDEZ QUINTEROS
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Downey water polo wins division title

■ The CIF Div. 4 title is the first championship in 50 years for Downey High's boys water polo team.

By John M. Sherrard
Contributor

DOWNEY – Downey High School boys water polo coach Uriel Villa has numerous CIF water polo titles in years past, but finally he can add a championship as a head coach.

Usually, a coach does not like to be pushed into the water at any time except on one occasion - to celebrate a championship.

That finally happened last Saturday (November 12), as Downey defeated Yucaipa, 10-5, in a CIF-Southern Section Division 4 championship game.

The title was the first since the 1972 season and third in program history.

The first championship came in 1962 and in addition, Downey, which was a powerhouse in the 50's and 60's, was a runner-up on five different occasions.

Villa, who won three titles while playing at Montebello high school and one as an assistant coach, now has a title as a head coach.

"I was excited, but it was nice that we accomplished our goal," he said. "It was so rewarding and an amazing feeling of reward."

"We realized after the quarterfinals (7-5 win over top seed Crean Lutheran), we knew we had a chance."

Villa, who comes from a water polo dynasty family, with sister Brenda Villa a legendary women's Olympic player and older brother Edgar.

"At a young age, I put a lot of pressure on myself to succeed," Uriel Villa said. "As a player, I wanted to succeed. As a coach, I owe a lot of knowledge of watching my sister (Brenda) and brother (Edgar)."

Leading the way in the championship against Yucaipa for Downey (20-2) was freshman Matthew Moran with four goals, followed by a pair of goals from senior Johan Gayton and freshman Nathan Martinez. A third freshman Leonardo Garcia and senior Jordan Rodriguez had a goal each.



"He's a beast," Villa said of Moran. "Matthew (Moran) showed his all-around game. He is a great center."

Gayton scored the first goal of the game for the 1-0 lead, after Martinez drew a penalty.

Yucaipa came right back to tie the game 1-1.

Martinez and Garcia gave the Vikings a 3-1 lead after one period.

The back-and-forth affair started with a Carter Mierzwick goal by the Thunderbirds to trail, 3-2 in the second period.

In the fourth minute of the period, Gayton answered with a backhand for the 4-2 lead.

The turning point of the game took place in the second period, as the Vikings took a 7-2 halftime lead.

Moran scored the first two of his four goals in the period and Martinez added a single goal.

The Downey defense shined in the third period, denying three consecutive shorthanded opportunities on a man advantage, by Yucaipa. The Vikings were led by senior goalie Diego Campos. The Viking defense also had seven field blocks in the game.

Campos had eight saves in the game. "Our defense really stepped up," Campos added. "At halftime, it was a good indicator that we had a chance to win."

Rodriguez and Moran scored for the Vikings in the period for the 9-2 lead heading into the final quarter.

Yucaipa came alive in the fourth period with three unanswered goals to trail by only four, 9-5, but that was it as the Downey defense again shut them down the rest of the way over the final 3:43.

Downey added another goal, and the bench was rewarded with some championship game time in the last minute.

"It was beautiful, with all of my hard work that led up to that moment," Campos said. "It was very nice."

Campos was also out of the water and as the buzzer sounded, the seniors led the charge and took the victory plunge along with Villa for the first time as a coach to win a title.

"It feels like I finally accomplished something as a head coach," Villa said. "It's nice to accomplish a goal. We want to

start our own dynasty and build something special here at Downey."

Villa, with the help of his assistant coaches, Sage Bertsch, Ayelen Gimenez and Alyssa Amaya, the team has a bright future with the multitude of young players.

"Experiencing this level of success with this group of seniors is real special," Villa added. "They were an important part of last season's semifinalist team, and that experience helped us reach our boys programs first championship game since 1972. Competing for CIF championships was this coaching staffs goal back in 2017."

Coach Amaya and I believed with the support from the schools administration and the buy-in from the community, that we can make it happen."

Downey loses in CIF State playoffs

Receiving an invitation to the CIF State Regionals, the Downey

Boys Water Polo team faced a tough opponent from the CIF San Diego Section last Tuesday (November 15).

Taking the two-hour trip to San Diego, the No. 8 Seed Vikings faced a top tier team in No. 1 Seed Cathedral Catholic. Downey lost, 18-8, to end its season.

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