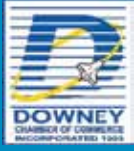


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Looking Good for 115!

The Chamber recently celebrated 115 years of service to the Downey Business Community. The event was our annual Anniversary Luncheon held this year at the Embassy Suites, a Hilton Hotel. Congratulations to all the Member Companies who were recognized, US Bank as large business of the year and Risher Mortuary celebrated as small business of the year. Some of our hard-working members were given awards as well, including Cindy Kovach of US Bank who was named Director of the Year, Troy Busher who was given the award as Ambassador of the Year, and Maria Fernandez of Sunrise Realty who received the Volunteer of the Year award. Thank you to the Embassy Suites staff who put on an amazing luncheon which was very much appreciated by all who attended.



Congratulating Troy Busher (center) for being named Ambassador of the Year are Downey City Councilman Alex Saab, City Councilwoman Blanca Pacheco, Chamber President Joanna Peterson, Ambassador Chairperson Sheila Tetangco-Bartalone, and Mayor Pro Tem Rick Rodriquez.



It was an honor to name Risher Mortuary as small business of the year. Expressing pride to Greg Welsh and his wife are Chamber President Joanna Peterson, Downey City Councilman Alex Saab, City Councilwoman Blanca Pacheco, and Mayor Pro Tem Rick Rodriquez.



Waiting for their piece of the cake are group of citizens who are greatly responsible for the Chamber's successes. Our Luncheon was another opportunity for these leaders to show their support. Included are (front row) Chamber Director Michael Chirco, Councilman Alex Saab, City Director of Community Development, Aldo Schindler, Field Representative, for County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Ivan Sulic, City Councilwoman Blanca Pacheco, (back row) Mayor Pro Tem, Rick Rodriquez, thankful Michael Calvert, and Chad Oberly, Field Representative for our District Assembly Office.



Admiring their well-deserved award as Large Business of the Year are many representatives of US Bank, including Cindy Kovach, Javier Rodriguez, Laura Morones, Francine Flores, District Manager, Alicia Barrera, Yovani Flores, President of the Norwalk Chamber, Ricardo Barrera, Joanna Peterson, Downey Chamber President and Darrell Brown, Senior VP of US Bank's Greater LA Coastal Division.



Accepting a Proclamation from Ivan Sulic of County Supervisor Janice Hahn's Office, are Chamber President Joanna Peterson of Gallatin Dental and Chamber Executive Director Michael Calvert. Thank you for helping to celebrate our 115 years!



Without these "Fearless Leaders" the Chamber would not be 115 years strong!! Cutting our President's Cake are the Past Presidents including Jim Reynolds, Cindy Kovach, David Gafin, Patty Kotz, Mayor Pro Tem Rick Rodriquez and John Lacey.

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The board of directors meets at the chamber office
on the third Monday of each month at 12:00 noon.

Message from the President

I hope everyone's spring has gotten off to a good start. As the weather warms, I know we all are beginning to get excited for summer. In the meantime, I am so excited for this year's Street Faire!



I cannot wait for this event – one of my favorites of the year! The Chairman of the organizing committee, Jorge Del Toro, has been working hard with his team members to put together great festivities, which will provide a truly wonderful time for the Downey community. Personally, I'm really looking forward to the performance of Natalie Loya, a Downey High School student and former contestant on The Voz.

This year, the Street Faire will be held on Brookshire Avenue on May 5th from 10am to 4pm. This is always a fun and lively event for the Downey community to come together! If you are a business, it gives you a great opportunity to connect with the residents. If you're a Downey citizen, come get to know our businesses and enjoy all the excitement! We are so happy to have you.

If you are interested in being a vendor or volunteering please go to www.downeychamber.org. See you all at the Street Faire!

I also wanted to take the time to acknowledge the passing of Ken Thompson. A World War II Veteran and an esteemed long-time Downey resident. Ken was extremely kind and always ready to make you laugh. In his passing, we all lost a truly remarkable man. I would like to personally offer my condolences on behalf of the Chamber to all affected by this loss. Our thoughts are with his family and friends.

-- Joanna Peterson, President
Downey Chamber of Commerce

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, April 10 @ 6:30pm
City Council Meeting
City Hall Council Chamber

Wednesday, April 11 @ 11:30am-1pm
Women in Business
Topic: "Spring Cleaning" Time Management
& Organization
Location: Frantones Restaurant
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Wednesday, April 11 @ 4pm
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
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Thursday, April 12 @ 4:30pm
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
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Monday, April 16 @ Noon
Board or Directors Meeting
Chamber Board Room
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Wednesday, April 18 @ Noon
Ambassador Committee Meeting
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Wednesday, April 18 @ 4:30pm
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
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Thursday, April 19 @ 1pm-3pm
Health & Fitness: Business Mixer
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8810 Apollo Way, Downey

Tuesday, April 24 @ 6:30pm
City Council Meeting
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Executive Director's Message



One of the wonderful things about being the Director of the Chamber are the people I meet. At almost every event or function, I have had the opportunity to meet citizens who bring a special spirit to our City. One of my favorites was Mr. Ken Thompson. He was one of those people! I met Mr. Thompson at a City Council Meeting where he was being honored for turning 100 years old. He was also being thanked for his Army service during World War II. He was supported that night by a couple of dozen family members who were thrilled that the head of their family was receiving such special recognition. After meeting with Mr. Thompson, he immediately became a special friend of mine and of the Chamber! A hard-working friend, and he was always accommodating when we asked him to appear at so many of our events. Sadly, Mr. Thompson passed away last month at the admirable age of 101.

Within the last year, Mr. Thompson was one of our most popular entries in last December's Christmas Parade! The Chamber was so proud to showcase a WWII veteran who, after the war, moved to Downey, raised his family and contributed to the City and his local Church. My best memory was at the opening of the new Rock & Brews last year. Wanting to showcase and honor our local veterans, Rock & Brews' management worked closely with Courage Forward to create a wonderful event and raise funds to help those who have served our country. When owners Gene Simmons and Paul Stanley of the Band KISS heard of Mr. Thompson they could not get him involved fast enough. And get involved he did! At the Ribbon Cutting our star veteran was a featured speaker, networked with City and Chamber people alike. Honestly, I would have to call him the "life of the party!" I will always remember seeing him "hang" with Rock and Roll Hall of Famers like he did it every day of the week. That day, everyone there thought he was very special.

Mr. Thompson lived to be 101 and for all of us who got a chance to meet him and know him, it wasn't enough time. I want to thank his family for the generous way they shared their Dad, Grandfather, and Great Grandfather. They never thought to keep him to themselves. They all knew he was something valuable and they knew that he should be shared and for so many of us we are truly, truly grateful.

-- Michael Calvert, Executive Director
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Ambassador Profile



This month's Ambassador Profile is on Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone, who also happens to be the Chairwoman of our Ambassador Team and she also has served as a Board Director for 3 years! Sheila grew up in Downey, as her family moved here in 1984. She is a proud Warren High School alumna, while going to church at St. Raymond's, and was even married there. After graduating from CSULB with a B.A. in English, and a Minor in Journalism, she moved out to Orange County where she and her husband, John, have lived for over 10 years. She presently works for Financial Partners Credit Union as their Senior Director of Marketing. She has over 15 years' experience with credit unions, in addition to having worked for an advertising agency in West LA. With a background and work that includes experience in marketing, strategic planning, public relations, event coordination, and business development, we asked her what she likes to do when she actually has some free time.

What is your favorite activity? She immediately responded, "Spend time with my big, loud, funny, and amazing family, and volunteer work!" With Sheila being the oldest of 22 first cousins, and her husband being one of 24 first cousins, you can imagine how much fun they actually have at family gatherings!

As far as volunteer work, she not only donates time to the Chamber and various groups in the City of Downey, but spends time at her local animal shelter, walking, training, and trying to find homes for every dog she can.

When she and John are not spending time with their huge family, you can find them doing their two other favorite things – checking out new restaurants as she says "We're big-time foodies and love to eat and try new restaurants pretty much weekly!" And they also enjoy traveling, especially to some tropical paradise (they love the Caribbean Islands!).

When asked about what she sees in the future for herself, she said, "Early retirement – so we can just enjoy life! My husband and I have planned it all out from the moment we met – we are both retiring at about 55, so we can just travel and enjoy the good things in life for which we have worked so hard...definitely retire someplace by a beach."

And what inspires and drives Sheila? Her mother! "My mom was a strong and loving mother, but also an intelligent and driven career woman. She made it all look so doable! I grew up believing I could accomplish anything I set my mind to, so I live my life in memory of her and all that she was to me and my family."

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Chamber "On the Town"

Downey's version of "West Side Story" took place in our very own Downtown! Showing that the "Me Too" movement includes cigars on the street corner, some of the women of the Chamber showed the Chamber men that they can "hang" too. The corner of Downey Ave. and 2nd Street is a great place to meet your friends to talk and smoke cigars.....even chocolate ones in some cases!! Enjoying the afternoon of fun are Chamber members Hans Fritz, Bob Arthur, Mario Guerra, Rick Rodriguez, Cindy Kovach, Monica Dien, Blanca Rachin, Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone, and Joanna Peterson.

Hats Off! Please!!

There is a story behind this picture from the recent Chamber event, State of the City. But you will have to wait till our next issue for details. Keeping a secret is Chamber President-Elect John Casillas, Downey Mayor Sean Ashton, Chamber President Joanna Peterson, and Chamber Executive Director, Michael Calvert.



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Women in Business

Frantone's Cerritos was the usual setting for the March meeting of Women In Business. This month's guest speaker was Victoria Byrne who gave an excellent presentation regarding search engine optimization. She gave great insight into web development along with social media marketing. Thank you, Victoria for your wonderful presentation and a very big "Thank You" to Frantone's for their consistently pleasing food and service!



Enjoying their meal and fellowship are Guest Speaker Victorian Byrne, President of Creative Marketing Serivices, Leti Arriaga, Events Coordinator Downey Chamber, Bibiana Martinez of Century 21 Powerhouse Realty, Toni Stewart of Ku'uipo 'O Hula Polynesian Dance Instruction, Holly Noble of 4 the Love of Horses, Bridgette Martinez of Farmers Insurance, Amanda Elise Martinez Mobile Notary, and Monique of Moving Still Pictures. Net.

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Proposed Regulations that May Provide Much Needed Clarification on California’s “New Parent Leave” Law



Recently, the California Fair Employment and Housing Council (FEHC) proposed new draft regulations to implement provisions of the New Parent Leave Act, which expands parental leave rights to employers of 20 to 49 employees. This statute became effective on January 1, 2018. The FEHC will be discussing these proposed regulations at its upcoming meeting and public hearing on April 4, 2018 in Los Angeles. What do employers need to know about this proposal?

Proposed New Parent Leave Act Regulations

SB 63, or the New Parent Leave Act (NPLA), makes it an unlawful employment practice for an employer of 20 to 49 employees to refuse to allow an eligible employee to take up to 12 weeks of job-protected parental leave to bond with a new child within one year of the child's birth, adoption, or foster care placement. The NPLA also prohibits an employer from refusing to maintain and pay for coverage under a group health plan during the duration of the leave or retaliating against an employee for exercising their NPLA rights. Existing regulations address other family leave provisions under the California Family Rights Act (CFRA), which applies to employers with at least 50 employees (and largely mirrors the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)). The FEHC states that it is necessary to amend these current regulations to incorporate and implement the new NPLA. SB 63 provided that, to the extent the CFRA regulations are “within the scope of, and not inconsistent with” the new law, the FEHC would be required to incorporate those regulations by reference to govern leave under the NPLA. For the most part, the proposed regulations simply incorporate references to the NPLA into the existing CFRA regulations. However, there are a few important areas in which the FEHC proposes to distinguish the NPLA. They state that this is necessary to “identify differences between CFRA and NPLA, namely jurisdictional differences and the latter’s lack of a ‘key employee’ defense and the lack of a provision allowing employers to mandate the use of vacation time or other accrued paid time off.”

No “Key Employee” Defense Under NPLA

Under the CFRA, an employer may refuse to reinstate certain “key employees” to the same position or a comparable position following CFRA leave if certain conditions are met. However, SB 63 contained no statutory language providing for a similar “key employee” exemption. The FEHC interprets this to mean there is no similar “key employee” defense to reinstatement under the NPLA. Therefore, it proposes to add language to the regulations to state that an “employer **may not** refuse to reinstate a ‘key employee’ at the conclusion of the employee’s NPLA leave.”

Employer May Not Force the Use of Paid Accrued Time Off Under NPLA

The CFRA regulations provide that an employee may elect to use, or an employer may **require** an employee to use, any accrued vacation time or other paid accrued time off (including undifferentiated paid time off) that the employee is eligible to take during the otherwise unpaid portion of the CFRA leave. Again, because SB 63 does not specifically mention the ability of an employer to do so in the context of the NPLA, the FEHC interprets this to be constitute a significant distinction between CFRA and the NPLA. Therefore, the proposed regulations would expressly state, “An employer does not have the right to require an employee to use accrued paid time off during an otherwise unpaid portion of a NPLA leave, though an employee may elect to do so.”

Relationship Between CFRA, FMLA and NPLA

Many employers have expressed confusion over the provisions of the existing CFRA and FMLA (which apply to employers with 50 or more employees), and the NPLA (which applies to employers with 20 to 49 employees). The FEHC states that these proposed regulations attempt to explain the relationship between CFRA leave, FMLA leave, and NPLA leave. In its Initial Statement of Reasons explaining the need for the regulations, the FEHC states that “NPLA is a separate and distinct entitlement only available to employees of employers with 20-49 employees.” Therefore, the proposed regulations state: **“If an employee is covered by CFRA Leave and FMLA Leave, then the employee is not also entitled to leave under the NPLA. Thus, for an eligible employee that is employed by an employer who directly employs 50 or more persons within any state of the United States, the District of Columbia or any territory or possession of the United States to perform services for a wage or salary (“covered employer”), the employee’s entitlement to leave for the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of the employee’s child or for the employee’s own serious health condition or that of their child, parent, or spouse comes from the CFRA and FMLA. If an Eligible employee is employed by an employer who directly employs 20 or more persons within any state of the United States, the District of Columbia or any territory or possession of the United States to perform services for a wage or salary (but less than 50 persons), the employee’s entitlement to leave for the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of the employee’s child comes from the NPLA and the employee is not entitled to other forms of leave provided by the CFRA and FMLA (e.g. leave for the employee’s own serious health condition or the serious health condition of the employee’s child, parent or spouse).”** (Emphasis provided).

What’s Next?

These are proposed regulations, which means they may change before they are finally adopted. However, this proposal gives you a sense of how the FEHC views these issues, particularly those discussed above for which it attempts to provide “clarity.” As mentioned above, the FEHC will be discussing these proposed regulations at its upcoming meeting and public hearing on April 4, 2018 in Los Angeles. Interested parties may present statements or arguments at that time. In addition, any interested person may submit written comments to the FEHC prior to 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2018.

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Downey Symphony's Exciting End-of-Season



Pretend conducting is as natural as singing in the shower! But Downey's own Josh Beall gets to lead the Downey Symphony for real at its final concert of the season on April 7 at the Downey Theatre. Josh grew up in Downey and teaches music at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School. The opportunity to lead the Downey Symphony was a gift from his mother Bonnie, who made the winning bid in last year's auction for Music Director Sharon Lavery's baton. Josh selected the piece he'll conduct, one of Antonin Dvořák's Slavonic dances, and he has been working with Maestra Lavery to prepare. "It was a big surprise when my mother won the auction and gave me the chance to conduct," he says. "I love the tempo and energy of this dance."

The concert's main program includes two of the most popular pieces in all of classical music—Tchaikovsky's moving 5th symphony and Rachmaninoff's lyrical and impassioned 2nd piano concerto. The piano soloist is Kevin Fitz-Gerald, an internationally renowned performer who teaches at USC Thornton School of Music. It's an evening of music everyone is sure to enjoy.

Following intermission, patrons can bid in another auction to conduct the Orchestra next year. "It's exciting and liberating to be in control of this powerful thing that is music," Josh says. "I highly recommend it for anyone, whether a fan of classical music or not. No seat in the audience will ever equal it!"

Adding to the evening's excitement and fun is an exhibit of work by local artists, "Metallic Reflections," featuring uses of metal in painting and sculptures. Doors open at 6:30 pm, so patrons can enjoy the show. At 7:15 pm, Maestra Lavery gives a free talk about the evening's music. The concert begins at 8 pm. And to round out the celebration, a special complimentary champagne reception for all patrons will follow the concert!

Tickets are very affordable (\$35 or \$30 depending on seating area). Get yours at the Downey Theatre Box Office in person or by phone (562 861 8211, T-F 11-5) or on line at downeysymphony.org. Free parking adjacent to Theatre.

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GOOD Luncheon

It was a wonderful day to gather at the Rio Hondo Event Center to celebrate the accomplishments of the GOOD Organization (Gangs Out Of Downey). Giving a truly inspirational program was local activist Wendy Welt who demonstrated what it's like to accept and conquer physical challenges. Ms. Welt is a Downey resident and graduate of Warren High School. Also speaking about the effectiveness of GOOD were former GOOD President and current Mayor Pro Tem, Rick Rodriguez and current GOOD President, Lt. Mark McDaniels.



“Downey Federal Credit Union in da House!” Joining Chamber President Joanna Peterson and Chamber Member Raul Lopez, are members of the DFCU team including Jenna, Tyrone Conde Director of Marketing, CEO Ray Mesler and Jackie Sweida, VP of Special Projects.



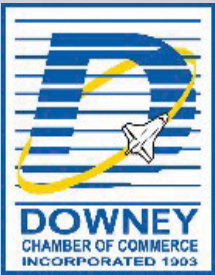
Enjoying the meal are Chamber Past President, Cindy Kovach of US Bank, current President, Joanna Peterson of Gallatin Dental, Sarah Sellers Chamber Office Manager, and in the back row are Chamber member Greg Welsh of Reiser Mortuary, and Chamber Board Member, “Officer” Jeannie Woods of Albertson’s Market.



Joining Downey Police Chief Charles (far right) at the GOOD Luncheon are Chamber Members, Jeannie Woods, Carmen Gonzalez of Kaiser Permanente, Cindy Kovach, and Joanna Peterson.



Congratulating “GOOD” speaker, Wendy Welt, on her inspirational appearance are Chamber Members Sarah Sellers, Kim Tachiki Chin of Congresswoman Lucille Roybal Allard’s office, Jeannie Woods, Joanna Peterson, Leti Arriaga, Carmen Gonzalez, and Cindy Kovach.



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The 6th annual Downey Dia de Los Muertos Art Festival offers local businesses ranging from insurance and real estate brokerages, to auto dealerships to locally owned grocery chains, the opportunity to market their brand, service, or product one-to-one to 35,000 +/- local residents, mostly families, in a fun, positive environment.

Local merchants, such as Applecare Medical Group and Downey Federal Credit Union sponsor events because they recognize the importance of having a presence in the community, especially at well-attended, well-executed, culturally relevant Festivals.

At last year's Festival, Downey Nissan's Marketing Director Rebeca Galvan designed a creative, color-coordinated presentation around the vehicles on display.



"Participating in the "Día de Los Muertos" Festival was truly a success for Downey Nissan! Not only was the event well organized but we had the opportunity to interact with the community, our back yard, the people we are constantly trying to reach out to. The "Day of the Dead" event allowed potential buyers to meet our friendly staff one-on-one in a magical environment where they feel relaxed and comfortable."

– Rebecca Galvan, Downey Nissan.

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- Carlos Galvan, Amapola Market.

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The Downey Dia de Los Muertos Art Festival, now in its 6th year, was named one of "Top 5 Dia de Los Muertos" events in

the Southland by the Los Angeles Times.

Parking and admission are free. Entertainment includes film and ballet folklórico in the 738-seat Downey Theatre plus two stages with live music and dance, "Car Altar Avenue," "Urban Art Alley," fine art exhibit, shopping, beer and wine, food trucks, arts/crafts and more.

This year's Festival is Sunday, Oct 28th, 2018, from 11:00 AM-8:00 PM, in and around the Downey Theatre, at the downtown Civic Center, on Firestone Blvd.

For Sponsorship Opportunities: <http://ddlm.downeytheatre.org/participate/become-a-sponsor/>

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These businesses had booths at the 2017 "Negocio de Comunidad" /"Avenue of local Businesses" area:

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For more information, contact Amber Vogel or Lee Wade, Co-producers of the Festival