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## Laguna calls on residents to limit water use

City officials are calling on a voluntary reduction to combat the ongoing drought conditions in the state.

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach city officials are asking residents and local businesses to continue to fight persistent drought conditions by reducing the amount of water they use.

The appeal to the community comes after Gov. Gavin Newsom called on Californians to voluntarily scale back their water usage by 15% to combat dry weather conditions contributing to drought throughout much of the state.

"We're concerned about what another dry year will bring, and because of that, we are asking residents to do simple, common-sense things to stretch our water supplies," Laguna Beach Mayor Bob Whalen said in a prepared statement issued this week.

"If we continue to get dry year after dry year, there's going to come a time when we will again be faced with mandatory reductions.

"Every gallon of water saved today is water that is available in our future, and I urge all Laguna Beach residents and businesses to do what they can to reduce consumption."

Newsom has declared a regional drought state of emergency for 50 counties in the state. Southern California was not part of the area covered in that order.

Laguna Beach was named one of five national winners in the ninth annual Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation last year.

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## LITTLE LEAGUE



Photos by Don Leach | Staff Photographer

**JUSTIN GARCIA** steps on home plate surrounded by his teammates after hitting a walk-off home run during the Section 10 Little League all-star tournament championship game against Aliso Viejo on Wednesday.

## Walk-off home run lifts Huntington Valley to Section 10 crown

BY ANDREW TURNER

In the early innings, Huntington Valley Little League starting pitcher Justin Garcia's pitch count was steadily rising.

He only needed to see one pitch to send his team on to the state tournament.

Garcia hit a two-run, walk-off home run to give Huntington Valley a 4-3 win over Aliso Viejo in the Section 10 championship game on Wednesday at Fountain Valley Sports Park.

"I knew as soon as I hit it, I hit it out," Garcia said. "You could tell by my celebration."

Before his game-winning shot to left-center field, Garcia tossed

4% scoreless innings with eight strikeouts.

An 85-pitch limit loomed large over Garcia's start, especially after he threw 52 pitches through the first two innings. Brendon Krans charged a ground ball at third base to retire Tate Fettig with the bases loaded to end the second.

Second baseman Charlie Stubin was also a key in the field. He made all three putouts in a seven-pitch fourth inning for Garcia.

When Garcia was lifted for Ely Mason in the fifth, Stubin caught a line drive off the bat of Henry Drews to strand another runner in scoring position.

"I couldn't have done it without

him," Garcia said of Stubin's defense. "He made every single play that was at him, and everybody else. Everybody else did good."

Huntington Valley opened the scoring in the third. Brady Guth was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning, Luke Miller reached on a fielder's choice, and Krans homered to center field for a 2-0 lead.

The score stayed the same until the top of the sixth. Aliso Viejo ended the shutout when Avery Bateman scored on a two-out single by Chance Martin.

A bases-loaded walk by Brett Burnor tied it up. Then Dylan Bright was hit by a pitch to give

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## GARCIA HITS

the game-winning home run at Fountain Valley Sports Park on Wednesday.



## Costa Mesa to place tax liens on delinquent cannabis dispensaries

The City Council decided to shift some of the burden of the illegal operations to landowners, transferring long-owed city fines to the owner's property taxes.

BY SARA CARDINE

After issuing code violation notices and citations to illegal cannabis dispensaries and property owners — a practice that, in recent years, has racked up \$122,475 in unpaid fines — the city of Costa Mesa is upping its nuisance abatement game.

City Council members this week passed a resolution to place delinquent citations on the county's property tax roll as a lien against offending properties, meaning owners would have unpaid fines added to their property tax bills as a special assessment.

Failure to pay the tax for three consecutive years would allow the county's tax collector to sell the delinquent property.

"We've used code enforcement, we've partnered with the

D.A. We've done as much as we can that was currently on the books," Mayor Pro Tem Andrea Marr said of the move in a July 20 council meeting.

"This is an attempt by staff to give us another tool in [our] toolbox."

Finance Director Carol Molina explained when businesses are identified as operating without a license or violating the city's building and municipal codes, the business owner and owner of the site are fined and given 30 days to request an administrative hearing to resolve issues.

If no action occurs, the matter goes to the Finance Department, and those given citations are allowed another 30 days to correct the problem and pay fines, which may include additional delinquency fees.

At that point, the city may re-

quest the fees be added to the tax roll, but first the City Council must pass a resolution — the aim of Tuesday's discussion.

A list of delinquent dispensaries and property owners indicates 58 outstanding citations on 12 properties has so far accrued the \$122,475 in uncollected fines.

"These citations are older than 60 days and have greater than \$250 fees and fines," Molina told the council. "The cities have been provided multiple opportunities to pay these fines and directly contact Finance Department staff to handle these citations."

Molina and City Atty. Kimberly Hall Barlow assured any property owner unaware an illegal dispensary is operating on

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Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

**A BUSINESS** complex at 440 Fair Drive, a site of at least one illegal cannabis dispensary, has racked up \$18,700 in unpaid citations, city records indicate.

## Increase seen in hospital visits due to COVID

But county health officials are not yet considering a mask mandate despite the rise in new cases.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

COVID hospitalizations are climbing in Orange County, but county health officials aren't sounding the alarm just yet.

The Orange County Health Care Agency recently reported an increase in hospitalizations from the 126 cases reported on Tuesday to 143 cases on Wednesday.

The number of intensive care unit patients fell from 59 to 35 in that same time frame.

As of Thursday, data showed that hospitalizations were at 149 and intensive care units cases at 39 in area hospitals.

Another 304 cases were reported Thursday, bringing the total number of COVID-19 cases logged in the county to 260,289.

Two new deaths, both of residents not living in a care facility, were also recorded on Thursday. The total number of people that have died from COVID-19 in Orange County is now 5,138.

"We are seeing a gradual increase in hospitalizations and intensive care unit cases since the reopening of California, which we were expecting when mask requirements were lifted and physical distancing was reduced," Dr. Regina Chinsio-Kwong, county deputy health officer, said in an email Thursday afternoon.

Chinsio-Kwong said the rise in cases and hospitalizations in Orange County has been more gradual than in neighboring Los Angeles County, where new hospital admissions are up by 51.34% according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Comparatively, Orange County is seeing a 14.29% growth.

"We suspect this is primarily from the high vaccination rates we were able to achieve earlier on," Chinsio-Kwong said.

At least 73% of the county's adult population have received at least one vaccine, but Chinsio-Kwong said that the percentage of those who have been vaccinated is tapering off with an increase of only 3% of the adult population getting vaccinated in the last

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# Caregivers at Fountain Valley Regional authorize strike

BY SARA CARDINE

Unionized workers with Tenet Healthcare — including hundreds of respiratory therapists, nursing assistants, technicians and emergency and operating room staff at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital & Medical Center — have authorized a strike that could begin as early as next month.

Voting results were released Wednesday by the National Union of Healthcare Workers, the same day Tenet Healthcare Corp. announced to shareholders the company had earned a second-quarter net income of \$257 million, including \$24 million in COVID-19 stimulus grants.

More than 600 employees from the Fountain Valley facility have joined some 225 NUHW-represented employees of Compass Group USA, who provide housekeeping and dietary services at the hospital and facilities in Los Alamitos and Lakewood, at protests and rallies in the past year demanding better wages, employee healthcare and staffing.

“Tenet has grown richer during the pandemic, while



File Photo

**CHRISTINA RODRIGUEZ** at a May 6 rally outside Fountain Valley Regional Hospital & Medical Center. NUHW employees voted Wednesday to authorize a strike.

our hospitals here in Southern California remain dangerously understaffed and many of us can't afford health insurance,” Fountain Valley Regional housekeeper Amy Cornelius said in a release issued Wednesday by union leaders.

“We have been sounding the alarm throughout the pandemic that Tenet needs to take better care of its patients and workers,” she continued. “[But] Tenet has failed to act — they have

union,” she said by email. “We continue to bargain in good faith with them in hopes of reaching a successful resolution for Fountain Valley Regional Hospital.”

Tenet's income remained robust throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, in part due to grants from the federal CARES Act's Provider Relief Fund, which gave \$178 billion to healthcare providers under the Trump administration.

Its second-quarter earnings report indicates by July 1, 2020, the provider had earned \$511 million in grant funding, while Reuters reported last June the corporation disclosed receiving more than \$2 billion in pandemic-related grants.

In a May 21 letter to federal Health and Human Services Secretary Javier Becerra and Federal Trade Commission Chairwoman Rebecca Slaughter, Reps. Katie Porter (D-Irvine) and Rosa DeLauro (D-Conn.) called on the Biden administration to investigate whether Tenet and other major hospital companies misused COVID-19 relief funds and conduct a public hearing by Aug. 30.

The legislators claimed funds intended to bolster hospitals and healthcare providers caring for individuals with COVID-19 parents or losing revenue from patients' delaying nonurgent care went disproportionately to large hospital systems and for-profit companies with healthy cash reserves.

“Some healthcare systems prioritized boosting their own bottom line and expansion over patients and healthcare workers,” they wrote.

“Because taxpayer funds were misused to profit off the pandemic, the sick lost their lives and healthcare workers were traumatized.”

The letter states Tenet Healthcare in December 2020 spent \$1.1 billion acquiring 45 surgery centers from Maryland-based SurgCenter Development and plans to spend another \$150 million in 2021 to acquire 25 to 40 more ambulatory surgery centers.

Bayer said, given the unprecedented strain placed on healthcare systems by the pandemic, the CARES Act funding received by Tenet was vital in offsetting financial challenges.

“This government support was used solely for the purpose of providing COVID relief to our providers in accordance with the terms and conditions of the support funding,” she said.

“Any claim to the contrary is not based in fact and is not credible.”

Barbara Lewis, NUHW's Southern California hospital division director, decried the fact that Tenet has maintained strong profit margins while healthcare workers struggle and are often forced to go without health insurance of their own.

“These profits were made on the backs of housekeeping and dietary staff who earn \$15 an hour. If any company can afford to improve conditions, it is Tenet Healthcare,” Lewis said by email. “We hope we can reach agreement in the upcoming negotiations. But if not, we are ready to keep fighting.”

Only 11 among more than 800 NUHW employees voted not to strike, Lewis confirmed.

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## WATER

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There were 4,901 residents who made pledges to cut water usage by 15.6 million gallons.

Other cities to be named among the nation's most water-wise municipalities were North Port (Fla.), Lakeland (Fla.), Dallas and Sacramento.

“The city of Laguna Beach is committed to sustainable water resources management and water conservation,” Laguna Beach City Manager Shohreh Dupuis said in a news release.

“Our efficient water use practices include turf removal where feasible to reduce irrigation consump-

tion, use of smart irrigation controllers and modified irrigation schedule, and waterless or extra low-fixtures at almost all city facilities.

“Since 2018, our conservation efforts through irrigation testing and time reduction have reduced the city's water consumption by an average [of] 1,737,000 gallons per year at Main Beach Park alone.”


Some suggested ways to contribute to the water conservation effort include keeping showers to less than five minutes, reducing the number of days for outdoor watering per week, and utilizing dishwashers and washing machines less often.

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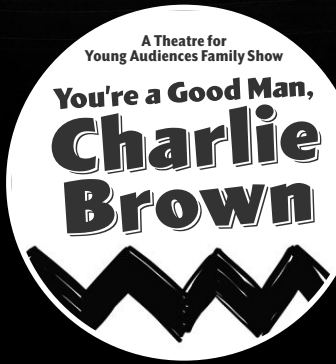
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By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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4 Over  
9 Egg on  
13 Beame & Fortas  
15 Eternal City resident  
16 Yank  
17 Twofold  
18 Contaminate  
19 500 sheets of paper  
20 3 months of a pregnancy  
22 At \_ with; opposed to  
23 Harbor town  
24 Battery size  
26 Put up money in advance  
29 Athlete's agreement  
34 Singer Reddy  
35 Willis, for one  
36 Moo \_ gai pan; stir-fry dish  
37 Enthusiastic  
38 Canadian migrants  
39 Passport stamp  
40 "Ready, \_ go!"  
41 Chuck \_; cut of beef  
42 Sends a "Dear John" letter to  
43 Circus performer  
45 Least loony  
46 Chat room chuckle  
47 Lose color  
48 Dangerous cat  
51 Attorney's aide  
56 Candid; frank  
57 Michelle or Malia  
58 "\_ in the Life"; Beatles song  
60 Nary a one  
61 More deceitful  
62 Marathon  
63 African antelopes

### 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).

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

64 Bear in a nursery  
65 Bumped into

**DOWN**

1 Womanizer  
2 Lie next to  
3 Bartlett or Bosc  
4 Blood channel  
5 Brag  
6 Fail to include

7 Weathercock  
8 Way in  
9 Noisy commotion  
10 Regretted  
11 Joyful  
12 Lawn trees  
14 \_ disc; back woe  
21 Mournful wail

25 Gobbled up  
26 \_ out; eliminate slowly  
27 \_ in; enjoy  
28 Cream of the crop  
29 Mountain peak  
30 Remove from office  
31 Spry  
32 At all \_; regardless  
33 Breakfast side  
35 Legume  
38 Football end zone upright  
39 Oil and \_; salad dressing  
41 Fraternity letter  
42 Green stone  
44 747s & 737s  
45 Employee's compensation  
47 Well-known  
48 Ping\_  
49 Come \_; find  
50 List of dishes  
52 Up to the task  
53 Sudden attack  
54 Actor Sandler  
55 "Arsenic and Old \_"; 1944 film  
59 Nonetheless

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LIENS

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his or her site is given ample opportunity to correct the violation, through eviction, issuance of a notice to quit and other abatement efforts.

Some property owners, however, claim they never received notice of escalating violations or said they paid the fines and continued receiving notices because errant tenants hadn't paid.

Ken Lawson owns a Newport Boulevard property that has leased space to the High Tide Church, a dispensary that's amassed \$25,250 in citations.

He said he hired a lawyer to evict the tenant, a process that took two years, before selling the property in March.

Last week, however, Lawson got a citation from the city for the unpaid fines dating back two years. He said it was the first communication he'd received.

"I've never ignored anything from the city," he said. "I just don't think that's a fair way to treat a citizen and a landowner in Costa Mesa."

Dennis D'Alessio, who's been engaged in longstanding litigation

with the city over a Fair Drive property reportedly home to several illicit businesses, including a dispensary called the Holy Church, said the city's actions are unfair.

"We rented to these businesses — they had a ministry license, they had their Bibles. I evicted the tenant six months ago, and I got a letter today saying the tenants haven't paid their fines," D'Alessio told the council.

"I spent a lot of money evicting them, and now I'm supposed to pay their bill?" he continued. "Is the landlord responsible for making their tenant has a business license, that they pay their taxes and do all the things appropriately?"

The council held firm, passing a resolution to certify the special assessments in a 7-0 vote.

"We're about to embark on a legal cannabis dispensary phase of our city," Marr said.

"In order for that to be successful, and for us to do what we said we were going to do as part of allowing legal dispensaries ... we've got to shut down the ones that are not operating legally."

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**AN ILLEGAL** dispensary on Costa Mesa's College Avenue was raided April 20. City officials certified a process for adding unpaid code and building violation fines, given to illegal cannabis dispensaries, to a landowner's property tax.

INCREASE

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month.

Currently, 95% of hospitalized cases in Orange County are those who are unvaccinated, mirroring that of a national trend.

"As we see higher transmission rates in surrounding counties, we know that our rates will likely also increase — especially among the unvaccinated residents," Chinsio-Kwong said.

"At this time the [Orange County Health Care Agency] is not recommending a mask mandate," she said. "The [healthcare agency] is continuing to focus our message on advising those who have not yet received a vaccine to get one as soon as possible."

"Given the higher transmission of the COVID variants compared to last year, we are recommending



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**JACQUES AND** Abigail Carrere ride the carousel at South Coast Plaza on June 25.

that [Orange County] residents and visitors continue to be proactive about protecting

themselves and their loved ones and neighbors to reduce the risk of COVID infection," Chinsio-Kwong

said.

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## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DAVID BRADLEY BOWLS

Case No. 30-2021-01210396-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 DAVID BRADLEY BOWLS

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by James Bowls in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that James Bowls 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 on August 25, 2021 at 10:30 AM in Dept. No. C08 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE W, SANTA ANA CA 92701.

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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.

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## Legal Notices

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### CITY OF COSTA MESA PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Costa Mesa Zoning Administrator will render a decision on Thursday, **August 5, 2021**, or as soon as possible thereafter, on the following item:

**Application No.:** ZA-21-21 (PA-05-10 A1)

**Applicant/Agent:** TR Costa Mesa Courtyards, LLC / Tim Alborg

**Site Address:** 1835 Newport Boulevard, Suite B-129

**Zone:** PDC (Planned Development Commercial)

**Description:** Zoning Application ZA-21-21 (PA-05-10 A1) is a request for a Minor Conditional Use Permit (MCUP) to modify the existing CUP (PA-05-10) to allow deliveries of goods (including beer, wine, ice cream, snacks, hand sanitizer, pet food, toilet paper, and diapers) to be delivered 24-hours a day with deliveries of alcohol stopping at 2:00AM and resuming at 6:00AM. In store sales would remain the same as the existing approval with the retail storefront closing at 9:00 PM on weekdays and 10:00 PM on weekends and holidays. The MCUP would result in tenant improvements including the construction of a Dispatch/Stockroom at the rear of the suite, and modifying shelving within the store.

**Environmental Determination:** The project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1), Existing Facilities.

**Additional Information:** For more information, call (714) 754-5245, or email [planninginfo@costamesaca.gov](mailto:planninginfo@costamesaca.gov) Planning Division staff are available from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Thursday and alternating Fridays, except specified holidays. There will be **no public hearing** on this request. Any written correspondence must be emailed to [ZAPublicComments@costamesaca.gov](mailto:ZAPublicComments@costamesaca.gov) prior to **12:00 PM** on the day of the decision date (see above). The decision letter can be downloaded from the City's website following the decision date at: <http://www.costamesaca.gov/index.aspx?page=940> If you challenge this action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you, or someone else raised, prior to the decision date.

## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

**JOHN LELAND WITHERS, JR.**

**CASE NO. 30-2021-01210349-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 JOHN LELAND WITHERS, JR..

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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.

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By **10:00 AM** on the 19th day of August, 2021,  
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**OCEAN BOULEVARD SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS**  
**BETWEEN CARNATION AVENUE AND FERNLEAF AVENUE**

**PROJECT NO. 18R25**  
**CONTRACT NO. C-7623-1**

**\$475,000**  
**Engineer's Estimate**

Approved by  
**James M. Houlihan**  
Deputy PWD/City Engineer

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### NOTICE:

No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

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## WATER POLO



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**VANGUARD AQUATICS** poses with the championship trophy after beating San Diego Shores in the Junior Olympics 16U title match at Irvine's Woollett Aquatics Center.

# Vanguard Aquatics boys take gold, two silvers at Jr. Olympics

BY MATT SZABO

IRVINE — The pipeline remains very strong for the Huntington Beach High School boys' water polo team. Nobody who was at Irvine's Woollett Aquatics Center on Tuesday could argue that.

On the club side, Huntington Beach-based Vanguard Aquatics put on a show in Session One of the USA Water Polo Junior Olympics.

Vanguard's 16-and-under boys won gold, defeating San Diego Shores 11-8 in the platinum division title match. Vanguard's Ryder Dodd and Zach Bettino, who will be a sophomore and junior respectively at Huntington Beach High, earned co-MVP honors.

Vanguard also won two silver medals. The 12-and-under boys lost 10-7 to Del Mar in the platinum title match, while the 18-and-under Black team fell to Bay Area-based CC United 13-10 in the final.

"Very proud, obviously," said Sasa Branislavjevic, the head coach for the Vanguard 12U and 18U teams, as well as the Oilers boys' water polo team. "We're soaking it in, enjoying the moment. The work is coming to fruition, right? [I'm] stoked."

Dodd scored five goals in the 16U final, and Bettino, a left-hander, added four goals for Vanguard. Ethan Spoon and Finneas "Tas" Palcza added one goal each.

Vanguard had six players — Dodd, Bettino, Spoon, Palcza, Christian Hammonds and goalkeeper Jay Pyle — who played on both the 16U and 18U squads.

Hammonds had a team-best three steals and Pyle made 15 saves for the Vanguard 16U boys, who stormed to a 7-0 lead in the first half of the title match. San Diego Shores cut the deficit to three goals but could not get closer.

"Our upperclassmen are super-enthusiastic of our teamwork," said Palcza, an incoming sophomore at Huntington Beach High. "We've been pushing it together the entire year. It was relentless work, no matter what."

**Vanguard 12s, 18s take silver:** The Vanguard 12-and-under boys lost to Del Mar in the title match, their first defeat of the tournament.

Brooklyn Vega led Vanguard with four goals and three steals. Asa Chen, Legend Cornell and Aiden Gonzales also scored for Vanguard, while Daniel Constandse also had three steals.

Goalkeeper Morgan Crichton made 11 saves for Vanguard.

The 12U boys fell behind 5-1 at halftime but played better in the second half.

"We had a good attitude and played as hard as we could every time," Crichton said. "We could have kept up with them, but a lot of the time when we're down, our team shuts down. If we can learn to keep our heads up high the whole game, we can get them next time."

Del Mar goalkeeper Luke Anderson earned MVP honors and Jett Taylor scored a game-high five goals for the winners.

Meanwhile, Vanguard's 18U boys led much of the contest against CC United,

but they were outscored 6-2 in the second half.

UCLA-bound left-hander Ethan Crooks led Vanguard with four goals, while Tyler Padua, bound for UC Irvine, scored twice.

James Rozolis-Hill, Nikola Mirkovic, Matthew Morgan and Chase Dodd scored one goal each, while goalkeeper Gabriel Haddad made 11 saves.

"We ran out of steam, but we showed heart," Branislavjevic said. "I mean, the entire tournament, for all the other teams that we beat we gave up 5.5 goals. In this last one, we gave up 13, so good job to CCU. They found a way to beat us."

Branislavjevic credited his graduating seniors for sticking around. The Oilers were believed to be one of the favorites to win the CIF Southern Section Division 1 title this season, but the coronavirus pandemic restricted them to a three-week season with no playoffs.

"We were able to just keep our heads down and retain motivation, look forward to this JO's, look forward to league," he said. "That's why I'm so proud of us."

CC United goalkeeper West Temkin, who made 11 saves in the final, earned MVP honors.

Vanguard's 18U Red team, composed of Mater Dei High players, also found its way to the podium and took bronze.

Session Two of the Junior Olympics, which features all of the girls' divisions and two mixed divisions, started Thursday.

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## HOME RUN

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Aliso Viejo its first lead at 3-2.

"They know there's 18 outs in a game," Aliso Viejo coach Jeremiah Yencho said. "We've got to play all 18 outs, and they've done it in this tournament already two other times, and they were going to use every single out.

"They scored three runs with two outs, which was a testament to them. They went up there, had a plan at the plate, and really worked the count, made them come to us."

Bright fielded six ground balls at shortstop without making an error. He turned a pair of double plays, fielding the ball and taking it to the second-base bag before throwing it to first on both occasions.

Krans and Mason each had two hits for Huntington Valley. Simon Andersen also had an infield hit.

The Huntington Valley 12-and-under All-Stars have

gone 9-0 in elimination games this summer, which includes the District 62 and Section 10 tournaments.

The state tournament will also be held at Fountain Valley Sports Park. Huntington Valley opens against Villa Park on Saturday at 3 p.m.

"I've got to give it up to these boys," Huntington Valley coach Clint Guth said. "There's no quit in them, and I think they like to play from behind, but I would really say in this state tournament, I would rather not start off with a loss."

Stubin found it hard to explain his team's success in elimination games.

"We just play better when we have to win," Stubin said, ending his interview with a round of applause from onlookers when he said he thinks his team can make it to the Little League World Series.

There had been a build-up to 2020 for Huntington Valley Little League, which had a team that had gone as far as it could in con-

secutive years.

Unfortunately for that group of kids and so many others, their final year together was wiped away by the coronavirus pandemic.

Holding his home-run ball in hand postgame, Krans said, "I'm going to remember this for the rest of my life," which brings into focus moments that were missed last year. Krans is grateful to be back playing the game he loves.

"I feel so lucky," Krans said. "I mean, I'm with probably the best group I've been with in my life. It's so awesome."

In 2018, Gage Everson, a player on a team coached by Tony Armand, coined the phrase "drop tanks and bang" to describe his team's power at the plate following a win in the Section 10 tournament.

For Huntington Valley Little League, a new chapter is being written, one with more power displays and a flair for the dramatic.

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## CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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