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DWIGHT HANSON of the U.S. Marine Corps escorts Maria Simpson, a Gold Star mother of Marine Lance Cpl. Abraham Simpson, during the honorary wreath-laying celebration during the 69th annual Memorial Day ceremony at Harbor Lawn-Mt. Olive Memorial Park in Costa Mesa.

Families, veterans honor fallen on Memorial Day

At Harbor Lawn-Mt. Olive Memorial Park and Mortuary on Monday the public turned out to honor the memory of fallen members of the U.S. armed forces during the 69th annual Memorial Day ceremony hosted by the Freedom Committee of Orange County.

The ceremony included a parade of military flags, the posting of colors, an honorary wreath laying, a rifle salute and the release of doves, in addition to musical selections by the Orange Empire Chorus.

This year's keynote speaker was Col. Wayne Scott, who served for 29 years as a communications and information officer in the U.S. Air Force. Scott retired in November 2005.

Two flyovers were featured as part of the event, which included the 146th Airlift Wing of the state National Guard and Dawn Patrol.

The Costa Mesa commemoration was one of several coastal Orange County gatherings to mark the somber holiday.

— Lilly Nguyen



A BOY SCOUT from Troop 711 of Orange County plants a U.S. flag for the Memorial Day ceremony Monday in Costa Mesa, one of several cities in Orange County hosting events to mark the holiday.

OCC marks 75 years, honors '23 grads

More than 1.5 million students have enrolled in courses at Orange Coast College since its first class in 1947 of 500.

BY SARA CARDINE

Getting a jump on the local graduation season, Orange Coast College Friday celebrated the accomplishments of some 1,800 graduates during a spirited commencement ceremony held at Costa Mesa's Orange County fairgrounds.

Family members and loved ones packed the stands at the site's Pacific Amphitheatre, as administrators conferred more than 3,800 associate's degrees and certificates of achievement upon the Class of 2023 on what is the school's 75th anniversary.

President Angelica Suarez shared with the audience that the school's first graduating class in 1947 comprised just 500 students. Today, more than 1.5 million students have taken classes at the Costa Mesa community college.

"Good things that are valuable and beautiful take time," she told a crowd of thousands, after taking a selfie with the audience on her cellphone. "Great things however take more than time — they require perseverance, commitment and flexibility. This is the story of OCC."

Suarez introduced student Nancy Estrada, who graced Fri-

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ALSO FROM THE DAILY PILOT:



Courtesy of Cyndie Borcoman

ADOPTION GUILD TENNIS TOURNAMENT DRAWS A CROWD IN NEWPORT BEACH

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CAROLYN BARRETT, Ellen Norris and Julia Dupps sample wine from the Duckhorn Portfolio at the Newport Beach Wine & Spirits Festival.

Spirits lively over weekend at wine festival in Newport

Merriment ran freely on Saturday and Sunday as the Newport Beach Wine & Spirits Festival returned to the Balboa Bay Resort over Memorial Day weekend.

The festival, marking its 18th year, featured more than 60 dif-

ferent vendors and included not only drinks aplenty but bites and live music.

Participating vendors included DAOU, 818 Tequila and other similar brands for guests to sample. The price of admission was \$145 for one day and \$215 for



Photos by Susan Hoffman

KRISSEY NARDECCHIA, Bryan Zatica and Lisa VanCourt, from left, toasted with Maestry Dobel tequila during the Newport Beach Wine & Spirits Festival at the Balboa Bay Resort on Saturday.

both days. The festival opened Friday evening with a special wine dinner.

"This is one of our favorite weekends of the year," said Jason Hsieh, food and beverage director at Balboa Bay Resort, in a statement. "With such great views

here, it's the perfect destination to enjoy a glass of wine or sample some tequilas or spirits."

New to this year's festivities was the Macallan Speyside Lounge, where guests were able to sample a few cocktails made from the brand's single malt Scotch

whiskey in a "speakeasy" setting, as part of a collaboration between the resort and Macallan this year. Also present this weekend were aerial silk performers among a number of other activities.

— Lilly Nguyen

A WORD, PLEASE | JUNE CASAGRANDE

Can 'either' refer to more than one thing? Sometimes

"Every outfit I tried on was either too casual, too loud or too frumpy."

A funny thing about language: When you use it without thinking, you usually do just fine. It's only when you stop and question words, grammar and meaning that you realize you don't understand some element of the language as well as you thought you did.

I was reminded of this recently when someone asked me about "either" to introduce three things, as it does in the sentence about the outfits. Doesn't "either," by definition, refer to a choice between exactly two things? A statement is either true or false. A protagonist is either good or bad. Your car either runs or it doesn't.

So how can "either" set up three things?

Well, according to some people, it can't. Merriam Webster's Dictionary of English Usage lists 10 grammar experts who, in the early 1900s, started saying it's wrong to use "either" to refer to more than two things. Oddly, grammar experts in the mid- to late-1800s had no problem with it, but this new crop of scolds started a trend.

There's a flaw in their logic, as Merriam's points out: The experts who say "either" must refer to only two things don't take into account that it can be a pronoun, an adjective or a conjunction, and it works differently in each role.

In "Either road gets you there," it's modifying "road," so it's an adjective. In this role, "either" means there are just two things. So from "Either road gets

you there," you can rightly infer that you have only two roads to choose from.

"Either" is a pronoun when it's the subject of a verb, as in "Either gets you there." And when it's a pronoun, "either" means you're talking about two things, in this case, two roads.

But in "Every outfit was either too casual, too loud or too frumpy," "either" is a conjunction because it's working as a "function word," as Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary puts it. Their definition shows that this form of "either" is different from the pronoun and adjective forms: "Used as a function word before two or more coordinate words, phrases, or clauses joined usually by 'or' to indicate that what immediately follows is the first of two or more alternatives."

See how "two or more" comes up twice in this definition? That's why our sentence about outfits is OK: because the possibility of three or more things is baked right into this meaning of "either."

A more common question about "either" is whether it can take a plural verb, as in "It was not a subject on which either of them were fond of dwelling." Some people would say "were" is wrong there because "either" is singular and that, therefore, singular "was" is the only correct option. That's a good policy. "Either" usually works best with a singular verb. But it can also take a plural verb when that fits your meaning best, as proven by the example above from "Sense and Sensibility" by Jane Austen.

The same question comes up a lot with "nei-



Liz Moughon
Los Angeles Times

"EVERY OUTFIT I tried on was either too casual, too loud or too frumpy" is grammatical, writes June Casagrande, despite an arbitrary admonition by grammar experts against using "either" to refer to more than two things.

ther." Does it require a singular verb, "Neither is coming on Tuesday"? Or can you use a plural verb: "Neither are coming on Tuesday"? Experts seem to agree that the singular is usually better, but when the plural seems more natural, it's fine too.

Like "either," "neither" can refer to three or more things, but it usually works with "nor" instead of "or": This outfit is neither flattering nor comfortable.

But not always. Usage guides cite numerous examples of top writers using "or" with "neither," including Jane Austen, who wrote in "Mansfield Park": "... if a man is neither to take orders with a living or without ..."

JUNE CASAGRANDE is the author of "The Joy of Syntax: A Simple Guide to All the Grammar You Know You Should Know."

Huntington Beach man, 51, killed in hit-and-run crash

BY ERIC LICAS

A 51-year-old pedestrian was struck and killed by a vehicle in Huntington Beach early Monday morning, and police are searching for the driver involved in the crash.

The fatal hit-and-run collision happened on Beach Boulevard, north of Knoxville Avenue, Hunting-

ton Beach police said in a news release.

Officers were summoned there at about 4 a.m. regarding reports of an injured pedestrian.

They found a Huntington Beach man who was pronounced dead at the scene. His identity was withheld pending the notification of relatives.

Investigators believe the

man who died was hit in northbound lanes, but they were not immediately able to provide a description of the vehicle that struck him.

Anyone with information about the crash is asked to contact Traffic Investigator D. Demetre at (714) 536-5670.

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Courtesy of Orange Coast College

ORANGE COAST College Professor Kelli Elliot, an Orange County Teacher of the Year, speaks Friday during the school's 75th commencement ceremony.

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day's stage alongside son and fellow graduate Adam Garcia to receive her associate's in arts for transfer in Spanish.

Having taken classes since 2016, she plans to attend Cal State Long Beach in the fall and study Spanish, with hopes of becoming a high school Spanish teacher.

The 44-year-old Santa Ana resident is the first of seven siblings, born to parents who migrated to the U.S. from Mexico in the

1970s, to attend college. Yet her educational journey might have ended in high school were it not for Garcia.

Although her son was diagnosed at 17 with an untreatable brain malformation, he worked to overcome his challenges and one day announced his plan to attend OCC. At that moment, Estrada said, she decided if he could do it, so could she.

"I worked so hard so that I may walk with my hero when he graduates," she said, blowing a kiss to Garcia in the audience.

She offered this piece of

advice for others like her, who may be uncertain of their future or contemplating a return to pursuing academic dreams.

"There are 84,600 seconds in a day, but it takes only one second to change your life," Estrada said, holding up a single finger. "Adam, without knowing it, took that one second and changed my life."

"Class of 2023, you have the power to transform lives," she continued. "Be that life-changing moment for others."

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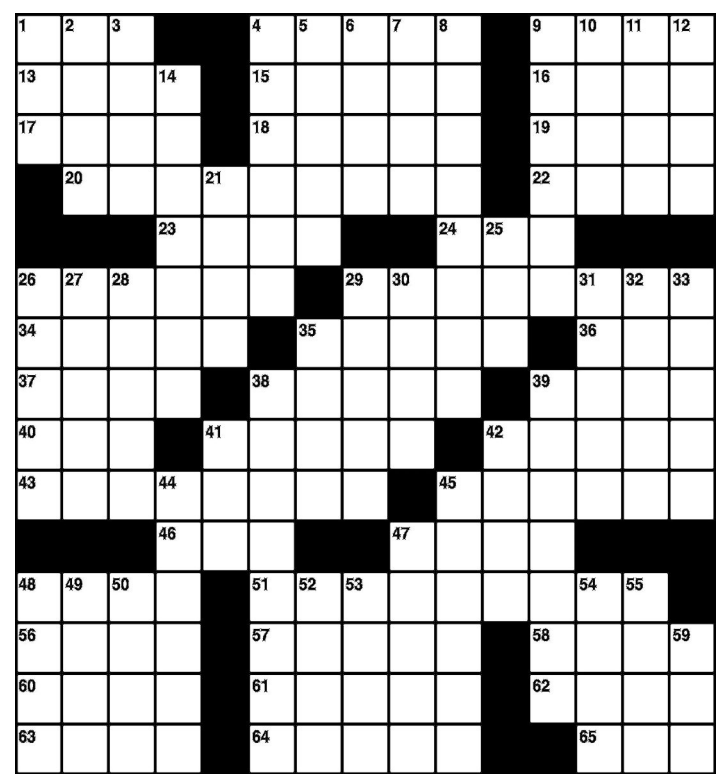
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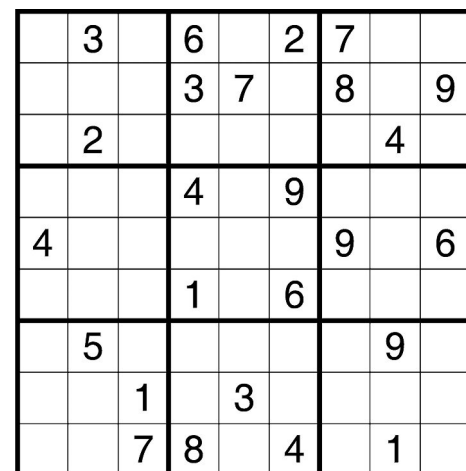
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- 9 Big party
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- 15 Poet T. S. _
- 16 Do as told
- 17 Headfirst plunge
- 18 Get stuck
- 19 Grand _; 4-run homer
- 20 Neighbor of Kentucky
- 22 Small seabird
- 23 Observes
- 24 In favor of
- 26 Planetary paths
- 29 Sanctity
- 34 Drives out
- 35 _ away; disappeared
- 36 Sever
- 37 "_ noted!"; "I hear & understand"
- 38 _ over; delivers
- 39 "_ Miner's Daughter"; Spacek film
- 40 Word attached to plant or head
- 41 Eating utensils
- 42 Italian resort isle
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- 45 Most offended
- 46 Doesn't _ up; makes no sense
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- 48 Light source
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- 57 Universe
- 58 Old ladies?
- 60 Finished
- 61 Bang or boom
- 62 Tiny parasites
- 63 Specks



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.



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

- 64 Contemptuous look
- 65 Music from Jamaica
- DOWN**
- 1 No longer a spring chicken
- 2 Bide one's time
- 3 "Saturday Night _"
- 4 Free-for-alls
- 5 At _ for words; speechless
- 6 Can tops
- 7 Opera box
- 8 Spires
- 9 U.S. state capital
- 10 Qualified
- 11 Burn the surface of
- 12 "Ave Maria," e.g.
- 14 Thickness

- 21 Brooklyn team
- 25 Get _ of; dump
- 26 Command
- 27 Cheek coloring
- 28 Stick out
- 29 Actor Tom _
- 30 Likelihood
- 31 Wed secretly
- 32 Skyrockets
- 33 Divide
- 35 Actor Jamie
- 38 Square dances
- 39 Flan topping
- 41 Floral delivery svc.
- 42 Police officers
- 44 Third-largest Italian city
- 45 More melancholy
- 47 One of the vital signs
- 48 Alan or Cheryl
- 49 Ending for peek or bug
- 50 Ship or pay suffix
- 52 Night light
- 53 Soft cheese
- 54 WWII power
- 55 Whiplash site
- 59 Mermaid's home

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Trio arrested in two suspected crimes near Seal Beach Pier

BY ERIC LICAS

A motorist peeled over a parking stop to escape two men banging on his vehicle during an attempted robbery near Seal Beach Pier, and police suspect the same pair and the woman acting as their driver robbed another at knife-point before they were arrested Friday.

The crimes happened in the area of the pier and parking lot on 10th Street, Seal Beach police said in a news release. Responding officers found two separate victims.

One told them a black Honda pulled into the lot and stopped behind him, blocking his vehicle into a parking spot, police said. Two men got out and tried to confront the victim, but he ran into his car and locked the doors.

The suspects allegedly slashed his rear tire and were banging on his windows, police said. The victim drove forward and over a parking stop to get away from them.

The other victim said he was approached by the same two men shortly afterward, police said. The pair opened both front

doors of his car, and one of them repeatedly punched him in the head as the other drew a knife and took the motorist's wallet, according to police.

Officers later spotted a vehicle matching the description of the suspects' heading north on Seal Beach Boulevard. The victims recognized the men and women inside, police said, and the latter were allegedly in possession of property from the second victim's wallet.

Investigators suspect Anthony Fuentes, 23, of Anaheim, was the man who slashed the first victim's tires, and Carlos Cifuentes, 22, of Garden Grove, was the person who punched the second victim. Both were booked on suspicion of robbery. Fuentes has also been accused of vandalism.

Police believe Wendy Guzman, 22, of Orange was their driver and booked her on suspicion of being an accessory to a felony after the fact. She and Fuentes had been released on bond, while Cifuentes remained in custody as of Tuesday evening.

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FOR THE RECORD

In the Saturday, May 27 edition, a sports story incorrectly stated Fairleigh Dickinson was the first No. 16 seed to beat a No. 1 seed in the NCAA men's basketball tournament. Fairleigh Dickinson was second, joining the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

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If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA05000091-22-1. 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 Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 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 916.939.0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA05000091-22-1 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: May 12, 2023 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA05000091-22-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Bernardo Sotelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0435109 To: NEWPORT HARBOR NEWS PRESS COMBINED WITH DAILY PILOT 05/24/2023, 05/31/2023, 06/07/2023

Legal Notices

BSC 223399 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: RAY D. AGOSTINO, aka RAY AGOSTINO 30-2023-01325571-PR-PW-CMC
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **RAY D. AGOSTINO, aka RAY AGOSTINO.** A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **RANDY FINEFROCK**, in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.** THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **RANDY FINEFROCK** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on **June 21, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM5** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626
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 hearing. 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 clerk. Attorney for the Petitioner: MICHAEL J. GERTNER, ESQ. ATTORNEY AT LAW 20241 SW BIRCH ST., STE 100 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 Published in the NEWPORT HARBOR NEWS PRESS combined with the DAILY PILOT on: 5/24, 5/26 & 5/31/2023

BSC 223404 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: WILLIAM K. DAVIS 30-2023-01325911-PR-OP-CMC
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **WILLIAM K. DAVIS.** A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **The Northern Trust Company** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.** THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **The Northern Trust Company** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on **June 21, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM5** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC Sec. 6105) Escrow No. 23-38847-JY
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: **THE HELLO PICNIC COMPANY LLC, P.O. BOX #298, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92662** Doing Business as: **THE HELLO PICNIC COMPANY LLC** 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: **STARGATE EVENTS, LLC, 22782 ANSO MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691** The assets to be sold are described in general as: **CONTRACT RIGHTS, WEBSITES, DOMAIN NAMES, FURNITURES, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENTS, TOOLS, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, SOFTWARE & SOFTWARE LICENSE, REGISTERED VEHICLE(S), INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TEL. & FAX #, SOCIAL MEDIA ACCTS, EMAIL ADD., ALL TRANSFERABLE LICENSE & INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE** and are located at: **WWW.HELLOPICNICCO.COM/ 1741 WHITTIER AVE., UNIT B176, COSTA MESA, CA 92627** The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: **TEAM ESCROW INC, 17310 RED HILL AVE, STE 140, IRVINE, CA 92614** and the anticipated sale date is **JUNE 16, 2023** 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: **TEAM ESCROW INC, 17310 RED HILL AVE, STE 140, IRVINE, CA 92614** and the last date for filing claims shall be **JUNE 15, 2023**, which is the business day before the sale date specified above. DATED: **MAY 15, 2023** BUYER: **STARGATE EVENTS, LLC** **ORD-1682747 DAILY PILOT 5/31/23**



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TENNIS

Adoption Guild event draws crowd in N.B.

BY MATT SZABO

Tennis legend Roy Emerson himself, now 86, showed up over the weekend at the tennis tournament that bears his name.

With 444 athletes competing in the annual Roy Emerson Adoption Guild Tennis Classic, plenty of other people came by Palisades Tennis Club in Newport Beach as well for the annual Memorial Day Weekend event that concluded on Monday.

"The place was packed all weekend with spectators, packed to the brim with people watching and participating," said Adoption Guild of Southern California President Chris Garber, who lives in Newport Beach, in a phone interview Tuesday. "It was really, really fun, and it was a huge turnout."

World Team Tennis pitched in \$15,000 in total prize money for the winners and finalists of the 61st annual event, Garber said. The connection there is that Palisades owner Eric Davidson, who lives in Laguna Beach, is also the World Team Tennis chairman of the board.

Proceeds from the Roy Emerson Adoption Guild Tennis Classic, a Level 5 tournament often called just the Adoption Guild, go to support Los Angeles-based HFS Adoption and Foster Care.

Newport Beach resident Carsten Hoffmann won twice in doubles at the Adoption Guild. He and partner Jayson Amos, a Mission Viejo resident who played college tennis at Oregon, won the men's open doubles.

No. 2-seeded Hoffmann and Amos edged No. 3 Henry Bilicic of Del Mar and Raymond Sarmiento of Los Angeles, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6, in the title match. Hoffmann said it was his first time winning the men's open doubles at the Adop-



JETT MIDDLETON won the men's open singles title.

tion Guild, though he has won in several other divisions.

"[Longtime partner] Art [Hernandez of Huntington Beach] said we've been in the finals six times and have lost six times," Hoffmann said. "That might have been 15th attempt at the Adoption Guild, and my seventh attempt in the finals. It was nice to finally win the open crown."

He and Hernandez teamed up to win the 50-and-over men's doubles, as the top seeds beat No. 2 Robert Wesley Hinkel of Newport Beach and Patrick Crow of Garden Grove, 6-0, 6-2 in the final.

Hernandez and partner Dean Jackson of Irvine won the men's 35s doubles, topping No. 1-seeded Brian Morton of Newport Coast and Cornel Catrina of Costa Mesa 6-7, 6-4, 6-1 in the final.

Hoffmann's son Niels, a junior at Corona del Mar High who won the CIF Southern Section Individuals tournament last week, also was nearly a champion at the Adoption Guild. But Niels Hoffmann was edged by Jett Middle-



BRANDY WALKER was the women's open singles champion.

ton of Colorado, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 in the men's open singles final.

"It's my greatest thrill in life," Carsten Hoffmann said of watching Niels, a USC commit, improve. "It's a blast to watch him getting better. I always enjoy the journey, and I love working with my boys ... Some of the tennis he played at the Adoption Guild was truly outstanding. Even the match that he lost, I can see that he's taking steps forward."

Middleton, meanwhile, a junior at Boise State, saw winning the Adoption Guild as a significant step as he recently finished rehabbing from a foot injury.

He said he understood why the crowd would root for the hometown hero Hoffmann, but he was definitely happy to edge out the victory.

"It's such a cool event, a really well-run event," Middleton said. "They get ball kids out, and it's a unique experience, especially in the finals. [Tournament director] Drew [Arbeiter] does such a great job, and it's for a good cause. I like playing it. I'm going to try to play it every year that I'm playing ten-



Photos courtesy of Cyndie Borcoman

ADOPTION GUILD tournament director Drew Arbeiter, tennis legend Roy Emerson, Palisades Tennis Club owner Eric Davidson and Adoption Guild president Chris Garber at the annual Roy Emerson Adoption Guild Tennis Classic.

nis." No. 2-seeded Brandy Walker of Rialto won the women's open singles title, edging top-seeded Eduarda Piai of La Cañada Flintridge 7-5, 2-6, 6-3 in the final.

In mixed open doubles, top-seeded Matthew Sah and Alyssia Fossorier of UC Irvine beat No. 2 Piai and Giovanni Fragalle of Huntington Beach, 7-5, 6-3, in the title match.

Whitney Johnson of Helendale and Heidi Schuler of Riverside won the women's 50-and-over

doubles. The Adoption Guild is also unique as parents play with sons and daughters. David Barrows of Laguna Beach and Gordon Barrows of Portland, Ore. won the father-son division, while Laura McCorvey of San Clemente and Rachal Jackson of Del Mar were undefeated in a round-robin format in the mother-daughter division.

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