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AN ARC OF COLOR appeared over South Laguna after rain from the remnants of Tropical Storm Eugene moved north over the region.

A rainbow in its wake

Newport faces another dredging lawsuit

The complaint, filed by Friends of Newport Harbor, names city and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as plaintiffs.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

The Friends of Newport Harbor has filed another lawsuit against Newport Beach and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers over the planned confined aquatic disposal site in Newport Harbor.

The lawsuit, filed on Aug. 2 in Orange County Superior Court, has been assigned to Judge Peter Wilson. The complaint aims to enjoin city funding to construct and operate the confined aquatic disposal unit in lower Newport Harbor, where sediment unsafe for open ocean release would be stored.

Discussions on building the CAD date back to 2019 when mercury-tainted sediment was discovered in the turning basin and Lido Peninsula. Dredging needs to occur regularly in Newport Harbor to ensure safe navigation, with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers responsible for the federal channels within the harbor.

Environmental groups, including the Friends of Newport Harbor, have long contended that the creation of the CAD is unsafe and have filed litigation against both the federal agency and the city in an effort to stay the project. The Friends of Newport Harbor alone has filed three separate lawsuits over the matter prior. Two of those suits remain active, while a third, filed over the Freedom of Information Act, has been

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CHARLES BERTOCCHINI, a 17-year-old incoming senior at Santa Margarita Catholic High School, volunteers at City of Hope's Huntington Beach clinic.

Hospital gives teen a chance to give back

BY MATT SZABO

Charles Bertocchini is a breath of fresh air each Wednesday afternoon at the City of Hope's Huntington Beach location.

The 17-year-old Coto de Caza resident does tasks like restocking the snacks in the infusion room, cleaning the chairs and changing the pillowcases. But it's the conversations he holds with patients at the cancer treatment center that mean the most to him.

"That's the best part," Bertocchini said. "Usually, it's about my experience, but sometimes it would be things in the news. Anything to get their mind off of what's happening."

Bertocchini is a member of the City of Hope's volunteer program. An incoming senior at Santa Margarita Catholic High School, he plans to continue volunteering once school begins again, eventually shifting to the City of Hope's Lennar Foundation Cancer Center in Irvine for even more hands-on experience.

It's his way of giving back to the organization that has given his family, well, hope in recent years. There's a good reason he's doing this, and it's the same one that has inspired him to want to pursue a career in medicine.

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Laguna ordinance aims to set standards regarding animals

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach has passed an ordinance making several changes to its municipal code regarding animals.

Among the changes enacted via a second reading at Tuesday night's City Council meeting was a new measurable standard for enforcement against dog barking.

Thirty minutes of incessant dog barking, or 60 minutes of intermittent barking, within a 24-hour period would now constitute a violation of the municipal code.

Jim Beres, a professional services administrator with the Laguna Beach Police Department, said the municipal code previously lacked a threshold for quantifying barking as a code violation. Beres oversees the city's animal control officers and animal shelter.

"It's been based historically on the number of complaints we've gotten, and kind of the totality of the circumstances, and what the animal services officer felt was reasonable," Beres said when the ordinance was introduced at a council meeting on



File Photo

DOGS AND owners enjoy the open space at the Laguna Beach Dog Park in this file photo. A city ordinance sets time thresholds for dog barking to be considered a code violation.

July 25. "It's led to a situation where some dog owners have felt that they've been treated differently than others."

The dog barking standards being implemented by Laguna Beach are consistent with those put to use by the county of Orange, as well as 13 cities across the county. The same threshold is in place for Fountain Valley,

Huntington Beach and Irvine, among other county municipalities.

Laguna Beach police received 222 complaints for bothersome dog barking in 2021. That same year, the department wrote 81 warnings and nine citations in response to complaints. Animal

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Scout wins scholarship with heritage project

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Katelyn Saiki grew up hearing stories about Cambodia from her grandparents.

The lessons she learned have paid off: Saiki recently found out she won a \$10,000 scholarship after attaining the Girl Scout's highest achievement, the Gold Award, thanks not only to her book on Cambodian folklore but the establishment of her nonprofit, Cambodian Revival of Arts, Folklore, and Traditions.

The Khmer Rouge was the communist regime that led to the genocide of the Cambodian peoples under the direction of the Communist Party of Kampuchea general secretary Pol Pot. The genocide led to the death of nearly a quarter of the country's population in the late 1970s. It is estimated nearly 2 million people lost their lives in the atrocity.

"My grandfather ... is the sole survivor of his family of the [Khmer Rouge] genocide, and from him, I learned that nearly a quarter of the population died and as a result that a lot of art and history was lost to the communist regime," Saiki said.



Many professionals, including doctors, lawyers, teachers, engineers and scientists, were killed along with their extended families. Saiki's grandparents and her mother were among the thousands of refugees that fled the country in the 1980s.

"A lot of [Cambodia's] identity was being destroyed, and that's what inspired me for my Gold

Award [work] because I wanted to center my project around something that is deeply connected to me."

According to a report published by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) office in Phnom Penh and Cambodia's Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts in 2002 on the rehabilitation

KATELYN SAIKI is a recipient of the Girl Scouts of the USA's \$10,000 Gold Award scholarship. To honor her heritage, the 18-year-old spearheaded a project aimed at preserving and celebrating Cambodian culture with her nonprofit and book "Khmerical: A Collection of Cambodian Folktales."

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of the country's performing arts, the genocide's impact on Cambodian performance culture "plunged this most sophisticated of cultures to almost total annihilation."

"During the tyrannical regime of Pol Pot, innumerable performers were banished from Phnom

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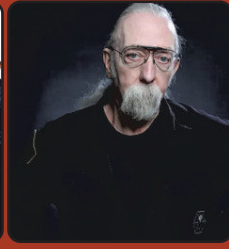
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- 8/19 MADELEINE PEYROUX
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- 9/24 MOLLY HATCHET
- 9/25 DAVE MASON
- 9/28 KOFI BAKER'S CREAM FAITH
- 9/29 JOHN WAITE
- 9/30 GARRISON KEILLOR TONIGHT
- 10/5 GEOFF TATE'S BIG ROCK SHOW
- 10/6 BULLETTYOYS WITH SPECIAL GUESTS XYZ
- 10/7 RONDSTADT REVIVAL (LINDA RONDSTADT TRIBUTE)
- 10/8 LOUIE CRUZ BELTRAN
- 10/12 CRYSTAL BOWERSOX / TAYLOR RAE
- 10/13 DESPERADO (EAGLES TRIBUTE)
- 10/14 DESPERADO (EAGLES TRIBUTE)



SAT, SEP 16
**THE
FENIANS**



WED, SEP 20
**PHANTOM
PLANET**



THU, SEP 21
**KEIKO
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SUN, SEP 24
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- 10/15 JOURNEYMAN (ERIC CLAPTON TRIBUTE)
- 10/18 FUNNIEST HOUSEWIVES (COMEDY SHOW)
- 10/19 PAT TRAVERS BAND
- 10/22 MIKE PETERS PRESENTS THE ALARM ACOUSTIC
- 10/25 CHRISTOPHER CROSS
- 10/27 PIANO MEN (BILLY JOEL AND ELTON JOHN TRIBUTE)
- 10/29 MARTIN SEXTON
- 10/31 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS
- 11/1 RIDERS IN THE SKY (ACOUSTIC WESTERN COWBOY MUSIC AND HUMOR)
- 11/2 ZEBRA
- 11/3 LED ZEPAGAIN (LED ZEPPELIN TRIBUTE)
- 11/4 LED ZEPAGAIN (LED ZEPPELIN TRIBUTE)
- 11/5 BEN OTTEWELL / IAN BALL
- 11/8 RODNEY CROWELL
- 11/9 THE YOUNG DUBLINERS
- 11/10 WHICH ONE'S PINK? "WISH YOU WERE HERE"
- 11/11 WHICH ONE'S PINK? "DARK SIDE OF THE MOON"
- 11/12 WISHBONE ASH
- 11/15 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE)
- 11/16 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE)
- 11/18 ABBAFAB (ABBA TRIBUTE)
- 11/19 COCO MONTOYA
- 11/22 QRST (QUEEN/RUSH/STYX TRIBUTE)
- 11/26 ARETHA STARRING CHARITY LOCKHART
- 11/30 THE MUSICAL BOX - SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND
- 12/1 THE MUSICAL BOX - SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND
- 12/2 LEE ROCKER OF THE STRAY CATS
- 12/8 GENE LOVES JEZEBEL / BOW WOW WOW
- 12/16 GARY HOEY'S ROCKIN HOLIDAY SHOW
- 12/22 AMBROSIA: A VERY SPECIAL HOLIDAY SHOW
- 2/14 OTTMAR LIEBERT & LUNA NEGRA



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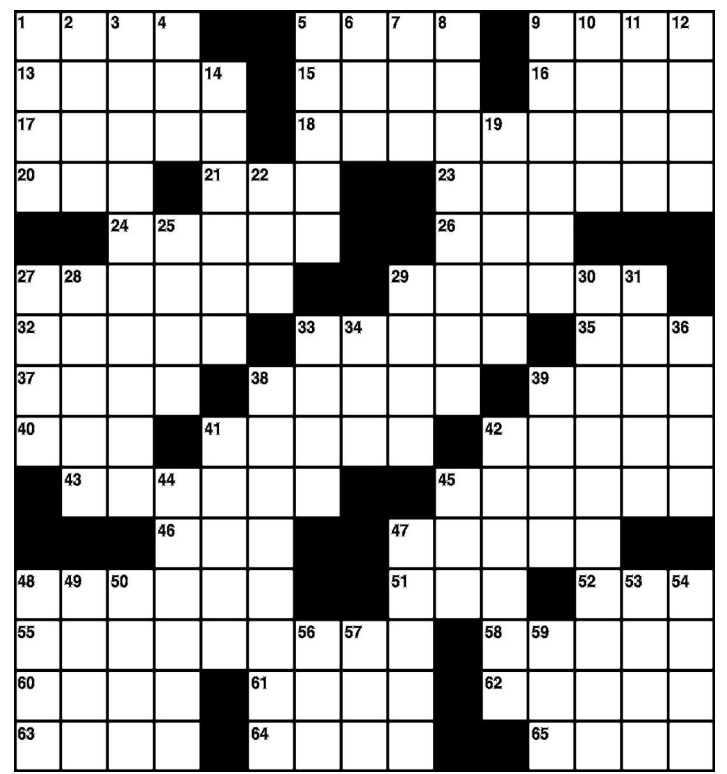
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By Jacqueline E. Mathews

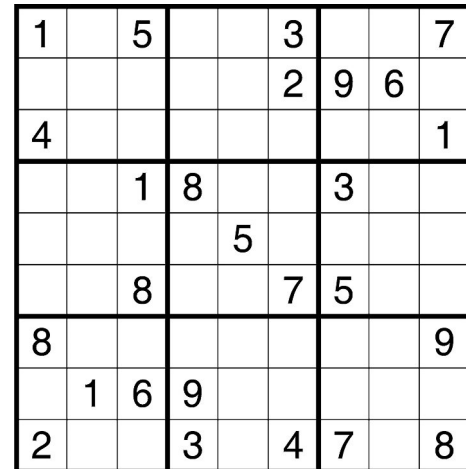
- ACROSS**
- 1 "Get lost!"
 - 5 Diamond figures
 - 9 Vaulter's need
 - 13 Very manly
 - 15 Fanny
 - 16 Convince
 - 17 Reason to take Maalox
 - 18 Opposite of guilt
 - 20 "Wow!"
 - 21 Prohibition
 - 23 Adders' signs
 - 24 Committing perjury
 - 26 Hippie's home
 - 27 Like folks in a sauna
 - 29 Yellow fruits
 - 32 Rosa or Bert
 - 33 Nest noise
 - 35 Getting on in years
 - 37 Longoria's namesakes
 - 38 Buckets
 - 39 Remain
 - 40 Damp
 - 41 Drew or Mariah
 - 42 Ginger or saffron
 - 43 Draw back in horror
 - 45 Shanties
 - 46 Barbarian
 - 47 Area of expertise
 - 48 Speechless
 - 51 Three thirds
 - 52 Billboards
 - 55 Actress Cox
 - 58 Left-hand ledger entry
 - 60 Blown _; floored
 - 61 Auditionee's hope
 - 62 Soothing balm
 - 63 Manhandle
 - 64 Commotion
 - 65 Be abundant
- DOWN**
- 1 Highly self-satisfied
 - 2 Racer
 - Yarborough
 - 3 Speed up
 - 4 Definite article
 - 5 Doing drugs
 - 6 Fellows
 - 7 "Peter _"
 - 8 Plugs
 - 9 Artificial; imitation
 - 10 Possesses
 - 11 Mantilla fabric
 - 12 Facial features
 - 14 Circles around
 - 19 Vise
 - 22 Not _ more; no longer
 - 25 Chatters



SUDOKU

By the Mepham Group

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A3.

- 27 Discharge, as lava
- 28 Be
- 29 Wisy-washy
- 29 Easter flower
- 30 Obvious
- 31 Not taut
- 33 Rob Reiner's dad
- 34 Hasten
- 36 Prepares
- Easter eggs
- 38 Artists
- 39 Quarrel
- 41 Tally up
- 42 Tears to bits
- 44 Ladd or Tieg
- 45 Abel, to Adam
- 47 Entry hall
- 48 Fraudulent deal
- 49 Neighbor of Nebraska
- 50 Feast with pig & poi
- 53 Headfirst plunge
- 54 Wineglass part
- 56 "To be or _ to be"
- 57 Actor Wallach
- 59 Mom's mealtime directive

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F.V. man gets life sentence in maritime killing in O.C.

BY PAUL ANDERSON

A 42-year-old Fountain Valley man was sentenced Monday to life in federal prison for killing a friend — who owed him between \$30,000 and \$40,000 — on a lobster fishing boat off the shores of Dana Point Harbor.

Hoang "Wayne" Xuan Le was convicted Dec. 10, 2021, of first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit murder and using a firearm to com-

mit a crime of violence. He pleaded guilty in February 2022 to eight drug charges, including dealing cocaine and methamphetamine.

Co-defendant Sheila Marie Ritze, 43, of San Juan Capistrano, was convicted in April of last year for her part in the killing of 44-year-old Tri "James" Dao on Oct. 14, 2019. She was sentenced in April of this year to 21 years and 10 months in federal prison.

The victim's mother, Anh

Tran, said in a victim impact statement to U.S. District Judge David O. Carter that she would "never be able to over get this nightmare and every day is a painful reminder that I will never see my son again, and his daughters will grow up not knowing their father."

To Le, she noted that the defendant was a friend of Dao's.

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FRIENDS OF Newport Harbor walk to Newport Beach City Hall to protest a proposed dump site in Newport Bay in September 2022.

File Photo

LAWSUIT

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dropped.

One of the suits was filed in federal court in April of this year, accusing violations of the National Environmental Policy Act and the Administrative Procedure Act, and another was filed in November in Orange County Superior Court.

As of June this year, the dredging for the CAD and its construction have been halted in agreement with OC Coastkeeper as the Corps "considers revisiting its National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analyses and Endangered Species Act (ESA) analyses, including whether consultation under the ESA is appropri-

ate," according to court documents.

City spokesman John Pope confirmed Tuesday that both the dredging — which has been partially completed — and the CAD remain on hold.

Dredged material from the partial dredge earlier this year was placed at Port of Long Beach's Middle Harbor Fill Site.

The new lawsuit alleges that in February of this year the city approved a second memorandum of understanding that it would "fund a bigger CAD than the CAD it had approved in 2021 as well as additional dredging," though documents from that meeting indicate that no additional funding would be approved by the city as the \$10 million already promised

toward the project would cover additional dredging.

The memorandum also gave City Manager Grace Leung the discretion to execute any other agreements with regard to the dredging or CAD project.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said the additional memorandum was necessary for the materials dredged that are technically below federal channel limits within the footprint of the proposed disposal site.

By authorizing the use of its public funds by the Corps for additional dredging is "different, bigger, and more environmentally adverse than the CAD initially presented to the public and approved in 2021," attorneys for Friends of Newport

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CHARLES BERTOCCHINI stands inside City of Hope Huntington Beach, where he volunteers.

TEEN

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Bertocchini's mother, Allie, is a breast cancer survivor. She was diagnosed in October 2019.

"My diagnosis came out of the blue, because I was so healthy in every other aspect of my life," said Allie Bertocchini, who was 41 at the time. "My left nipple went flat, which was the only sign my body gave me that something was going on. I went and saw my primary care physician."

Following a diagnostic mammogram and ultrasound, she was told she had breast cancer. She soon made it to City of Hope under the care of Dr. Wade Smith, first going to the Duarte location before City of Hope Newport Beach opened in early 2020.

Charles, the oldest of three sons, was just 13 at the time. With his father, Tony, often away at work, he would often be the one responsible for administering medicine to his mother.

Following a double mastectomy, an infection in January 2020 meant Allie ended up with a peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) line. She was on slow-release antibiotics for six weeks, finishing up right when the coronavirus pandemic began.

"It was one thing after the next," Allie Bertocchini said. "It was very hard on me, and it was hard on my kids, but it was also so inspiring to me how resilient they were and how they rose to the challenge of having to be more independent, helping me out, things like that."

Challenges abounded, yet Charles stayed strong and in charge.

"It definitely brought us closer together," he said. "When I wasn't giving her medicine, we'd watch movies. After she got better she just told me, 'I don't really remember some of the

stuff,' but I don't really care. I was just happy to be with her. I was 13, so I didn't really understand where this could go, so I just wanted to spend every second I had with her."

Allie Bertocchini's breast cancer is in remission, though she remains on the anti-estrogen drug Tamoxifen and schedules semi-regular visits with her medical and surgical oncologists.

City of Hope Orange County opened its volunteer program in April, according to Judy Rose, director of Supportive Care and Integrative Medicine. Charles is one of about 30 volunteers so far in the county.

"We've heard nothing but great things about Charles from our Huntington Beach staff," Rose said. "He's doing an excellent job of being an extension of our staff, greeting patients and welcoming them in during such a challenging time. We're so grateful to him for helping us. We hope that this story inspires others his age to look into ways to give back to their community, but also to gain experience in the career field they might be interested in."

Charles Bertocchini is happy to give some normalcy to patients in a place where his family also regained its normalcy. Earlier this summer, he spent time in a medical immersion program at Wake Forest University.

"It's a view into this world," he said. "I think it's only reinforced what I want to do."

His mother is amazed at the blessing that has emerged.

"I could have never imagined in October 2019, when everything was so awful, that there would be good things that came out of it," Allie Bertocchini said. "I think this is 100% a silver lining."

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CHARLES BERTOCCHINI, 17, says he's learning while volunteering at City of Hope Huntington Beach.

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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **RONALD KASULKA.**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **CANDACE KASULKA** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **CANDACE KASULKA** 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.
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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 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.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JOHN GASKILL, aka JOHN R. GASKILL, aka JOHN ROBERT GASKILL
30-2023-01317672-PR-PW-CM
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **JOHN GASKILL, aka JOHN R. GASKILL, aka JOHN ROBERT GASKILL.**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **TAMARA GASKILL** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **JOHN R. GASKILL, JR., DAVID R. GASKILL, STEPHEN P. GASKILL & WILLIAM G. GASKILL** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
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 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM6** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: PATRICIA JOY YAMAZAKI
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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **PATRICIA JOY YAMAZAKI.**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Andrea Louise Yamazaki Williamson** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Andrea Louise Yamazaki Williamson** 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.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GLORIA GERBER, aka GLORIA E. GERBER, aka GLORIA ESTELLA GERBER
30-2023-01338849-PR-LA-CM
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **GLORIA GERBER, aka GLORIA E. GERBER, aka GLORIA ESTELLA GERBER.**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **MICHAEL GERBER & CHRISTOPHER GERBER** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **MICHAEL GERBER & CHRISTOPHER GERBER** 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 **September 06, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM5** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Darryl Keith Walker
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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Darryl Keith Walker**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Jeannie Underwood** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Jeannie Underwood** 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 **September 07, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM6** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CHARLEEN HODGKINS
30-2023-01337087-PR-PW-CJC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **CHARLEEN HODGKINS**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **CHARLEEN HODGKINS** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Dennis Hodgkins** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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 24, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM6** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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BSC 223689
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Paul David Bennett
30-2023-01336603-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Paul David Bennett**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Monica Farias** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Monica Farias** 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.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CHRIS TODERO, aka CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER TODERO, aka CHRISTOPHER A. TODERO, aka CHRIS A. TODERO
30-2023-01317838-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **CHRIS TODERO, aka CHRISTOPHER ALEXANDER TODERO, aka CHRISTOPHER A. TODERO, aka CHRIS A. TODERO**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **SHARON L. FLORES** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **SHARON L. FLORES** 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.

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In accordance with the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, Alton Self Storage LP, 2215 Alton Parkway, Irvine, California 92606, will sell by competitive bid on August 17, 2023. Property to be sold as follows: Miscellaneous household goods, personal items, furniture, clothing, and/or business items/fixtures belonging to the following.
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Purchase must be paid for at time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is where is and must be removed at time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of a settlement between owner and obligated party. Dated this August 3, 2023, and August 10, 2023. Auction Listed on storage treasures.com. Final bid at 12:00 noon. 8/3, 8/10/23
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. **NB-L-10950-23**

- (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 name and business addresses of the seller are: **THE PELLETIER COMPANY, 9899 HIBERT ST, STE F, SAN DIEGO, CA 92131**
 - (3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: **9899 HIBERT ST, STE F, SAN DIEGO, CA 92131**
 - (4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: **COASTAL CASITA, LLC, 2101 GLENNEVY STREET, APT C, LAGUNA BEACH, CA 92651**
 - (5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, GOODWILL, TRADE NAME** of that certain business located at: **9899 HIBERT ST, STE F, SAN DIEGO, CA 92131 AND 874 WEST 16TH STREET, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663**
 - (6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: **PELLCO WINDOWS AND DOORS**
 - (7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is **AUGUST 28, 2023** at the office of: **PORTFOLIO ESCROW, 12 CORPORATE PLAZA DR., #120 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**, Escrow No. **NB-L-10950-23**, Escrow Officer: **LISA EVANS**
 - (8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above
 - (9) The last date for filing claims is: **AUGUST 25, 2023**.
 - (10) This Bulk Sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
 - (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: **JULY 31, 2023**
TRANSFEREES: **COASTAL CASITA, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**
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BSC 223743
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Peggy Scott Tunstall
30-2023-01339007-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Peggy Scott Tunstall**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Tate S. Tunstall** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Tate S. Tunstall** 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.

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Costa Mesa Chamber to host 'A Taste at the Tees'

The Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce's annual fundraiser "A Taste at the Tees" community golf classic will take place Aug. 17 at the Costa Mesa Country Club with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. and conclude with a 6 p.m. post-tournament mixer.

Proceeds raised will go toward the chamber's programs, which support the city's business community.

Attendees can play a round of golf, sample food and drink samplings from the city's most popular establishment and participate in an awards ceremony, raffle and a silent auction.

The Costa Mesa Country Club is located at 1701 Golf Course Drive. To register, visit costamesa.chambermaster.com/eventregistration/register/13786.

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"You often spent time together with my son's two young daughters. They called you uncle and thought of you as family," Tran said. "How could you so mercilessly and violently murder him like this? It was incredibly heartbreaking and agonizing to sit in court every single day for months and see and hear all the gruesome details of this case. You lured my son by taking him on what he thought was a fishing trip, then you shot him and brutalized him with metal hooks, and left him to drown a slow, painful death in the darkness of the cold ocean."

Tran added that Le never felt any pangs of conscience and "you continued to enjoy your life, brag about being a hitman and tried to intimidate his family by tracking them. You have not only killed him, but you have destroyed his family and ruined all our lives."

Tran said Le is "an evil and cruel demon who belongs in hell so that you can repent and pay for your sins. You deserve a life in prison so that you cannot inflict harm and commit crimes against anyone else."

Prosecutors said in court papers that Le "has left a grieving mother, grieving widow, grieving brothers, a grieving sister and two fatherless small children ... The nature and circumstance of the offense are horrific: shooting and beating up a defenseless man, then leaving him brutally beaten and shot, in the middle of the ocean, 3 miles from shore, in the dead of night."

Le invited Dao to go fishing with Ritze on her boat for lobsters late at night in the waters off Dana Point Harbor, Assistant U.S. Atty. Gregory Scally said during Le's trial. It wasn't the usual time for fishing, and they ventured a little more than 3 miles offshore, another unusual move because the usual fishing spot near the jetty was a lot further inland, he added.

Dao was not dead when he was dumped overboard because the autopsy showed the cause of death was drowning. Beating, shooting and then leaving the victim so far from shore shows they intended to kill Dao, Scally argued. "This is no accident."

A little more than a week before the killing, the three went with other friends on a road trip to Las Vegas to see a Billy Idol concert, where Le spoke with Ritze about using her boat to "off" the victim, Scally said.

Le's buddy Shawn Whalin also testified that the defendant told him he planned to "take out" the victim. Le also asked Whalin to help him kill Dao, but Whalin refused.

Le also told Whalin he intended to collect on the victim's life insurance policy to settle the debt and showed his pal a .38-caliber gun.

After the killing, Le told Whalin "I took care of it," referring to the victim's death. Another friend heard Le talk about killing Dao, but the friend did not come forward to authorities because he thought Le was just bragging.

Scally also referred to text message discussions he had with Nguyen and others about collecting on Dao's debt.

Le testified he acted in self-defense, but Scally said that claim contradicted the testimony of so many other witnesses in the trial. Dao's gunshot wound to the back puts the lie to the claim, Scally argued.

"You might begin and end your analysis of self-defense with that fact," Scally said. "If James Dao shot himself, he's quite the contortionist."

Le testified he slugged Dao with a stick a couple of times, and the gun went off, but Scally counted up to nine wounds on the victim's head in the autopsy photo.

Le also testified that he thought the victim could swim back to shore, but Scally said that distance was further than even an Ironman competition.

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OCHA reports increase in COVID-19 over past month

The Orange County Health Care Agency reported last week that its Communicable Disease Control division was seeing an increase in positive COVID-19 PCR tests over the last month.

Officials said the recent rise in cases matches that of previous years, where upticks were noted during both the summer and winter holiday season.

Hospitalizations due to COVID-19, however, are not experiencing an increase.

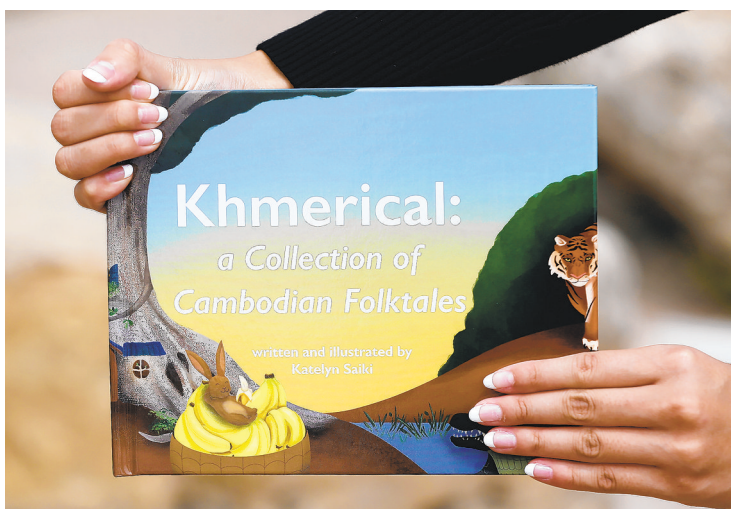
“To reduce the potential for increased hospitalizations, the community is encouraged to take precautions to protect those at higher risks,” said Dr. Regina Chinsio-Kwong, the county chief of public health services and county health officer, in the statement.

“As people spend more time gathering with friends, there will be more opportunities for viruses to spread. If we all take precautions, we can keep each other safe,” Chinsio-Kwong said.

For more information, visit ochealthinfo.com/covid.

— From staff reports

“KHMERICAL:
A Collection of
Cambodian
Folktales,” by Girl
Scout Katelyn
Saiki.



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PROJECT

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Penh to try to survive in a countryside they barely understood,” the report continued. “Most of them didn’t return, dying either of illness or starvation, or often murder as a direct result of their skills and links, as the Khmer Rouge saw it, to a decadent class and royalty.”

Saiki said part of the inspiration for her project came from a 2018 trip she took to Cambodia with her family, visiting the village that her grandparents and mother were from.

“I was immersing myself in the community, saw the schools and hospitals that my grandparents helped with to give back, but when I visited the schools, I saw they weren’t really appreciating their own heritage. No art was really offered compared to other subjects amidst Cambodia’s reconstruction,” Saiki said. “So, when I returned to America, I wanted to help preserve this folklore. I’m from a family of artists and storytellers, and I was always taught to take pride in my Cambodian culture.”

For her book, “Khmerical: A Collection of Cambodian Folktales,” which she wrote and illustrated, Saiki

recounted three Cambodian folktales that her grandfather dictated and verified with teachers in the country to ensure its accuracy. It was her hope, she said, that she would be able to spread more Cambodian culture through it, but she encountered roadblocks in terms of credibility with libraries.

That’s where the non-profit came in, she said. Once that was formed, it helped her create a platform for herself and lend credibility to the book. She said she was then able to partner with several libraries and elementary schools, including the Mark Twain Neighborhood Library and the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library in Long Beach.

Long Beach is home to the largest Cambodian population outside of Cambodia.

“I feel that Cambodian voices are very underrepresented in the media. When you think of Asian culture, Cambodians aren’t the first to come to mind. We aren’t really a part of the multicultural conversation, but I want to expose people to our culture,” Saiki said. “People still need to know about Cambodia’s history and heritage, and most people know the dark and sad parts of our history, but I wanted to shed light on

the beautiful parts too. It’s my way of saying that after the [Khmer Rouge] genocide that we’re still here. We still know who we are, and we take pride in our identity.”

She said she found out that she was a finalist in early June for the Gold Award, and that it was official that she was the winner by late June. Saiki is heading to USC this fall to study business administration and narrative studies, both fields of study that she feels working on her award project guided her toward.

“Girl Scouts of Orange County is incredibly proud of Katelyn. The mission of Girl Scouts is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place, and Katelyn exemplifies that. Her Gold Award project has impact and sustainability. It stretches 8,000 miles to Cambodia,” Vikki Shepp, Girl Scouts of Orange County’s chief executive officer, said in a statement. “It builds community, and shows Girl Scouts have the power to change the world.”

Saiki is one of 110 who are part of the 2023 Gold Award Girl Scouts class in the county.

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LAWSUIT

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Harbor wrote. ... “The City Council and the City acted ultra vires and in violation of its public trust duties, illegally expended taxpayer funds, unlawfully delegated its duties as an elected decision-making body to a non-elected officers, and thereby also violated California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and due process.”

The lawsuit asks for a

writ of mandate commanding the city and the City Council to vacate and withdraw approval of their funds for the CAD and the authorization of the city manager to execute any future agreements for the CAD, in addition to a stay of action as it relates to both the city and the Corps from implementing the site.

“This is petitioners’ third attempt to challenge the CAD project without any legal and factual support,” city staff said in a statement

issued Tuesday. “The statutory deadline has expired to challenge the CAD project. The city is prepared to fully defend the City Council’s certification of the environmental impact report, which thoroughly analyzed all environmental impacts of the project, and the allocation of funds to improve water quality and navigation within Newport Harbor.”

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ANIMALS

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service officers have issued 23 warnings but have yet to write a citation related to the issue this year, Beres added.

With a specific amount of time attached to code violations, the burden of proof for a dog barking violation would fall on the complaining party. That was cause for concern for resident Penelope Milne, an animal behavior consultant who suggested that animal control could be a fair and impartial arbiter.

“If we’re looking at intermittent barking for 60 minutes within 24 hours, that is a lot of logging for the neighbor to do, and we would be depending on an irritated neighbor to be fair and accurate,” Milne said. “There aren’t too many other things in the city where our evidence base is an irritated next-door neighbor without any kind of cross check.”

Beres reckoned at the initial hearing on the item that tightening up the definition of a code violation would lead to fewer infractions be-

cause it would hold complaints to an objective standard.

Michael Obrand, a South Laguna resident, in a written communication to the council said that two complaints to the city resulted in a reduction of barking from a neighboring home. He argued that the changes to the city’s animal code would be more permissive for irresponsible dog owners.

“I got to tell you, I was very pleased to hear that the city is going to provide additional mental health services, because if you pass this ordinance as it’s written, we’re going to need that,” Obrand said at the second reading. “I really want you to think about the impact of what you were about to pass here. You’re talking about 30 minutes of incessant barking over a 24-hour period.

“I’m not anti-dog. I’m anti-inconsiderate dog owners. In fact, I don’t think I’ve ever heard a dog bark without stopping for 30 minutes. Dogs bark and bark for a few seconds at a time. It may go on for hours on end, and that’s what we’ve been dealing with.”

The approved municipal code amendments prohibit tying an animal to a moving vehicle or bicycle, including e-bikes. It also outlined the process for declaring an animal to be a public nuisance, potentially dangerous or vicious. Such a designation would be determined through an administrative hearing. The pet owner could appeal the decision.

In reaffirming its unanimous decision, the council also requested that city staff return with a report on implementation of the ordinance following the first six months.

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NOTICE OF PETITION
TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **ALISON LYNNE BURLINGAME.**

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **TODD SPITZER, ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY-PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.** **THE PETITION FOR PROBATE** requests that **TODD SPITZER, ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY-PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR** 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 27, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM4** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court’s designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court’s website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occourts.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your hearing.

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 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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Legal Notices

TS No: CA08000363-23-1 APN: 439-041-16 TO No: 230123143-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED September 9, 2022. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 30, 2023 at 01:30 PM, at the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on September 13, 2022 as Instrument No. 2022000304252, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Orange County, California, executed by PANORAMIC CREST DEVELOPMENT LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, as Trustor(s), in favor of LIMA ONE CAPITAL LLC, A GEORGIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST THE property heretofore described is being sold “as is”. 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MEASURE P

Los Amigos celebrates facility improvements

BY ANDREW TURNER

On the southern wall inside the Los Amigos High gymnasium, words meant to inspire and bond the campus community together are prominently displayed.

Not unlike other high schools, that includes the school's alma mater. Perhaps more fitting for the occasion on Monday would be the school motto: "siempre con dignidad," which translates to "always with dignity."

That phrase rang true for the Lobos to kick off the week, as the school celebrated the addition of a nine-lane, all-weather track and turf field on campus.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony possessed many of the elements of a pep rally. Cheerleaders welcomed attendees to the track and bleachers, accompanied by a drumline performance and an appearance from the Lobos' mascot.

Gabriela Mafi, the superintendent of the Garden Grove Unified School District, noted that such facilities upgrades were made possible with the help of Measure P, a \$311-million bond measure that voters passed in 2016.

The measure also led to the construction of new stadiums at Bolsa Grande and Garden Grove high schools.

At Los Amigos, facilities improvements include a new floor and bleachers in the gymnasium, resurfaced tennis courts, and LED lighting added to the baseball and softball fields in addition to the new track. There are also new pits for the long jump and triple jump.

"The athletic programs at Los Amigos generate school pride and enhance the high school experience for hundreds of students each year," Bob Harden, a trustee for the school district, said. "We know that having modern facili-



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GARDEN GROVE Unified School District Trustee Bob Harden cuts the ribbon in celebration of new athletic facilities at Los Amigos High on Monday.

ties for our athletes makes a difference. The new track and field provides a remarkable setting for our athletes to compete and to win, and we know that you will give your all to both of those things."

Following the ceremony, the football program took to the field for practice. The transformation from a dirt track to the brand-new facility started at the end of the last football season.

The new field will also become the home for the school's soccer

programs, which saw measurable success in the form of a CIF Southern Section Division 5 championship for the girls in 2019, while the boys won back-to-back Garden Grove League titles.

The route to those recent accomplishments often went through the uneven grass fields in the back of the campus. Chris Sandro, the school's athletic director and the former head coach of the boys' soccer program, remains very excited about the upgrades, despite the departure

from that home-field advantage.

"We did know how to play downhill and with the wind over there at the old field, but we'll make this place our home," Sandro said. "You feel the wind ... it's always coming from the west. It's always windy this way. ... We'll get used to it."

Sandro added that the track and turf field had been installed a couple of weeks ago. He said kids were out on the field playing catch from day one.

The track and field programs

will also compete at the facility, and it will serve as a resource for conditioning workouts for others.

"We want all [Garden Grove Unified School District] students to have the best high school education, the best experience both in and outside the classroom," Harden said. "I wish we could have done this sooner. I'm glad that we're able to do it and make this available for you now."

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