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A LOWER-LEVEL window gallery constructed below the upper plaza along on the east side of the new Orange County Museum of Arts building.

## Museum of Art's new Costa Mesa home will have free admission

#### **BY SARAH MOSQUEDA**

When the new Orange County Museum of Arts building opens at Segerstrom Center for the Arts in Costa Mesa in October 2022, admission will be free.

Orange County Museum of Art Director and Chief Executive Officer Heidi Zuckerman made the announcement on Tuesday at a hard hat tour for media of the OCMA construction site.

Effective for 10 years, the free admission is made possible by a \$2.5-million gift from Newport Beach-based Lugano Diamonds.

"Our goal is to remove as many barriers of entry as possible and to connect as many people as we can to art and artists," Zuckerman said in a statement.

We are deeply grateful to Lugano Diamonds for fostering these connections by supporting the cost of admission for the next decade — it will be a wonderful way to throw open our doors next year."

The new building is designed by Morphosis under the direction of Pritzker Prize-winning architect Thom Mayne and Partner-in-Charge Brandon Welling, and the aim is to create a sense of community at the cultural campus.

The 53,000-square-foot state-of-the-art building will be twice the size of the museum's former location in Newport Beach. Exhibitions will make up 25,000 square feet of the building, and 10,000 square feet will be dedicated as multipurpose space.

The site will also include a sculptural wing over the lobby atrium, creating a location for

See **Museum**, page A5

## Costa Mesa tackles waste mandate

Agreement with trash haulers aims to reduce organic waste to bring the city into compliance with state requirements. **BY SARA CARDINE** 

Costa Mesans will soon have to ponder sustainability at the can - deciding whether to trash, recycle or compost food and refuse - after the City Council Tuesday voted to approve trash hauler agreements as part of a statemandated overhaul of municipal waste processing.

Council members agreed to appropriate up to \$175,000 to implement the requirements of Senate Bill 1383, a measure that aims to reduce the amount of organic waste going into California landfills by 75% - the equivalent of about 20 million tons — by 2025. Its mandates take effect Jan. 1.

The measure requires cities to create residential and commercial recycling programs for organic waste such as food, paper, landscaping material and untreated lumber. Currently, Costa Mesa trash is separated not by residents, but at a sorting facility.

Cities must also establish food recovery programs to increase donations of unused edible items to food insecure individuals by 20% and procure .08 tons of recycled organic products - such as mulch, compost material or renewable natural gas - per resi-

See Waste, page A5

#### **BY LILLY NGUYEN**

The Newport Beach City Council is expected Tuesday to ratify a local emergency declared Tuesday by City Manager Grace Leung in response to the oil spill that occurred off the coast of Huntington

#### Beach.

Earlier this week, Mayor Brad Avery said such a declaration allows the city to access more resources to help mitigate the financial impacts of the oil spill for the city and provide aid to affected private business owners

throughout Newport Beach. It also cuts through some of the legislative red tape of paperwork.

First reports of oil washing ashore in the city were made Sunday.

Neighboring cities Huntington Beach and Laguna Beach also announced local emergencies in response to what officials estimate is a 24,696-gallon to, at worst, a 131,000-gallon spill. The cause of the spill remains under investigation and, while the city largely appears to be unscathed by the incident, it remains unclear as to what the full extent of the damage may be.

In other business, the City Council will also be discussing a resolution announcing the city's intent to override a ruling by the

See Spill, page A5

## County beaches and Newport Harbor reopen Friday, with caveats

#### **BY LILLY NGUYEN**

Local beaches reopened Friday after days of partial - or in some cities, full - closures after the Orange County oil spill that officials are now estimating is anywhere between 24,696 to 131,000 gallons.

Monday as a precautionary measure against the weekend spill. This does not include the waters. which county health officials are warning residents and visitors to avoid until cleanup is completed.

restored to Laguna Beach, where beaches have been closed since

On Friday, beach access was

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A BOOM stretches across the mouth of Newport Harbor on Tuesday.



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#### **DR. DUANE TOM**,

of Oiled Wildlife Care Network, UC Davis, inspects an oiled Sanderling shorebird at the Wildlife & Wetlands Center in Huntington Beach on Monday.

Allen J. Schaben Los Angeles Times

# Orange County wildlife groups benefit from Newport Dunes' \$10,000 donation

#### **BY LILLY NGUYEN**

The cost burden for tending to wildlife affected by the estimated 131,000-gallon oil spill last weekend may be eased for at least two local organizations with a \$10,000 donation from the Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort and Marina in Newport Beach.

The donation announced Thursday was split evenly between the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center in Huntington Beach and Pacific Marine Mammal Center in Laguna Beach.

Jan Yerzik, director of marketing at Newport Dunes, said the resort was lucky that Newport Bay wasn't significantly impacted by the spill.

County parks officials said

that, so far, no oil appears to have shown at the Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve. That good fortune is attributed to booms having been placed in the entrance to Newport Harbor and the area having been shut down to boat traffic earlier this week.

Environmentalists have said

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Photos courtesy of Brian Flynn Graphics and Photography LOCAL RADIO personality Ed Steinfeld, left, and Cole Roberts holding Rolo the cat.

## Community Cat Fund grows by \$8,200 after Cat's Meow brunch

#### **BY ANDREW TURNER**

The Blue Bell Foundation for Cats held its seventh annual Cat's Meow champagne brunch fundraiser last month, an event that saw dozens of community members come out to show their love and support for their furry friends.

The nonprofit organization said the brunch at Seven7Seven in Laguna Beach raised \$8,200 for the group's Community Cat Fund, which Blue Bell puts toward taking care of its feline residents.

Blue Bell provides for cats sent its way by local animal shelters, as well as aging pawed pals and those cats whose owners can no longer personally care for them, giving them a home to live out the rest of their days.

Susan Hamil, chairwoman of the board of directors for the Blue Bell Foundation for Cats, said she was delighted with the turnout of 180 attendees. She said it was the first fundraiser put on by Blue Bell since 2019.

"I was thrilled with the attendance, and I was thrilled with the generosity of the attendees that



bought auctioned items [and] gave donation checks," Hamil said.

Attendees at the Sept. 26 event were able to participate in a silent auction that featured items from local artists, including Cliff Wassmann, Robert Holton, Roderick Reed, Diane Ortlieb and Laura Seeley.

Appropriately for the community event, local radio personality Ed Steinfeld of Laguna Beach radio station KX FM was called on to announce the winners from the auction.

The recipients of this year's Blue Bell Cat Awards, intended to honor the organization's volunteers, were Blue Bell assistant director Jenna Genovese-Mikula, Lynette Brasfield and Matt Powers.

Powers provided framed colored sketches of Blue

Bell cats for guests to take home with a donation, while Brasfield discussed her book, "The Story of Blue Bell: A Virtual Tour Through Space and Time."

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Blue Bell currently has approximately 48 cats in its care, Hamil said, adding that the money that goes into the Community Cat Fund helps to extend the quality of life for their senior felines.

"One of the things we really encourage is for people to plan for their pets and make provisions for their pets in their estate plan or write down exactly what your wishes are for your pets," Hamil said. "Because we get people who call every day, and there's no plan.

andrew.turner@latimes.com Twitter: @AndrewTurnerTCN **THE DAILY** COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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#### **SUDOKU**

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#### 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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# The concept of 'word categories' may make our complicated language a bit simpler

ou learned about the parts of speech in grade school. Dog is a noun. Play is a verb. Quick is an adjective. Adverbs end in ly.

Now that you're grown up, you can handle the unvarnished truth: Language, like life, isn't so simple. Dog is both a noun and a verb. Play can also be a noun. Quick can be used as an adverb. Many adverbs don't end in ly, like fast, and many words that end in ly are not adverbs, like family and lovely. Verbs come in different forms, including transitive, intransitive and linking. Adverbs come in different forms, like manner adverbs and sentence adverbs.

Ours is a complicated language. If we don't understand word categories, we can fall victim to some common misperceptions. Here are some popular myths that can be cleared up with a better understanding of word categories.

"Myriad can't be used as a noun." This common misperception causes a lot of people to think that it's a mistake to write "We dealt with a myriad of issues" and you must instead write "We dealt with myriad issues." In the first example, myriad is a noun. In the second example, it's an adjective modifying "issues." Both are correct, though for my money, the adjective form is better because it cuts unnecessary words.

"Impact can't be used as a verb." A lot of folks are under the impression that you can have an impact on your community, but you can't impact your community. Not true. It's both. And if you think that's a bad thing — a result of eroding language standards — this fact will surprise you: "Impact" was a verb before it was a noun.

"Like can't be used as a conjunction." There was an old ad campaign that claimed, "Winston tastes good like a cigarette should." Back in those days, people had a bigger problem with the word "like" than they did with smoking. The idea was that "like" is a preposition and prepositions introduce objects, which are usually nouns: like butter. "A cigarette should" is a whole clause, complete with subject and verb. Normally, introducing a whole clause is a job for a conjunction like "as." So folks said the ad should read "as a cigarette should" instead of "like a cigarette should." In a world where "dog" was only a noun and not a verb, that might be true. But in real-world English, "like" can

sometimes work like a conjunction.

"Good can't be an adverb." How are you doing? If you answer "well," you're golden. If you answer "good," you open up a big can of worms with folks who insist you need an adverb, "well," to describe the action of doing. Can you hear what's coming? "Good," in addition to working as an adjective, is also an adverb a synonym of "well."

"Well is necessarily an adverb." Back to that question of how you're doing: The same people who insist you need to use an adverb to say you're doing well often don't understand that "well" is also an adjective. It means "in good health." So if you say you're doing well, you're using an adverb. If you say you are well, you're using an adjective with a much narrower definition. Both are correct.

"Hopefully is a manner adverb." A lot of people object to sentences like, "Hopefully I'll see you tomorrow." The reason: They think this means that the seeing will be done in a hopeful manner. They're assuming that adverbs can only modify actions and not whole sentences or clauses. Not true. Take "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn." You can see here that "frankly" is not modifying the giving of the damn. It's modifying the whole thought. "Hopefully," "importantly," "thirdly" and many other adverbs can do the same.

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author of "The Joy of Syntax: A Simple Guide to All the Grammar You Know You Should Know." She can be reached at *JuneTCN@ aol.com.* 

# Climate change volunteers work to influence policy in O.C.

In addition to UC Irvine researchers studying climate change (Apodaca: Recognizing Orange County warriors in the fight against climate change, Daily Pilot, Sept. 15), there is a local group of more than 3,000 Orange County volunteers working to implement climate solutions we have at hand.

Many experts assure us we now have the technology necessary to meet the Paris Accord goals. What we lack is the political will to reach those goals.

Citizens' Climate Lobby, a nonpartisan, nonprofit established in 2007 in Coronado, Calif., now boasts 590 active chapters, including five in Orange County, 43 in California and more than 70 in foreign countries.

CCL members promote a price on carbon emissions with the collected fees returned equally to all Americans thereby tapping the power of the market to influence, but not mandate, every purchase choice. worldwide action while protecting and promoting our domestic producers.

#### Tom Hazelleaf Seal Beach

Patrice Apodaca reports research from local academics, which may be interesting but does nothing toward stopping global warming.

These researchers are working on ways to adapt to or limit the damage from climate change. Beach nourishment projects will not stop the sea from rising. Prescribed burns will not prevent more frequent and intense wildfires. More green spaces or more airconditioned buildings will not stop Earth's temperature from increasing.

We don't have to be academics to understand that the root cause of climate change is carbon pollution from burning coal, oil and natural gas. Global warming is not a naturally occurring phenomenon. Human societies have created the power to know what we must do: phase out fossil fuels and transition to clean energy.

The policy solutions we need are not complicated. Economists recommend policies that charge fossil fuel companies an increasing tax on their carbon pollution to depress their demand and spur investments in alternatives, use the revenue to ease the transition to clean energy and establish a border carbon tariff to protect U.S. businesses and motivate other nations, including China, to adopt similar policies.

#### **Bob Taylor** Laguna Niguel

## Initiative would give N.B. mayor

too much power Since when does one person get to decide major policy changes for the whole city?

That is what is occurring with the push to elect our

mayor in Newport Beach.

or is a one-year term and

rotates among the current

Right now, the role of may-

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council. There have been no committees considering this. No discussions about the pros and cons of having an elected mayor have surfaced.

Even the existing City Council isn't a big fan of doing this, perhaps because the initiative is driven by only one person without apparent consideration of any other viewpoints. Initiatives have a long life since



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**A HUMPBACK WHALE** flaps its damaged fluke as it prepares for a deep dive in the Santa Barbara Channel off the coast of Oxnard in April 2009. Readers respond to Daily Pilot contributor Patrice Apodaca's recent columns about climate change.

Beach change our City

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Analysts predict a measurable impact in nine months and 50% emissions reduction by 2030. A border adjustment encourages problem by choosing to fuel their economies with lifedestroying planet-debasing fuels.

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they can only be changed by another election.

Shouldn't we at least discuss this in a larger venue before it comes up for a vote or are we just stuck with one man's opinion of what the role of mayor should be?

#### Tom Baker Newport Beach

An elected mayor? This is just a bad idea, and it is not what is best for Newport Beach: rather, it is what's best for a few power-hungry individuals. If we could be guaranteed that persons who would run for mayor were completely honest, transparent, had impeccable integrity and would always be elected by a well-informed citizenry, then I'd be all for it. But what are the chances of that happening now and in the future? And why would the people of Newport



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Charter to support something that is riddled with so many potential problems? Take for instance that

section of this proposal that gives the elected mayor sole discretion on the agenda for each council meeting and to change the order of business on the agenda at his/her discretion. And consider how difficult it would be for a particular council member to get an item on the agenda that has been asked for by his/her constituents with the requirement that half of the council must agree to agendize. This clearly shoots holes in the concept of "representation."

Eight years is just too long, as well. And when you add to this the ability to have complete control over each council meeting agenda ... you are giving absolute power to the mayor. Look to neighboring

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has worked out! It just isn't necessary. There is nothing wrong with our current system.

Although my tenure on council was cut short, and I was not able to experience the honor of being mayor, one of the attractive features of serving on council is the potential of being selected to serve as mayor. This is a current feature of our City Charter that serves to attract people to run for City Council. The current proposal would eliminate that feature. Moreover, who would really want to experience the frustration of serving on a council where the City Charter provides the mayor with absolute authority and power and places an individual council member in the position of not being able to represent the constituents of his or her district?

Here are a few other reasons for not supporting this initiative:

• Do we really want carpetbaggers moving to our city, establishing the required residency and then running for mayor? Individuals who have no longevity in or a history of service to our city?

• A mayoral bid is going to be expensive, and the influence of campaign donors would likely be concentrated behind a single person or group in the city. Ordinary citizen concerns could be less a consideration if the elected mayor has an allegiance to a donor or group making large donations in order to insure reelection, and to elections beyond that of Newport Beach mayor.

• Our city would have to go through redistricting (from seven to six), with each district having one council representative except for the district that the newly elected mayor lives in. Could this be a

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#### **AROUND TOWN**

#### Newport Beach Jazz Festival underway at Hyatt Regency

The Newport Beach Jazz Festival, marking its 25th anniversary, is on tap this weekend at the Hyatt Regency Newport Beach.

Interested readers can buy tickets for general admission starting at \$129 for Sunday at festivals.hyattconcerts.com/tickets.

Attendees are required to provide proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours before attending the concerts. Details on those requirements can be found at festivals.hyattconcerts.com/covid-19.

#### Ice skating coming to Huntington Beach Pier Plaza

Huntington Beach will be holding a Surf City Winter Wonderland ice skating rink at Pier Plaza, beginning in late November.

Prices are \$15 for general admission and \$5 for skate rental. Group packages are available.

The rink will run from Nov. 26 through Jan. 2. Tickets will be available soon.

#### Laguna Live! at the Museum

Laguna Beach Live! brings Duo Apollon to the stage for its monthly chamber music concert in collaboration with the Laguna Art Museum on Thursday.

Duo Apollon features guitarist Aaron Haas and soprano singer Anastasia Malliaras.

The concert will take place at Laguna Art Museum at 7 p.m., with the doors opening an hour prior to the event. Admission is \$13 for adults, \$11 for seniors and students, and members of the museum get in free.

#### Homecoming for Newport Harbor is next weekend

The Newport Harbor High School Alumni Assn. will be hosting a 90th birthday celebration for the high school for the weekend of Oct. 15.

The high school was opened in 1930 and organizers had made plans to celebrate its 90th year in operation in the fall of 2020, only to be postponed as a result of COVID-19. The event will kick off with a tailgate dinner and football game on Friday, followed by a viewing of the association's documentary "The Tower" on Saturday starting at 11 a.m.

There will also be a campus open house festival and other celebrations. The schedule can be found at newportharbor alumni.org/90th-bash-landing-page.

#### Applications open for oil spill cleanup volunteers

Volunteers interested in helping clean up the Orange County shoreline can now apply to do so at calspillwatch.wild *life.ca.gov/Volunteer* or call (800) 228-4544.

Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age, able to lift up to 25 pounds and be willing to follow county public health procedures as it relates to COVID-19.

#### Holiday boutique opens this weekend at Roger's Gardens

Roger's Gardens in Corona del Mar's home and garden center is opening its holiday boutique for the year, starting this weekend. The boutique includes festive de-

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REOPEN

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"I am very pleased that

our city team has come up

with a plan to open the

sand so that our residents

and visitors can walk and

relax on our beautiful

beaches," Laguna Beach

Mayor Bob Whalen said in

the statement announcing

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the water closed for health

reasons until the water

quality can be fully ana-

lyzed. I ask everyone to co-

operate with this restric-

tion and stay out of the

water," Whalen said. "We

will be working with state

and federal officials to

open the water as soon as

Access to Newport Beach

and parts of Huntington

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Airport Land Use Commission that determined the city's draft housing element was inconsistent with the Airport Environs Land Use Plans for John Wayne Airport due to noise, safety and general concerns of land use incompatibility. The city is required by the Southern California Assn. of Governments to account for 4,834 housing units in its plans for the next decade. With much of the city built out, officials will look to the areas with the greatest capacities for zoning those residential projects — the airport area,

Newport Center and Banning Ranch, which has long been in conservationists sights.

Nearly half the cities in Orange County, including Newport Beach, have heavily pushed back against their Regional Housing Needs Assessment allocations since it was announced that their num-

Chau said is encouraging.

bers were more than doubled in 2019. Those figwere finalized in ures March.

All appeals of the requirements have been denied.

A staff report prepared for Tuesday's meeting notes that, if the City Council should decide to override the determination, that it will be a two-step process and involve a second public hearing to officially override the decision by the Airport Land Use Commission. At that point, city staff said the City Council could also consider taking final action and adopting the housing element.

Additionally as part of the study session, the Newport Beach City Council will

That revenue will help cover the city's annual which costs, include \$100,000 in staff and consultant time, \$200,000 to establish and support a renewable materials procurement program and \$50,000 to create a food recovery program.

Baillet said Costa Mesa residents would likely see an average bill increase of about 10%, much lower than statewide estimates forecasting hikes of 25% to 45%. Because the city contracts with multiple haulers, competition between them will help keep prices lower.

The biggest impact, he said, will be on residents.

"Up until now, they've been exempted from having to recycle their food waste," Baillet said. "On Jan. 1, 2022, that goes away. So, these programs have to be rolled out." Following a two-year

"education period," failure to comply with the state

be hearing about the current state of the McFadden Plaza, Newport Pier and Ocean Front Parking Lot areas. They will be discussing whether or not the city should explore potential rehabilitation for those areas.

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mandates could subject the city to daily fines of up to \$10,000.

Councilman Jeff Harlan said a robust educational campaign would be needed to spread the word to residents and businesses that trash habits have to change.

"We're going to have to come up with ways to communicate with the public this is the state mandate, here's what has to be done and here's the way we're going to aid and assist that from the city standpoint," he said.

Energy and Sustainabil-Services Manager ity Salem Afeworki agreed.

"There's going to be a big need for behavioral change — this is going to be a big undertaking," she said. "But we're trying to leverage our existing work, existing partnerships and work on it.'

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WILDLIFE

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that it's unclear what the full ramifications of the oil spill will be on Orange

County's coast. Yerzik said Newport

nounced the reopening of Newport Harbor to boat traffic. The booms safeguarding the harbor were removed Friday afternoon, according to city officials.

Cities are also continuing to strongly advise wellintentioned residents who are not part of state-run volunteer efforts to avoid staging beach cleanups or from interacting with any oiled wildlife.

The cause of the spill is still under investigation.

In a statement released by the Orange County Health Care Agency Friday, the agency is coordinating with the South Coast Air Quality Management District, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and a contracted environmental consulting firm to conduct air monitoring.

Early results currently indicate that said samples are at or below California health standards, which county health officer and agency director Dr. Clayton

"As the oil response teams continue to monitor, inspect and clean the beaches to ensure that appropriate cleanup actions are taken, and in advance of water analysis from the Unified Command, our original health advisory continues to remain in place," Chau said.

"We ask that our residents and visitors continue to avoid the ocean water and oiled areas of our beaches to limit the risk of contaminants being absorbed through the skin, inhalation and ingestion further notice," he until said.

"This means refraining from recreational activities on the coastline such as swimming, surfing, biking, walking, exercising, fishing and gathering."

Andrew Turner contributed to this report.

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the effects on their habitat and food supplies."

"We have donated to both the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center and the Pacific Marine Mammal Center in the past and hope our donations will help provide the resources they need to help oiled wildlife, Yerzik said.

### WASTE

based consultant Mike Balliet said expanding agreements with the multiple trash haulers that currently serve the city, to include provision of the required receptacles, a public education camand compliance paign monitoring would help Costa Mesa meet the mandates.

sense partners for a lot of these provisions and programs," Baillet said Tuesday. "But we need contractual obligations."

Participating companies would pay a collective administrative compliance fee of \$120,000 per year, based on their share of city business. Another \$230,000 annually is anticipated come from an increase in service fees.

staff at work answering questions posed by incoming guests. "It is a very unfortunate

situation, and we feel for the oceanfront hospitality properties and businesses, which are most affected by this disaster," Yerzik said. "Our hearts and prayers go

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program,

"Haulers are the make-



Dunes lost a few camping reservations as news of the oil spill spread. She also noted the resort's phones have been ringing, keeping

out to the workers and volunteers dealing with the crisis as well as to the innocent wildlife suffering from

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HEIDI ZUCKERMAN, Orange County Museum of Arts CEO and director, gives a tour of the upper plaza of the new Orange County Museum of Arts building on Tuesday in Costa Mesa.

#### MUSEUM

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an education center that can be used as a black-box theater or a light-filled studio.

Elements like large sets of public stairs and a roof terrace that connects OCMA to the Segerstrom Center for the Arts and its Julia and George Argyros Plaza are intended to encourage place-making.

Moving the museum to Costa Mesa will provide OCMA with a central location and expanded gallery space to not only showcase its own collection but feature major traveling exhibitions. The inaugural special exhibition planned for OCMA's new home is "California Biennial 2022." It will be guest co-curated by Elizabeth Armstrong, Essence

Harden and Gilbert Vicario. "Fred Eversley: Reflecting Back (the World)" will also be included in the inaugural exhibitions. This will be Eversley's first West Coast museum retrospective since a 1978 exhibition of his work at OCMA, then known as the Newport Harbor Art Museum.

Lugano Diamonds isn't new to supporting the arts and besides its donation to OCMA, Lugano Diamonds also supports some of Orange County's other culture hubs like Segerstrom Center for the Arts, Laguna Playhouse and the Irvine Barclay Theatre.

"We are deeply committed to serving the arts and proud to do so in Orange County, which has been a wonderful home to Lugano Diamonds since 2005," said Idit Ferder, co-founder and chief operating officer of Lugano Diamonds, in a statement. "OCMA is entering a new era with Heidi Zuckerman's leadership and this magnificent new building. It is an honor to help welcome people to OCMA's stellar collection, exhibitions and programs."

Ferder is also a board member of the Orange County Museum of Art. Ferder joined in September along with seven other new trustees that include Barbara Bluhm-Kaul, Phillip J. Bond, Sean Green, Linda P. Maggard, Cheryl Kiddoo, Robert Olson and Lucy Sun, for a total of 32 members, with a stated mission of enriching the lives of a diverse and changing community through modern and contemporary art.

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## **HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL** Los Alamitos fends off Edison's late rally

#### **BY ANDREW TURNER**

WESTMINSTER — The sequel rarely lives up to the standard of the original, but that was not the case in a televised Sunset League showdown between the Edison High School football team and Los Alamitos.

For the second time in the last seven months, the Griffins were able to hold off the Chargers in the final minutes to put themselves at the front of the league title race.

Los Alamitos used a balanced effort to defeat Edison 35-28 on Thursday at Boswell Field on the campus of Westminster High School.

Malachi Nelson, the Griffins' Oklahoma-committed quarterback, was held to 194 passing yards, but he still finished with three touchdown passes. His longest connection went to Ethan O'Connor for a 41-yard touchdown that put Los Alamitos ahead 14-7 on its last drive of the first half.

Edison (4-3, 1-1 in league) got the ball back with 2:18 on the clock. Parker Awad dropped a 33yard pass in to Tyler Hampton along the left sideline, and the ball was spotted at the Los Alamitos 1.

For perhaps the only time in the game, the Griffins were able to stop Chargers running back Troy Fletcher, who ran for 207 yards and three touchdowns. After a run for no gain on first and goal, Edison called its final timeout with 21 seconds left before the half.

The Griffins stopped the run again, and with the clock winding down, Awad took the snap and threw the ball up for Nico Brown, but DeAndre Moore broke up the



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EDISON'S LOGAN GREGORY knocks the ball loose from Los Alamitos' Ethan O'Connor during Thursday's game.

play to deny the Chargers points before the break.

"I knew that they were going to try to get their best player the ball," Moore said of defending the fade route. "I just played hard inside, played my game, did my technique, and I was grateful enough to knock the ball away."

Los Alamitos (6-1, 1-1) scored on back-to-back drives in the third quarter to extend its lead to 28-7. Nelson scrambled to his right before finding Moore for a six-vard score.

Kevin Longstreet then recovered a pooch kick for the Griffins, who took just four plays to cash in when Makai Lemon spun out of a tackle as part of an 18-yard receiving touchdown.

Edison responded by going deep into its playbook. Tyler Gioia delivered a backward pass to Hampton, who tossed a 26-yard touchdown to Tucker Tripp on the trick play.

"We're not satisfied after two consecutive losses by seven points [to the Griffins]," Tripp said.

"I'm praying we get put in the same division and we're able to play each other in the playoffs because we are going to be hungry for revenge.

Nelson briefly left the game after what appeared to be a noncontact injury on the ensuing drive, but he would return. Los Alamitos coach Ray Fenton expressed relief at finding out Nelson was just dealing with a cramp.

"[Nelson] didn't make a cut," Fenton said. "If he had made a cut on that [run], I would have been way more concerned, but as I saw it, I thought it was probably going to be a cramp."

When the Chargers got the ball

back, Adam Tomczyk sacked Gioia, one of six sacks by the Griffins.

Lemon intercepted a pass on the next play, giving Los Alamitos a short field, which led to an eventual three-yard rushing touchdown by Moore and a 35-14 advantage.

Leading the Griffins' ground attack was Nygel Osborne, who rushed for 122 yards on nine carries.

Sinn Brennan, who had a shortyardage rushing touchdown and a sack, said the Griffins are playing with renewed confidence since taking their only loss against Santa Margarita on Sept. 17.

"We wanted to win that game, and our team's been different ever since that," Brennan said. "Practice has been different. Our confidence is at an all-time high right now."

A comeback attempt for the Chargers began at the Edison 2 with 6:15 to go. Fletcher ripped off a 42-yard gain to get the Chargers out of the shadow of their own end zone. Awad had a 39-yard pass to Ashton Hurley on the drive, and Fletcher displayed his physicality in punching in a fouryard run.

Brown then recovered an onside kick. Three plays and 55 seconds later, Fletcher found the end zone again on a 43-yard dash.

Edison was down by a touchdown with 2:38 remaining and all of its timeouts left, but Los Alamitos picked up three first downs to run out the clock.

"I'm just proud of [how] we didn't cave," Edison coach Jeff Grady said. "We didn't shut things down. We fought."

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### **HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP** Estancia boys' water polo team rolls to win over Orange

Dane Dodge, Spencer Bantel and Reece Adkins each scored four goals as the Estancia High boys' water polo team routed Orange 23-1 in an Orange Coast League game Thursday at Estancia High.

overall.

Edison 10, Fountain Valley 8: The Chargers edged the rival Barons in a Wave League opener Thursday at Fountain Valley High. Corona del Mar 13, Los Alami-

tos 5: The Sea Kings cruised to a

Gabbi Higgs provided seven kills and two total blocks, and Anabel Kotzakov added seven kills for Newport Harbor (18-6, 5-0).

The win gives Newport Harbor at least a share of the Wave League title. The Sailors will have a but the Seahawks dropped Thursday's Golden West League match at home 25-19, 17-25, 17-25, 27-25, 15-7.

Denise Arteaga had 24 assists and two aces for Ocean View (6-9, 4-4).

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ESTANCIA'S SPENCER BANTEL. shown playing in March, scored four goals on Thursday for the Eagles boys' water polo team.

#### Sophomore goalkeeper Max McNiff made seven saves for firstplace Estancia (12-4, 2-0 in league).

Orange fell to 2-9 overall, and 0-2 in league.

#### **GIRLS' TENNIS**

Laguna Beach 14, Marina 4: Jessica MacCallum, Katelyn Smith and Sarah MacCallum each won two singles sets for the Breakers in Thursday's Wave League opener at Marina High.

Cree Gagne and Laea Chesley swept in doubles for Laguna Beach (4-4). Marina is now 7-10 victory in a Surf League opener Thursday at CdM.

CdM (9-4) plays at Huntington Beach (10-0) in a key league match on Tuesday. The Oilers beat Newport Harbor by the same 13-5 score in another Surf League match Thursday.

#### **GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL**

Newport Harbor 3, Fountain Valley 0: Quinn Perry had 10 kills and two service aces to lead the visiting Sailors to a 25-18, 25-22, 25-21 sweep of the Barons on Thursday in a Wave League match.

chance to win the league title outright when they play host to Edison (17-15, 4-1) on Tuesday.

Fountain Valley dropped to 3-17 overall and 0-5 in league.

Huntington Beach 3, Laguna Beach 1: The Oilers defeated the Breakers 25-22, 25-20, 31-33, 25-22 on the road Thursday in a Surf League match.

Huntington Beach (24-5, 5-0) extended its winning streak to 17 matches.

Laguna Beach is now 14-15 overall and 2-3 in league.

Westminster 3, Ocean View 2: Ava Arce had 15 kills and four aces,

Calvary Chapel 3, Costa Mesa 0: Lorelei Hobbis had 11 kills, three blocks, seven digs and an ace, but the Mustangs fell to the Eagles 25-19, 25-18, 25-11 on Thursday in Orange Coast League play.

Costa Mesa dropped to 15-5 overall and 6-2 in league. Calvary Chapel (11-5, 8-0) is in first place.

Estancia 3, Orange 0: The Eagles defeated the Panthers 25-13, 25-12, 25-11 in an Orange Coast League match at home on Thursday.

Estancia improved to 18-6 overall and 5-3 in league.

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potential problem? Double representation?

If this idea of an elected mayor is such a good idea for Newport Beach, why isn't the current council not approving this as an item on the ballot for the next election and foregoing the signature-gathering process? Why is it just the effort of only one current council member? Again, this is just a bad overall idea!

Before I'd be ready to vote one way or the other as to whether or not the Newport Beach city charter should be amended (I assume that amendment would be required), I'd like to have three questions answered:

1. What is the problem with the current process, and will the proposed change remedy that problem?

2. Have unintended consequences been considered? 3. What will the

budgetary impact be?

#### **Dave Goff**

Newport Beach

Newport Beach City Councilman Will O'Neill is collecting signatures to make our mayor an elected position. This might sound like an innocuous change, but it is not.

This initiative will create an immensely powerful politician who could serve up to eight years as a council member and another eight as mayor, and it removes substantial authority from other decision makers. There is no logical reason to abandon the seven existing City Council districts with a rotating mayor, but Mr. O'Neill has embarked on a solitary quest to completely remake our system of city government.

It is worthwhile noting that his council colleagues don't appear to support this change. If they did, they would have placed it on the ballot with a majority vote. It may be they don't support it because they see that having an abnormally powerful mayor silences the voices of others with differing viewpoints.

Perhaps they are annoved that the initiative excludes the mayor from the term limits set by the voters in 1992 but maintains term limits for them. Maybe they don't like having one man decide how the government should run, especially if that one man is positioning himself to become that powerful mayor.

Now imagine if this particularly powerful mayor is beholden to special interests. Might those special interests pressure the mayor to support their project over the best interests of the residents?

This is not far-fetched. Many of us feel that Team Newport's campaign consultant, Dave Ellis, exerts that power over his successful candidates. Remember the Museum House condo approved by the City Council in 2016 over the objections of literally thousands of residents? The developer told

me that Mr. Ellis was a consultant on the project because "that is how it is done." A mayor who controls the council agenda will be a particularly attractive target to the likes of Mr. Ellis.

Any way this initiative is sliced, it does not serve the citizens of Newport Beach. If you are asked to sign this petition, please politely decline. You would be signing away a style of government that has worked well for Newport Beach residents.

#### Susan Skinner

Newport Beach

#### Questions for O.C.'s GOP

The unofficial results are in: Orange County voters beat back last week's recall election by a margin of four points (52% opposed to 48% in favor).

The proverbial GOP home of Richard Nixon, the incubator of the John Birch Society and Ronald Reagan's favorite place to kick off his presidential campaigns is no longer bright red.

In the weeks leading up to the recall, I was urging friends to grant me my Sept. 14 birthday wish. Thankfully, they and millions of other Californians did just that. While I am

truly pleased with the outcome of the vote, I have two questions for O.C. Republicans now: How do you like the color bluish purple, sometimes referred to as violet, and are you going to accept the will of the people?

**Denny Freidenrich** 

Laguna Beach

#### Let's evoke Lennon

Hate crimes have risen 35% in 2020 (Report: Orange County hate crimes, incidents reach record highs in 2020, Daily Pilot, Sept. 17). Not only is there a COVID-19 pandemic ravaging our planet, hatred is ravaging so many hearts. What's the solution? Commonality. We must emphasize what we as human beings share in common. We all wish to be free of disease. We all want a clean and healthy environment. We each long for love and acceptance.

Can we all acknowledge what we share in common with other inhabitants of our community, our county, our country and the world? To evoke a memorable and meaningful title from the late, great John Lennon, "Imagine."

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