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A WINNEBAGO RV and the surrounding area were destroyed by a fire in a mobile home park in Newport Beach on Wednesday morning.

## Blaze in Newport Beach guts three mobile homes

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Three mobile homes were destroyed and three others damaged, but no major injuries were reported in a Newport Beach fire that erupted Wednesday morning, authorities said.

The Newport Beach Fire Department responded to reports of the fire at around 9:35 a.m. at the Beach/Bay Mobile Home Port at 7204 West Coast Hwy.

Additional crews were called in as the smoke could be seen from a distance, and the incident was escalated to a second alarm fire, according to Newport Beach Fire Department spokesman Josh Leith, who said the fire was put out by 10:08 a.m.

Plumes of gray smoke could be seen rising overhead as motorists sped down the roadway until Newport Beach police shut down the westbound lanes at 10 a.m.

"The wind was out of the west, but [it] still was light because of the time of day. Had the west wind been stronger, it could have been a lot worse," Leith said. "All crews did an outstanding job with their initial attack, and in protecting adjacent structures and potential wildland exposures [to the fire]."

The Huntington Beach and Costa Mesa fire departments assisted in putting out the flames while Huntington and Fountain Valley firefighters helped cover stations elsewhere in Newport Beach. Fifteen fire units in all were deployed, in addition to six police units, the latter to direct traffic, according to officials.



EIGHT ADULTS and one child have been displaced by a fire at Beach/Bay Mobile Home Port.

City staff from the Public Works Department were on hand to help mitigate environmental impacts.

One individual was transported to the hospital for issues unrelated to the incident, and all affected tenants of the park were evacuated. Twenty-eight mobile homes escaped damages, Leith said.

Eight adults and one child were displaced by the fire, according to the Red Cross,

which was deployed to help those who lost their homes.

Traffic on West Coast Highway was fully reopened at around 2:45 p.m. according to notices from the Newport Beach Police Department. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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## \$27M in upgrades coming to Mesa View

While work is underway, students and faculty will spend the year at an interim site, the former Sun View Elementary.

BY MATT SZABO

The Ocean View School District is ready for its next school modernization project.

The district held a groundbreaking ceremony for the renovation of Mesa View Middle School in Huntington Beach on Monday.

Improvements to the campus, which officials estimated will total \$27 million, will include a single point of entry to the school. Video cameras and a touch button control will allow access into the office when school begins.

Entryway arches will be a highlight of the modernization, OVSD Board of Trustees President Patricia Singer said.

"We're really excited," Singer said. "The decorative arches are going to be really a welcoming entry for all students as they walk through the campus. Obviously, there will be a single point of entry to ensure the kids are safe at

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## Officials mark first phase to improve channel

Project aims to reduce flood risks for 4,500 homes, businesses built on Orange County's largest floodplain.

BY SARA CARDINE

County officials Tuesday convened in Huntington Beach to celebrate the revitalization of a 1-mile segment of a flood control channel, a vital first step in a \$250-million collaboration with federal partners to reduce Orange County's flood risk.

During an on-site news conference near a portion of the East Garden Grove-Wintersburg channel north of Warner Avenue, between Goldenwest and Springdale streets, Orange County Board of Supervisors Vice Chair Andrew Do explained the significance of the project.

"We are standing in Orange County's largest floodplain. [It]

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## Fountain Valley eyes street vendor operations

Study session looks at activity, requirements to operate as a vendor or solicitor in the city.

BY ANDREW TURNER

The operations of street vendors and solicitors drew the focus of the Fountain Valley City Council Tuesday during a study

session held prior to the panel's regular meeting.

Under current practices, Fountain Valley street vendors must fill out an application and pay a fee of \$144, according to Daniel Lopez, a finance staffer for the city who presented the information to the council. They also are required to pay for a business license, disclose the type of product they will be sell-

ing and provide the location from which they will be operating.

Street peddlers are subject to inspection by code enforcement officials, as well as fire and police department personnel. Sidewalk vending is prohibited in residential areas, and such businesses cannot operate between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.

Lopez said there are four ac-

tive permits for street vendors in the city: three fruit vendors and one tamale vendor.

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Grandis asked what regulations are in place regarding street vendors setting up near a city event. Lopez noted the vendors have to keep a certain distance from such events to ensure that they

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## Revelers gather to celebrate Pride at Laguna Beach's Lang Park

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach Pride 365 brought the glitz and the glam to the coast this weekend, as the organization hosted its Pride festival at Lang Park on Saturday.

Hundreds made their way to the event, held on the grass field overlooking the Pacific. Organizers were hoping that scheduling around well-known pride events would bring in a large crowd.

"Last year, we had our pride event in August," Craig Cooley, president of Laguna Beach Pride 365 said. "What happens is there's all the big events that go on, and a lot of them, they try to have during Pride Month. Long Beach just had theirs this last week, but most of them have

them during Pride Month [June]. ... We put ours in August, which is kind of closer to the end of the summer. It works well for us. I wouldn't call it late. I'd just say it's planned. It's not such a highly compressed time with so many other events going on that we get ignored. That's the strategy."

Cooley said the festival saw approximately 775 attendees, the majority of which he said came from nearby communities.

The seven-hour extravaganza saw a bounty of live entertainment. DJ Eduardo OMG dropped some beats, and then drag queens Cucu Chanel and Klassy Jean Kouture were tasked with getting the party started.

Jackette Knightley emceed the

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DRAG QUEEN Cucu Chanel gets a tip as she performs during the Laguna Beach Pride Festival at Lang Park on Saturday.

James Carbone

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FRI, SEP 1  
**BANG TANGO**



SAT, SEP 16  
**THE FENIANS**

- 8/18 SPYRO GYRA
- 8/19 MADELEINE PEYROUX
- 8/23 JEFF "SKUNK" BAXTER
- 8/25 SUPER DIAMOND (NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE)
- 8/26 SUPER DIAMOND (NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE)
- 8/31 GILBY CLARKE AND THE KEEF RICHARDS
- 9/1 BANG TANGO / ENUFF Z'NUFF
- 9/2 THE PETTY BREAKERS (TOM PETTY TRIBUTE)
- 9/8 YACHTY BY NATURE AMERICA'S SMOOTHEST YACHT ROCK BAND
- 9/13 SAMANTHA FISH / ERIC JOHANSON
- 9/14 THE MAN IN BLACK (JOHNNY CASH TRIBUTE)
- 9/15 DON McLEAN  
'THE AMERICAN PIE' 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR
- 9/16 THE FENIANS - HALF WAY TO ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- 9/17 BENISE: FIESTA!
- 9/20 PHANTOM PLANET / RANGLIFE
- 9/21 KEIKO MATSUI
- 9/22 AL STEWART / THE EMPTY POCKETS
- 9/23 BEATLES VS STONES  
- A MUSICAL SHOWDOWN
- 9/24 MOLLY HATCHET
- 9/25 DAVE MASON
- 9/28 KOFI BAKER'S CREAM FAITH
- 9/29 JOHN WAITE
- 9/30 GARRISON KEILLOR TONIGHT
- 10/5 GEOFF TATE / IVORY LAKE /  
PLUS SPECIAL GUEST MARK DALY & THE RAVENS
- 10/6 BULLETTYOYS  
WITH SPECIAL GUESTS XYZ
- 10/7 RONDSTADT REVIVAL (LINDA RONDSTADT TRIBUTE)
- 10/8 LOUIE CRUZ BELTRAN
- 10/12 CRYSTAL BOWERSOX / TAYLOR RAE
- 10/13 DESPERADO (EAGLES TRIBUTE)
- 10/14 DESPERADO (EAGLES TRIBUTE)
- 10/15 JOURNEYMAN (ERIC CLAPTON TRIBUTE)
- 10/18 FUNNIEST HOUSEWIVES (COMEDY SHOW)
- 10/19 PAT TRAVERS BAND
- 10/22 MIKE PETERS PRESENTS THE ALARM ACOUSTIC



WED, SEP 20  
**PHANTOM PLANET**



THU, SEP 21  
**KEIKO MATSUI**



SUN, SEP 24  
**MOLLY HATCHET**



MON, SEP 25  
**DAVE MASON**

- 10/25 CHRISTOPHER CROSS
- 10/27 PIANO MEN (BILLY JOEL AND ELTON JOHN TRIBUTE)
- 10/29 MARTIN SEXTON
- 10/31 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS
- 11/1 RIDERS IN THE SKY  
(ACOUSTIC WESTERN COWBOY MUSIC AND HUMOR)
- 11/2 ZEBRA
- 11/3 LED ZEPAGAIN (LED ZEPPELIN TRIBUTE)
- 11/4 LED ZEPAGAIN (LED ZEPPELIN TRIBUTE)
- 11/5 BEN OTTEWELL / IAN BALL
- 11/8 RODNEY CROWELL
- 11/9 THE YOUNG DUBLINERS
- 11/10 WHICH ONE'S PINK?  
"WISH YOU WERE HERE"
- 11/11 WHICH ONE'S PINK?  
"DARK SIDE OF THE MOON"
- 11/12 WISHBONE ASH
- 11/15 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE)
- 11/16 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE)
- 11/18 ABBAFAB (ABBA TRIBUTE)
- 11/19 COCO MONTOYA
- 11/22 QRST (QUEEN/RUSH/STYX TRIBUTE)
- 11/26 ARETHA  
STARRING CHARITY LOCKHART
- 11/30 THE MUSICAL BOX  
- SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND
- 12/1 THE MUSICAL BOX  
- SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND
- 12/2 LEE ROCKER OF THE STRAY CATS
- 12/8 GENE LOVES JEZEBEL /  
BOW WOW WOW
- 12/16 GARY HOEY'S ROCKIN HOLIDAY SHOW
- 12/22 AMBROSIA: A VERY SPECIAL HOLIDAY SHOW
- 2/14 OTTMAR LIEBERT & LUNA NEGRA
- 4/14 THE FABULOUS THUNDERBIRDS



SAT, SEP 30  
**GARRISON KEILLOR**



THU, OCT 5  
**GEOFF TATE**



FRI, OCT 6  
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## THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

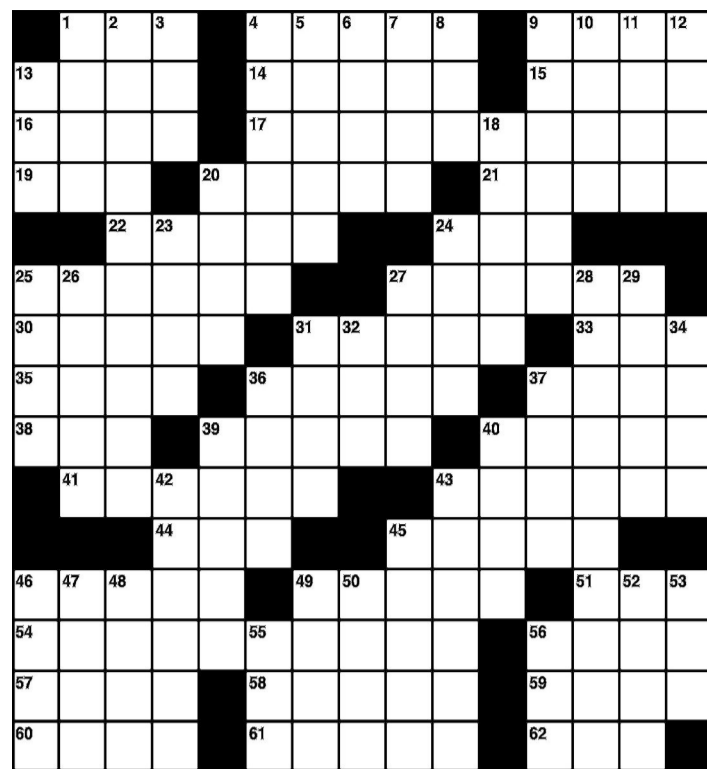
By Jacqueline E. Mathews

### ACROSS

- 1 Gift topper
- 4 Flabbergast
- 9 Gateway \_; St. Louis landmark
- 13 Divan
- 14 Use Crayolas
- 15 Legend
- 16 Nixon & Boone
- 17 In \_ to; against
- 19 Common verb
- 20 Salad veggie
- 21 Obeys
- 22 Lunch hours
- 24 Calendar pg.
- 25 Tin & titanium
- 27 Sparkling
- 30 Hard to tell apart
- 31 "Cagney & \_"
- 33 Chatterbox's gift
- 35 Candied \_; sweet side dish
- 36 Beauty marks
- 37 Bogeyman
- 38 Feasted
- 39 Unbending
- 40 Contented sounds
- 41 Word with sale or tax
- 43 Walks leisurely
- 44 Big success
- 45 Roles
- 46 Zorro's weapon
- 49 Dried fruit
- 51 Pig's digs
- 54 Submission to an editor
- 56 In \_ straits; desperate
- 57 Finds a purpose for
- 58 Misrepresent
- 59 Dutch \_; cast-iron pot
- 60 Deep wound
- 61 Be in a bee
- 62 Seventh letter

### DOWN

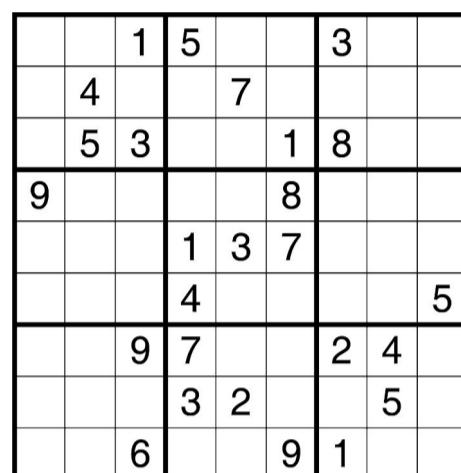
- 1 Wild hog
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- 3 TV's "How the



## 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](http://sudoku.org.uk).



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A6.

- West \_ Won"
- 4 Squirrel's stash
- 5 Wears a long face
- 6 "Heidi" setting
- 7 Animal parks
- 8 Trauma ctrs.
- 9 Clothing
- 10 Weather forecast
- 11 Clumsy fellow
- 12 Cacklers
- 13 Jacuzzi
- 18 Suggest indirectly
- 20 Nat or Natalie
- 23 Thousand \_ CA
- 24 Grows gray
- 25 Angelou or

- Rudolph
- 26 Make joyful
- 27 \_ a test; got an A
- 28 Pushy
- 29 Word in a proposal
- 31 Theater section
- 32 Muhammad \_
- 34 Mamie's predecessor
- 36 Barack's 2012 opponent
- 37 Depose
- 39 Sudden attacks
- 40 Skin opening
- 42 Garden songbird
- 43 Fireplace shelf
- 45 Part of the eye
- 46 Self-righteous
- 47 Sinatra's "It \_ Very Good Year"
- 48 Change for a five
- 49 Abbr. in some high school names
- 50 Make angry
- 52 Family diagram
- 53 Craving
- 55 "Ghosts" network
- 56 Woofer

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## FOR THE RECORD

A story published on Saturday, Aug. 12, incorrectly stated that the \$1 million to mitigate wildfire hazards in the Bommer Canyon Preserve in Irvine came from the California Natural Resources Agency. It came from the state budget.

## VENDOR

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do not cut into the business of those brought in for the occasion.

"Depending on what it is, we definitely want to police it," Lopez said. "They're around the area, but they have to keep a certain distance from the event. We have the snack bar over at the softball fields. They can't be anywhere near that area, so the code does actually prohibit where they can be."

Police Chief Matt Shepard said the Orange County Health Care Agency has taken the lead in enforcement against unlawful street vendors. He suggested the city could team up with health officials to that effect.

"We know that Santa Ana and Tustin are working with the health care agency," Sheppard said. "They formed a task force amongst their cities and the health care agency. They're going out on regular-scheduled time periods, and they're targeting the unlawful street vendors, and they're shutting them down."

"They did warn us that, 'because we're doing activity in our cities, they may pop up in your cities,' so that's one of the things that we can do. In the future, we could do some scheduled, routine operations with the health care agency. ... We'll bring our code enforcement officer out, pair them up with a police officer, and put them together with the health care agency and go around and hit

some of the locations in the city. It won't impact regular services."

The city requires solicitors to fill out an application and pay a nonrefundable fee of \$315. Applicants must submit to fingerprinting and provide proof of identification and a business license. Solicitors must also receive police chief approval.

Persons who have been convicted of a felony would be disqualified from obtaining a permit. Approved solicitors engage in related interactions between the hours of 9 a.m. and one hour before sunset.

There are currently no permitted solicitors in the city, Lopez added.

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## UPGRADES

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all times, but I think just completely redesigning the space with an open concept will be really great."

A redesigned front office will afford a view of the student lunch area, which itself will be upgraded with a permanent shade shelter.

Mesa View will also have a newly designed multipurpose/food service facility for students, as well as hallway access to classrooms.

"Currently, they don't have that," Singer said. "I think that's going to be a welcoming new setting for the kiddos, bringing more natural light into the classrooms."

Permanent heating and air-conditioning systems will also be a part of the upgraded technology, along with new carpeting, painting, electrical systems and lighting, Supt. Michael

Conroy said. "There's no change to the building envelope," Conroy said. "Everything is on the inside."

However, Conroy noted that the parking lot entryway will be redesigned, including sprucing up the community garden.

Mesa View's modernization is scheduled to be complete by the fall of 2024. This school year, the Mesa View students and faculty will be at the interim site, which was formerly Sun View Elementary.

The Mesa View improvements will mark the sixth Ocean View School District school to be modernized through Measure R, the \$169-million bond passed by voters in 2016.

"This is the next one, and we're excited because this is one of our largest middle schools that our GATE kids attend," Singer said.

The district is planning a reopening ceremony for

Star View Elementary, which was modernized last school year, in September.

There are currently no other OVSD schools on the scheduled modernization list, but Singer said that could change depending on how much Measure R money is left and whether the district will be forced to close schools due to declining enrollment. A superintendent's schools task force continues to meet regularly, with recommendations on possible school closures to be presented to the board at its Oct. 24 meeting.

"It's not necessarily the last Measure R project," Singer said. "There are still some Measure R funds left, we just have to figure out exactly how much that would be and what we would be doing next with it."

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**HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP**

## Newport Harbor girls' volleyball wins opener

Freshman outside hitter Ella Olson starred in her first high school match with 19 kills, leading the Newport Harbor High girls' volleyball team to a 25-21, 25-18, 25-23 win over host Trabuco Hills on Tuesday.

Vladimira Kotzakov, another freshman outside hitter, had 10 kills for the Sailors. Senior middle blocker Zoe Gaa added nine kills, while senior setter Drue Coberly handed out 33 assists.

Newport Harbor travels to take on Woodbridge on

Thursday.

**Costa Mesa 3, Bolsa Grande 2:** Junior Aubrey Spallone paced the Mustangs with 21 kills in a 25-21, 24-26, 25-12, 25-27, 15-11 win on Tuesday at Bolsa Grande High.

Senior Kaitlyn Yagerlener chipped in with seven kills for Costa Mesa in its season opener. Junior Avalei Seanoa added five service aces.

Costa Mesa plays its first home match against Westminster La Quinta on Thursday.

**JSerra 3, Laguna Beach**



**NEWPORT HARBOR'S** Drue Coberly (6), seen against Orange Lutheran last September, had 33 assists for the Sailors in Tuesday's win over Trabuco Hills.

James Carbone

**0:** The Breakers went down in straight sets by a count of 25-18, 25-17, 25-14 on Tuesday in a non-league season opener at home.

Kyra Zaengle had a team-high 11 kills for Laguna Beach. Baylie Bina, Sadie Holmes and Sara Johnson each had two total blocks.

**Pacifica Christian Orange County 3, Los Angeles Immaculate Heart 2:** The visiting Tritons rallied for a 17-25, 12-25, 25-21, 25-15, 15-8 win in their season opener on Monday. Junior outside hitter Chara Wondercheck had 14 kills to lead Pacifica Christian. Sophomore outside hitter Emma Hartman produced 12 kills, and junior libero Charlotte Carlson provided 15 digs defensively.

— Andrew Turner

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### CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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