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# Break-in suspect found under blanket

Costa Mesa First United Methodist leaders were filing a police report when they found the man hiding at the scene.

#### **BY SARA CARDINE**

Officials at one Costa Mesa church were stunned Sunday to arrive at the property and see evidence of a burglary and even more stunned later, while making a report to police, when the suspect was found hiding at the scene.

Rev. Matt Hambrick, a pastor at Costa Mesa First United Methodist Church on 19th Street, said the chair of the church board came to the building at 7:30 a.m. Sunday and discovered a steel security gate had been broken open and the glass door of Hambrick's second-floor office shattered.

The pastor's two-room office was ransacked, and several items were missing. Video surveillance footage showed a lone individual had forced his way into the area at around 9 p.m. Saturday.

"It was just disheveled, a mess," Hambrick said of the scene. "There was literally In-N-Out everywhere — they brought In-N-Out to the [burglary]."

Footage showed the suspect had also brought with him a blue plastic bucket, in which he built a fire, fueled by items taken from the church office. Hambrick said the man broke open a picture frame containing an engagement photo and burned the picture inside.

"You can see him [on camera] coming in and out with the bucket while it's on fire," the pas-

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### Irvine sex abuse case goes to trial in Santa Ana

Terry Edward Keegan, 60, a former Homeland Security employee, is accused of molesting 3 girls, including a relative.

#### BY PAUL ANDERSON CITY NEWS SERVICE

A Homeland Security employee inappropriately touched and kissed three girls in Irvine, including a relative, a prosecutor told jurors Wednesday at the Central Justice Center in Santa Ana, while the defendant's attorney said some of the allegations are a misunderstanding and some never happened.

Terry Edward Keegan, 60, is charged with six counts of lewd acts with a minor younger than 14 and a count of continuous sexual abuse of a child, all felonies, as well as misdemeanor counts of child annoyance and destroying evidence. He could face up to 22 years in prison if convicted, according to Dep. Dist. Atty. Juliet Oliver.

One of the alleged victims has lived with Keegan since she was about 4 years old and her grandmother took custody of her, she testified. The other two alleged victims were friends of hers, Oliver said.

One of the friends told a doctor in 2016 that Keegan would pick her up and molest her when she would visit with the defendant's

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**TWO WHITE PELICANS**, who have been recovering after a year at the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center in Huntington Beach, fly over the lake at William R. Mason Regional Park after being released on Wednesday. The two stayed at the center for 376 days.

# 'The best gift': Pelicans soar free after yearlong rehab

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R. Mason Regional
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after spending 376
days recuperating at
the Wetlands and
Wildlife Care Center
in Huntington Beach.





LISA JACOBY, left, and Preeti Patel, volunteers with the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center in Huntington Beach, release two white pelicans that have been recovering at the center for the last year on Wednesday.

The birds came to the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center last year with damaged wings and in poor health.

#### BY LILLY NGUYEN

From grounded birds to flying ones, two of the three American white pelicans that had been under the care of Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center were finally free to set their sights high after their release Wednesday afternoon.

The two birds initially arrived at the center with another pelican, according to officials at the center, which focuses on the rehabilitation and release of both injured and orphaned wildlife.

The trio were brought to the center in February of last year, unable to fly due to damage to their primary and secondary flight feathers on both wings, in addition to broken tail feathers.

In addition, the birds were soiled, dehydrated and in poor overall health. The third bird was able to be released after a few months of recuperation, though the remaining two stayed at the center for 376 days.

The birds were released at the See **Pelicans**, page A2

#### **MEN'S SOCCER**

### Orange County Soccer Club looks to rebound



James Carbone

**ORANGE COUNTY SOCCER CLUB** players participate in media day at Championship Soccer Stadium in Irvine on Tuesday. The team finished in last place in the Western Conference with a 7-13-14 record last season.

#### BY MATT SZABO

Last year was rough in a couple of ways for the Orange County Soccer Club.

A year after winning the United Soccer League Championship title, the team finished in last place in the Western Conference with a 7-13-14 record. Off the pitch, it appeared the club could lose its lease with Championship Soccer Stadium at Orange County Great Park in Irvine, before the Irvine City Council voted in September to approve a one-year extension.

"The end of last year was a strange time ... but the turnout of the fans was extraordinary," OCSC President of Business Relations Dan Rutstein said at the club's media day on Tuesday. "Two of our last three games were sold out. When I say sold out, I mean sold out, not just 'soccer team' sold out but you actually couldn't get a seat. It was incredible."

Orange County Soccer Club has a chance to build on that momentum headed into 2023, its

See **Club,** page A3

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#### THE DAILY COMMUTER **PUZZLE**

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

**ACROSS** 1 Jack or deuce 5 Singer/pianist Domino 9 Dull in color 13 Minds 15 Leo or Simba 16 Midwest state 17 Actor Tim 18 Severs 20 TV's Kathie \_ Gifford 21 Arctic seabird 23 Two-footed creatures 24 Racket 26 Spelling contest

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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.

#### **DOWN** 1 Heating fuel, for some tax 3 Bound and determined

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#### **PELICANS**

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William R. Mason Regional Park.

"To be able to set them free again is the best gift we can give them," executive director Debbie Mc-Guire said in a statement announcing the release on Tuesday.

According to the National Audubon Society, a nonprofit dedicated to bird conservation, Ameri-

marily migratory birds, though they are considered to be relatively common to the California coastline during the winter. They are also one of the largest birds in North America, with a wingspan of roughly 9 feet, and are larger than brown pelicans. Officials said care for the

can white pelicans are pri-

birds was provided by volunteers, a dedicated veterinarian and wildlife technicians, an all-in-all process that was financed by donations from the public. The average daily cost to care for a pelican is about \$45, according to the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center, so the costs associated with caring for just the three that arrived together total more than \$30,000.

Donations can be made at the center's website, wwccoc.org.

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#### **BLANKET**

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tor said, indicating a spot outside where the plastic bucket melted into the brickwork. "He could have burned the whole place down.

Hambrick, who'd arrived at the church at around 8 a.m., did a quick damage assessment of his office as he and other leaders made a report with Costa Mesa police officers before the 10 a.m. Sunday service.

That's when things got weird, he said.

"There was a man down on my chair covered in a blanket," he said. "I said, 'Officer, there's a man in here.' He was trying to hide.'

CMPD officers detained the suspect — later identified as Nicolas Alexandro Briones, 27, of San Dimas and booked him on charges of trespassing and obstruction of a peace officer. Church officials estimate he caused several thousand dollars of mostly

structural damage. Briones was cited and released on Tuesday shortly before noon and is scheduled to appear in court on April 4, according to an online inmate locator maintained by the sheriff's department.

Hambrick and fellow pastor Brian Tipton on Tuesday afternoon were out at the site, which is undergoing construction. They both initially thought



Courtesy of Matt Hambrick

A GLASS door leading to a pastor's office at Costa Mesa First United Methodist Church was broken Saturday.

Costa Mesa First UMC had been politically targeted for its open stance on supporting the LGBTQ community. While it was a relief to re-

alize that was not likely the case, the incident got them thinking about mental health issues, the topic of a sermon Tipton recently delivered.

"Often, in church narrative, if you have some sort of mental health issue, you don't have enough faith," Tipton explained. "My sermon was about issues beyond faith, about literal dis-ease, mental health disease — it's not that people need faith, they need support." Hambrick

mentioned the incident in his own sermon on Sunday, saying church members prayed over Briones, who had not yet been identified.

"This is not an enemy, this is a person who needs help," Hambrick explained. "We prayed for him individually on Sunday, and we continue to pray for him daily. These next steps in his life are going to be diffi-

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#### **CLUB**

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10th season in Irvine. The club has three home matches to start the season, beginning with Saturday, when the team hosts last year's USL Championship finalist Louisville City at 7

The local side also has home matches against the Tampa Bay Rowdies on March 18 and the Las Vegas Lights on March 25 before hitting the road.

"It definitely helps us create consistency in schedule, which is always important for these guys," Orange County head coach Richard Chaplow said. "Consistency is key, in my opinion. It's a pretty easy schedule, in terms of games every Saturday and no in-between games ... and it gives us that chance to continue to build in the right direction with the group, continue to get players in tune with each other."

Orange County has new faces both on the pitch and in the coaching ranks.



**ORANGE COUNTY SOCCER CLUB** forward Kerede Osundina, left, and president of business relations Daniel Rutstein share a smile during media day Tuesday.

Morten Karlsen joins Orange County as its first assistant coach, fresh off being part of his home country Denmark's technical staff at the 2022 FIFA World Cup.

The Scandinavian influence doesn't nearly stop there. Last month the club signed Norwegian defender Markus Nakkim, a center back who has made more than 90 appearances in the Eliteserien, the top flight of soccer in Norway. Ryan Doghman, a quick defender, is another top signing from Norway and the club announced signing yet another Norwegian defender, Morten Bjorshol, on Tuesday.

Danish striker Emil Nielsen also joined OCSC and will reunite with his countryman Daniel Pedersen, a midfielder. Pedersen takes over team captain duties for Orange County this year following the departure of Michael Orozco.

Few have been better at putting the ball in the back



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Carbone

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coach

Richard

Chaplow,

left, and

assistant

Morten Karlsen

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of the net than Orange County forward Milan Iloski. The former UCLA standout scored a team single-season record 22 goals in his first season with the orange and black in 2022.

"For me, I know there are probably going to be more expectations coming into the season, compared to last year being a bit of a wild card," he said. "But that's just a part of my process and my maturity, to be able to take on the weight of the expectations. I have no doubt in my mind that I'll be able to do that and have a successful season."

Iloski said the club isn't thinking about finishing in last place last season — or the league championship the year before — as it heads into 2023.

"This year will be our group," Iloski said. "We'll have our own identity and we'll have our own style of play. We're going to come out and play the style this group is meant to play."

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#### TRIAL

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relative when she was 8 to 10 years old, Oliver said. The doctor called Irvine police, but they did not do any follow-up and "the investigation fell through the cracks," Oliver said in her opening statement.

"Admittedly, it should have been done," Oliver said of a follow-up by inves-

The alleged victim also told investigators that once, while at a community pool, Keegan began taking pictures of her and her sister and said he was "testing out a new camera," Oliver said.

Irvine police were contacted again in the spring of 2021 after his relative and her friend were hanging around during spring break, Oliver said. The two were 16 at the time.

Keegan also made inappropriate comments to one of the girls and insisted on taking her out to shop for bathing suits, the prosecutor said. He called around to stores during the pandemic to see which ones had changing rooms,

she said. When they were at the pool, one of the girls saw him trying to take a picture of her and she said to stop, Oliver said. But Keegan said she looked cute and asked her to pose with the girl he lived with, Oliver said.

The friend told the girl who was living with the defendant that just before Easter he had touched her buttocks, Oliver said. The relative said that Keegan made her feel uncomfort-

able, the prosecutor said. When the one girl told her mother, she called police in April 2021, Oliver said. The girl said Keegan would often make "inappropriate" comments about her body and breast size over the five years the girls

were friends, Oliver said. The relative said she found a vibrator in his bedroom while she was looking for scissors when she was in the sixth grade and he told her it was for an exgirlfriend and that he was

saving it for her, Oliver said. The girl also recounted how Keegan would often expose himself, walking around nude in his bedroom, which was across from hers, and that once when they were in a hotel she saw him masturbating in the bed next to hers, Oliver alleged. Keegan also allegedly took her to the sex toy part of a Spencer's store once and told her she would enjoy the devices, Oliver said.

The girl testified that he once slipped his tongue in her mouth while kissing her good night when she was 12. She said he was the only "father figure" she has ever had and that she would call him "grampa."

She said her grandmother is "like my mom. She does everything a mom does for me."

Keegan "has always been like a father figure to me,'

On the night he kissed her good night "he put a tongue in my mouth," she testified. She said it lasted a second or two. Occasionally he would kiss her on the lips before bedtime, characterizing it as "just a peck," but that was rare, and he mostly kissed her forehead.

When she felt his tongue, she "just remembers feeling uncomfortable .... I didn't know what to do or how to respond," she testified.

She chose to just go to sleep and "pretend it didn't happen," she said.

She didn't tell her grandmother because she feared it would end her relationship with the defendant and, "I didn't want her to be alone," she said.

After that night she would always "lower her head" to get a kiss on the forehead, she testified.

The accuser also said, "I still love him."

December 2021, In charges were filed against Keegan, but they were sealed due to his employment with Homeland Security, Oliver said. Officers

wanted to be able to execute a search warrant before he was aware of the charges, she added.

But the charges were unsealed on Jan. 26, 2022, and when officers arrived to serve the search warrant Keegan had a copy of the criminal complaint on his bed along with boxed-up electronic devices and laptops, Oliver said. Investigators also found a trashed hard drive and thumb drive in his garbage that could not be pieced back together, the prosecutor add-

Keegan's attorney, Jay Moorhead of the Orange County public defender's office, agreed with Oliver that the case would boil down to "criminal intent."

Keegan met the one girl's grandmother when they were taking a class at Irvine Valley College in 2001, said. Moorhead They moved in together and never got married, "But they basically treated each other as husband and wife," Moorhead said.

Keegan acted as a stepfather to the children his partner adopted, Moorhead said.

"He taught them how to ride their bikes, you name it — he was a father figure to these kids," Moorhead said. "I expect you to hear from Mr. Keegan" in the trial, Moorhead said.

Keegan worked Homeland Security and was a reserve sheriff's dep-

Regarding one of the girl's allegations, Moorhead said his client was "working rotating shifts" at the time and was not home when he was accused of molesting the girl.

The children were in afterschool daycare at the time and "He wasn't even there most of the time they came over," Moorhead said. Keegan "never picked her

up," Moorhead said.
"It just wasn't possible. It

just didn't happen," the defense attorney said. Keegan was an amateur

photographer with a passion for his hobby, Moorhead said. He is also a "quirky guy," who enjoys shopping, Moorhead said.

He would often take his relative and her friend shopping and would buy clothes for the friend while

taking pictures of them to send to his partner to approve before purchasing, Moorhead said.

"There was no sexual intent," Moorhead said.

One of the accusers asked Keegan to take pictures of her playing softball, Moorhead said.

Keegan does not remember ever using his tongue in a kiss with his relative, Moorhead said.

"He's going to tell you he doesn't remember sticking his tongue in her mouth, Moorhead said.

When he was confronted with the allegations in April 2021, his partner and the kids moved out for a week to live with her mother, but then they all moved back in together again a short time Moorhead later. said. Keegan also consulted with attorneys at the time who advised him to keep checking court records to see if charges are filed, which he did. When he saw the charges filed against him he printed off a copy as his attorneys suggested, Moorhead said.

"I anticipate there will be zero evidence that the evidence found in his trash can pertains to this case," Moorhead said. "I do believe there will be reasonable doubt and I'm going to ask you to find him not guilty."

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HAROLD CLYDE. RONALD JOSEPH HERNANDEZ, aka RONALD J. HERNANDEZ in the Superior Court of California,

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#### **GIRLS' BASKETBALL**

### Marina captures CIF State SoCal Regional crown

#### BY ANDREW TURNER

SAN PEDRO — A senior-laden Marina High girls' basketball team has many enjoying the ride of their lives in the final season of their prep career.

There is now one game left for the Vikings' 10 seniors, and for a group that has gone where no Marina team has gone before.

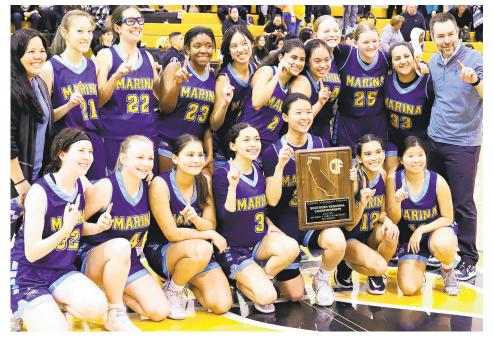
Senior guard Tiana To scored a game-high 19 points, as visiting Marina upset San Pedro 51-43 in the CIF State Southern California Regional Division V final on Tuesday night.

Marina (21-15), the No. 8 seed in the Southern California regional, will face Angels Camp Bret Harte (25-7), the No. 3 seed from the Northern California regional, in the state championship game. The final will tip off at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the Golden 1 Center in Sacramento.

The Vikings poured out onto the court and embraced each other after the clock ran out. It had been a clinic in applying defensive pressure, as the Vikings created turnovers and dived on the floor for loose balls.

"Once we get going, we don't stop," said To, who added five steals, five rebounds and three assists. "All gas, no brakes."

Marina coach Daniel Roussel called To the hardest worker that his program has had since Katie Nguyen, who earned Daily Pilot Girls' Basket-



Photos by James Carbone

**THE MARINA** girls' basketball team hoists the CIF State Southern California Regional Division V plaque on Tuesday. The Vikings defeated San Pedro 51-43.

ball Dream Team Player of the Year honors in 2019.

"She tried out her freshman year with no basket-ball experience," Roussel said of To. "She has worked so hard to get to the skill level that she is at and the confidence that she's gained through these playoffs. I'm not one bit surprised at the way she played tonight."

During its state playoff run, Marina overthrew top-seeded Cerritos Gahr 49-33 in the second round. The Gladiators had handed Marina a 39-38 loss in the Southern Section Division 5AA semifinals en route to a runner-up showing in the bracket.

Only senior guard Kim Nguyen had ever been a part of a playoff team before — a first-round exit her freshman year. Nguyen drained a three-pointer from the right corner to start the fourth quarter, a critical basket that answered a 7-0 run for San Pedro and reestablished a 44-34 lead for Marina.

"This year, I didn't even think we would do that, get as far as we did." Nguyen said. "Beating Gahr is another one of our goals that we set, and it was like, 'Wow, we could really do this."

Marina had just four points five minutes into the game, and it trailed

12-10 after the first quarter. Rylee Bradley's finish through contact following a steal by To gave the Vikings a 14-13 lead with 5:23 on the clock in the second quarter.

To's transition layup, off another successful scramble on the defensive end, extended Marina's lead to 40-28 with 2:34 left in the third quarter, the Vikings' largest lead of the game.

Bradley, a freshman guard, had 14 points, five rebounds, three steals and three assists for Marina. Sophomore center Sydnie Smith had nine points and 10 rebounds. Senior forward Mia Grasse also pulled down 10 rebounds,



**THE VIKINGS** celebrate winning the CIF State Southern California Regional Division V final against San Pedro.

and sophomore guard Maria Tejeda chipped in with four points and three steals.

"I'm really happy with how my team played," Grasse said. "Mostly, I'm just happy for the rest of the seniors like me that get to experience this championship, get to win. We did not do a lot of winning last year, so I'm really happy that I can be a part of that for the rest of the seniors."

Marina went 6-20 overall last season. Now, the Vikings seek the program's first state crown.

Junior guard Noelani Raigans contributed 13 points, seven rebounds and five assists for San Pedro (24-9), which beat Chatsworth 52-51 in overtime in the Los Angeles City Section Division II final, marking the program's first section title since 1986.

Junior forward Shalia Coleman and freshman guard Madison Adrid each had nine points for the Pirates. Junior forward Maia Wooldridge had eight points, 11 rebounds and three blocked shots, and senior forward Aliesha Fizer chipped in with four points, 13 rebounds and three steals.

"We are truly the underdogs in this whole thing," To added. "That's what I felt from the beginning. ... We've always been overlooked, especially because of the past, but we're a new team. We've rebuilt our team chemistry and our culture."

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A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by REBECCA CROGHAN in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that REBECCA **CROGHAN** 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 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

April 06, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. C8 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST. SANTA ANA, CA 92701

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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 the Petitioner:

TRENT C. MARCUS, ESO TRENT C. MARCUS, A LAW CORPORATION 19900 BEACH BLVD, C-1 **HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648** Published in the HUNTINGTON BEACH INDEPENDENT

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> BSC 223000 **NOTICE OF PETITION** TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LOIS M. BRUMLOW

30-2023-01310367-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: LOIS  $\mathbf{M}.$ BRUMLOW.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JANICE FAY FLYNN in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JANICE FAY FLYNN 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.

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A HEARING on the petition will be held on: April 13, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. C8

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Attorney for the Petitioner: TRENT C. MARCUS, ESQ TRENT C. MARCUS, A LAW CORPORATION 19900 BEACH BLVD, C-1

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The Coast Community College District is looking for qualified community members to serve as uncompensated volunteers on its bond oversight committee, as required by the passage

The Coast Community College District serves all or part of the communities of:

- Costa Mesa
- Fountain Valley
- Garden Grove **Huntington Beach**
- Midway City
- Newport Beach
- Seal Beach
- Stanton Sunset Beach
- Westminster

Committee members are eligible to serve a maximum of three consecutive, two-year terms.

- One (1) Senior Citizen Organization
- Three (3) At-Large Representatives

Members must be at least 18 years old and live within the District's boundaries. Applicants may NOT be employees, contractors, consultants or vendors of the Coast District. For more information about Measure M, go to:

http://www.cccd.edu/construction/bond-measures/Pages/default.aspx

Letters of Interest are sought from representatives of the following groups:

Letters of interest will be accepted until positions are filled. To apply, please submit a letter highlighting your interest in serving on the committee to:

> Coast Community College District Attn.: Chancellor's Office 1370 Adams Avenue Costa Mesa, CA 92626 Email: <u>iclevenger@cccd.edu</u>

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**SECTION A** 

**Bids Wanted** 

CITY OF COSTA MESA **ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA NOTICE INVITING BIDS** 

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Costa Mesa ("City") invites sealed bids, to be submitted electronically only, for the following project:

#### PLACENTIA AVE STORM WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT **CITY PROJECT NO. 23-02**

**BID SUBMISSION AND OPENING:** Bids must be submitted electronically via the City of Costa Mesa's PlanetBids portal before the deadline of April 11, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at which time or shortly thereafter the City Clerk will open bids electronically. The bid results will be posted online via PlanetBids. No paper bids or any other form of submittal will be accepted. Any bid received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be rejected. The City is not responsible for and accepts no liability in the event a response is late due to any network, internet, or any other technical difficulty or interruption. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that his/her/its bid is received by the deadline.

To access the bid documents and bid on this project, potential vendors and bidders must first register through the City's PlanetBids portal at: https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=45476

**SCOPE OF WORK AND BID DOCUMENTS**: The scope of work generally consists of installing hydrodynamic separator system off the existing City's 72-inch storm drain line in the golf course area and before transition of this 72-inch line into Orange County Flood Channel.

The Placentia Ave. Storm Water Quality Improvement supports the construction of a hydrodynamic separator along the conveyance of the City's Placentia Ave Storm Drain. The new hydrodynamic separator will be constructed just south of where the City's 72-inch Storm drain transitions into the County's Fairview Channel storm facility. Maintenance and construction access to the new water quality facility will be maintained through the City's Corporate yard and Public Golf Course.

The plans, specifications, and bid documents for this project can be the City's PlanetBids  $\underline{https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=45476}.$ 

Questions regarding the bid documents will be received by the Engineer up to five (5) working days prior to the bid opening, deadline is April 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Questions asked of the Engineer less than (5) working days prior to Bid Opening Date, may not be addressed.

It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the most current version of the solicitation, including any addenda, has been downloaded. Bids received without the applicable addenda will be rejected as incomplete.

- PRE-BID MEETING OR JOB WALK: A mandatory pre-bid job walk has been scheduled for March 23, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Citv's Corporate Yard. Located at 2310 Placentia Ave. in the City of Costa
- **BID CONTENTS**: All bids must be submitted on the proposal form included in the bid documents. No bid will be considered unless it is made on the proposal form furnished by the City and made in accordance with the provisions of the bid requirements.
- BID SECURITY: Each bidder must submit a certified check, cashier's check, or a bid bond, made payable to or in favor of the City of Costa Mesa, in an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid, to the Costa Mesa City Clerk prior to the bid submission deadline. No bid will be considered unless such certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond is received by the City Clerk prior to the bid submission deadline CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE: A valid California Contractor's Class "A"
- Contractors State License Board is required at the time the contract is awarded pursuant to California Public Contract Code section 3300. Each bidder must also be qualified as required by law at the time of the bid REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS: 7.

<u>General Engineering Contractors License</u> issued by the California

- subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work unless registered and qualified pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. PREVAILING WAGES: This project is a "public work" subject to prevailing
  - wage requirements. Pursuant to provisions of Sections 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code, all works employed on the project shall be paid not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) for work of a similar character in the locality in which the work is performed, and not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work. Copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file with Costa Mesa Public Services Department and are available to any interested party upon request. The applicable State prevailing wages are also set forth on the Department of Industrial Relations' website: http://www.dir.ca.gov; these rates are subject to predetermined increases. The prime contractor shall post a copy of the DIR's determination of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at each job site. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR.
- PAYMENT BOND AND PERFORMANCE BOND: A Payment Bond and a Performance Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount, will be required of the successful bidder prior to award of the contract.
- **RETENTION**: The City withholds five percent (5%) of each progress payment as retention. Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300, the successful bidder may substitute certain securities for money withheld by the City to ensure performance of the contract. At the request and expense of the contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld shall be deposited with the public agency, or with a state or federally chartered bank in this state as the escrow agent, who shall then pay those moneys to the contractor. Securities will be returned to the contractor upon satisfactory completion of the contract.
- 11. NON-DISCRIMINATION: The bidding process and contract are subject to State and Federal non-discrimination requirements, including but not limited to the requirement that no person or business shall discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religious creed, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, gender, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or military or veteran status in its solicitation, selection, hiring, or treatment of individuals or businesses in connection with the bidding process or work performed for the City in connection with the project.
- CITY'S RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS: The City of Costa Mesa reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all bids, or to waive any minor irregularities or informalities in any bid.
- **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**: This project is subject to local, State, and ederal regulations and requirements, as detailed in the bid documents.

For all inquiries, please contact Associate Engineer: Kian Nejad, Public Works Department, via e-mail at KIAN.NEJAD@COSTAMESACA.GOV.

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> BSC 222954 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: **JAMY KANE RASK**

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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JAMY KANE RASK.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PAMELA J. DAILEY in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that PAMELA J. DAILEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

 $\textbf{THE PETITION} \ \text{requests authority to administer the} \\$ 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 April 06, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. C8 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701

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Attorney for the Petitioner: SAMANTHA S. SMITH, ESQ NM LAW,APC 15147 WOODLAWN AVE. TUSTIN, CA 92780

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#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER **ESTATE OF:** TAMZIANA MARIE RICHARDSON AKA TAMZIANNA MARIE DELFOSSE CASE NO. 30-2023-01308373-PR-LA-CJC

all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of TAMZIANA MARIE RICHARDSON AKA TAMZIANNA MARIE

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JAMES D. CIRAR in the Superior Court of California, County of

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JAMES D. CIRAR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 03/30/23 at 1:30PM in Dept. C08 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701 CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER.

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Attorney for Petitioner I TERRENCE MOOSCHEKIAN, ESQ. – SBN 51182 BEWLEY LASSLEBEN & MILLER LLP 13215 EAST PENN STREET, SUITE 510

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#### **BOYS' BASKETBALL**

### Pacifica Christian books spot in state title game

#### BY MATT SZABO

ORANGE — Pacifica Christian Orange County High boys' basketball sophomore EJ Spillman missed the front end of a one-and-one opportunity in the closing seconds, leaving the door open on Tuesday night.

The Tritons were up by a

The Tritons were up by a single point in the CIF State Southern California Regional Division II championship game. Following the free throw miss, backto-back timeouts were called with 4.6 seconds left, as host Orange Lutheran tried to set up a play to win the game.

When play resumed, Spillman helped slam that door shut.

He cleanly blocked Orange Lutheran sophomore Zion Paleo's three-point attempt on the game's final play, helping Pacifica Christian earn a dramatic 52-51 win in front of a capacity crowd estimated at 1,500 people.

Coach Jeff Berokoff's Tritons (27-9) have advanced to their first CIF state championship game in just their seventh year as a program. Pacifica Christian will play Northern California champion Fresno San Joaquin Memorial (25-9) in the state Division II title game on Saturday at 4 p.m., at Golden 1 Center in Sacramento.

San Joaquin Memorial beat Fairfield Vanden 67-61 in overtime Tuesday in the Northern California final.

Pacifica Christian was the No. 9 seed in the regional playoffs after losing to La Mirada in the semifinals of the CIF Southern Section Division 2A playoffs. Clearly, they've relished their chance to keep the season going.

In winning the regional final on Tuesday night, the San Joaquin League champion Tritons beat No. 3-seeded Orange Lutheran



Photos by Don Leach | Staff Photographer

**PACIFICA CHRISTIAN** players celebrate after beating Orange Lutheran in the CIF State Southern California Regional Division II title game on Tuesday night. The Tritons won 52-51, sealing a trip to their first CIF state championship game.

(23-12) for the second time this season. Both victories came by a single point.

"It's crazy," Spillman said. "It shows everything that we worked for all year. The whole time I'm just thinking about all my guys, what we went through, how much work we put in to get here. We weren't losing that game.

"We're a smaller school, and everybody else counted us out. We came in as a No. 9 seed and we're going to go win it."

Sophomore Logan Stewart led the Tritons with 15 points and seven rebounds off the bench on Tuesday. Spillman, as well as junior Alex Stewart, scored 10

points each.

Balanced scoring has been the name of the game all season for Pacifica Christian.

"Our game plan is to get everybody involved," Spillman said. "We feel like it's more fun to play like that. Everything is together."

Northwestern-bound senior standout Parker Strauss was quiet with four points, though he did stand out on defense with three steals — and by taking three charges on Orange Lutheran players.

"We trust each other a lot, obviously," Strauss said. "Coach preaches that when the ball moves, good things happen. I mean, really it's hard to guard us. Anybody can get it going.

"It's great to see coach Berokoff's emotion. I mean, he's been building this thing for seven years. I bought into it, a lot of people have and a lot of people have reaped the benefits. He's one hell of a coach, and this is one hell of a group."

Pacifica Christian built a 38-25 lead midway through the third quarter on a putback by Logan Stewart. But the Lancers clawed back. Three straight triples, one by junior Andrew Nagy and two from senior Javon Smith, brought Orange Lutheran within four points in just more than a min-

ute's time. Orange Lutheran took a

50-48 lead with 2:50 left in the game on a three-pointer by senior Cannon Potter, who led the hosts with 15 points. But a nice pass from Spillman found Alex Stewart to tie the score. After a free throw by Pot-

ter, Logan Stewart made the eventual game-winning basket for Pacifica Christian on a short jumper with 1:20 left.

Spillman rebounded an Orange Lutheran miss inside with nine seconds left, setting up the final chain of events.

"We beat Tesoro by one [in the regional semifinals] and it felt great," said Lanc-



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EJ Spillman (32) makes a game-ending block on Zion Paleo on the last shot to secure the win Tuesday.

ers coach Daniel Dunbar, whose team, like Pacifica Christian, was playing in its first regional final. "Today, we're on the other side of it, we lose by one and it's tough ... Without a senior group like we have, this doesn't happen. This is a player-driven program, and those seniors did a great job of leading us all the way to this point."

Berokoff was among those who celebrated the hardest for Pacifica Christian. Only a handful of teams throughout the state each year can say they ended their season with a win, and the Tritons have put themselves a win away from that enviable position.

"My kids truly love each other," Berokoff said. "They didn't want their season to be over. They just wanted one more day, and we just kept preaching love in our program, and being together as a group. I know it's cliché, but they really do love each other, and I think it shows by how we play."

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