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VALENTINA MOLLI, center, and Lindsey Lobianco, right, who work in the restaurant and cosmetic industries, respectfully, protest against the stay-at-home order at Triangle Square in Costa Mesa on Monday.

County restaurant owners hit the streets in response to new stay-at-home order

BY SARA CARDINE

Orange County officials and business owners are actively campaigning against a stay-at-home order mandating Californians halt non-essential business and travel starting Monday, calling the rules too punitive and impractical to enforce.

In a demonstration Monday outside Costa Mesa shopping complex Triangle Square, a contingent of small business owners, restaurateurs and supporters rallied against parts of the mandate that would force restaurants to stop offering outdoor dining to patrons.

Alex Petrosian, owner of La Vida

Cantina, said he feels restaurants are being unfairly targeted by the new coronavirus restrictions, which make provisions for retailers to continue to operate at 20% capacity, while “essential” operate at 50% capacity.

“It’s not fair that my employees are not deemed essential and cannot provide a living for their families,” Petrosian said. “We feel we can be responsible and provide for our employees without increasing the risk.”

Petrosian is one of several local restaurant owners who say they will continue offering outdoor dining

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Owner of La Vida Cantina

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‘WE KNOW OUR COUNTY BEST’

Orange County supervisors seek local control over COVID-19 response as cases soar.

BY SARA CARDINE

County leaders are urging the state to allow for more local control in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, after millions of Southern California residents were placed Monday under stay-at-home restrictions that further limited business op-

erations across 11 counties.

The Orange County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday passed a Healthy Communities resolution suggesting state officials have issued orders during the coronavirus pandemic that have severely impacted local schools, businesses and constituents while providing little data to support or justify the mandates.

“They’re playing us for fools, saying you guys have to follow these rules. And they’re making the



Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

RANDALL AND Jennifer Harris watch the sunset at Huntington Beach Pier on Nov. 30.

rules up as they go along,” Supervisor Don Wagner, who proposed the resolution alongside Supervisor Lisa Bartlett, said of Sacra-

mento lawmakers. “We know our county best. We can have a fo-

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Kim Carr sworn in as Huntington Beach mayor and Tito Ortiz is new mayor pro tem

BY MATT SZABO

Kim Carr was sworn in as Huntington Beach mayor on Monday night while former mixed martial arts star Tito Ortiz was sworn in as mayor pro tempore, setting the city up for its next two years of leadership.

Carr and Ortiz were sworn in together before sitting next to each other on the dais. Ortiz and fellow new council members Dan Kalmick and Natalie Moser will join holdovers Carr, Barbara Delgleize, Mike Posey and Erik Peterson to create the seven-member City Council for 2021.

Carr, first elected to the City Council in 2018, takes over as Surf City’s mayor during continued difficult times caused by the

ongoing coronavirus pandemic. A regional stay-at-home order took effect in Orange County on Monday and will last at least three weeks.

Carr heard at least one phone call of public comment that she was happy to get after being sworn in, as her teenage daughter, Rachel, called into the council chambers to congratulate her.

Carr mentioned during her speech that she was hopeful for the upcoming year, noting that she was being sworn in on the 79th anniversary of Japan bombing Pearl Harbor during World War II.

“As we know, it was a horrible

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F.V. City Council selects Michael Vo as mayor, Patrick Harper as mayor pro tem

BY ANDREW TURNER

The Fountain Valley City Council welcomed two new members to the five-person governing body in a Dec. 1 meeting.

Glenn Grandis and Ted Bui were the top vote-getters from among the seven candidates who ran for two available seats on the council.

The seats had belonged to the city’s most recent mayor, Cheryl Brothers, who served on the council from 2003 to 2010 and from 2013 to 2020, and Steve Nagel, who had served the last three terms consecutively.

Grandis led all candidates with 10,444 votes. Bui received 9,218 votes, while Brothers finished third with 8,505 votes and Mai-Khanh Tran was fourth with 8,276 votes. Nagel did not run for reelection.

Once the new council members had taken the oath of office, the panel selected Michael Vo as



Photos by Scott Smeltzer

MICHAEL VO, shown during an Aug. 18 City Council meeting, will serve his third term as mayor.

mayor and Patrick Harper as mayor pro tem, both by unanimous votes. It will be Vo’s third term as mayor, as he held the position in 2014 and 2018.

“Less than a month ago, all



PATRICK HARPER is Fountain Valley’s new mayor pro tem.

council members, all city department heads and the city manager, we got together for a whole day [for] strategic planning for the city,” Vo said. “The city now has a new three-year goal to maintain

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Orange County reports 1,671 COVID-19 cases, no new deaths

Tuesday was the second day of the new stay-at-home order issued for Southern California.

BY ANDREW TURNER

The stay-at-home order for Southern California went into effect Monday, as state and public health officials implement measures to address the latest surge in cases from the coronavirus pandemic.

The restrictions, imposed once a region has fallen below 15% with its intensive care unit capacity availability, were triggered on Saturday for Southern California, and consequently Orange County.

In the middle of the holiday season, the shutdown will strike a blow to businesses and revelers alike.

The stay-at-home order remains in place for a minimum of three weeks, meaning that its impact



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360 CLINIC medical assistants screen patients during a COVID-19 mobile testing site at Fountain Valley Sports Park.

will be felt through Christmas. The earliest that Orange County could be relieved of the latest restrictions is Dec. 28.

The order requires the affected regions to limit retail capacity to 20%, allows for only takeout orders from restaurants, and keeps various establishments closed, including barbershops, cardrooms, bars and museums.

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Bicyclist, 12, dies after being hit by truck in Costa Mesa

BY SARA CARDINE

Costa Mesa police detectives are investigating a fatal collision that occurred Sunday evening, when a 12-year-old bicyclist was hit by a rented moving truck operated by a suspected impaired driver in a crosswalk near the city’s skate park.

Officials reported Noel Bascon of Costa Mesa and his father were riding bicycles near the juncture of Junipero and Arlington drives shortly before 5:55 p.m. Sunday and had entered the crosswalk, when a vehicle traveling east on Arlington failed to stop at the stop sign and struck the youth.

Bascon was thrown several feet into the air by the impact, according to a release. A passerby who’d witnessed the collision began administering CPR on the boy until first responders arrived on scene.

“The officers continued CPR and administered an [automated external defibrillator] until Costa

Mesa Fire & Rescue medics arrived,” the release stated. “The victim was transported to a nearby hospital, where he was pronounced dead.”

The Costa Mesa Police Department’s Major Accident Investigation team arrived and interviewed the driver and passenger of the truck, both of whom remained on the scene and were subsequently arrested.

The driver — Richard Lavallo, 59, of Long Beach — was booked on suspicion of murder, driving under the influence and a parole violation.

The passenger, Lee Anna Diaz Murphy, 56, of Artesia was arrested for possession of controlled substances and unlawful paraphernalia.

Costa Mesa police are asking anyone with additional information about the fatal traffic collision to contact Traffic Investigator Kha Bao at (714) 754-5264.

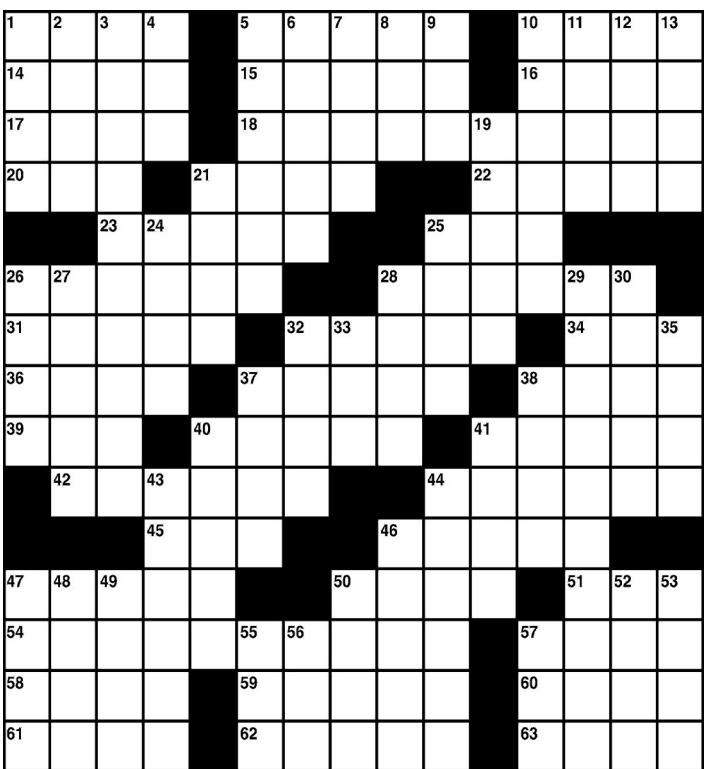
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By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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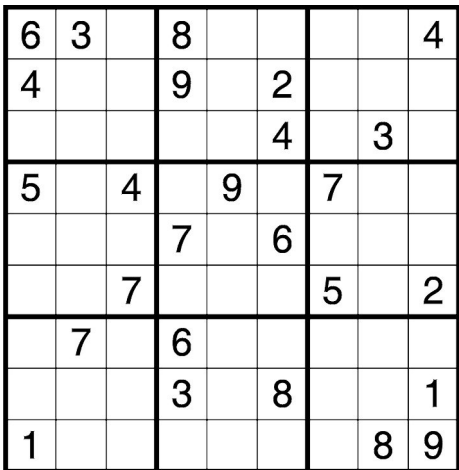
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23 Rustic poem
25 Rollaway
26 Ice cream portions
28 "Wheel of Fortune" purchases
31 "It takes two to ____"
32 Unadorned
34 "Snakes ____ Plane"; scary 2006 film
36 Big diamonds
37 Weak
38 The Ugly Duckling, in reality
39 Saloon
40 Large shrimp
41 Mythical archer
42 Fish hawk
44 Somewhat
45 Youth
46 Word of agreement
47 Egypt's ____ Dam
50 Serling & Stewart
51 Word attached to ever or sake
54 Traditional classroom feature
57 Largest city in Peru
58 Hamster's home
59 Up to the time that
60 Radar screen image
61 Earned a ticket
62 Canadian migrants
63 ____ up; arranges



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.



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

DOWN

1 One of three tenses
2 Word from Popeye
3 Retirees
4 Grant or Carter
5 Fights off
6 Just right
7 "It's a ____"; new parents' cry
8 Take ____; leave
9 Bread variety
10 Sharp as a tack
11 Parade spoiler
12 Wooden shoe
13 Cluckers
19 Tiara

21 Clerical error
24 Barkers
25 Spiral
26 Pierce
27 Cocoa bean
28 Conceited
29 Keep a ____; avoid attention
30 Plant pest
32 Pastor's advice
33 Regulation
35 Opie's pa
37 Barney Rubble's pal
38 Formal attire
40 Mischievous trick
41 Popular Broadway musical
43 Came in second
44 Violin
46 Day, for one
47 "Sesame Street" lesson
48 Strike with an open hand
49 Salary
50 At any ____; nonetheless
52 Fail to mention
53 Knocks
55 Beetle or bee
56 Half and half
57 Dieter's concern: abbr.

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Costa Mesa man arrested
after attempted robbery

BY MATT SZABO

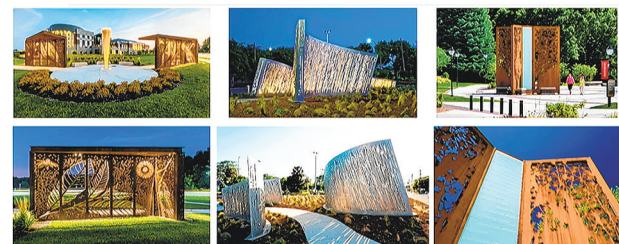
A Costa Mesa man suspected of attempting a strong-arm robbery on Harbor Boulevard in Costa Mesa on Friday night has been arrested, police said. Costa Mesa Police Department spokeswoman Roxi Fyad said that Danny Rocky Guzman, 26, is accused of trying to snatch a woman's purse from around her shoulder. Fyad said that police responded Friday at 7:03 p.m. to a report of a possible attempted robbery in the 2300 block of Harbor Boulevard.

The female victim was in the parking lot near the front entrance of a restaurant when the suspect knocked her to the ground and attempted to forcibly remove her purse, police said. Unsuccessful, he fled on foot. Responding officers did not initially locate the suspect, but through their investigation, they identified him as Guzman.

At the time of the incident, a patrol check for a disturbance call involving Guzman was in progress at an apartment complex in the 2400 block of Harbor. Guzman returned to the complex twice more that night but fled before officers arrived. Police said he returned again at 12:07 a.m. Saturday and was subsequently located by officers and arrested. Guzman is in custody at Theo Lacy Jail in Orange, Fyad said, and the bail amount has been set at \$150,000.

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RDG Planning & Design Art Studio



PICTURED ARE examples of art designs constructed by RDG Art Studio, which Huntington Beach is contracting with.

Courtesy of city of Huntington Beach

H.B. City Council contracts for
public art piece in Central Park

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach Mayor Lyn Semeta, a watercolor and mixed-media artist, was pleased that the last administrative item on the agenda of Monday night's City Council meeting had to do with art.

The outgoing mayor was presiding over her last council meeting before handing the reins to Kim Carr.

During the meeting council members unanimously voted to contract with RDG Planning & Art Design Studio to create an art piece in Huntington Central Park.

The contract will not exceed \$300,000, to be paid for by the city's public art fund, which sits at about \$360,000. The art will be installed within the grass areas adjacent to the library fountain and secret garden, according to a city staff report.

"It will be original, community and artist generated and will have to harmonize with and respect the integrity of the unique architecture of the Central Library and natural aesthetic of Huntington Central Park," the report read.

In September, the City Council authorized Semeta to appoint an ad hoc Huntington Central

Park Public Art Committee, composed of two council members, two staff and three community members. The committee received 11 applications and conducted interviews with five artists.

RDG has commissioned more than 80 large-scale art projects across the country and in Canada. There is a target date of December 2021 to install the art in Central Park.

"It will be iconic," Semeta said. "I think everyone will be very, very excited. It will make our city proud."

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Seegerstrom Center for the Arts forced to reschedule December events

BY SARA CARDINE

Seegerstrom Center for the Arts has announced it will cancel or postpone most outdoor performances and large events scheduled at its Julianne and George Argyros Plaza in December due to the recently issued stay-at-home order and rising coronavirus cases.

As such, a performance on Friday by Broadway singer Megan Hilty, of NBC's musical drama "Smash," has been rescheduled to Feb. 13, 2021, while a Nutcracker Tea Party fundraiser planned for Saturday and Sunday will now be held in a virtual format. Two holiday-themed



File Photo

SEGERSTROM CENTER for the Arts has announced it will cancel or postpone some December performances and events due to the recently issued stay-at-home order.

movie nights — a Dec. 18 viewing of the movie "Elf"

and "Frosty & Rudolph" on Dec. 19 — have been can-

celed. However, appearances by Grammy Award-

winning producer and vocalist Steve Tyrell, scheduled for Dec. 29 and 30, are currently set to run as planned until further notice.

While state restrictions prohibit performances and gatherings of people, some allowances are made in the guidelines for outdoor activities. Therefore, the center will offer its planned outdoor yoga classes on Wednesday and Dec. 16 from 4 to 5 p.m. Participants will be assigned their own distanced space, and masks are required.

"[Our] most important goal is to create an environment in which our audiences, artists, volunteers, students and staff feel safe,"

officials said in a release issued Monday. "We appreciate the leadership of our public officials and will continue to monitor the situation as it evolves to ensure the health and well-being of all residents of Orange County."

Patrons who have already purchased tickets will have the value of the ticket added to their Seegerstrom account as a credit they can apply to future purchases.

Seegerstrom Center for the Arts is at 615 Town Center Drive in Costa Mesa. For more information and updates, visit scfta.org or call (714) 556-2787.

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COVID-19

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Fountain Valley Sports Park served as a COVID-19 testing site on Tuesday. Michael Vo, who was recently selected to serve a third term as the mayor of Fountain Valley, said that he went to the event and spoke with a number of attendees from a variety of backgrounds. Those he interacted with at the site included a factory worker, a food server and a healthcare worker.

Vo stressed the importance of providing free testing, providing relief from further financial hardship as people try to get back to work.

"Obviously, the effort of flattening the curve and combating this pandemic, providing tests to the community is critical," Vo said. "I do see a challenge to many residents of Fountain Valley and many Orange County residents."

Vo added that the city is also working to bring a testing booth to the Fountain Valley Library within a couple of weeks.

Testing was performed by 360 Clinic, which can be reached online at 360clinic.md, or by phone at 800-446-8888.

Testing is available for

people with symptoms, healthcare workers and first responders and essential workers.

Those who live in or work at a skilled nursing facility or a group living facility, as well as people who have had close contact with someone believed to have contracted the virus, may also receive a test.

The Orange County fairgrounds in Costa Mesa continues to serve as a testing location by appointment Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Orange County reported 1,671 new coronavirus cases in data released by the Orange County Health Care Agency on Tuesday.

The county did not report any new deaths due to COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus, but it has had 1,633 virus-related deaths since the start of the pandemic. Cumulative cases in the county climbed to 90,513.

Intensive care unit occupancy rates were of primary concern when the new stay-at-home order was introduced last week. The county now has 946 hospitalizations because of the virus, while 235 of those patients are in ICU beds.

"Our state is committed to health broadly, not just around COVID health," California Health and Human

Services Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly said. "We want that capacity to be there for you when there's a car accident, God forbid, or when a heart attack or a stroke happens."

The county healthcare agency also reported 18,025 tests for the virus within the last day, bringing the total number of tests administered to 1,590,041. An estimated 62,955 people countywide have made a recovery after contracting the virus.

A dashboard for tracking transmission of the virus in schools has also been added by the healthcare agency. Since the county began gathering data on Aug. 19, a cumulative case count of 675 has been recorded among students, teachers and other school staff.

Here are the latest cumulative coronavirus case counts and COVID-19 deaths for select cities in Orange County:

- Santa Ana: 17,608 cases; 338 deaths
- Anaheim: 15,205 cases; 353 deaths
- Huntington Beach: 3,776 cases; 92 deaths
- Costa Mesa: 3,058 cases; 47 deaths
- Irvine: 3,250 cases; 16 deaths
- Newport Beach: 1,619 cases; 26 deaths
- Fountain Valley: 1,069



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TIM KERSEY, fire prevention analyst with the Fountain Valley Fire Department, swabs the inside of his nose as 360 Clinic medical assistant Angel Gonzalez screens him during a COVID-19 mobile testing site at Fountain Valley Sports Park on Tuesday.

cases; 21 deaths
• Laguna Beach: 366 cases; fewer than five deaths

Here are the case counts by age group, followed by deaths:
• 0 to 17: 7,749 cases; one death
• 18 to 24: 13,170 cases; four deaths
• 25 to 34: 19,122 cases; 23

deaths
• 35 to 44: 14,322 cases; 41 deaths
• 45 to 54: 14,624 cases; 124 deaths
• 55 to 64: 10,964 cases; 229 deaths
• 65 to 74: 5,527 cases; 321 deaths
• 75 to 84: 2,873 cases; 356 deaths
• 85 and older: 2,103

cases; 534 deaths
Updated figures are posted daily at ochealthinfo.com/coronavirus-in-oc.
For information on getting tested, visit ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-testing.

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CARR

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day, a day that will live in infamy,” she said.

“But this day reminds us that as a nation, when united, we can overcome great challenges and adversity ... I completely understand COVID fatigue and the stress, frustration and uncertainty the ever-changing guidelines from our governor cause our community. But now is not the time to let our guard down. There is light at the end of the tunnel. Now more than ever, we need to come together.”

Peterson nominated Ortiz as the new mayor pro tem, and Carr seconded the motion.

Ortiz’s selection was in accordance with a 1991 resolution which states that any council member who has served as mayor in the last four years is not eligible to be selected as mayor pro tem.

Ortiz was the choice over Kalmick and Moser since he received the most votes of the three new City Council members.

The resolution, however, is not legally binding and was bypassed by the City Council as recently as 2017, when it chose Peterson as the mayor pro tem instead of Billy O’Connell.

Ortiz received 42,246 votes for City Council, according to the city’s certified election results from the Nov. 3 election. Kalmick received 30,310 votes, and Moser 30,185 votes.

Huntington Beach City Clerk Robin Estanislau and Treasurer Alisa Backstrom,

both of whom ran unopposed, also were sworn in for another team.

Ortiz, a lifelong resident of Surf City who was one of two members of the new City Council to not wear a mask on the dais along with Peterson, said during his speech that he planned to keep his campaign promise to make Huntington Beach safer.

“I jumped into something that I didn’t realize what I was going to get into,” he said.

“But they said, do you want to be a player or do you want to be a spectator? I got sick of being a spectator ... I’ve watched Huntington Beach deteriorate on a small scale, but enough of a scale to make me want to step up and be a player.”

Ortiz, who has been openly skeptical of the COVID-19 pandemic, also used the word “plandemic” to describe it during his first speech as City Council member.

“[I appreciate] the support that I’ve been given from the residents here in Huntington Beach,” he said.

“It has been something that I’ve been very, very thankful for every one of the residents who have brought me into their home and given me an opportunity to speak in front of large groups. Of course, with this COVID-19 ... let me say this right, ‘plandemic’ or pandemic ... it has been really hard just to live a normal life for my children, for myself, and a lot of other people around the world. Here’s an opportunity for me, once again, to stop being a spectator

and be a player and step up for my community.”

The views were different from those of Kalmick, who openly called out City Council members for not wearing masks during his campaign. He said Huntington Beach needs to work toward data-driven solutions “that benefit the most and protect those with the least.”

“It’s on us as leaders, and you as residents, to help protect one another,” he said. “We can model our future behavior on that of the Greatest Generation, sacrifice for the greater good and come together as one H.B., to work to make Huntington Beach better and safer for everyone.”

Moser said she was grateful for her family and friends and their good health, as well as her campaign team and, most importantly, the voters.

“In me, Huntington Beach voters have chosen inclusivity, an evidence-based approach, and empathy,” she said. “We will work together and find a way to bridge the divides and heal the wounds in our community. We must.”

The meeting was the final one for Councilwoman Jill Hardy, who termed out, as well as outgoing Mayor Lyn Semeta and Councilman Patrick Brenden. Semeta and Brenden decided not to run for reelection.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH City Clerk Robin Estanislau swears in new Mayor Kim Carr and Mayor Pro Tem Tito Ortiz at Monday night’s City Council meeting.

CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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the culture and environment of a nice place to live, attract and retain revenue-producing enterprise, achieve fiscal stability in accordance with the 20-year financial plan, and attract and retain quality staff. Supporting this three-year goal will be my main focus as mayor.”

Vo also said that the city has been working to address the COVID-19 pandemic. On Tuesday, free walk-up testing was provided at Fountain Valley Sports Park.

In his introductory remarks on the dais, Grandis said that he had “big shoes to fill” as Brothers and Nagel leave the council. He thanked both for their volunteerism in the community.

“I’d like to thank the residents of Fountain Valley,” Grandis added. “Thank you for your votes, thank you for your trust. I will commit to work hard, keep our city a nice place to live.

“There’s a lot of big decisions coming up, especially a lot of development in our community, and decisions we make today will definitely affect us for the next 20 years or so. I have to say, I am truly, truly honored to be able to serve our community.”

Bui said that he was elected to the City Council because Fountain Valley voters were looking for a new voice.

“Moving forward, I hope City Council members, city managers and city staff, we

can share the same vision to move this city forward, to keep this community a nice place to live,” Bui said. “As your new councilman, I will do my best to serve our community.”

In his farewell, Nagel, who was a longtime member of the Fountain Valley Fire Department, said he took pride in being elected to the council three times. He expressed his gratitude to city staff too.

“The city manager, the directors and the managers and all the departments have been tremendous, and I can’t thank them enough,” Nagel said.

“I think we are well served. We have a full-service city, which being a small city is tough to do, but we do it, and we do it cheaper and better than anybody in the county.”

Brothers kept her comments brief before she was overcome with emotion. She was then presented with a plaque by Vo for her service.

“I sort of started a different path in the city and served on the Park Commission for nine years,” Brothers said.

“We still had a park commission then, and worked on developing our parks, which are great. Then served on the Planning Commission for six years, where, as Patrick knows, you leave a big imprint on the city when you work on the Planning Commission, and it’s been my honor to serve on your City Council, so thank you.”

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In the matter of the Estate of **Thomas B. Smith, decedent** Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at Private sale to the highest and best bidder, subject to confirmation of said Superior Court, on or after the 21st day of December, 2020 at the office of McGonigle & Hunsaker, LLP, 2000 E. Fourth Street, Suite 306, Santa Ana, CA 92705, all the right, title and interest of said decedent in and to all the certain real property situated in the city of Costa Mesa, County of Orange, State of California, particularly described as follows: Lot 145 and a 1/334th undivided interest in common in and to Lot 1, Tract No. 5160 in the City of Costa Mesa, County of Orange, State of California, as per map recorded in Book 181, pages 40, 41, & 42 of Miscellaneous Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County.

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Dated: December 2, 2020

Carolynn Egan, Personal Representative of the Estate
Attorney(s) at Law: McGonigle & Hunsaker, LLP, 2000 E. Fourth Street, Suite 306, Santa Ana, CA 92705

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Destan Seferaj 3128
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Purchase must be paid for at time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is where is and must be removed at time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of a settlement between owner and obligated party. Dated this December 2nd, 2020 and December 9th, 2020, Auction Listed on storagetreasures.com. Final bid at 12:00 noon.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The mini storage facility, according to provisions of Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code, Chapter 10, Section 21707 (a) California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, hereby gives NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE.

AIRPORT SELF STORAGE will conduct a public sale of the contents of the storage space(s) named below, with the contents being sold to the highest bidder, for lawful money of the United States of America (cash). Owner reserves the right to bid.

The sale is being held to satisfy a landlord’s lien and will be held at

AIRPORT SELF STORAGE , 3760 Campus Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660

on **December 15, 2020, at 10:00 AM**

The public is invited to attend. Terms are cash only.

A general description of the property being sold, along with the identity of the Occupant renting the space is as follows:

SPACE NO.	OCCUPANT	PROPERTY DESCRIPTION
2325	Fakhimi–Houman	Crib, boxes, stroller, misc.
2024	Morteza Nasserara	Buckets, tools, tile, misc.
2210	Cal-Pac Capital Advisor	Boxes, totes
2096	Dominique Yarumian	Furniture, boxes, totes, bags, misc.
2148	Brian Elledge	Boxes, totes, canvas, pictures, keyboard
1039	Dorothy Adams	Christmas decorations
1021	Ikuta–Leslie	Couches, boxes, bags
1006	John Rangel	Pop up, microwave, ladder, tote, misc., tools
2191	Hefter–Deborah	boxes

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(UCC Sec. 6105)
Escrow No. 14533-JP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: TANDOORI FRESH, INC., 1500 ADAMS AVE, STE 100A, COSTA MESA, CA 92626
Doing Business As: TANDOORI FRESH

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are:
The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: MD WAZED ALI, OR ASSIGNEE AND MASUM AHMED, OR ASSIGNEE, 1500 ADAMS AVE, STE 100A, COSTA MESA, CA 92626

The assets to be sold are described in general as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPLETE and are located at: 1500 ADAMS AVE, STE 100A, COSTA MESA, CA 92626

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: ACT ONE ESCROW, INC., 17316 EDWARDS RD, STE B160, CERRITOS, CA 90703 and the last date for filing claims shall be: DECEMBER 24, 2020, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

DATED: 12-02-2020
BUYER: MD WAZED ALI, OR ASSIGNEE AND MASUM AHMED, OR ASSIGNEE
123842 DAILYPILOT 12/9/2020

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 Wednesday December 23, 2020 at 4:00 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

Young, Maxwell

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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Rodriguez Alvarez, Edgar
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Mcphail, Andre L.
Gordon, Jonathan S.

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Dated this 9th of December and 16th of December 2020 by Costa Mesa Self Storage & RV 3180 Red Hill Ave Costa Mesa, CA 92626 (714) 966-9901

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST
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Overcoming loneliness during the pandemic

We are already moving into what medical experts believe will be a long winter of intensified COVID suffering, accompanied by increased fatalities.

While being forced to spend more time at home in protecting ourselves, what can we do to cope with feelings of fatigue, loneliness and being overwhelmed by the sacrifices required in coping with risk? Specifically, how can we learn to turn feelings of loneliness into comfortably being alone?

Everyone has been inundated with articles touting the benefits of daily self-care. We are told to incorporate good nutrition, exercise, adequate rest and sleep and exposure to sunlight. We are counseled to limit the use of mind-altering substances and the tendency to sooth ourselves with “comfort” foods. We are told to create new schedules, reduce expectations and become more mindful and self-reflective. And we are guided to connect with others digitally to help satisfy the need for social connection.

But with all this good advice, people of all ages continue to feel lonely. We believe one key reason for this is that they have not learned how to be comfortably alone. *Being alone does not have to mean being lonely.* So, let’s begin by defining the terms.

Being alone is the physical state of not having another person or animal in your company. There is plenty of research confirming that having a pet lessens the sting of being alone, especially for senior adults. But for our pur-

poses, let’s define being alone as not having a pet in your company.

Loneliness is the psychological state of feeling sadness or distress at being physically alone. When we are lonely, we want contact with other people and are dissatisfied with being alone. We may still feel lonely even with people around us if we do not feel connected to them. So, it is not merely the physical act of being alone that triggers loneliness but the absence of a satisfying connection. Because we are naturally social beings, even the most introverted people may at times feel lonely.

During the pandemic, we must remember that we are not just feeling cut off from other people — we are also feeling cut off from our normal outside world. We can’t as easily get away for new stimulation, to shop, explore a new place, enjoy nature or take a short driving vacation. We don’t feel safe making any long-term plans — for vacations, trips to family across the country or anything else. *Our sense of time has been compressed, forcing us to stay more present-centered.* In fact, one way to increase resilience, or the ability to adapt to changing conditions, is to increase our ability to enjoy the present.

If our anticipation of a trip in three months is part of what keeps us going, when that is stripped away because it can no longer predictably be planned, we lose the sense of freedom to mentally escape into the future. One of the mental tricks we use

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— fantasizing a pleasant future event to keep us going — no longer works. So, learning to be comfortably alone in the present becomes more important when escape from it becomes problematic.

If we want to overcome loneliness, here are some things we can do:

1. Understand that the feeling of loneliness originates in our thoughts. If we can identify and change our thoughts, we can change our feeling by substituting more positive, self-supportive thoughts. For example, thoughts like, “Being alone means no one likes me, and I’m all by myself in the world.” Or, “There is something wrong with me because I’m alone.” Or, “Being alone means I’m missing out on the joys of life that everyone else is experiencing.” These kinds of thoughts will reinforce isolation from others and may become fertile ground for obsessive rumination about not fitting in, leading to anxiety, loneliness and depression.
- If you pay attention to your thoughts, you will notice how negative ones tend to repeat and create negative feelings. If you can work with the negative thoughts by neutralizing them with positive ones, you can change your feeling about being alone.

Our sense of acceptance of ourselves is the fundamental antidote to any lonely feelings. We must be able to accept ourselves deeply — including our shortcomings and inadequacies — everything we don’t like about ourselves. If we can do this, we will learn to enjoy our own company. Then, loneliness is less likely to be experienced. Of course, part of what psychotherapy and counseling have to offer is working with all the negativity, resentment and self-disgust created in the past, which arise when we really pay close attention to our thoughts and emotions.

2. As a part of a closer examination of your thoughts, take some time alone in a quiet place to do nothing but notice the ongoing flow of your thoughts. Notice which thoughts arise and pass away easily and which thoughts tend to stay with you. Notice that the more attention you give a thought, the tougher it is too allow it to pass away on its own. See if you can come to accept all of your thoughts without making judgments about them. If you can learn to do this, you will have a potent tool in enjoying your own company.
3. If you are able, surround

yourself with people who are capable of feeling empathy, who want and know how to connect to you with their words and actions. When we feel listened to and understood, we feel connection. This helps break up the sense of sadness and loneliness. Try to avoid people who are fixated on the negative, tending to be critical of themselves and others.

4. Make a vow to temporarily give up planning for the future. This means the short-range future of a few months. If you wish to plan a year from now, make plans that can be changed as circumstances warrant. Examine what elements from future planning may be satisfying in the present. See if any of them may be incorporated into your present thinking.
5. Digitally connect with others. Use video programs like Zoom and chat messenger tools so that you may feel the connection with loved ones even if you can’t physically be with them. Keep in mind that hundreds of thousands of people have used online dating sites for a couple of decades now as a primary vehicle to connect with others. If people can form deep enough connections to end up marrying and corporations can have productive enough conferencing to make big decisions, *it is not absolutely necessary* to meet in person for deep non-physical connection to take place.

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ORDER

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ing, despite restrictions against it. Another is chef Andrew Gruel of Slapfish in Huntington Beach.

Gruel said Thursday in a video on Twitter he’s already spent a small fortune on plexiglass dividers and outdoor heating lamps in an attempt to comply with ever-changing orders, without compensation. He explained his decision to continue offering outdoor dining.

“There is zero scientific evidence that proves outdoor dining is contributing to a rise in [coronavirus] cases,” he said.

“I can go on a plane. I can go to Walmart. I can go get a pink cock-a-too for my Christmas tree, but I cannot go and dine outdoors in a restaurant — screw that, we’re staying open.”

California Department of Public Health officials announced Saturday Southern California’s regional ICU bed availability had dropped below 15%, triggering the closure of personal care services and all indoor and outdoor dining at restaurants in the affected areas, including Orange and Los Angeles counties.

State officials reported Monday that California has seen a 69% increase in COVID-19-related ICU admissions in the past 14 days, leaving the statewide ICU bed capacity at 14.2%.

Throughout Southern California, only 10.9% of ICU beds were available, although Orange County’s ICU capacity was slightly higher, at 18%.

While schools were allowed to remain open Monday, nonessential retail businesses were to limit capacity to 20%, while cardrooms and casinos, museums, zoos and aquariums, movie theaters and wineries were to close



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DEMONSTRATORS INCLUDING Lindsey Lobianco, with sign, protest in Costa Mesa against the stay-at-home order.

immediately.

The mandate is to last three weeks, at which time officials will review cases further.

“We know that these various restrictions are a hardship for people,” California Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly said of the stay-at-home orders in a news conference Monday. “But we know some of them are required to make sure we get through the surge as quickly as possible.”

Several county officials have criticized the order for lumping Orange into a region with 10 other disparate jurisdictions, some of which have higher infec-

tion rates and COVID-19 hospitalizations, and for causing undue hardships on area business owners.

Orange County Sheriff Don Barnes confirmed Saturday deputies would not enforce the mandates.

“Compliance with health orders is a matter of personal responsibility and not a matter of law enforcement,” Barnes said in a release. “Orange County Sheriff’s deputies will not be dispatched to, or respond to, calls for service to enforce compliance with face coverings, social gatherings or stay-at-home-orders.”

Orange County Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Michelle Steel — recently

elected to the 48th U.S. Congressional District — said Friday the lockdown was not based on any clear standard or science.

“The governor has been clamping down on our residents’ ability to provide for themselves and their families for weeks, with no evidence it has slowed the spread,” Steel said in a statement, adding the mandate would only worsen unemployment and rates of depression.

“The governor and state health officials should focus on protecting the most vulnerable in our communities and stop these sweeping orders that harm all of us,” she continued.

Restaurant owners like

Petrosian and Gruel are informing customers through social media they will defy the order and continue outdoor dining.

Under the banner #OpenSafe, some explained their decision-making process.

“Please consider the moral dilemma we face,” read a post from the owners of Memphis Café in Costa Mesa, where 85% of employees have already been laid off. “We...have made the difficult decision to stay open for outdoor dining. We will continue to be diligent and follow all safety protocols with your safety our utmost priority.”

Petrosian, who purchased La Vida Cantina in

June during the pandemic and employs 85 employees, said the site’s spacious outdoor patio helped the restaurant survive previous dining shutdowns. Last month’s curfew, which forced businesses to close at 10 p.m., was a bit of a blow but nothing compared to the latest closure.

He came to Monday’s demonstration to rally alongside other business owners facing similar difficulties.

“I think we’re going to make a stand,” he said. “Hopefully, there’s strength in numbers.”

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COUNTY

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cused response to the disease. The only hope of doing it right is allowing local control,” he continued.

A health order issued Saturday called on residents in Orange County — along with 10 other jurisdictions from San Diego County to Mono County, identified as part of a Southern California region — to halt all nonessential businesses starting Monday for a three-week period.

The mandate was triggered when the aggregate ICU bed availability for the newly configured region dropped below 15%. Under

the order, most retail businesses operations have been reduced to 20% capacity, while restaurants may no longer offer indoor or outdoor dining.

Orange County leaders have bristled at having other counties’ coronavirus indicators factored into local outcomes, while business leaders and restaurateurs said they plan to flout restrictions.

Sheriff Don Barnes affirmed Saturday his deputies would not enforce compliance with the mandates.

Tuesday’s resolution does not have the force of law — it merely affirms elected officials oppose the orders and will do what they can

to lobby for the power to issue their own orders during the pandemic.

“This represents thousands of people throughout the community saying, ‘Help us. This isn’t working — try something else,’” Wagner said of the document. “We are asking, Governor, hear us. Hear the people. Governor, let us protect our citizens.”

The resolution asks for counties to determine a local COVID-19 response and individual courses of action for geographically distinct areas. It also calls for schools to reopen and offer in-person instruction “to the greatest extent possible without further delay.”

“We need to reopen our

economy — we can’t keep opening and closing over and over and over again,” Bartlett said. “It’s important to send a message to Sacramento and to support our small businesses, who are really struggling right now, but also to support our residents, who are suffering through this crisis.”

County residents, speaking in public comments Tuesday, largely favored the document and its principles.

“I’m asking you to do whatever you need to do to walk in the truth and do what’s best for your citizens, and that is not listening to the governor,” said speaker Lori, who did not provide her surname. “The

cure that he is proposing, and we are following, is so much worse than the actual virus. Allow people to live and live freely.”

San Juan Capistrano resident David Blain said he favored a small-government approach to responding to the coronavirus.

“You, county board supervisors, are in a better position to make decisions for Orange County residents and for our community than Gov. Newsom up in Sacramento,” he said. “He shouldn’t be able to rule just by fiat.”

Supervisor Vice Chair Andrew Do said he supported the resolution but urged those in the community to see it not as a politi-

cal act of retaliation against Newsom or state officials but as an attempt to secure the autonomy to make decisions during a time of crisis.

With the county’s ICU capacity at a critical low of 13%, he continued, the public health threat of COVID-19 is higher than ever before.

“Let’s focus on the ask for the resolution, which I support, and not turn it into a political statement against Sacramento,” Do said. “Because that will dilute the laser focus we need to have as a community to fight this pandemic.”

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