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ANTHONY SANTOS, 14, left, and Lisette Eleuterio, 14, both students at Newport Harbor High School, take photos as a pod of common dolphins surrounds the boat.

Teens take to the sea

Hundreds of dolphins greeted students on a whale-watching excursion hosted by Save Our Youth. Many of the teens had never before been on a boat.

BY MATT SZABO

Newport Harbor High School freshman Lisette Eleuterio wants to be a marine biologist one day. Friday's whale-watching trip with Costa Mesa nonprofit Save Our Youth was one that Lisette had circled on her calendar. 'You get to explore new things, discover what's new outside in the world, travel around to see what the new evolution is," Lisette explained. "You get to see the old to the new, different species in the ocean. Before Friday, though, Lisette had never even been in a moving boat on the ocean. Such was the case with many of SOY's students who took the two-hour whalewatching trip with Davey's Locker out of Newport Landing. Though the kids did not see any large gray whales that are sometimes found off



Photos by Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer A LARGE POD of common dolphins appeared during a whale-watching trip on Friday.



Motorist dies in police shooting

Driver wouldn't comply, caused injury when C.M. police contacted 3 people in a parked vehicle, officials say.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

A motorist died Friday after being shot by Costa Mesa police officers when he allegedly backed his vehicle into one of his passengers.

The incident occurred at around 10:30 a.m. in the 1500 block of South Coast Drive, said Costa Mesa Police Lt. Bryan Wadkins. As officers patrolled the area, they made contact with three people in a parked vehicle. They removed two passengers and detained them.

As the officers attempted to contact the driver, he allegedly drove in reverse and struck one of the passengers outside the vehicle.

Wadkins said officers issued commands to the driver, but he did not comply, after which the shooting occurred.

No officers were injured in the incident. First responders administered treatment to the passenger injured by the vehicle and to the driver, who was shot, before transporting both to a local hospital.

The driver was pronounced dead at the hospital, Wadkins said.

Lt. Ed Everett, a spokesman for the Costa Mesa Police Department, said the injured passenger is in stable condition. The Orange County district attorney's

office is investigating the incident.

This is the second officer-involved shooting for the Costa Mesa Police Department in two weeks. Another shooting occurred on Jan. 31 after a man wielding a knife allegedly refused to drop his weapon and charged at officers on the scene, according to officials.

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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

See Sea, page A5 SEA LIONS rest on a buoy outside of Newport Beach on Friday.



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A VIEW of Mariners Mile looking south along Pacific Coast Highway. The Newport Beach Planning Commission has approved a variety of permits and a tentative parcel map for the project.

Mariners Mile project inches along as Planning Commission OKs permits

BY LILLY NGUYEN

A proposed mixed-use project on Mariners Mile moved closer to fruition after receiving a round of permit approvals from the Newport Beach Planning Commission on Thursday, to the dismay of some concerned residents.

Mariners Mile is a 1.3-milelong stretch of Pacific Coast Highway between Newport Boulevard and Dover Drive. The commission approved on a 5-1 vote a resolution that includes a coastal development permit, conditional use permit, site development review and a tentative parcel map. Planning Commission Chair Erik Weigand dissented and Commissioner Lauren Kleiman was absent.

The proposed project would replace an existing marine

See Mariners, page A4

State offers youth sports a chance at a fall season

BY ANDREW TURNER

The California Department of Public Health released new youth sports guidance Friday that provides a path forward for some high school sports to take place that were running out of racetrack.

Set to take effect next Friday, Feb. 26, the new guidelines will allow for outdoor sports in the red and orange tier to hold contests, so long as a county's COVID-19 adjusted case rate is equal to or fewer than 14 cases per 100,000 residents.

Orange County currently has an adjusted daily case rate of 20.7 cases per 100,000 residents, per data provided by the Orange County Health Care Agency.

See **Sports,** page A5

SURFING 'Potential future Olympians' to compete as surfing event returns

BY MATT SZABO

Brett Simpson peered out at the waves on the south side of the Huntington Beach Pier on Friday morning, just like the Surf City native has been doing for decades now.

Simpson was a two-time U.S. Open of Surfing champion in that spot, winning back-to-back titles in 2009 and '10. Now he is giving back to the sport as a USA Surfing coach.

Simpson, 36, was named the U.S. elite national junior team coach in 2019, and the head U.S. surfing coach for the Olympics last July. The 2021 Games in Tokyo will mark surfing's first time as an Olympic sport.

The next generation, though, is

who Simpson was coaching on Friday during a USA Surfing junior team practice.

"We really have some potential future Olympians, if not in 2024 then certainly in 2028 when the Olympics come to L.A.," USA Surfing Chief Operating Officer Andrea Swayne said.

The sport returns to Huntington Beach today as a two-day USA Surfing West Coast Prime event hits the waters south of the pier.

It is the first surf contest on the West Coast since the coronavirus pandemic began last March. Some of the top junior surfers in the state will compete in boys' and girls' Under-14, Under-16 and

See **Event,** page A2



OF the girls' USA Surfing junior team sprint up the beach during a practice session on Friday morning for a USA Surfing prime event this weekend in Huntington Beach.

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By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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ONE OF THE BOYS' USA Surfing junior team members goes off the top of a wave during a practice session on Friday for the USA Surfing prime event in Huntington Beach.

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Under-18 age groups. They are clearly glad to resume where they left off.

"I'm really excited to get back into the water and surf in another contest," said Lilie Kulber, 16, of Laguna Beach. "I really enjoyed the time off, though, to be able to focus on myself and work on myself in different aspects and parts of my life. It was definitely a nice break, but I'm excited to be back.'

Kulber said this weekend's contest will be the first she surfs in the Under-18 age group. Regardless of how she does, she said she will enjoy the camaraderie that the sport provides.

"Contests allow for everyone to come together and create a community,' said Kulber, a junior at Laguna Beach High. "Especially in a time when there's so much adversity and hate and division in our country, I feel like contests really bring everyone from every part of California together. We have one surf community, with one purpose and one love. I think it's really inspiring that we can all put our differences behind [us] and enjoy surfing."

JuJu Romaniuk of Huntington Beach, 15, said she



USA SURFING junior team coach and surfing champion Brett Simpson, center, chats with members of the junior team during a surf practice on Friday morning for this weekend's USA Surfing event in Huntington Beach.

> Quaid Fahrion of Costa Mesa.

Simpson fully understands the benefits of bringing back competition.

"A lot of them are going to see friends that maybe they haven't seen in a while," he said. "Those competitive juices will be flowing again. This is the best of the best of these age divisions, so it's exciting for them to keep striving for those goals. I think our kids need this more anything. than With schools being shut and all of these things piling up, I think they need it and deserve it.'

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COMMENTARY | EMILY FONDA AND CLAYTON CHAU REACHING OUT TO VULNERABLE POPULATIONS ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

ith COVID-19 vaccination efforts underway in Orange County, hope runs high that the pandemic will soon end and life will return to normal. But for the 25% of Orange County residents who are low-income Medi-Cal recipients, hope may be tempered by a level of distrust in the vaccine and hindered by other socioeconomic barriers that keep them from pursuing vaccination.

Allowing this population of 800,000 to stay on the sidelines is simply not an option. CalOptima, Orange County's Medi-Cal plan, and the Orange County Health Care Agency (HCA) are collaborating to launch an equity program, raise awareness and build vaccine acceptance in certain ethnic groups, vulnerable populations and cities disproportionately affected by COVID-19.

Data from both agencies is driving these efforts. CalOptima's Latino population is 45% of the health plan's membership; however, data show that 55% of CalOptima's COVID-19 cases are in members of the Latino population. Furthermore, the HCA's recent COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy Survey shows the effect of location. Only about half of Anaheim, Brea, La Habra, Santa Ana and San Clemente residents are willing to be vaccinated, compared with about 63% of Irvine, Laguna Niguel, Mission Viejo, Newport Beach and Villa Park residents. Cities where more residents are hesitant are the same places where CalOptima membership is higher.

Earlier this month, the CalOptima Board of Directors approved the COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Pilot Program, first introduced by Board of Supervisors Chairman Andrew Do and Vice Chairman Doug Chaffee to improve direct access to vaccinations for CalOptima seniors in the communities hardest hit by the pandemic. CalOptima, clinics and providers



DRS. EMILY FONDA and Clayton Chau say low-income residents of Orange County don't have equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines.

are contacting these seniors personally to schedule them for vaccination.

In addition to the equity program, CalOptima and HCA are relying on targeted outreach by community organizations that ethnic populations trust. To amplify the role that doctors play in building trust, these community groups also help spur action and dispel myths and fears. For example, the HCA — under the leadership of the Orange County Board of Supervisors — launched the Latino Health Equity Initiative in June 2020, after testing data showed higher COVID-19 positivity among Orange County's Latino population. Key partners in the initiative are Latino Health Access, Santa Ana and Anaheim

Unified School Districts, the Coalition of Orange County Community Health Centers and others. For the past six months, this initiative has offered increased testing, outreach, education and referral services through "Promotoras" or Health Promoters. The work is now shifting to emphasize vaccine safety and effectiveness.

CalOptima also has close ties with the trusted community organizations that serve lowincome residents and is supplying weekly information in a newsletter and other digital resources for their clients. Furthermore, CalOptima has offered the participation of our medical team in joint educational programs that address vaccine hesitancy. But perhaps the biggest im-

pact on vaccine uptake will be from a program approved in January by CalOptima's Board up to \$35.4 million in incentives for Medi-Cal members to get the vaccine once it is available to them under the tiered distribution system. The program offers one \$25 gift card for each required dose of vaccine received by CalOptima members.

While interpersonal relationships are essential in building trust, financial incentives are effective in getting members to act. CalOptima has ample experience with other health rewards. Last year, we spent more than \$450,000 to encourage healthy behaviors such as well child visits, flu shots, cancer screenings and more.

Incentive programs like the one planned for Orange County

Medi-Cal members are popping up across the country as insurers and employers seek ways to speed vaccine acceptance and administration. The cost of moving too slow is much higher than the cost of the incentive program itself. Without vaccination rates upward of 70%, we all remain at risk of the pandemic continuing to claim the lives of family, friends and neighbors.

EMILY FONDA, M.D., is the interim chief medical officer at CalOptima and Orange County Health Officer CLAYTON CHAU, M.D., Ph.D., is a director on the CalOptima board of directors and director of the Orange County Health Care Agency.

MAILBAG

Huntington Beach's Main Street closure puts focus on people rather than cars

For generations, Main Street has served as the hub for all activities occurring in downtown Huntington Beach. Whether catering to tourists or locals, hosting the Fourth of July Parade, or surfing's US Open, the location is at the heart of our downtown community. Simply put, Main Street is about people. It is more than just another street in our vast city. It is in fact a place and a destination. It should never be treated like just another roadway or parking lot. Anything that can be done to further enhance Main Street as a place for people should be done. By continuing to restrict vehicle access, you treat Main Street the way it should be treated: as a place for people. Remember, cars don't eat at restaurants, buy souvenirs or frequent downtown businesses. People do. The H.B. City Council will benefit everyone by thinking in terms of people rather than cars. The calculation is very simple: The more people our downtown can thoughtfully accommodate, the more we invest in the success of our downtown businesses. I strongly support the extension and expansion of Main Street closures to vehicle traffic and am hopeful the council will embrace the simple logic of accommodating people rather than cars.

Those were different days in local journalism, and as Patrice Apodaca writes, we are all certainly worse off because of journalism's current perilous state.

Martin A. Brower



Steve Shepherd Huntington Beach

Reflecting on Apodaca's thoughts on journalism

In regard to Daily Pilot columnist Patrice Apodaca's column in which she discusses the sad state of journalism today, the difference of coverage is drastically different today from say 40 years ago. When I headed public relations for the Irvine Co., the Daily Pilot, the Orange County Register and then-Orange County edition of the Los Angeles Times were heavily staffed with editors and reporters. Each of the three publications had a reporter assigned to cover Newport Beach, a reporter assigned to cover Irvine and a reporter whose assignments included covering the Irvine Co.

Coverage by each newspaper and its reporters was highly competitive and intensive. When I was interviewed for the position of Director of Public Relations by the late William Mason, then president of the Irvine Co., I told him that I could get the company covered by such national publications as the Wall Street Journal, Time magazine and Business Week. His response: "I don't care about them, you have to get some control over the coverage by the Daily Pilot."

Climate change's wide effects include O.C.

This week many in our country added a new word to their vocabulary: "polar vortex." It joins "bomb cyclone" and "derecho" to terms most of us never heard before. Until the climate crisis.

We in Southern California have escaped the winter storms that are plaguing much of the country. But we have our own climate-related problems: sea level rise and record wildfires and storms.

Much blame regarding loss of power, loss of drinking water, and delays in vaccine delivery to Orange County has been fired back and forth at officials running power grids and others trying to keep people safe and secure. But what's to blame? Climate change.

Strong and frequent storms means strong and frequent storms regardless of location or season. Carbon-containing fossil fuel burning has fouled the atmosphere with greenhouse gasses, causing climate change. A price on carbon, ultimately leading to a clean energy future, is the only way to solve the problem.

What are we waiting for? Spring? **Curt Abdouch**

Costa Mesa

Foley could accomplish more than the Republicans on the Board of Supervisors

While I completely agree with the Mailbag letter of Susan Dvorak supporting Costa Mesa Mayor Katrina Foley's run for O.C. Board of Supervisors, it did not go far enough in separating her from her Trump-supporting GOP opponents.

While former Supervisor Michelle Steel was mishandling the coronavirus pandemic and risking the lives of her constituents in service of misguided Trump administration demands, where were these local officials? Mainly waffling and doing nothing. Foley was indeed proactive and involved.

Foley's Republican opponents can talk all they want about representation, but they can't match what Foley can do for us here and in Sacramento or Washington, D.C.

It is clear that Orange County needs to fight for its fair share of attention and resources, and Katrina Foley is uniquely positioned to do that for us.

> **Tim Geddes** Huntington Beach



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Friends of Newport Beach Animal Shelter – A conditional use permit to demolish an existing residential kennel and construct a new public animal shelter for cats and dogs. Project implementation



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Bethel and Ridge Subdivision and Residences Amendment - An amendment to a previously approved Coastal Development Permit and Tentative Parcel Map for the subdivision of an existing parcel into two separate lots and demolition of an existing four-unit residence, to include one new single-unit residence with an attached junior accessory dwelling unit on each lot. The proposed subdivision includes a deviation from design standards of Title 19 (Subdivisions) and relief from Implementation Plan development standards of Title 21 (Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan).

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 under Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303 under Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony in regard to this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or prior to, the public hearing. The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date, and if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapters 19.12 and 21.64. A fee is required to appeal any final action on a coastal development permit to the City Council. The project site is located within the appeal area of the coastal zone; therefore, final action by the City to approve a Coastal Development Permit may be appealed to the California Coastal Commission.

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Given the Declaration of a State Emergency and Proclamation of Local Emergency related to COVIDwe recommend that you submit your questions and comments in writing for Planning Commission consideration by sending them to the Community Development Department PlanningCommissioners@newportbeachca.gov. To give the Planning Commission adequate time to review your questions and comments, please submit your written comments by Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. Please review the Planning Commission Agenda for participation instructions. The Agenda, staff report and corresponding documents will be posted to the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov/planningcommission, by end of business day on Friday, February 26, 2021. While the City does not expect there to be any changes to the above process for participating in this meeting, if there is a change, the City will post the information as soon as possible to the City's website. The City of Newport Beach thanks you in advance for continuing to take precautions to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus. If you are unable to participate in the meeting via the process set forth in the agenda, please contact the Planning Division at 949-644-3200 or CDD@newportbeachca.gov and our staff will attempt to accommodate you.



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A VIEW

Mariner's

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MARINER'S MILE is named for its distinction as a luxury boating and yachting destination. Planning Commisioners OK'd permits for a project planned for the area.

MARINERS

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sales facility with a development that is expected to consist of three stories of 35 residential units and a one-story 11,266-squarefoot boutique auto showroom, according to a city staff report. At least three of those residential units will be priced for low-income households.

It will be located at 2510 and 2530 West Coast Highway.

Principal planner Matt Schneider said Thursday in his presentation that the marine sales facility was established in 1960

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but later expanded into the adjacent 2530 West Coast Highway property in 2001. In total, the project will account for 45,372-square-feet. City staff said discussion of the project was scheduled for January, but it was de-

> Highway and Tustin Avenue, where the project is located. Similar concerns arose again during the nearly three-hour-long public hearing this week on the project, with residents filling the community room to voice their concerns

applicant

Mile. This is not related to the Newport Village project, which is a mixed-use development expected to take up a third of Mariners Mile.

about the development

proposed for Mariners

Sue Leal, a Newport Beach resident who lives on Tustin Avenue, said she was extremely disappointed and frustrated by the decision. She spoke during public comment during the meeting Thursday. Leal said she was con-

would result in a 1,565-square-foot, single-story shelter and a 755-square-foot kennel housing up to 29 dogs. The project would be open to the public, receive and hold stray animals, facilitate adoptions, and run as a designated "no-kill" shelter. If approved, the applicant proposes to donate the project to the Newport Beach Police Department to be operated by Animal Control as the City's permanent animal shelter.

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Patrick Achis, Assistant Planner, at 949-644-3237 or <u>pachis@newportbeachca.gov</u>, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.:	Activity No.:
PA2020-349	UP2020-193
Zone:	General Plan:
Residential Kennel District	Single Unit
of the Santa Ana Heights	Residential
Specific Plan Area (SP-7/RK)	Detached (RS - D)

Location: 20282 Riverside Drive **Applicant:** Friends of Newport Beach Animal Shelter

Lauren Kleiman, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact David S. Lee, Associate Planner, at 949-644-3225, dlee@newportbeachca.gov, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2019-085	Activity No.: CD2019-024, NP2019-008
Zone: RM (Multiple Residential)	General Plan: RM (Multiple Residential)
Coastal Land Use Plan: RM-E (Multiple Unit Residential) - (30.0 - 39.9 DU/AC)	FILING DATE: December 23, 2020
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Lauren Kleiman, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach

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Thomas Fintan Young

September 16, 1938 - December 31, 2020

Thomas "Tom" Fintan Young succumbed to a 35-year battle with ParkInson's on New Years Eve in 2020. Born September 16, 1938 in Torrance, California to Bayley Bunce Young and Thomas F. Young, Sr. The family moved back to New Milford, Connecticut to be with family. Tom spent his early years working on the farm, playing ice hockey and spending summers on the Cape with his Grandmother and Aunt where he learned to sail.

He joined the Marines after graduating from high school, completing pilot's training before finishing his service at El Toro Marine Base in California. A consummate sportsman he spent every spare moment surfing in San Clemente and Laguna Beach and later Hawaii. He also enjoyed sailing in Newport Beach and winters skiing in Colorado and Utah, where he was on the ski patrol.

In 1960 he met a young blonde on the beach in Laguna. He and Sue were married in 1964.

His yacht racing on several boats led to a career in the industry and success as an entrepreneur with Blinn & Young canvas products, once covering a majority of the boats in Newport Harbor. He and Sue enjoyed many trips to the East Coast, Bermuda, and Europe through his yacht racing.

Eventually their children Cari and Colin arrived, and the spirit of adventure continued with camping and ski trips and fly-fishing trips in the mountains. He later renewed his passion for flying, and flew his beloved Cessna 185 down to Baja to spend time with good friends at Rancho El Barril and into the Rockies to go skiing and fly-fishing.

He competed in rowing with his good friend Bill and was a keen cyclist joining the group rides at Como Street and often disappearing for hours to train.

Despite the onset of Parkinson's in his late 40's, he continued his passion for rowing with the former doubles partner Bill and the crew at the Newport Aquatics Center. He would also train early most mornings with good friend Ted Newland and the UCI waterpolo team. Later as Parkinson's reduced his ability to participate in sports, his focus shifted to working on cars and tuning up old Fords with hot rod engines.

Throughout his life he was a voracious reader, his shelves lined with books on adventure, travel and history.

Tom is survived by his loving family including Sue, Cari, Colin, Sasha and grandchildren Cassius and Laike. We will miss you Dad and Grampy. You are forever in our hearts. cerned about traffic and safety for pedestrians.

"I am very concerned that this project will set a precedence for the rest of Mariners Mile projects," Leal said in an email to a reporter Friday, adding that she was worried about those regular pedestrians and children who use the street to walk to and from school. "We lost our battle." Peggy Palmer, a treasurer for the Coalition to Protect Mariner's Mile, said in phone interview Friday that the organization isn't against development but wants the city to be more transparent. Palmer said she felt there should have been more community outreach and that the concerns of residents aren't being heard.

"We realize Mariners Mile needs a face-lift, but this project has no added value to the community. This project does more harm than good," Palmer said. "Mariners Mile shouldn't become Miami Mile."

Plans to revitalize Mariners Mile were stalled in 2017, but the item may return after the completion of the update to the city's general plan, an overall policy document that guides long-term local planning and zoning decisions. That process began in the fall of 2019.

There has not yet been a decision by the coalition on whether or not to appeal the project to City Council, said Palmer.

"As we proceed with the growth of Mariners Mile, we just want to make sure that we have a community consensus that this is a project that is going to be compatible and be enjoyed by residents, tourists and guests all alike," she said.

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the coast, they did run into a very large pod of dolphins. Hundreds of the creatures surrounded the boat, many of them poking their heads in and out of the water.

"It's pretty interesting to be out in the open, use my senses to hear and see what's out there," said Lisette, who is in her first year participating in SOY, which serves low-income teens who attend schools in the Newport-Mesa Unified district. "A lot of times, kids are just on their phones. They don't go out and see what's new out there."

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ERICA PAGE, a marine naturalist, shows students from Save Our Youth a skull of a dolphin during a whale-watching trip out of Davey's Locker in Newport Beach on Friday. Nineteen teenagers took part in Friday's whale-watching trip, 16 of them high school students at Newport Harbor, Estancia or Costa Mesa.

Mary Cappellini said the leadership team developed a President's Recess curriculum this week, while Newport-Mesa Unified School District is on a break that is often called "ski week."

"Our kids don't go skiing," she said, adding that other activities planned this week included a scavenger hunt, art projects and virtual college tours with UC Santa Cruz, Chico State and Orange Coast College. On Saturday, kids from SOY will go on a hike in the Back Bay.

"They live so close to such beautiful areas in Newport and they're part of the same school district, and yet often our kids on the west side of Costa Mesa don't have the same opportunities," Cappellini said. "We want them to be able to see that this is so close,

they can come down on their own later."

SOY paid for about half of the excursion for each student, Cappellini said, and also hired marine naturalist Erica Page to join in on the trip.

Page, who works for Davey's Locker and Newport Landing, answered the students' questions and provided them with interactive opportunities on board,

like showing them the skull of a dolphin. She also showed how to simulate a whale's hearing by tapping a vibrating tuning fork against students' chins while they covered their ears.

"Every day [on the sea] is different," Page said. "You never really know what you're going to see, and that's kind of what keeps it fun.'

Estancia High School sophomore Valerie Madrid wouldn't be opposed to getting back out on the water. Valerie is now a SOY veteran, having been in the program for about four years.

"I liked it, getting to see the dolphins," she said. "There were so many, and it was nice weather."

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For football and water polo, two orange-tiered fall sports for which time was running out, the new guidance states that those sports must conduct weekly COVID-19 testing to participate in competition. That measure will be in effect until a county advances into the red tier.

"If you're going to mandate a testing program, then you have to make sure that there's access to everyone," CIF Southern Section Commissioner Rob Wigod said in a virtual meeting with reporters Friday afternoon. "It can't just be confined to those that years of age, as well as coaches. The guidance also states

that inter-team competitions are to take place between teams within the same county or from bordering counties where the sport is allowed at that time. Teams are also not allowed to participate in outof-state games and tournaments.

Wigod added that the section is sticking with its original end dates from its revised sports schedule, which came about in July because of the coronavirus pandemic

That means that the last date to hold football contests is Saturday, April 17.

Asked why the section would not be extending the

Estancia football coach Mike Bargas said time is of the essence to get the kids back on the field for games. He said it would be a travesty" if a season did not take place now that there is a window of opportunity.

"Since August, we've been led to believe that we're going to get a season in," Bargas said. "It's been a bunch of high highs and extreme low lows, so I think in this case in point, yes, it's awesome that they're giving us this opportunity. Now we've got to work together and try to figure out a way to make sure this thing goes [right] and we can make that hap-

pen." Marina athletic director will be a blitz of a season for water polo.

"I think it's great news in general for high school sports," Laguna Beach water polo coach Ethan Damato said in a message. "Water polo can only be played until March 20, so I think we might be able to get league play in during that time frame. Whatever opportunity we get, whether it's two weeks or three weeks, we will be excited to play.'

In a news conference Friday at a COVID-19 vaccination clinic in Alameda County, Gov. Gavin Newsom said, "We are confi-dent that if we can resume, it will only help enliven the capacity of these kids to feel more engaged, feel more alive."

Huntington Beach boys' water polo coach Sasa



Branisavljevic agrees. "I am just absolutely thrilled that it is here and happening," finally Branisavljevic said in a text. "The governor is right that it will make the kids feel alive, which I think has been overlooked. I'm happy. I know the kids are, too.

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could afford it, or those who might have better access to being able to do it.

"What we heard today was that the state government is going to allow for the testing to happen and foot the bill, pay the bill for it for everyone, and so we'll take them at their word and say that that would mean that it is accessible to everyone that wishes to do it, and they'll be the ones to provide it in terms of the cost and the things involved — although it will be schools, school districts [and] private schools that will have to go through the logistics ... of how to actually implement their testing procedures."

The testing requirement for outdoor high-contact sports applies to participants who are at least 13

end dates for football specifically, Wigod said it would not be fair to other fall sports, and the continuance of fall sports beyond the scheduled end dates would impose on what he has called an "ambitious list" of sports the section hopes to have competing in the spring. Edison High

School quarterback Braeden Boyles, a senior, was seen at the Let Them Play rally held in front of the school in January. He said he pumped his fist when he learned of the news during the day's online learning.

"For a little bit, I did not think that we were going to get to play," Boyles said. "I tried to stay optimistic, but for a little bit, it was not looking good. Right now, I just can't believe it."

Michelle Spencer indicated that she is ready to go to work to make sure the school's student-athletes are back competing in short order.

"We're excited," Spencer said. "We're going to do everything we can to get every team possible in the pool or on the field. That's our commitment, so we'll figure out the testing. Whatever they want to throw at us, we've got this. We'll figure it out. We've already planned schedules, so we'll be ready to go for that."

The section previously canceled its fall sports championships, allowing for regular season contests to be held through the dates that had been set aside for CIF regional and state championships. It





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