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Downey pledges nationwide search for police chief

DOWNEY – The process to find a replacement for retiring police chief Leslie Murray will involve a nationwide search, city officials said Thursday.

Murray is set to retire at the end of this year, capping a 32-year career with the Downey Police Department. She became police chief in December 2021.

“I’ve enjoyed a very rewarding career serving alongside many wonderful people over the years and for a community that I have grown up with and have so much gratitude for,” Murray said in a press release. “I am excited and look forward to what’s ahead in the next chapter for me and my family.”

In a statement, the City of Downey said “a nationwide search to find a new chief will be underway to ensure a seamless transition at the end of the year.”

Mayor Claudia M. Frometa said “it has been an honor” to work with Murray and called her a trailblazer for women in law enforcement.

“She leaves a legacy of strength, resilience, exceptional dedication and commitment to our city’s residents and police department,” Frometa said. “My hope is to continue to see female leaders rise through the ranks within our Downey PD just as Chief Murray did. I wish her only the best in her upcoming retirement.”

The Downey Police Department currently has 181 personnel, including 113 sworn officers and 68 non-sworn support staff.

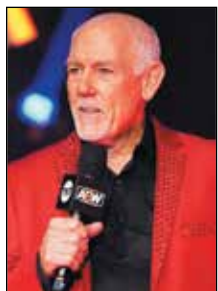
“Chief Murray has put in many years of dedication to the Downey community,” said City Manager Roger Bradley. “Her work here in the city has made Downey a better place. On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank her for her leadership, dedication and example. We will miss her but wish her well as she sets out for new adventures.”

A Downey High School graduate, Murray was hired as a Downey police officer in 1990. She rose through the ranks, with promotions to detective, sergeant, lieutenant and captain before her promotion to police chief.

Eric Pierce, editor

Wrestling legend Tully Blanchard is keynote speaker

DOWNEY – Wrestling hall of famer Tully Blanchard will deliver the keynote address at the 35th annual Downey Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, Oct. 5, starting at 7 am at the Rio Hondo Event Center.



Blanchard rose to wrestling prominence in the 1980s as an original member of the Four Horsemen stable, alongside Ric Flair, Arn Anderson and Ole Anderson. Blanchard and Arn Anderson captured the WWF tag team titles in 1989.

More recently, Blanchard has appeared on AEW and Ring of Honor wrestling.

Tickets to the breakfast are \$35 and can be purchased by sending a check payable to PMA to Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast, 8129 Somerset Blvd.,

Paramount, CA 90723.

For questions, call Mark Maciel at (562) 531-0117.

Oktoberfest street festival set for downtown

DOWNEY – Downey’s first Oktoberfest festival will take place Saturday, Sept. 16, from 3-9 pm in Downtown Downey.

Admission to the all-ages, outdoor festival is free. Attractions include 70-plus vendors, food trucks, an outdoor beer garden, music, entertainment, activities for all ages, and more.

“For years residents have been clamoring for an Oktoberfest celebration in Downey and we’re excited to finally host one,” said Jorge Villa, board chair of the Downtown Downey Improvement Association.

The festival will take place on Downey Avenue, between 2nd and 4th streets. Free parking is available in the Downtown Downey parking structure and at various public lots around the downtown.

Oktoberfest is traditionally held over a two-week period starting in September and ending on the first Sunday in October. The festival originated in 1810 in Munich, Germany and is celebrated worldwide as a toast to German culture.



Anna and David Tseklenis unveil the new Button Hole plaque on the northern perimeter of Stonewood Center as Kathy Perez looks on. (PHOTO BY GABRIEL ENAMORADO)

Historians rededicate ‘Buttonhole’ at Stonewood Mall

■ A plaque dedicated to late Downey resident Wallace Button was reinstalled at the mall.

**By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer**

DOWNEY – The years-long mission of one of Downey’s first historians finally came to fruition on Wednesday with the rededication of a plaque marking “The Button Hole.”

Located at the intersection of Cecilia Street and Clancy Avenue, “The Button Hole” is a pedestrian entrance built into the wall separating the Stonewood mall from the street. It was put in place at the request of Wallace C. Button.

According to Downey Conservancy President Kathy Perez, Button – who lived on Clancy – enjoyed walking the area when it was still open field and farm land.

“Mr. Button would cross and take his walk,” said Perez. “When the mall was built in 1958, he requested that when they put the wall up that they leave this gap so he could continue his routine, and his request was granted.”

Upon Button’s death in 1969, friends and loved ones dedicated a plaque at the wall in his honor, officially deeming the space as “The Button Hole.”

However, the plaque was



Members of the Downey Conservancy with David and Anna Tseklenis.

stolen sometime around 2016-17.

Conservancy co-founder Harold Tseklenis made it his goal to correct the theft.

“When it came to the attention of Harold Tseklenis, who had been Mr. Button’s friend, he said ‘No, this can’t be,’” said Perez. “Harold took it upon himself to replace it. Unfortunately, he wasn’t able to do that; he passed in 2019.”

Still, the Conservancy picked up where Tseklenis left off.

“Since then, we decided, being that Harold was a dear friend of ours, on our board, co-founder of the Conservancy, that we would take up the job of doing this,” said Perez.

Members of the Conservancy were joined by Mayor Claudia Frometa, Councilman Hector Sosa, and members of the

Tseklenis family.

Son David Tseklenis was appreciative to the Conservancy and the community as a whole, saying he was “completely surprised by all of this.”

“Dad recognized this really as a little piece of history that brings people together in the community,” said Tseklenis. “The idea of preserving this spot is something that dad believed in, and this really represents the broader idea of preserving Downey’s history.”

“For people to share that, members of the community especially who care about this sort of thing, Dad would’ve appreciated it; not because of any honor, primarily because it would bring people together for a common cause.”

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 90°

Saturday 93°

Sunday 89°

ON THIS DAY

1876:

The Younger Brothers, a group of American outlaws who were often allied with Jesse James, were captured following an unsuccessful bank robbery.

1921:

In Atlantic City, New Jersey, the first Miss America Pageant (then known as the Inter-City Beauty Contest) began; 16-year-old Margaret Gorman was crowned the winner the following day.

1963:

The Pro Football Hall of Fame opened in Canton, Ohio, and its first inductees included Jim Thorpe and George Halas.

1977:

US President Jimmy Carter and Panama’s General Omar Torrijos signed the Panama Canal treaties, guaranteeing Panama control of the Panama Canal after 1999.

1979:

ESPN, a cable network dedicated to sports, debuted on American television.

1986:

Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet survived an assassination attempt after his motorcade was ambushed by gunmen; five of his bodyguards were killed.

1986:

Desmond Tutu became the first black man to lead the Anglican Diocese of Cape Town.

1996:

Rapper and actor Tupac Shakur, one of the leading names in 1990s gangsta rap, was shot by an unknown assailant in Las Vegas and died six days later.



Birthdays

“I Will Survive” singer **Gloria Gaynor** (80), comedian **Leslie Jones** (56), retired boxing champion **Shane Mosley** (52), Dodgers pitching coach **Mark Prior** (43), actress **Evan Rachel Wood** (36) and basketball player **Kevin Love** (35).

NEW PRESIDENT

Michael Calvert was installed as president of Downey Coordinating Council on Wednesday. He was sworn-in by outgoing president Carol Kearns.

Calvert is executive director of the Downey Chamber of Commerce and past president of Downey Los Amigos Kiwanis.



DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

The Depeche Mode Experience, 8 pm. Depeche Mode tribute band Strangelove delivers a career spanning, pitch perfect "best of" concert that touches on Depeche Mode's 40-year career. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

International Food & Music Festival, 4-10 pm. Craft beer & wine garden, face painting, henna artists, live music on two stages, and food from local restaurants and popular food trucks. Downey Avenue between 2nd and 4th streets

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

September 11 Remembrance Ceremony, 10 am. Join the City of Downey as it honors those who lost their lives in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Ojos Locos Grand Opening, 11 am. Ojos Locos Sports Cantina celebrates the opening of its new Downey location. 8350 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Ribbon Cutting, 4 pm. A ribbon cutting ceremony for new chamber member Enagic, an independent distributor. Downey Chamber of Commerce, 11131 Brookshire Ave.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Ribbon Cutting, 4 pm. A ribbon cutting ceremony for new chamber member NuSpine Chiropractic. NuSpine, 12146 Lakewood Blvd.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Linocut Workshop, 10 am to 12 pm and 2-4 pm. Explore the basics of linocut art at this free workshop meant for beginners. Learn about the different methods, tools and techniques. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Senior Follies, 11 am and 2 pm. Watch as Downey's most talented senior citizens put on an entertaining show. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

Oktoberfest, 3-9 pm. Celebrate Oktoberfest in Downtown Downey at this outdoor, family-friendly festival featuring music, shopping, a beer garden, and more.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Book Club, 12-1 pm. Join other book lovers in a discussion of "Device Free Weekend" by Sean Doolittle. New members welcome. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Ribbon Cutting, 4 pm. A ribbon cutting ceremony for new chamber member Viadora, 8036 3rd St., #102

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Ribbon Cutting, 11 am. A ribbon cutting ceremony for new chamber member The Gypsy Trip, 7824 Florence Ave.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Excursion to see Les Miserables, 11:30 am to 5:30 pm. Take an excursion to see "Les Miserables" at the Segerstrom Center for the Arts. Cost is \$65 for Downey residents and includes transportation and admission. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

Masquerade Garden Party, 3:30-6:30 pm. A live singing performance of Phantom of the Opera music with piano. Plus appetizers, 3-course dinner, champagne, wine, raffle, and live and silent auctions. Guests are encouraged to come dressed in masquerade attire. \$95 with proceeds benefiting the Downey Symphony. Contact Pat Gil for tickets at (562) 879-3029 or patgil1031@gmail.com. Woman's Club of Downey, 9813 Paramount Blvd.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Collaborative Meeting, 10 am. Local non-profits are invited to share information about their organizations at this collaborative meeting. Everyone will have an opportunity to introduce themselves and distribute flyers. The Whole Child, 8630 Florence Ave.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Havana Nights, 6-9:30 pm.

Downey's premiere Cuban celebration returns to Downtown Downey with live music, food vendors, shopping, family activities, and more. Located on Downey Avenue between 2nd and 4th streets

Swingin' with the Mouse, 8 pm. Join the SWTM Band as they celebrate the magic of your favorite film/TV Disney music, featuring original jazz renditions of classic and beloved songs. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Beyond the Book Festival, time tba. A celebration of all things you're able to do at the library outside of books. The all-ages event will showcase art, music, and feature panel discussions, food vendors, artist and maker workshops, live music, and more. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

Hello Gorgeous! A Live Tribute to Barbra Streisand, 3 pm. Actress and singer Rebecca Clark becomes Barbra Streisand in this live one-woman musical delivering the greatest hits of this legendary singer. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

Ricky Galvez Memorial Golf Tournament, 11 am. Presented by Gangs Out of Downey, the Ricky Galvez Memorial Golf Tournament raises money to fund college scholarships for Downey students. Sign up online at downeygood.org. Rio Hondo Golf Club, 10627 Old River School Rd.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Ribbon Cutting, 6 pm. A ribbon cutting ceremony for new chamber member Dream Life Realty, 8077 Florence Ave., Suite 202A

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, 7 am. Wrestling hall of famer Tully Blanchard is the keynote speaker at the 35th annual prayer breakfast. For tickets, call Mark Maciel at (562)

531-0117. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

State of the Schools, 7 am. Enjoy breakfast while listening to keynote speakers share the Downey Unified School District's achievements and strategic direction. Last day to RSVP is Sept. 29. L.A. County Office of Education West Conference Center, 12830 Columbia Way

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

Excursion to Apples & Art Orchards, 7:30 am to 5 pm. Take an excursion to the Apples & Art Orchards in Julian, where you will learn about apples as you pick your own 5 lb. bag. You'll also have the opportunity to make your own cider. Cost is \$16 for Downey residents and includes transportation and admission. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

Embroidery Workshop, 10 am to 12 pm and 2-4 pm. Explore the basics of embroidery in this free workshop. The class is intended for beginners with no previous experience. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Crosstown Kickoff Festival, 3-9 pm. A family-friendly festival with laser tag, corn maze, pedal car racing, shopping, athletic competitions, and more. Brookshire Avenue between Firestone and 5th Street

Paso de Oro Company Presents: Fiesta de Los Muertos, 6 pm. Paso de Oro Dance Company presents an enchanting evening dedicated to honoring cherished traditions - the harmonious fusion of Dia de Muertos and Halloween. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

Mulch Giveaway, 8-11 am. Downey residents can receive up to 32 gallons of free mulch, while supplies last. Bring your own containers (no bags and no truck beds). City Hall parking lot, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Document Shredding, 8-11 am. Downey residents are invited to bring their sensitive documents for free, on-site shredding. Up to three banker-sized boxes per resident. City Hall parking lot, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

Intro to Computers, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the basics of using a computer and become familiar with peripherals, programs, files, browsing, emails, and more. Free but registration is required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

Rancho Golf Classic, 9 am. Now in its 33rd year, the Rancho Golf Classic raises funds for Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center. Sign up online at RanchoFoundation.org. Friendly Hills Country Club, 8500 Villaverde Dr.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Managing Your Medication Class, 11 am to 12 pm. Learn the importance of sticking to your medication regimen and get tips on what to ask your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new prescription. Led by the LA County Department of Mental Health. Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center, 7810 Quill Dr.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

State of the City, 12 pm. Mayor Claudia M. Frometa will deliver Downey's State of the City address at this public event sponsored by the Downey Chamber of Commerce. Rio Hondo Event Center, 10627 Old River School Rd.

Book Club, 12-1 pm. Join other book lovers in a discussion of "When In Rome" by Liam Callanan. New members welcome. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Job Fair, 10 am to 2 pm. Bring your resume and be prepared for on-the-spot interviews with employers in healthcare, information technology, manufacturing, hospitality, aerospace, trade and logistics, business and professional services, and more. Apollo Park, 12544 Rives Ave.

The Makaha Sons, 8 pm. Boasting an impressive catalog of 22 CDs, The Makaha Sons' melodious Hawaiian symphonies have resonated in concert halls around the globe. See them perform live in Downey. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

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Fright Carnival, 5-9 pm. Celebrate Halloween early at Fright Carnival in Downtown Downey, with games, music, vendors, and more

Spooky Science Night, 5-9 pm. Science themed activities, a costume parade, and other family fun. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

Miss Downey Pageant, 6 pm. Young ladies will compete for the title of Miss Downey, Miss Teen Downey, Junior Miss Downey and Little Miss Downey. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Chamber Anniversary Gala, 5-9 pm. A gala event celebrating the Downey Chamber of Commerce's 120th anniversary. Themed "Taste of Downey," sample cuisine from Downey's finest restaurants. Plus music, a wine garden, dessert table, and more. For details, call (562) 923-2191 or email sarah@downeychamber.com. Casa de Parley Johnson, 7749 Florence Ave.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Excursion to Dia de los Muertos, 10 am to 6 pm. Take an excursion to the Museum of Latin America Art's Dia de los Muertos Festival, featuring live performances and activities to enjoy. Cost is \$15 for Downey residents and includes transportation and admission. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

Downey Dia de los Muertos, 11 am to 8 pm. Now in its 10th year, Downey Dia de los Muertos features live music, ballet folklorico, Aztec dancers, car altar displays, papel picado, calaveras, face painting, food trucks, and more. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

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

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DOWNEY HAPPENINGS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Crochet Workshop, 10 am to 12 pm and 2-4 pm. Explore the basics of crochet in this free workshop. The class is intended for beginners with no previous experience. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Sugar Skull, time tba. Sugar Skull is a touring bilingual, bicultural musical. Using traditional regional music and dance from Mexico, it tells the story of 12-year-old Vita Flores, who things her family has gone loco planning a celebration for deceased loved ones. But when a spirited candy skeleton springs to life, Vita finds herself on a musical journey to unravel the true meaning of Dia de los Muertos. This musical is intended for young audiences and families. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Veterans Day Ceremony, 10 am. Join the City of Downey in honoring our nation's military veterans. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

5K for a 5 King, 7 am. A 5K run/walk organized by the Friends of the Downey Police K9 Foundation. Sign up at downeypoa.org

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Book Club, 12-1 pm. Join other book lovers in a discussion of "Our Missing Hearts" by Celeste Ng. New members welcome. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Small Business Saturday, 3-9 pm. Join Downtown Downey in celebrating and supporting small businesses and all they do for their communities.

Carpenters Legacy: A Christmas Portrait, 8 pm. Direct from Las Vegas, "Carpenters Legacy: A Christmas Portrait," starring Sally Olson as Karen Carpenter and Ned Mills as Richard Carpenter, takes the audience back in time to an old fashioned Christmas. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

Downey Christmas Parade, 1 pm. Downey's annual Christmas parade returns with floats, marching bands, classic cars and, of course, Santa Claus.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

Tree Lighting Ceremony, 6-8:30 pm. This free event features entertainment from local schools, a

snow play area, arts & crafts, photos with Santa Claus, and more. Downey Civic Center, 11111 Brookshire Ave.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

Intro to Computers, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Learn the basics of using a computer and become familiar with peripherals, programs, files, browsing, emails, and more. Free but registration is required by calling (562) 904-7366. Downey City Library, 11121 Brookshire Ave.

Downey Posadas, 5-9 pm. Celebrate Las Posadas at this free, outdoor festival in Downtown Downey, featuring shopping, food trucks, family activities, and more

Apollo Lighting, 6-8 pm. The Downey space center's annual Christmas tradition returns with the lighting of its Apollo capsule. Plus an appearance by TubeChristmas. Columbia Memorial Space Center, 12400 Columbia Way

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Excursion to LA Zoo Lights, 4-9 pm. LA Zoo Lights brings you a winter wonderland, featuring seasonal magic, wildlife-inspired displays, fantastic photo ops, immersive interactive experiences, and dynamic projections and lights. Cost is \$40 for Downey residents and includes transportation and admission. Sign up at the Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Robert Cazimero in Concert, 3 pm. Robert Cazimero is a Grammy-nominated recording artist who has performed from the stage of Carnegie Hall in New York to stages in Japan, Australia, Hong Kong, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle. See him live at the Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

TLC 5K, 8 am. Save the date: the TLC 5K run/walk returns with proceeds benefiting Downey Unified School District's TLC Family Resource Center.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

The Dennis Kamakahi Music Festival, 3 pm. The Rev. Dennis Kamakahi is considered one of the most prolific Hawaiian songwriters of all time. Watch him perform live at the Downey Theatre, joined by special guests. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Carpenters Legacy, 8 pm. Direct from Las Vegas, Carpenters Legacy is the definitive show celebrating the music and legacy of the famed brother-sister duo. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

Mark Yamanaka, Kupaoa, Hoku Zuttermeister in concert, 7 pm. An authentic Hawaiian concert featuring three talented, award-winning recording artists. Downey Theatre, 8435 Firestone Blvd.

Downey's Jackie Mejia makes list of most influential women

■ Mejia created her own business, My Resume Squad, helping to prepare people for new jobs.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

DOWNEY — Jacquelinne Mejia has been named one of the Top 100 Influential Women by the Women's Empowerment Expo.

Mejia, 34, was honored at the Expo, which took place two weeks ago in Los Angeles.

"They're an expo that specifically invites women business owners, women creators, coaches to have an exhibit, have an expo to really empower women," said Mejia.

This year, 100 women throughout the local communities were picked to be recognized for their contributions to "the greater good." While a majority of winners were nominated online, Mejia was one of several hand-picked by the event founder Christina Brophy.

Mejia says she was "so surprised."

"I actually cried a little bit when she told me on the phone," said Mejia. "She started saying why she hand picked us, which was that we helped so many women in the community, that we've been able to help people, you know, that it's such a great mission that the reason we do our business is to really help people with their career development.

"I started crying because it's like, to me it was very special, knowing I know what the business mission is and why I started it, but to have someone recognize that and recognize it in such a public way, it was really touching. I don't cry often, but that made me cry."

Honorees were presented with a sash.

Mejia started her business, My Resume Squad, in 2020. The company offers services to help prepare individuals to apply for a new job or start a new career, including resume consultation and creation, career coaching, and LinkedIn profile optimization.

After graduating from Warren High School, Mejia spent four years working at the University of Missouri career center as a career counselor.

"When you're a career counselor, even as a freshman, you're professionally trained. For a full semester, you don't even work with clients, it's just pure training on how to review resumes, how to write a resume,

how to review a cover letter, how to interact with clients about their career questions," said Mejia. "I got that training early on, and that was my job for four years, and I really enjoyed it. I had people literally stop me in a classroom and say, 'You're the person who got me into law school,' because I helped them with their resume for law school or internship."

After college, Mejia says she continued using her skills to help friends and acquaintances at no charge. It wasn't until the covid-19 pandemic set in and one of her friends – a victim to the many layoffs that took place at that time – offered to pay for her services that she realized there was a potential business venture there.

"That really sparked the idea where it was like, 'Oh, people really truly need this service and they were willing to pay me for my skills,'" said Mejia.

"It felt like a very natural progression. I had always wanted to start a business but I just didn't quite know in what, and so with this I was like I have the skills that people need, I have the knowledge, and I want to help them rewrite their resume, learn about LinkedIn. That's how it started."

Over the course of three years, My Resume Squad has helped clients both nationwide and internationally. Now, Mejia has her eyes set firmly on expansion.

"Definitely something we're going to be offering within the next six months or so is actually group courses and workshops,"



Jacquelinne Mejia poses alongside mother Paula, and Women's Empowerment creator Christina Brophy and her mother. (COURTESY PHOTO)

said Mejia. "We've had a really great interest from non-profit organizations, local businesses that they work with in the community for education or financial services.

"We've had a lot of organizations and even cities reach out to us to talk to us about making custom workshops for them, like group workshops. So that's something we're currently working on."

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Horacio Ortiz shares vision for south Downey

By Horacio Ortiz

DOWNEY – My vision for Downey is to really live up to our motto which declares a “Future Unlimited.” I want to be a part of the new change coming to our great city. It is my mission to bring our communities to their best potential. As your next councilmember, my priorities will be to increase public safety and stricter code enforcement, reduce homelessness, improve the quality of life for all Downey residents, and support small businesses.

Public Safety and Code Enforcement

What makes a thriving community is its commitment to public safety and code enforcement. I will make it a priority to hire a police chief and police officers who have a solid understanding of the needs of our community. By doing so, we will support the effectiveness of law enforcement, promote community engagement, and establish a swift response time to emergencies and crime. As a result, we will strengthen our police force and increase public safety throughout all of Downey.

We need a Downey Police Department sub-station in south Downey. Just like we have four Fire stations throughout the city, we should do the same with our Downey Police Department. It will help prevent more crimes heavily affecting our communities like smash and grabs, home invasions, property theft, and vandalism. By placing sub-stations throughout the city, officers will have a faster response time and increased visibility in the area.

As a Neighborhood Watch captain and member of Gangs Out of Downey (GOOD), I understand

the importance of getting residents involved in these types of programs. It fosters a sense of pride and security in their neighborhoods. I will promote and facilitate the creation of more neighborhood watch groups in south Downey. One of the main topics of discussion that should be addressed in these gatherings of the community is the dangers of Fentanyl. Parents need to be educated on what they should do in an emergency while waiting for first responders. Narcan nasal sprays should be available in every home. A quick nasal spray could save the lives of a loved one who is going through an Opioid/Fentanyl overdose.

Maintaining a proactive code enforcement division in our city will enhance our neighborhoods by beautifying areas that have been neglected for years. It is important that all residents play an active role in reporting incidents of code violations, allowing code enforcement to promptly address the issue and prevent fines.

Reduce Homelessness

We first need to understand the homeless population as two groups: the uninformed and the misinformed. The uninformed individuals are simply not aware of the vast network of available resources. They might not know how or where to apply for assistance, temporary housing, and mental health evaluations including drug rehab centers. The second group is the misinformed homeless population who do not want to seek help. They prefer to live in the streets and occupy sidewalks, parks, and empty private lots. At a minimum, this group of misinformed homeless make our community less safe and less

enjoyable for all families. To manage this crisis, a homeless coordinator needs to be hired at City Hall and will be responsible for addressing all homeless in Downey. We are a compassionate community with numerous connections to agencies that could genuinely help them. The Whole Child, TLC Family Resource Center, and Rancho Los Amigos Hospital are some of the agencies dedicated to supporting those in need. Beyond our city borders, there are also ample resources at both the county and state levels.

As your councilmember, it will be my mission to ensure that saying “Yes” to seeking help is the only option available to either group of the homeless population.

Furthermore, there has been a rise in RV parking on the streets of Downey, and often they are seen as interconnected challenges within the homeless crisis. I will implement a strict curfew for parking RVs on the street. By limiting the permanent occupation of RVs throughout the city, which often disrupts the flow of traffic, collects debris, and impacts the aesthetics of our neighborhoods, we will send a clear message to the region that Downey will not be the next dumping ground of homeless and RVs. Another factor affecting the aesthetics of our neighborhoods is the homeless population that live under the freeway. As your next councilmember, I will work with CalTrans to fortify all entry points to freeways and make it near impossible for anyone to break through.

I want to make it clear that I aim to strongly enforce all anti-camping laws in Downey. The safety and quality of life of Downey residents come first.

Improve Quality of Life

On my first day in office, I will direct staff to do a comprehensive study on traffic in District 1 (south of Firestone Boulevard). I want to identify the areas with the most accidents, speeding, and parking density. By implementing new traffic control measures, we will enhance the safety of our roads and

improve the overall quality of life for Downey residents. It is crucial that we maintain easy traffic flow while also ensuring the safety of pedestrians and drivers.

Last year the city approved a \$30 million street/road improvement initiative. Unfortunately, a majority of those funds were allocated to other areas of Downey that did not need much repair, and the parts of south Downey that did need attention were left untouched.

More and brighter lighting in residential streets and parks is necessary. Some areas are too dark for anyone to feel safe. Unnecessary darkness attracts crime and causes accidents. I will work towards finding solutions to ensure that well-lit neighborhoods become a reality without additional costs to residents.

Supporting Small Businesses

Promoting our community values should be the first checkbox requirement for any business coming to our city. Downey is a gem in the region where many businesses have thrived. We have not built on this reputation for the past several years. It's unfortunate that anchor businesses like Sprouts have chosen to open up in neighboring cities like Norwalk instead of Downey. As a small business owner, I know how valuable it is when the city is seen as a partner rather than an obstacle limiting business growth.

As Chair of the Planning Commission, I have experience collaborating with property owners when searching for new businesses to attract. This kind of proactive partnership is key to preventing the wrong type of business from infiltrating our community. When the controversial cantina Ojos Locos came to the Planning Commission, I was the only one that voted against it. It doesn't seem right to me that an adult facility was allowed to open across the street from Downey High School. Although I am a small business advocate, I will always put family values first.

Attracting good-paying jobs and family-friendly businesses is possible. Most recently, I met

a developer in Washington, DC who told me “Never again will I do business in Downey”. After we spoke, I wanted to find out what was stalling his project for years at City Hall. I asked questions and helped them navigate through the antiquated system currently in place. A couple of months later, we were able to approve his tenant, Shake Shack Burgers, to open in Downtown Downey.

Business owners and residents in Downey should be able to go online and easily schedule an appointment with the city. Right now there is nothing digital in place to facilitate this procedure. In fact, there are many delays with construction and operations

because owners have to contact City Hall to schedule an appointment for someone to come and inspect the business site. This is inefficient, and it is costing businesses and residents who want to make improvements on their homes, a lot of time and money. I want to improve the process by introducing state-of-the-art technology that will streamline the process for every department at City Hall.

To learn more about me and my campaign for Downey City Council, please visit www.HoracioOrtizforDowney.com or call me on my cell phone (562) 445-7572.

Horacio Ortiz is a candidate for Downey City Council - District 1.

Former state teacher of the year endorses Pemberton

DOWNEY – Ken LaVigne, a prominent educator and former L.A. County and state teacher of the year, has endorsed Dorothy Pemberton for Downey city council.




Pemberton, a substitute teacher with Downey Unified School District, is one of three candidates in a Nov. 7 special election for the city council's District 3 seat.

“I have had the privilege to witness firsthand Dorothy Pemberton's tireless efforts in championing the rights of students and educators,” said LaVigne. “Her vision for equitable education and her determination to make a positive difference in our community align perfectly with my own values. I am proud to endorse Pemberton for Downey City Council and wholeheartedly support her campaign.”

LaVigne has spent more than 30 years as a high school teacher and football coach. He was named California Teacher of the Year in 2012.

“To have someone of Ken LaVigne's caliber and reputation endorse our campaign is truly an honor,” Pemberton said. “His dedication to education and his impact on students' lives are remarkable. I am inspired by his endorsement and look forward to working together to create positive change in our community.”

In Memory of
Roy Leecil Long
 October 23, 1940 - August 25, 2023



Roy Leecil Long, 82, was born on October 23, 1940, in Bell, California to Roy Long and Violet White. Roy entered into his eternal rest on August 25, 2023, in Downey, California.

Roy was intelligent and hard-working. He dedicated over 40 years while employed as a Steamfitter in the Pipe Trades.

In the early years he worked through the union, then the South Gate General Motors plant until it closed, and finally at LA County Rancho Los Amigos until he retired. He had a great sense of humor and an artistic side he expressed by welding sculptures, painting and anything to do with flowering plants, which led him to his lifetime membership in the Downey Rose Float Association where he helped construct and flower many floats.

Roy lived in Downey over 50 years and is survived by his loving family: Wife for over 60 years, Jeanette Long of Downey; Daughters, Cynthia and Melissa (James) Barger; Grandchildren, Matthew and Nicholas Barger both of Downey; and Brother, John Long of Fremont, CA.

Roy will be greatly missed by everyone who knew and loved him. Predeceased by his brother, Peter Long.

Condolences for the family may be sent through the website www.rishermortuary.com.

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Aging politicians owe the public answers

Mitch McConnell, Dianne Feinstein and other geriatric politicians should be transparent about their health.

By Jay Newton-Small

Jay Newton-Small is founder of MemoryWell, a digital platform that brings professional journalism skills to the challenge of helping elders tell their life stories.

A few years after my father’s Alzheimer’s diagnosis, his neurologist reported him to the state of Florida, and he was required to go in for regular driving tests until one day, about 18 months later, he failed his test and was never allowed to drive again.

Almost every state in the union has laws requiring retesting of drivers when a doctor (or in some cases a family member) reports them to be cognitively or physically impaired. Some professions, notably airline pilots, require cognitive testing, but in politics the only cognitive screening seems to come from partisan pundits.

In watching some of our aging politicians, I have often wondered: Why isn’t there a similar test for them?

Our aging leaders are increasingly being criticized (often, though not always, by their opponents) as “too old” for the job. If 2024 shapes up to be a rematch between President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump, on Election Day they will be the two oldest party nominees in history, at 81 and 78 respectively. In the Senate, two key positions are filled by elderly politicians who have already suffered recent health complications: Senate Judiciary Chair Dianne Feinstein (90) and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (81).

Questions about McConnell’s fitness for office took center stage again on Wednesday, when he seemed to freeze in front of the press and was unable to respond to questions about running for reelection. It was the second such freezing incident in recent

weeks, episodes that his staff have attributed to dehydration and lightheadedness. He also suffered a concussion after a fall earlier in the year.

The US Capitol physician, Dr. Brian Monahan, on Thursday said the minority leader is “medically clear” to continue his official duties and that “occasional lightheadedness is not uncommon in concussion recovery and can also be expected as a result of dehydration.” But there’s no doubt that the speculation about McConnell’s health will continue, and whether he should keep his job.

I have no way of knowing whether McConnell (or Feinstein, who has been hospitalized more than once this year) should still hold office, and I shouldn’t be the person to determine that – the voters should. But I do believe that they should both be more open with their diagnoses and challenges, and that by doing so they will provide voters with the best information to make their decisions. Part of the problem now isn’t just the shaky behavior these figures exhibit, but our lack of knowledge about their conditions and prognoses. A brief statement from the Capitol Hill physician isn’t enough.

It was encouraging for mental health advocates when Pennsylvania Sen. John Fetterman bluntly admitted he wasn’t fit to serve and stepped away temporarily to seek treatment for depression. If only every member of Congress would be so forthcoming with their health struggles. Coming forward and disclosing the diagnosis, offering their doctor’s expectations and submitting to testing to stay in office are the responsible things to do.

Unfortunately, there’s a significant danger that such transparency would result in the weaponizing of cognitive impairment by political enemies. In this climate it’s hard to imagine revealing adverse medical diagnoses stemming from old age without the world’s condemnation coming down like a ton of bricks. And in an era in which we have struggled to agree on the truth of a pandemic and vaccines, parsing a prognosis or agreeing on a cognitive test in a responsible way might be downright impossible. Worst of all, if we say anyone with this disease should be thrown away, we are digging their graves even as we deter them from getting the help they need.

Even outside of the public spotlight of politics, decisions around cognitive decline are fraught. In my own family, my mother hid my father’s Alzheimer’s diagnosis for a decade — until she died of the stress of caring for him and hiding it from

the world. She was afraid of the stigma of the disease and she didn’t want to lose all their friends. She knew that my father was the charming one; after her death I found reams of printed pages of jokes she’d been trying to memorize to try to pick up his social mantle.

The truth is my father had eight good years after his diagnosis. The mind doesn’t just switch off after you get dementia. It’s often a slow process. I’ve heard of people living 25 or more years with the condition, many of them positive. At some point, though, my father’s mind did go. Which is why it was great we had a test to help protect others from him driving, and that the bank helped my mother set guard rails on his spending.

My biggest regret is that, while my mother could have had more support, because she hid his disease, she didn’t get that assistance. She had no respite when he followed her around like a puppy, even to the bathroom (a phase called “shadowing.”) She had no one but me to confide in and vent to. I went to group therapy every week and asked the questions she wanted asked, but often the answers came too late or had been posed incorrectly.

For too many, the frailties of age are a source of shame. We are a society that does not tolerate imperfections, weakness and other signs of growing older. Our leaders must set an example: Be transparent about their health issues, submit to regular tests and plan to step away when those tests show they can no longer fulfill the duties of their office. A lot of older Americans are perfectly fit for office, public life and every other endeavor, but to see our leaders falter so publicly only invites concern, speculation and, frankly, ageism.

Anything less than this openness is a disservice to their constituents and the millions in our aging society who will grapple with this condition themselves.



Simone Biles redefines success

What we can learn from Simone Biles’ approach to success.

By Onnie Willis Rogers

Onnie Willis Rogers is a former collegiate gymnastics champion at UCLA and a professor of psychology at Northwestern University.

Becoming a successful gymnast almost always starts with preschool-aged kids in leotards barely able to do a cartwheel. It usually ends in high school — or college, for a few of us — at which point most athletes retire from the sport. When people ask me, a former competitive gymnast, if I’m still active in the sport, I usually just say, “gymnastics is not like basketball; it’s not a pick-up sport.”

In my experience, if you started gymnastics after the age of six, you started “late,” and if you competed into the college years, you were “old.” This prevailing attitude has taken many talented gymnasts out of the sport and crushed the dreams of countless young athletes who were no doubt told that the window had closed and that they had missed their shot.

But over the past couple of decades, collegiate gymnastics has been disrupting this narrative, with gymnasts performing impressively at the elite scene well past their teens — and sometimes, considerably after their college careers.

For example, after a successful career at UCLA, Mohini Bhardwaj, at the age of 25, went on to be named captain of the 2004 Olympic team where she earned a silver medal. And in the last Olympic cycle, Chellsie Memmel returned to the sport — after a nine-year hiatus — as the 32-year-old mother of two. Her performances, as well as her social media posts about her training, inspired many, and gave some of us reason to question the old narrative about “aging out” of the sport.

Oksana Chusovitina, from Uzbekistan, is the oldest Olympic gymnast. She’s competed in eight consecutive Olympic games (on three different countries’ national teams) and at 48, she’s

planning to compete again at the Paris Olympics next year.

Then of course, there is Simone Biles, who is the most decorated gymnast in history and at 26, an elder stateswoman for the sport in the United States.

Biles stunned the world again this past weekend, capturing her eighth US Gymnastics all-around title, becoming the oldest woman ever to win while breaking the record for most all-around titles by any gymnast, male or female.

It’s not just her gymnastic brilliance that is causing jaws to drop, but the fact that she won her most recent championship after a two-year break from the sport. Athletically speaking, Biles has picked up exactly where she was when she stepped off the mat after the 2020 Olympics Games. (The games were held a year later because of the Covid-19 pandemic.)

In a sport where the scores separating participants sometimes differ by mere hundredths of a point, Biles prevailed at nationals with a nearly 4-point victory. As a former elite gymnast, member of the USA Gymnastic National Team and 4-time NCAA Collegiate Champion, I know what it takes to compete at the highest level and to sustain success over time. But to step away for so long and return as champ? Biles is without question the greatest ever to chalk up.

It’s become almost routine to rattle off superlatives when describing just how magnificent an athlete she is: her remarkable athletic ability, the precision of her technique, the unparalleled amplitude she achieves as she soars in her vaults or in her tumbling passes. We are all fortunate that we get to witness an athlete of this caliber attain near-perfection, routine after routine. Biles has given us a gift.

She has also changed the narrative about who gets to be a champion, and who gets to excel at the thing they love. She is a married woman well past the age at which most female gymnasts have abandoned the sport. (Male gymnasts have always had a longer horizon, especially at the Olympic level). And Biles has only gotten better with age. She grew up, but she did not outgrow the sport.

Build more prisons

Dear Editor:

The next Chief of Police for the Downey Police Department needs to be a lifelong cop with a history and track record for being tough-on-crime.

The city does not need or want one of those soft-on-crime progressives who go around parading about “equity.” These types only want the position to further their political aspirations. Cities across the US are pumping those guys out like candy under the guise of “equity in policing” and “criminal justice reform.” If anyone looks you in the eye and utters the words “criminal justice reform” or “mass incarceration”, just ignore them because they aren’t serious people.

We need *more* prisons. We need to make *more* arrests. We need to *raise* the prison population. Stop with this soft on crime nonsense that nobody believes in. Even the “defund the police” crowd are finally admitting that the whole idea was a big mistake.

There used to be a perception that Downey Police were tough and that Downey was not a city for hooliganism because the cops would jam you up and bust you down. That perception is long gone. Downey is once again known as the city to go to when you want to rob, loot, burglarize, steal, street race, and assault people. Even gang activity appears to be up in the city.

Downey Police needs to once again go back to having the same reputation as Torrance Police or Beverly Hills Police. Hire more cops. Make more stops. Run gangs out of Downey. The time for being soft on crime is over.

Rob Mendoza
Downey

Beyond gymnastics, Biles offers us something else to embrace: the lesson that we have the power to change restrictive narratives that do not serve us. Expectations about “how things are supposed to go” in our careers can help us, but they can also limit us.

Biles insisted on leaving her sport to take care of herself before coming back on her own terms — ignoring the rules about how things should be done. In the process, she honored her own individuality and her own humanity. That’s been a game-changer for her personally and for gymnastics. It’s been a great lesson for those of us outside the sport as well.

Putting it in her own words: “We have to protect our minds and our bodies and not just go out and do what the world wants us to do... We are not just athletes, we’re people at the end of the day, and sometimes you just have to step back,” she said, after withdrawing from the Tokyo Olympics. It was, in fact, another gift from the athlete who has often been called the GOAT.

What she showed all the young gymnasts hoping to follow in her footsteps is that overwork and emotional distress and pushing through pain and trauma do not result in optimal performance. In our work-obsessed world, athletes — just like the rest of us — are routinely told to work harder for longer hours and that if they are serious about their endeavors, they will limit the time they spend away from professional endeavors.

I can’t help but wonder whether Biles would have been able to perform so well now if she had not listened to herself and had the courage to step away for a while.

When she acknowledged the need for a mental health reset and took herself out of the Olympic finals in Tokyo, it shook the world. Some were critical, calling her selfish and a quitter, but people who were more discerning were supportive. They celebrated the impact this had on de-stigmatizing mental health concerns in sport and for women broadly — especially Black women. This moment showed us what it looks like to trust others and give them the support they deserve. It is how we change the narrative: When someone tells us what they need, we should trust them.

Seeing the incomparably high level Biles has now reached leads me to wonder: Would this level of excellence have been possible if she had “pushed through” and not taken time away? Would she still have craved the joy and the challenge of gymnastics? Without having put her mental health first, would she still trust herself enough to do the most difficult maneuvers humanly possibly on the sport’s biggest stage?

I don’t think so. Trusting herself enough to do exactly what she needed when she needed it has only increased her confidence. Biles had the self-awareness and social support to live out her truth, and we are all the grateful beneficiaries of that wisdom.

Selective inclusivity

Dear Editor:

I agree with district 1 candidate Ramon Casas that inclusivity is important. (“Ramon Casas Jr. Promises Conservative ‘Family Values’ if Elected to City Council,” 8/31/23)

I love Downey because we have events like the Greek Festival. I attend every year and do not feel excluded simply because I am not Greek. Likewise, I have attended pride festivals and have never felt excluded because I am not gay.

Mr. Casas’ narrow view of inclusivity extends only to groups he feels personally comfortable with. District 1 residents should vote for a candidate who supports inclusivity towards all parts of our community.

Igor Kagan
Downey

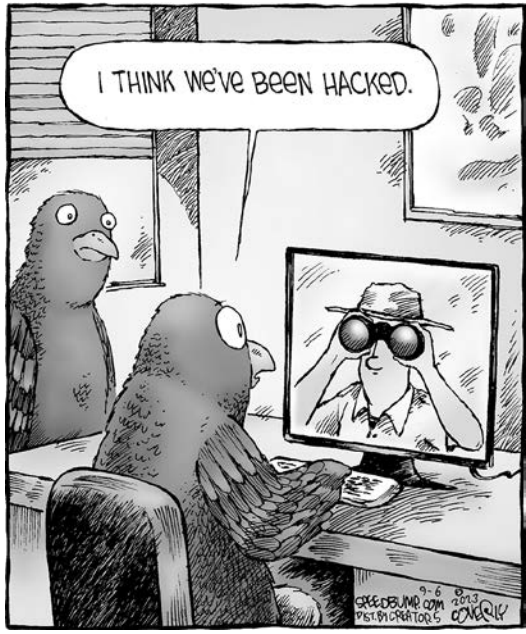
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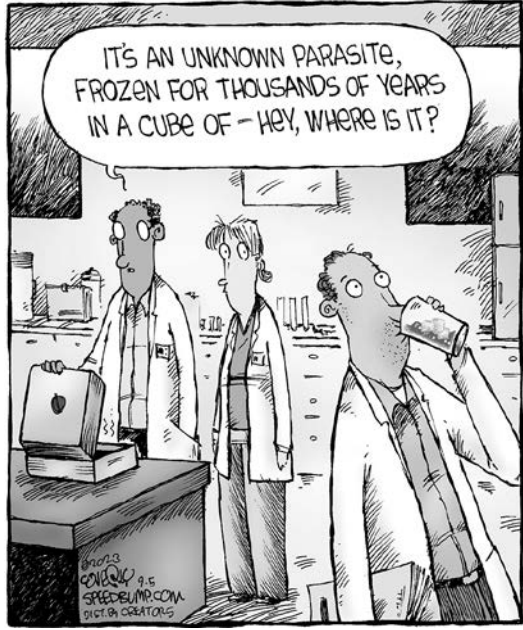
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CITY MEETINGS

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.
 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 Mel Sanchez 562-665-4125.
 6 pm: Toastmasters Club 587, at First Baptist Church, contact Salvador Cervantes: tmsalcpuede@gmail.com.
 7 pm: Downey Knights of Columbus Bingo, at 11231 Rives Ave., call 923-1932.
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 441, at Apollo Park, email scoutmaster@downeyboyscouts.com.
 7:30 pm: Downey Master Chorale, at Cornerstone Church, contact info@downeymasterchorale.org.
 1st Tues., 7:30 am: Gangs Out of Downey, at City Hall training room.
 2nd Tues., 6 pm: Downey Fly Fishers, at Apollo Park, call 425-7936.
 3rd Tues., 12 pm: Downey Newcomers Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm: Community Emergency Response Team meeting, Fire station 1, 12222 Paramount.
 3rd Tues., 6 pm: American Legion #270, at Sizzler Restaurant, call 544-0372.
 Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am: Downey Bocce Club, at 7850 Quill Drive, call John Fiorenza 652-4399

WEDNESDAYS

7 am: Kiwanis Club, at Rio Hondo Events Center, call Steve Roberson at 927-2626.
 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: Royal Rangers Outpost 132, at Desert Reign Church, call 562-861-6011.
 1st Wed., 11 am: Woman's Club of Downey, call Cheryl Olson 833-8954.
 1st Wed., 11:30 am: Downey Coordinating Council, Community Center, call Bobbi Bruce 440-5416.
 1st Wed., 7:30 pm: Downey Stamp Club, at Maude Price School cafeteria, call 928-3028.
 2nd Wed., 11:30 am: Christian Women's Club, call Marilyn 928-2623.
 2nd Wed., 3:30 pm: Keep Downey Beautiful, at City Hall, call 904-7102.
 2nd Wed., 7 pm: Downey Model A Club, at Gallatin School Cafeteria, call 484-8415.
 3rd Wed.: Downey Dog Obedience Club, for information please call Gina 869-5213 or Valerie 420-2972.
 3rd Wed., 10 am: Los Angeles County Quilters Guild, at Women's Club, call 860-8821 or 927-3635.
 3rd Wed., 6:00 pm: Sister Cities of Downey, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call Gloria Nezahualcoyotl (562) 776-6136.
 4th Wed., 7:30 pm: US Coast Guard Aux. Flotilla 5-10, First Presbyterian Church, call Brian 419-5420.
 Wed. & Fri., 10:15 am: Senior Bingo, at Apollo Park, call 904-7223

THURSDAYS

7:30 am: Connections Networking, at Bob's Big Boy, for info., call Nick Smith, 861-5222.
 7:30 am: Soroptimist Int'l of Downey, for information, call Mia Vasquez, 806-3217.
 9:30 am: Take off Pounds Sensibly, at Barabara Riley Senior Center, call (800) 932-8677.
 12 pm: Bingo, at Woman's Club of Downey - Proceeds benefit Rancho.
 12 pm: Optimist Club of Downey, at Rio Hondo Events Center.
 6:30 pm: Downey United Masonic Lodge # 220, 8244 3rd St., call 862-4176.
 7 pm: Boy Scout Troop 351, at Furman Park, contact 562-500-5093 for more information.
 7:30 pm: Downey Elks Lodge #2020, call 803-3557.
 1st Thurs., 6 pm, All other Thurs. 12 pm: Kiwanis Club of Downey, at 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.

SATURDAYS

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

Thursday Afternoon

BINGO

Games start at Noon

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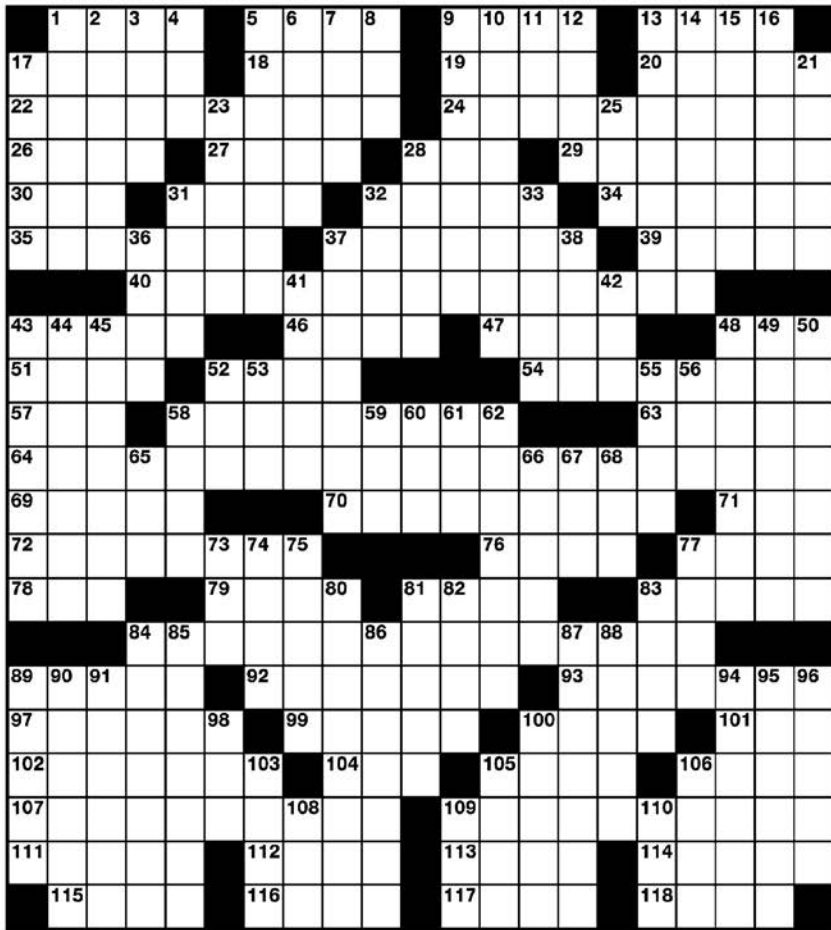
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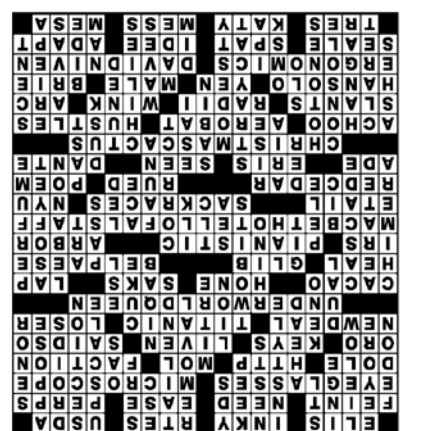


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The SAKS brothers (47 Across) opened their first retail store in Washington D.C. in 1867. BEL PAESE (54 Across), Italian for "beautiful country," is also a term used for Italy itself. Giuseppe Verdi (64 Across) commissioned a libretto for an operatic setting of King Lear, but never wrote any music for it.



Phantom-themed party for a good cause

■ A Phantom of the Opera-inspired fundraiser is planned for Sept. 24 to benefit the Downey Symphony.

By Lorine Parks
Society Editor

DOWNEY – The Downey Symphonic Society is planning a garden party, and everyone's invited.

What's special this year will be a live performance of songs from *The Phantom of the Opera* by Tom Horvath, known as The Young Man of Broadway. A phenomenal young entertainer and premier theatre singer. Tom's voice is unusual: he is a Baritenor. That means his vocal range is from deep baritone to rich falsetto, so he can recreate an entire musical scene.

Singer, actor and dancer, Tom will be performing all the show's main songs in Phantom attire, full cloak and macabre mask. Sunday September 24 is the date and the Woman's Club on 9813 Paramount at Lubeck is the place, from 3:30 to 7:30 pm. Keep an eye on those crystal chandeliers.

"For your \$95 donation," said DSS Party Chair Pat Gil, "expect a delicious buffet dinner, chicken with your choice of three kinds of sauces, and a special dessert." The afternoon celebrates the 2023-24 concert season of the renowned Downey Symphony Orchestra, and is an important fund-raising event.

"The theme will be Masks and the Phantom," said Pat. "Get in the spirit and come dressed in masquerade attire. I want it to be elegant and timeless."

The chilling strains of *The Music of the Night* will thrill patrons as they sip champagne or lemonade.

"It will be our usual tables of eight," said Pat, "with a bottle of white wine and red wine at each table. Cocktail hour is from 3:30 to 4:30pm, and there will be champagne, fruit, cheese and gourmet crackers.

Expect fabulous auction prizes and one of a kind silent auction opportunities.

A special Phantom Basket will be auctioned off, and artists have donated their work, plus there will be Disneyland tickets.

The funds go toward musician's salaries, and the DSS's Outreach Program, Music in the Schools. Each year, third and fifth graders are bussed by schools to the Downey Theatre year for their own mornings of symphonic music, narrated and emceed by Music Director Sharon Lavery. The kids love her.

Sharon will be on hand to introduce the coming season.

The garden party is irresistible, the company is good, the mood festive. Ample lighted free parking for one of Downey's premier social events.

For reservations, contact Pat Gil, at patgil1031@gmail.com or text her at 562-879-3029.

New youth program comes to Downey

■ A new program at Downey Adult School exposes kids to the Civil Air Patrol.

By Lorine Parks
Society Editor

DOWNEY – Mayor Claudia Marroquin-Frometa welcomed the cadets of the Civil Air Patrol Squadron 38 to their new meeting place in Downey last week.

Kids ages 12-18 with an interest in aviation now meet weekly at the Downey Adult School. A youth volunteer service group, the cadets develop leadership skills and physical fitness, and best of all, they have flying lessons in single-engine piston aircraft owned by the volunteer senior members of the Civil Air Patrol.

As Lt. Colonel Charles Wiest (ret. Air Force) explained, the

CAP was created nationwide during World War II by private pilots who voluntarily assisted the military in searching for the enemy submarines that had been discovered operating in the waters off our Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Now known as the Civil Air Patrol California Wing, an auxiliary of the Air Force, volunteer pilots carry out search and rescue missions for lost or missing persons, or in disasters like wildfires. They also map wildfire images with climate data to analyze climate change impacts, and they mentor youth in character development. The cadets follow this tradition of community service. Courtesy and respect for others were plain to see.

The cadets are sponsored by the Air Force, and both boys and girls wear two-tone blue service uniforms and military-style caps. Members come from East or Southeast Los Angeles, and

many plan to join the Air Force or another service after high school. When the cadets fly, they use the public airspace around the general aviation airports, like Long Beach and Fullerton where the private planes are hangered.

I spoke with Petra, Cadet Sponsor Member and grandmother to three of the cadets. "Our squadron has so much to offer our youth," Petra said. "They meet at 6:30 pm for 2 hours a week, plus a special event one Saturday a month, and there is a week-long camp each summer."

"When she was 12," said Petra, "in her first six months my granddaughter Jaden had 4 hours flying time. At this rate she'll have her pilot's license before her driver's license." The Air Force supplements the cost of flights and uniforms.

Last week, Jaden and about ten from her squadron attended the California Wing's

Encampment Program to help strengthen their core values and life skills." The STEM programs also offer an opportunity to learn rocketry.

Instructor Captain Erick Castillo, Commander of the Cadet Squadron, is a volunteer and donates his time. In a typical meeting cadets might learn map-reading, fundamentals of aerospace science and the piston aircraft they get to fly, and team-building skills.

"Young people like this self-

discipline," said Petra, "and they seek it voluntarily. To be a cadet is to take your personal growth seriously."

Mayor Pro Tem Mario Truillo joined in welcoming the cadets to their new home in Downey. This being a special occasion with awards given out, pizza and a three-layer cake topped with strawberries and whipped cream were the refreshments. "Usually they have bottled water and cookies," said Petra.

Downey Adult School teacher leaves lasting impression

My name is Marcy Navarro-Godinez and I was a student at Downey Adult School, studying Medical Assistant/Phlebotomy under the instruction of Leonor Gonzalez. When an instructor enjoys and loves what she does for a living, it sure shows.

Ms. G is an outstanding teacher and her goal was to have us all pass (which we did) and gets jobs. She is an outstanding instructor and would go out of her way to help students experiencing hardships, such as living out of their cars. She's patient and gives her time to those who need a little more help than others. During testing, she is firm and direct to get the information we needed across. No shortcuts for anyone.

She is a very loved teacher. On her birthday, all classes she taught made sure to celebrate her special day. It shows the type of teacher she is.



She is the ideal instructor that everyone should know. Her job is not just a paycheck for her. We truly appreciate Ms. G.

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BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code) Escrow No. 230038-EY

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

(2) The names, Social Security or Federal Tax Numbers and business addresses of the seller are: DAVID MINSANG YI AND EUN SHIL YI, 15030 ALONDRA BLVD, LA MIRADA, CA 90638

(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is:

(4) The names, Social Security or Federal Tax Numbers and business address of the Buyer(s) are: MOHAMMAD H VATANI AND LOBAT S VATANI, 1480 DARLEN DR, LA HABRA, CA 90631

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS of that certain business located at: 15030 ALONDRA BLVD, LA MIRADA, CA 90638

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: LUCKY CAR WASH & CAR CARE WASH

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 at the office of: SOLOMONS ESCROW COMPANY, INC., 2529 FOOTHILL BLVD, #110, LA CRESCENTA, CA 91214, Escrow No. 230038-EY, Escrow Officer: EUGENE K YOON

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

(9) The last date for filing claims is: SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

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

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.

DATED: AUGUST 31, 2023
TRANSFEREES: MOHAMMAD H VATANI AND LOBAT S VATANI
1855642-PP DOWNEY PATRIOT 9/7/23

FCS 1855642-PP The Downey Patriot 9/7/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC Sec. 6105) Escrow No. 232339-CP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: HYUNG SUK YOON, 12825 VALLEY VIEW AVE, LA MIRADA, CA 90638

Doing Business as: TOKYO TERIYAKI & SUSHI

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: NONE

The location in California of the Chief Executive Officer of the Seller(s) is: SAME

The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: SEATTLE GRILL & KATSU LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 5069 BURGUNDY LANE, YORBA LINDA, CA 92886

The assets to be sold are described in general as: FURNITURES, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENTS, TOOLS, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PERMITS, LICENSES AND INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE and are located at: 12825 VALLEY VIEW AVE, LA MIRADA, CA 90638

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale date is SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. (If the sale is subject to Section 6106.2, the following information must be provided.)

The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the last date for filing claims shall be SEPTEMBER 22, 2023, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

Dated: 8/29/23
BUYER: SEATTLE GRILL & KATSU LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
1854128-PP DOWNEY PATRIOT 9/7/23

FCS 1854128-PP The Downey Patriot 9/7/23

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023168812

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **KNK PERFUMES AND COMPANY, 10000 IMPERIAL HWY A105, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) RASOGA YASORAVI SAMARASINGHE, 10000 IMPERIAL HWY A105, DOWNEY CA 90242 (2) SAHAN NADISHA RAJAPAKSHA, 10000 IMPERIAL HWY A105, DOWNEY CA 90242

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Married Couple

The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 08/2023

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/RASOGA YASORAVI SAMARASINGHE, WIFE

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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/LA RUTH SOMERA TELLEZ, WIFE

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023179219

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **RAPID-O-PRINT, 9634 WASHBURN ROAD SUITE B, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ROBERTO TRIAY, 9634 WASHBURN ROAD SUITE B, DOWNEY CA 90241 (2) ALEJANDRO TRIAY, 9634 WASHBURN ROAD SUITE B, DOWNEY CA 90241

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: 04/1995

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/ROBERTO TRIAY, GENERAL PARTNER, ROBERTO TRIAY

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023169050

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **SANCHEZ DRYWALL, 9520 MAYNE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JORGE SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, 9520 MAYNE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706

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/JORGE SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, OWNER

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023179252

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **BERNIE'S PHOTO BOOTHS, 10823 CORD AVE, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JORGE SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, 9520 MAYNE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706

State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual

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

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S/JORGE SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, OWNER

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023181770

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **UNDESIRABLES CC, 8143 GREENVALE AVE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALBERT JAMES HAYES, 8143 GREENVALE AVE, PICO RIVERA CA 90660

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/ALBERT JAMES HAYES, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 21, 2023 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 8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023186830

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **G.C.O HOME REMODELING, 12705 WALDORF DR, LYNNWOOD CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLOS OMAR GALLARDO GONZALEZ, 12705 WALDORF DR, LYNNWOOD CA 90262

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: 08/2023

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/CARLOS OMAR GALLARDO GONZALEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 25, 2023 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023174527

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **ALAMO REAL ESTATE PROPERTY, 6623 ORCHARD AVE BELL CA 90201, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization

Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JESSICA ALAMCO, 6623 ORCHARD AVE A, BELL CA 90201

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/JESSICA ALAMO, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 11, 2023 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/31/23, 9/14/23, 9/21/23, 9/28/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 202317100

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **RG CLEANING SERVICES, 9223 S 3RD AVE, INGLEWOOD CA 90305, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ROCIO GARCIA, 9223 S 3RD AVE, INGLEWOOD CA 90305

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: 08/2023

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/ROCIO GARCIA, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 15, 2023 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 8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023188119

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **SFHDESIGN, 1406 E 53RD STREET, LONG BEACH CA 90805, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) WINN TRUONG, 1406 E 53RD STREET, LONG BEACH CA 90805

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: 08/2023

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/WINN TRUONG, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 29, 2023 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 8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023179252

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **BERNIE'S PHOTO BOOTHS, 10823 CORD AVE, DOWNEY CA 90241, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) JORGE SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, 9520 MAYNE ST, BELLFLOWER CA 90706

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/JORGE SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 3, 2023 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023182119

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **SFHDESIGN, 1406 E 53RD STREET, LONG BEACH CA 90805, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) WINN TRUONG, 1406 E 53RD STREET, LONG BEACH CA 90805

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: 08/2023

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S/WINN TRUONG, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 21, 2023 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 8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023186830

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **G.C.O HOME REMODELING, 12705 WALDORF DR, LYNNWOOD CA 90262, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CARLOS OMAR GALLARDO GONZALEZ, 12705 WALDORF DR, LYNNWOOD CA 90262

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: 08/2023

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/CARLOS OMAR GALLARDO GONZALEZ, OWNER

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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 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023182815

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **SUPREME DENTISTRY, 9514 WHITTIER BLVD, PICO RIVERA CA 90660, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 382 N LEMON AVE #316, WALNUT CA 91799**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) CHRIS R. MARTINEZ DDS, INC, 9514 WHITTIER BLVD, PICO RIVERA CA 90660

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: 08/2023

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/CHRIS R. MARTINEZ, DDS, INC, PRESIDENT, CHRIS MARTINEZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 22, 2023 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 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23, 9/21/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023178260

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **FINANCIAL CONFIDENCE COACHING, 12070 LAKEWOOD BLVD #1100, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) REBECCA NELSON, 12070 LAKEWOOD BLVD #1100, 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: 08/2023

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/REBECCA NELSON, OWNER

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 15, 2023 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.

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The Downey Patriot 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2023188119

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE)

8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2023180944
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **NANN REAL ESTATE, 11942 ADEENMOOR AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) ANGELINE DEO, 11942 ADEENMOOR AVE, DOWNEY CA 90242
 State of Incorporation: N/A
 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
 The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
 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/ANGELINE DEO, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 18, 2023
 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
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The Downey Patriot
 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2023184617
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **BRYANAS SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY, 2099 E BLISS ST, COMPTON CA 90222, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) ABRAHAM LEON HERNANDEZ, 2099 E BLISS ST, COMPTON CA 90222
 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/ABRAHAM LEON HERNANDEZ, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 23, 2023
 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
 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23, 9/21/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2023188912
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **MAJESTY BOUTIQUE, 9242 TELEGRAPH RD #B19, DOWNEY CA 90240, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) DIANA TZUM, 9242 TELEGRAPH RD #B19, 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/DIANA TZUM, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 29, 2023
 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
 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23, 9/21/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2023178939
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **GIANAVERA, 9200 VALLEY VIEW ST CYPRESS CA 90630, COUNTY OF ORANGE COUNTY, 2320 OLIVE AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90806**
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) VICTOR TAFOLLA, 2320 OLIVE AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90806
 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: 07/2023
 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/VICTOR TAFOLLA, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 16, 2023
 Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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 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
 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23, 9/14/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2023190400
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **ISMAEL TRUCKING, 1046 1/2 E 33RD ST., LOS ANGELES CA 90011, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) JOSE I ROMERO ESPINOZA, 1046 1/2 E 33RD ST., LOS ANGELES CA 90011
 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: 08/2023
 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 I ROMERO ESPINOZA, OWNER
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on AUGUST 30, 2023
 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
 9/7/23, 9/14/23, 9/21/23, 9/28/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2023165277
 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) **KENSINGTON (2) BRIGGS&RILLEY (3) TUMI LUGGAGE, 395 SANTA MONICA PLACE 242, SANTA MONICA CA 90401, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #0N: N/A
 REGISTERED OWNER(S): (1) KENSINGTON LUGGAGE S.M., INC., 395 SANTA MONICA PLACE 242, SANTA MONICA CA 90401
 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: 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/KENSINGTON LUGGAGE S.M., INC., PRESIDENT, IQBAL DHALIWAL
 This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 31, 2023
 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
 8/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23, 9/7/23

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CITY OF DOWNEY

PUBLIC NOTICE

Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) Program Year 2022-2023

Notice is hereby given that the City of Downey has prepared a draft of the required Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2022-2023 Program Year. The CAPER is an assessment of the City's performance in relation to meeting the priorities and goals proposed in the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The CAPER report provides a financial summary of the program year with specific project information. The Report is specific to the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds received by the City. This report covers the period from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The CAPER will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on Thursday, September 28, 2023.

The public is invited to review the CAPER. Those interested in commenting on the CAPER are encouraged to do so. A copy of the draft report will be available for review on Monday, September 11, 2023, during regular business hours at:

Downey City Hall
 City Clerk's Office
 11111 Brookshire Avenue
 Downey, CA 90241

Public Notices and draft documents shall also be posted to the City website at: www.downeyca.org.

The City encourages citizen participation in the development of the CAPER. The draft CAPER shall be made available for public review for a 15-day period (ending on Monday, September 25, 2023). Written comments will be accepted during the public review period by the Housing Division Manager.

For further information, call Jessica J. Flores at (562) 904-7152.

The Downey Patriot
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CITY OF DOWNEY

NOTICIA PÚBLICA

Informe anual consolidado y Informe de evaluación (CAPER) Programa año 2022-2023

Por la presente se notifica que la

Ciudad de Downey a preparado un borrador del Informe de Evaluación y Desempeño Anual Consolidado (CAPER) requerido para el Año del Programa 2022-2023. El CAPER es una evaluación del desempeño de la Ciudad en relación con el cumplimiento de las prioridades y metas propuestas en el Plan Consolidado 2020-2024 de la Ciudad. El informe CAPER proporciona un resumen financiero del año del programa con información específica del proyecto. El Informe es específico para los fondos federales de la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG) y del Programa de Asociación de Inversión HOME (HOME) recibidos por la Ciudad. Este informe cubre el periodo comprendido entre el 1 de julio de 2022 y el 30 de junio de 2023. El CAPER se presentará al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los EE. UU. (HUD) el jueves, Septiembre 28 del 2023.

Se invita al público a revisar el CAPER. Se anima a los interesados en comentar sobre el CAPER a hacerlo. Una copia del informe preliminar estará disponible para su revisión el lunes, 11 de Septiembre durante el horario laboral habitual en:

Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Downey
 Oficina de la Secretaría de la Ciudad (City Clerk's Office)
 11111 Brookshire Avenue
 Downey, CA 90241

Los avisos públicos y los borradores de documentos también se publicarán en el sitio web de la ciudad en: www.downeyca.org

La Ciudad fomenta la participación ciudadana en el desarrollo de la CAPER. El borrador de CAPER estará disponible para revisión pública por un periodo de 15 días (que finaliza el lunes, 25 de Septiembre del 2023). El Gerente de la División de Vivienda aceptará comentarios escritos durante el periodo de revisión pública.

Para obtener más información, llame a Jessica J. Flores al (562) 904-7152.

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DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE TO BIDDERS / INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the governing Board ("Board") of the Downey Unified School District ("District") will receive sealed bids to construct the following project:

Bid No. 23/24-11 – Downey and Warren High School Exterior Stadium Panel Replacement Project ("Project" or "Contract")

located at Downey High School, 11040 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 and Warren High School, 8141 De Palma Ave., Downey, CA 90241.

Contractors must submit sealed bids on or before 10 AM on October 13, 2023 at the District Office Facilities Department, located at T-4, 11627 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241 at or after which time the District will open the bids and publicly read them aloud. Any claim by a Bidder of error in its bid must be made in compliance with Public Contract Code § 5100, et seq. Any bid that is submitted after this time shall be non-responsive and returned to the Bidder. The District is not responsible for Bids that are received after the deadline noted above.

The Project consists of:

Replacing all light gauge panels to match the heavy gauge panels on the exterior side of the stadium including ramps and stairways.

All bids shall be on the form provided by the District. Each bid must conform and be responsive to all pertinent Contract Documents, including, but not limited to, the Instructions to Bidders.

To bid on this Project, the Bidder is required to possess one or more of the following State of California Contractor Licenses: B and/or C-13
 The Bidder's license(s) must be active and in good standing at the time of the bid opening and must remain so throughout the term of the Contract.

As security for its Bid, each Bidder shall provide with its Bid form
 • a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer on the form provided by the District,
 • cash, or
 • a cashier's check or a certified check, drawn in the order of the **Downey Unified School District**
 in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price. This bid security shall be a guarantee that the Bidder shall, within seven (7) calendar days after the date of the Notice of Award, enter into a contract with the District for the performance of the services as stipulated in the bid.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if it is awarded the contract for the Project.

The successful Bidder may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under the Contract, in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code § 22300.

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall pay all workers on the Project not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to Labor Code § 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are on file with the District and are available to any interested party on request or at www.dir.ca.gov/oprlstats/and_databases.html. Bidders and Bidders' subcontractors shall comply with the registration and qualification requirements pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1725.5 & 1771.1

A mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit will be held on September 22, 2023 starting at 9 AM at the back gate located at the corner of Mac Govern and Manatee of Warren High School, 8141 De Palma Ave., Downey, CA 90241 and then going to Downey High School. All prospective Bidders are required to sign in at each site. The Site Visit is expected to take approximately an hour. Failure to attend or tardiness will render bid ineligible.

Contract Documents are available on or after September 22, 2023 on the district website: <https://www.dusd.net/purchasing/#bids>.

The District's Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any irregularity in any bid received. If the District awards the Contract, the security of unsuccessful Bidder(s) shall be returned within sixty (60) days from the time the award is made. Unless otherwise required by law, no Bidder may withdraw its bid for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening.

The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible Bidder based on: The base bid amount only.

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LIEN SALES

NOTICE OF SALE

In accordance with the provisions of the California Uniform Commercial Code, there being due and unpaid storage and other charges related to the storage for which

DOMINGUEZ HILLS ESTATES is entitled to a lien as Warehouse on the goods hereinafter described, and due notice having been given to the parties known to claim an interest, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such charges having expired, notice is hereby given that these goods will be sold at public auction at **19009 Laurel Park Road, Space 238, Dominguez Hills, California 90220 on September 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.** The following is a brief description of the property to be sold:

A 1980 Le Baron Ind Mobilehome, Decal number(s) LA21202, Serial Number(s) 1909A, 1909B, 1909C, HUD/Label/Insignia Number(s) CAL196952, CAL196951, CAL196953, 82 feet in length, 34 feet in width.

Purchase of the mobilehome and its contents by any party will require its removal from Dominguez Hills Estates

Name of Owner: **Robert O Horton Sheila V Fuller**
 Amount Due: \$7,012.58

Dated at Sunnyvale, California September 5, 2023
 By: JUDY C. TSAI
 Attorney for Dominguez Hills Estates
 710 Lakeway Drive, Suite 180
 Sunnyvale, CA 94085
 (408) 775-8848

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NOTICES

Dish Wireless proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at a top height of 62 feet on a 72.6-foot monopole at the approx. vicinity of West of 8504 Telegraph Road, Downey, Los Angeles County, CA 90240. Lat: 33-57-40.34, Long: -118-41-12. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Tyler Kassing, t.kassing@trileaf.com, 1515 Des Peres Road, Suite 200, St. Louis, MO 63131, 314-997-6111.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 23NWCPO0323

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner GIANNA KAUR JACKSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Proposed name (1) GIANNA KAUR JACKSON TO Proposed name (1) GIANNA KAUR BACHRA

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: **OCTOBER 16, 2023, Time: 9:30 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** AUGUST 22, 2023
 JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
RUPINDER KAUR BACHRA ON BEHALF OF GIANNA KAUR JACKSON
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 23NWCPO0317

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JESSICA DIANNE HALL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) JESSICA DIANNE HALL TO Proposed name (1) JESSICA DIANNE RUPINDER KAUR BACHRA

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: **OCTOBER 13, 2023, Time: 9:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**
 The address of the court is **12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650**

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **Downey Patriot** AUGUST 17, 2023
 JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
JESSICA DIANNE HALL
16711 CIVIC CENTER DR. #7 BELLFLOWER CA 90706
(424) 903-6295
Jessica.canary67@gmail.com

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER: 23NWCPO0313

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner AUSTIN KYLE DICKSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name (1) AUSTIN KYLE DICKSON TO Proposed name (1) AUSTIN KYLE MONDAY

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: **OCTOBER 13, 2023, Time: 9:30 a.m., Department: C, Room: 312**
 The address of the court is **12720 NORWALK BLVD, NORWALK, CA 90650**

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **Downey Patriot** AUGUST 16, 2023
 JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES
 Judge of the Superior Court
 Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
AUSTIN KYLE DICKSON
5818 CARDALE STREET LAKEWOOD, CA, 90713
(562) 505-6178
Austindickson46@gmail.com

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Notice of Divided Publication

NOTICE OF DIVIDED PUBLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX-DEFAULT LIST (DELINQUENT LIST)

Made pursuant to Section 3371, Revenue and Taxation Code

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 3381 through 3385, the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector is publishing in divided distribution, the Notice of Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property in and for the County of Los Angeles (County), State of California, to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

The County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector, State of California, certifies that:

Notice is given that by operation of law at 12:01 a.m. Pacific Time, on July 1, 2021, the Tax Collector declared the real properties listed below tax defaulted. The declaration of default was due to non-payment of the total amount due for the taxes, assessments, and other charges levied in tax year 2020-21 that were a lien on the listed real property. Non-residential commercial property and property upon which there is a recorded nuisance abatement lien shall be subject to the tax collector's power to sell after three years of defaulted taxes. Therefore, if the 2020-21 taxes remain defaulted after June 30, 2024, the property will become subject to the tax collector's power to sell and eligible for sale at the County's online auction in 2025. All other property that has defaulted taxes after June 30, 2026, will become subject to the tax collector's power to sell and eligible for sale at the County's online auction in 2027. The list contains the name of the assessee and the total tax, which was due on June 30, 2021, for tax year 2020-21, opposite the parcel number. Payments to redeem tax-defaulted real property shall include all amounts for unpaid taxes and assessments, together with the additional penalties and fees as prescribed by law, or be paid under an installment plan of redemption if initiated prior to the property becoming subject to the tax collector's power to sell.

The Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office will furnish, upon request, information concerning making a payment in full or initiating an installment plan of redemption. Requests must be made at 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, California 90012. For more information, please visit our website at tcc.lacounty.gov or contact us at (213) 974-2111.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on August 11, 2023.

Elizabeth B. Buenostro

Elizabeth Buenostro Ginsberg
 Chief Deputy Treasurer and Tax Collector
 County of Los Angeles
 State of California

Assessee/taxpayers

CLASSIFIEDS

<p>EMPLOYMENT</p> <p>ATTN: HAIR STYLISTS Booth Space available for rent Opening for Stylist *** WALK-INS WELCOME Oh Em Gee! Beauty Lounge Call (562) 904-9492</p>	<p>SERVICES</p> <p>FULL SERVICE 24/7 PLUMBING Snr Discount, Bonded, Insured & Licensed C-36 #759646 BBB Grade A+ McKinnon & Sons Plumbing of Downey (562) 904-3616</p> <hr/> <p>CONSTRUCTION PLANS FOR PERMITS Call Jeff (562) 869-1421 #936419</p>	<p>SERVICES</p> <p>CONSTRUCTION DRAFTING & PERMIT SERVICES Free estimate. Quality Service. Henry (562) 291-0808</p> <hr/> <p>HANDY CRAFTSMAN SERVICE for all your home improvements & repairs. All labor and material guaranteed. (562) 331-0976</p>	<p>SERVICES</p> <p>APPLIANCE TECH HAS ARRIVED House calls. Same day rapid service all major brands. Washers, dryers, ovens, stoves, refrigerators, etc. Senior citizen discount. (562) 866-4291 (310) 251-3018</p>	<p>SERVICES</p> <p>FINE ROOFING, INC. Roof Repair & Leaks Free Estimate•Quality Service Senior Discount. Lic 976823 (562) 879-4987</p> <hr/> <p>NICE-N-KLEAN Residential & Commercial Cleaning. Call for a Free Estimate. (562) 419-6577</p>	<p>YARD SALE</p> <p>RUMMAGE SALE ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 14 When: 8am-2pm Where: Light and Life Church Downey 9245 E. Florence Ave. Downey 90240</p>
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AUGUST 17, 2023
JUDGE OLIVIA ROSALES
Judge of the Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney for Petitioner
LIZBETH ALEJANDRA BRAMASCO
9361 WASHBURN RD., #C
DOWNEY CA 90242
(562) 375-5648

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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF REX SCOTT KNOX

Case No. 23STPB09058

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of REX SCOTT KNOX
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Kevin Scott Knox in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Kevin Scott Knox be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and

shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 21, 2023 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 4 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LEON THOMASIAN

Case No. 23STPB08222

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LEON THOMASIAN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: **LOUISE THOMASIAN JOHNSON** in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES, CA 90012.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LOUISE THOMASIAN JOHNSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on AUGUST 31, 2023 AT 8:30 A.M. in Dept. 67 Room N/A located at 711 N. HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California Statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner:

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TRUSTEE SALES

T.S. No. 112555-CA APN: 6186-002-013 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**
IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 9/18/2013. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER ON 10/5/2023 AT 9:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 9/25/2013 as Instrument No. 20131389561 the subject Deed of Trust was modified by Loan Modification recorded on 4/11/2019 as Instrument 20190323704 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: NURIA LORENA TEJADA. A SINGLE WOMAN WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; VINEYARD BALLROOM, DOUBLETREE HOTEL LOS ANGELES-NORWALK, 13111 SYCAMORE DRIVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 4312 AGNES AVE, LYNWOOD, CA 90262 The undersigned Trustee disclaims

any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$184,790.42 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information

about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.AUCTION.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 112555-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 112555-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (800) 280-2832 CLEAR RECON CORP 8880 Rio San Diego Drive, Suite 725 San Diego, California 92108

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Finger boarder from Downey featured in Denver Art Museum

■ Alex Aguirre found a new home in Denver, where his art is now on display.

By Alex Dominguez
Staff Writer

DOWNEY – Alex Aguirre is comfortable riding a skateboard; it doesn't matter if it's under his feet or under his fingers.

Aguirre, 30, is a life-long skater. But growing up in the 1990's and early 2000's, skateboarding wasn't restricted to just skateparks and sidewalks. A fair number of flips and tricks took place on top of tabletops, and to Aguirre this was no exception.

"Pretty much my whole life I played with Tech Decks, since I was in daycare. My earliest memory is being in preschool and kindergarten playing with them," said Aguirre.

During his sophomore year at Downey High, a friend would open up Aguirre's skating world even further, introducing him to a level beyond that of what was found in the toy aisle: wooden finger boards.

"I met this guy named Nick, and he gave me a professional wooden fingerboard, and I had never seen those in my life before," said Aguirre. "I've been a skateboarder my whole life, so I had been playing with Tech Decks. When he first gave me that, it was a whole new world. I've been playing with them since."

Contrary to the more familiar Tech Decks which are made of plastic and feature already established branded images, professional finger boards are made more similarly to full-size skateboards, consisting of wood, metal, and -often times - custom art.

"Finger boards are different from Tech Decks, because Tech Decks are all plastic, and finger board set up, you've got professional trucks, you have actual urethane wheels with bearings in them, just real tiny. They're professional set up."



Alex Aguirre poses with 10 of his personally crafted fingerboards, which will be on display at the Denver Museum of Art throughout the month. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Aguirre decided fairly quickly that he wanted to go into business making his own finger boards, but that would have to wait until after he graduated from Columbus High School in 2012 a few years later.

It wasn't until 2018 when he was 25, working at Downey's now-closed Active Ride Shop, that Aguirre says he finally "bit the bullet."

"I did my research, I bought the molds, I bought veneer, and I started making boards," said Aguirre. "Another reason why I wanted to do it too, is because I would always skate with finger boards in my pocket, and I would always fall and break them, and I was personally tired of always buying them and waiting. So, I was like, 'You know what, I'm just gunna start making my own.'"

That was the start of MiLD. Decks.

Aguirre now sells his

decks through MiLD, often times coming up with his own designs.

He does occasionally collaborate with other artists though.

"I love working with people; I love giving people opportunities," said Aguirre. "If I see somebody that I love their art, I will pay them to draw something up for me and I will turn it into a graphic."

"I'm a small company, so I like to give smaller people opportunities too, like other small companies and small artists."

Having since relocated to Denver, Colorado in 2020, Aguirre's boards caught the attention of a shop in his area, who offered him a unique opportunity.

"Out here in Denver, we have a finger board shop called Th!s FB, and they called me one day saying, 'Hey, the Denver Art Museum contacted us, they're doing this traveling

exhibit, and basically it's an exhibit about Latino and indigenous cultures and their form of transportation," said Aguirre. "They got a bunch of artists that made a bunch of different art pieces...and they got me involved from there."

Aguirre had 10 of his boards on display, for which he became extremely emotional.

"I cried," said Aguirre. "I never would have thought when I started my company five years ago that I would be displayed on a museum."

"It was just mind-blowing to me, seeing my name. I'm a photographer as well; I shoot skate photography. So, seeing my skate photos on display, on finger boards in a museum was just so surreal to me."

The boards will be displayed through the end of September.

Aguirre said he's "super stoked" for the opportunity.

"I wanted to share it with [Downey] because I had to include where I'm from, and I'm proud of where I came from. I was born and raised in Downey, just moved out here recently, so it's kinda good to have a little bit of home."



Rep. Robert Garcia recently visited Chita's Floral Designs in Downey to congratulate them on their over 10 years of business. He's pictured with owners Chita and Sergio Avalos.

Niko Cortez, 7, plays golf for PGA Jr and US Kids Golf. He recently placed 3rd in State and will soon be headed to regionals. Niko has already enjoyed much success in golf, having won medals and championships as early as the age of 5. He has been coached by Rob Douglas from Rio Hondo Golf Course. In addition to golf, Niko has played soccer for Downey Torque and Little League baseball.



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