

## JUDGE DENIES NORWALK PETITION TO REWORD SALES TAX MEASURE

By Christian Brown  
Editor

**NORWALK** – The petition filed against Measure M by multiple cities in the east and south portions of Los Angeles County was rejected on Tuesday as a judge ruled that there was no evidence the wording of the ballot proposal was confusing to voters.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Mary H. Strobel said Measure M is not an initiative and therefore does not require the ballot language that was requested by the cities of Norwalk, Carson, Commerce, Torrance, Santa Fe Springs, Rancho Palos Verdes and Signal Hill.

City officials alleged several things against the measure including a complaint that Measure M spends money disproportionately on high dollar value projects in the more affluent western and northern regions of the county, while neglecting project needs in the southern region.

“It’s not surprising that the public has concerns about Measure M’s proposed spending priorities,” said Norwalk Mayor Mike Mendez in a statement.

“We’ve been saying all along that key projects in our communities are taking a back seat to transportation projects in affluent parts of the County.”

The petitioners also complained that the ballot language does not state that the proposed half-cent county sales tax increase is permanent.

Metro released a statement on Tuesday, praising the decision to toss out the petition.

“Metro is appreciative of the

court’s ruling today. For the past three years and throughout the entire process, this has been a bottoms-up approach that included input from the public and our stakeholders in crafting a Measure to go before the voters of this region,” the statement reads.

“The tax is a new half-cent sales tax which is expected to generate a projected \$860 million per year.

“Also, once Measure R is set to expire in 2039, that half-cent sales tax would be replaced and combined with the new sales tax for a full cent that would continue until voters decide to end it.”

The Gateway Cities Council of Governments last month released a community survey showing that voters too are concerned about Measure M’s permanent tax increase.

Only 58% of those polled showed support for the measure, which needs a two-thirds vote to pass in November.

Almost two-thirds of those surveyed -- 63% -- were concerned that it would be nearly 40 years before all the traffic improvements are completed on the I-5, I-605, and I-710 freeways.

Another 55% of the respondents worried that the proposed light rail service from Downtown L.A. through Southeast L.A. to Orange County would get postponed for 25 years.

The Gateway Cities and South bay Cities Councils of Government have adopted official resolutions in opposition to Measure M. That includes the cities of Norwalk, Paramount, Bellflower, Commerce, Huntington Park, Vernon, Whittier, Compton, Torrance, Carson, El Segundo, and Gardena.



Norwalk-La Mirada Unified board members and administrators join Benton Middle School teachers, staff and students during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Aug. 24 for their brand new college and career center.

## Norwalk-La Mirada Unified middle school launches new College and Career Center

**NORWALK** – Benton Middle School opened a college and career center that will guide students in making decisions regarding their future, during an Aug. 24 ribbon-cutting ceremony at back to school night.

“It’s never too early for our students to start planning and thinking about colleges and careers,” Benton Principal Michael Gotto said. “This will give them a jumpstart to explore where their passions can take them.”

Benton’s college and career center will be open during break and lunch. The center features a tech area where students can take assessments that will match them with potential careers and universities. Resources for scholarships are available and an on-site counselor will help answer any questions. Benton plans to have professionals speak about their industries and provide an inside look into different careers for students.

“I am excited that our middle school students can get an early glimpse into their futures,” Board of Education President Karen Morrison said. “Students will be able to discover what careers will best suit their passions and strengths, and what they need to do to reach their goals.”

Benton is the third Norwalk-La Mirada Unified middle school to open a college and career center, following the opening of centers at Hutchinson and Corvallis middle schools in 2015-16.

Superintendent Dr. Hasmik Danileian launched a program to open centers at every campus after a Corvallis Associated Student Body student asked why her school didn’t have one.

“Our students recognized the importance of having this valuable resource and voiced their needs to the District,” Danielian said. “This center will give our students a boost in preparing for colleges and careers.”

Los Coyotes, Los Alisos and Waite middle schools are next to open a college and career center.

## Bob Arthur launches re-election campaign for the Cerritos College board of trustees

**NORWALK** – Cerritos College Board of Trustee Robert “Bob” Arthur has announced his intent to run for re-election to continue representing the school on the Board of Trustees.

Arthur currently represents Trustee Area #1, which includes areas of the cities of Downey, Norwalk, Bell Gardens, and South Gate.

Arthur has already been active on the Cerritos Board since his first election in 1995, currently serving on his fifth term. During his 20 year tenure, Arthur has served as President of the Board four times.

Arthur is also a member of the Cerritos College Foundation, and has been since 1993.

Prior to starting his work on the Cerritos Board in 1995, Arthur held several city and county positions, including being a member of the Executive Board of the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Board Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, member of the Board Los Angeles County MTA, Parks and Recreation Commissioner, and City of Norwalk Mayor and Council Member.

If reelected, one of Arthur’s main goals is to embrace the advancement of technology, including free digital textbooks for all students.



“Cerritos College is one of very few – and I mean miniscule, you can probably count them on one hand – community colleges across the nation that is participating in open educational resources, where a college will provide digital textbooks, software programs for students in selected class subject matter, free,” said Arthur. “There are other major four year institutions across the country that provide digital textbooks to their students in every discipline, every class that is taught on their campus, Harvard being one of them. I would like to see that happen at Cerritos College. It’s doable! It’s something we can do. I think that should be one of our initiatives as we’re moving forward

with what Dr. Jose Fierro proposed as Cerritos Complete last year...”

Arthur also lists other goals, including continuing to support administration and faculty in its endeavors to increase student success and transfer rates, offering up-to-date technical and vocations programs and working closely with local businesses and industry to establish practical job training, and establishing permanent funding alternatives for the school.

For more information, visit BobArthurCerritosCollege.com.

The election will take place Nov. 8.

–Alex Dominguez, Contributor



## OPINION: Tax measures should tell us how our money is being spent

By Mike Mendez  
Mayor of Norwalk

How can you vote on something that costs money, when you don’t know how much money it will cost?

That was the question in court [Tuesday], regarding Measure M, the L.A. County Transportation Authority’s sales tax measure on the November ballot.

The ballot label -- the short, official description of Measure M that every voter will see -- should explain how the money will be spent, which it does -- and how much money the tax will be, which it does not.

[Tuesday’s] court ruling that the MTA is not legally obligated to put the annual cost of Measure M in the ballot label for Measure M, does not prevent MTA from doing what is right.

MTA should provide the community information on the \$860 million annual cost of this new transportation tax, and the fact the legacy of Measure M is a permanent

one cent increase in the sales tax.

We will also work to ensure that voters know that while Measure M would fund a wide range of transportation projects, key projects in our communities will not be completed for decades, while projects in more affluent parts of the county get a higher priority.

That means long awaited improvements on the 5, the 710, the South Bay Curve -- the previously promised transit line from Artesia and the Orange County line, to downtown L.A. -- the extension of trolley service to Torrance -- all of these are decades away under Measure M’s priorities.

Voters should be provided more information regarding Measure M before they make a decision.

And that includes knowing how much this new sales tax will cost each year, as well as a complete picture of what Measure M will do, and when.

More information on Measure M is available at gatewaycog.org/MeasureM.

## Cerritos College seeks applicants to fill vacancies on the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee

**NORWALK** – The Cerritos Community College District is accepting applications to fill vacancies for the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee. The Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee was established to oversee the expenditure of money for the construction, repair and modernization of campus projects. This committee ensures that the bond proceeds are expended only for the purposes set forth in Measure CC and Measure G and that no bond proceeds are used for teacher or administrative salaries or any other operating expenses.

There are three vacancies as follows: bona fide taxpayers’ association, senior citizens’ organization or support organization. All appointees must be 18 years of age or older. No members may be employees of the college, official of the District, or any vendor, contractor or consultant of the District.

The members will serve two-year terms. The legal process calls for solicitation of applications after which the College President will review the applications and make recommendations to the Cerritos Community College District Board of Trustees. The Board will make the final decision. Bond committee members are not compensated for their service.

Applications are available online at: <http://cms.cerritos.edu/bond/bond-oversight-committee/> and must be completed and delivered by Friday, Oct. 14 to the Office of the President, located at 11110 Alondra Blvd. in Norwalk.

### Weekend at a Glance

Friday 81°

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### THINGS TO DO



#### Library Meet & Greet

Saturday - Norwalk Library, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

L.A. County library director Skye Patrick discusses the future of the library.



#### Norwalk Block Party

Saturday - Vista Verde Park, 3 - 7 p.m.

Enjoy live music by Soto Band, games and activities, face painting and food for the entire family.



#### I Love Selena

Saturday - Santa Fe Springs Swap Meet, 6 - 11 pm

A live musical tribute to Selena, lucha libre, and tacos. \$10 presale



#### Chicago

Saturday - Glendale Central Park, 6 pm

Watch the Academy Award-winning film with live music, food trucks and vendors. \$13-21



#### Mike Epps

Sunday - Ontario Improv Comedy Club, 7 pm

The versatile comedian and actor brings his standup tour to Southern California.

### FROM OUR FACEBOOK

Latino voters protest Donald Trump's immigration policies

Veronica Huidobro: Breaking out the piñatas to lure voters isn't going to work....

Valerie Prieto Marinez: Hopefully they are legal registered voters!!

Josh Forsythe: They don't check that. The system is rigged and full of fraud.

Heriberto Villaseñor: Stop spreading hate towards him.

Norma Livengood-Karraker: Whatever. Some of us are to busy working.

Join the conversation at: Facebook.com/NorwalkPatriot







## Bicycle transit

I'm a big fan of public transit...always have been! I'm very grateful that I can now take the Expo Line into Culver City for work.

It is getting increasingly problematic taking my bike onto the Expo Line. The designated locations for bikes are lacking in both space and number.

Designated trains for bikes are inadequately marked leaving me to scramble to find one. I often just board on any car, afraid that I might miss the train.

The other problem is that there are often not enough cars to meet the service demands, especially if a train is running 10 to 15 minutes behind.

Is it possible to retrofit all LA Metro lines in a similar way to what the Metro Transit Light Rail does in Minneapolis/St. Paul?

I think it is also necessary to put 3-slotted bike racks on all buses. I've had to miss a bus and witnessed many others have to wait for the next bus because the 2-slotted rack was full.

I would be happy to volunteer my time to facilitate in a much-needed solution and look for others to help.

**Lacey Johnson  
Downey**

In the wake of the 2008 financial crash, Republican presidential candidate John McCain lashed out at executives of bailed-out banks, calling for their pay to be cut to the salary level of the President of the United States, \$400,000 a year.

President Barack Obama has been even tougher, once telling CBS's "60 Minutes" that he "did not run for office to be helping out a bunch of fat cat bankers on Wall Street."

This election season, Donald Trump said huge CEO paychecks were a “joke” and a “disgrace” — the result of company boards stacked with cronies.

For her part, Hillary Clinton has said it “just doesn’t make sense” that big company CEOs make 300 times more than workers, especially when the gaps in other countries are so much narrower.

Clearly, the outrage over out-of-control CEO pay runs across the political spectrum. What else do these leading politicians have in common? A lack of effective solutions.

Since losing his presidential race, Sen. McCain hasn't supported any tough CEO pay reforms. Trump, for all his bluster about the problem, hasn't put forward any solutions either.

Obama did support several executive pay reforms that were included in the 2010 Dodd-Frank financial reform bill. Some of these have been implemented, including “say on pay,” which gives shareholders a vote on executive pay packages. But the impact is limited because the votes aren’t binding on corporate managers.

The Dodd-Frank law also includes an important new rule that'll require companies to report the ratio between CEO and median worker pay, starting in 2018. But the Obama administration hasn't supported proposals to put real teeth in this reform by linking it to tax and procurement policies.

**LONG BEACH** – Steve Napolitano, an L.A. County Board of Supervisors candidate in the Fourth Distrist, has asked his rival Rep. Janice Hahn to stop avoiding debates.

Several media outlets and community groups across the district are waiting for Janice Hahn to accept their invitation so debates can go on. So far, Napolitano's campaign says Janice Hahn is silent on accepting any invitation.

“The residents and business owners of the 4th District deserve to hear from both candidates on the same stage about their views on leading the district before they vote this November. I’m willing and ready,” said Napolitano, who has the endorsement of outgoing Supervisor Don Knabe.

"If Janice Hahn is unwilling to make her views known to the residents of this district she should just stay in Congress where she can continue to avoid addressing the issues that matter to the people of the 4th District. This is a critical election."

According to Napolitano, both candidates were invited to debate on September 21 by the Long Beach Community Foundation, on Oct. 12 by the League of Women Voters, on Oct. 14 by the Long Beach Commercial Real Estate Council, and there's an open invitation still waiting from NBC's political reporter Conan Nolan.

“It’s an opportunity to lead the 4th District and LA County into the future,” Napolitano said. “This is a decisive opportunity to debate the many important issues from public safety to the environment, from job creation to addressing homelessness and from education to transportation, that face our district and its people.

“Where’s Janice Hahn?”



**Rep. Janice Hahn and Steve Napolitano are both vying to replace outgoing Supervisor Don Knabe in the Fourth District.**

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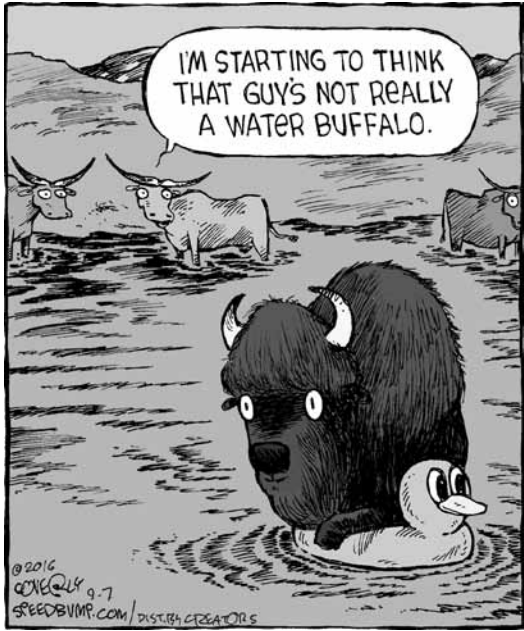
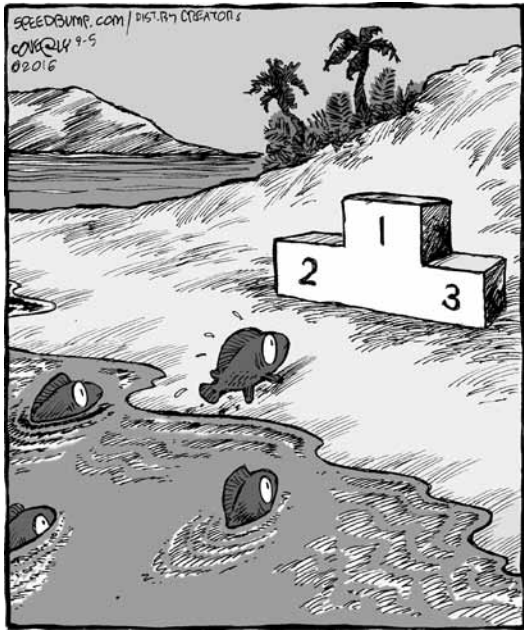
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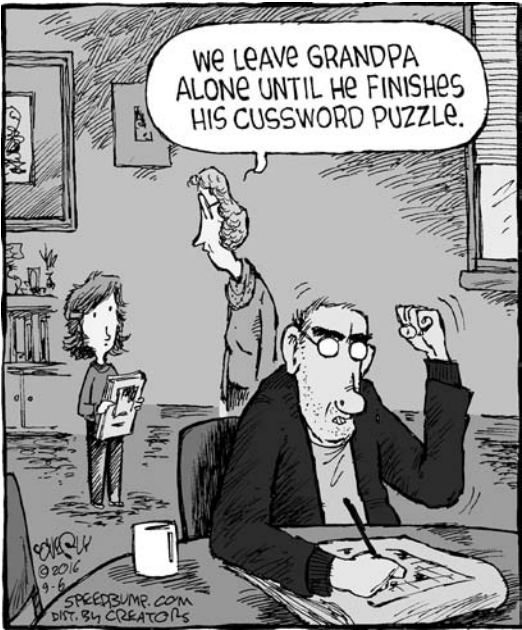




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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Library Meet & Greet - Norwalk Library  
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Norwalk Block Party - Vista Verde Park

MONDAYS

1st, 6:00 p.m. - Public Safety meetings - Council Chambers

TUESDAYS

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Farmers Market - Excelsior High School  
1st & 3rd 6:00 p.m. - Toastmasters Meetings - Registrar Recorder/County Clerks Office  
2nd & 4th, - Toastmasters Meetings - Norwalk Library  
1st & 3rd, 6:00 p.m. - City Council - Council Chambers  
3rd, 5:45 p.m. - Housing Authority - Council Chambers

WEDNESDAYS

10:30 a.m. - Woman's Club - Masonic Lodge  
12:00 p.m. - Rotary - Doubletree Hotel  
1st, 12:30 p.m. - Soroptimist International - Soroptimist Village  
1st & 3rd, 7:00 p.m. - Lions Club - Bruce's Restaurant  
2nd & 4th, 1:30 p.m. - Alondra Senior Citizens - Social Services Center  
2nd & 4th, 7:30 p.m. - Planning Commission - Council Chambers  
4th, 11:30 a.m. - Coordinating Council - Arts & Sports Complex

THURSDAYS

1:00 p.m. - Adult color club "Color Us Happy" - Norwalk Library  
7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts Troop 924 - Norwalk United Methodist Church  
2nd, 7:30 p.m. - Golden Trowel -Norwalk Masonic Lodge  
3rd, 8:00 p.m. - American Legion Post No. 359 - 11986 Front St.

SATURDAYS

2nd, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast - First Christian Church of Norwalk  
Have an event you want listed? E-mail news@thedowneypatriot.com

On This Day...

**September 9, 1776:** The second Continental Congress officially made the term "United States", replacing the previous term "United Colonies."  
**1926:** The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) was created by the Radio Corporation of America (RCA).  
**1998:** Four tourists who had paid \$32,500 each were taken in submarine to view the wreckage of the Titanic. The ship is 2 miles below the Atlantic off Newfoundland.  
**BIRTHDAYS:** Movie actor Hugh Grant (56); TV actress Constance Marie (51); Film star and comedian Adam Sandler (50); Model Rachel Hunter (47); "Modern Family" star Eric Stonestreet (45); Jazz/pop singer Michael Buble (41); Actress Michelle Williams (36); Croatian soccer player Luka Modric (31); Skateboarder Sean Malto (27); and Country singer Hunter Hayes (25).

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by S.N.

ACROSS

1 Rounds of wrestling

6 Dot on a globe

10 French painter of dancers

15 Close associates

19 Once more

20 Vivid type of crayon

21 To-the-letter

22 Casablanca woman

23 Butcher's special orders

25 Course of study

27 Certain seaboard setting

28 Gym array

29 Borrowings

30 Stallone character

31 Pop singer Demi

35 Upward movements

36 Troop group

39 Lowest-acceptable

40 Fancy feathers

41 Messy ones

42 Sector

43 Ending for percent

44 Supreme Court attire

45 Thoroughly

46 Karaoke number

47 Lasting mark

48 Saudi Arabia

49 Japanese national sport

50 Swindler

52 Organize, as an attack

53 Renée's refusal

54 Speaking platform

55 Pompeii, today

56 Port Sudan's water

57 Earl's equivalent

59 Very little

60 Purple hue

61 Kept entertained

63 Destroy

DOWN

1 Public persona

2 Juan's water

3 Young miss

4 Alcott sequel

5 Shaved-ice treats

6 How much 90 Down is sold

7 Sam-I-Am's creator

8 Former Mississippi senator

ACROSS

65 Put into practice

68 Garden mixes

69 Cook-off creation

70 Baloney

71 Arm, in Arles

72 Not very good

73 17th state

74 It flows from the Alps

76 Beach buckets

77 Certain Ivy Leaguer

78 Skyline haze

79 Exams for future MDs

80 Mexican beer brand

81 Fled

83 Handles roughly

84 Showbiz stinkers

85 Legal profession

86 Price-to-earnings, e.g.

87 Saab rival

88 Rush

90 Pre-campaign promos

94 Double-dealing

97 What flan is served in

98 Scent

99 Diminutive dogs

100 Poker buy-in

101 Best Picture Oscar nominee for 2014

102 Look after

103 Creative expression

104 Military station

105 Throw a tantrum

DOWN

9 USN rank

10 Flees

11 Commuter communities

12 Iconic star from Stockholm

13 Developer's measure

14 Shutting up

15 Pope when the Bastille was stormed

16 Fully

17 SEC school

18 Casablanca man

24 Trenches in

42 Down

26 Genetic double

28 What roving pitmasters travel

30 Ultimate cause

32 Possible legal-brief source

33 Rival of 17 Down

34 Puzo novel

35 It might say "Kiss the chef"

36 Sportscast feature

37 Little Havana fare

38 Muse of history

39 Gregor Mendel's day job

41 Basic arithmetic

42 Animal parks

45 Step down

46 Electronics giant

47 Bartender's mixer

49 Smooth, as a plank

51 Winter Olympics venue

52 Become slush

54 Club member's cost

55 Recite rapidly, with "off"

56 Potential for loss

58 Second-largest Scandinavian city

ACROSS

59 Small jazz group

60 Unpartnered

61 State strongly

62 Clams or dough

63 Fillmore's party

64 Plays on words

66 How soy sauce tastes

67 What "endless" ends with

69 Bok \_\_ (Chinese cabbage)

DOWN

70 Morsels

71 Replenish one's stock

73 He was a House doctor

75 Symbol of purity

76 Contrary

78 Hard smacks

79 French painter of dancers

80 City on the Arkansas

82 Nonsensical

83 Noriega of Panama

84 Very nicely

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86 Stallone character

87 Police protection

89 Couplet creator

90 Sandwich staple

91 Rights org.

92 Sell at any price

93 Minor wrangle

94 All the rage

95 89 Down's tribute

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‘Hack-a-thon’ inspires student developers

By Alex Dominguez Contributor

DOWNEY – Several kids participated in a virtual reality “hack-a-thon” over the weekend, hosted by the Columbia Memorial Space Center.

The hack-a-thon event took place over Saturday and Sunday in Northern and Southern California. The event’s Southern California activities completely took over Downey’s popular science museum.

“This is the first ever ‘We are Code’ Hack-a-thon,” said Stephen Vann Heflin, Programs Director at Dhat Stone High Tech Learning Academy. “...the purpose of this is to develop an app, or a website, or a video game to help the community....it’s to introduce inter-city kids – black and brown kids – to coding because we represent less than one percent of the tech community, and more jobs are being formed in the tech community than anything else.

“We start them young, give them the resources, and plant that idea, and watch it grow.”

This was the first ever virtual reality hack-a-thon between the Bay Area and Southern California.

Kids who attended the event were split into teams and tasked to create some kind of technology that would benefit their community. While each team worked, they were treated to the guidance of mentors and coaches who are experts in the field, as well as accessible workshop booths.

There were also keynote speakers who addressed the participants at the beginning of the day.

CMSC President Ben Dickow expressed that events like the hack-a-thon reinforced the space center’s mission.

“I’ve said this a million times, but our mission is to ignite a community of critical and creative thinkers. Stuff like this is very much about that,” said Dickow. “...They’re all working in teams, they don’t know each other, but they’re coming together because of STEM, and I think that’s pretty cool.”

Lynwood Unified alums share life, college lessons at 17th annual alumni conference

LYNWOOD – About 30 Firebaugh High and Lynwood High alumni shared their experiences in applying to college, getting through university courses and finding jobs after graduation with nearly 225 Lynwood Unified high school students and their parents during the 17th annual Alumni Conference on Aug. 27.

Lynwood High School hosted this year’s conference, themed Rewriting Your Future, to help students and parents learn about applying for and navigating through higher education opportunities. The alumni led a slate of workshops that included major and career exploration, getting involved on a college campus, building relationships with teachers and mentors, financial aid and writing personal statements for University of California applications.

“Lynwood Unified has a network of alumni who are passionate about mentoring the next generation of students,” Superintendent Paul Gothold said. “I’m tremendously grateful that these young professionals donate their time and talents to help guide our students in this important chapter of their lives.”

Following the workshops, more than 25 colleges, including almost all California State University and University of California campuses, were represented by alumni during a college fair that gave students an inside look into life as a college student and planning for ventures beyond college. The fair also served as a way for students to determine



Lynwood Unified high school students and their parents sign in and receive name badges before the start of the 17th annual Alumni Conference on Aug. 27, when Lynwood alumni shared their experiences in applying to college, getting through university courses and finding jobs after graduation.

the qualifications they would need for entrance into their preferred colleges.

Lynwood High Activities Director Gabriela Camacho, who is also a Lynwood Unified alumna, helped start the conference 17 years ago and was happy to see students excited to ask alumni lots of questions at this year’s event.

“It’s one of my favorite things to see during the year because alumni are giving back to their community and school,” Camacho said. “I’m glad it’s gone on for this long and I know it will continue to grow every year.”

Lynwood Unified Board President Alma-Delia Renteria said district alumni play an important educational role, acting as role models for current high schoolers.

“It makes me so proud to see our students and alumni meet and learn from each other at another successful conference,” Renteria said.

“Our alumni are very important to our District and I want them to know they always have a home in Lynwood Unified, and we hope they continue to come back and serve their community like they did at this event.”

‘Life in Print’ art and poetry exhibit coming to Norwalk

NORWALK — Artists Hannah R. Matus and Alyssa J. Wynne will showcase art and poetry during the “Life in Print” exhibit at the Mary Paxon Art Gallery, located at 13200 Clarkdale Ave. in Norwalk. The public is invited to attend the opening reception on Saturday, Sept. 24 from 5 to 8 p.m.

“Life in Print” is intended to give a voice to those who have been silenced all their lives through Matus’s art and Wynne’s poetry. Together the duo will display approximately 25 mixed media pieces that will shine light on the dark moments in American history and culture, such as the social perspectives on mental health, modeled minorities, women’s suffrage, and police brutality.

“Life in Print” opens on Tuesday, Sept. 13, and closes on Saturday, Oct. 1. Matus’s and Wynne’s mediums include screen printing, calligraphy and spray paint on wood. The opening reception will feature refreshments, live entertainment and merchandise available for purchase.

Matus attends Fullerton College and has created art since the age of five. She previously worked with Hurley and currently works as an art instructor. Wynne has written seriously for the past six years and was published in the literary magazine of her alumnus, La Salle University.

Downey High School pays tribute to late police officer Ricardo Galvez

DOWNEY – Exactly a week after Warren dedicated one of their hallways to Downey’s fallen officer, Downey High School likewise renamed its Law Enforcement Pathway in honor of Ricky Galvez.

The renaming ceremony was attended by members the City Council and staff, Downey Unified School District, Downey Police Department officers, Galvez’s family, and several community members.

Speakers at the event included DHS Principal Tom Houts, Superintendent of Schools Dr. John Garcia, DUSD Board President Mark Morris, and Downey Police Chief Carl Charles.

“The day that Ricardo Galvez passed, the students here started a Twitter campaign to get everybody to wear black the next day; all the students. To show you how influential he was and what support the students have for the Downey Police – I have never seen so many students wear black [than] on that day...” said Houts, who briefly spoke on the impact that the Law Enforcement Pathway CTE program has had on the Viking community.

During his speech, Morris noted that the renaming of the Pathway not only honored the late Galvez, but all of Downey’s officers.

“We were all able to sleep better when we are protected by people of strong character and moral fiber, who determine to serve us by putting



Warren and Downey high schools honored fallen Downey police officer Ricky Galvez by renaming portions of their campus in his memory.

on the uniform and wearing a badge, and keeping evil away from our property and our person,” said Morris. “It takes a very special person to dedicate themselves to that kind of service, and so often we don’t get a chance to say thank you or offer our words of appreciation.

“So what we’re doing today and what we did at Warren the other day

Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

In 1747, a British Royal Navy surgeon conducted the first recorded controlled experiment. He proved that vitamin C prevented scurvy. Scurvy is now rare, but it was once common among sailors, pirates, and others who spent long periods of time onboard ships. When a voyage outlasted the fruit and vegetable supplies, the lack of vitamin C led to scurvy.

Vitamin C, also known as ascorbic acid, is water-soluble, which means that leftover amounts exit the body through the urine. Therefore, we need an ongoing supply in our diet for normal growth and development. Signs of vitamin C deficiency include fatigue, muscle weakness, joint and muscle aches, bleeding gums, leg rashes, and eventually scurvy.

Most experts recommend getting vitamin C from a diet that is high in fruits and vegetables, rather than from taking supplements. Good sources include citrus fruit (lemon, lime, orange, grapefruit), apple, melon, mango, berries, papaya, kiwi, watermelon, tomato, asparagus, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, dark leafy greens (kale, spinach), peppers (especially red), potato, and fortified food (bread, grain, cereal).

Why do people take vitamin C supplements? There is quite an unbelievable list of reasons. It has been used to prevent and treat the common cold. It is also used to treat gum disease, skin infections, HIV, stomach ulcers, tuberculosis, dysentery, bladder and prostate infections. It is also used to treat depression, Alzheimer and other dementias, stress, fatigue, ADD and ADHD, heart and arterial diseases, hypertension and high cholesterol, glaucoma, prevention of cataracts and gallstones, treatment of constipation, Lyme disease, heat stroke, hay fever, asthma, cystic fibrosis, infertility, diabetes, chronic fatigue, arthritis, cancer and osteoporosis. Finally, it has been touted to improve physical endurance, slow the process of aging, and help with the symptoms of withdrawal.

But what has Vitamin C actually been scientifically proven effective for? It’s truly amazing how much research has gone into this question.

It is to honor the service of one of our police officers, but in reality we’re honoring all the officers of Downey, because they’re special people...”

Morris also commented that although Galvez was not a “Downey-ite” in the traditional sense, his service made him part of the community.

“He worked in Downey, and because of that he’s one of us. He’s a Downey-ite,” said Morris.

A plaque was unveiled by Morris and Galvez’s mother at the end of the ceremony, which will soon be installed on the building that houses the Law Enforcement Pathway.

–Alex Dominguez, Contributor

We can certainly agree that it does prevent scurvy. However, further studies of potential health benefits have provided conflicting results:

- It does not appear to have any effect in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis.

- There is no clear evidence that vitamin C supplements help to prevent cardiovascular disease.

- There is no evidence that supplements reduce the risk of myocardial infarction, stroke, or cardiovascular mortality. (One analysis found that it might reduce the risk of stroke.)

- The use of high-dose IV vitamin C is not recommended as an anticancer agent.

- Studies failed to find support for the prevention of breast cancer, but it might be associated with increased survival in those already diagnosed.

- There is weak evidence that vitamin C might protect against lung cancer.

- Taking vitamin C has no effect on the risk of prostate cancer.

- There are mixed or weak results regarding a link between vitamin C supplements on the risk of colorectal cancer.

- Studies examining the effects of vitamin C on the risk of Alzheimer’s disease have been conflicting. Maintaining a healthy dietary intake is probably more important than taking supplements.

- No significant effects were found on preventing or slowing age-related cataracts.

- Some research has shown that vitamin C may improve the absorption of dietary iron, and therefore help in treating anemia. Research is ongoing.

- Vitamin C supplements appear to have no effect on overall mortality.

Finally, the effect of vitamin C on the common cold has been extensively researched. Surprisingly, it has not been shown effective in the prevention of the common cold (with one exception: when exercising vigorously in cold environments). Taking vitamin C supplements does not reduce the incidence or severity of the common cold in the general population, though it may reduce the cold’s duration.

Are there any risks associated with too much vitamin C? When obtained from food sources and supplements in the recommended dosages, vitamin C is regarded as safe. For most healthy individuals, the body can only hold and use about 250mg of vitamin C each day. At times of illness, during recovery from injury, or under conditions of increased oxidative stress (including smoking), the body can use greater amounts. Very high doses of vitamin C (greater than 2,000 mg/day) may contribute to kidney stones, as well as cause severe diarrhea, nausea, and gastritis.

The vast majority of uses for vitamin C are based on tradition and hearsay, or on marketing, rather than on hard scientific data. Many studies have been poorly conducted, and more and better research would be needed before I would recommend supplements for my patients.

Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

Rotary Club sponsors shopping sprees for Bellflower Unified students

BELLFLOWER – Fifty-five students from Bellflower Unified School District will enjoy \$100 back-to-school shopping sprees on Saturday, Sept. 10, 7 a.m. at Kmart’s Bellflower store courtesy of the Rotary Club of Bellflower.

The Rotary Club of Bellflower sponsors the annual shopping trip for school clothing and shoes. The group works with Caring Connections, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping meet the needs of students and families in the Bellflower Unified School District.

Students in grades one through six are chosen by family support staff at elementary schools based on income status and family needs.

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