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SURFER JASON WATSON, above, drops down the face of a steep wave off Rockpile Beach in Laguna Beach, as another surfer, below right, retrieves his board. A series of storms has brought strong winds and heavy rain to much of Southern California and other parts of the state.

Surfers revel, endure in stormy sea



michael Pinto, right, reacts to seeing his broken surfboard washing ashore onto the rocks after a wipeout following a ride at Rockpile Beach in Laguna Beach on Friday. The recent "bomb cyclone" and atmospheric river has created huge waves along the coast of California, including Orange County.





Don Leach | Staff Photographer

A MOTHER and daughter look down a tunnel cut through brush and covered with old music CDs at the LAB Anti-Mall in Costa Mesa.

Developer to speak at C.M. Historical Society event

BY ERIC LICAS

One of the developers behind the LAB Anti-Mall and the Packing House will share her experiences repurposing historic structures in Orange County during a talk at the Donald Dungan Library next Saturday afternoon.

The event begins at 2 p.m. and will be hosted by the Costa Mesa Historical Society. Its guest speaker will be Linda Sadeghi, a

developer known for incorporating pre-existing buildings into modern retail spaces for local

"Her approach preserves and repurposes them, even if they might not have been the most iconic buildings, rather than just tearing them all down," Barbara Becks of the Costa Mesa Historical Society said.

See **Developer**, page A3

Weather closes Seal Beach Pier

Thursday night's high surf and windy conditions forced beach officials to close off the pier until further notice.

BY SARA CARDINE

The Seal Beach Pier has been temporarily closed to the public until further notice due to damage sustained Thursday night during high surf and windy conditions, police officials reported Friday.

Department spokesman Capt. Nick Nicholas said officers coordinated with the city Public Works and Marine Safety divisions, as well as the Orange County Fire Authority, to prepare for and monitor the storm.

Sometime Thursday evening, with waves reaching as high as the pier's platform, a call was made to close off the portion of the pier that extends beyond the beach into the water, Nicholas said Friday.

"Around high tide last night, the waves were coming up pretty close to the pier, so we decided to proactively close the pier to make sure nobody got hurt," he said. "Shortly thereafter, we no-

See **Pier**, page A3

NMUSD hires new secondary education director

Keith Carmona officially joins the district in his new role on Jan. 17, replacing Mike Sciacca, who was promoted.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

The Newport-Mesa Unified School District has hired a new director of teaching and learning for secondary education, it was announced this week.

Keith Carmona will step into the shoes of Mike Sciacca, who was promoted to his new role as administrative director of secondary education in October. Sciacca was previously the director of teaching and learning for secondary education for only about a year prior to his promotion

"I am very excited about join-

See **Director**, page A2

National ultimate frisbee competition coming to Surf City

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach is known for surfing and beach volleyball on the sand, but a different sport will make its way there this year.

USA Ultimate, the national governing body for ultimate frisbee, announced Thursday that this year's USA Ultimate Beach Championships will take place May 13 and 14 in Huntington Beach.

This is the first time the tournament will be held on the West Coast. Since its inception in 2015, it has been held in Virginia Beach.

The USA Ultimate Beach Championships also return after being canceled in 2020 and '21 due to the coronavirus pandemic. They will be hosted by California Ultimate in partnership with Visit Huntington Beach, and California Ultimate's Grant Boyd will serve as the tournament director. "California Ultimate is pro

"California Ultimate is proud to bring Beach Nationals to the West Coast for the first time," Boyd said in a statement. "While constantly innovating programs and events to bring awareness to the game we love, Beach Nationals is the perfect fit for California, which already plays host to several major tournaments and leagues. We look forward to providing a fantastic event for athletes from across the country as they compete on one of the best beaches in the world."

It will be the first of two major beach ultimate frisbee tournaments in Huntington Beach this year. Surf City is also set to host the 2023 World Flying Disc Federation World Beach Ultimate Championships, which will run Cott 39 through Nov. 4

Oct. 28 through Nov. 4.
Teams interested in the USA

Ultimate Beach Championships must submit the online application by Feb. 10. For a division to be held, at least six teams must register by the team registration deadline.

USA Ultimate will be adding two new age divisions this year: Great Grand Masters Women's (women ages 47 and up) and Grand Masters Mixed (a minimum age limit of 40 for men and 37 for women).

Ultimate frisbee is popular in coastal Orange County, including Huntington Beach. Lei Out, a beach ultimate tournament with more of a party vibe, returns to Huntington State Beach next weekend, Jan. 14 and 15.

Boyd also serves as the tournament director for Lei Out.

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AROUND TOWN

C.M. Senior Center to host 'Dump Day'

Area residents may drop off household items too bulky for residential garbage bins at no cost on Saturday, Jan. 14., from 8 to 11 a.m. at the parking lot of the Costa Mesa Senior Center, 695 W.

Caltrans employees will be on site to collect bulky items such as mattresses, furniture, toys and electronic waste. The following items will not be accepted: hazardous materials, including batteries, paints, oils, chemicals and pesticides, fluorescent lights; concrete, dirt, rock, bricks asphalt or sand; treated wood; and

Space is limited and waste may not be accepted once capacity is reached. Attendees are asked to enter the lot on Plumer Street via Anaheim Avenue. The event is part of the Clean California Initiative. For other free Orange County D12CleanCA.

Shelter adoption fees waived for the month

Following up on a successful



Courtesy of OC Animal Care

ORANGE COUNTY Animal Care will continue to waive adoption fees throughout January for all dogs weighing 25 pounds or more.

adoption rate for large dogs seen in December, OC Animal Care officials have announced they will continue to waive adoption fees throughout the month of January for all dogs weighing 25 pounds or more.

During last month's adoption promotion, the Tustin-based facility adopted 92 large dogs compared to 45 large dogs during the same month in 2021. The waiver includes microchipping, vaccinations, spaying or neutering and an anti-parasite treatment.

Visitors can schedule an appointment by calling (714) 935-6848. A list of animals available for adoption is maintained at ocpetinfo.com. Each Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., large dogs are spotlighted in "Pooches on the Patio," a meet-and-greet event where people and dogs can get to know each other.

OC Animal Care is open daily, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 1630 Victory Road, in Tustin.

Speak Up Newport spotlights JWA

Speak Up Newport is hosting a talk with airport director Charlene Reynolds about John Wayne Airport this Wednesday, Jan. 11.

The talk will be hosted at the city's Civic Center Community Room on 100 Civic Center Drive. Reception is expected to begin at around 5:15 p.m. with the program to go from 6 to 7 p.m.

No registration is required for the live event, but those interested in watching the free webinar will need to register at speakupnewport.com/johnwayne-airport-2023.

Questions should be submitted question@speakupnewport. com.

Flu shots at HOPE Clinic on Jan. 18

A community flu clinic will be held at the HOPE Clinic on 2045 Meyer Place, Unit C, in Costa Mesa on Jan 18.

The clinic will be open from 8 to 11:45 a.m. and again between 1 and 5 p.m. the same day. Flu vaccines will be available at no cost for non-pregnant adults and children ages 4 and older.

Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome.

For more information or to make an appointment, call (949) 515-6725 or visit nmusd.us/ HopeClinic.

L.B. group announces contest winners

The Laguna Beach Patriots Day Assn. has named the winners of the Thurston Middle School Essay Contest and the Laguna Beach High School Program Cover Art Contest.

Skylar DiMaggio will receive a \$100 award donated by the parade committee for her essay in the Thurston Middle School Essay Contest while Jonah Goldstein will receive \$100 from U.S. Bank for the Laguna Beach High School Cover Art Contest.

The 56th Patriots Day Parade will be taking place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 4.

Fair official joins Costa Mesa chamber

Officials with the Costa Mesa Chamber announced last month Ken Karns, chief operating officer for the Orange County Fair & Event Center, which organizes the annual O.C. Fair, had been selected to serve on the chamber's executive committee.

Karns, who joined OCFEC in 2016, currently serves on the Board of the International Assn. of Fairs & Expositions and, in his position, manages master site planning and capital projects, admissions, security and traffic, event operations, facility operations and technology and production at the organization.

"The Chamber plays a critical role in the business and economic vitality of Costa Mesa and our region," Karns said in a statement. "I'm looking forward to contributing to their continued success, helping to ensure that Costa Mesa remains the preeminent location in which to work, play and raise a family.'

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DIRECTOR

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ing the Newport-Mesa Unified School District community," said Carmona. "I have long admired this school district, its schools and programs, and I look forward to meeting all of our students, staff and families and learning how I can support the success of all Newport-Mesa students.

In his new role, Carmona will be responsible for building a framework for secondary education informed by identified data and metrics to monitor instructional educational improvement and coordinate curriculum, assessment and programs on a districtwide level. Carmona will also oversee the administrative intern and summer programs as well as the district's AVID director.

Carmona will officially

join the district on Jan. 17.

Prior to this, Carmona served an estimated 20 years in public education. He was the director of middle school education at the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District and was a principal for eight years at an AVID National Demonstration School and a district teacher trainer in technology. This all culminates to an estimated 20 years in public education.

He received his bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Arizona, single subject credentials in English and social science from UC Irvine and a master's in educational leadership from Cal State Fullerton.

"Keith's experience is ideal for managing and leading our secondary education program," Assistant Supt. of Secondary Education Kerrie Torres said in a statement announcing the hire. "He is



Courtesy of the Newport-Mesa Unified School District

KEITH CARMONA was previously a director of educational services at the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District. He will be joining the Newport-Mesa Unified School District on Jan. 17.

well-respected, with a reputation for being a highly knowledgeable, motivated leader who continuously seeks ways to improve educational

achievement. We are excited to welcome him to Newport-Mesa."

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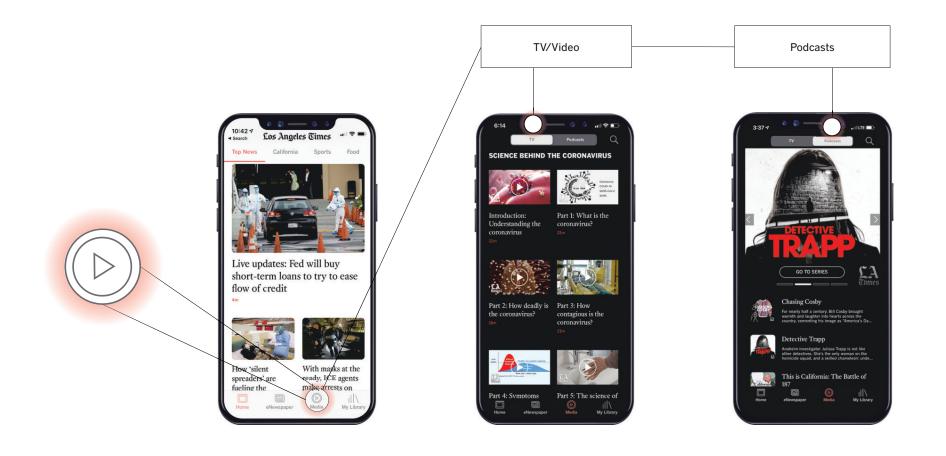
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THE DAILY **COMMUTER PUZZLE**

By Jacqueline E. *Mathews*

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STANDING WATER sits in the parking lot north of

Seal Beach

Pier on

Friday.

SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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

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

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Scott Smeltzer

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ticed some structural damage, mostly located near the very end of the pier."

A boat ramp used by oil platform workers employed by Oxnard-based DCOR, LLC, was ripped from the pier during Thursday night's storm while other portions of the structure were damaged.

"A big wave came and took it away," Nicholas said of the ramp. "There were pylons that got

knocked off as well — one of them washed up on shore.'

A beach parking lot located off 8th Street flooded on Thursday night, although no vehicles are thought to have suffered water damage. A public works crew was called to the scene Friday to dig nearby drainage ditches.

On the beach, a mammoth berm of sand withstood the impact of waves and prevented the encroachment of water to coastal areas.

Nicholas said an engi-

neering team would evaluate the integrity of the pier to learn the extent of the damage and that the structure would not be reopened until it had been repaired and deemed safe for use.

Updates will be provided as more information becomes available. Interested residents may sign up to receive real-time updates and alerts by visiting nixle.com or texting their ZIP code to 888777.

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DEVELOPER

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The first space she developed with her ex-husband. Shaheen Sadeghi, was the LAB Anti-Mall. It had been a manufacturing facility of night-vision goggles for the military before they bought it in 1993.

They were both project managers in the clothing industry at the time and wanted to create storefronts that would allow friends designing surf apparel to circumvent large corporate retailers, Linda Sadeghi said during a brief interview Friday.

"I needed security clearance to tour the LAB, if you can believe it," she said. "Right after I did I called Shaheen and said 'I found the place, but you gotta quit right now before someone else swoops it up."

Linda Sadeghi still owns the LAB and said it took decades to see it become a success. Revitalizing older structures instead of putting up new ones comes with additional maintenance and zoning concerns that took time for her team

to learn to navigate. "You're going to know your tenants and see a lot of them because you have to be there practically every day," Linda Sadeghi said. "You can't be an absentee landlord when something goes wrong in a 100-yearold building.'

Later, Linda Sadeghi became tapped as a consultant on the renovation of the Packing House in Anaheim, which reopened its doors in 2014. Now a trendy shopping and dining center, it was originally built for Sunkist Growers Inc. in 1919

and is the last remaining historic citrus packing

warehouse in the city. "The city had already bulldozed others, and residents came together to get them to save it," Linda Sadeghi said. "It's really thanks to the community that the building is still standing.

She plans to thank the historical society and local residents for their efforts to preserve historic architecture in Orange County during the chat she leads next Saturday. She will also likely discuss progress on the rehabilitation of the Balboa Theatre in Newport Beach. The plan is for the building to return as a performance center, hosting live music, drama, film and private events.

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Day Residence - A request for a coastal development permit to demolish an existing two (2)-story duplex and construct a new three (3)-story 2,972-square-foot duplex with an attached 397-square-foot two (2)-car garage and a two (2)-car carport. Additionally, the applicant requests the following deviations from the residential development standards of the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC):

a. Variance: Request to encroach three (3) feet into the required 3-foot right side setback area; and b. Major Site Development Review: Request to increase the allowed height from a base height limit of 24 feet for flat roofs and 29 feet for sloping roofs to a maximum height limit of 28 feet for flat roofs and 33 feet for sloping roofs.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15303 under Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony in regard to this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or prior to, the public hearing. The application may be continued to a specific future $meeting\ date, and\ if\ such\ an\ action\ occurs, additional$ public notice of the continuance will not be provided. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapters 20.64 (Appeals) and 21.64 (Appeals and Calls for Review). A fee is required to appeal any final action on a coastal development permit to the City Council. The project site is located within the appeal area of the coastal zone; therefore, final action by the City may be appealed to the California Coastal

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the of Newport Beach website www.newportbeachca.gov/planningcommission. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or

applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the business day immediately prior to the meeting. This allows time for the Planning Commission to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact David Lee, Associate Planner, at 949-644-3225, dlee@newportbeachca.gov, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2020-350

Activities: Variance, Major Site Development Review, Coastal Development

General Plan:

Two-Unit Residential (R-2) Two Unit Residential

Coastal Land Use Plan:

(30.0 - 39.9 DU/AC)

Filing Date: Two Unit Residential (RT-E) December 2, 2020

Location:

Applicant: 704 East Ocean Front, Studio M of A, Inc. Units A and B

Mark Rosene. Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF UNSCHEDULED VACANCY

The City of Newport Beach is currently accepting applications to fill one (1) unscheduled vacancy on the Finance Committee (term expires 6-30-23)

The Finance Committee meets as required, on weeknights or weekdays (M-Th), at a time convenient for the Committee at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach.

An application can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office at 100 Civic Center Drive, or can be sent to you by calling 949-644-3005. The application can also be accessed through the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov/vacancy.

The deadline for filing applications is noon on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, or until filled. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 949-644-3005.

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Notice of Public Sale

Pursuant to the California Self Service Storage Facility Act (B&P Code 21700 ET seq.) The undersigned will sell at public auction on Tuesday January 24, 2023 at 1:00 pm. Personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools and/or other household items located at: The sale will take place online at www.selfstorageauction.com. Wilferd Richmond Guenthoer

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Richardson Residence Variance - A request to construct an addition of approximately 665 square feet to an existing 3,740-square-foot single-family residence that would encroach up to 10 feet into the required 20-foot rear setback. The proposed addition would be constructed within the footprint of an existing raised deck that encroaches approximately 10 feet. The raised deck would be replaced above the new addition area and would maintain the same 10foot encroachment into the rear setback. The project complies with all other development standards such as lot coverage, height, and parking, and no other deviations are requested.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 - Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present $testimony\, regarding\, this\, application.\, If you\, challenge$ this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or prior to, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 20.64 (Appeals). The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date, and if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be

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the submitted correspondence.

lwestmoreland@newportbeachca.gov, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2021-119

General Plan:

R-1-7200 (Single-Unit Residential)

RS-D (Single Unit Residential Detached)

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Sports

GIRLS' SOCCER

Hoch's hat trick helps N.H. win Battle of the Bay

BY MATT SZABO

The Newport Harbor High girls' soccer team knows how to show up for the Battle of the Bay

One minute into Thursday's showdown at rival Corona del Mar, the Sailors were able to quiet the home faithful. Antonella Russo's corner kick from the left found the head of fellow senior Isa Whittaker, who flicked it in.

The onslaught did not

stop there. Less than two hours later, some of the nine Sailors seniors held up three fingers after the final whistle and talked about a "three-peat." Newport Harbor got a

hat trick from sophomore midfielder Sadie Hoch as it romped to a 5-1 win in the Sunset Conference crossover match.

The Sailors improved to 5-0-4 in their last nine meetings with rival CdM,

and also handed the Sea Kings their first loss of this season.

"It means everything to us," Russo said. "We go out there and we play with passion. We go to defend our side of the bay. We're just showing that we're not only here to compete, but that we're also good sports on the field. We don't feed into the rivalry or anything. We just play our game and we dominate, three times in a row."

Junior Kylie Lopez assisted on two of Hoch's three goals for the Sailors, who led 3-1 at halftime. Hoch's other goal came on a penalty kick, as she said she believed it was the first hat trick of her high school career.

"It was really cool," said Sadie Hoch, whose mom Tisha, an assistant coach for the Sailors, is a former U.S. women's national team player who was on the famous 1999 FIFA Women's World Cup championship team. "Obviously, all of our friends are here, and they don't really come to a lot of our other games. This was the big one. I couldn't have done it without my team and the good balls that they played me.

"We trust our team so much and love each other, and our chemistry is really, really good. I think that helps us on the field, and that kept us kind of calm."

Newport Harbor imparts the control of the

Newport Harbor improved to 9-5-2 in its final tuneup before beginning Surf League play Tuesday, when the Sailors host defending champion Los Alamitos. Goals have come in bunches this week for the Sailors, who also scored five goals in a non-league win over Fountain Valley.

Starting in the very first minute, though? That was more than Sailors coach Justin Schroeder could have expected.



HARBOR'S Sadie Hoch, center right, is hugged by Kylie Lopez and Sammy Forbath after scoring against Corona del Mar

on Thursday.

Scott Smeltzer Staff Photographer

"Nobody game plans getting scored on in the first minute," he said. "It worked two-fold for us. We got that comfort of getting that first goal, and probably made them change what they were going to do. It's kind of a gut punch, but we were ready. We knew set plays were going to be a big deal."

Russo added a goal in the 13th minute, converting a penalty kick after a CdM hand ball in the box. Ten minutes later, Hoch scored her first goal on a quick counterattack.

The slow start hurt the Sea Kings (10-1-1), who hadn't played a match in a couple of weeks. They host Los Alamitos on Saturday before playing at Laguna Beach on Tuesday in a Wave League opener.

"We had nine days off as a team, so had to shake the cobwebs off," CdM coach Bryan Middleton said. "They jumped on us and earned that first goal on us on the corner, but it still

took us a little time to wake up ... My hat's off to Newport. They played a very good game. They're very strong and physical with size."

Corona del Mar did add a goal before halftime, when senior defender Emily Chanawatr scored on a free kick.

The score stayed 3-1 until midway through the second half, when CdM junior goalkeeper Alex Boserup, who made five saves, dove for the ball following a Newport Harbor cross. While on the ground, she got tangled up with the Sailors' Lopez.

The referee gave Boserup a yellow card, which changed to a red card after Middleton said she used profanity. She slammed her gloves onto the ground near the sidelines in disgust at the call.

"I don't believe it was directed at the referee, but you can't use any profanity," Middleton said.

Hoch put the penalty

kick past CdM backup goalie Ashley LaRocca, who made a pair of saves. In the 63rd minute, Hoch added the match's final goal on another helper from Lopez.

Newport Harbor got three saves from sophomore goalkeeper Audrey Burns, and a back line of seniors Stella Gaffney and Delaney Gahm, junior Alexis Thomas and sophomore Ella Knox helped limit the Sea Kings' chances.

Russo and Hoch connected well in the midfield, with help from teammates like Whittaker and Kate Kubiak.

That chemistry isn't by accident; Russo and Hoch each went to Kaiser Elementary School in Costa Mesa.

"I kind of grew up watching her play," Hoch said. "She's a really awesome person to be around, so I love playing with her."

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