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### Costa Mesa City Council fires city manager

The Council Tuesday voted 4-2-1 to terminate Lori Ann Farrell Harrison, who started in 2019. Opponents of the move issued warnings about the city's future.

#### **BY SARA CARDINE**

The termination of Costa Mesa City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison, announced at the end of during a council meeting Tuesday evening, is shrouded in mystery but seems to point to deep divisions on the dais.

City Atty. Kimberly Hall Barlow announced the news in a report out of that day's closed ses-

sion. An agenda for that meeting included an employee evaluation of Farrell Harrison, who has helmed the city since 2019.

"By motion of Councilmember [Loren] Gameros, and seconded by Councilmember [Mike] Buley, the City Council voted to terminate the employment agreement of the city manager," Barlow said of the decision, also supported by Mayor Pro Tem Manuel Chavez and Councilman Jeff Pettis. Council members Arlis Reyn-

olds and Andrea Marr opposed Gameros' motion, while Mayor John Stephens abstained, the city attorney reported.

Barlow later clarified the termination was "without cause," meaning the city manager will be entitled to severance pay, according to the terms of her em-





CITY MANAGER Lori Ann Farrell Harrison speaks at a launch party for a zero-emission on-demand ridesharing service called Let's Go Costa Mesa, in November.

City of Costa Mesa



### H.B. City Council launches library inquest

The vote to approve an investigation came at the end of a contentious meeting featuring about 100 public speakers.

#### **BY MATT SZABO**

Huntington Beach City Councilmember Chad Williams had a Bible verse, Matthew 18:6, attached to his laptop on the dais at Tuesday night's meeting.

"If anyone causes one of these little ones — those who believe in me — to stumble, it would be better for them to have a large millstone hung around their neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea," reads the verse.

This imagery perhaps set the stage for an electrically charged meeting in the Central Library's theater.

The political heat continues to rise in Surf City with the approach

**RUNNERS TAKE** off from the starting line of the OC Marathon and Half Marathon Sunday.

# 15,000 runners, walkers take on OC Marathon

#### **BY ERIC LICAS**

A record 15,000 runners, walkers and wheelchair athletes registered to take on this year's OC Marathon and Half Marathon on Sunday.

Cool, overcast weather made for ideal con-

ditions on the routes, which wind through Costa Mesa, Santa Ana and Newport Beach. Xavier Smith of Lake Forest took first place in men's full marathon with a time of 2:23:41, and Stephanie Mundt of Tempe, Arizona, led the women's marathon with 2:52:08 finish.

"It was perfect weather, and the view of the

ocean during the first half of the race was spectacular," Mundt said.

Sunday's event was Mundt's first marathon win. She ran collegiately at Arizona State, learning to manage both chronic training-re-

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of the June 10 special election, when voters will be asked to weigh in on two initiatives related to the local public library. Measure A would repeal a children's book review board populated by appointees of the council while Measure B would require voter approval before the city outsources the library's management.

More than 100 people gave public comments Tuesday, two weeks after a political action committee formed by Williams put

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James Carbone

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### Irvine Company designated to build over 60% of new housing units in Newport Center

#### **BY ERIC LICAS**

The Newport Beach City Council voted unanimously last week to allocate future construction of 1,500 out of a planned 2,349 new residential units in the Newport Center the promise that they plan to develop a project with at least 105 units of affordable housing.

The Irvine Company already owns or controls most of the property in Newport Center and is developing it as a planned

area to the Irvine Company on community. The changes approved at City Council's meeting Tuesday, April 29 streamlines the approval of the firm's future projects in the area and extends their rights to develop it through 2042, lengthening their agreement with the city by 10 years.

Changes also include raising building height limits to 225 feet in Fashion Island and 125 feet on the 100 block of Newport Center Drive.

In exchange, the company

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South Coast Repertory loses \$20k grant after NEA changes priorities

#### BY CITY NEWS SERVICE

South Coast Repertory announced Tuesday it lost a \$20,000 federal grant for a play on the day the theater company was celebrating its opening night due to a change in the National Endowment for the Arts' grant-making priorities.

The Costa Mesa-based theater company was notified Friday that its National Endowment for the Arts grant for "The Staircase" by Noa Gardner was being withdrawn.

The grant did not finance the entire production, South Coast Repertory Managing Director Suzanne Appel told City News

Service.

But the grant "supports quite a lot of the work of the skilled technicians," who work on the production, she said.

The \$20,000 "is not anywhere close to the full cost of the project or even a tenth of the full cost, but it is a meaningful amount of money," Appel said.

The company was told Nov. 7 it would receive the grant.

"We were told we did everything we needed to do and the grant was in process, and then we received this notification with no warning," Appel said.

South Coast Repertory has

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**EHULANI HOPE** KANE, from left, and Nara Cardenas in South Coast Repertory's "The Staircase." The Costa Mesa theater company learned on opening night Friday it had lost a \$20,000 NEA grant due to shifting priorities.

Robert Huskey

Josh Montoya, courtesy of Hoag OC Marathon

### Woman shot and killed while driving in Orange ID'd

#### **BY CITY NEWS SERVICE**

A 24-year-old woman was shot to death while driving a vehicle Tuesday morning in Orange, authorities said.

The woman was driving a Honda SUV southbound on Highland Street, approaching Del Mar Avenue, when an unidentified male fire multiple rounds into the vehicle at about 12:30 a.m., the Orange Police Department reported.

"She was driving the car in a low-income, high-density neighborhood, kind of one of our gang neighborhoods," said Lt. Phil McMullin of the Orange Police Department.

The woman and her passenger, a friend described only as a woman in her 20s, had just turned around in a cul de sac on Highland and were traveling southbound when the gunman appeared on foot and opened fire, according to McMullin.

While no firearm was found at the location, officers processing the scene indicated about 10 shots appeared to have been fired from a handgun. The driver of the SUV was pronounced dead at the scene, while the passenger reportedly escaped uninjured.

Coroner's officials on Tuesday afternoon identified the victim as Amber Nicole Parsons, 24, of Costa Mesa, according to Sgt. Gerard McCann of the

#### Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Although the passenger is a resident of Orange, McMullin said the two women did not have any obvious reason for being in that particular neighborhood at the time of the incident, as the passenger lives elsewhere in the city.

The suspect fled the scene on foot, but no further description was immediately available. Police have no indication the suspect and the victim knew each other, Mc-Mullin told the Daily Pilot Tuesday afternoon.

The shooting occurred in the same place where Victor Manuel Trinidad is accused of opening fire on police in November, Mc-Mullin said. Investigators have been "going door to door looking for stuff like cameras, witnesses, any evidence left behind," Mc-Mullin said.

"We haven't had a ho-micide in two years," Mc-Mullin told City News Service.

Anyone with information regarding the killing was urged to call the department at 714-744-7571. Anonymous tips can be made to Orange County Crime Stoppers at 855-847-6227 or by visiting oc-

crimestoppers.org. Daily Pilot staff writer Sara Cardine contributed to this report.

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# Suspended Newport attorney gets 21 months behind bars in fraud case

#### **BY PAUL ANDERSON**

A suspended Newport Beach attorney was sentenced Monday to 21 months in federal prison for stealing \$8.7 million in a loan fraud scheme that sustained a lavish lifestyle and gambling habit.

Sara Jacqueline King, 40, pleaded guilty July 24, 2023, to wire fraud and money laundering. U.S. District Judge David

O. Carter ordered King to pay \$8,785,045 in restitution.

King's attorney, Sam Cross, argued for a sentence of six months behind bars if Carter would not grant home confinement. Assistant U.S. Attorney

Jennifer Waier argued that the amount of money lost by the victims and the fact she was an attorney required a stiffer sentence.

Waier also pointed out the defendant appeared on the "Lady Mafia" podcast to discuss her crimes before sentencing.

Cross argued that King was suffering from an addiction to Xanax and was consuming 10 drinks a day as she played slot machines in Las Vegas to maintain her lifestyle.

"It was important to her to be successful," Cross said, adding she was caught in a "vicious cycle."

"The real wealth she had

was her family," Cross said. King has "lost everything," including her career as an attorney. Her law license was suspended when she pleaded guilty and she faces disbarment, Cross said.

"She has been humbled and lost everything, except for them," Cross said of her family and friends at her hearing Monday.

Carter also previously ruled a "default judgment" in a federal civil suit regarding the defrauding of a lender of about \$10.2 million.

Since she pleaded guilty "she has been productive," Cross argued.

King checked herself into a rehabilitation facility and has continued her therapy, Cross said.

She got a job at Nordstrom selling purses but she lost it when her employer found out about her case, Cross said.

Cross also pointed out that King helped prosecutors in the case against John Tamahere McCabe of Kailua, Hawaii, who pleaded guilty on Friday in federal court to scamming an elderly man in Irvine out of \$1.8 million.

Waier argued King "sensationalized" her crimes on the podcast and then failed to disclose it to probation officials.

"It was brazen," Waier said of King's crimes. "It went on for a long time."

"How was she able to maintain this lifestyle?" Carter asked the prosecutor. "She was stealing money

and playing the slots" in Las Vegas, Waier said. "She lived on \$9 million for a long period of time."

Waier said the Irvine man in McCabe's case lost his home and is now living out of a motel. But King did help prosecute McCabe because she had valuable evidence on her smartphone, and she was given credit for that in the punishment that prosecutors advocated, Waier said.

"The government has the far better argument," Carter



File Photo

SARA JACQUELINE KING, 40, this week was sentenced to 21 months in federal prison at the Ronald Reagan Federal Building and Courthouse at 411 West Fourth Street in Santa Ana.

said. "This is a lot of money."

The judge also noted she had a "lavish lifestyle."

Carter ordered three years of supervised release for King when she is released. She has until July 14 to report to prison.

According to her plea agreement, King Lending purported to "provide purported to "provide short-term, high-interest loans to celebrities, professional athletes and other high-net-worth individuals secured by the borrower's own assets, including designer handbags, watches, luxury automobiles, vachts and earnings from guaranteed professional sports contracts."

King recruited investors to fund the business loans, claiming that the investments were secured by the same collateral as the loans, prosecutors said. She promised to hold the collateral and if a borrower defaulted she would sell it to pay the investor in full, prosecutors said.

King said she would keep a percentage of the interest

earned from the loans and pass along a percentage to the investor along with the initial investment, prosecutors said.

But she never funded any loan and instead spent the money on herself, prosecutors said.

In the lawsuit, she was accused by British Virgin Islands-based LDR International Limited of giving King 97 loans amounting to \$10.2 million from January through October of 2022. In one case, the collateral was a vintage Avengers comic book worth \$25,000, the plaintiff said in the suit.

According to the lawsuit, King "spent the majority of the funds loaned by plaintiff to King Lending to gamble in Las Vegas, fund an extravagant lifestyle, and for other personal uses by King. Plaintiff is informed and believes that King moved into the Wynn Las Vegas resort and hotel, lived there for six months, and gambled 24/7."

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#### A THRONG of athletes compete in the OC Marathon Sunday.



#### MARATHON

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lated injuries and overcome an eating disorder in the process.

"I've gotten healthy since then," she said. "Found my groove with a sustainable way of training. It feels really good, just awesome."

Many among this years field of runners were chasing more than just PRs or a good workout. Tyler Schimpf of Newport Beach pushed his roommate, Hawken Miller, 26.2 miles in a wheelchair in an effort to raise awareness for Duchenne muscular dystrophy. "It was an honor to do this for him," Schimpf said. "That's the coolest part of it is people are out there, cheering each other on. That's what it's really about. It's about a community coming together and inspiring each other."

Sunday's race was the 58th marathon completed Placentia Resident bv Christine Mayfield. The survivor of the mass shooting at the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival in Las Vegas eight years ago made it her mission to achieve the milestone in honor of the 58 people killed in the attack.

"It's an honor, an absolute honor," Mayfield said after crossing the finish line

Josh Montoya, courtesy of Hoag OC Marathon

#### LIBRARY

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large signs containing the word "porn" up around town, urging Huntington Beach residents to vote "No" on both measures.

Now, Williams is seeking an investigation into the nonprofit Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library, alleging a possible misuse of funds.

The council unanimously voted 6-0 to pass the agenda item, brought forward by Williams, Mayor Pat Burns and Councilmember Butch Twining, and launch an investigation.

The IRS website states a nonprofit may not make a contribution to a political organization, such as a candidate committee, political party committee or PAC.

Williams' suspicions concern more than \$23,000 total that Friends of the Library gave to the Citizens for Good Governance PAC on four different occasions last year. Citizens for Good Governance then gave \$10,000 to the Our Library Matters committee, seeking a "yes" vote on Measures A and B, earlier this year.

The item asks the mayor to work with City Atty. Mike Vigliotta to file complaints on behalf of the City Council with the state Fair Political Practice Commission and the IRS.

In a statement, Martha Elliott, president of Friends of the Library called the allegations "false, misleading and baseless."

"These false allegations are a political stunt intended to distract from the fact that the overwhelming majority of Huntington Beach residents want our beloved library - one of the finest in the country to remain public, free of government censorship, and a civic resource available to all city residents and families," Elliott said. "Since 1971, Friends — a 501(c)(3) organization that is nonpartisan and pro-library has, through our many community members and volunteers, donated mil-lions of dollars to support our Library. Despite the City Council's unfortunate and false attacks, Friends remains committed to our mission of supporting our library for the benefit of our entire Huntington Beach community."

Huntington Beach resident Cathey Ryder, a cofounder of Protect Huntington Beach and proponent of the library petition that eventually became Measure A, formed Citizens for Good Governance in 2022 to oppose three earlier ballot measures. Citizens for Good Governance then changed to a general purpose committee.

Ryder said in an interview after Tuesday night's council meeting that she welcomed the investigation.

"You have to remember that during the time period when there was all of those donations, all of those odd figures, that was when we were printing the ballot petitions," she said. "Citizens for Good Governance was having everything printed, with the agreement that we would split the printing costs.

"It was actually reimbursement for services. It wasn't a donation to Citizens for Good Governance ... I think they're going to discover that there's been no wrongdoing.'

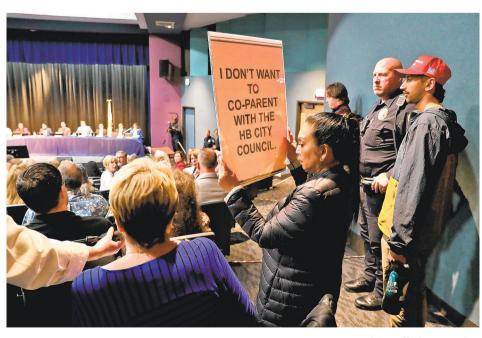
Burns gave each public speaker Tuesday one minute to speak, telling some of them to address the council as a whole rather than individual members. Slightly more than half of them supported the ballot measures.

Many of the speakers against the ballot measures read from books containing what they considered explicit material, which they said was available in the library. The meeting also contained comments from Karen England, a Tennessee-based conservative activist whose website advertises a toolkit "to successfully find and challenge pornography in your local public schools' libraries."

"There is never a justifiable reason to expose chil-

with a time of 4:52:29. "It's been a beautiful journey. Just to know that hopefully the families and close friends of the 58 angels will know that their loved one will never, ever be forgotten. We know their stories. We love their big, beautiful, bold lives. And we hope to honor those lives in the way we spend our days."

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**AN AUDIENCE MEMBER,** bottom left, makes the first public comment during a raucous and vocal Huntington Beach City Council meeting on Tuesday.

dren to pornography, erotic materials, or sexually explicit content, especially behind the backs of their parents," she said. "History is not kind to those who blur the lines between education and exploitation."

Other public speakers, including Sue Kingman, continued to object to the use of the word "pornography" in the rhetoric.

"I'm asking the council to just leave the library alone," Kingman said. "Don't plaster it with a MAGA plaque, don't sell it to the highest bidder and don't attempt to

undermine the expertise of librarians. And leave Friends of the Library alone, too. If you're really worried about campaign violations of IRS law, maybe you shouldn't be peddling your political views as a pastor and telling people how to vote during church."

Williams is a youth pastor at Calvary Chapel of the Harbour, a church in Huntington Harbour. During Sunday's service there, Williams, Burns and Councilmember Gracey Van Der Mark, along with England, discussed the impending

special election at length.

Williams said in an interview Wednesday that he saw nothing wrong with that, even as detractors mentioned the Establishment Clause of the 1st Amendment.

The Johnson Amendment, established in 1954, changed tax code to prohibit nonprofits from participating in campaigns for a candidate for public office, but Republican lawmakers are trying to remove it. In 2017, President Trump

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#### **THE DAILY** COMMUTER PUZZLE

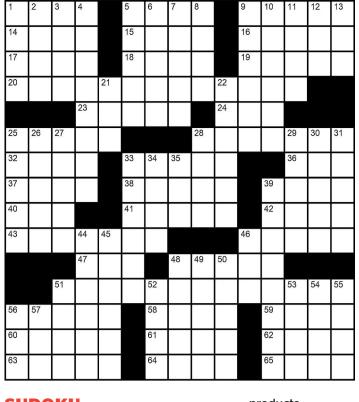
#### By Stella Zawistowski

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#### **SUDOKU**

#### By the Mepham Group

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#### REPERTORY

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been given a chance to appeal the denial in a week, Appel said, adding the theater company intends to appeal the denial.

In the notice of withdrawal of the grant, the theater company was told that the arts agency was "updating its grant-making priorities to focus funding on projects that reflect the nation's rich artistic heritage and creativity as prioritized by the president.

Consequently, we are terminating awards that fall outside these new priorities.

"The NEA will now prioritize projects that elevate the nation's (historically Black colleges and universities) and Hispanic Serving Institutions, celebrate the 250th anniversary of American independence, foster AI competency, empower houses of worship to service communities, assist with disaster

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**SOUTH COAST** Repertory theater company in Costa Mesa.

recovery, foster skilled trade jobs, make America healthy again, support the military and veterans, support Tribal communities, make the District of Columbia safe and beautiful, and support the economic development of Asian American communities. Funding is being allocated in a new direction in furtherance of the administration's agenda."

Gardner's story focuses

#### HOUSING

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will take on about \$17 million worth of street and landscaping improvements. It will also pay the city a projected \$53 million in financial incentives to help fund parks, public safety and public works.

The amended agreement requires the developer to either plan and obtain a permit for a project with at least 105 units of affordable housing by Jan. 31, 2029, or cede property to the city so one can be built. However, if neither option winds up being feasible the company may be subject to additional fees.

'There's not a developer that's ever walked forward with us and offered an af-

fordable option, saying they'll do some retirement housing for us in a separate location," Councilman Noah Blom said. "And I get it, it's not disclosed right now; they're working on their own projects and I think that's reasonable."

During public comments Irvine Company representative Shawna Schaffner and Todd Larner. a Newport Beach resident and urban planner who worked for the firm's competitors, praised the developer's stewardship and vision for Newport Center. However, others questioned whether following their plan to create more luxury apartments would be effective in mitigating the skyrocketing housing costs in Newport Beach. Resident and frequent

public commenter Adam Leverenz said that Newport Beach's stock of affordable homes has been declining, citing the city's purchase of a triplex on Balboa Island for the construction of a parking lot and other projects as examples.

This community is just going to be come so exclusive that nobody who you need to work here and support these small business is going to be able to live here," Leverenz said. "And that leads to parking problems, and traffic problems, and air quality problems and all kinds of other things. I don't know a solution, but something needs to be done."

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#### MANAGER

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ployment contract.

Provided by the city on Wednesday, that contract stipulates that if the city terminates Farrell Harrison without cause, she is entitled to six months' base salary and the payout of any unused, accrued vacation leave, payable as one lump sum.

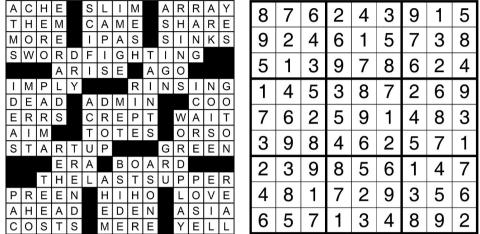
Farrell Harrison's current base salary, according to city records, stands at \$330,216, meaning the severance would amount to at least around \$165,108, in addition to the value of any unused vacation days.

While no further discussion on the city manager's performance or departure was provided in Barlow's report, the two panelists who rejected the city manager's ouster shared their disappointment in comments at Tuesday's meeting.

Reynolds spoke through tears as she expressed her astonishment at the council's decision.

"We've sat through some council meetings, where I've gone home with a lot of questions [about] the decision of members on this council. But certainly, tonight, this is the most questionable decision I've observed, and it gives me a

#### **CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS**



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lot of concern," she said. Reynolds went on to praise Farrell Harrison's efforts to welcome and engage with residents who've been historically disenfranchised from the civic process and her success in recruiting and hiring staff members.

"The team that she has built, the culture she's supported and fostered, the staff that she's recruited to the city and her personal interactions have made residents of Costa Mesa feel welcome in Costa Mesa," Reynolds said.

"While I'm certainly [having] a crisis of confidence in this city council, I have full confidence in the staff here, full faith in the staff that we have, and I thank you all for your service."

A fellow dissenter of the city manager's termination, Marr called Farrell Harrison's termination "incredibly frustrating and deeply disappointing.

She reminded residents that members of a city council govern part time, often on top of working full-time jobs, and must rely on the professionalism and competence of staff to do the work of running a city — a task she said Farrell Harrison handled with aplomb.

Like Reynolds, Marr recognized gains made with the city's monolingual Spanish-speaking residents and recalled how the city was able to financially navigate the COVID pandemic with a balanced budget and thrived, even in difficult times.

The councilwoman issued a prophetic warning to residents, seeming to reference earlier periods of turmoil and upheaval in Costa Mesa's political past.

"We have seen this movie before, and it did not end well," Marr said. "I am extremely concerned that instead of getting some of our priorities across the finish line, we are now going to spend the next 18 months mired in self-imposed chaos."

The council members who voted in favor of terminating the contract remained largely silent on the dais Tuesday. Among the four yes votes, only Chavez offered words in support of Farrell Harrison's accomplishments.

"Thanks to her work, we have a really healthy budget surplus of \$60 million, we've seen more community outreach to marginalized communities and staff morale has been at a real high. For that, I'll say thank you, Lori Ann, for your service," he said.

Gameros, who made the motion, did not respond to a request for comment Wednesday, and Stephens indicated in a message that while he was grateful for the city manager's service and wished her the best, he would not be commenting on his abstention.

Buley, who seconded Gameros' motion, allowing the termination to be brought to a vote, acknowledged by phone the following day it was "a terrible situation" to be in.

"I did feel it was in the best interest of the city to part ways under the nofault provision of the city manager's contract," he



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LORI ANN Farrell Harrison was sworn in as the city's top appointed official in 2019.

said, declining to weigh in on the council's options at this point. "I thought that was appropriate."

Barlow relayed Wednesday that the City Council would have to agendize a discussion on seeking Farrell Harrison's replacement, including the possible selection of an individual to serve as acting city manager in the interim.

"They will decide how we proceed from there," the city attorney added.

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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 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 11, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM08 located at: 3390 HARBOR BVLD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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#### 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.

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

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### Ocean access in Huntington, Newport beaches OK'd after spill

#### **BY SARA CARDINE**

A nearly half-mile segment of coastline in Huntington Beach and Newport Beach at the Talbert Channel reopened to surfers and swimmers Monday morning after a large sewage spill caused a weekend cessation of water activity.

Orange County Health Care Agency officials on Saturday called for the temclosure along porary beaches 1,000 feet to the north and south of the channel, near the mouth of the Santa Ana River, to protect visitors from potential exposure to bacteria.

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half of a ballot measure.

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hate Christians, period. They're entitled to their

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world and speak the truth."

The spill stemmed from a blockage discovered Friday evening in a sewer line on Costa Mesa's Mesa Verde Drive East, near Golf Course Drive, according to Scott Carroll, general manager of Costa Mesa Sanitary District.

Carroll said a roughly 4,000-gallon spill was detected on the 1500 block of Mesa Verde Drive East shortly after 4:45 p.m. Friday, when a resident in the area noticed water issuing from a 5-inch cleanout accessing the sewer line and contacted the district directly.

"We were notified by a

resident in the area who called us," he said Monday. "The sewage was coming out of a cleanout, not a

manhole." Crews arrived at the scene just before 5:30 p.m., checking points upstream and downstream of the leakage to pinpoint the location of the blockage and to ultimately prevent the spill from reaching further into the storm drain network.

Working with a vehicle armed with both a vacuum and a high-pressure water hose, sanitary district employees captured about 3,000 gallons of spilled

sewage.

The blockage was determined to have been caused by a combination of tree roots and grease, possibly from a residence in the area, according to Carroll. The affected segment of sewer line, which is annually inspected for blockages, was last checked May 9, 2024.

"It was due for a cleaning any day now," he said. "But having that much grease build up in one year is pretty uncommon."

To mitigate the effects of the remaining 1,000 gallons of sewage, Orange County Health Care Agency officials

Council 2024" and "Protect our Children with Councilman Chad Williams, Vote No on A & B."

Section 2.07.080 of the city's municipal code states that a city officer shall have no more than one campaign committee.

This is a flagrant abuse of power by Mr. Williams and it must not be allowed to continue," Clayton-Tarvin wrote in an email, which included its own Bible verse, John 8:7: "Let anyone of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

Williams said Wednesday that he had talked to lawvers who told him that "campaign committee" in the code did not apply to his PAC.

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on Saturday began testing water samples, according to Environmental Health Director Darwin Cheng.

Cheng said the spill likely traveled through the Fairview and Banning channels to the Santa Ana Riverbed, eventually reaching the Talbert Channel.

"During the closure on Saturday and on Sunday we took samples at various locations to monitor the bacteria levels," he added, indicating the readings had fallen within acceptable standards by Monday.

For information regarding Orange County ocean, bay, or harbor closures, call (714) 433-6400 or visit OCBeachinfo.com. To report a sewage spill, call (714) 433-6419.

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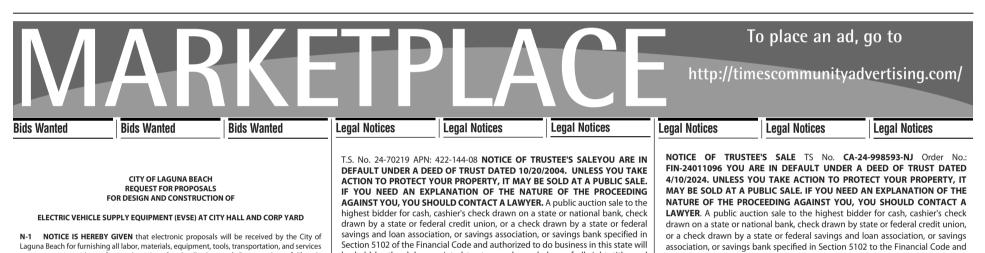


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MAYOR PAT BURNS, City Atty. Mike Vigliotta, and Councilwoman Gracey Van Der Mark, from left, confer during the Huntington Beach City Council meeting on Tuesday.

Longtime Ocean View School District Board of Trustees member Gina Clayton-Tarvin pushed Williams' back against agenda item. In an email to

city clerk Lisa-Lane Barnes, she alleged that Williams was violating rules himself by running two separate political action committees, "Chad Williams for City



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).

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.

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

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 The amount may be greater on the day of sale.Trustor: CELIA V. LITTLE, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN Duly Appointed Trustee: ZBS LAW, LLP Deed of Trust recorded 10/26/2004, as Instrument No. 2004000962388, of Official Records in the

- Electrical infrastructure upgrades including new panels and transformers
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and maintenance (O&M) plan The project supports the installation of **47 EV chargers** to help transition the City fleet to nission vehicles.

AWARD OF CONTRACT: (a) The City reserves the right after opening bids to reject any N-4 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 work, including design, permitting, procurement, installation, complete all commissioning, and training, no later than the end of Quarter 2, 2026. Timely completion is continus only and daming, no later than the end of the 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

WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS: In accordance with the provisions of Sections 1773.2 of N-7 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 <u>www.dir.ca.gov</u> 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. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH By: Thomas Perez, City Engineer Date: April 29, 2025

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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

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#### **THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025**

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# Connor Ohl shines at Sunset League finals

#### BY MATT SZABO

Connor Ohl sprinted into history on Friday at Golden West College.

Before he even looked up at the scoreboard for his time after swimming the 50-yard freestyle at Sunset League finals, the Newport Harbor High junior heard the crowd cheering. "I knew right then that I

"I knew right then that I went 19 [seconds]," Ohl said. "When I looked up, it was just the icing on the cake."

With his time of 19.79 seconds, he became the second-fastest high school swimmer in the event in Orange County history. The county record is a 19.69 by Olympian Michael Cavic of Tustin, set in 2002.

Los Alamitos won the boys' Sunset League swimming championship, while Newport Harbor's girls used their depth to capture their third straight league crown.

There were plenty of fast swims at the six-hour meet. Fountain Valley set five league records, with sophomore Alyssa Ton and junior Peter Vu setting two each in their individual events.

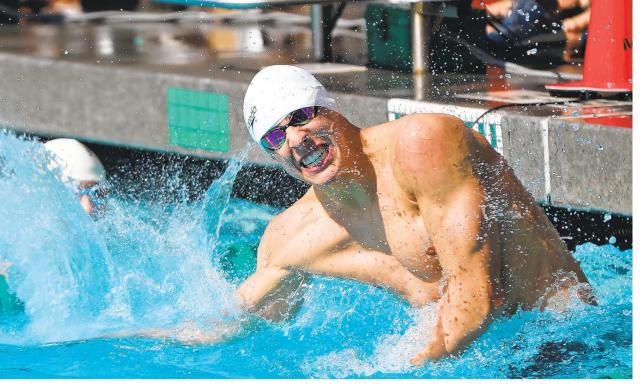
Ohl was electrifying, splashing the water after seeing the time and clasping the hand of senior teammate James Mulvey to his right.

Ohl, Mulvey and Dash D'Ambrosia swept the top three spots in the event for the Sailors.

"One-two-three is just incredible," said Ohl, who also repeated as the boys' 100 free champion in 44.86 seconds. "The fact that it's three water polo guys and not trained swimmers, it's even more incredible."

He added that he would be gunning for Cavic's county-record mark at next week's CIF Southern Section Division 1 championships.

"I never thought I'd ever be reaching levels like this," Ohl said. "It's unbelievable.



*Photos by Don Leach* | *Staff Photographer* 

**NEWPORT HARBOR'S** Connor Ohl splashes the pool in celebration after winning the boys' 50 yard freestyle during the Sunset League swim finals at Golden West College on Friday.

dual meet, but won going away at league finals for their third straight crown.

Senior Ariana Amoroso finished second in the 50 free and third in the backstroke to pace the Sailors. Amoroso is going to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, which announced in March that it would be cutting its swimming program, though the school's swimmers are scrambling to raise money to try to save it.

"I'm happy to end on a win senior year," said Amoroso, adding that it was bittersweet that the CIF finals would likely be her final swim meet. "I'm happy to see improvements in my times after recently switching club teams, too."

Caitlyn Stayt finished third in the 200 individual medley and fourth in the backstroke for the Sailors girls, who also got a pair of 'A' finals appearances by freshman Vivian Muir. Stayt is one of two seniors who came out for swimming after helping the Sailors make the CIF Southern Section Open Division title match in water polo, along with Harper Price. "The senior leadership has been amazing," New-



**NEWPORT HARBOR'S** Kennedy Fahey, Madison Mack, Emerson Mulvey and Ariana Amoroso, from left, stand sideby-side as they wait for the start of the girls' 50-yard freestyle.

port Harbor coach Kevin Potter said. "They came back and just really stepped up. Harper swam the breaststroke. Last time she swam breaststroke was freshman year at league finals, and this year, we needed a breaststroker. She stepped in and scored huge

for her teammates. "There's still some things to work on but I'm really

to work on, but I'm really excited heading into CIF," said Ton, a CIF champion in the 200 freestyle last year. Her Barons senior team-

mate, USC-bound Kaitlyn Nguyen, won the 200 IM (1:59.76). Nguyen was second in the breaststroke to Corona del Mar sophomore Sofia Szymanowski (1:00.97), who placed second in the IM. said Fountain Valley coach Nathan Wilcox, who coaches both in club swimming for Irvine Novaquatics. "It's just going to come down to who wants it more. ... I definitely think those girls are both top three next week."

Fountain Valley's girls' 200 medley relay, featuring Ton, Nguyen, freshman Audrey Prall and senior Leyna Nguyen, also won in a meet-record time of 1:44.00. Among other top girls' swimmers, CdM senior Nikki Lahey became a three-time league champion in both the 50 free (23.42) and 100 free (50.38). "It's really focusing on the

little details and improving those next week," said Lahey, bound for San Jose State. "I feel like I'm in a pretty good place with my times right now."

Edison senior Gaby Kelly became a four-time league champion in the 500 free, league, I was a little nervous, but I was really stoked with how I went. Being able to have that achievement is really nice."

On the boys' side, Fountain Valley's Vu claimed the 200 individual medley (1:48.77) and breaststroke (54.62).

Newport Harbor senior Aidan Arie blasted to a school-record 48.28 in the butterfly, and also won the 500 free in 4:36.93. He celebrated wildly after winning the butterfly, as he said he earned a Summer Junior Nationals cut.

Add Arie to the list of those incredulous at what Ohl is doing.

"At this point, if he told me he was going 18 [seconds], I'd believe him, the way he's dropping," he said. "It's crazy. It's not normal."

Edison's Holden Lee won the backstroke (49.88) and was third in the butterfly.

Isaac Squires, a talented water polo player, helped Huntington Beach win the medley relay and also was an individual champion in the 200 free, touching in 1:42.91.

"If I can't beat them in water polo, it's nice to beat them here in swim," Squires said. "It's fun, because it's competitive, but it also helps because you get faster and you're always conditioned."

Most of the league's top swimmers will compete in the Division 1 meet, which will have preliminaries at 9 a.m. Thursday at Mt. San Antonio College and finals at noon on Saturday.

Fountain Valley looks to excel. Ton is seeded first in the girls' 200 free, while Nguyen and Vu are seeded first in 200 IM for both genders.

Vu is also seeded first in the boys' breaststroke, and Szymanowski and Nguyen earned the top two seeds in the girls' breaststroke.

Ohl and Arie are seeded first in the boys' 50 free and butterfly, respectively, with Ohl seeded second in the 100 free. Lahey earned topfour seeds in each of her sprint freestyle events, and Kelly is seeded third in the girls' 500 free.

... First it was breaking the Newport record, then it was breaking 20 [seconds] and now it's breaking this next record. It's just this progression of going faster and faster."

Newport Harbor's girls had lost by four points to Fountain Valley in a league points for us in that 'A' final."

The versatile Ton won the girls' 200 freestyle in 1:44.50 and backstroke in 53.68, each time a personal-best. She said she enjoyed the fact that her events were spaced apart, which allowed her to cheer

"I think Sofia's got a really good chance of winning [CIF] next week [in the breaststroke], and I think Kaitlyn can also win it," winning it in a school record time of 4:52.27. Kelly never lost the race in a league meet during her entire high school career.

"I was really stoked about it," said Kelly, who placed second in the 200 free. "Especially with all of the new teams coming into the

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## Pacifica Christian rides 'electric' second-set run to sweep

#### **BY ANDREW TURNER**

Pacifica Christian had to wait a while to assemble its full roster, so while it isn't seeded for its boys' volleyball playoff run, it might also be a relative unknown.

The Tritons capitalized on a chance to show what they were capable of Saturday in front of their home crowd.

Senior outside hitter Hudson Reynolds had 26 kills to lead Pacifica Christian to a 25-21, 26-24, 25-21 sweep of third-seeded Rancho Cucamonga in the second round of the CIF Southern Section Division 6 playoffs.

Facing three set points in the second game, the Tritons received four kills in a span of five points from Reynolds during the momentum-shifting run. Junior middle blocker Grayson Baker's kill off an overpass by the Cougars evened the score at 24-24.

Reynolds landed the next two kills and stalked back to his team's bench, shouting in celebration all the way.

"I've been very competitive growing up," Reynolds said of letting his emotions show on the court. "My family, we're very competitive, so winning means a lot to me. Going out there, I know how much energy shifts can mean for a game, like a turnaround. I know the bench was there today, helped us get a lot of energy. ... The more energy I bring to the table, the better we seem to play, so that's why I always try to bring as much energy as possible."

Pacifica Christian (14-15) advanced to the quarterfinals, and it was scheduled to play at Tri-Valley League runner-up Santa Barbara Laguna Blanca (12-7) on Wednesday evening. The result had not been reported as of The Pilot's print deadline.

Regarding the latter stages of the second set, Pacifica Christian coach Cory Swartzbaugh described the five-point run as "electric."

"Being down 24-21 right there and having people step up and make plays and kind of grow into roles that they've been showing flashes of, that's been kind of a defining moment for our team recently because we didn't have our full roster for half, two-thirds of the season," Swartzbaugh said. "We're still building that chemistry. We're still figuring out whose value is where, what we can grow into, and how we can mold and shape and puzzle together. It really feels like we're catching steam and momentum at the perfect time.'

Junior setter Joaquin Rigdon had 36 assists, two service aces and two kills. Rigdon was at the service line during the key rally late in the second set, and he also connected well with Reynolds, finding him on top of the net and in the back row when the Tritons had to have a point.

There's room for improvement, Swartzbaugh said, especially with passing.

ing. "That serve-receive performance was the dark side of the moon compared to last week," Swartzbaugh said. "Last week, we were locked in. We were in system out of every single serve, and we were able to run anything we wanted. This match, it was brutal. It was very tough seeing them let nervousness and just general emotions, it seemed like, kind of phase them in passing. It obviously wasn't too bad of a detriment. We still won, but it was a big sore spot."

Reynolds and Rigdon both played on the boys' basketball team, too, which advanced to the CIF Division 2AA final in the winter.

Junior opposite Ryan Pearson had six kills, two aces and a solo block for Pacifica Christian. Junior outside hitter Atticus Graham had four kills and two aces, and Baker finished with six kills. Freshman libero Jedidiah Darrow added seven digs.

Senior outside hitter Ethan Lee had 11 kills and three block assists for Ran-



cho Cucamonga (19-14), which was an at-large qualifier from the Baseline League. Sophomore middle blocker Evan Lee had four total blocks.

#### ALSO IN THE CIF SOUTHERN SECTION BOYS' VOLLEYBALL PLAYOFFS

Huntington Beach 3, Redondo Union 0: Sophomore outside hitter Logan Hutnick's 18 kills paced the Oilers in a 25-23, 25-23, 25-19 win at home on Tuesday in the second of three poolplay matches in the Division 1 playoffs.

Junior outside hitter Colin Choi had 15 kills, and junior opposite Ben Arguello added 11 kills for second-seeded Huntington Beach (33-3), which plays host to Los Angeles Loyola (27-5) on Friday at 6 p.m.

Newport Harbor (24-11) was scheduled to play at Loyola on Wednesday, each side looking to notch its first win of the postseason.

**Corona del Mar 3, Beckman 1:** Junior outside hitter Ben Brown had 18 kills and two aces to lead the host Sea Kings to a 26-24, 25-17, 17-25, 25-17 win on Tuesday in the Division 1 playoffs.

Corona del Mar (23-5) plays at top-seeded Manhattan Beach Mira Costa (30-2) on Friday at 6:30 p.m. with a spot in the CIF championship match on the line.

Junior opposite Brady Gant and sophomore mid-

#### PACIFICA CHRISTIAN'S

Hudson Reynolds (10) tips the ball past Rancho Cucamonga's Gavin Chen (13) in a CIF Southern Section Division 6 boys' volleyball playoff match on Saturday.

James Carbone

dle blocker Daniel Booker each had 10 kills for CdM. Junior outside hitter Hunter Hannemann added nine kills, junior setter Drake Foley had 48 assists, and senior libero Brogan Glenn contributed 14 digs.

Sage Hill 3, Pasadena Poly 0: The visiting Lightning advanced to the Division 4 quarterfinals with Saturday's win.

Sage Hill (16-11), the reigning Division 5 champion, has not dropped a set in its first two playoff matches.

The Lightning were scheduled to travel to second-seeded Simi Valley Royal (20-7) on Wednesday.

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