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U.S. OLYMPIC women's water polo players Maddie Musselman, Rachel Fattal and Ashleigh Johnson, from left, stand under the marquee as they arrive to the premiere of the "Women of the Water" documentary at the Lido Theater in Newport Beach on Monday.

USA Water Polo premieres Olympic doc in Newport

BY MATT SZABO

USA Water Polo set out to produce a documentary on the Olympic women's water polo team, as it prepared to win its fourth straight gold medal in Paris last summer. Then, an unexpected thing happened. Team USA didn't win gold. Or silver. Or bronze. The fourth-place finish, and some of the challenges along the way, are covered in the documentary "Women of the Water: An Olympic Journey." It premiered at the Lido Theater in Newport Beach on Monday night. Three members of the team attended the premiere, including

Corona del Mar High alumna Maddie Musselman, Rachel Fattal and goalkeeper Ashleigh Johnson, as well as head coach Adam Krikorian. "You have to earn success," said Musselman, 26, the Olympic MVP of the Tokyo Games who was attempting to win her third straight gold medal in Paris. "I think this is a really good premiere because we lost. I think getting fourth, and seeing the work that goes into it, is really important. It's like, you can do all this work and still not be successful. I think that's a hard pill to swallow for us, but I think it's so good for the younger generation. "When you go to the national

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WATER POLO fans and junior players from Back Bay Club, Isabella Cusumano, Sadie Eing and Sunday Brabenec, from left, show their autographs from Team USA players.

An exploration of grief, 'A Monster Calls' opens on stage

BY MATT SZABO

The monster in the new Huntington Beach Academy for the Performing Arts production of "A Monster Calls" continually bothers young Conor O'Malley. "Stories are important, if they convey the truth," the monster tries to reason with Conor at one point. The truth is, the story showcased in the play is one of loss and grief. Conor has to cope with the fact that his mom is getting more and more sick, dealing with cancer and chemotherapy. "The whole show is about time, and time just goes," director Jenny McClintock said. "You think you have enough, but it just goes and goes. When you want to stop time, you

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THE MONSTER (Benjamin Marshall), left, talks with Conor (Antonio Lopez), during a rehearsal dream scene from the Huntington Beach Academy for the Performing Arts production of "A Monster Calls" on Tuesday.

C.M. theater needs a new home

Newport-Mesa Unified is reconfiguring Rea Elementary, which has hosted Costa Mesa Playhouse since 1984.

BY SARA CARDINE

Costa Mesa Playhouse was planning the upcoming 2025-26 season at its theater on the grounds of Rea Elementary School to coincide with the non-profit community theater's 60th anniversary, when officials received some troubling news. Newport-Mesa Unified School District — the property owner of the school where the Playhouse has leased a 73-seat theater for a nominal fee since 1984 — recently communicated its plan to terminate the lease after a 90-day notification period. Although the warning had been issued in March, the news didn't land until the theater's board members checked a post office box on April 17 and found the termination letter inside. The missive indicated the company had until June 29 to vacate the venue, meaning officials would have to find a new location

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H.B. man found guilty in brutal slaying

The jury took roughly two hours to find the defendant guilty for the killing of his girlfriend in September 2020.

BY ERIC LICAS

A jury convicted a Huntington Beach man who was abusing his girlfriend in the weeks leading up to her fatal stabbing in 2020 of first-degree murder on Tuesday. After a week of testimony, it took the jury roughly two hours to unanimously find 39-year-old Craig Charron guilty of killing Laura Sardinha on Sept. 2, 2020. Her mother, Marie Sardinha, broke into tears as the verdict was announced at the Orange County Superior Courthouse in Santa Ana, before embracing other friends and relatives who were present throughout the trial. The defendant was scheduled to appear for sentencing July 25. He and his attorney, Michael Guisti, had requested a continuance to allow Charron to sort out unrelated business with the

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Cause of Fairview Park brush fire unknown, but signs of human activity seen nearby

BY SARA CARDINE

Costa Mesa fire investigators are examining the cause of a 1-acre brush fire that broke out Friday in a portion of Fairview Park, where sensitive wildlife is known to reside and where evidence of human activity was also spotted.

Department spokesman Battalion Chief Chris Coates said the blaze was first seen and called in shortly after 9:30 p.m. by Huntington Beach police helicopter HBI, as officers flew over the scene just west of Placentia Avenue.

“They happened to be flying in the area and observed it,” Coates said Monday.

Crews arrived at the park and saw flames reaching toward the sky but could not immediately access the fire’s origin point, as the area was covered in thick brush that was unreachable by vehicle, the fire spokesman said.

Firefighters used chainsaws to hack their way through the vegetation to gain access, and then ran approximately 2,000 feet of hose to the spot to tackle the fire.

Personnel from four engine companies and one battalion chief remained at



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A JUNE 2024 fire at Costa Mesa’s Fairview Park burned 8.4 acres and caused the temporary evacuation of nearby residents.

the park for 4.5 hours to make sure the site was completely overhauled and no burning embers remained, according to Coates.

No people were seen in the vicinity, but the fire spokesman said there were

signs of human activity in the surrounding area.

No structures were damaged. No injuries were reported.

“The fire occurred in an area where there is evidence of homeless encampments,” Coates said,

peratures and dry conditions, caused the temporary evacuation of residents on Swan Drive to the north.

Two teenagers reportedly received minor injuries during the blaze and were assessed at the scene, while another individual found in an encampment at the park was taken into police custody on suspicion of trespassing.

It is unknown whether that person may have been linked to the start of last year’s fire, the cause of was never publicly reported. Although the Pilot requested public records on the investigation in September, that request was denied because the case was still under review.

Costa Mesa spokesman Tony Dodero confirmed Tuesday the city typically performs brush clearance at Fairview Park each year before the July 4 holiday, but waits until September to maintain portions of the park’s east side, due to bird nesting season.

Last year, city crews began mowing certain “fuel modification zones” in the park beginning in late June, according to Dodero.

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just cannot.”

“A Monster Calls,” based on the 2011 novel by Patrick Ness, debuts Thursday night for four shows this weekend at the historic Huntington Beach Union High School District auditorium. It will likely be deeply personal for some patrons.

Huntington Beach High School sophomore Antonio Lopez, who was double-cast as Conor along with Izzy Vosper, feels the connection with the character he is portraying.

Lopez said he lost his own mother, Heather, to breast cancer last August, before he even knew anything about this production.

“It’s been nice coming to terms, in a way, with the things that have happened in my life with this show,” he said. “But it’s also been pretty difficult ... Throughout the play, his mom gets gradually more sick, and he has to deal with the fact that he’s losing her. He wants his pain to go away, but she’s the one who’s giving him his pain. It’s this emotional journey of him trying to let go, but also trying so hard to desperately hold onto the things that make him happy.”

The two-hour play, pre-

sented by the Huntington Beach Academy for the Performing Arts is set in contemporary times. That’s not an accident for McClintock, in her fourth year as HBAPA faculty. Her first year, the students performed Shakespeare, then a Greek production, then a modern play and now this year’s show, which is contemporary.

The cycle will repeat again starting next year, she said.

“I want to expose them to all of theater, so that they have that experience going into college,” she said. “This is contemporary, and it’s very contemporary. The way it’s staged is contemporary, it’s very abstract. The actors never leave the stage. I might be a pupil at your school in one scene, and now I’m actually acting out your anger in kind of an abstract, physical way. It’s unique, and they’ve embraced it.”

Chairs sit on each side of the stage, ready to be put in formation depending on what the scene calls for. McClintock, who lost her own father to cancer when she was an adult, called the stage barren and empty. That symbolizes the grief the character Conor is going through as the condition of his mother, played by Robin McClure and Bianca Stratta, contin-

ues to worsen.

The theme extends to the costume color choices of muted beige and also red, which can symbolize nightmares. Conor is visited each night by a large yew tree that transforms into a monster.

“For the makeup, we tied in a lot of the beige,” said Huntington Beach High senior Alessandra Pham, a hair and makeup designer. “We usually don’t use such heavy eye shadow on the men, but we used a lot of gold and browns. Even the boys have all of this gold glitter, so it kind of just flows throughout the cast.”

Costume designer Rhonda Choat, aided by her daughter and HBAPA alumna Tara, said six professional-grade bald caps were purchased to put on the mother after she undergoes chemotherapy, as well as eight cheaper bald caps. The more expensive caps, reserved for the show itself rather than rehearsals, take 45 minutes to an hour to put on properly.

Cameron Mullin, a Huntington Beach High junior who was double-cast as the monster along with Benjamin Marshall, said she sees the monster as representative of not only Conor’s grief, but also Conor himself.

“I like to think of it as Conor in the future trying



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LEAD CHARACTER Conor (Antonio Lopez) embraces his mother, played by actor Bianca Stratta, during a scene from the Huntington Beach Academy for the Performing Arts production of “A Monster Calls” on Wednesday.

to tell past Conor that it’s OK to be ashamed with how you feel,” Mullin said. “It’s OK to have these feelings, you just need to be able to tell the truth. As soon as you tell the truth, you’ll be able to face whatever comes, you’ll be able to move on.”

Audrey Cone, a HBHS junior who did the sound design, said the show may be a bit scary but it’s important to see, especially for teenagers.

“Not a lot of teens get to see us dealing with grief and just being so open about it,” she said.

In another personal touch, McClintock cast her own twin children as “young Conor.”

Part of the show proceeds are going to Fran’s Place Center for Cancer Counseling, based in Brea.

For tickets to “A Monster Calls,” visit hbapa.org/see.

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team, you’re not just going to win all of these gold medals that they won in the past. It’s actually going to take a lot of work.”

One person working to promote the sport is Flavor Flav, TV personality and founding member of the rap group Public Enemy known for wearing a big clock necklace. Last summer, he signed a five-year sponsorship deal as the official hype man for the U.S. women’s and men’s national water polo teams, also contributing an undisclosed amount to the 2024 Olympic women’s team.

“I really, really feel that all of these Olympic teams need some sponsorship,” Flavor Flav told the crowd in the theater before the movie began. “Everybody works hard to achieve goals. I want to thank the girls for allowing me to sponsor them. I went over to Paris and had an amazing experience.”

“Women of the Water” is a six-part series with episodes that are roughly 10 minutes long, though all episodes were shown consecutively Monday night. It was shot beginning in early 2024, as Team USA had already secured its Olympic



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U.S. WOMEN’S water polo sponsor and hype man Flavor Flav, right, greets fans as he arrives to the premiere of the “Women of the Water” documentary at the Lido Theater on Monday.

spot.

The series explores loss in Musselman’s life, as her husband, former Mater Dei High and UCLA men’s water polo player Patrick Woepse, whom she’d married in 2023, was diagnosed with a rare form of aggressive stage 4 lung cancer. Woepse made it to Paris to watch Musselman play, but died last October at the age of 31.

Team captain Maggie Steffens also had her sister-in-law Lulu Conner, die unexpectedly after arriving in Paris to watch the team play.

Suzi Mellano served as executive producer and director of the series, which also takes viewers inside practices and intimate moments, including Flavor Flav himself jumping in the pool during a practice. Greg Mescall produced the project with collaboration from



TEAM USA women’s water polo players Maddie Musselman and Rachel Fattal, sign an autographs.

fully, there’s an audience for it ... What’s cool about it is that you don’t know what you’re going to get, and you document this whole journey. Sure, it didn’t end with a gold medal, but I think it gives you some insight into how tough it is to make a team, and how close this group is, given all the challenges they went through.”

The audience included plenty of young girls’ water polo players and their parents, with Back Bay and Patriot water polo clubs among those with many in attendance.

Newport Harbor High water polo sisters Sophia and Valery Verdugo, who were guided by Musselman as she began coaching for the Sailors in January, also

attended the premiere along with several of their teammates.

“I think it’s just really cool to see a water polo movie made,” said Valery Verdugo, a sophomore who played a key role in helping the Sailors reach the CIF Southern Section Open Division title match this season. “I’ve never really seen one, especially about women’s water polo. We were really excited when it came out, and we wanted to come. It’s in our backyard.”

The evening concluded with a panel discussion featuring Krikorian, Johnson and Fattal.

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to host productions and store its theater seats, stage equipment and other property in the interim.

“It was a shock,” Mark Tillman, director of communications and Playhouse board member, recalled Wednesday. “We had so many exciting plans built up to celebrate our 60th anniversary — we had a lot going on.”

Members and supporters quickly pivoted to advocating for the theater’s survival, appearing at an April 22 meeting of Newport-Mesa Unified’s Board of Trustees to plead for a lifeline.

“We fully understand the needs of the students must come first, with respect to the building’s usage, and we are eternally grateful for the support the school district has provided over the last 40 years,” Playhouse President Mike Brown told trustees. “That said, we implore you to work with us in good faith moving forward, considering any and all avenues to help relieve the burden your decision has placed on our organization. We have no place else to go.”

Playhouse Artistic Director Peter Kreder told school board members the group still had two more productions in the 2024/25 season and had invested thousands in next year’s 60th anniversary season, including purchasing the rights to multiple productions.

Were operations at Rea to cease, the nonprofit could be forced to find a new venue, paying steep market rates well beyond what the group’s coffers, consisting of modest box office receipts and community donations, could cover.

“My only wish is that we get a little more time to conclude our current season and have a graceful



Costa Mesa Playhouse

SINCE 1984, the nonprofit Costa Mesa Playhouse has run productions at NMUSD’s Rea Elementary through a building lease. But that arrangement will end June 30, as the district reconfigures grade levels at Rea.

transition, which will allow us time to fundraise and gain support from the community and patrons, so the heartbeat of our theater can continue another 60 years,” he said.

In a separate interview Tuesday, Kreder said despite a “fantastic relationship” with NMUSD, the issue of the building’s usage has come up before.

“We’ve had instances of nearly losing the space — at one point we were told it was going to turn into a computer lab — and now that’s finally come to fruition,” he said.

Newport-Mesa Unified spokeswoman Annette Franco explained the decision to terminate its longstanding agreement with the Costa Mesa Playhouse was due to a grade level reconfiguration happening at Rea and Pomona elementary schools.

Starting in the fall, Rea will serve students from both schools in grades 2 through 6, while Pomona will be dedicated to youngsters attending preschool through first grade.

“The space is needed to continue to support high-quality academic and enrichment programs, both during and after the school day,” Franco wrote in an April 23 email.

“While we value our community partnerships, our lease agreement allows for termination with 90 days’ notice. This allows

us to respond to evolving student needs and effectively plan for the upcoming academic year.”

Although the district’s actions fall within the terms of the latest two-year lease agreement, which was set to expire in June 2026, Kreder said NMUSD trustees Leah Ersoylu and Michelle Murphy met with theater leaders last Sunday, following the meeting, to learn more about the situation.

And it seems a glimmer of hope may be on the horizon. A contingent of Playhouse board members met with district officials Tuesday evening and discussed the possibility of extending the move-out date to allow the current season to conclude.

Franco confirmed Wednesday Newport-Mesa staff are also considering possible alternative locations on school grounds that might accommodate Costa Mesa Playhouse productions.

Tillman said Wednesday he was cautiously optimistic.

“We’re still hopeful there are things to be worked out with the school district,” he said. “In the event we cannot find a space, we will be launching a fundraising campaign and crossing our fingers.”

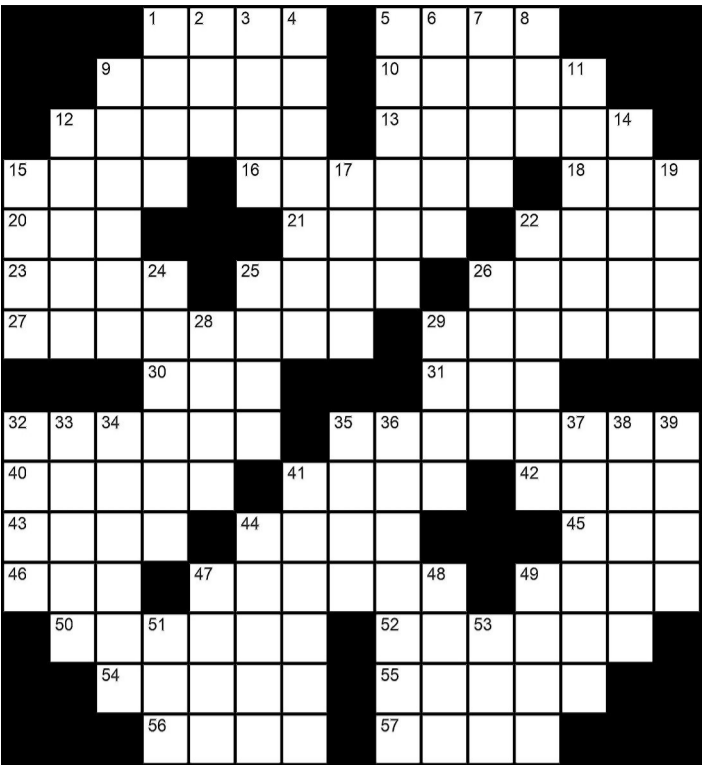
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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Stella Zawistowski

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16 Want very badly
18 Trail behind
20 India Pale _
21 Crooked
22 Dirt for planting
23 Have a lease
25 Yin and _
26 Lake _ Vista, Florida
27 Piece of stationery
29 Took care of
30 Jelly container
31 Bonnet or boater
32 Person lacking in courage
35 Gravestone inscriptions
40 Make your thoughts known
41 Cambodia neighbor
42 "What's your _?"
43 Former late-night host Jay
44 Rainproof cover
45 End of a sock
46 Prefix meaning "three"
47 Nestlé chocolate bar brand
49 Strong breeze
50 Not digital
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54 Plot of data
55 "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" spinoff



SUDOKU

By the Mephram 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.

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3 Snowy-day toy
4 Courtroom conference

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6 On the ball
7 Go the extra _
8 Writing tablet
9 Concrete component
11 Flew alone

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17 Put in the mail
19 Happy
22 Summer skin trait
24 Selena's genre
25 Lawn
26 Defeat in battle
28 Give a darn
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32 Young horse
33 Performance with arias
34 _ and dining
35 Get through hard work
36 Movie theater snack
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TENNIS



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MARINA HIGH boys' tennis coach Cam Jones, from left, David Tran, Trevor Nguyen and coach Chuck Kingman pose for a photo after Tran and Nguyen earned a runner-up finish at the Ojai Tennis Tournament on Saturday.

Marina doubles team settles for runner-up finish at Ojai tourney

BY MATT SZABO

OJAI — Trevor Nguyen and David Tran came extremely close to earning another significant tournament victory on Saturday afternoon.

It can't get much closer than a third-set tiebreaker.

The Marina High boys' tennis tandem was a few points away from winning the Ojai Tennis Tournament title, dazzling the crowd at Libbey Park with their play at times.

In the end, Beckman senior Caden Lee showed he could go back to back.

Lee won his second straight CIF doubles division title at the prestigious tournament, teaming with freshman Edwin Yuan for a 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5) victory over Nguyen and Tran.

"It feels great," Lee said. "The first two years, I played singles, and I only got to the second round

once and the first round the second time. Going all the way with two different partners, it just feels really good."

Nguyen, a senior, and Tran, a junior, were last year's CIF Southern Section Individuals doubles champions for Marina and top-seeded this year at Ojai. They made it into the championship match without dropping a set.

"It would have been nice to win it my senior year, but they played well," Nguyen said. "In the third set, it was just anyone's game, who-ever executed better on the returns. That was probably the biggest factor."

Despite the loss, Nguyen and Tran became the first boys' tennis players from a Huntington Beach Union High School District school to ever make a title match at the Ojai tournament. Last year, they fell in the semifinals.

They looked good early Saturday in the title match, racing to a 4-0 lead in the first set against the No. 2-seeded Beckman duo, which closed within 5-4. Nguyen was successfully able to serve for the set, recording a service winner at deuce before an outright ace.

Lee, an Air Force commit who won Ojai doubles with his younger brother Tyler last year, came back strong in the second set with Yuan. They took a 4-1 lead, though this time Marina battled back to 4-4. Tran's serve was broken at 4-5, however, as the match went to a decisive third set.

Both teams played really well at times, and were off at times," Marina coach Chuck Kingman said. "Just a lot of swings of momentum. A couple of points either way, but they played

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Veteran's Affairs' office, which Senior Deputy Dist. Atty. Janine Madera objected to.

"Next of kin and loved ones have waited long enough," she said.

Charron said Sardinha, snuck up behind him and tried to cut his throat with a knife, resulting in a struggle. But prosecutors say the defendant ambushed the victim, then injured himself and manipulated evidence in an effort to gaslight investigators.

Guisti, acknowledged his client had been violent and manipulative with Sardinha in the weeks leading up to her killing. He hit her hard enough to perforate one of her ear drums according to a medical exam performed Aug. 16, 2020.

The defendant is heard threatening to end their relationship as the victim repeatedly tells him she is in pain in a cellphone video recorded that morning. Later Charron begs Sardinha not to report the incident to authorities in texts sent while she was at the hospital.

"Would you be willing to talk to me without calling me names or hitting me?" she wrote in a reply. "... I'm so scared you won't stop."

But the abuse didn't end, according to footage recorded in the hours leading up to Sardinha's killing. She is heard asking Charron to leave her alone over 50 times as he harasses her at 4 a.m. Charron is seen continuing to berate her in videos shot on their patio later that morning.

Charron is also heard saying "don't hurt me" when Sardinha picks up her laptop and walks away

from him to go inside. Madera claimed that was an attempt to manipulate potential viewers into believing the defendant was afraid of being harmed by her. The prosecutor also noted Sardinha was 10 inches shorter and over 100 pounds lighter than the defendant.

After that exchange Sardinha went to their building's leasing office to have Charron evicted and the locks to their apartment replaced. When he texted to ask if he could come over to gather his belongings, she referred him to property management.

By that afternoon the victim was at home celebrating her freedom from Charron in a conference call with her mother and best friend. That conversation was interrupted at around 1:15 p.m. when Sardinha's relatives heard her exclaim "Oh my [expletive] God, he's here," followed by her screams and the sound of her phone falling to the ground. It's unclear how Charron got back into the residence.

"She fought like hell to her last dying breath," Madera told jurors. "... Laura was the most powerful witness you heard in this trial."

Blood streaked the walls and floors of their apartment in photos presented during trial. Sardinha was slumped facedown against the jamb of their bathroom door with two fatal stab wounds to the chest as well as numerous cuts to her head and hands.

In police body-worn camera footage, Charron was seen lying on the ground in the hallway just around the corner with wounds to his throat and chest. The defendant's injuries featured several shallow slashes next to a two

deeper cuts, one on his neck and another at his heart. His attorney, Michael L. Guisti, claimed those were made by the victim.

However, Dr. Nicole Ellis of the Orange County Coroner's Office testified that the surface lacerations were consistent with what are known as hesitation wounds, suggesting those as well as his most serious injuries were self-inflicted.

Madera suggested Charron attempted to flee the scene of the crime but, after seeing flashing sirens and hearing a police helicopter overhead, he instead went back inside, cut himself and planted a knife near Sardinha's body. She pointed to droplets of what appeared to be blood at the bottom of the stairs leading to their apartment that are only seen in the body worn camera footage after officers arrived, as well as a pool of Charron's blood near the entrance of their home that was separate from where he and the victim were found, as evidence of her theory.

Guisti challenged Madera's theory, noting Charron nearly bled out as a result of his injuries. Guisti said it was unreasonable to believe his client could have precisely orchestrated events "just in time to lose his vital signs and die on the floor" before first responders resuscitated him.

"They need you to believe my client is a faker," Guisti said.

Madera challenged Charron's credibility, noting that in previous interviews with police he claimed to have been arguing with Sardinha for about an hour before their violent confrontation. However her mother and best friend testified they heard no such argument

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8/3 HENRY KAPONO

8/6 TAJ FARRANT

8/8 STEVE EARLE

8/9 LED ZEPAGAIN

8/15 THE MOTELS

8/16 SKELETON CREW (GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE)

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9/19 THE NELSONS

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Artist. Responsibilities include: Environment concept design for the online game. Req. Bach. in Animation, Digital Media, or rel. field. Jobsite: Playa Vista, CA. Wage range: \$86,861/yr to \$233,500/yr. Send resume ref#23258 to K. Finnsson, Activision Publishing, Inc, 2701 Olympic Blvd, Bldg. B, Santa Monica, CA 90404.

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BSC 226771
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
Anne Elizabeth Adamson (aka Anne Elizabeth Adamson-Kovach)
30-2025-01476519-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: **Anne Elizabeth Adamson (aka Anne Elizabeth Adamson-Kovach)**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **BRYAN JAMES KOVACH** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **BRYAN JAMES KOVACH** 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 **June 12, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM07** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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BSC 226765
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
Donald J. Riscol, aka Donald James Riscol, aka Donald Riscol
30-2025-01477134-PR-PW-CMC
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **Donald J. Riscol, aka Donald James Riscol, aka Donald Riscol**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Diane Reafsnyder** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Diane Reafsnyder** 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.
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BSC 226771
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
Anne Elizabeth Adamson (aka Anne Elizabeth Adamson-Kovach)
30-2025-01476519-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: **Anne Elizabeth Adamson (aka Anne Elizabeth Adamson-Kovach)**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **BRYAN JAMES KOVACH** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that on **May 20th, 2025**, Extra Space Storage will sell at public auction, to satisfy the lien of the owner, personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the following locations:
2950 Bear St Costa Mesa CA, 92626
949-415-5680
12:00 PM
Delores M. Williams-Blair
Tara Hall
Payden Petrich
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the referenced facility above to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 180404 Title No. 95530629-55. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 03/25/2021. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 05/12/2025 at 9:00 AM, Prime Recon LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 03/30/2021, as Instrument No. 2021000217578, in book xx, page xx, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Orange County, State of California, executed by Roger H. Hunt, a married man as his sole and separate property, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), Hotel Fera Anaheim, a DoubleTree by Hilton - 100 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868. All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State, described as: FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE DEED OF TRUST. APN 117-372-44 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 470 Cabrillo St, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$557,481.77 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Dated: 4/9/25 Prime Recon LLC Prime Recon LLC, may be attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Devin Ormoncni, Assistant Vice President NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site - www.auction.com - for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case: TS#180404. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you may call (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale, or visit this internet website www.auction.com or auction.com/sbl079 for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case TS#180404 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. A-FN4840129 04/17/2025, 04/24/2025, 05/01/2025

BSC 226737
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
DENISE LOUISE NORRUP
30-2025-01475712-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: **DENISE LOUISE NORRUP**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **MARTIN J. LEJNIEKS** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **MARTIN J. LEJNIEKS** 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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BSC 226744 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JAMES ANDREW LAMPI 30-2025-01475496-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: **JAMES ANDREW LAMPI**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **WILLIAM R. LAMPI** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **WILLIAM R. LAMPI** 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 **June 4, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM08** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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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.
Attorney for the Petitioner:
TRENT C. MARCUS, ESQ
TRENT C. MARCUS, A LAW CORPORATION
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

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3190 Pullman St. Costa Mesa, CA 92626
(714)243-4094
12:00 PM
Rose Povkovich
New Wave Technology Inc.
Julian Autry
Audrenet Rawls
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.
5/1/25
CNS-3919212#
DAILY PILOT

Advertisement of Public Sale

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 May 15, 2025. Property to be sold as follows: Miscellaneous household goods, personal items, furniture, clothing, and/or business items/fixtures belonging to the following.
TENANT NAME SPACE NUMBER
Leticia Uribe 1026
Omar Saad 1035
George Stern 1094
Spencer Lieu 1144
J J Engleiter 1250
Alejandro Alcalá 1331
Daniel Ramirez 2089
Tammie Guillory 2523
J J Engleiter 2564
Roman Lypovyi 3131
Daniel Raczkowski 3534
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 May 1, 2025, and May 8th, 2025. Auction Listed on storage treasures.com. Final bid at 12:00 noon.
5/1, 5/8/25
CNS-3920117#
DAILY PILOT

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. : 00000010301935 Title Order No.: 240617309 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/10/2022. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER & WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 06/14/2022 as Instrument No. 2022000215138 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of ORANGE County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: MARY KAY PARK AS TRUSTEE OF THREETWOSIX TRUST DATED 04/10/2022, FOR THE BENEFIT OF MARY KAY KIM PARK, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 05/15/2025 TIME OF SALE: 12:00 PM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE NORTH FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 453 VISTA TRUCHA, NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA 92660 APN#: 440-241-49 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$1,7

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while they were on the phone with her immediately prior to the attack. Other witnesses brought to the stand included three women who all filed restraining orders against the defendant after dating him between 2013 and 2017. One of them testified being strangled and struck with a wine bottle in the predawn hours after her birthday in Oct., 2015. At some point during that confrontation, the defendant recorded himself saying the words “Rachel stop hitting me,” Madera said.

Guisti pointed out that one of those women admitted hitting his client. Charon testified during trial, and said what past lovers had characterized as violent episodes were rough sex or otherwise misunderstandings.

Madera noted that he claimed to have no recollection of critical events and refused to review transcripts provided to refresh his memory when questioned during cross examination about inconsistencies he presented in his interviews with police. Guisti said Charron was in a hospital, intubated, taking medication for pain and recovering from injuries, all

of which would have impacted his memory. Marie Sardinha recalled confusion and asking her daughter “who’s here?” followed by horror as violence unfolded on the other end of the line. The victim’s mother called police then immediately drove from her home in Long Beach to her daughter’s apartment in Huntington Beach. But by the time she arrived, Laura Sardinha had already been killed.

At some point during the attack two calls were sent from the victim’s phone. One resulted in a voicemail in which she is heard “narrating a portion of her own murder.”

About a week later the recording appeared in Shaina Smith’s inbox. Smith is Laura Sardinha’s best friend of 21 years.

Loved ones said Laura Sardinha loved to cook, but had trouble using a knife following a motorcycle crash in 2019. Smith described her as a typically outgoing and happy person. But she stopped hearing from her friend as much and noticed a change in her demeanor shortly after she started dating the defendant about two months before she was killed.

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T.S. No.: **2024-00228** APN: **153-592-04** Property Address: 8811 Baywood Dr , Huntington Beach, California 92646 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/30/2021. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **Bayarmanlai Bayarsaikhan And Khulan Buyanbat, Husband And Wife As Joint Tenants** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Sokolof Remtulla** Recorded **8/2/2021** as Instrument No. **2021000487926** in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Orange County, California**, Date of Sale: **5/14/2025 at 3:00 PM** Place of Sale: **On the front steps to the entrance of the Orange Civic Center, 300 E. Chapman, Orange CA** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$1,023,631.57** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **8811 Baywood Dr Huntington Beach, California 92646** A.P.N.: **153-592-04** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.**NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 866-266-7512 or visit this internet website www.elitepostandpub.com using the file number assigned to this case 2024-00228. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.**NOTICE TO TENANTS:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 866-266-7512 or visit this internet website www.elitepostandpub.com using the file number assigned to this case 2024-00228 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: **4/8/2025 Sokolof Remtulla, 2301 Dupont Drive, Suite 505, Irvine, CA 92614. Sale Line: 866-266-7512** **Kassidy O'Neal, Foreclosure Specialist. EPP 43289** **Pub Dates 04/17, 04/24, 05/01/2025**

Legal Notices

T.S. No.: **2024-11674-GSE** APN: **178-631-25** Property Address: 4446 SEA HARBOUR DR, HUNTINGTN BCH, CA 92649 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALEYOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/16/2021. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. 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Trustor: **Elizabeth Marie Perry, A Single Woman** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Nestor Solutions, LLC** Deed of Trust Recorded **9/20/2021 as Instrument No. 2021000582506** in Book -- Page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Orange County, California** Date of Sale: **5/12/2025 at 9:00 AM** Place of Sale: **Auction.com room, Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Anaheim – Orange County, 100 The City Drive, Orange, California 92868**Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$759,913.10** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **4446 SEA HARBOUR DRHUNTINGTN BCH, CA 92649** A.P.N.: **178-631-25** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. 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If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: **4/10/2025 Nestor Solutions, LLC 214 5th Street, Suite 205 Huntington Beach, California 92648** **Sale Line: (888) 902-3989 Giovanna Nichelson, Sr. Trustee Sale Officer EPP 43316** **Pub Dates 04/17, 04/24, 05/01/2025**

LEGAL NOTICE

OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

DATE: May 1, 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 15072 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the City of Costa Mesa hereby gives notice that a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Bear Street Residential Project is available for review and comment.

PROJECT TITLE: Bear Street Residential Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed Bear Street Residential Project (project) site is approximately 6.12 acres and is located at 3150 Bear Street in the City of Costa Mesa (Assessor's Parcel Numbers [APNs] 141-521-48 and -49) in the northern portion of the City of Costa Mesa, California.

LEAD AGENCY: Chris Yeager, Senior Planner, City of Costa Mesa, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

PROJECT APPLICANT: Johanna Crooker, MLC Holdings, LLC, 5 Peters Canyon Road, Suite 310, Irvine, CA 92606

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
MLC Holdings, LLC, (applicant) proposes to develop a new residential infill community consisting of 142 for-sale townhomes ranging in size from approximately 1,060 to 2,218 comprising 2-story detached condominiums and larger 4-story stacked flats. The proposed project would provide private roadways and parking, pedestrian walkways, common space and amenity areas throughout the project site, landscaping, and a recreational amenity area, including approximately 33,500 square feet of open space. The project applicant proposes to deed restrict 5 percent of the units as very low affordable homes (up to seven homes). Pursuant to the State Density Bonus Law, the proposed project would be allowed a 20 percent increase in density.

SUMMARY OF POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The City has determined that the proposed project would require an MND. The MND was completed in accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines for the purpose of implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The MND is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potentially significant environmental effects will be reduced to levels that are less than significant. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by the Initial Study (IS)/MND prepared by the City.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The City of Costa Mesa (City) invites interested parties to submit specific, environmental comments in writing regarding the IS/MND. The public comment period begins on May 1, 2025 and ends on May 31, 2025. Written comments regarding the IS/MND must be submitted to the Planning Division prior to 5:00 p.m. on May 31, 2025. Please send your written comments to the City staff contact identified below and include your name, address, and contact information in your correspondence.

LEAD AGENCY:
City of Costa Mesa
Economic and Development Department
77 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

CONTACT:
Chris Yeager, Senior Planner
Christopher.yeager@costamesaca.gov
(714) 754-4883

PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing will be scheduled before the Costa Mesa Planning Commission in the City Council Chambers at 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa. A subsequent notice will be provided.

AVAILABILITY:
Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed MND, and supporting materials are available for public review at the following locations (and online at <https://www.costamesaca.gov/government/departments-and-divisions/economic-and-development-services/planning/environmental-notice-and-reports>):

City of Costa Mesa
Economic and Development Department
77 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Mesa Verde Library
Attn: Head Librarian
2969 Mesa Verde Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Costa Mesa/Donald Dungan
Attn: Head Librarian
1855 Park Avenue
Costa Mesa, CA 92627

CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT (EVSE) AT CITY HALL AND CORP YARD

N-1 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that electronic proposals will be received by the City of Laguna Beach for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, tools, transportation, and services necessary to provide professional services for the **Design and Construction of Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE)**, including associated electrical infrastructure and utility coordination, at two City-owned facilities (City Hall and Corporation Yard), in accordance with the specifications outlined in the Request for Proposals (RFP).

N-2 DATE OF OPENING BIDS: Proposals must be submitted electronically through PlanetBids no later than **5:00 PM (Pacific Time) on Tuesday, May 27, 2025**. Late submissions will not be accepted. No other method of delivery will be allowed.

N-3 DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK: The selected contractor will be responsible for:

- Site design and engineering
- Permitting and utility coordination with Southern California Edison (SCE)
- Procurement and installation of Level 2 and DC fast chargers (dual-port chargers)
- Electrical infrastructure upgrades including new panels and transformers
- Commissioning, testing, training City staff, and delivering a 10-year operations and maintenance (O&M) plan

The project supports the installation of **47 EV chargers** to help transition the City fleet to zero-emission vehicles.

N-4 AWARD OF CONTRACT: (a) The City reserves the right after opening bids to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality (non-responsiveness) in a bid, or to make award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder and reject all other bids, as it may best serve the interest of the City. (b) As a condition of award, the successful bidder will be required to submit payment and performance bonds and insurance. Interviews with shortlisted firms (if required) are expected to occur the week of **June 2, 2025**. City Council award is anticipated on **June 24, 2025**, with a kickoff meeting expected the week of **August 4, 2025**.

N-5 COMPLETION OF WORK AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: The successful contractor shall complete all work, including design, permitting, procurement, installation, commissioning, and training, no later than the end of Quarter 2, 2026. Timely completion is critical to meet the City's fleet electrification goals. Failure to achieve substantial completion by the deadline may result in the assessment of liquidated damages, as specified in the final contract.

N-6 CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: The Contractor shall possess a valid **C-10 Electrical Contractor License** as well as **Class A, General Engineering** Contractor License at the time of submitting bids, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the California Business and Profession's Code.

N-7 WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS: In accordance with the provisions of Sections 1773.2 of the California Labor Code, copies of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the State Director of Industrial Relations are available on the Internet at the World Wide Web site of the State Department of Industrial Relations at www.dir.ca.gov under Statistics and Research. It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded and upon any subcontractor under him to pay not less than said specified rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract. All parties to the contract shall be governed by all provisions of the California Labor Code relating to prevailing wage rates; Sections 1770-1781 inclusive.

N-8 RETAINAGE FROM PAYMENTS: The Contractor may elect to receive 100 percent of payments due under the Contract Documents from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payments by the City, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

N-9 OBTAINING OR INSPECTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Contract Documents, in digital Adobe Acrobat (PDF) format, are available at the City of Laguna Beach's website at <https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/do-business-here/rfps-bids>. Once at this site, click on the "Vendor Portal & Bid Opportunities" icon. If you are not currently registered with PlanetBids for the City of Laguna Beach, please click on the "New Vendor Registration" button, then complete the electronic supplier registration process. Interested firms must be registered in order to submit a bid. Firms must also check the website periodically for addenda information as failure to acknowledge any and all addenda will result in bid disqualification.

N-10 REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS: No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)]. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

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SOFTBALL

H.B.'s Drotter plays the 'hero' with late homer

BY ANDREW TURNER

A day after its bats carried it to a critical win at Los Alamitos, the Huntington Beach softball team hosted Marina in a battle for Sunset League title aspirations.

The Oilers' victory over the Griffins had forged a three-way tie in the loss column at the top of the league, a trio that also included the Vikings each having two losses to their league ledger.

Huntington Beach continued to take control of its own destiny, a two-out, three-run home run by Morgan Drotter in the sixth inning turning Tuesday's game on its head in a 3-2 win over the visiting Vikings.

"There's something special with this group here," Huntington Beach coach Jeff Forsberg said. "They all believe in each other. They all like each other. There's no drama. There's no cliques. We've gone through a lot."

"These years past, we've had expectations. We have no expectations. There's a new hero every game."

It was an improbable late-inning rally. Any momentum from Monday's triumph, a 9-4 final at Los Alamitos in which the Oilers had 16 hits, appeared to be stymied by Marina right-hander Mia Valbuena.

Huntington Beach (17-7, 5-2 in the Sunset League) left the bases loaded in the

second inning, Valbuena escaping the jam with a strikeout of Willow Kellen. The Oilers had just two hits through five innings. Then their power hitters — third baseman Tea Gutierrez and first baseman Bree Carlson — bounced ground balls through the infield with one out.

Valbuena struck out the next batter, and when Drotter stepped up to the plate, the Vikings ace quickly got two strikes on the Oilers' shortstop. Drotter then got an inner-half offering and lifted it to left field, and on a cool, 60-degree evening without wind, the ball landed on the solar panels in the parking lot beyond the fence.

The Oilers ran out of the dugout to celebrate with their teammates as they crossed home plate.

"I told them in the huddle, when I got my second strike and I swung and missed, in my head, I was like, 'Shoot. I don't even know if I can do this,' but I know that they have my back, and that means the whole world to me," said Drotter, who has committed to Cornell University.

Valbuena was dominant outside of that moment, but the damage was done. The Michigan commit allowed six hits and a walk, striking out seven across six innings.

"She's definitely the best pitcher we face in league, for sure, like speed-wise, too" Drotter said of Val-



THE HUNTINGTON BEACH softball team celebrates with Morgan Drotter (21) after she hit a home run to take the lead in the sixth inning against Marina in a Sunset League game on Tuesday.

James Carbone

buena. "I have a lot of respect for Mia and Marina, in general. We knew this game meant a lot, and I think just coming out and being together was the most important thing. The outcome showed that."

Marina (12-12, 6-3) had the leadoff batter reach base in the fifth, sixth and seventh innings, opting to bunt each time. In the fifth, Eva Mazzotti singled to right field with the runner in scoring position, but the runner was held at third base.

Gutierrez charged a weak ground ball at third for the second out, and left fielder Sienna Shortle plucked a

line drive off the bat of Liz Byer out of the air to save at least one run.

After a single by Ava Kim, it was Maryland-bound catcher Gabby DiBenedetto's turn to advance the runner with a sacrifice bunt in the top of the sixth. Avi Valbuena had a two-out, run-scoring single; Halle Piramo followed with a double to score another run.

"That's all we can do is ask for the kids to do their best and battle and compete, and I think they did," said Shelly Luth, who coaches Marina along with Dan Hay. "We came up a little short, but when this

team plays like that, good things can happen."

Marina was up 2-0, needing to get just six more outs with its ace twirling a gem in the circle.

"When a pitcher is dominating a team like Mia was dominating this team, their job in the later innings is just get the ball in play," Hay said. "Those balls that went in the 3-4 hole and up the middle, they could have been 6 feet to the right or left, we would have made the play. They would have been routine grounders. They just happened to have eyeballs on them."

In a most important of weeks in the Sunset League

softball standings, Huntington Beach has earned two signature wins that have given it the inside track to the title. The Oilers have a doubleheader remaining against Newport Harbor (10-14, 2-6) on Thursday. Then they host Corona del Mar (8-15, 0-10) on Monday, closing the regular season at Edison (11-13, 6-5) on Tuesday.

Marina takes on Los Alamitos (14-11, 8-2) at home on Thursday, before finishing with back-to-back games against Newport Harbor next week.

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DOUBLES

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really well. It's not like we gave it to them. They earned the win."

Marina broke Lee's serve in the third game of the final set, but Beckman broke Nguyen's serve in the sixth game to level the set at 3-3.

From there, there were no more breaks until the teams got to a tiebreaker.

Lee and Yuan went up 4-1 in the tiebreaker and hung on. With Nguyen serving at 4-5, Yuan hit a backhand return rocket down the line to set up Beckman's first match point.

"He had been going cross [court] the entire match, so

I tried to go poach it off," Tran said. "He went [down the] line and caught us."

Nguyen hit a service winner to save one match point, but Yuen's slam after a good serve from Lee gave Beckman the title.

Tran said that he and Nguyen plan to play together again at Sunset League finals, with the goal

of making another deep run at CIF Individuals for the Vikings.

"We're looking forward to maybe winning back to back, but there's a lot of strong teams so you never know," Tran said. "We're just going to take this loss as motivation to try to win CIF again."

Typically, the Ojai semi-

finals and finals are both played on Saturday, but tournament officials scheduled the semifinals as one of three rounds on Friday due to rain in the Saturday morning forecast. Nguyen and Tran beat No. 8-seeded JiHyuk Im and Humam Alajeely of University, 7-5, 6-4, in the semifinals Friday.

Rishvanth Krishna of

University won the CIF boys' singles title with a 6-4, 6-4 victory over Matteo Huarte of Mater Dei. University also won the prestigious Griggs Cup, awarded to the team with the most combined rounds won in singles and doubles.

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California State Parks seasonal lifeguard Sierra Fockler discovered a 14-inch Pacific football fish around 2:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, near the lifeguard station located at Crystal Cove State Park in Orange County. It's the second such case of the fish washing ashore over the last three years. (Courtesy of California State Parks)

Good morning. It's Wednesday, Oct. 25. I'm Carol Cormaci, bringing you this week's TimesOC newsletter with a look at the latest local news and events.

Watch where you're stepping on O.C.'s famed sands, because you may encounter a rare specimen of marine life. One, in fact, that has very sharp teeth.

That's what happened on a recent afternoon to lifeguard Sierra Fockler, who found a spooky-looking black angler fish, specifically a Pacific football fish, while she was walking near the lifeguard headquarters building on Moro Beach, located within Crystal Cove State Park.