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STUDENTS RETURN to campus for their first full day of instruction at Adams Elementary School in Costa Mesa on Wednesday.

A return to full-day classes

BY SARA CARDINE

Excitement was writ large on the faces of children and adults alike Wednesday morning, as Newport-Mesa Unified School District welcomed thousands of elementary students to campus for the first full day of in-person instruction since March 2020.

Masked students at Adams Elementary School in Costa Mesa were greeted with cheery hellos and elbow bumps galore during the school's morning drop-off period. For some friends, the start of the school day was the first opportunity for them to reconnect across cohorts that had been separated and attending in-person classes in shifts since Sept. 29.

NMUSD trustees approved the return of elementary school

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PRINCIPAL STACY DEBLOOM-HOWARD welcomes back a student as she returns to campus for her first full day of instruction at Adams Elementary School in Costa Mesa on Wednesday.

Attorney says prosecutors expect to move forward in doctor drug-sexual assault case

BY PAUL ANDERSON
CITY NEWS SERVICE

A prosecutor told an Orange County Superior Court judge Wednesday that she is prepared to go forward with some counts and dismiss others in the case against a Newport Beach hand surgeon and his girlfriend, who are accused of drugging and raping several women.

Yvette Martinez of the attorney general's office said a decision on

the future of the case against Dr. Grant Robicheaux, 40, and Cerissa Laura Riley, 34, was "imminent," but first she must brief Rob Bonta after he is expected to be sworn in as the new attorney general, if approved by state lawmakers. The new attorney general, she explained, must sign off on the recommendation from Martinez.

Robicheaux and Riley are charged with drugging and sexually assaulting multiple victims

they allegedly met at social gatherings. Robicheaux is charged in connection with seven alleged victims, while Riley is charged with five. They have both continued to maintain their innocence.

The idea of waiting for the new attorney general troubled Orange County Superior Court Judge Steven Bromberg as he cited the lengthy history of politics involved in the case as it became a political football during Orange

County Dist. Atty. Todd Spitzer's campaign to unseat Tony Rackauckas. Spitzer's office was removed from the case last year after he tried to dump it and the attorney general's office took it over.

Martinez initially asked for a final pretrial hearing for May 25 before setting a preliminary hearing, but Bromberg moved it up to May 14 instead. He said a

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NEW DINING OPTIONS COMING TO HUNTINGTON STATE BEACH

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Body found in Huntington, authorities investigate death

A body was discovered by a local resident in the oil fields southwest of Talbert Avenue and Edwards Street.

The resident reported discovering the body to Huntington Beach police at 5:37 p.m. on Monday, and investigators located the decomposing remains of what appeared to be an adult male. Property believed to belong to the decedent was also found.

Detectives are investigating the cause of death, which remains unknown. Police said that because of that, they are treating the death as suspicious. Lt. Brian Smith of the Huntington Beach Police Department said Wednesday an autopsy was being performed.

No other information has been released.

Readers with information on the incident are encouraged to call the department's tip line at (714) 375-5066.

—Lilly Nguyen

Aircraft club's long glide at Fairview Park on the skids as hiatus extended

BY SARA CARDINE

A complex debate over whether city parks should be used for recreation or preservation is causing some turbulence in the city of Costa Mesa.

Fairview Park — a 208-acre open space home to some 30 protected species that has been found to contain artifacts from at least two Native American tribes — is also a draw for residents who, for decades, have biked, picnicked and recreated on its ample plains.

Take the Harbor Soaring Society, a club for aviation enthusiasts and remote-control aircraft flyers. For more than 60 years, members have enjoyed the friendly skies at a model airplane flying field on Fairview's west side.

Flyers were displaced from the park in March 2020, when the city closed public facilities during the pandemic. And



Courtesy of the Harbor Soaring Society

CHRIS ADAMCZYK, seen in 2019, attaches a wing to his glider at Costa Mesa's Fairview Park model airplane flying field, where flights have been grounded for more than a year.

though Fairview has since reopened, the flying field remains closed as the city up-

dates the site's master plan and considers whether airplanes, gliders and drones are compat-

ible with other park uses and priorities.

With its latest use agreement having expired in December, the Harbor Soaring Society has been looking to re-up the arrangement. Leaders recently put forth proposals suggesting tougher restrictions on operating hours and the types of craft allowed, creating a means of measuring noise and requiring flyers seeking city permits to undergo certification, among other plans.

Still, members of a Fairview Park Steering Committee in an April 14 meeting decided not to extend the club's entitlement. They instead favored possibly relocating the flying field to the park's east side, where the Orange County Model Engineers operate locomotives on a miniature railway under a separate use agreement.

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OCC's Newport facilities named for waterfront

The Intercollegiate Rowing and Sailing Base and the Professional Mariner Training Center are now the OCC Waterfront Campus.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Orange Coast College's marine facilities in Newport Beach are now going by a new name, following approval by the Coast Community College District Board of Trustees earlier this month.

What was the Intercollegiate Rowing and Sailing Base and the Professional Mariner Training Center on West Coast Highway will now be collectively called the Orange Coast College Waterfront Campus.

Campus officials said expansion of the Costa Mesa college's footprint in Newport Beach has been met positively by locals and the boating community at large.

"Our community boating, intercollegiate rowing and professional mariner programs will continue to grow and evolve with our new designation as OCC's Waterfront Campus, and our mission to provide nautical education of the highest quality will continue," said Sarah Hirsch, director of the Orange Coast College Waterfront Campus, in a statement issued by the college.

Discussions to name the locale began last fall when maritime staff met with Hirsch, Doug Bennett, the executive director of college advancement and foundation, and then-interim vice president of instruction Pamela Walker.

Beneath the umbrella name, the two facilities will retain their individual names — the Intercollegiate Rowing and Sailing Base and the Professional Mariner Training Center.

Renaming the Newport Beach location will allow the college to market the programs available on West Coast Highway in one place to streamline information for interested students and visitors,

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THE DAILY
COMMUTER
PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

- ACROSS**
1 Those people
5 Exchange
9 _-fry; wok dish
13 Woodwind instruments
15 TV's "My Name Is _"
16 Bat mitzvah dance
17 Piece of china
18 Elevator alternative
20 Distress signal
21 GOP color
23 Gangster Al
24 Bench _; weight-lifting exercise
26 Lincoln, for one
27 Spinach, kale, chard, etc.
29 In disagreement
32 Spooky
33 More devious
35 Sup
37 Easier said _ done
38 Train tracks
39 _ on; goad
40 Plopped down
41 Storm winds
42 Most famous 1981 bride
43 Evolve into
45 Double-cross
46 Lovable retriever
47 Headed metal bolt
48 Horrify
51 "Where did _ wrong?"
52 Actor Fox's monogram
55 Ranch & Russian
58 Just right
60 Female animals
61 Breakfast _; kitchen alcove
62 Reed or Fargo
63 Nimble
64 Classic Pontiacs
65 _ aside; let another pass by

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

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| 5 Canary's lunch | 10 Famed dog of film |
| 6 "Fuzzy Wuzzy _ a bear" | 11 Small household appliance |
| 7 Curved band of sparks | 12 Steak orderer's request |
| 8 Appeases | |

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19 Toil
22 Feminine suffix
25 _ in; bring under control
27 Obtains
28 Recovery ctr.
29 Has a bug
30 _ of Defense; DOD
31 Health club offering
33 Shopper's delight
34 Whopper
36 Breakfast-in-bed need
38 Talking on and on aimlessly
39 Word attached to grave or camp
41 Objectives
42 _ of; lacking
44 Elegant
45 Huge
47 Dangers
48 _ to; increases
49 Stage item
50 One's equal
53 Wyman or Curtin
54 Word attached to jack or doodle
56 "The World Is _ Enough"; 007 film
57 Hair gel, e.g.
59 Two in Toledo

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Courtesy of Bonnie Moore / Ocean Contracting

THE HUNTINGTON BEACH House, shown in an artist rendering, is expected to open at Beach Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway this spring.

New dining options coming to Huntington State Beach

BY MATT SZABO

Alicia Whitney is ready for her next challenge, and visitors to Huntington State Beach will ultimately benefit from her culinary adventure.

Whitney, a Huntington Beach resident, is the founder and chief executive of Prjkt Restaurant Group, which is bringing three new concession-style eateries to the local state beach in the next year.

The Huntington Beach House, located at Beach Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway, is scheduled to open this spring. Sahara's Sandbar, a pizza place named after Whitney's 10-year-old daughter Sahara, will open this fall at Magnolia Street and PCH.

California Fork and Spoon, located at Brookhurst Street and PCH, is slated to open in early 2022. Additionally, SandBox Beach Rentals, located at Newland Street and PCH, will offer services like surfboard and firewood vending machines when it opens to the public this May.

Whitney, 41, describes herself as "all things Huntington."

"I'm just excited and grateful," she said. "I hope that I can continue to make our community and State Parks proud with the effort we put into this big project."

The existing concessions buildings, which have been at the Huntington State Beach since 1984, are being rebranded as part of the Prjkt Restaurant Group effort. Whitney, who previously was behind four concessions areas at Bolsa Chica State Beach, including the popular SeaLegs at the Beach, found out she won the bid for the new project last May after responding to a request for proposal in September 2019.

Prjkt (pronounced "Project") has a 10-year agreement in partnership with the California State Park System, State Park Orange County Supt. Kevin Pearsall said. Prjkt must spend at least \$650,000 on the improvements, and 10% of the concessions sales go back to the state park system.

Whitney said that the combined renovations will likely exceed that requirement and pass \$1 million.

"They're getting pretty significant facelifts, all of them," she said of the properties. "It's time to create new legacies and memories. Each time you build a restaurant, it's not just four walls. It's kind of like your home. Your home is four walls until you make it a home, and a restaurant is four walls until you make it a restaurant."

She said California Fork and Spoon will feature the California state bear carved into a Redwood tree out front, creating a photo opportunity. A California mural created by Newport Beach-based artist Timree Gold will reflect the history and energy of the coastal region.

The Huntington Beach House, the first to open of the three new outdoor concession areas, will feature fire pits, sandboxes and a 120-foot seated counter over the boardwalk.

Pearsall, who first worked with Whitney on the Bolsa Chica concessions, said the new concepts will represent a welcome change in Surf City. He said he liked that they

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Alicia Whitney

brought the option for healthier food choices.

"They were so under-achieving and so under-used, the concession element of these beaches, for such a long time," he said. "You could see how much mental design she put into her submissions, her bid proposals. They were so impressive, and they were exactly what we were looking for to make these two parks the destinations that they are. They have the ocean, they have the sand, they have the beauty and the weather. They didn't have a comfortable, lounge concession environment."

Whitney said she had to make sacrifices along the way. The restaurateur closed her SeaLegs Wine Bar and SeaSalt Woodfire Grill — both located in town but not at the beach — in 2019 so she could focus on her beach operations.

"I knew that if I wanted to grow on the beach, I had to re-strategize my business," she said. "On paper, it seemed like it was going to be so easy. But in reality, it was so hard to say goodbye to my two restaurants that were like my babies that got me going, especially SeaLegs Wine Bar. I literally was heartbroken, but I knew that I needed to do this to grow."

Whitney, who also has a SeaLegs location at Los Angeles International Airport, said her daughter Sahara was still in the womb when she began developing SeaLegs Wine Bar.

Now Sahara, whose name is tattooed on Alicia Whitney's arm, has been around for a decade. And her name is the inspiration for a restaurant to boot.

"I looked at her one day and I got the name," Alicia Whitney said with a laugh. "You'd better believe she'll be working there when she can."

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OFFICE ASSISTANT Frances Garcia greets a student with an elbow bump as he returns to campus for his first full day of instruction at Adams Elementary School.

RETURN

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students to full-day instruction five days per week in a meeting last month, citing the continued countywide decline of coronavirus cases. Orange County Health Care officials on Wednesday reported 53 new infections and two COVID-19 fatalities. During an April 8 special meeting, school board members decided secondary students would also be allowed to return to campuses on a full-time basis four days each week, with one day remaining under a distance learning model beginning next week. Trustees also approved continuing the district's 100% virtual Cloud cam-

pus in the 2021-22 school year for families not wishing to send their children to brick-and-mortar classrooms in the fall. It is still unclear, however, whether a "Cohort C" of secondary students who currently livestream classes at their home schools will be disbanded or continued in the year ahead. Officials have committed to surveying school families to learn their preferences, so as to aid the planning process. "We have done our best in distance learning, but it has its limitations," Supt. Russell Lee-Sung said at the April 8 meeting. "If we can get kids back to in-person [attendance], that is our first objective."

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FAIRVIEW

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Cynthia D'Agosta, administrator of Fairview Park, said the move would reduce the impact of remote-control flyers on vernal pools and other wildlife-rich areas located on the west side, an area identified for future restoration. "There's been action to change direction of management of the park over time," D'Agosta said, describing a shift away from recreational uses toward protection of open space. "So, we're going to update the master plan to have more of a focus on restoration and biological management." City staff will revise the plan to reflect the changing priorities, previously codified in Measure AA, an initiative passed by voters in 2016 that calls for any significant changes or additions at Fairview Park to be put to a citywide vote. Pushing that process forward and considering the environmental impacts of relocating Harbor Soaring Society activities is a complicated process that could take from three to five years, D'Agosta estimated. HSS President Mike Costello said Tuesday talk of relocation has members worried it's only a matter of time before the club is completely pushed out of Fairview, the only park in Costa Mesa that allows fly-

ing. "The steering committee wants us out," he said. "They just keep stalling us and stalling us, and our membership declines as they put more restrictions on us. I'm going to guess by the end of the three-year evaluation process, they're going to get rid of us." A longtime Costa Mesa resident, Costello enjoyed flying at Fairview in the 1970s and '80s and recently resumed his interest in 2016 after working two decades at Fountain Valley's now-shuttered Hobby Shack. He said Harbor Soaring Society's 100-plus members run the gamut from retired aerospace engineers to kids interested in aviation and engineering. And while technology has progressed from simple gliders to electric-powered planes and even drones, most make sure to keep their park use respectful. Still, there's no accounting for novice flyers, or kids who just got a drone for their birthday and want to take it out without first learning the rules or seeking proper permits. "We try to educate them, but enforcement is pretty hard," Costello acknowledged. D'Agosta said complaints from residents and park users over the noise generated by the remote-controlled planes or reports of an occasional flyer venturing into a vernal pool to retrieve a downed craft have



Courtesy of the Harbor Soaring Society

HARBOR SOARING SOCIETY member Ted Broberg explains the basic flight controls to a newcomer at a 2019 open house event in Fairview Park.

been stacking up over the years. "Fairview is not your typical neighborhood park," she added. "It is an open space nature area that has a lot of floral and faunal activity that is important for Orange County, so it's got a lot of biological eyes on it, all the way up to the federal level." Local eyes are also watching. Members of the Fairview Park Alliance, a preservation advocacy group formed in 2015, drafted Measure AA to protect the open space from the impacts of recreational users and past city councils, which they say saw Fairview as a giant playground. Member Kim Hendricks said there has been little oversight of the Harbor Soaring Society's use of the park and claimed a lack of enforcement of rules and policies has put wildlife at risk. "The remote-control planes shouldn't be there in the first place," Hendricks said Tuesday. "They definitely negatively impact the birds and wildlife there. And for years the city had overlooked that." But now, it seems, someone is paying attention. The city's Parks, Arts and Community Services Commission will review the steering committee's decision in a May 27 meeting before making its recommendation to the City Council. D'Agosta said council members could review the matter as early as June.

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DIGNITARIES ATTEND a groundbreaking ceremony for the Professional Mariner Training Center in 2019 at OCC's newly named Waterfront Campus. The facility will connect to the Intercollegiate Rowing and Sailing Base across Pacific Coast Highway.

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said district staff in a report prepared for the Coast Community College District Board of Trustees. The name was approved by several other entities on the campus, including but not limited to the Orange Coast College Foundation board and the College Council. The Intercollegiate Rowing and Sailing Base houses the school's sailing

and seamanship programs. Meanwhile, the Professional Mariner Training Center is nearing completion. Ground broke on the project in September 2019. The two facilities will connect through a skyway bridge across Pacific Coast Highway. Construction is expected to be completed by this summer. The two-story, 12,000-square-foot training center will be home to the college's Professional Mariner Program, which currently

serves more than 1,500 students and adults annually. "We are thrilled to provide a top-notch facility for our maritime students who are seeking training and education in order to either transfer to a four-year program or earn a certificate to further their career goals," said Angelica Suarez, president of Orange Coast College, in the college's news release.

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Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR A CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NO.
30-2021-01187615

Petitioner or Attorney
(name, state, bar, and address):

Michael Thomas Rozbicka-Goodheart
7171 Warner Avenue
B113, Huntington Beach, CA 92647

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED:

Petitioner Michael Thomas Rozbicka-Goodheart filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present Name Michael Rozbicka-Goodheart
Proposed Name Michael Rozbicka Goodheart

THE COURT ORDERS

that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: May 11, 2021
TIME: 8:30 AM
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ROOM: N/A

The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA County of Orange 700 Civic Center Drive West A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county. Dated: January 13, 2021 S. Mora Deputy
Published in the Daily Pilot 4/01, 4/08, 4/15 & 4/22/2021

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Costa Mesa ("City") invites sealed bids, to be submitted electronically only, for the following project:

NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL FOR BAKER STREET AT RANDOLPH AVENUE, CITY PROJECT NO. 20-11

- BID SUBMISSION AND OPENING:** Bids must be submitted electronically via the City of Costa Mesa's PlanetBids portal before the deadline of **10:00 A.M., Tuesday, May 18, 2021**, at which time or shortly thereafter the City Clerk will open bids electronically. The bid results will be posted online via PlanetBids. No paper bids or any other form of submittal will be accepted. Any bid received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be rejected. The City is not responsible for and accepts no liability in the event a response is late due to any network, internet, or any other technical difficulty or interruption. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that his/her/its bid is received by the deadline. To access the bid documents and bid on this project, potential vendors and bidders must first register through the City's PlanetBids portal at: <https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CcompanyID=45476>.
- SCOPE OF WORK AND BID DOCUMENTS:** The scope of work generally consists of all materials, parts, equipment, and labor, to install a fully functional and operating traffic signal system, connected to the City's Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS), at the intersection of Baker Street and Randolph Avenue in the City of Costa Mesa. The plans, specifications, and bid documents for this project can be obtained via the City's PlanetBids portal at: <https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CcompanyID=45476>. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the most current version of the solicitation, including any addenda, has been downloaded. Bids received without the applicable addenda will be rejected as incomplete.

- PRE-BID MEETING OR JOB WALK:** None.
- BID CONTENTS:** All bids must be submitted on the proposal form included in the bid documents. No bid will be considered unless it is made on the proposal form furnished by the City and made in accordance with the provisions of the bid requirements.
- BID SECURITY:** Each bidder must submit a certified check, cashier's check, or a bid bond, made payable to or in favor of the City of Costa Mesa, in an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid, to the Costa Mesa City Clerk prior to the bid submission deadline. No bid will be considered unless such certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond is received by the City Clerk prior to the bid submission deadline.

- CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE:** A valid California Contractor's License Class "A" (General Engineering Contractor) or Class "C-10" (Electrical) issued by the California Contractors State License Board is required at the time the contract is awarded pursuant to California Public Contract Code section 3300. Each bidder must also be qualified as required by law at the time of the bid opening.
- PAYMENT BOND AND PERFORMANCE BOND:** A Payment Bond and a Performance Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount, will be required of the successful bidder prior to award of the contract.

- CITY'S RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS:** The City of Costa Mesa reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all bids, or to waive any minor irregularities or informalities in any bid.
- ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** This project is subject to local, State, and Federal regulations and requirements, as detailed in the bid documents.

For all inquiries, please contact Contract Administrator: Robert Staples, Public Services Department, via e-mail at robert.staples@costamesaca.gov. Brenda Green, City Clerk
City of Costa Mesa
Dated: April 21, 2021

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BRUCE T. BLACKMAN

CASE NO. 30-2021-01193271-PR-LA-CJC
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: BRUCE T. BLACKMAN

A Petition for Probate has been filed by ROBERT BLACKMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

The Petition for Probate requests that ROBERT BLACKMAN 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 in this court on 05/19/2021 at 10:30 AM in Dept. C08 located at 700 W Civic Dr., Santa Ana, CA 92701, Probate.

You must attend the hearing by video remote using the court's designated video platform; (2) Go to the Court's website at <http://www.occourts.org/media-relations/probate-mental-health.html> to appear for probate hearings; and for remote hearing instructions; (3) If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a 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 Petitioner: John Donnoe, Esq., 533 2nd St., Ste. 112, Encinitas, CA 92024, Telephone: 858-201-9030

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

MESA WATER DISTRICT

REGARDING POTENTIAL

CHANGE IN DIRECTOR

COMPENSATION

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021

3:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as

the agenda permits.

Mesa Water District

Boardroom

1965 Placentia Avenue

Costa Mesa, CA 92627

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors (Board) of Mesa Water District invites the community to attend a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments regarding proposed changes in Board of Director's fees/compensation.

Due to the current COVID-19 emergency, and pursuant to the Executive Orders of the Governor, meetings of the Board, including the above-referenced public hearing, are being conducted in a virtual format. For information on the virtual Board meeting format, and how to participate in such Board meeting/public hearing, please visit Mesa Water's internet website and view information under the heading "Board Meeting Agendas and Minutes" or contact the District Secretary, as discussed below.

This item will be discussed and comments will be received at such time and place. Comments may be presented in writing or by virtual presentation. Any comments must be received not later than the conclusion of the public hearing in order to be considered. Virtual attendance at meetings of the Board is open to the public. For more information, or if you would like assistance in presenting your comments to the Board at the public hearing, please contact Denise Garcia, District Secretary, at (949) 631-1205.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE

(UCC Sec. 6105)

Escrow No. 21-15538-TN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: **HAI LAM, 1738 PLACENTIA AVENUE COSTA MESA, CA 92626**

Doing Business as: **PLACENTIA COIN LAUNDRY**

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: **NONE**

The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: **HUYNH ENTERPRISE INC, 1 SOLISTICE DR LAREDA RANCH, CA 92694**

The assets to be sold are described in general as: **ALL FURNITURES, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, INVENTORY, LEASE, AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS** and are located at: **1738 PLACENTIA AVENUE, COSTA MESA, CA 92626**

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: **LUCKY TEAM ESCROW, INC., 13305 BROOKHURST STREET GARDEN GROVE, CA 92843** and the anticipated sale date is **MAY 10, 2021**

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: **LUCKY TEAM ESCROW, 13305 BROOKHURST ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92843** and the last date for filing claims shall be **MAY 7, 2021**, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

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HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP



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CORONA DEL MAR'S Makena Tomlinson (42) drives to the basket against Newport Harbor's Willa Rath during Battle of the Bay girls' basketball game on Tuesday.

Corona del Mar girls' basketball hands rival Newport Harbor first loss

Makena Tomlinson had 21 points to lead the Corona del Mar High School girls' basketball team to a 58-36 win over visiting Newport Harbor on Tuesday in the Battle of the Bay game.

Trasara Alexander also scored 17 points for CdM (7-4) in the Sunset Conference crossover matchup. Dorothy Schwenck had 13 points, including four shots made from behind the three-point line.

Cydney Jover paced Newport Harbor (5-1) with nine points. Emma Fults had eight points and five rebounds, and Willa Rath compiled four points, five rebounds and five blocked shots.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Costa Mesa 76, Saddleback 40: Nathan Shipper had 15 points, four assists and four steals for the Mustangs in their Orange Coast League opener Tuesday at Costa Mesa High.

Christian Dasca scored 15 points and dished out five assists for Costa Mesa (4-6). Gio Quero had 14 points and five assists.

Aiden Spallone and Jordan Martin each scored 12 points for the Mustangs, who host crosstown rival Estancia in the first Battle for the Bell game on Thursday.

SOFTBALL

Huntington Beach 1, Edison 0: Devyn Greer struck out 11 batters in throwing a four-hit shutout for the host Oilers on Tuesday in a Surf League opener.

Grace Grundstrom drove in the game's only run for Huntington Beach (10-1).

Emma Mendoza had two hits, and Jenna Gorden and Bella Espinoza each had one hit for Edison (3-6). Kaitlyn Reynolds allowed three hits, struck out three and walked none in getting the start for the Chargers.

BOYS' VOLLEYBALL

Marina 3, Fountain Valley 0: The host Vikings remained unbeaten in Wave League action with a 25-23, 25-18, 25-17 sweep of the Barons on Tuesday night.

Marina improved to 5-2 overall and 2-0 in league.

BOYS' GOLF

Edison 180, Marina 186: Ben Crinella shot a two-under-par 33 to lead Edison to victory in a Sunset Conference crossover match on Tuesday at Willowick Golf Course.

Jack Krueger also was one under par for his round for the Chargers (11-2).

GIRLS' TENNIS

Corona del Mar 14, Newport Harbor 4: Sophia Andrei-Birca swept in singles for the Sea Kings in the Battle of the Bay match Tuesday at Newport Harbor High.

Alden Mulroy and Lauren Jones swept in doubles for CdM (10-1, 2-1 in the Surf League).

Newport Harbor is now 6-9 overall and 0-3 in league.

GIRLS' SOCCER

Marina 3, Corona del Mar 0: Kaitlyn Paculba, Lexi Van Horn and Abby Kirby all scored for the Vikings in Tuesday's Sunset Conference crossover match at Marina High.

The Vikings improved to

6-3-2 overall, while CdM fell to 5-5-2.

Newport Harbor 1, Huntington Beach 1: Brielle Benedict scored on Aly Thomas' assist as the Sailors earned the tie Tuesday at Huntington Beach High in a Sunset Conference crossover match.

Newport Harbor is now 8-1-2, while Huntington Beach is 5-7-1.

Orange Lutheran 2, Pacifica Christian Orange County 0: The Tritons gave up two second-half goals in Tuesday's nonleague match at Orange County Great Park.

Pacifica Christian (8-2-1) plays at Samueli Academy on Friday.

GIRLS' LACROSSE

Edison 14, Yorba Linda 3: Sydney Hoggard had six goals and an assist to lead the Chargers in Tuesday's nonleague home match.

Ali Bryant had two goals and two assists, while Rylee Siegel, Alyssa Hesse, Melanie Wieland, Natalie Halpin, Madison Kruis and Anna Beachner also scored. Gwen Ontiveros and Bohuen Tong had assists.

Goalkeeper Cailien Gorsuch had four saves for Edison (4-2).

BOYS' SWIMMING

Huntington Beach 112, Corona del Mar 57: The Oilers moved to 7-0 in dual meets this season after Tuesday's win in a Sunset Conference crossover meet.

Huntington Beach opens the Wave League when it hosts Edison on April 27.

CdM (1-1) hosts Los Alamitos on April 27 to start Surf League competition.

— From staff reports

CASE

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preliminary hearing will be held soon after that.

"We have conducted a very thorough review of this case," Martinez told the judge. "We've done our due diligence ... We are very close to a decision." But Martinez said "in deference" to Bonta she needed a chance to brief him on it before making that final decision.

"In deference to the new attorney general? I don't understand that," Bromberg said.

Bromberg suggested it was improper for an elected official to make political decisions about the prosecution of a crime. "Can you give the court a preview of where you're going with the case?" Bromberg asked Martinez. "What do you think you might be doing?"

Martinez said her office would likely not pursue having a new independent prosecutor assigned to the case.

"I don't make decisions for the attorney general, but I can make recommendations," Martinez said.

"I'm asking you to give the court a heads up, an idea," Bromberg said.

"We expect to move forward on some counts, but not on all counts," Martinez said. The prosecutor said she also wanted to discuss the future of the case with the alleged victims as well.

"When a politician starts getting involved in a case we get nervous," Bromberg said of the judicial branch in general. "And you told me the attorney general, the elected official, is going to make a determination about this case."

Bonta, if confirmed, would take over for Xavier Becerra, who joined the Biden administration cabinet as the head of health and human services.

"We know the history of this case and that got ugly," Bromberg said of the cries of politics in the past between Spitzer and Rackauckas.

"My recommendation will be based on the evidence and not politics," Martinez said. "But I'm a trial attorney, and I'm not



File Photo

DR. GRANT ROBICHEAUX and girlfriend Cerissa Riley, pictured in October 2018, were charged with drugging and raping multiple women. A prosecutor told an O.C. Superior Court judge she is prepared to go forward with some counts and dismiss others.

the boss."

Defense attorney Philip Cohen, who represents Robicheaux, reiterated previous complaints about Bromberg's sealing of a memo regarding Orange County district attorney investigator Jennifer Kearns, who worked on the case before being placed on administrative leave. Kearns this month sued the county, alleging she was retaliated against for pursuing the case while Spitzer attempted to have the charges dismissed.

Cohen has objected to Kearns citing attorney-client privilege with Matt Murphy, who is representing several alleged victims in the case, and claimed the memo would be helpful to his defense. Cohen also represents the defendants in a separate civil suit filed by an alleged victim, and Murphy has previously claimed Cohen was using the civil suit to harass the alleged victims in the criminal case.

Bromberg said he sealed the document out of concerns for Kearns' privacy but said he would revisit his decision if it became an exhibit in Kearns' lawsuit.

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