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Murder trial of driver hinges on intent

Attorneys attempt to answer whether Stephen Taylor Scarpa acted with malice when he drove home from a party tired and on 'downers.'

BY SARA CARDINE

Stephen Taylor Scarpa hadn't slept for two days and had multiple narcotics in his system on Nov. 3, 2018, when he drove home from a Westminster party and struck Costa Mesa fire Capt. Mike Kreza, a prosecutor told jurors Monday. Orange County Senior Deputy District Atty. Daniel Feldman said the Mission Viejo resident had been working at a drug addiction and rehabilitation center, where part of his job duties involved administering medications, but lost the job because he "got loaded and couldn't work."

He'd been partying with some of his former co-workers until shortly before 8 a.m. that November morning, after having taken unprescribed "downers" lorazepam and benzodiazepines at the party, Feldman said. Scarpa had gotten in an altercation over a woman, was desperate to leave and wanted to get some sleep.

So, he got behind the wheel and hit the 405 Freeway, headed for home.

That trip, however, ended in tragedy

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Orange County officials preach caution

BY ANDREW TURNER

With end-of-summer plans set to be put into motion over Labor Day weekend, Orange County officials are cautioning the public to follow the recommended practices to protect themselves, and others, against the spread of the coronavirus and the contagious Delta variant.

Dr. Regina Chinsio-Kwong, Orange County's deputy health officer, advises the public to be proactive in minimizing risk factors by wearing a mask properly, maintaining physical distancing and keeping gatherings outdoors where possible.

She warns against indoor gatherings that lack good ventilation, leading those

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SMALL AMERICAN FLAGS are placed around the Back Bay and Monte Vista High School marquee sign on Tuesday. A teacher at Back Bay High posted a controversial video on TikTok, and in response, members of the community came out to plant American flags on campus.

NMUSD, teacher under fire for social media post rejecting flag

BY LILLY NGUYEN, SARA CARDINE



ABOVE: A rainbow-colored pride flag was placed around the Back Bay and Monte Vista High School marquee sign on Tuesday.

RIGHT: Students leave for the day at Back Bay High School on Tuesday.

A Newport-Mesa Unified teacher is "no longer in the classroom" after a social media post about her removing the U.S. flag and suggesting students instead pledge allegiance to an LGBTQ pride flag went viral, causing an uproar in the school community. "We are aware that one of our teachers posted a video on their personal social media that caused alarm and concern related to saluting the American flag," district officials said in a statement released Monday afternoon. "Showing respect for our nation's flag is an important value that we instill in our students and an expectation of

our employees. The teacher is no longer in the classroom."

"We follow due process and our investigation continues," it said.

District sources confirmed the woman in the now-deleted TikTok post is Kristin Pitzen, a teacher at Back Bay High School.

In the post, Pitzen appears to be filming from inside her own classroom.

"OK, so during third period, we have announcements and they do the Pledge of Allegiance," Pitzen says in the video. "I always tell my class: Stand if you feel like it. Don't stand like if you feel like it. Say the

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Flexibility key as Golden West College starts new school year



Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

KENNEDY KLUMKER, left, and Elizabeth Reyes help themselves to some free goodies in front of the Student Services Center during the first day of classes at Golden West College on Monday.

BY MATT SZABO

Golden West College vice president of student services Claudia Lee spent most of the first day of school Monday helping students. And, since most of the student body spent the last 17 months off campus, Lee was happy to be so involved.

"It's been busy, which is amazing," Lee said Monday. "Educators, we thrive off of personal interaction. I mean, that's why we're here. We love the energy we get from the students, the vibrancy of the campus."

Golden West College, which had most of its programs strictly online last school year, returned Monday with a hybrid system in place. The junior college is offering on-campus classes and fully online classes. There's also an option called a "live online" class, where students log into Zoom at certain times to interact with their teachers and classmates.

Flexibility is key as the college

opens the 2021-22 school year, Lee said, with about 30% of classes being held on campus. Golden West is using the Signal Line messaging platform that gives students customized responses online to their questions.

"What we're able to do, because we ask up front their student ID and some personal information, it gives them very customized responses based on the data that we have in our system," she said. "If a student were to type in, for example, 'What's my cumulative G.P.A.?' it would spit that back out at them. That is very unique, because that really eliminates their need to wait to speak to a real-life human being."

Lee said weekly customized text messages are also a key part of the school's approach. Students can respond to the text with unrelated questions, which will be forwarded to the right person, or they can ask questions in the

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H.B. man sentenced to prison in church fraud case

BY CITY NEWS SERVICE

The former chairman of the board of a Christian Science church in Los Angeles was sentenced Monday to nearly 11 years behind bars for siphoning more than \$11.4 million from the church.

Along with the 130-month prison sentence, Charles Sebesta was ordered to pay the money back to the Fifth Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles.

Sebesta, 56, pleaded guilty in February of last year to one federal count each of wire and bank fraud.

The Huntington Beach resident used the money on personal expenses, including the purchase of a house and a membership to Club 33 — an exclusive Disneyland dining club, prosecutors said.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice, Sebesta stole a total of \$11,438,213 from church

assets and \$34,032 from a private high school that also employed him.

Prosecutors said Sebesta even looted royalties from a song whose earnings were bequeathed to the church. The song was not named in court papers. When Sebesta pleaded guilty, U.S. District Judge Stephen Wilson said that "the church was stripped of everything."

Sebesta was hired in 2001 as the church's facilities manager and began to gain the trust of administrators and members. Four years later, he joined the church and served as its local chairman, controlling the church's financial assets and operations.

From 2005 to 2016, he directed the church to make payments to fake companies' bank accounts that he had opened, according to papers filed in Los Angeles federal court.

For at least 10 years, Sebesta falsely recorded the thefts in church re-

ords as donations, as well as environmental remediation and other payments to fictitious companies, which he named so they appeared legitimate, according to federal prosecutors.

When the church sold a Hollywood Boulevard property in 2008 for more than \$12 million, Sebesta took most of the proceeds for his personal use — including the purchase of a \$2-million home, court papers show.

Sebesta faced sentencing enhancements for causing hardship to the fraud's victim — the church — and using sophisticated means and abusing his position of trust.

It took the church about 15 years to unravel the scheme, which was investigated by the U.S. Secret Service, according to prosecutors.

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present to share each other's air.

"The question is does your body have the right defenses to immediately not make that exposure an actual infection, so first and foremost, get vaccinated if you haven't already, or finish your vaccine series if you haven't finished it — hopefully before the weekend," Chinsio-Kwong said during a Zoom meeting with reporters on Tuesday.

"Also, there's a lot of other things to consider. Take good care of yourself.

Exercise is still important during this time period. Eating healthy foods is still very important, getting the right nutrients."

Asked about her thoughts on traveling during the holiday weekend, Chinsio-Kwong said she could not recommend doing so, saying that people would be better off staying at home or traveling safely while remaining close to home.

"When you get to the airport, you're going to be exposed to a whole lot of people, and then you're going to get in an airplane, and even if you're wearing your mask, you're going to be in an enclosed area for a pro-

longed period," Chinsio-Kwong said. "Your immune system takes a hit because you're not sleeping well."

The county reported 355 coronavirus cases and five deaths attributed to the virus on Tuesday in the latest data released by the Orange County Health Care Agency.

During the pandemic, the county has seen 285,453 infections and 5,225 fatalities due to the virus.

The cases requiring hospitalization were at 556, and there were 150 patients currently hospitalized because of the virus that were

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TRIAL

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when just a short distance from the residence he shared with his grandparents, Scarpa reportedly lost control of the Ford Windstar van he'd been driving, traveled over a curb and sidewalk and up an embankment, striking Kreza, off duty at the time.

Kreza, 44, had been riding his bike on a sidewalk near the juncture of Alicia Parkway and Via Burgos at the time of the collision, training for a triathlon. He was expected at his daughter's soccer game but never showed up, wife Shanna testified Monday in a Santa Ana courtroom where Scarpa faced one charge of second-degree murder.

After striking the van hard enough to shatter its windshield, the Rancho Santa Margarita father of three was thrown into the roadway where he lay with a visible head injury and a shattered right leg, according to witnesses who tended to him that morning and on Monday gave testimony in court.

Feldman argued the defendant's history of narcotics abuse, in the face of repeated warnings and a previous DUI accident, constituted implied malice. In opening remarks, the prosecutor played audio of Scarpa admitting to sheriff's deputies he'd known what he'd done was wrong. "Mr. Scarpa knew the drugs, and combining them with driving, [were] dangerous to life. He was aware on that day that he was, in fact, intoxicated," the prosecutor maintained. "Knowing what he felt like, he decided to drive anyway."

Defense attorney Rudolph Loewenstein,

however, took another view of the events of Nov. 3, 2018, and encouraged jurors to keep an open mind throughout the following days and weeks as they consider evidence and hear testimony.

He instead painted a picture of a man who thought he was OK to drive and had nearly made it home when sleep finally overtook him. In a fraction of a second, the attorney said, a perfect storm of terrible events unfolded.

"He thought even though he was tired he was going to be able to negotiate this route safely, and he did for 24.7 miles," Loewenstein said, indicating his client did not speed or otherwise drive erratically. "What happened occurred in a split second of time. It's a tragic accident — it's not murder."

After the collision, Scarpa remained on scene and cooperated with sheriff's deputies. In subsequent interviews, he expressed remorse for his actions, Loewenstein told jurors. As terrible as the incident was, the defendant did not act with a conscious disregard for human life.

"There are two sides to this case," he continued. "You're going to have to consider whether Mr. Scarpa intentionally committed the act that caused the death of another person, that when he acted, he had this malice aforethought."


Scarpa remained silent as witnesses and sheriff's deputies gave their accounts from that day, occasionally hanging his head. A small group of family members sat immediately behind him, while Shanna Kreza sat on the jury side of the courtroom surrounded by loved ones.

Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue, where Kreza served 18 years, expressed its support for the fallen firefighter's family in a post on Facebook.

"The entire Costa Mesa Fire Family wraps their arms around Shanna Kreza and the girls today and we send prayers, love and our support," read the post, accompanied by the hashtag **#belikeironmanmike**.

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Mary attended Monticello College in Illinois, and worked in a variety of administrative positions, including the FBI and the Newport Beach Library.

Mary met the love of her life in 1955, Clay Wingard while working at General Dynamics; they were married in October 1956. Their only child, Charlie, was born in September 1957. Mary and family moved to Newport Beach in 1966.

Mary was active in PEO and Boy's Republic and enjoyed many a wonderful outing with friends.

Mary is survived by her son, Charlie (Sue) of Alamo, CA, grandchildren Rob (Liz) Wingard of Anacortes, WA and Allison (Sean) O'Brien and great-granddaughter Avery of Falls Church, VA and nieces Laurie Gorham and Lynn Kelsh. She is predeceased by her husband, Clay, her parents and sister, Joanne Kelsh.

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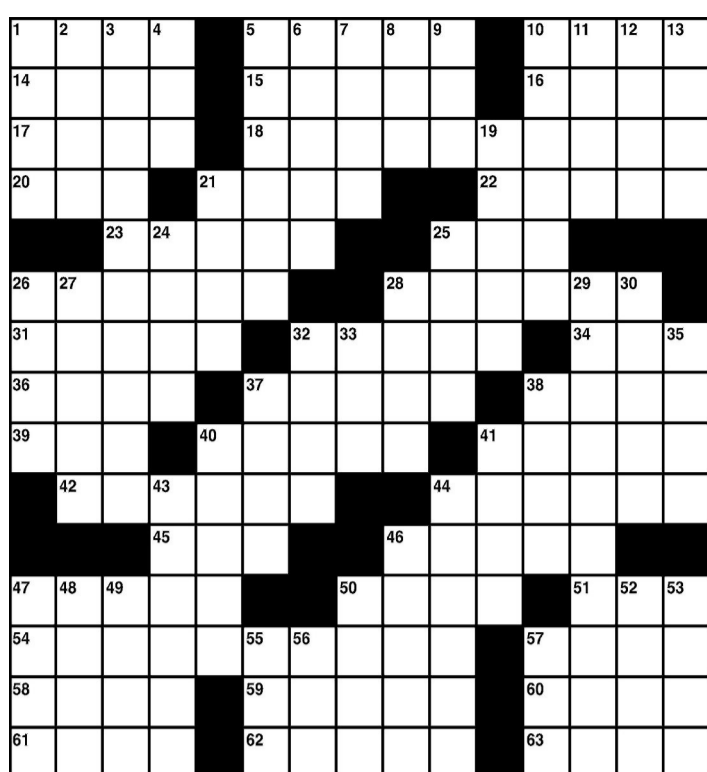
Services at Pacific View Memorial Park in Newport Beach on Thursday, September 2nd at 11:00; private interment follows. Fully vaccinated guests only, please wear a mask as Mary's young great-granddaughter will be there.

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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

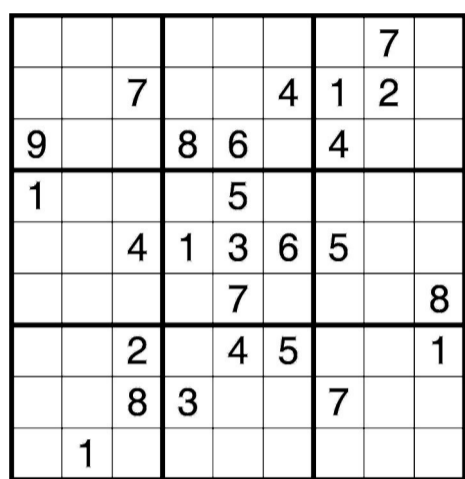
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 54 Hearty ha-ha
 57 Equestrian's command
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 60 Steerer's place
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SUDOKU

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 A4.

- DOWN**
 1 Word of agreement
 2 Baby animal
 3 Of no consequence
 4 "Need I ___ more?"
 5 Weekly TV show
 6 Cornered
 7 Dollar bills
 8 Jumble
 9 Small veggie
 10 Walks off with
 11 Walking stick
 12 Baker's need

- 13 Kennedy & Knight
 19 Castle protectors
 21 Coop dwellers
 24 Is victorious
 25 Jimmy ___ sausage
 26 Calendar pg.
 27 Lake near Reno
 28 Fanny
 29 Having no significant other
 30 Crevice filler
 32 Driver's woe
 33 French article
 35 Close
 37 Price paid
 38 Shape
 40 Wee
 41 Hamster's home
 43 ___ in; inhabits
 44 Powerful
 46 Wise guys?
 47 Diminishes
 48 Boyfriend
 49 Skinny
 50 Kitty
 52 Fearless
 53 Shepard & Waterston
 55 ___ Cruces, NM
 56 Cool ___ cucumber
 57 "___ goes there?"; sentry's cry

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words if you want. You don't have to say the words. So, my class decided to stand but not say the words. Totally fine. Except for the fact that my room does not have a flag."

Pitzen then points to the corner of her classroom's whiteboard, indicating where the flag had been located when, she says, she took it down during the pandemic because it made her feel "uncomfortable." She says she doesn't know where the removed flag is anymore.

"But my kid today goes, 'Hey, it's kind of weird that we just stand and we say it to nothing.' And I'm like, 'Oh well, I gotta find it. I'm working on it. I got you,'" she says, before immediately shaking her head "no." "In the meantime, I tell this kid, 'We do have a flag in the class that you can pledge your allegiance to,'" she says, "and he like, looks around and goes, 'Oh, that one?'" Pitzen says.

The video then cuts to the rainbow pride flag.

Criticism and backlash to Pitzen's video, which was reposted to an account called "Libs on TikTok" after the original post was apparently removed, was swift online. A tweet acknowledging the incident from the district's official account received more than 1,000 replies as of Monday, many condemning Pitzen's actions as "indoctrination" and disrespectful to the American flag.

Many called for her firing while others doubted any action would be taken because of the influence of teachers unions. Others criticized the district for describing the post as "personal" as it was filmed in a classroom on a public school campus.

Meanwhile, parents and others in the local school community rallied at the Costa Mesa campus where Pitzen had been teaching. On Monday afternoon, a cluster of small American flags — and two rainbow-colored pride flags — had been placed around the



Sara Cardine

AMERICAN FLAGS are posted Monday by a gate at Back Bay and Monte Vista High School, where a teacher who posted to social media about removing the U.S. flag from her classroom is being questioned by NMUSD officials.

school's monument sign.

One poster, staked into the grass surrounding the sign, bore the words to the Pledge of Allegiance.

Newport-Mesa officials said all classrooms throughout the district are provided with one flag apiece. District policy states patriotic activities — including the Pledge of Allegiance — should occur at all schools daily but stipulates individuals are allowed to not participate for personal reasons, if they choose.

The policy also requires both the American flag and the state flag of California to be displayed during school days at the entrance or on the grounds of every one of the district's campuses.

Costa Mesa moms Stephanie Cox and Julieanne Papa, who themselves attended Newport-Mesa Unified schools and now both have children in the district, on Monday said educators should abide by educational policies. The pair came by the flag display at Back Bay during the afternoon to remove a pride flag they saw taped over the poster and relocate it nearby in the grass.

They said people in the NMUSD community are sharing the now-removed video and talking about what happened and how they feel about it. Papa said she was disgusted to hear Pitzen's comments, while Cox said she couldn't believe such a thing would happen here.

"We live in a free country, so people can do what they want, but they should be respectful of others," Papa said. "It's like they're pushing their own agenda on these kids, and it's their personal view, nothing they should be teaching in school."

"I'm in full support of the pride community, but I don't compare the pride flag to the American flag — they're apples and oranges," Cox said. "Have the pride flag, but we're not saying the Pledge of Allegiance to it. That's for the flag of the United States of America."

Cox on Monday morning noticed a small crowd of people standing outside on Monte Vista Avenue holding a giant American flag and waving to motorists, who showed their support by honking horns as they passed.

"I saw it as I was coming by, so I got in the turn lane and honked and said, 'Thank you for doing that,'" she said.

Requests for comment from the Newport-Mesa Federation of Teachers and Pitzen did not immediately receive a response.

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BSC 220500
NOTICE OF PETITION
TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
HARRY S. RINKER
30-2021-01217930-PR-PW-CJ
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **HARRY S. RINKER**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **BART F. RINKER** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **BART F. RINKER** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on **October 20, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. in Dept. C8** located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701
(1) If you plan to appear, you must attend the hearing by video remote using the court's designated video platform; (2) Go to the Court's website at <http://www.occourts.org/media-relations/probate-mentalhealth.html> to appear for probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions; (3) If you have difficulty connecting to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
 Attorney for Petitioner:
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NOTICE OF PETITION
TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
JOAN ALYN JACOBS, aka
JOAN MULIK JACOBS
30-2021-01215992-PR-LA-CJC
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **JOAN ALYN JACOBS, aka JOAN MULIK JACOBS**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **ROBERT B. DAY** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **ROBERT B. DAY** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on **October 14, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in Dept. C8** located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701
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