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THE EASTER BUNNY gives pediatric patient Nguyen Phan some chocolate eggs during a special visit to the Fountain Valley Regional Hospital & Medical Center on Friday. The visit was made possible by Toyota of Huntington Beach and the Starlight Children's Foundation.

Hare-raising visit brings Easter to young patients

BY SARA CARDINE

Peter Cottontail took a momentary detour off the bunny trail Friday to bring some cheer and goodies to several young patients at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital & Medical Center and their grateful parents.

The trip was arranged by specialists at the center in conjunction with Toyota of Huntington Beach and the Starlight Children's Foundation, who provided books, toys and treats to be hand delivered to kids in the pediatric and neonatal intensive-care units who won't be able to make it home for Easter.

It's just one of a few things hospital staff have arranged to liven things up in the week leading up to the holiday, said child life specialist Adrienne Feilden, whose job is to help kids feel as normal and happy as they can be, even through tough times.



THE EASTER BUNNY pays a visit to 4-year-old Aiden Ayala at Fountain Valley regional on Friday. The Starlight Children's Foundation gave Ayala a Buzz Lightyear Lego toy.

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Joint service day set for F.V. and H.B.

Volunteers are needed to help see 25 projects fulfilled on April 22 in a collaborative effort between the two cities.

BY ANDREW TURNER

A joint community service day will see 25 projects pop up across Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach later this month.

Hundreds of volunteers will be needed to cover the projects, each requiring at least 10 and up to 200 willing and able volunteers to complete them.

The ninth annual community service day will take place the morning of April 22, with most projects scheduled to be completed by noon. Projects will include neighborhood cleanups and restorative efforts, food donations, park improvements and more.

To view a list of available projects and sign up, those interested can visit justserve.org.

Fountain Valley projects include a food donation delivery to nonprofit trucks at the Center at Founders Village, painting a house at the center of Heritage Park and a Mile Square Park improvement calling for 200 volunteers to oversee the revitalization of part of the city's central gathering area. The Mile Square Park project will include the planting of 500 plants, spreading of wood chips and weeding.

"The purpose of the event is to serve those in need and enhance the quality of life in the community as a collaborative effort and side by side with others," Jynene Johnson of the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council, a sponsor for the community service day, said. "... It brings a great spirit of inspiring each other to be a part of the community, and to help our youth, to foster [in] them a sense of service for the future."

Mayor Kim Constantine read a

THE DRIVER

of a sedan that crashed into the boardwalk at Main Beach Wednesday evening was arrested on suspicion of DUI.

Courtesy of Heidi Miller



Driver suspected of DUI after slamming car into Laguna boardwalk

BY ERIC LICAS

Police arrested the driver behind the wheel of a sedan that rolled over a curb and through sand then struck a boardwalk at Main Beach Wednesday evening on suspicion of driving while intoxicated.

Officers were summoned to the crash at about 7:52 p.m., Laguna Beach spokeswoman Cassie Walder said. The hood of the white Honda Accord was folded in half, and its front bumper was wedged beneath the boardwalk's planks in photos posted to social media.

A beam underneath the walkway just west of Pacific Coast Highway at Broadway was also damaged, Walder said. No injuries were reported.

Heidi Miller was running an errand at a business she owns across the street and was at the scene shortly after the collision happened. She recalled the deep creases apparently left by tires

leading up to the wrecked car.

"I'm amazed it got slowed down by all that sand and still managed to crash that hard," she said.

Miller said she has seen a vehicle fail to turn at the T-intersection at least four times over the past four years. There is a traffic signal there, but she noted that the curb is the only physical barrier preventing drivers from driving into the sand.

"I feel like the city should put something there," she said. "But, then again, if someone's just going to sail through an intersection, a car might just run through whatever was put up too."

She said she saw what appeared to be containers for alcohol on the roof of the car as police interviewed its driver Wednesday evening. He was arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated, Walder said.

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DAILY PILOT BOYS' BASKETBALL DREAM TEAM

Carter Bryant led Sage Hill to memorable season, CIF run

BY MATT SZABO

Carter Bryant's ascension in the sport of basketball has happened rapidly.

But there has been hard work in every step of the process for the Sage Hill School junior, who is one of the top recruits in the class of 2024.

He broke his tibia and fractured his growth plate in his left leg when he was undercut going up for a dunk as a freshman. That kept him out for nearly a year; the scar is still displayed prominently under his knee.

Bryant came back as a sophomore. The 6-foot-8, 225-pound wing player showed his obvious potential, but he was on a minutes restriction. Then he transferred from Fountain Valley High to Sage Hill School this past summer, as his father D'Cean Bryant went from coaching the Barons to guiding the Lightning.

That meant a 30-day transfer sit-out period. In that time, the Lightning won just two games. Carter Bryant came back after Christmas for the prestigious the Classic at Damien tournament, but Sage Hill lost all four of its games there.

Carter stayed patient. He said the biggest thing was getting the team to trust the new coaching staff, including his dad and uncle Travon Bryant, a former NBA assistant coach with the Brooklyn Nets.

They introduced a hashtag slogan for the Lightning, urging



Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

SAGE HILL junior Carter Bryant is the Daily Pilot Dream Team Boys' Basketball Player of the Year after helping the Lightning to a CIF final.

their players to "run toward the storm." Carter never looked back.

"A third of the guys on our team this year were seniors, so for them to accept a new coach and a new player ... that was definitely tough," he said. "Waiting to play was a hard thing for me, because I'm a competitor, so seeing those [losses] hurt early in the season. But I knew it was for us to be better down the line."

The season flipped. The Lightning (15-13) won the tough Pacific Coast League in their first year competing in it, then advanced all the way to the CIF Southern Section Division 4A title game before falling 68-57 to Long Beach Jordan.

For his efforts, Carter Bryant is the 2022-23 Daily Pilot Dream Team Boys' Basketball Player of the Year.

"Obviously it didn't end the way we wanted it to, but I'm really proud of these dudes," he said. "When we lost those games early, nobody expected us to make a deep playoff run or anything like that. It was definitely a great experience, especially for these seniors who worked their butt off. They definitely deserved it."

Bryant has received 29 college offers, and he said his choice is down to two: Arizona and

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Egg hunt: Orange County brunch spots celebrate Easter

MEYER LEMON waffles with berries at Bloom Restaurant + Bar in San Juan Capistrano.



Carla Rhea

BY SARAH MOSQUEDA

Brunch has become an Easter tradition as beloved as chocolate bunnies and Easter baskets. You won't have to go on an egg hunt to find delicious brunch buffets, a la carte menus and more this Easter Sunday. Hop over to any of these special spring offerings for a delicious way to mark the holiday.

CAFÉ GRATITUDE
1617 Westcliff Drive, Suite 112, Newport Beach, (949) 386-8101

For a plant-forward brunch, visit Café Gratitude, where brunch service begins bright and early at 8 a.m. A new spring menu spearheaded by Executive Chef Dreux Ellis features dishes for vegans and non-vegans alike. Gluten-free Chick'n Waffles come with a Belgian oat waffle and a "chik'n-fried" oyster mushroom topped with cashew whipped cream, maple syrup and orange slices. The Chi-Rizo breakfast burrito is made with house tofu scramble, almond burrata, potato, avocado and black beans and served with tomatillo salsa fresca. Cold-pressed juice and vibrant smoothies are on the menu along with desserts like vegan lemon blueberry coffee cake.

Beach offers incredible views of the Pacific Ocean — hence the name. For Easter Sunday, the concept will also offer brunch for the first time. Executive Chef Andrew Arndt's brunch menu will include classics like smoked salmon, buttermilk French toast and egg white frittata. Drink specials, like house-made sangria and the Good Morning Newport cocktail with tequila blanco, lime, grapefruit, Campari and Firestone 805, will accompany the champagne and bloody Mary's. The menu will be served a la carte from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., and weekend brunch will continue each Sunday moving forward.

THE RITZ-CARLTON, LAGUNA NIGUEL
One Ritz Carlton Drive, Dana Point, (949) 240-2000

The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel has a few special springtime offerings for Easter. A whimsical floral garden installation at RAYA by Richard Sandoval, meant to complement a new springtime menu, is on display. The flowers also compliment the special "Spring Par-Tea" afternoon tea being offered now until April 27, in partnership with Parisian tea brand, Palais des Thés. For Easter Sunday, giant Easter eggs will be on display throughout the resort, and a brunch that includes a variety of stations and specialty bars will be available. Price at \$250 per person, guests can look forward to a caviar, smoked fish and raw bar; a sushi station and dumpling cart; waffle, french toast and omelet bars and other traditional breakfast offerings. Chef Sanjay Rawat, the New Delhi native at the helm of the resort's culinary program dedicated to South Asian weddings, will prepare Indian delicacies for the occasion.

CUCINA ENOTECA
532 Spectrum Center Drive, Irvine, (949) 861-2222

Italian kitchen and wine shop CUCINA enoteca will offer a variety of Easter brunch specials this holiday. Executive Chef Cesar Sarmiento's brunch dishes are meant to bring California-Italian flair to the traditional Easter brunch menu. Beginning at 11 a.m., guests can choose from offerings like gnocchi with peas, pancetta, poached egg and shallot cream, avocado toast with egg, sun-dried tomato relish and radish and New York steak, with a fried egg, parmesan potato, sweet Italian peppers and béarnaise. The Irvine Spectrum location's lush patios and colorful pastel artwork set the stage for a happy Easter.

BOTTEGA ANGELINA
32441 Golden Lantern, Laguna Niguel, (949) 542-8220

Nestled in the cliffs of Laguna Niguel, Bottega Angelina creates Italian dishes from authentic imported Italian ingredients. For Easter, the concept is offering a special Spring-forward menu that begins with green asparagus-basil soup with mini-pecorino toscano puffs followed by beef tenderloin capriccio, with herbed endive and shaved truffle and an entree of lamb osso bucco with porcini mushroom risotto. An Italian ricotta wheat berry cake known as Pastiera di grano and traditionally served on Easter in Italy finishes the meal.

BLOOM RESTAURANT + BAR
31760 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano, (949) 503-2654

Bloom opened late last year and joins a buzzy section of downtown San Juan Capistrano, with neighbors like Mayfield, Breezy and Heritage Barbecue. The concept comes from the team behind O.C. favorites like Sapphire in Laguna Beach and Ironwood in Laguna Hills, with well-done comfort food like country-fried prime hanger steak and applewood-bacon-wrapped meatloaf.

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Special Occasions



Celebrating 50 Golden Years!
Stanley L. King III and Nancy King of Newport Beach, CA will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on April 8, 2023. Stan and Nancy were married at the Holbrook-Palmer Estate in Atherton, CA and lived in the Bay Area for many years before relocating to Newport Beach in 1992. They enjoy boating in Newport Harbor on their electric boat and cheering for the Angels and the San Francisco 49ers. They have three loving daughters Marika (Robert), Savanna & Jessica (Amit) and three wonderful grandchildren Sierra, Bailey and Naveen.

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CASE NUMBER (Numero del Caso): 30-2022-01284178-CU-EN-CJ

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):
William Okyson a.k.a. Jefferson Okyson; an individual; Da Vinci Asset Management, LLC, an unknown business entity

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):
Richard O'Bryan, an individual

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puedo encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de extensión de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos extensos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es):
Central Justice Center
700 Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

The name, address, and telephone number of the plaintiffs attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):
David J. Miller 152940
13681 Newport Ave. Suite 8-388
Tustin, CA 92780
949-688-6149

Date: 10/06/2022
David H. Yamasaki Clerk of the Court (Secretario)
R. Baker Deputy (Adjunto)

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted in the Council Chambers at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach. The Planning Commission of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following:

Nonresidential Parking Requirement Changes (PA2021-104) – Consistent with the City Council's initiation on January 26, 2021, the proposed amendments to Title 20 (Planning and Zoning) and Title 21 (Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan) serve to simplify and modernize some of the City's parking regulations. The proposed changes include the following:

- Allowing the Community Development Director to reduce off-street parking requirements by up to 20 percent when acceptable evidence is provided;
- Allowing a reduction in off-street parking requirements when bicycle parking is provided in areas with a demonstrated demand;
- Allowing a reduction in off-street parking requirements when a designated ride-share (e.g., Uber and Lyft) space is provided;
- Altering the food service, eating and drinking establishment parking requirements to remove the consideration of "net public area"; and
- Replacing the "take-out service, limited" land use definition with "take-out service—fast-casual" allowing up to 20 seats.

The action is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 20165 of the California Public Resources Code and Sections 15060(c)(2), 15060(c)(3), and 15378 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3 (CEQA Guidelines). The Code Amendment is also exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15361(b)(3), the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects, which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at or before, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapters 20.64 (Appeals) and 21.64 (Appeals and Calls for Review). The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/planningcommission. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the business day immediately before the meeting. This allows time for the Planning Commission to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Benjamin M. Zdeba, AICP, Principal Planner, at 949-644-3253 or bzdeba@newportbeachca.gov, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2021-104
Activities: Zoning Code Amendment and Local Coastal Program Amendment
Zone: All Nonresidential Zoning Districts
General Plan: All Nonresidential Land Use Categories
Location: Citywide
Applicant: City of Newport Beach
Sarah Klausmeier, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF VACANCIES

The City of Newport Beach is currently accepting applications to fill the following unscheduled vacancy and upcoming scheduled vacancies:

- **Board of Library Trustees (two seats – both terms are for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are at 5:00 p.m. on the third Monday of each month, at 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach
- **Building and Fire Board of Appeals (one seat – term is for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are as required on a Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach
- **City Arts Commission (two seats – one term is for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027; and one unscheduled term expiring June 30, 2025)**
Meetings are at 5:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, at 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach
- **Civil Service Board (one Civil Service Board Nominee seat – term is for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are at 5:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach (Council Chambers)
- **Harbor Commission (one seat – term is for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are at 5:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach (Council Chambers)
- **Parks, Beaches & Recreation Commission (two seats – both terms are for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are at 5:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach (Council Chambers)
- **Planning Commission (two seats – both terms are for four-years, expiring June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach (Council Chambers)

All scheduled vacancies will become vacant when the existing terms expire on June 30, 2023, or until the seat is filled.

All applicants must be qualified electors of the City, none of whom shall hold any paid office or employment in City government (Section 702 of the City Charter).

The deadline for filing applications is **noon on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, or until the vacancies are filled.** The application and additional information about the Boards and Commissions can be found at <http://www.newportbeachca.gov/vacancy> or by calling 949-644-3005. The application and information about the Boards and Commissions can also be accessed through the City's website at <http://www.newportbeachca.gov/bcc>.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 949-644-3005.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF VACANCIES

The City of Newport Beach is currently accepting applications to fill the following upcoming vacancies:

- **Aviation Committee**
One unscheduled vacancy for District 1 Designate Member (nominated by the District Council Member with a six-year term, expiring on June 30, 2029) One opening for a Newport Coast Member (nominated by the Mayor with a six-year term, expiring on June 30, 2029)
The Aviation Committee meets as required or on a quarterly basis.
- **Finance Committee (four seats – terms are for one-year, expiring on June 30, 2024)**
Meetings are as necessary, on weeknights or weekdays (M-Th), at a time convenient for the Committee at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach
- **General Plan Advisory Committee (two seats – term is for the duration of the General Plan Update process)**
Meetings are as necessary, on weeknights or weekdays (M-Th), at a time convenient for the Committee at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach
- **Water Quality/Coastal Tidelands Committee (three seats – terms are for four-years, expiring on June 30, 2027)**
Meetings are on the first Thursday of each month at 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise noticed, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach.

All applicants must be qualified electors of the City, none of whom shall hold any paid office or employment in City government (Section 702 of the City Charter).

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For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 949-644-3005

OUTER REEF AT LAGUNA CLIFFS MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA

25135 Park Lantern, Dana Point, (949) 661-5000

Outer Reef, located within Victorian-style Laguna Cliffs Marriott Resort & Spa in Dana Point, will host an Easter Brunch with the Easter Bunny himself. Served from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., guests can choose between a luxe breakfast buffet and a specially curated a la carte brunch menu served with mimosas and champagne. Besides sweeping coastal views, the event will feature photo ops with the Easter Bunny and surprise treats on the Vue Lawn.

MAH JONG'S BY CHEF MIKE

3333 Bristol St., Costa Mesa, (949) 295-3841

Although South Coast Plaza is closed on Easter Sunday, 13 of the center's restaurants will be open, including Mah Jong's by Chef Mike. Although he is most known for his omakase cooking style, Chef Mike presents a Tiki brunch on Easter Sunday, beginning at 11 a.m. Creative cocktails themed from the Hawaiian islands will be served along with a menu of 10 brunch entrees, like pulled pork pancakes and a restorative and comforting homemade chicken soup with bone broth, vegetables and cilantro.

ORANGE MINING CO.

10000 S. Crawford Canyon Road, Santa Ana, (714) 997-7411

Orange Mining Co. opened its doors in 1974 and pays homage the silver mining history of the hills. Today, it is known for its breathtaking views of Orange County. The Easter Brunch experience is an all-day one, served from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Priced at \$51 for adults and \$20 for children 12 and under, traditional Sunday brunch dishes will be on the buffet early in the day, and few additional dinner surprises will join the menu later. Guests can count on a prime rib carving station, seafood such as shrimp and crab legs, and more than a dozen hot entrees, desserts and complimentary champagne.

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Easter Sunrise

Join us Sunday, April 9th, at 6:30 a.m. for Easter Sunrise Service. The service will be held at 14th Street Beach in Newport Beach with a continental breakfast following at our church. All are welcome.

Christ Church by the Sea
949-673-3805
1400 W. Balboa Blvd., Newport Beach
<https://christbytheseanb.org/>

THE CROWD | B.W. COOK

Marconi Automotive Museum hosts Vision Beyond Sight Gala

Kendal and Nikki Lyssy, twin girls who survived premature birth, faced an uncertain future. Doctors were pragmatic, advising the newborns' parents of serious challenges in front of them.

"While doctors predicted a bleak outcome for our lives, our parents always believed we would become capable of reaching our fullest potential," said Kendall Lyssy, joining sister Nikki in delivering the keynote address March 11 at the 2023 Vision Beyond Sight Gala benefiting Beyond Blindness, an Orange County organization.



Some 240 guests came together at Tustin's Marconi Automotive Museum for the event, raising an impressive \$252,874 supporting Beyond Blindness programs for children and their families. To describe the gathering as emotional would not do justice to the spirit of overcoming all odds shared by those in attendance.

It was the sixth annual gathering fronted by **Angie Rowe**, president and chief executive of Beyond Blindness. She has the support of the nonprofit's distinguished board of directors and an Ophthalmic Advisory Board that with families, sponsors, and local citizens all join forces "to create a bolder, brighter future for children and families in Orange County," said Rowe, adding, "We are so humbled by this generosity. It enables Beyond Blindness to ensure our children receive the highest level of care in



Photos courtesy of Winnie Angel Photography

LILY GABORA, actor and singer Tom Sullivan and Kris Gabora at the Vision Beyond Sight Gala.

our unwavering effort to equip every child with the opportunity to live a full and rewarding life."

The Lyssy twins are testament to this pledge. Both girls grew up to become honor society students, attending university and following each of their chosen life paths. Today, Kendall is a doctoral student and graduate instructor at the University of Missouri, and sister Nikki attends the University of South Florida while working on her first novel.

This night of inspiration was taken to entertainment heights by Emmy Award nominated actor and singer **Tom Sullivan**, who followed Laguna Beach High School senior and talented musician **Lily Gabora** with her songs at the piano during the gala reception.

Following tradition at prior events, the dining segment of the evening was produced as the gala's signature blindfolded, "Dining In The Dark."

Master of Ceremonies and Beyond Blindness board member **Jared Moriarty** "guided" attendees

through the evening program, joined by event chair **Carol Trapani**.

One of the additional highlights was the presentation of the Dr. Wilhelm de Nijs Vision Award to the Kirchgessner Vision Foundation. Named after Beyond Blindness' founder, the award recognized the foundation's support of pioneering vision research, as well as its contributions of more than \$20 million since its inception to organizations and clinics that provide vision screening, adaptive equipment and assistive services to disadvantaged communities.

Foundation President and Director **Michael Kramer** was in attendance to accept the award, sharing how the charitable organization has grown to have a specific, important purpose that it fulfills by accelerating the impact of local groups such as Beyond Blindness.

Funds raised at the gala will play a key role in advancing Beyond Blindness' new strategic plan, which will be used as a roadmap for the next five years of expanding innovative early



BEYOND BLINDNESS alumnae Kendall and Nikki Lyssy deliver an inspirational keynote presentation.

intervention, education and enrichment, and family support programming. By the year 2027, the non-

profit plans to serve more than 2,600 children and families with visual impairments and other disabilities, according to its leadership team.

The 2023 Vision Beyond Sight Gala was made possible thanks to generous sponsors, including the Thompson Family Foundation (Funding the Future Sponsor) and STAAR Surgical (Visionary Sponsor).

To learn more about the important work of Beyond Blindness, visit beyondblindness.org.

B.W. COOK is editor of the Bay Window, the official publication of the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach.

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EASTER

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"A child's work is play — when they're not sick, they're usually out playing, engaging in activities at school, playing with their peers," she said. "So it can be a real disruption when they have to go to the hospital."

"We want this to be a positive place, where they can continue what they do at home," Feilden continued. "That's our ultimate goal."

Feilden and her team have set up egg hunts for young seekers and passed out other springtime treats, including Easter baskets created by Huntington Beach resident Sharon McHenry, who started the practice with son Neil as a Scout project about a decade ago and never stopped.

But Friday's visit was the main attraction, as the Easter Bunny led a small entourage into the hospital building and to the NICU to greet parents watching over tiny newborns. After that, it was on to pediatrics.

Feilden said the festivities are as much for moms and dads as the patients themselves.



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VANESSA AND Darwin Jones with newborn Arai, get a surprise visit Friday from the Easter Bunny at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital.

"Parents, out in the community, will take their kids to get a picture with the Easter Bunny, so it's a pick-me-up for the parents," she said of those in pediatrics. "It's great for our NICU families too, because it's a long-term stay a lot of times and they haven't been home yet, so any little perk like that can be so meaningful."

Friday's visit meant the world to Karen Ayala, a Baldwin Park mom who's been at Fountain Valley Regional with 4-year-old son Aiden for the past two weeks. Recovering from a ruptured appendix that

became infected, Aiden is expected to spend at least another week in the hospital.

It's a bummer for Ayala, who typically celebrates Easter with her extended family but cannot continue the tradition this year. Watching Aiden's face light up as he saw the Easter Bunny approach was a pretty nice consolation prize.

"He hugged him and everything," she said. "He was just grabbing toys — he was so excited. I'm grateful for all of [this]."

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BRUNCH

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Bloom recently added brunch service on Saturdays and Sundays beginning at 10 a.m., and equally comforting dishes can be found on the morning menu, like Kurobuta pork belly benedict and a farmer's market scramble with fresh seasonal vegetables. Meyer lemon creme fraiche waffles are a must, as are the cocktails, made with special care and balance. Four Amigos' spicy michelada, made with house-made bloody Mary mix and fresh lime, or the Daily Affirmations, with vodka, yuzu lavender, Prosecco

and passion fruit boba, do not disappoint. Even the mimosas get zhuzhed up with strawberry and thyme, passion fruit or orange and guava.

CHACHA'S LATIN KITCHEN

110 W. Birch St. #7, Brea, (714) 255-1040

ChaCha's Latin Kitchen hosts Sunday brunch each week from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Mexican cantina offers signature dishes like huevos rancheros, made with chipotle and tomatillo sauces over two eggs, corn tortillas, black beans and cotija cheese or braised short rib chilaquiles, with tortilla chips smothered in a smokey guajillo sauce and

chorizo salsa-roasted mushrooms. Mimosas with fresh orange juice, hibiscus or mango are available and can be made bottomless for \$20. A champagne brunch special is also available, priced at \$29 per person, and includes chips, salsa, chile con queso and the choice of one starter, like pozole verde or fresh tropical fruit, and the choice of any one signature entree, homemade enchiladas or corn tacos and mimosa. The Brea location's remodeled patio is the perfect place to spend a spring morning.

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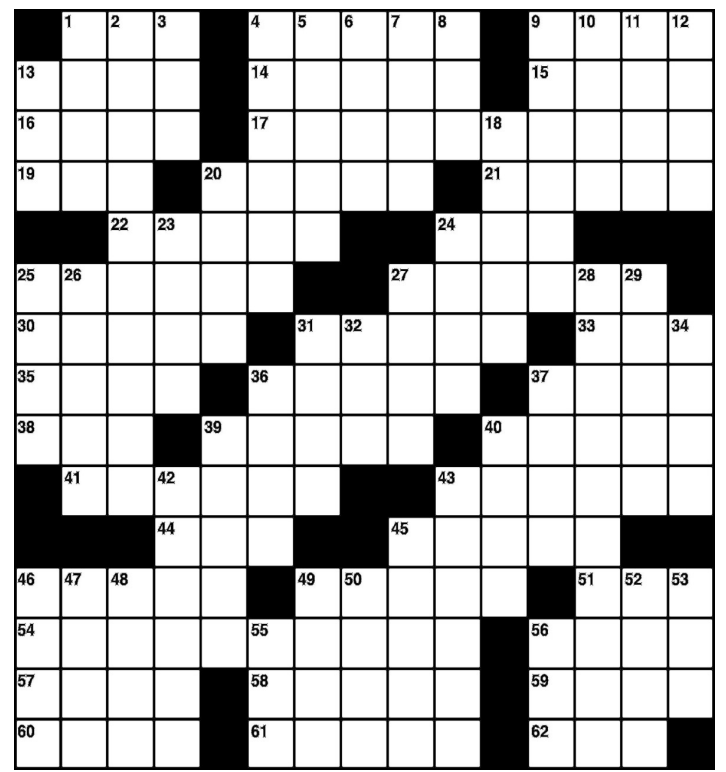
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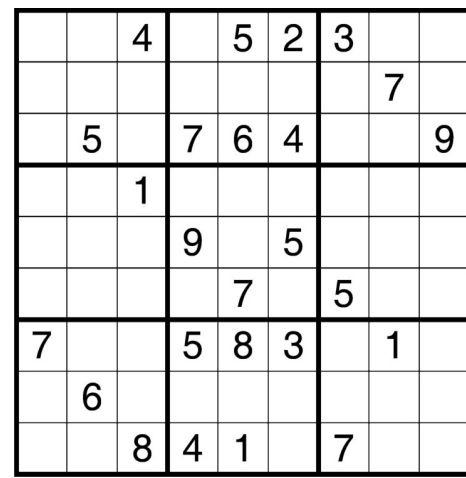
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SUDOKU

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 A5.

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- 4 "Tosca" & "Carmen"
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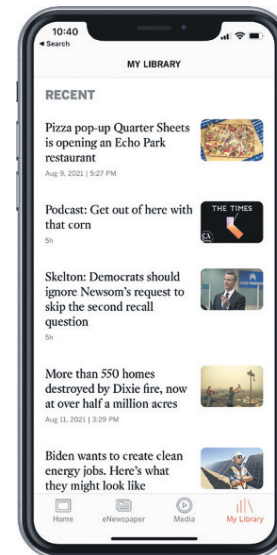
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TEAM

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Louisville. Either way he'll be in red, which is what opponents saw more often than not this year when they played the green-clad Lightning.

He averaged 22.1 points, 13.7 rebounds, 4.0 assists, 2.9 blocks and 1.6 steals per game on his way to Pacific Coast League MVP and All-CIF accolades. Bryant was one of just two Orange County boys' basketball players to earn John R. Wooden Award honors, as the top player in CIF Southern Section Division IV.

Carter would dunk seemingly effortlessly. But he also never shied away from the pressure of the big moment. He had 22 points and 16 rebounds against Jordan. In a close loss at Los Angeles Grant in the first round of the state playoffs, he had 30 points, 24 rebounds and five blocks.

Playing against much bigger schools, Carter also averaged 33.3 points and 18.7 rebounds in three league tournament games.

The stats weren't what mattered to his father, who played at Lynwood High and four years at Long Beach State. The leadership was important, for a team which also featured emerging junior post player Johnny Mayhew and had several standout seniors like guards Andrew Cobb and Shaan Patel.

"I'd only take him out if he had bad energy," D'Cean Bryant said. "It's not about the points. It's about having energy every night out, blocking shots, getting in the passing lanes, talking to the guys, clapping it up for everybody, making sure guys are engaged. Those things are intangibles that any team would want."



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

SAGE HILL'S Carter Bryant (24) makes a tough jumper during the CIF Southern Section Division 4A championship game against Long Beach Jordan. Bryant earned All-CIF honors.

It's clear that he's proud of his son, who is playing at the Nike Hoops Summit in Portland this weekend.

"His mom has done a wonderful job," D'Cean Bryant said. "We've done a great job of co-parenting, making sure he's getting everything that he's worked for. People think, 'oh, he deserves this.' No, but he's done a lot of good things for himself to put himself in a position to be recruited as highly as he is. He's very humble about it, and all of these things are experiences, things you can tell your kids."

Carter's mom, Sabrina Torres, has custody of him and his two younger sisters. Cydnee is a freshman at Sage Hill and Carsyn is a seventh-grader.

"I like him," Torres said of Carter's personality. "As his mom, I always love him and I don't have to like him, but I like him a lot. He's great ...

I'm excited that I get to support him in obtaining his dreams. I think that, especially in the basketball world, these dreams are big dreams for a lot of kids and

not everyone gets to hit them. The fact that he's absolutely doing that is amazing."

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SERVICE

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proclamation declaring April 22 to be Community Service Day in the city and recognizing the volunteers that will contribute to the projects.

APRIL IS "DONATE LIFE MONTH" IN FOUNTAIN VALLEY

Another proclamation named April as "Donate Life Month" in Fountain Valley.

Among the clauses read from the proclamation by Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Grandis, it was noted that more than 100,000 people nationwide and more than 20,000 in California are on the national organ transplant waiting list.

The proclamation encouraged residents to sign up to become organ, eye and tissue donors.

Maria Jimenez, an ambassador for OneLegacy, lost a son at the age of 22. She addressed the City Council after the reading

of the proclamation, sharing that organ donation was among the final wishes she was able to follow through on for her child.

"I never thought that I would be put in this path in life, but here I am, and I continue to be my son's voice," Jimenez said. "He was a very strong advocate for organ donation in his young life, and unfortunately, we lost him at 22 years old to bacterial meningitis. Only six weeks prior to that, he had said yes to organ donation, so once he was in the hospital, we knew what his wishes were. It was one last thing that we could do for our son."

"I'm actually very proud of that decision, so I hope that in sharing his story and in proclaiming Donate Life Month in April that we can get more people on board in saying yes. Organ donation is very rare, but the need is great."

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Escrow No. 23-38813-JY
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: CONKILLIAN ENTERPRISES INC., 2701 HARBOR BLVD., #E3, COSTA MESA, CA 92626. Doing Business as: ELEMENTS THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE. All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: NONE. The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: ADOMAR INC, 135 INTERVAL, IRVINE, CA 92618. The assets to be sold are described in general as: FURNITURES, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENTS, TOOLS, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PERMITS, LICENSES AND INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE and are located at: 2701 HARBOR BLVD., #E3, COSTA MESA, CA 92626. The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: TEAM ESCROW INC, 17310 RED HILL AVE, STE 140, IRVINE, CA 92614 and the anticipated sale date is APRIL 26, 2023. The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 61062. If the sale is subject to Sec. 61062, the following information must be provided: The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: TEAM ESCROW INC, 17310 RED HILL AVE, STE 140, IRVINE, CA 92614 and the last date for filing claims shall be APRIL 25, 2023, which is the business day before the sale date specified above. Dated: 4/5/2023. BUYER: ADOMAR INC. 1601431-PP DAILY PILOT 4/8/23

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**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.** or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted in the Council Chambers at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach. The Planning Commission of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Fractional Ownership Code and LCP Amendment – Amendments to Sections 20.48.220 (Time Share Facilities) and 20.70.020 (Definitions of Specialized Terms and Phrases) of Title 20 (Planning and Zoning Code) of the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC), and to Sections 21.48.025 (Visitor Accommodations) and 21.70.020 (Definitions of Specialized Terms and Phrases) of Title 21 (Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan) of the NBMC. The proposed amendments would modify the definition of time shares to clearly include fractional ownership units. As a time share use, fractional ownership would be prohibited in all residential zoning districts and only allowed in certain commercial and mixed-use zoning districts subject to existing time share regulations.

The project is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or before, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapters 20.64 and 21.64. The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or at the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/planningcommission. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the business day immediately before the meeting. This allows time for the Planning Commission to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Jaime Murillo, AICP, Principal Planner, at (949) 644-3209, jmurillo@newportbeachca.gov, or at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2022-0202 **Activity:** Zoning Code Amendment and Local Coastal Program Amendment
Location: Citywide **Applicant:** City of Newport Beach
Sarah Klausstermeier, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach



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Kalaveras Restaurant – A request for a conditional use permit to make up to 940 square feet of the temporary outdoor dining patio permanent. The applicant also requests to expand the licensed premises of the existing Type 47 (On-Sale General – Eating Place) Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) License to include the outdoor dining patio and to increase the hours of operation to between 10 a.m. to 2 a.m., daily. No live entertainment or dancing is requested. If approved, this Conditional Use Permit would supersede Use Permit No. UP1789 and Minor Use Permit No. UP2017-009.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 – Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and under Section 15303 – Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

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

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Jenny Tran, Assistant Planner, at 949-644-3212 or jtran@newportbeachca.gov, or at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

NOTICE OF POLICE DEPARTMENT DECISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that pending approval of the Conditional Use Permit mentioned above, an operator license application is scheduled for review by the Chief of Police of the City of Newport Beach on or after Friday, May 05, 2023. The Chief of Police of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Kalaveras Operator License - An operator license to allow Kalaveras to operate a restaurant with late hours, outdoor dining, and a Type 47 (On Sale General Eating Place) ABC license. This Operator License is required pursuant to Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC) Chapter 5.25 (Operator License for Establishments Offering Alcoholic Beverages in Combination with Late Hours, Entertainment, and/or Dance) and may be subject to additional and/or more restrictive conditions to regulate and control potential nuisances associated with the operation of the restaurant.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 – Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and under Section 15303 – Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may submit written comments regarding the requested operator license to Civilian Investigator, Wendy Joe, at 870 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, California, 92660. Comments will be accepted until **Thursday, May 04, 2023**. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only the issues you or someone else raised in written correspondence delivered to the City, on, or before, the date of the decision. The project file may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660. For questions regarding details of the operator license please contact Civilian Investigator, Wendy Joe, Special Investigations Unit at 949-644-3705 or by email at wjoe@nbpd.org.

Project File No.: PA2022-0263 **Activity:** Conditional Use Permit and Operator License
Zone: PC-11 (Newport Place Planned Community) **General Plan:** CG (General Commercial)
Location: 900 North Bristol Street **Applicant:** Kalaveras NB, Inc
Sarah Klausstermeier, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach

TEAM

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Yes, Carter is living out his dreams and helping Sage Hill make history. The league title and CIF finals appearance were both just the second in program history, joining the 2019 team.

The much-celebrated Sage Hill girls' team, which won a state championship last year and competed in the CIF Southern Section Open Division this year, will likely keep making news. Many of the top players on that team were coached by the late basketball star Kobe Bryant through his Mamba Academy. They're juniors, like Carter Bryant.

Though they're not related, Carter wears No. 24 like Kobe did. He said he gravitated toward some of the Sage Hill girls' players early in the year, working out and doing conditioning with them as he adjusted to a new school.

Both genders show that a small school in Newport Coast can do big things in the high school basketball world.

"It definitely shows that Sage Hill is blazing a new path for the next few years and generations of student-athletes," Carter Bryant said. "This isn't necessarily an academic school. Obviously, we're student-athletes first, but this is a place you can come to for athletics. You can be seen here and recruited."

Here's a look at the Dream Team Coach of the Year and the first-team and second-team Dream Team selections:

COACH OF THE YEAR

Jeff Berokoff

Pacifica Christian Orange County

Pacifica Christian (27-10) has had a varsity program for seven years, with Berokoff in charge for all of that time. What the Tritons have built in that period is remarkable. With an enrollment of 279, the small school tucked away not far from Hoag Hospital has become an Orange County powerhouse.

This year's team was ranked top in the county for part of the season and won the San Joaquin League title, its first outright league crown in program history, before advancing to the Division 2AA semifinals and all the way to the state Division II title game in Sacramento. Credit Berokoff for



Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

EDISON'S DYLAN HUGUES goes up for a shot during a Surf League game against Fountain Valley on Feb. 2.



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

PACIFICA CHRISTIAN head coach Jeff Berokoff celebrates with his team after the Tritons won the CIF State Southern California Regional Division II title game against Orange Lutheran on March 7.

doing this by preaching togetherness, on a team where nobody scored more than 12 points per game.

FIRST TEAM

Parker Strauss

G | Pacifica Christian Orange County | Sr.

Though Pacifica Christian had a balanced scoring attack, it was led by Strauss, who also did many other things well for the Tritons. The San Joaquin League MVP, a 6-foot-4 point guard, averaged team-bests of 11.3 points, 7.1 rebounds and 5.0 assists per game. But Berokoff could be as proud

that Strauss, who constantly sacrificed his body, finished his two years at Pacifica Christian with a program-record 62 charges taken. His 176 assists, 98 steals and 41 charges taken this year were also program single-season records. Strauss, a repeat first-team Dream Team selection, is bound for Northwestern University.

Dylan Hugues

G | Edison | Sr.

Hugues was a gamer for the Chargers, leading them in scoring at 13 points per game but also finishing second in rebounds and assists per contest. As the leader

of a balanced attack, the 6-foot-2 Hugues shared Surf League MVP honors with Los Alamitos sophomore Liam Gray. Hugues scored 11 points in helping the Chargers rally to win at rival Fountain Valley in the league finale, sharing the league title with the Griffins. Edison (20-10) made the second round of the Division 2AA playoffs before losing at Orange Lutheran.

Peyton Guerrero

G | Ocean View | Sr.

Guerrero took another step forward as a senior for the Seahawks, and second-year head coach Steve Harris can be glad he did. Following the graduation of Ramon "Chico" Lopez, the 6-foot-3 Guerrero shouldered the scoring load to the tune of 20.1 points per game, adding team-best totals of 2.9 assists and 1.7 steals per game. He was also co-team leader with 6.5 rebounds per contest. Guerrero shared Golden West League MVP honors with Chris Negrete of Segerstrom and helped Ocean View (16-13) finish second in league and advance to the second round of the Division 3A playoffs before losing to Cerritos.

Adam Gaa

F | Newport Harbor | Sr.

The Sailors' 6-foot-6 power forward operated more as a modern-day big man, able to physically impose inside but also shoot

three-pointers and on-ball screens. He was a valuable piece for coach Bob Torribio's Sailors (22-9), who won the Wave League with a perfect 6-0 mark and advanced to the Division 3A quarterfinals before falling to North Hollywood Oakwood. Gaa averaged a team-best 13 points and seven rebounds per game, sharing league MVP honors with teammate Isaac Davis.

JJ Gray

F | Fountain Valley | Sr.

Gray scored 19.5 points per game for the Barons, becoming their go-to player after Bryant departed for Sage Hill and Jeremiah Whitmore transferred to Oak Hill Academy. The 6-foot-7 Gray, a very good outside shooter and active on the glass, proved up to the challenge. He was a first-team All-Surf League selection and helped the Barons finish third in the tough league and qualify for the Division 2AA playoffs, where they lost at Simi Valley in the first round. Gray is bound for Oberlin College in Ohio.

EJ Spillman

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A dynamic 6-foot-4 combo guard, Spillman looks like he will be a budding star next year for the Tritons. He also did plenty this year as a sophomore, though, with averages of 9.7 points and 2.9 assists per game. Spillman's block on Orange Lutheran's Zion Paleo in the closing seconds of the CIF State Southern California Regional Division II championship game helped Pacifica Christian secure a dramatic 52-51 win and advance to its first state title game. He was a second-team All-San Joaquin League selection.

SECOND TEAM

Position, Name, School, Year

- F Tucker Tripp, Edison, Sr.
- F Alex Stewart, Pacifica Christian Orange County, Jr.
- F Johnny Mayhew, Sage Hill, Jr.
- G Bodhi Armstrong, Marina, Sr.
- G Jaedon Hose-Shea, Estancia, Jr.
- G Christian Dasca, Costa Mesa, Sr.
- G Ilan Agranovich, Corona del Mar, Sr.
- G Isaac Davis, Newport Harbor, Sr.

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