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Battle for higher minimum wage yields split decision

■ Inglewood voters passed a ballot measure boosting the minimum wage for healthcare workers. A similar effort failed in Duarte.

By Rachel Bluth
Kaiser Health News

DOWNEY — An expensive fight over health worker pay in two Southern California cities appears to have ended in a draw, with each side claiming a victory and a loss.

Inglewood residents were poised to approve a ballot measure that would boost the minimum wage to \$25 at private hospitals, psychiatric facilities, and dialysis clinics. The latest vote count showed Measure HC leading 54% to 46%, according to Los Angeles County election officials. In Duarte, roughly 35 miles away, voters were on track to decisively reject a similar proposal, Measure J, 63% to 37%.

Los Angeles County election officials plan to release final results Dec. 5.

The contests were the first ballot-box fight in what seems likely to be a multiyear battle between a powerful labor union and the influential hospital industry. Similar proposals are scheduled to go before voters in Los Angeles, Downey, Long Beach, and Monterey Park in 2024.

All were spearheaded by the Service Employees International Union-United Healthcare Workers West, which represents roughly 100,000 workers, including medical assistants, food service workers, and custodial staff.

Suzanne Jimenez, the union's political director, said the union still plans to pursue a \$25 minimum wage in other cities and, eventually, statewide.

"We're still moving forward on all fronts," she said.

George Greene, president of the Hospital Association of Southern California, said in a statement that hospitals support "fair wages" for health workers but that their pay should be discussed at a "state or regional level."

"Deeply flawed" local ordinances, he said, are "bad policy and the wrong approach."

The union used Inglewood and Duarte, both in Los Angeles County, as test cases for raising wages, particularly for some of the lowest-paid health facility workers, such as nursing assistants, security guards, and janitors. Because the measures are city ordinances, they wouldn't apply to state- and county-run medical facilities, just private hospitals and clinics.

Union officials argue that a \$25 minimum wage is necessary to retain and attract workers in a sector that has been understaffed and overworked throughout the covid-19 pandemic.

The minimum wage in most of Los Angeles County is \$16.04 per hour. But for a single adult with no children, the living wage — the amount that person would need to cover typical expenses such as food, housing, and transportation in the county — is \$21.89 hourly, or about \$45,500 a year, according to a tool from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Occupations such as "healthcare support" generally pay around \$33,000 annually in the county, according to the same tool.

Hospitals campaigned heavily against the union's proposal and argued it would create "unequal pay" for staff at private and public facilities. An analysis commissioned by the California Hospital Association estimated that instituting a \$25 minimum wage in the 10 cities originally targeted

by the union would have raised costs for private facilities in those communities by \$392 million a year, a 6.9% increase.

In Inglewood — a working-class city of about 107,000 people southwest of Los Angeles — Measure HC will apply to Centinela Hospital Medical Center and several for-profit dialysis clinics if it prevails. About 315 employees of the hospital would see their wages rise, according to Jimenez, who said she doesn't know how many dialysis clinic employees would be affected.

In Duarte, a wealthier suburb of about 21,000 people east of Los Angeles, Measure J would have applied only to City of Hope, a cancer hospital.

Jimenez said the differences between those communities, and their residents' experiences with the health care system, could account for how the measures fared. She said she noticed that Inglewood voters had more direct experience with Centinela — they may have visited the emergency room or had a baby — than Duarte voters had with City of Hope.

The union has taken two approaches to seeking a \$25 minimum wage. It attempted to secure a statewide minimum wage during negotiations with hospitals this year in Sacramento. But the negotiations were complicated by competing hospital and union priorities, and the deal fell apart in August. The union has also pursued a city-by-city strategy, targeting 10 communities in Los Angeles and Orange counties, including Inglewood and Duarte, where internal polling showed minimum wage proposals could pass.

Earlier this year, city councils in Los Angeles, Downey, Monterey Park, and Long Beach adopted \$25 minimum-wage ordinances for private facility health workers, but hospitals and health care facilities challenged them, pushing the issue to the 2024 ballot. Meanwhile, the union dropped its effort in Anaheim and failed to gather enough signatures in Culver City, Lynwood, and Baldwin Park to place measures before voters this year.

Both sides spent heavily. According to state campaign finance filings, the union spent about \$11 million across all 10 cities from February through the week before the election. Hospitals and health care facilities spent \$12 million during the same time frame.

Many labor economists said that the health care workforce deserves higher wages and better working conditions but that increasing the minimum wage could cause ripple effects.

Neighboring towns or facilities that aren't subject to the new minimum wage and other sectors of the local economy might have to compete for workers, said Joanne Spetz, director of the Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies at the University of California-San Francisco. And facilities that increase pay may have to do more with fewer staffers, she said.

"To have a minimum wage that is specific to a limited category of workers, in a limited set of organizations, in a single city is really unusual," Spetz said. "I cannot think of any other circumstances where this has happened."

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Downey High School won its fourth CIF division championship last week, its second under head coach Jack Williams. (Photo courtesy Downey High School)

Vikings capture CIF D4 championship

■ Downey overpowers Cypress, 40-7, to capture their fourth CIF title.

By John M. Sherrard
Contributor

DOWNEY — For the fourth time in school history, the Downey High School football team has brought home a championship.

In dominating fashion, the Vikings defense, and a balanced scoring attack, led the Vikings to a blowout, 40-7, win over undefeated Cypress Friday night (November 25) at Western High in the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 Championship.

After winning the title, the Vikings now advance to the CIF Southern California Division 2-AA Regional Championship.

The Vikings, for the first time in program history, will play for a chance to become state champions, as they host Mater Dei Catholic of Chula Vista Friday (December 2).

The Crusaders (9-4) won the CIF San Diego Section D1 championship with a 34-29 win over Mission Hills.

Mater Dei also won the state championship last season.

"If you want to put a stamp on the program, you could be the state champ," said longtime Downey coach Jack Williams, of the upcoming regional playoffs. "No one has ever done that in the City of Downey."

"We've been in the battles and now we're playing in the regionals."

The Vikings lost only two games during the regular season, with the last loss coming to crosstown rival Warren, who won the initial Gateway League title in the new Suburban Valley Conference.

Since that loss, the Vikings have reeled off six consecutive wins for 245 points with an average of 40.8 points per game.

In the wild semifinal, 55-54,



Downey High School players celebrate after last week's victory. (Photo by William Craig)

win over Cathedral, in which the Vikings defense allowed 546 total yards and six touchdowns, it was a complete 180 degree turn for the title game.

Defense wins championships, and that was the tag line for Downey last Friday night against undefeated Cypress, who came into the game at 13-0.

The Downey defense on that particular night allowed only one touchdown, 281 total yards, intercepted two passes, had eight tackles for a loss, one sack and no scores in the second half. In that

game, senior linebacker Peter Debora, who transferred from Santa Fe High, set a school record for tackles in a season with 166.

The defense also forced three turnovers in the game.

"I can't put it (championship) into words," said Williams. "Everything we have gone through in the last 12 weeks, it's just super exciting to be the head guy and just to see them fight for each other is special. I thought this year was going to be a rebuilding year."

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THINGS TO DO



71st Annual Downey Christmas Parade
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ON THIS DAY

1862: In his State of the Union Address, President Abraham Lincoln reaffirmed the necessity of ending slavery as ordered 10 weeks earlier in the Emancipation Proclamation.

1878: President Rutherford B. Hayes had a telephone installed in the White House.

1913: The world's first moving assembly line debuted, used in manufacturing Model Ts at a Ford factory in Highland Park, Michigan; the innovation was the idea of owner Henry Ford, and it revolutionized the auto industry.

1955: In violation of segregation laws in Montgomery, Alabama, Rosa Parks refused to surrender her bus seat to a white passenger and was arrested, sparking a 381-day bus boycott led by Martin Luther King, Jr.

1958: A fire at Our Lady of the Angels School in Chicago killed 92 students and three nuns. The disaster led to major improvements in standards for school design and fire safety codes.

1959: The Antarctic Treaty was signed by 12 countries, making the Antarctic continent a demilitarized zone to be preserved for scientific research.

1989: National Lampoon's "Christmas Vacation" was released in theaters.



2000: Vicente Fox was inaugurated as president of Mexico, ending the dominance of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, which had ruled since 1929.

Top Songs on this Date

1992: "I Will Always Love You" by Whitney Houston

2002: "Work It" by Missy Elliott

2012: "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together" by Taylor Swift

Birthdays

Singer and actress **Bette Midler** (76), comedian **Sarah Silverman** (52), film star **Zoe Kravitz** (34), and musician **Tyler Joseph** (34).

Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Pregnancy is very much on my mind these days; one of my daughters is pregnant with my first grandchild. To say that the family is overjoyed is an understatement. In the many years that have passed since I became a parent, recommendations concerning pregnancy have changed. While I'm well aware that few of you are pregnant or about to become pregnant, you may still find this interesting!



Do note that I am an internist, not an obstetrician. Also, some of these recommendations do still inspire controversy: When there is any doubt, where pregnancy is concerned, I urge you to take the more conservative path.

There are close to four million births every year in the United States, and it is the pregnant woman who has primary responsibility for creating a healthy environment. Here are some straightforward suggestions:

•**Take a prenatal multivitamin.** Eating a balanced diet rich in vitamins and minerals is extremely important, but is not enough. Prenatal vitamins provide extra folic acid, calcium, and iron.

•**Get plenty of sleep.** This can be difficult to manage; but pregnancy is demanding on the body and those additional hours are important. Pregnancy alters hormone levels, can increase anxiety, and is simply uncomfortable. Naps are OK. Try to achieve seven to nine hours of sleep.

•**Exercise is not only allowed but important for both the woman and the growing baby.** Exercise may also help with insomnia, muscle pain, too much weight gain, and possible mood issues. If you regularly exercised before pregnancy, keep it up. Starting new or more intense exercise is often not a good idea, however, so if you did not exercise before pregnancy, speak with your doctor about a safe fitness program.

•**Do practice yoga, but avoid hot yoga or Bikram yoga.** Look for prenatal or gentle yoga classes that are designed for pregnancy. Again, speak with your doctor before embarking on any new exercise program.

•**Do have sex.** It is safe right up until your water breaks, as long as there is no complicating factor (such as placenta previa). If it is uncomfortable, try different positions, and feel free to discuss this with your obstetrician.

•**Do get vaccinated against flu and TDAP (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis/whooping cough).** Note that the flu

vaccine is not a live virus, so it cannot cause flu.

•**Eat for two.** Yes, you will need to eat more than usual, and you will want to gain weight. However, this is not a license to make poor food choices, and gaining too much weight can cause problems for both mother and baby. During the first trimester, about 100 extra calories a day are needed, and by the third trimester, that increases to some 300 to 500 extra calories per day.

•**It is OK to eat seafood.** It is loaded with vitamins and minerals, including the heart-healthy omega-3 fatty acids, zinc, and iron. However, avoid it when it is uncooked (such as sushi or sashimi), as it can carry harmful bacteria, viruses or parasites. Avoid fish high in mercury, like shark, tuna, swordfish, tilefish, and king mackerel.

•**Visit the dentist.** For some time, there was concern that teeth cleaning might cause bacteria to spread and lead to infection. This is simply not true; please attend to your oral health while pregnant.

And, here are some things to avoid:

•**Don't smoke.** Babies born to smokers are lower in birth weight and have a greater likelihood of learning disabilities. Due to physiologic nicotine addiction, children born to smokers are more likely to become smokers at a younger age.

•**Don't drink alcohol.** Warnings were issued 40 years ago here in the United States, and finally 15 years ago in France (where wine is heavily integrated into the culture). Fetal alcohol syndrome can lead to low birth weight, learning disabilities, behavior problems, and lagging growth and development milestones. Very recent studies confirm that there is no safe level of alcohol, both in terms of the overall outcome of the pregnancy and for fetal neurodevelopment. Increased risk of miscarriage is associated with any alcohol consumption in the first trimester. (Note, however, that the bulk of research focuses on moderate to heavy drinking. We just don't have the same level of conclusive information about very low levels of

drinking in the second and third trimester. Nonetheless, my recommendation is to not drink any alcohol, until and unless we have more conclusive evidence to the contrary.)

•**Don't eat raw or undercooked meat and eggs.** Foodborne illnesses including listeriosis and toxoplasmosis, and food poisoning can lead to serious illness, birth defects, and miscarriage.

•**Don't eat cured meats, including deli meat, hot dogs, bacon, sausages, smoked salmon.** They can also cause foodborne illness, and in particular listeria. Meats that are sliced have more surface area for bacterial growth. Thoroughly cooking these processed meats reduces the risk.

•**Avoid raw dairy products, but feel free to get calcium from pasteurized milk and cheese.**

•**Limit coffee consumption.** Caffeine can travel through the placenta and increase the baby's heart rate. One or two cups of coffee per day is probably OK.

•**Don't sit in a hot tub or sauna.** The high heat has been associated with a higher risk of miscarriage and birth defects.

•**Don't clean your cat's litter box.** Pet your beautiful cat and then wash your hands well. Kitty litter contains bacteria and parasites, the worst of which, during pregnancy, is toxoplasma gondii.

Reading these "dos and don'ts" makes it seem amazing that any pregnancies go smoothly. Note that these recommendations each come with their own set of odds for causing harm. They are usually small odds...but why take chances? It is up to each one of you to make informed decisions about your own pregnancy.

As always, I encourage you to discuss these choices with your physician.

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Casa de Parley Johnson gets holiday makeover for tours this weekend

DOWNEY – The Assistance League of Downey will be hosting tours of the historic Casa de Parley Johnson with a holiday flair this weekend.

On Friday, Dec. 2, from 11 am to 6 pm, and Saturday, Dec. 3, from 11 am to 4 pm, the former home of Parley and Gypsy Johnson - which has been adorned with thousands of holiday decorations - will be opened to the public.

Volunteers have worked most of November to make the house merry and bright.

"The whole house is staged from members' donations and our own thrift shop," said Stacy Brabant, who heads buildings and properties for the Assistance League. "There's a tree in every single room, even the kitchen, the breakfast room, the butler's pantry..."

The event will also include a holiday raffle, antique car show, bake sale, and a shopping boutique by the Second Tyme Around Thrift Shop.

There will also be an "Evening at the Casa" event from 6-9 pm on Saturday for \$50. These festivities will include appetizers and drinks, live jazz music, and an extended tour including - for the first time ever - the basement

"The basement is special in that it was "Parley's workshop," said

Brabant. "In fact, down there is still...his rubber apron that he used with his machinery, and his gloves, and they're like petrified."

"Because we're historical, things can't leave. So, there's a lot of screws, and nuts, and bolts, and his actual manuals as he left it, because the nieces of the family really didn't go down there. There's some machinery down there, some tools down there, untouched."

Proceeds from the events will benefit the Assistance League of Downey and its various community programs and scholarships.

Brabant says that "people drive by every single day and wonder what's behind the walls."

"This is a well-kept treasure that we've maintained since 1986, and we try to keep it with the 30's, with how it was when Gypsy lived here so [visitors] can get the feeling," said Brabant. "You're kind of going back in time when you're going through here...We are very well maintained and very proud of trying to keep the timing."

Reservations are encouraged; however, walkups will be accepted.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Stacy Brabant at (310)-991-3757.

Alex Dominguez, staff writer

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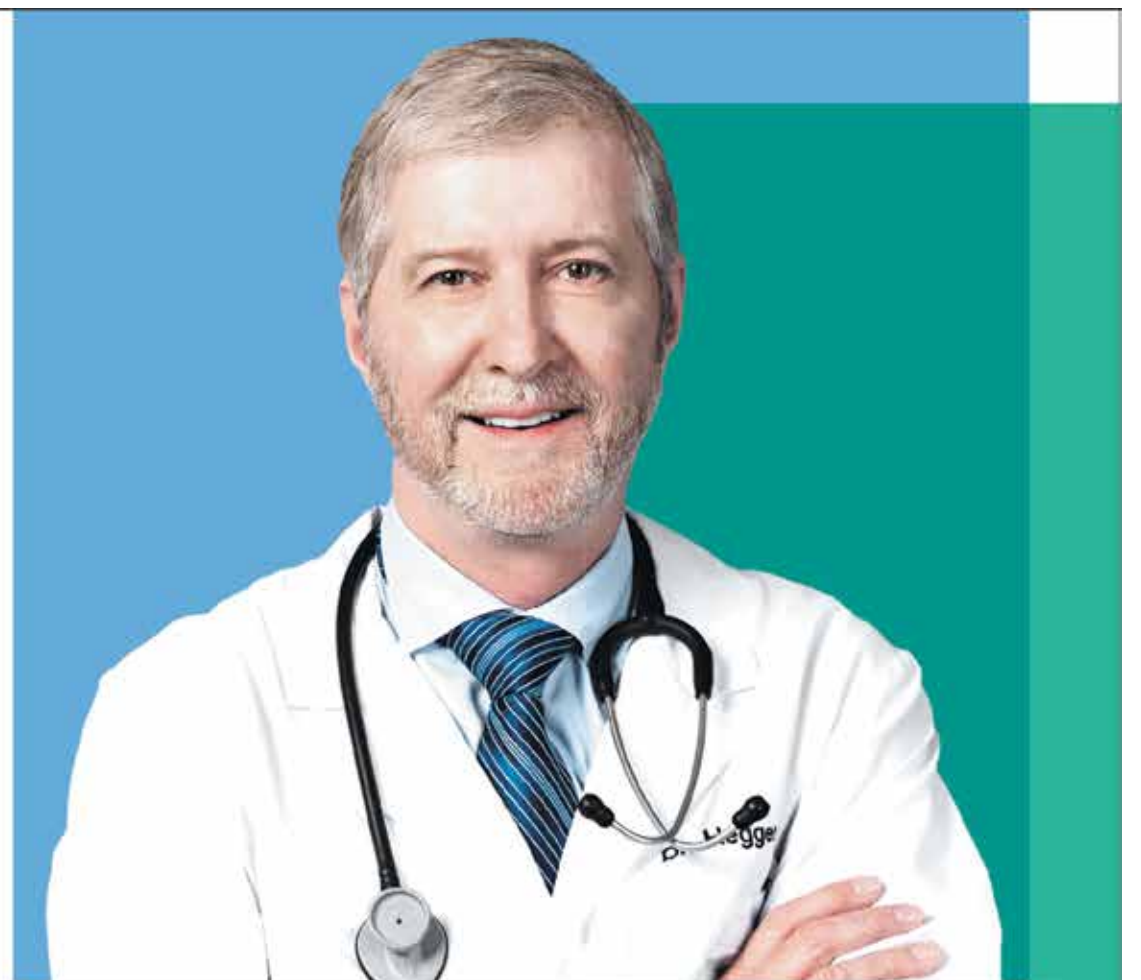
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Collaborative work a key to DUSD success

The pandemic took a heavy toll on students academically, socially and emotionally.

By Carol Kearns
Contributor

DOWNEY – As schools around the country resume normal operations this fall with in-person learning after the COVID pandemic, educators and health professionals are noticing a drop in the social and academic skills of many K-12 students.

Luz Perez, Director of the TLC program at Downey Unified School District recounted the number of referrals she was getting at the beginning of the year regarding kindergartners who had never been to school before. “I would sit here and chuckle at some of the things they were doing, and I feel for the teachers. They [kindergartners] couldn’t keep their hands to themselves, they were running out, they didn’t want to stay.”

Pandemic protocols, which included distance learning and the closure of schools, created long-term ramifications. Children are readjusting to a formal academic setting as their families continue struggling under changing economic conditions. The year 2022 is a stew of challenges and concerns for schools nationwide.

Speaking at the October meeting of the Downey Coordinating Council, DUSD Superintendent John Garcia shared, “I will tell you that universally, across Downey Unified, when I talked to our folks, last year was the most challenging year of our career.”

Local schools are a priority for city residents. Historically deep community support underpins DUSD’s accomplishments. The district website boasts a 96 percent graduation rate, and last year U.S. News and World Report included Downey and Warren high schools

in their rankings for Best High Schools. This year Downey High graduate Priscila Coronado (2015) was named President of the Harvard Law Review. DUSD is also gaining international exposure with its five Apple Distinguished Schools.

Addressing community concerns, Garcia did not shy away from a frank assessment of the difficulties ahead. “The momentum that we built every year has been completely, completely eroded by students being home.”

While he suggested it may be several years before students are back on track, “academically, socially, emotionally,” he spoke confidently about measures put in place that include clinical school therapists at every school and Wellness Centers at the middle and high schools. The afterschool arts and culture program was expanded this school year to all elementary and middle schools and is free to all children. Roughly 2,000 students (9 percent of the student body) are currently enrolled.

Public commitment to K-12 education was evident in the attendance of nearly 300 people at DUSD’s 8th Annual State of the Schools Breakfast. Attendees included members of the many service clubs that give scholarships, such as Kiwanis, Rotary, and Soroptimists, as well as PTA members and civic officials, and nonprofits such as the Downey Symphonic Society and Gangs Out of Downey.

While the event is an overt expression of public support, it is the day-to-day work of so many of these organizations and individuals, usually behind the scenes, that is foundational to DUSD’s successes.

Downey’s medium-sized population (115,000) is an asset

for collaborative efforts to meet student needs. City officials, school district personnel, and civic and social organization members often know each other personally. Communication is quick; problems are understood.

Additionally, under Garcia, district programs attempt to address the needs of the entire student body, and not just high achievers. This is recognized as essential if the district is to meet its goal of having every student be college and career ready at graduation.

A close look at two agencies in Downey that serve struggling families highlights the nature and impact of collaborative work within the community.

TLC is a DUSD program with the broad mission of making every effort to mitigate whatever conditions are inhibiting a positive, successful school experience for each child.

The other organization, The Exchange Club Family Support Center, is a nonprofit whose aim is the prevention of child abuse.

Both programs were put in place decades ago with local support. Today the agencies often work closely together because of overlapping concerns with at-risk families and student mental health.

True Lasting Connections

The TLC program (True Lasting Connections) was opened by DUSD in 2000 under then superintendent Ed Sussman with the help of a California Healthy Start Grant to provide “comprehensive, school-community integrated services and activities to improve the lives of children, youth, and families.”

In exchange for start-up funds for a center that would connect families with needed health care



The TLC Center’s Rachel Montero, left, and Luz Perez in the facility’s reception area, which features a children’s library. (Photo by Carol Kearns)

services, the grant required proof of community commitment to keep the center ongoing.

People driving down Bellflower Blvd. have likely noticed the big TLC sign on a double-wide bungalow in a corner of the Lewis Elementary School campus.

The name means “connecting families with the resources they need,” explains Perez, who has served as director since its founding 22 years ago.

From the start, the center was supported by all of the major service groups, such as Kiwanis, Rotary, and Soroptimists. Perez recalls Kaiser doctors providing exams at the center for children whose families did not have health insurance.

Now that most children are covered by the Affordable Health Care Act, the rooms used for medical consultations have been converted to accommodate counseling services. When a family doesn’t know how to apply for medical insurance, Perez’s team will help them sign up. Perez reports that Downey’s two main hospitals, PIH and Kaiser, now contribute

financial support.

Today TLC draws on resources to help students with a broad range of needs: school supplies, food insecurity, homelessness, grief counseling, dangerous home situations, etc.

“I can meet some needs without ever making a phone call,” Perez says, proudly opening closets filled with community-donated backpacks, lined paper, pencils, markers, toiletries, etc. A truck from a local church regularly makes deliveries of school supplies. In the fall TLC has a sock drive. “Socktober,” she laughs, “because kids always need socks.”

TLC’s reception area is cheerfully decorated with new furniture and children’s books donated by Delta Kappa Gamma, an organization of Downey educators. TLC’s annual 5K race in February has grown into a popular community event. In Perez’s words, community support for the TLC program remains “bigtime.”

Perez and her staff respond to student needs based on written referrals from district personnel, such as teachers, principals, clinical school therapists, etc. Parents cannot approach TLC directly.

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No one should have to earn a living

By Ted Rall

The other day, I caught myself using the phrase “earn a living.” For the first time in my life, I questioned myself.

The idea that one must “earn a living” is the fundamental assumption of capitalism. When you stop to think about it, that’s some extreme libertarianism.

Americans are constitutionally guaranteed the right to speak freely, worship as they choose, purchase and own a firearm and keep their homes private from prying government officials. As important as these rights are, none are nearly as important as the right to living. You can live without expressing yourself. Religions are fiction. We would be better off without guns.

Yet life itself, without which no other right is worth a damn, is not guaranteed.

We need a few things to keep breathing: clean water, food, shelter and medical care. Yet our society can’t even codify the government’s obligation to provide water. While some municipalities push liquid hydrogen oxide to our sinks for free — unless you count taxes — many others charge. Unless you earn that living to which you are not legally entitled, you die of thirst or are poisoned or starve to death or you die from exposure to the elements or you succumb to an injury or disease that science would have treated or cured.

When you think about it, and we mostly don’t, the gap between the system and our psychocultural wiring is a gaping chasm. Capitalism says you aren’t entitled to drink or eat or sleep inside or see a doctor, that you must somehow “earn” those privileges or die. But for hundreds of thousands of years before settled civilization 6,000 years ago led to the grain storage that fed a previously nonexistent profit incentive, homo sapiens lived in clans of hunter-gatherers.

There are accounts of traditional societies abandoning the elderly or driving the infirm to ice floes. But there is also considerable evidence that early societies took care of those who couldn’t take care of themselves. Archaeological digs have unearthed broken bones that were mended by primitive medical means. Ancient people carried their elderly and sick on litters. Even now, in situations where human beings find themselves separated from civilization’s requirement that everyone pay for the most essential goods and services, the overwhelming tendency is to help one another without expecting remuneration. Parents not only take care of their own children, they pay for the privilege. After a plane crashes in the wilderness or miners are trapped underground or a pair of buildings are destroyed in lower Manhattan, accounts inevitably emerge of the survivors’ camaraderie and generosity.



It would take one hell of a sociopath for a survivor of a shipping disaster to deny a share of his sunblock or his extra hat to his fellows in a lifeboat. Yet we routinely conform to psychosis that violates the communitarianism that is central to the lifestyle of our species. Almost every day, I walk by a woman sleeping outside my apartment building; sometimes I give her money but not always. Except for the cat, the extra bedroom in my apartment remains empty, neat, useless.

I have “earned” a living, you see. She has not.

It is cold. At night, it’s in the 30s.

I don’t know why she sleeps outside. Is she mentally ill? Lazy? Addicted to drugs? Maybe it’s bad luck. She worked in a field that’s no longer looking for workers. I do know she’s cold and hungry.

Capitalism gives me permission not to care. I justify my callousness by judging her choices, none of which I know anything about.

But this is only the beginning of the brief against capitalism. Capitalist society not only denies the concept of a human right to the most basic elements of survival but it creates necessities that no one ever needed or thought about before in order to commodify them and coerce us into feeding these new profit centers.

Were we to advance to the moral heights of our ancestors of previous millennia and constitutionally guarantee that everyone would be fed and housed regardless of their willingness or ability to earn a living as do Congo and Pakistan, it would be a revolutionary

political and ethical development.

Yet billions of people would remain deprived of the new necessities of the modern age. Whereas hunter-gatherers spent every waking minute near everyone they knew and loved, we require pricey communications networks in order to keep in touch with our friends and families. Perhaps you are reading these words when they were published, over a Thanksgiving weekend when millions of Americans were driving and flying to visit relatives — spending billions of dollars on gas and airline tickets.

Higher education has become an essential need as well. Before the first settlement in Mesopotamia, people proved their suitability for mating by exhibiting skills like hunting, sewing and cooking. In America today, millions of men remain involuntarily single because women are more likely to have a college degree; they refuse to date “down” to a guy with a GED. A four-year degree at a private college can easily run a quarter-million dollars.

Not only do you have to earn a living, what it takes to live has never been more complicated or out of reach.

The country is rich. Not everyone must work. There is plenty to go around. Those who work must share. Socialism and communism are political structures designed to distribute that sharing.

Please retire the expression “earn a living.”

Ted Rall is a political cartoonist, columnist and graphic novelist. He co-hosts the left-vs-right DMZ America podcast with fellow cartoonist Scott Stantis.

Congress could act on the border and ‘dreamers’ this year

By Donald Graham

Whether you are a Republican or a Democrat, your important immigration goals are in danger. Can the parties do the impossible in this lame-duck session of Congress by passing a bill that achieves both their priorities on this most inflammatory of issues?

The peril to both sides stems from a careless promise made by Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.), the likely incoming speaker of the House. He pledged that on his watch, no “amnesty” bill would come to the floor.

For the “dreamers” who have waited decades for congressional action to give them a chance at citizenship, and the Democrats who support them, McCarthy’s pledge means continuing to wait until at least 2025. This would be terrible for the dreamers — and bad for the rest of us, too.

Just as sincerely, Republicans want to address security along the southern border. For those who want to do something about it — as opposed to merely talking about it — McCarthy’s promise also means a two-year wait. Joe Biden, who will be president until 2025, will not sign an all-enforcement border bill. (If incoming Republicans think they can force such a bill on him by parliamentary means, they should ask McCarthy how successful he was at repealing Obamacare.)

I am an independent who thinks both the Republicans and the Democrats are basically right. This country needs to better secure its southern border and enforce its immigration laws. The current situation on the border helps no one except “coyotes” whose profit helps to drive it. We should also welcome to the American family immigrants who have lived here for decades and led productive lives, particularly those who arrived as young children.

Nine years ago, I helped start a scholarship fund for dreamers, undocumented immigrants who came to this country as children. Among the 8,750 who have won our scholarships, the average student came here as a 4-year-old. Most of them (the DACA recipients) had proved to the Department of Homeland Security that they had no serious criminal convictions. But unlike their high school classmates, when it came time for college, they could receive no federal grants or loans for tuition. With little money of their own, most of them had been in effect barred from college.

All of us who started TheDream.us believed the opportunity to attend college should be good for these students — and great, as well, for the rest of us. The dreamers could get a good education and pour into careers where we desperately need them. And their burning motivation would make them excellent nurses and teachers, doctors and lawyers, and businesspeople.

As rather old-fashioned Americans, we also thought these young people were being treated cruelly. If you are brought to the United States by your parents as a baby, there is nothing you can do to become a citizen. Nothing. Two dreamers have won Rhodes scholarships and they remain undocumented. More than 200 are doctors or medical students, but not citizens.

In poll after poll, 70 to 75 percent of American voters favor giving such immigrants the chance to stay here, study and work — and ultimately become citizens.

Our country needs the dreamers. We desperately need nurses; since 2005, more than 180 rural hospitals have closed. Among our scholars, the No. 1 major is nursing and health care. Education majors make up another large group, and the United States also desperately needs teachers.

Another important employer in need of help is the Army, which has missed its recruiting goals this past fiscal year by 25 percent — even after offering citizens \$50,000 to enlist. Why not allow young immigrants, educated since first grade in American schools, to enlist as a path to citizenship (after all the background checks anyone wants). The military would fill its ranks with willing and able young people who love this country.

Those who pay attention to the plight of the dreamers know that, in 2012, President Barack Obama created the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program to give them a small head start. Those who came to the United States as young children, had no criminal convictions and met certain other criteria got two years freedom from deportation, as well as a work permit and a Social Security number, which had to be renewed every two years. They paid \$495 to apply for or renew DACA, but then they could work. They still received no federal college aid or loans or other such benefits.

It’s hard to quickly name an equally successful federal program that cost so little. More than 800,000 DACA recipients went to work and began to pay what would, over a lifetime, amount to billions of dollars in taxes.

Yet DACA is in legal jeopardy. As recipients were enjoying their minimal benefits, Texas’s Republican attorney general, Ken

Paxton, spent his taxpayers’ money on a lawsuit aiming to end the program — even though Texas voters favor it 2 to 1, according to two University of Texas polls. Judge Andrew Hanen, a federal judge known for his anti-immigration sentiment, responded with a finding that DACA had been unlawfully adopted.

The ultraconservative U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit has endorsed Hanen’s reasoning, and the lawsuit will be referred to the Supreme Court. In 2020, the justices unexpectedly saved DACA from an unrelated legal attack, but the court is different since the death of Ruth Bader Ginsburg and the appointment of Amy Coney Barrett.

Hanen ruled that existing DACA recipients could keep their status and renew it “until a further order of this court” or others. But by his order, no new applications can be approved. President Donald Trump had already banned new DACA approvals in September 2017. When Biden reopened the program in January 2021, much of the federal government was still shut down by covid. Of about 80,000 young people who applied for DACA status, only about 5,000 were approved. Judge Hanen’s order seven months later stopped the program in its tracks.

This means that the vast majority of DACA-eligible students who turned 15 in 2017 or later cannot get a work permit. They can’t get a job at Starbucks or Google or anywhere else. Any employer in the United States that tries to hire them is committing a federal crime.

The Migration Policy Institute estimates that 98,000 undocumented students graduate from U.S. high schools every year. No matter how able they are or how well-educated, most will be forced to do the work their undocumented parents do: clean houses or work off the books in restaurants or on construction jobs.

Unless Congress changes the law, over the next 10 years, about 1 million new high school graduates will never be able to work. The nurses and teachers in our scholarship program won’t staff hospitals or classrooms.

Given that Congress has not passed an immigration bill since 1986, is it possible that lawmakers might approve one during this year’s lame-duck session? It is, and here’s why:

First look at the issue from the Republicans’ point of view. They believe that the first thing they must address in immigration law is the situation at the southern border, where last year more than 2,700,000 undocumented immigrants crossed the border. Regarding dreamers, many Republican senators and representatives say, we’d like to help them but we won’t until the border situation is fixed.

Doing something about the situation on the border is a good idea. But McCarthy’s pledge binds Republicans as tightly as it does the Democrats. If the speaker will allow no help (he would call it “amnesty”) for immigrants already in the United States to come to the floor, how will he fix the border? Does he think Congress will pass and Biden will sign an immigration bill that’s all enforcement and no relief for immigrants? Of course not.

Republican lawmakers should bring forward their best ideas to reinforce the border and also be prepared to help DACA-eligible young people and others get work permits and a chance at a green card. Give a faster path to citizenship for those who serve in health care or education and in rural or underserved communities. Allow dreamers to serve in the U.S. military.

Democrats, for their part, should be prepared to listen to ideas that would secure the southern border. The current situation appears to have hurt the party in the 2022 elections and will remain a huge problem in 2024. Here is a chance for Democrats to strengthen their immigration policy, while giving deserving people a chance to work legally in the United States — and then become citizens.

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Trump’s Kool-Aid

Dear Editor:

Recent posts have reminded me of Jim Jones, whose followers “drank the Kool Aid” - 900 of them. And Charles Manson, whose followers committed grisly murders on his behalf.

Then in 2016, Donald Trump publicly stated “I could stand in the middle of Fifth Avenue and shoot somebody and wouldn’t lose any voters, OK?”

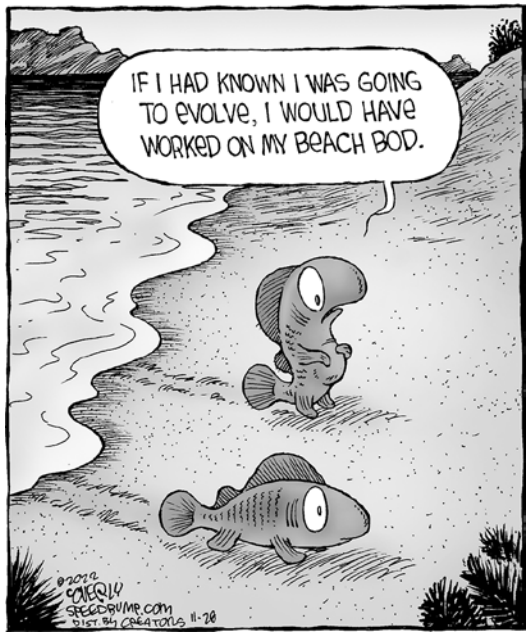
Basically, Trump himself said that his core followers are unable to tell right from wrong and would happily drink his Kool-aid.

Subsequently, his followers assaulted the Capital and threatened to hang Mike Pence, tried to overturn our democracy with lies, and apparently some helped him take state secrets so he could do who knows what with them in the future.

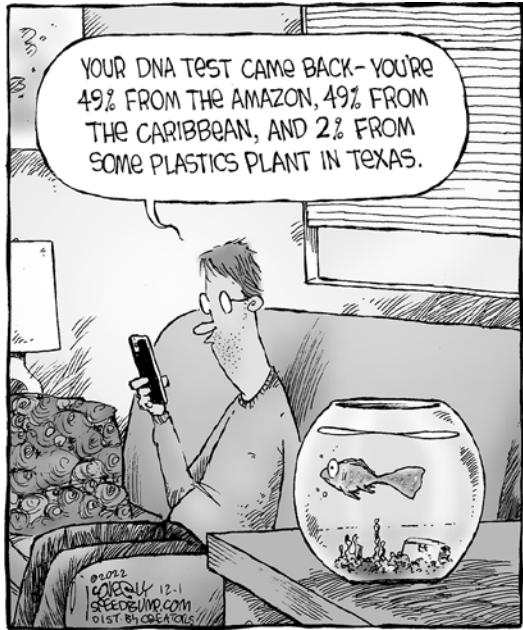
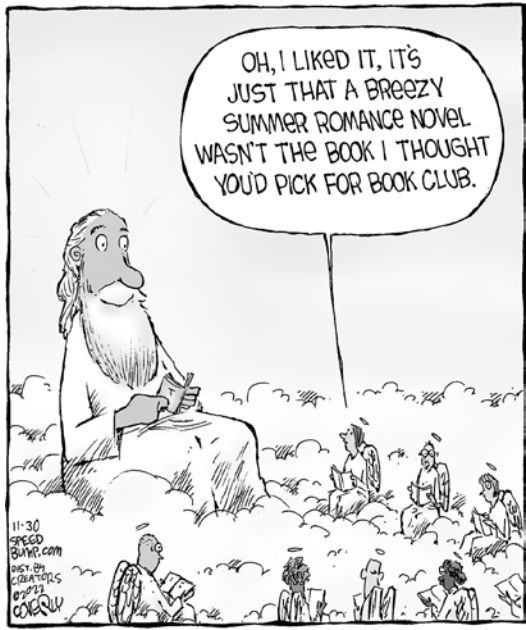
Donald Trump’s Kool Aid doesn’t kill his followers, it just makes them a clear and present danger to America.

Gina Grissom
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., 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 Barabara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

THURSDAYS

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

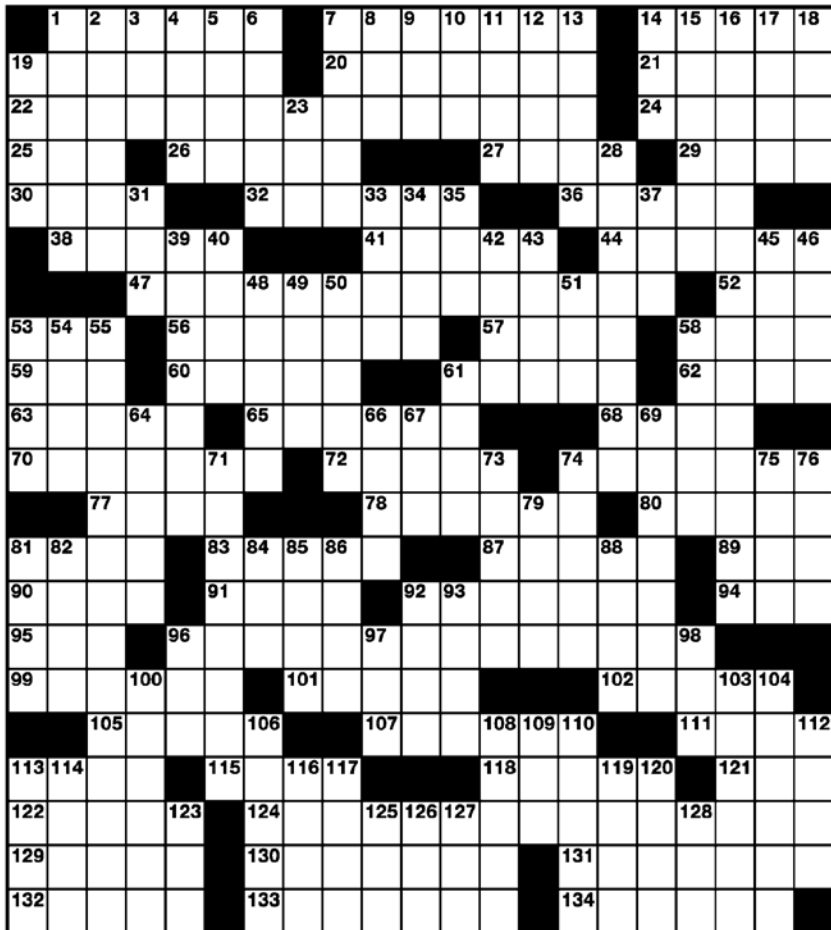
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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, 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, 1121 Brookshire Ave.

Christmas Boutique, 10 am to 4 pm. Shop candles, vintage items, Paparazzi, Scentsy, Lipsense, Origami Owl, and more. Knights of Columbus, 11231 Rives Ave.

Photos with Santa, 11 am to 2 pm. Free photos with Santa Claus. RSVP by calling or texting Michael Berdelis at (562) 818-6111. 24 Hour Real Estate, 8635 Florence Ave.

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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.

Cheaper Than Therapy Comedy Show (Holiday Edition), 6:30-10 pm. Join Stay Gallery for a live stand-up comedy show produced by Downey native and comedian, Alex Caron. Hosted by Jaylin White, with headliner Jason Collings. Tickets are \$10 online and \$15 at the door. Come early before the show starts for tacos de papa con chorizo y aguas frescas, homemade by Alex's grandma. Learn more & purchase tickets: staygallery.org/comedy

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

Apollo Lighting, 4-7 pm. Come participate in one of the newest Downey traditions, the lighting of the Apollo capsule. This year's event features Tuba Christmas with conductor Dr. Anthony Mazzaferro. Free. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

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 closed-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 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.

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.



Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis served a Thanksgiving lunch to program participants at The Arc last week. The Arc provides education and job training to people with developmental disabilities. Kiwanis was joined by Warren High School students volunteering while on Thanksgiving break.

On Tuesday, Nov. 15, the Downey Knights of Columbus presented a check to the OLPH Catholic Women's Guild for their holiday food drive. The funds were gathered by the donations that the Knights made by the winners of its weekly bingo night. The Knights matched the amount received that night.

Pictured are Mario Mendoza, treasurer of the Knights of Columbus, Jo Ann Ramirez, president of the Women's Guild, and Margie Delgado, alter chair.



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Students, families find help in Downey

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During an interview, Perez reads from a stack. "This one says, 'family cannot afford groceries, student reports. Limited items at home and family often relies on school lunches.' So obviously, this is something we can handle." There are two food banks in Downey, including one run by the Downey PTA, and Perez's staff will reach out to the family.

"This one says 'backpack.' That's very simple. We have a closet with new backpacks. We'll just send a backpack straight to them. No need to even call the parents."

Perez continues, "A teacher may report, 'Student's glasses are badly scratched and parent says they cannot afford to buy new ones.' We can help with that." For such requests, she will write a note on the referral slip indicating whom her caseworkers should call. Last year over 600 students received free eye exams and glasses.

Perez and her staff processed over 1500 referrals last year, answering to various needs. She is proud of her agency's quick response rate to the school staff making referrals, letting them know that their report did not fall into a bureaucratic hole.

"Everybody will get a follow-up, and it's going to say something. It might say, 'referred to an outside

agency' if the family needs clothes. It might say, 'I never got hold of the parent,' but they'll hear something from us. Of course, I always like to be able to say that we were able to connect them [the family] with the requested services."

TLC hosts grief counseling sessions for students who have lost someone close to them. The sessions are an hour and a half, one day a week for eight weeks, with a maximum of 12 students per session. Groups include all ages, from 7-17 years.

"The older students seem to take on a mentorship role," explains TLC staffer Rachel Montero. "There is camaraderie that they share, and after the first sessions, they start saying Hi to each other."

Referrals involving mental health issues and/or thoughts of suicide require risk assessment and referral to a school psychologist. If a referral describes a home situation of high risk, Perez may call the Exchange Club FSC. The goal is to prevent child abuse.

Exchange Club FSC

The Exchange Club Family Support Center of Downey, a non-profit with the mission of preventing child abuse, was opened in 1991 at Apollo Park with Georganne Bruce as its Executive Director.

The Exchange Club itself is a

national service organization, much like Rotary and Kiwanis, that was started in the upper Midwest. Bruce recounts a story that the name was adopted by a group of businessmen who met regularly to exchange ideas.

According to Bruce, the Exchange Club was very active in Downey in the 1970s and "was one of the more prominent service clubs at that time." The Family Support Center owns its own building because of an endowment from an Exchange Club member in the 1990s.

In 1979 the Exchange Club adopted the prevention of child abuse as its national project. Chapters within a geographic area often joined together to sponsor the establishment of a child abuse prevention center.

The Downey center operates under a DBA of Family Support Center because Bruce says the words "child abuse" on her business card was off-putting for many clients.

The FSC takes referrals from courts, agencies, and schools, and sometimes from parents themselves. The core of FSC's support for at-risk families is a parent aid program with weekly home visits. The center also offers parenting classes, and infant massage classes.

FSC serves a broader

community than TLC as its services are not limited to families of DUSD students. Many FSC clients live in surrounding cities.

The myriad Exchange Club support centers across the country operate independently. "We are all responsible for ourselves," says Bruce. "But, all of the centers across the country must have a parent aid program. That is what ties us together."

Bruce explains that the goal is to help families avoid involvement with Children's Services. "We work really hard to identify those families before it gets to a reportable situation, and that's where our relationship comes in with the schools, as well as mental health agencies."

Assistance for families begins with a very detailed Initial Needs Assessment. Parents are asked about their own childhood and history, any support system, financial problems, etc. Visits are made to observe the home.

"Our focus is truly parenting and everyday living skills, in order for them to run their homes as efficiently as possible, to lessen different stressors so they can give that time to their kids." Visits are weekly and Bruce says they will sometimes give up to a 12-months commitment. "We recognize that changing your belief system and maybe overcoming your own past childhood issues is not an easy, quick fix."

In 1997 Bruce expanded services to offer parenting classes. Most parenting classes, often court ordered, were offered at Adult Education schools. When Bruce talked with parents who were attending, she felt the large class sizes inhibited effectiveness.

"It's easy for someone to hide in the back and go through the motions, get their certificate, and not gain anything," she explained. Bruce decided to keep class size small and charge a nominal fee.

"This was not a money-making venture," she recounted. "I needed buy-in, even five dollars." If someone couldn't pay, she offered to let them make payments of a



Georganne Bruce in the children's room at the Exchange Club Family Support Center. (Photo by Carol Kearns)

dollar a week.

Most parenting classes at that time offered a curriculum that covered ages 2-12 years. Bruce felt this was too broad and wrote a grant so her staff could be trained in a 0-36 months curriculum. Bruce felt the more age-appropriate instruction was needed.

"We are really focusing on communication, on reading, on talking to them [young children], on eye contact and music and playing with their kid—literally teaching parents how to play with their children."

When FSC had to shut its doors during the pandemic, Bruce had no intention of ceasing services, and she approached her donors to provide laptops so her staff could operate virtually.

"It was a nightmare," she recounts. Families that were already under stress for other problems now had the children home every day. Many parents had never used a tablet before. FSC "was inundated with people" because so many surrounding agencies did not offer even minimal virtual assistance.

"I had to do so much to keep my staff motivated," she explains, "because they were experiencing secondary trauma. We all were because of the stress levels that our families were under. We're trying to keep them motivated while we were scared ourselves."

Bruce is proud of the assistance her agency was able to give to so many families throughout southern California and even out of state. Bruce's Zoom classes were serving parents in Texas, Nevada, and one of the Carolinas.

The pandemic's impact on the infant massage classes brought unexpected consequences. Bruce started offering classes in infant massage 14 years ago. The classes are conducted in person, under the supervision of someone who has been certified. The interaction is viewed as beneficial for parent/child bonding and for situations of colic.

When the pandemic started, the governing body that certifies her staff would not allow virtual sessions. They felt it was too dangerous for the baby.

Ultimately, as Bruce explains, the demand for such classes could not be ignored. Many women who were former addicts relapsed to dangerous behavior during pandemic protocols because they lost their support groups. Those who became pregnant had babies who were prenatally exposed to drugs.

Testing revealed that some babies had up to five different substances in them at birth.

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Downey hosting Mater Dei for state championship

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That all changed in the summer during off-season workouts and 7-on-7 competition.

"I knew we had something special in the summer with the 7-on-7's," Williams said.

Leading the way for the Vikings was senior quarterback and Oregon State commit Aidan Chiles, with three touchdowns. He was nearly perfect, completing 11 of 14 passes for 261 yards. He also ran for 67 yards on three carries.

Three players led the Vikings with two touchdowns each – senior wide receiver BJ Carey (29, 96 yards receiving), senior Jaylen Crutchfield (10, 76 yards rushing) and Keion Andrew (18 yd. reception, 21 yd. rushing TD).

Chiles' favorite target was Carey with four catches for 147 yards, while senior receiver Ian Hernandez caught two passes for 56 yards.

Andrew totaled 49 all-purpose yards with 28 receiving and 21 rushing. Juniors Manuel Albidrez (4 carries, 11 yards) and Matthew Picado had 18 and 12 yards in receptions.

Crutchfield led all running backs with 174 yards on nine carries.

Defensively, junior linebacker Johnny Hernandez (8 solo, 4 A) and Debora (7 solo, 3 A) led with 12 and 10 total tackles, respectively. Hernandez had two tackles for losses. Freshman defensive lineman Oscar Aguilar also recorded a sack, while seniors Andrew Reyes and Angelo Miranda each intercepted a

pass.

"(Defensively), our goal was to triple team the quarterback (Aidan Houston) and double team their wide receiver (Matthew Morrell)," Williams said. "Our defense was gritty and was getting better every week."

Houston, who came into the game with 3,069 yards passing (8 Int's) and 29 touchdowns, was held to 127 yards passing (11 for 22, 2 Int's), while Morrell (1,627 receiving yards, 15 TDs) had five catches for 79 yards and a touchdown. Houston also ran for 39 yards on 10 carries.

Cypress senior running back Nathan Schneider ran for 71 yards on 12 carries.

Crutchfield started the scoring on Downey's first possession early in the opening quarter, with the first of his two TDs, a 10-yard score for the 7-0 lead.

On the Vikings' next possession, Carey scored his first touchdown reception with a 29-yard pass from Chiles at the 5:18 mark of the first quarter for the 13-0 lead.

The defense recovered a fumble near midfield on the ensuing Cypress possession but didn't capitalize on it.

The Vikings went up by three scores in the third quarter before Cypress could get on the scoreboard, with an 18-yard touchdown pass to Andrew. The two-point conversion run failed, as Downey had a 19-0 advantage with 8:48 left in the half.

Cypress scored its only touchdown of the game late in the

second quarter with a 28-yard TD pass from Houston to Morrell, to trail, 19-6.

Crutchfield broke off a 76-yard TD run just 22 seconds after the Cypress score and led at the half, 26-7.

After the touchdown, the Vikings intercepted Houston to stall another drive.

The midway portion of the third quarter was the undoing of Cypress and the championship.

The Centurions started at their own 42 to start the third quarter, and were driving, but a series of misplays and incompletes led to a Downey first down at the Cypress 10.

On the first play from scrimmage by the Vikings, Chiles went on a 90-yard scoring run to seemingly start to put the game out of reach. However, a penalty negated the score.

With momentum on the Downey sidelines, the very next play resulted in a 96-yard touchdown reception by Carey.

Penalties had pushed Downey back to its own four-yard line and Carey got behind the defender and he bobbled the pass but tipped it back to himself.

"That was a huge momentum shift," explained Williams. The 33-7 lead was insurmountable, and Cypress seemed to let the air out of its game at that point.

Late in the third quarter, with a failed fourth and five at their own 30, the Centurions appeared to be

beaten.

"I knew that they were done," Williams said.

Andrew closed the deal with a 21-yard rushing touchdown with just 33 seconds left in the third quarter and the 40-7 score.

The flood gates opened for Downey as many players took the field to get playoff experience.

"Especially the four-year guys that stuck with it, it was good to see the smiles on their faces," Williams added. "After the Warren loss it made us realize what we needed to do," concluded Williams.

Another observation by Williams was the 32 seniors on the team, he figured 24 of them had never beaten Warren in their four years. "That just made them hungrier the rest of the season and into the playoffs."

Williams also noted that after the Warren game at grading time, there always seemed to be some athletes that couldn't make the grade to continue with the football program.

He noted that there wasn't one athlete this season that dropped out because of grades.

A nice honor came to both Downey and Warren this past season, as Chiles and Bears QB, Nico Iamaleava, who is headed to the University of Tennessee, were named Co-MVPs of the Gateway League.

School district still recovering from pandemic consequences

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"I call these babies my cocktail babies," says Bruce. She argued strongly for virtual infant massage classes because foster parents were caring for babies going through "significant withdrawal symptoms."

Bruce concurs with Perez and Garcia about the unique difficulties that schools and support agencies are seeing this year as society tries to steer a course back to "normal."

Free After School Programs

One local nonprofit, founded with the mission of serving all students, is today providing what is perhaps important emotional support for needy families in the form of afterschool child care and enrichment programs.

Six years ago, Downey parent Linda Saldana organized a nonprofit with the simple goal of providing afterschool music lessons to elementary students. Its name was a mouthful: the Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunity—DFEO.

Saldana inspired community groups with her vision: art was foundational to a quality education. First-graders taught by professional musicians learned to bow child-sized violins and give concerts. In less than five years DFEO's budget was approaching half a million dollars. The afterschool enrichment program expanded to include other stringed instruments and theater and visual arts.

DUSD welcomed a partnership and offered office space at district headquarters. When schools went to virtual learning because of the pandemic, DFEO offered Zoom sessions whenever possible.

Last year, as pandemic protocols wound down and students moved back on campus, this mutually beneficial partnership enabled DUSD to optimize state grants available, under AB 130, for expanded learning opportunities.

DUSD, in partnership with DFEO, now offers free afterschool childcare at all elementary and middle schools with enrichment programs taught by professionals.

Carpenter Elementary



Luz Perez speaks at a Rotary Club of Downey meeting. (Photo by Lorine Parks)

School currently has the largest participation with 150 students. The other 16 schools are averaging 100 students each, with that number expected to rise. Almost 2,000 students, nine percent of the student body, are currently being served.

Many school districts do not have the kind of infrastructure in place that allowed DUSD to so quickly leverage its resources on such an extensive scale.

Farsighted school district planning, with support from service organizations and civic groups, laid the groundwork for this district-wide enrichment program.

Downey local nonprofit Stay Art oversees the arts enrichment part of the afterschool program. Executive Director Gabriel Enamorado says that when DFEO approached him over the summer about a program at 20 schools, he was able to draw on his large network of working artists.

"All of our afterschool enrichment teachers are professional working artists with previous K-8 experience," he says. Exhibits of student work will be held at Stay Gallery and the Downey Theatre.

A well-known adage says, "it takes a village to raise a child." It's clear that the broader Downey community, throughout the years, has played an essential role in the successes of its school district and its students.

Bombers win softball tourney

DOWNEY – The Downey Bombers 12U Fall-Star team won the "Be Thankful, Play Softball Tourney" in Mira Loma, CA on Nov. 20, defeating Valor by a score of 9-0 in the Semi-Finals and Athletic Mercado-Hernandez 12U in the Championship Game by a score of 6-1.

The roster consists of Zaya Rubio, Maya Aguilar, Erica De La O, Destiny Sanchez, Arianna Hernandez, Georgina Perez, Lejana Charley, Lesal Charley, Brooke Visaya, Alicia Ochoa, Kaitlyn De Leon, Mia Miranda and Leah Enriquez.

The team was coached by Coaches Hugo, Robert, Yesenia P. and Ramiro, and with Yesenia R. being the Team Mom.

In their semi-final game, the Bombers big bats were led by Lejana C, Ariana H, Destiny S, Brooke V, Georgina P, and Lesal C, all sending runners across the plate for a total of eight runs in the fourth inning.

The Bombers offense in the inning came from an error on a ball put in play by Ariana, Brooke, and Erica, doubles by Destiny and Georgina, a walk by Lejana, and a triple by Lesal.

Erica D. dominated from the circle; the righthander went four innings, allowing no runs on two hits, striking out three and walking none.

In the final game, the Bombers opened up scoring in the first inning, when Maya A. homered on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring three runs.

Maya led the team with two hits in three at bats.

Erica D. had another dominating performance; the righthander went four and two-thirds innings, allowing one run on four hits, striking out seven and walking one.

The Downey Bombers team is composed of players from the Downey Ponytail Softball League, which accommodates divisions from 6U-14U.



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Downey couple reaches top 5 in CBS's "The Amazing Race"

■ Aubrey Reyes and David Hernandez finalists in "The Amazing Race," currently airing on CBS.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – A Downey couple is hopefully closing in on the \$1 million-dollar Amazing Race prize.

Aubrey Ares and fiancé David Hernandez may look familiar to fans of popular CBS show, The Amazing Race, currently in its 34th season. For the last 10 weeks, they've trekked across Germany,

Austria, Italy, Jordan, France and Spain, competing against 12 other teams and emerging amongst the top five.

Ares, who describes herself as a "huge fan," says she "grew up watching the show."

"I don't think we DVR'd it; I think I was home every single time the show aired," said Ares. "Just meeting Phil [Keoghan], the host of the show, was a huge deal for me."

Initially selected as alternates for the show, their

big break came in the final moments before shooting began.

"The casting process was two months, and we would find out by May 15 if we were going to make it or not," said Ares. "May 15 rolled around. May 16 rolled around. May 17 rolled around."

With the start of filming approaching and no word back, Ares says that they were sure they had not made the cut. Then, while headed to a trip they had planned, the couple got the call.

"We actually booked a trip to Temecula, because we had taken the time of work off, and we were driving down on the 405 and got the phone call from the amazing race that we were on the show, and we had two hours to pack and get ready to go around the world," said Ares.

Swept off to an initial destination unknown, Hernandez says that all contestants were "on edge."

"Nobody wanted to sleep, everybody was trying to be strategic," said Hernandez. "Even when we took off, everybody was trying to guess, 'Okay, so we're going south, we must be going to South America.'"

Their first destination would be Munich, Germany. Throughout the race, Ares and Hernandez have found themselves everywhere from the top to the bottom of the pack.

Hernandez says that there is some strategy



Aubrey Ares and David Hernandez are currently competing for \$1 million on CBS's The Amazing Race. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

"theoretically," however "practically" it gets lost once the stress of the competition sets in.

"We went in there thinking, 'You know what, you're better at certain things, I'm better at certain things; let's plan accordingly,'" said Hernandez. "But when the moment hits you, it's like 'What do I do?'"

"When you're under that pressure, and you just have the cameras on you, and you see people passing you, it's like all of your common sense goes out the window," added Ares.

Throughout the race, Ares says that "our relationship

grew."

"We had been together for three years, and it's like, what's next in our future? Are we going to do this marriage thing, are we going to build this life together, or is this just where we're going to be at for a little bit," said Ares. "I think that the race definitely did a number on us, for sure. We had our ups, and we definitely had our downs as I think the nation has seen."

Hernandez says the audience has "gotten a glimpse" of who he and Ares started out as and "who we've continued to be."

"There was a couple instances that really tested

our relationship, because we did go into it in a pivotal moment of our relationship," said Hernandez.

There are still a handful of episodes left this season. As the rest of the nation waits to see how Ares and Hernandez's race unfolds, the couple is thankful for the support of their community and ask to "wish us luck."

"The love that everyone has showed us is just crazy," said Ares.

The Amazing Race airs on Wednesdays on CBS.

POET'S CORNER

Corn Picking 1956—Afternoon Break

I needed a heavy canvas jacket riding the cold red tractor, air like an ice cube on bare skin. Blue sky over the aspen grove I drove through on the way back to the field, throttle wide open, the empty wagon I pulled hitting all the bumps on the dirt road. In the high branches of the aspens little explosions now and then sent leaves tumbling and spinning like coins tossed into the air. The autumn day had spilled the color gold everywhere: aspen, cornstalks, ears of corn piled high, coffee mixed with fresh cream, the fur of my dog, Boots, who was sharing our food. And when my father and I spoke, joking with the happy dog, we did not know it then, but even the words that we carelessly dropped were left to shine forever on the bottom of the clear, cold afternoon.

Tom Hennen, *Darkness Sticks to Everything*, Copper Canyon Press, 2013

Hennen gives voice to the prairie and to rural communities, the land, weather, and inhabitants. As the poet Jim Harrison writes, Hennen is "a genius of the common touch." The darkness is not unlike the darkness Frost saw in the forest in his meditation while Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening. Poetry Matters is curated by Lorine Parks.



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The Downey Patriot
11/10/22, 11/17/22, 11/24/22, 12/1/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022245945

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) HOME INSTEAD 508, 10445 LAKEWOOD BLVD, SUITE 105, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) IVP SENIOR CARE, INC., 10445 LAKEWOOD BLVD SUITE 105, DOWNEY CA 90241 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 07/2003 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/IVP SENIOR CARE, INC., CEO, LESLIE P. CABRAL

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 10, 2022

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
11/17/22, 11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 202224919

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) LA TRASH JUNKERS, 3914 CENTER ST, BALDWIN PARK CA 91706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LA TRASH JUNKERS LLC, 3914 CENTER ST, BALDWIN PARK CA 91706 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2021 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/LA TRASH JUNKERS LLC, CEO, XAVIER FIGUEROA

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 4, 2022

Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
2022250853

FILE NO: 2019077713 DATE FILED: MARCH 27, 2019
NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): TRU-IMAGE EVENT SERVICES
STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: 12067 RIVES AV, DOWNEY, CA 90242
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JOSE LUIS ARIAS, 7863 COLE ST, DOWNEY CA 90242
If Corporation or LLC - Print State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A
Business was conducted by: an Individual
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/JOSE LUIS ARIAS, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on NOVEMBER 17, 2022

The Downey Patriot
11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022234698

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BEE HAULING

4 LESS, 10628 SPRY ST, NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALAN JAVIDY SARRABIA, 5924 VIA CAMPO ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90022 (2) JOSE EDUARDO MACHUCA, 10628 SPRY ST., NORWALK CA 90650

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a General Partnership
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 10/2022 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/JOSE EDUARDO MACHUCA, GENERAL PARTNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 26, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022241064

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MODALITY ESTHETICS, 12141 PARAMOUNT BLVD, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 9816 RIVES AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) TONI GUEMBES, 9816 RIVES AVE, DOWNEY CA 90240 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 3, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
11/10/22, 11/17/22, 11/24/22, 12/1/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022252518

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ALLIANCE TUB REFINISHING, 10929 FIRESTONE BLVD. #229, NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ADILENE PINEDA, 10929 FIRESTONE BLVD. #229, NORWALK CA 90650 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 11/2022 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/ADILENE PINEDA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 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).

The Downey Patriot
11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022244451

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BLOOMING STRENGTH COUNSELING SERVICES, 17777 CENTER COURT DRIVE N. STE 600, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CYNTHIA ANGELICA MARTINEZ, 17777 CENTER COURT DRIVE N. STE 600, CERRITOS CA 90703 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 11/2022 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/CYNTHIA ANGELICA MARTINEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 9, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022255517

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BEE HAULING

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) ALERI, 11990 OLD RIVER SCHOOL RD APT 101, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) GUILLERMO CASILLAS, 11990 OLD RIVER SCHOOL RD APT 101, DOWNEY CA 90242 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 23, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22, 12/22/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022249978

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) AMERICAN STRAIGHT BLADE, 11147 RIVERA RD WHITTIER CA 90606, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: 202253214272 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) AMERICAN STRAIGHT BLADE LLC, 11147 RIVERA RD, WHITTIER CA 90606 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company

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

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 16, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2022244451

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BLOOMING STRENGTH COUNSELING SERVICES, 17777 CENTER COURT DRIVE N. STE 600, CERRITOS CA 90703, COUNTY OF LA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CYNTHIA ANGELICA MARTINEZ, 17777 CENTER COURT DRIVE N. STE 600, CERRITOS CA 90703 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 9, 2022 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

The Downey Patriot
12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22, 12/22/22

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case Number: 22NWCPO0450
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: D, Room: N/A

The address of the court is Glendale Superior Court North Central District, 600 East Broadway Glendale, California 91206
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 30, 2022
Robin Miller Sloan, Judge
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
FRANCISCA ALATASI URIMA
1253 LERMA RD
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733
(702) 816-0244
Cis_kah@yahoo.com

The Downey Patriot
12/1/22, 12/8/22, 12/15/22, 12/22/22

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11/17/22, 11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22

NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case Number: 22NWCPO0458
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner A K M SAMDAD HOSSAIN AND ELAINE DENISE GARCIA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) A K M SAMDAD HOSSAIN (2) JULIARNAJ MARTIN HOSSAIN TO Proposed name (1) SAMDAD HOSSAIN TALUKDAR (2) JUL MARTIN TALUKDAR
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
13816 RAMONA DR. APT.E, WHITTIER, CA 90605
(562) 329-4608
Julkarnain21ap@gmail.com

The Downey Patriot
11/17/22, 11/24/22, 12/1/22, 12/8/22

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case Number: 22GDPC00191
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner FRANCISCA ALATASI URIMA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) FRANCISCA ALATASI URIMA TO Proposed name (1) FRANCISCA ALATASI SERRANO
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 18, 2023, Time: 8:30 a.m., Department: D, Room: N/A

The address of the court is Glendale Superior Court North Central District, 600 East Broadway Glendale, California 91206
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 30, 2022
Robin Miller Sloan, Judge
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case Number: 22NWCPO0450
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: D, Room: N/A

The address of the court is Glendale Superior Court North Central District, 600 East Broadway Glendale, California 91206
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 30, 2022
Robin Miller Sloan, Judge
Judge of the Superior Court
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Case Number: 22NWCPO0450
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.

NOT

Holiday advertisements you'll never see again

■ Newspaper and magazine ads from the 1930s probably wouldn't be acceptable today.

By Bobbi Bruce
Downey Historical Society

DOWNEY – There are many benefits in volunteering at the Downey History Center – I get to engage with the community, educate myself in all aspects of history, empower my knowledge by being able to look at all reference books, newspapers and magazines, and it keeps me inspired by learning about my history.

Looking at an advertisement for Lucky Strike Cigarettes from Dec. 14, 1935, I find that it says "Luckies are easy on my throat" as stated by Santa Claus. "There are no finer tobaccos than those used in Luckies, and Luckies' process is your throat protection against irritation...against cough."

Where there's smoke...some of us recall ashtrays were being made by children for dad and mom when the world had many people who were smoking. Who knew that Jack Benny was giving (yes, giving) cartons of Luckies to a few close friends. This fun fact was learned by reading The Saturday Evening Post (November 2020). Jack Benny's ad was from Dec. 6, 1958.

The thrill that comes twice in a lifetime

The following is an ad for Electrolux: The Gas Refrigerator from Dec. 5, 1931:

"A gift that saves money instead of costing money. What's a woman at Christmas time but a little girl grown up? Ticked to pieces with a toy refrigerator when she's little; even more thrilled with an Electrolux when she's big. There's a special sort of 'Christmas magic' about Electrolux. This refrigerator is so dramatically new, different and improved. Its luxury just naturally wins a woman's heart, while its economy appeals to her reason.

"Think of it – no machinery or moving parts to wear. Frost cold, quick-freezing ice cubes, always. Absolutely, permanently silent. Costs less to operate than



Santa Claus was used to sell cigarettes in the 1930s.

any other refrigerator. Refrigerant hermetically sealed in rigid steel, needs no renewal. Liberal purchase terms.

"Place your Christmas order now. At your gas company's showrooms, you'll see models ranging in size from tiny affairs for two people, up to huge mansion size.

"Complete information by mail if you wish. Electrolux Refrigerator Sales, Inc., Evansville, Indiana."

The Facts of Wife

"Ideal gifts for the high priestess of home and earth? Why, more cherished tools of her trade – vacuums, dishwashers, refrigerators – of course. Let your wife come into the living room from the kitchen to see the new automatic Electric Dishwashers being advertised on the television.

Everybody's pointing to Hotpoint." – ad from Dec. 2, 1950.

"Half-way House Cleaning Ends Dec. 25" – ad from Dec. 2, 1939.

These are ads from holidays you will never see again. Just a flashback to a simpler time when marketers presented a world in which dads and little boys care only for having fun, moms want nothing more than a clean house, and Santa is smoking.

An ad for Textron Menswear dated Dec. 1, 1948 shows "Big Boys, Little Boys." They're all the same wearing pajamas, playing cowboys and Indians.

I'm having so much fun volunteering at the historical society.

Bobbi Bruce is a docent with the Downey Historical Society.

Warren High School softball player Ashley Garcia signed her National Letter of intent to play Division 1 softball at Quinnipiac University in Connecticut.

Garcia has played since the age of four, including baseball "with the boys" at Apollo Park, three seasons with Downey Ponytail, travel ball, and six years with the Corona Angels organization. She lettered all four years with Warren.



Elsa Van Leuven, a frequent contributor to the Downey Patriot's Opinion page, recently celebrated her 99th birthday.

"We celebrated her birthday with a wonderful dinner party including family and longtime friends where she sang songs and shared stories from her childhood back in the 1920's," said friend Lisa Fox. "She is known for her political views but she is also a sweet, kind and compassionate person with an abundance of wisdom. She is admired and loved by many in our community."



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Spanish style duplex with side-by-side units that sits on a large lot. Each unit has 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom for a total of 2,318 sq. ft. There is a two-car detached garage, ample parking in the driveway, and backyard for large gatherings. Live in one and rent out the second unit! Both units will be delivered vacant! Call Today!!

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