

DOWNNEY HISTORY CENTER

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to

the Moon



Staff: The Downey History Center is staffed entirely by volunteers of the Downey Historical Society (a 501-c-3 organization) and its finances depend wholly upon donations and membership.

Mission: To maintain the historical memories of the City of Downey, California, U.S.A., in books, photographs, artifacts, newspapers, pamphlets, stories, biographies, and other forms of documentation. To preserve the home of the Downey pioneer Dismukes family, now relocated adjacent to the Center

Holdings Examples:

Newspapers: Originals, microfilm

Clippings file: Obituaries and noteworthy community news and activities.

Photographs: Originals 1870-present, negatives, prints, 35mm slides of historic events, computer file scans, DVDs of some of the collection.

Library: Books, pamphlets, maps, and periodicals on Downey, Los Angeles County, California, Indians, Missions, archaeology, architecture, photography, biography, ethnology, City Directories, High School annuals, written histories of residents' memories, genealogy of local pioneers and Governor Downey.

Microfilm file: Federal Censuses for Los Angeles County 1850-1900, Sanborn fire insurance maps of the area, newspapers.

Original Records: Early Downey School account books, insurance registers, L.A. County District Attorney's registers of arrests (1883-1919), walnut grower's stock certificate books, pioneer water company records, Post Office Money Order books, burial and cemetery records.

Periodicals: City of Downey and Downey Chamber of Commerce, subscriptions to many publications about other museums, preservation, and history.

Videos: Films (silent and sound) and DVDs of past programs and local activities.

Artifacts: relics of Downey's past and other items representative of those used in the area.

Monthly Membership Meetings: Presentations of historically topical material – films, slides, discussion.

**** FOR MEMBERSHIP ****

Name _____
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Circle one: \$5-Student • \$10-Personal • \$15-Family • \$25-Contributing • \$25-Business/Organization •
\$50-Sustaining • \$200-Life Membership • \$1000-Business Honor Roll

Basic Information -

Phone: 562-862-2777
Location: @ Apollo Park
12540 Rives Ave., Downey
just north of Imperial Hwy.

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P.O.Box 554, Downey, Ca, 90241

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WebPage: //tinyurl.com/dowhist
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Hours: 10am-2pm Wed & Thurs
and 3rd Saturdays

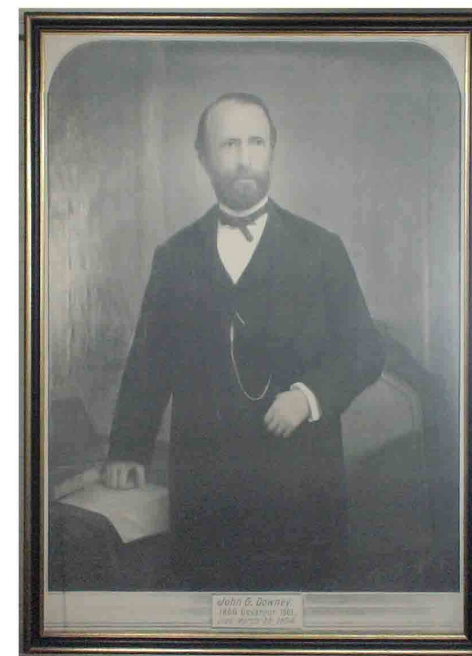
Regular Membership Meetings:
7:30pm - 4th Thurs at Senior Center
1/2 block north on corner
at 7810 Quill Dr. (dark in Summer)

Society Membership ---
(calendar year basis)

- \$5 – Student
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John Gately Downey (June 24, 1827–March 1, 1894)
Governor of California (January 14, 1860 – January 10, 1862)

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