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## 2 O.C. families to get \$2.5-million settlement

Matthew Mauser will receive \$1.25 million, and siblings J.J. Altobelli and Alexis Altobelli will share another \$1.25 million over leaked Kobe Bryant crash photos.

### BY RICHARD WINTON

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday approved a \$2.5-million settlement for two families suing over the unauthorized sharing of photos of the Kobe Bryant helicopter crash, in which their loved ones also were killed.

Matthew Mauser will receive \$1.25 million and siblings J.J. Altobelli and Alexis Altobelli will share another \$1.25 million. Mauser's wife, Christine, and the Altobellis' mother, father and younger sister — Keri, John and Alyssa — died in the Jan. 26, 2020, crash that also killed Bryant, his daughter Gianna and three others.

The Altobellis and Matthew Mauser filed separate federal lawsuits against the county alleging they suffered emotional distress after a Times investigation revealed that Los Angeles County

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memorial to the Altobelli family is seen outside Angel Stadium in Anaheim. Coach John Altobelli, 56, his wife, Keri, 43, and his daughter Alyssa, 13, died in a helicopter crash on Jan. 26 in Calabasas.

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**MALE AND FEMALE** mallards exit their holding boxes as they are released to their natural habitat in the Semeniuk Slough in west Newport Beach.

# More than 100 mallards are released in Newport Beach

BY LILLY NGUYEN

As the mechanisms to their cages were released Tuesday, a few ducks bravely waddled where birds of a feather had dared not tread.

Then, one by one, several threw themselves forward off a short ledge with the quiet encouragement of the humans that had long watched over them, then swan-dived into the waters below. Others took wing, soaring into nearby Huntington Beach until they disappeared in the distance while the others navigated the slow current.

After nearly a month's delay, the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center Tuesday released more than 100 mallards back to the wild in Newport Beach at an unlikely setting — the backyard of the Beach and Bay Mobile Home Port on West Coast Highway.

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# Sherman Gardens group brings 'First Monday Coffee' menu to the masses in new cookbook

### BY SARA CARDINE

Most of the magic that happens at Sherman Library and Gardens is available to the visiting public, but for decades a casual breakfast meeting among members of the site's volunteer association, and the goodies therein, have been private — until now.

On the first Monday of each month before the Corona del Mar botanical gardens opens its doors, volunteers come together to enjoy one another's company, catch up on current events and, of course, eat.

A well-appointed buffet table replete with casseroles and baked goods is ensured by a faithfully circulated sign-up list assigning main dishes, pastries and fruit displays to willing volunteers. Over the years, the table

has amassed quite a culinary spread.

"It's kind of like a coffee klatch. There's no meeting agenda, no banging of the gavel," Sherman Gardens' spokeswoman Beverly Morgan said of the long-standing tradition. "They set it all up, then they're done by 10:30 when the garden opens. And the food is extraordinary."

Now, for the first time ever, members are sharing their best recipes in a "First Monday Coffee" cookbook that's available for purchase and will debut Thursday at Sherman Library & Gardens' Holiday Gift Faire fundraiser, from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds will support children's education programs at the gardens.

Although volunteers lend helping hands to practically anything

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**THE SHERMAN LIBRARY** and Gardens' Volunteer Assn. created a "First Monday Coffee," with recipes from 25 years of meetings. The cookbook debuts Thursday at a Holiday Gift Faire at the gardens.

### 2 arrests after C.M. High incident

A male and female student were taken into custody following an altercation allegedly involving a weapon.

### BY SARA CARDINE

Newport-Mesa Unified School District officials are working to ease concerns from some in the school community following the arrest of two minors in connection with an altercation at Costa Mesa High School in which one student reportedly displayed a weapon.

Costa Mesa police spokeswoman Roxi Fyad confirmed a male and female student were taken into custody Friday after the incident but would not release any further information due to the suspects being minors.

However, in a series of communications sent to parents on Friday and the days following, Costa Mesa High Principal Jake Haley indicated the altercation occurred during a school lunch period and was captured on video by someone at the scene.

"In the video, it appears as if one student presents a weapon. *No weapons were discharged,*" Haley wrote in an email Friday. "We gathered student statements and turned over all evidence to the Costa Mesa Police Depart-

Providing a summary of events, Haley said administrators im-

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# Not guilty pleas entered to fraud, other charges

The Justice Department said the Costa Mesa man's scheme raised \$13.8 million by promising investors high returns.

### BY LILLY NGUYEN

A Costa Mesa man was arrested by the FBI on Thursday on suspicion of participating in what investigators describe as a fraudulent investment scheme that raised \$13.8 million by promising investors returns of up to 10% through real estate.

The U.S. Department of Justice announced the arrest of Brett Barber, 42, on Friday. Barber was a co-owner of BNZ Capital One, LLC, in Newport Beach and is charged with four counts of wire fraud and two counts of money laundering.

Officials said the wire fraud charges could mean a maximum sentence of 20 years in federal prison while the money laundering charges could result in a maximum of 10 years if Barber is convicted in court

victed in court.

Barber pleaded not guilty to all

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**VOLUNTEERS** of Sherman Library and Gardens gather for a First Monday Coffee meeting on Monday.



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### COOKBOOK

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that needs doing at the garden, association members began preparing and serving coffee, tea and sweet rolls out of the site's Tea Garden sometime around 1980, a few years after the organization's formation in 1975.

"At first it was just tea and some pastries, then it grew to be more," said Newport Beach resident Julie Jenkins, who joined the association during its first year.

The menu expanded to include soup and other items volunteers made in their homes and brought in. Eventually, the service moved to the café building and grew to two days each week

Under the direction of a paid chef, volunteers prepared food and waited on tables in the Central Garden patio.

But when the chef retired so too did the lunch program, depriving garden volunteers of the conviviality they'd come to enjoy, said Joan Carter, a mem-

ber since 1979. "We didn't have any

waitressing to do anymore," the Newport Beach resident recalled. "That's what had kept the group together, so everyone was floundering."

Then-President Dorothy Franklin (1996-98) proposed holding a social meeting where volunteers could continue to meet on a regular basis and bring their best food items from home. Now, First Coffee Monday is celebrating its 25th year.

During a recent meeting, members lined up to sample casseroles, breakfast bakes and quiches. A variety of baked goods, gingerbread from brownies, enticed those seeking sweets, while fruit salads and a vivid pineapple display provided a pop of color.

About 60 or more volunteers and docents, seated at long tables, chatted be-

tween bites. "This is the only time we're together as a whole group, when we can laugh and share our friendship," said Joanne Padour, a Newport Beach resident and keeper of the food sign-up sheet. "People are always willing to sign up. Everybody likes to share recipes, because we love food."

Member Karen Zenk said she began collecting recipes in 2015. For the "First Monday Coffee" cookbook, she sought contributions from nearly 125 members willing to share their recipes and stories with a wider audience.

"It kind of gives you an idea of what happens in their households and gives a warm sense of sharing," she said Monday. "There are so many good cooks in our group.'

The cookbook costs \$24 and launches Thursday at the Sherman Gardens' Volunteer Assn.'s Holiday Gift Faire, which features unique and handmade holiday items, gifts, holiday plants and freshbaked cookies. The annual event is one more way for the group to come together for a cause.

"Working in the garden, planting and preparing food, when you do things with people that's how your friendships grow," Jenkins said. "I keep coming back because of the

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FRED WATERFALL captures the moment as a group of mallards take flight and march to the water as they are released to their natural habitat in west Newport Beach on Tuesday.

### **MALLARDS**

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Resident Fred Waterfall, vice president of public relations and marketing at Simple Green, offered up the nearby marsh waters at the back of the mobile home park as a release point for the mallards. Waterfall said the FaBrizio family — the founders of Simple Green have had him working and coordinating with the rescue group. The overarching goal is to help out animals and environmentalists trying to do the right thing.

"This is just one of the many, many things that we look for and try to help on and everyone knows we're available," Waterfall said, adding the company's been helping store donations that the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center received for wildlife care following the Huntington Beach oil spill.

The organization announced Monday that it received the clearance to release the birds last week at Talbert Marsh, but were still concerned about the potential for oil spill impacts and thus pivoted to the back of the trailer park for release after officials said Waterfall offered up the area near his own property.

Waterfall said the waters

lead as far out as Cappy's Cafe.

Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center operations manager Debbie Wayns said Tuesday that the ducks were initially scheduled to be released the first week of October, but then the oil spill happened.

We couldn't release them out to any of the waters around here because we didn't know how far [the oil spill] was going to go and all that," Wayns said. "They've been with us for a while because of it."

Wayns said this was the first time that the organization has done a release at the location, but added that it wouldn't be the last. She said they typically release animals from different parks and areas. Many of the mallards, which are common to the area, were brought into the organization as ducklings

They were abandoned by their mom for whatever reason and the public saw abandoned — sometimes, they weren't abandoned, but the public saw them, grabbed them and brought them to us, but they were babies and they came to us," Wayns said.

"A lot of them, we've raised up for the last couple of months. Some of them came in with fishing hooks in

them. Some of them were sick, as we've had a couple of botulism outbreaks in Orange County. A couple of them had botulism, but most of these we have raised up, though.'

Resident Devyn Asher said she was going to make pancakes, but didn't have baking powder and was passing by on a grocery run when she saw the news vans rolling up through the neighborhood. She'd asked what was happening and, upon learning about the release, came out to watch with visiting friend and Dana Point resident Chaney Bryant.

"I was about to make pancakes and then I found out about ducks and I abandoned my pancakes," Bryant said, laughing.

Asher and Bryant helped release some of the ducks.

"It's absolutely amazing to contribute to any life sustaining is a gift, but I didn't come to help. I just came to see them and then I ended up getting to help, so I'm happy about it," Bryant said.

[The ducks] were hesitant because it's a new spot, but once all of them got out? It was just awesome. Like 60 or 70 of them just together," Asher added. "It was beauti-

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### FOR THE RECORD

In a photo caption accompanying the story published Saturday about Orange Coast College's dedication of a new center, the first name of board member Lorraine Prinsky was listed incorrectly as Lindsay, and the first name of tBP Architecture's Gary Moon was misspelled.

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### THE DAILY **COMMUTER PUZZLE**

By Jacqueline E. *Mathews* 

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### **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 A3.

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enjoy 4 Lay into 5 Know-\_; wise guy 6 Long story 7 Fibbed 8 Musical group 9 Take a \_; risk it 10 Heart section 11 Peak

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sheriff's deputies and firefighters took and shared crash scene photos for purposes outside law enforcement.

The lawsuits mirror one filed by Vanessa Bryant, the widow of Lakers legend Kobe Bryant, who lost her husband and 13-year-old daughter in the crash.

In a deposition made public last month, Bryant revealed how Sheriff Alex Villanueva pledged to her personally that no one would take photographs of her family.

In addition to Bryant's lawsuit, the surviving family members of Sarah Chester and her 13-year-old daughter, Payton, who also died in the crash, have sued over the crash scene photos. Sarah's husband, Christopher Chester, along with their sons, Riley and Hayden, filed suit in December citing emotional stress.

A report from L.A. County's counsel recommended the settlement with the Mausers and Altobellis.

"Given the risks and uncertainties of litigation, as well as the tragic accident giving rise to the lawsuits, fair and reasonable settlements at this time will avoid further litigation costs; therefore, full and final settlements of the two cases are warranted."

The county has already approximately spent \$1.29 million in legal costs in the two cases.

"We believe these prosettlements

**ARRESTS** 

als involved.

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mediately began assessing

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ing to identify the individu-

The principal indicated

that in such cases, officials'

top priorities are managing

the initial threat to campus

safety and communicating

with staff, students and

parents in a timely manner.

Haley said while the event

appears to have been iso-

lated, he was saddened by

In a subsequent email,

\$1.25 million are reasonable and fair to all concerned," attorney Skip Miller, of Miller Barondess, who represents the county, said last week. "We are pleased that the Mauser and Altobelli families, who as private citizens suffered the same grief and loss as others, will be able to move forward after these settlements. ... We also hope that eventually the other families will be

Vanessa Bryant has waged an intense battle with the county, even using her social media cachet to castigate the sheriff and name the deputies linked to

A federal magistrate decided Monday that the county cannot require her and Christopher Chester to undergo a psychiatric examination in advance of a February scheduled trial.

County officials and Miller have repeatedly emphasized in court papers that none of the photographs have been made public, in print or online, and that they were shared

posed in the case.

Lawyers for L.A. County had sought to block Villanueva's testimony, arguing that he doesn't have any relevant information that Bryant's attorneys can't ob-

the number of students

who appeared to witness

the fight but said nothing.

He wondered whether pan-

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tain elsewhere. Heads of government agencies are not typically subjected to depositions because of the potential for abuse and harassment that could get in the way of them performing their duties.

But U.S. Magistrate Judge Charles F. Eick knocked down the county's argument, saying Villanueva and Osby both appear to have "unique first-hand, non-repetitive knowledge" relevant to the case. The judge limited each deposition to four hours.

Bryant's attorneys have said in court papers they plan to question the sheriff about his involvement in directing deputies to delete the photos and whether that was done to protect the loved ones of those killed in the crash or to cover up the misconduct.

The lawsuits that Bryant and the Chester, Mauser and Altobelli families filed stem from revelations that sheriff's deputies shared grim images of the crash scene, despite Villanueva's assurance "that every possible measure" was instituted to "preserve and protect" the Calabasas site, according to court papers.

The dissemination came to light after a deputy trainee showed images on his cellphone to patrons at a bar. Citizens complained about that instance and one in which a firefighter showed photos to a group of off-duty firefighters and their partners, according to filings in the lawsuits.

**RICHARD WINTON** writes for the Los Angeles Times.

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Name Change

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR A CHANGE OF NAME** CASE NO. 30-2021-01224974

Petitioner or Attorney (name, state, bar, and

(name, state, bar, and address):
Michael O'Young, SBN 260953
Law Offices of Michael O'Young APC, 2372 Morse Ave. Irvine, CA 92614
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED:
Michael

Petitioner O'Young, SBN 260953 filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names follows:

**Present Name** Dalya Chris Elliot Proposed Name

Layla Jaiswal
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING

TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT: D100 ROOM: Remote Appearance The address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA County of Orange 700 Civic Center Drive W, Santa Ana, CA 92701 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at

shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county. Dated: 10/7/21

Layne H. Melzer
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provided in the contract documents for the CIP 21-101 CIPP LINING OF

PROJECT (ZONE 5)

THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM PROJECT (ZONE 5). **DATE OF OPENING BIDS:** Bid prices for each line item of the Schedule of Work must be entered and all other required documents for the bid proposal packet must be uploaded to the PlanetBids system in accordance with the instructions beginning on page B-6 no later than 2:30 P.M. on November 17, 2020. The submitted bid prices will be

No other method of bid submittal will be accepted. **DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK:** In general, the work includes providing all materials, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals as required by the contract documents to rehabilitate approximately 28,755 LF of sanitary sewer gravity piping ranging in size from 8-inch to 15-inch by cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) methods. Contract includes sewer

made visible to the public after bids close. No late bids will be accepted.

AWARD OF CONTRACT: (a) The City reserves the right after opening bids to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality (nonresponsiveness) in a bid, or to make award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder and reject all other bids, as it may best serve the interest of the City. (b) As a condition of award, the successful bidder will be required to submit payment and performance bonds and insurance.

bypassing as necessary to perform the rehabilitation work.

The City reserves the right to cancel the Contract at any time and/or remove specific bid items from the contract should the City determine the selected Contractor does not demonstrate the appropriate quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the Work.

**COMPLETION OF WORK AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: All** work is to be completed in a total of 120 (one hundred twenty) working days, excluding holidays, from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed, which is anticipated to be January 1, 2022. Work to be completed by June 24, 2022. Liquidated damages shall be \$2,000 per

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: The Contractor shall possess a valid Class A, General Engineering, Contractor License at the time of submitting bids, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the California Business and Profession's Code. Contractor must hold a Certification as a NASSCO/PACP Trainer and holds licenses of reporting software with one of the following: Aries VC4000, Cobra, Cues, Granite XP, Flexi data, PACP/MACP, Pipetech, Wincan, or Subcam.

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**RETAINAGE FROM PAYMENTS:** The Contractor may elect to receive 100 percent of payments due under the Contract Documents from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payments by the City, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract

**OBTAINING OR INSPECTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:** Contract Documents, in digital Adobe Acrobat (.PDF) format, are available at the City of Laguna Beach's website at http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/pw/bidinfo/default.htm. Click on the "Click here to access the City of Laguna Beach PlanetBids portal". If you are not currently registered with the City of Laguna Beach, please click on the "New Vendor Registration" button and then complete the electronic supplier registration process, including selecting Category Code(s) describing the goods and/or services you provide, as well as entering your Contractors State License information. After registering your firm, click on the "Bid Opportunities" button to view and download the Bid Documents. Interested firms must be registered on the City's website and download the Bid Documents in order to submit a bid. Firms must also check the website periodically for addenda information as failure to download any and all addenda will result in bid disqualification.

**REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS:** No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)]. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

**ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST:** The estimate of probable cost is **\$1,000,000**.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH

By: David Shissler, Director of Water Quality

Date: October 20, 2021

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able to do the same." the photo scandal.

Lawyers for the county have argued in court papers that she cannot suffer severe distress from crash photos that she and the public have never seen.

only by county personnel. Bryant won a legal victory in the case last week, forcing Villanueva and Fire Chief Daryl Osby to be de-

nership as a community to help teach healthy behaviors, the treatment of others and to simply Do Right.

"I know our school community will emerge stronger from Friday's events, Haley said.

"We have great students, committed teachers/staff members and a wonderful parent community. This happened. We must learn and move forward to help become better tomorrow than we are today."

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**PLEAS** 

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charges Thursday.

Another owner of the company, Louis Zimmerle, 62, of Sacramento was also and charged arrested Thursday with one count of wire fraud, which he pleaded guilty to.

The Securities and Exchange Commission also launched a civil case naming Barber, Zimmerle and their company as defend-

According to court documents, Barber and Zimmerle told investors that their company was in the business of real estate and other investments. They promised returns of 8% to 10% annually.

Investigators said that while the company did make some investments, those investments could not have generated enough profit to return principal investments or make good on the returns promised by Barber and Zimmerle.

Between June 2019 and February 2020, they are alleged to have raised \$6.9 million from investors but only invested \$2.7 million and generated less than \$5,000 in profits.

The complaint states that Barber and Zimmerle used investor funds to pay returns in addition to paying themselves and those involved with the scheme. They are said to have

additional raised an \$6.6 million since March 2020, according to court

documents. The company is said to only have invested \$6.4 million of the total \$13.5 million raised in real estate and alternative investment funds but barely generated \$300,000 in profits and made at least \$1.7 million in "Ponzi-like" payments to investors.

Investigators believe the actual losses are more than \$9 million.

In Zimmerle's plea agreement, he agreed that he received and kept about \$582,815 of investor money, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

Barber is expected to go

to trial on Dec. 21.

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### **CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS**

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# Sports

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021** 

### **HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**

## Six local teams, four seeded, in CIF playoffs

### **BY ANDREW TURNER**

For the first time this fall, the CIF Southern Section debuted a new system that did not designate playoff divisions for football teams prior to the season.

Teams learned of their fate on Sunday morning, when the section released its football pairings.

A total of six local football teams appeared in draws for the playoffs, which was perhaps more berths than the area could have expected. Four of those local teams have been seeded within their respective divisions.

Edison (7-3) earned the No. 4 seed in Division 2. The Chargers hit their stride with wins in six of their last seven games, averaging 41.2 points per game over that stretch.

Led by standout running back and defensive back Troy Fletcher, the Chargers figure to be a tough out.

In the first round, Edison will take on Southwestern League champion Murrieta Valley (7-3) in a home game at Huntington Beach High School on Friday at 7 p.m.

Corona del Mar (8-2, Sunset League No. 3) travels to take on undefeated San Gabriel Valley League champion Downey Warren



Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

EDISON'S TROY FLETCHER runs up field against Los Alamitos at Boswell Field on Oct. 7.

(9-0) in its playoff opener on Friday at 7 p.m.

The section did not have football playoffs in the pandemic-delayed spring season, so this will be the first postseason game for the Sea Kings since winning the Division 3 and CIF State Division 1-A titles in 2019. It will also be the first playoff game for quarterback David Rasor, an experienced junior in his second year as the quarterback at starting CdM.

Newport Harbor (3-7, Sunset League at-large) and Estancia (4-6, Orange Coast League at-large) did not achieve .500 records. Not only did each receive an at-large selection, but both the Sailors and the Eagles were seeded within their respective brackets.

The Sailors went 2-3 in the Sunset League this season, the same record they sported in league play when they advanced to the Division 9 semifinals in

Newport Harbor, the No. 3 seed in the Division 6 bracket, will open at home against Sunny Hills (7-3, Freeway League No. 2) on Friday at 7 p.m.

"Like most people, we had been paying attention to the Cal Preps ratings, and we felt from our understanding of how the playoffs were going to be divvied up, we felt like we would fall somewhere between Division 5 and 6 all along," Newport Harbor coach Peter Lofthouse said.

"We knew that depending on where they divided the pairings, there was a chance that we could or could not make it, and we felt we had a good shot to make the playoffs, so being in Division 6 and the way the pairings worked out, it happened to work out well for us, and so we're excited for the opportunity to be able to continue to play more football."

Estancia will play host to Bernardino Mountain Valley No. 3) to begin the Division 13 playoffs on Friday at 7 p.m.

The No. 3-seeded Eagles were frustrated with a goalline call at the end of their loss in the Battle for the Bell rivalry game at Costa Mesa last week, but it ultimately did not cost Estancia a playoff spot.

The section's new playoff system is designed to create parity by determining divisions exclusively by looking at the current sea-

Laguna Beach (9-1), the Pac 4 League champion, will look to prove that it is a strong No. 1 seed in the Division 9 draw.

The Breakers host Chino (7-3, Sierra League No. 2) on Friday at 7 p.m. in their playoff opener.

"It's the highest division we've ever been," Laguna Beach coach John Shanahan said. "For us, we feel like if we play really, really well, we can beat most of the teams in this division. If we play poorly, we're going to get beat, so they're probably good matchups, and we're excited and looking forward to it."

The return of senior running back Tyler Fields from injury at the start of league was a big boost to the Breakers' prospects this postseason, Shanahan add-

Costa Mesa (5-5, Orange Coast League No. 3) clinched its playoff berth with a win over Estancia in the regular season finale.

The Mustangs go on the road to oppose top-seeded Compton (4-5, Moore League No. 3) at Compton College in a first-round game of the Division 12 playoffs on Friday at 7 p.m.

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> BSC 220755 **NOTICE OF PETITION** TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: **KEITH TADASHI YAMAMI** 30-2021-01227825-PR-PW-CJC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: KEITH TADASHI YAMAMI

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by SAMANTHA K. TAYLOR in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that SAMANTHA K. TAYLOR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the

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 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 January 06, 2022 at 2:00 p.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/mediarelations/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

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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

Attorney for Petitioner: MICHAEL S. HARMS, ESO LAW OFFICES OF MICHAEL S. HARMS 2660 E. COAST HIGHWAY CORONA DEL MAR, CA 92625 Published in the ORANGE COAST DAILY PILOT on: 11/3, 11/5 & 11/10/2021

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