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MOTORISTS MAKE their way into John Wayne Airport on Tuesday in Santa Ana. Southwest Airlines canceled a majority of its flights in and out of John Wayne Airport and travel hubs across the country Monday and Tuesday.

Holiday travelers stranded after flights at JWA canceled

Winter Storm Elliott, which battered much of the eastern U.S. over the weekend, wreaks havoc on air travel.

BY ERIC LICAS

Southwest Airlines canceled the majority of its flights Monday and Tuesday, leaving scores of people traveling in and out of John Wayne Airport and travel hubs across the country stuck over the winter holiday.

As many as 2,574 of all the 2,990 canceled trips that were supposed to come through airports in the United States Tuesday were Southwest flights, according the FlightAware.

"This is the largest scale event that I've ever seen," Southwest CEO Bob Jordan said in an interview with the Wall Street Journal.

As of 10 a.m., Tuesday, 94 out of 121 of the airline's remaining

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PEDESTRIANS WALK into John Wayne Airport on Tuesday in Santa Ana. Cancellations and delays amid this year's holiday travel season were largely the results of Winter Storm Elliott.

Storm to ring in the new year in O.C.

Mild showers were expected to taper off Wednesday, but a more powerful storm arrives late Saturday evening.

BY ERIC LICAS

A mild bout of rain that began to fall in Orange County Tuesday should taper off Wednesday, but an even wetter storm is forecast to arrive as revelers ring in the new year later this week.

A thick layer of high clouds formed over Southern California Tuesday ahead of precipitation that was forecast to reach Orange County by sunset, according to National Weather Service forecasts. About half an inch of rain was expected to come down along the coast, NWS meteorologist Phil Gonsalves said.

"We'll get mostly beneficial precipitation," he said Tuesday. "It will fill reservoirs, but it won't be heavy enough to cause serious flooding. And we'll get some green-up, which should help mitigate any fire potential, at least in the short term."

No flood warnings were scheduled in Orange County as of Tuesday evening, but a high surf advisory will be in effect along Southern California coasts through 4 p.m. Thursday. Dangerous rip

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EDISON TEACHER AARON PINES, WHO LED LOS AMIGOS BASEBALL TO HISTORIC SEASON, DIES *PAGE A2*

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Mochinut, one of the new

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Dining collective aims to raise the bar with new additions

The Collage Culinary Experience recently welcomed Mochinut and Bruxie. More concepts are on the way in 2023.

BY SARAH MOSQUEDA

It has been two years since Collage Culinary Experience opened at South Coast Plaza's Bloomingdale's Wing. Founder Morgan Zhang promised to create an elevated dining collective with chef-driven concepts and international cuisine, and the space has indeed pulled some heavy

Collage is currently home to southern Chinese concept Paradise Dynasty, ramen shop Le Shrimp Ramen and Mah Jong's by Chef Mike.

Within the last six months, Collage has also welcomed two new eateries, with more slated to open in 2023.

Bruxie, a fried chicken and waffle sandwich concept, and Mochinut, a Japanese-inspired mochi doughnut concept, now have locations open at the collec-

Founded in 2010, Bruxie has locations in Brea, Orange, Santa Monica and North Hollywood and specializes in waffle sandwiches, stuffed with savory fillings like Nashville hot fried chicken and New York-deli-style pastrami and sweet flavors like Nutella and

banana or crème brulée. Mochinut is known for its rice



Criselda Yee Blossoms & Brass, PhoHolic

> Collage in early 2023. Blossoms & Brass, an artisanal cocktail-forward concept, will offer unique bar/café-style bites influenced by Japanese flavorprofiles and Italian style.

and Cha Redefine will all come to

Founded by Gordon Pham, PhoHolic's original location is in Little Saigon in Westminster, with a second location at the popular Rodeo 39 in Stanton, where it enjoyed rank as the number one tenant in terms of sales in 2021. PhoHolic serves the traditional Vietnamese soup in large stainless steel bowls, along with a half-sheet pan of accoutrements.

Cha Redefine is a tea and coffee

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flour mochi doughnuts that combine Japanese-style doughnuts with glazing techniques used on American donuts. Mochi donuts originated in Hawaii, and the rice flour gives them a satisfyingly chewy texture, different from that of a yeast or cake doughnut. Mochinut's doughnuts are made of a connected circle of eight dough balls and are available in flavors like chocolate, strawberry, matcha and taro. The menu also features Korean rice flour hot dogs, bubble tea drinks and soft-serve ice cream.

"Bruxie and Mochinut are

incredible additions to Collage, and we look forward to welcoming more exciting new concepts in 2023," Zhang said in a press

OBITUARY

Edison teacher, Los Amigos coach dies of cancer

Aaron Pines, who continued to coach while undergoing cancer treatment, was 34 years old.

BY MATT SZABO

Edison High teacher Aaron Pines, who led the Los Amigos High baseball team to their first league title in program history last spring, has died of cancer.

Pines died Friday, Edison Athletic Director Rich Boyce said. He was 34 years old and taught math at Edison.

"Just a great guy," Boyce said. "A big Dodger fan. Back when he was on leave, we used to text all of the time about the Dodgers. He was just one of those good people who was always there for other people and always doing the right thing. It's hard to put into words losing somebody at the age of 34 years old. It just boggles the mind."

Pines, who is survived by his wife Deriah, was first diagnosed with cancer on his tongue and neck in 2019. He had surgeries to remove it, and underwent chemotherapy and radiation concurrently in 2020. But then he found out last year that the cancer had spread to his lungs and pelvic bone.

He coached the Los Amigos baseball team for three years. Last spring, he led the Lobos to the Garden Grove League title and their first winning season since 2004. They won their first 11 games and finished 23-5, earning the top seed in the CIF Southern Section Division 7 playoffs before suffering an upset loss at Big Bear in the second round.

Aaron Pines did it all while undergoing cancer treatments at City of Hope in Duarte. His father Myron, a former longtime coach at Santiago, served as his assistant last spring. In league, Aaron got to coach against his brother, Greg, at Rancho Alamitos.

Former Edison baseball coach Cameron Chinn, who resigned after the 2021 season, helped out Aaron Pines at Los Amigos last spring. Pines formerly served as an assistant coach at Edison under Chinn.

"I think a lot of us assumed that when the cancer had gotten worse, about a year or a year and a half ago, that he wasn't going to be able to do it again last year," Chinn said. "But he found a way. You know, it's a passion, and I think it really kept him going. Not only did it inspire him to keep going, but I think it inspired the kids to give as much as they could. I think they understood, 'My gosh, he's out here fighting for his life, we have to fight for him too.'

"He would be there in a wheelchair or a walker most of the time. He didn't have the energy to move, but he would be dictating practices from the dugout as his dad was doing a lot of the assisting, along with a couple of other assistant coaches. But Aaron was definitely in charge."

It was that passion to stay on the field that amazed current Edison baseball coach Nick Cappuccilli, who played college baseball with Pines at Golden West. Pines, a Garden Grove High graduate, also played at Chapman University.

Cappuccilli kept up with Pines over the years, and both taught at Edison. He said his friend loved wrestling, and they would often meet up to watch World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE)



Photos by Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

LOS AMIGOS baseball coach Aaron Pines sits in the dugout following a game against Santiago on April 5.

events.

"That guy was in constant physical pain, and you could not get him off the field and out of the classroom," Cappuccilli said. "That's just a testament to who he is. He was there for his kids. There for his players, there for his students, and he was not going to be taken away from them.

"It's sad because sometimes I hear people say, 'He lost his battle with cancer.' I'll tell you, man, he didn't lose at all. He beat the hell out of that thing for three years. He's just such a great example of a fighter. It took a lot to keep him down."

Boyce said that every-



AARON PINES, left, talks to his brother Greg following a Garden Grove League baseball

game on May 17.

one at Edison became a Los Amigos baseball fan. After the Lobos won the league title last spring, people would go by his

room all the time to offer congratulations.

"We were all proud of him for that, but we just loved the guy," Boyce said. "He was such a good person."

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THE DAILY **COMMUTER PUZZLE**

By Jacqueline E. **Mathews**

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SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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

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For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A4.

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COMMENTARY | ALISON EDWARDS

Supervisors show county's determination to take bold steps to address racial inequities

he Orange County Board of Supervisors recently sent a clear public signal regarding racial inequities. Despite our county's global reputation of beauty and wealth, the board acknowledged a dangerous undercurrent that's threatened our ability to collectively thrive. Through resolution \$26D, they brought racism's damaging impact to the health and well-being of our communities of color into the "mainstream." Across political parties, voting districts and ethnic backgrounds, they acknowledged that critical systems such as housing, education, healthcare, employment, criminal justice and more, have not been fair or equitable for our Black, Latino, Indigenous, Asian American and Pacific Islander neigh-

During its meeting, the board adopted resolution S26D, declaring racism and inequity a public health crisis in Orange County. The resolution was submitted by Board Chairman Doug Chaffee and Supervisor Andrew Do — who represent both

sides of the aisle. While the resolution centers around public health, on so many levels, S26D is a breakthrough. It recognizes that the effects of racism and inequity are local - and can be life-ending. Whether expressed through physical or verbal attacks or unconscious bias, over time, the impact adds up to mental and physical health issues. Think depression, stress and anxiety, diabetes, heart disease, stroke and yes, death. These systemic inequities are universally linked, and until now, they've largely been accepted as "normal" - just the way things

The 2021 Orange County Hate Crimes Report, released in September of this year, reflects another year of increased hate activity in our community. The report outlines key statistics recorded during that year and shows a 165% increase in reported hate activity compared to data the county shared in 2017.

For reference, hate crimes, as defined by the California attorney general, include applying graffiti, vandalizing or setting fire to private property, physical violence against an individual, and criminal threat of violence against an individual or a group.

A hate incident is defined as distribution of non-threatening antisemitic flyers in a public place or the cowardly act of yelling racial slurs and "Black lives don't matter," from a passing vehicle. Hate incidents also include displaying anti-LGBTQ placards during a parade or funeral, writing a letter to an editor ridiculing people with disabili-



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MAXIM HEALTHCARE Services site manager Karen Hsu, right, stands with her team at the Orange County Fair for any walk-up guests who qualified for a COVID-19 vaccine in 2021.

ties, painting racist graffiti on a freeway overpass (police would categorize it as a crime but not a hate crime).

How much does Resolution S26D matter? Immensely. It reflects a significant shift to a greater collective mindset that our playing field is not level. Change is desperately needed, and now it's officially being

The resolution requires a drill down on the services provided to the county's underserved populations, ensuring that equity, diversity and inclusion are at the heart of those resources. It calls for more complete personnel training, greater public education and perhaps most important, expanded collaboration with community partners fighting racism. More frequent partnerships with the county will empower dedicated, passionate groups fighting to erase racism and inequity with new opportunities to make even more substantial and lasting change. This continued rise in hate means we've failed to create spaces of belonging, and that has fed the toxic systemic issues that prevent our entire society from thriving.

I remain confident and hopeful that our future together can be one that offers everyone a chance to belong, learn, access needed resources and support, grow and to live in health, peace and security.

ALISON EDWARDS is CEO of OC Human Relations, a nonprofit working to foster mutual understanding among residents and eliminate prejudice, intolerance and discrimination in order to make Orange County a better place for all people to live, work and do business.

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MESA WATER DISTRICT REGARDING POTENTIAL CHANGE IN DIRECTOR COMPENSATION **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023** 4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits. Mesa Water District **Boardroon**

1965 Placentia Avenue

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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.

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

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BSC 222672 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: TRACIL. MEDIC 30-2022-01296013-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: TRACIL. MEDICI.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CRAIG D. MEDICI in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CRAIG D. MEDICI 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.

 $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{A}}\ \boldsymbol{\mathsf{HEARING}}$ on the petition will be held on February 01, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. C8 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701

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

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court

Attorney for the Petitioner: KIT NATLAND, ESQ NATLAND LAW

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www.innovativefieldservices.com, using the Trustee Sale number listed above. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. All right, title and interest under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment in the property situated in said County, describing the land as follows: as more fully described in the above referenced Notice of Delinquent Assessment. The street address and other common designation, if any of the real property described above is purported to be: 324 Tangelo #325 Irvine, Ca 92618 This sale is subject to a 90-day right of redemption pursuant to Civil Code 5715. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum due under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment, with interest thereon, as provided in said notice, advances, if any, reasonably estimated fees, charges, and expenses of the Trustee, reasonably estimated to be \$15,634.56. Accrued Interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The claimant, Orange Tree Condominium Owners Association, under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Notice to tenant: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 714-893-9919, or visit this internet website www.innovativefieldservices.com, using the file number assigned to this case DO 1020001ACT to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. The Trustee authorized by the Association to enforce the lien by sale is MLG Assessment Recovery, LLC, 166 W. Ramsey St., Banning, Ca, 92220; phone (714) 893-9919. For Sales information please call: 949-860-9155 visit this Web

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Courtesy of Collage Culinary Experience

COLLAGE CULINARY EXPERIENCE at South Coast Plaza added a pair of new eateries in 2022.

RAISE

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shop founded by tea enthusiasts and offers exclusive premium tea blends from Asia. Tea bases include blends like Sri Lanka Ceylon black tea and Fu Jian An Xi Oolong

The new offerings will round out Zhang's vision of creating a food collective, rather than another food hall.

"As a one-stop shop for elevated local and international cuisine, we plan to continue raising the bar with unique worldinspired dining experiences," said Zhang.

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VISITORS JUMP over a break in the puddle formed in the sand as a light rain begins to fall at Aliso Beach Park in Laguna Beach on Tuesday.

STORM

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currents were likely along the shore, and waves may rise to as high as 8 feet or taller at west-facing beaches.

Southern California will begin to dry out Wednesday afternoon. But a more powerful storm will reach the region this weekend,

with its heaviest downpours forecast for late Saturday evening, Dec. 31, according to forecasts. That means some major fireworks displays to celebrate the new year, like one hosted at Disneyland in Anaheim, may have to be canceled.

Cloudy skies and belowaverage temperatures should linger through the week and into the start of 2023. On Friday, daytime highs were forecast to peak at just 59 degrees in Laguna Beach, 60 degrees in Huntington Beach, 61 degrees in Newport Beach and 62 degrees in Costa Mesa and Fountain Valley. Temperatures were expected to drop into the low 50s after dark.

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TRAVELERS

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departures and arrivals at John Wavne Airport were grounded. That left thousands stranded. stayed at the travel hub in hopes of hopping on a different plane, but there had been no reports of extreme crowding at JWA so far, airport spokeswoman Anna-Sophia Servin said Tuesday.

Some were in the midst of travel and wound up at the terminal trying to figure things out," Servin said.

As many as 99 of the Southwest's flights in and out of LAX and 170 going through San Diego International Airport were also dropped.

Cancellations and delays amid this year's holiday travel season were largely the results of Winter Storm Elliott, which battered the eastern half of the U.S. More than 30 people died as snow trapped some in their homes and high winds led to power outages subzero temperatures.

Southwest dropped flights amid the storm "to protect the integrity of the entire Southwest Network, and to limit prolonged exposure in dangerous working conditions," airline representatives wrote in a statement. On Tuesday, it announced that only about a third of the flights scheduled would actually take off that day. Over 2,900 of its trips had also been canceled on Monday.

"With consecutive days of extreme winter weather across our network behind us, continuing challenges are impacting our Customers and Employees in a significant way that is unacceptable," Southwest representatives wrote Tuesday.

The airline is rescheduling flights for those affected by cancellations. More information can be found at southwest.com/travel disruption/.

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