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KATE GUERRERO, 16, holds up a video mic during a presentation from Make-A-Wish Orange County and the Inland Empire at Macy's South Coast Plaza in Costa Mesa on Monday. Kate, who has undergone treatment for lymphoma, has a wish of becoming a YouTube star.

Aspiring social media maven's Make-A-Wish request brings her to South Coast Plaza

Teen Kate Guerrero's epic journey living with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma inspired her to share her story on social media. Macy's and Make-A-Wish helped give her dream a leg up on Monday.

BY SARA CARDINE

Even amid a pandemic, wishes can come true — just ask 16-year-old Kate Guerrero, a San Bernardino resident and budding YouTube influencer who on Monday received the red-carpet treatment at Macy's South Coast Plaza, courtesy of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Kate rolled up to the Costa Mesa shop-

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MACY'S SOUTH COAST PLAZA employees line up on the red carpet to welcome Kate Guerrero on Monday.

Photos by Scott Smeltzer Staff Photographer

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Newport insurance agent pleads not guilty in \$4M fraud scheme

BY LILLY NGUYEN

A 63-year-old Newport Beach insurance executive pleaded not guilty to charges in what state authorities said was a \$4-million securities fraud scheme that affected more than 20 victims.

Robert Andrew Lotter denied more than 20 felony charges filed against him, which include assertions of untrue statements or omission in connection with purchase or sale and use of a device, scheme or artifice to defraud with sentencing enhancements

for aggravated white-collar crime, according to court records. Jail records state Lotter was arrested on Nov. 24 with his co-defendant, Charles Albert Major, 71.

Court records show charges dating incidents as far back as 2005.

State officials said in a statement issued the day after the arrests that an investigation by the California Department of Insurance alleges that Lotter and Major fraudulently solicited and sold victims more than \$4 million in

stock certificates in both of Lotter's companies — eAgency, Inc. and Mymobilewatchdog, Inc.

Officials said that Lotter owns R.A. Lotter Insurance Marketing, Inc. and that Major, a resident of Irvine, was a licensed insurance agent.

Investigators said the two contacted clients of R.A. Lotter Insurance Marketing and used various schemes to fraudulently obtain private financial information in order to identify potential in-

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OWNER GAIL LANDAU stands in front of Catmosphere, which has closed because of complications brought on by the pandemic.

Catmosphere Laguna, county's first cat cafe, closes due to pandemic

BY ANDREW TURNER

In May 2017, Gail Landau was in the Southeast for her stepson's graduation from the College of Charleston.

Before she left Charleston, S.C., the self-proclaimed feline aficionado stopped by a cat cafe. Her first thought was that Laguna Beach was ready for the same sort of experiment.

"I wrote my business plan on the airplane on the way home," Landau said, "and I presented at City Hall the next week."

By the summer of 2018, Landau had opened Catmosphere Laguna, Orange County's first cat cafe.

The cat cafe and lounge brought happy memories for many. Landau, who has a lexicon of cat puns at her disposal, said that people could sit down for "meow-mosas" for brunch,

have birthday parties, and even get engaged.

"I got the ring ahead of time from the gentleman, and I took one of the cats that his fiancé was very interested in and took her collar and put the ring on the collar," Landau said. "When the cat walked over to her, the ring was hanging from the collar. There was not a dry eye in the room."

Unfortunately, the Laguna Beach cat cafe, like many businesses, has found it difficult to operate during the coronavirus pandemic, and last week, the decision was made to close its doors.

Although the brick and mortar aspect of her operation is going away for now, Landau said the mission to find the "purrfect" home for abandoned and

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Move toward regular COVID-19 testing for healthcare workers brings relief

BY SARA CARDINE

Following numerous rallies and demonstrations among California healthcare workers for more workplace protections against a swiftly surging coronavirus, state health officials have released guidelines recommending hospitals regularly screen employees and newly admitted patients for COVID-19.

In a Nov. 25 all-facilities letter issued by California Public Health Department, Deputy Director Heidi Steinecker strongly recommended general acute care hospitals implement a weekly screening testing program for all healthcare workers by Dec. 14.

Employees determined to be at high risk of contracting the virus should be tested starting next week, the letter states.

"Routine SARS-CoV-2 screening testing of hospital healthcare personnel may aid in early



Kevin Chang | Staff Photographer

AN EMPLOYEE SPEAKS at a July 2 rally outside Fountain Valley Regional Hospital & Medical Center, one of several held to raise awareness of the need for COVID-19 protections.

detection and work exclusion of infected healthcare providers, reduce transmission of risk to other healthcare providers and

patients and prevent hospital outbreaks," Steinecker wrote.

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Hoag receives \$7.5 million from O.C. philanthropists Julia and George Argyros

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian in Newport Beach announced that it has received a \$7.5-million donation from philanthropists Julia and George Argyros.

The gift will be directed to Hoag's nursing services. Hospital officials said that the Argyros family has given tens of millions of dollars to Hoag. A total of \$15 million was directed to Hoag's nursing, with the \$7.5-million donation in November building upon a previous gift in 2016.

Dr. Flynn Andrizzi, the president of the Hoag Hospital Foundation, said the gifts from the Argyros family have provided scholarships to more than 1,300 nurses to pursue advanced education.

"As a direct result of Julia Argyros' extraordinary generosity and kindness, her name has become synonymous with Hoag's commitment to nursing excellence," Andrizzi said in a statement.

In response to the 2016 gift, Hoag established the Julia Argyros Center for Nursing Excellence.

"The enormity of the impact of her gifts is incalculable," Andrizzi said. "It is safe to say that every nurse scholar at Hoag, and every



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JULIA AND GEORGE ARGYROS hold their Lifetime Achievement Award during Costa Mesa's fourth annual Mayor's Celebration dinner in 2016.

patient and family member whose lives they touch, has good reason to be grateful to her. All of us at Hoag certainly are."

Rick Martin, Hoag's senior vice president of clinical operations and chief nursing officer, described the \$7.5-million gift as a "watershed."

Martin said the gift would allow for Hoag to push "beyond generalized nursing to a comprehensive corps of nurse specialists" and would elevate Hoag's care by expanding advanced nursing education. Hospital officials said that about 83.2% of Hoag nurses have received their bachelor of science in

nursing degrees, while others have gone on to receive their master's.

"For many years, I have watched with great admiration as Hoag has used its resources to thoughtfully develop what is without question one of the nation's finest nursing services," Julia Argyros said in a statement. "Hoag's nurses are incredibly talented, dedicated and compassionate."

Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian has received other large donations this year, including from philanthropist Sue Gross.

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Huntington Beach-based Surfline announces \$30M investment, hiring of CEO

BY MATT SZABO

Surfline\Wavetrak Inc., the company behind the surf forecasting website Surfline, announced Tuesday that it has received an investment of \$30 million from investment firm TCG.

Additionally, the Huntington Beach-based company announced that it has appointed Kyle Laughlin as its CEO. Laughlin takes over for Jeff Berg, who will remain in the company as executive chairman.

Surfline, which says it has more than 3 million users, is where surfers turn to access surf conditions. It is powered by a 35-year data set, as well as proprietary swell, wind and weather modeling.

It features live high-definition cameras at more than 700 locations worldwide and also publishes editorial content related to surfing. Surfline was founded in 1985 by Sean Collins as a pay-per-call telephone surf report. The website was launched a decade later. Surfline.com now has some free data but is mostly subscription-based, with plans that start at \$7.99 per month.

Laughlin said in a phone interview Tuesday that he loved the Surfline story.

"It truly is one of heritage and grit," Laughlin said. "This is a team that brought everything from fax, to 976-SURE, to an ad-supported web-based experience to now a leading mobile subscription product. They've built a successful company with a world-class product and



Courtesy of Surfline

KYLE LAUGHLIN has been named CEO of Huntington Beach-based Surfline\Wavetrak Inc.

editorial offering, and it serves a massive audience in a fast-growing category. I'm humbled to join this incredible organization with such an amazing legacy."

The company has grown into one of the biggest and most trusted in the surfing industry, with its forecasts used for events like the U.S. Open of Surfing, held on the south side of the Huntington Beach Pier each summer. The U.S. Open was canceled this year due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

Collins died in 2011 after suffering a heart attack. Berg has served as the company's CEO since 2015.

Laughlin, 42, is a Laguna Niguel resident. He has most recently worked at Amazon, and before that he was a senior vice president at the Walt Disney Co., as well as the head of Sport & Games at Yahoo.

He said much of the

\$30 million will be used to fund Surfline's technology wing.

"I think what both TCG and we realized was that this is just a massive opportunity," Laughlin said.

"Surfline has this amazing portfolio to serve not only a local audience but a growing global one as well. We have the largest surf audience in the world ... and surfing is one of the fastest growing sports here in the U.S. We're going to use this additional funding to really invest in that strong product portfolio and to continue to invest in the capabilities, from a technology perspective, to help continue to connect surfers with their passion. This really has been a 35-year history of focusing on that mission, and I don't see that changing."

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Pedestrian struck and killed by SUV in Huntington Beach

A pedestrian was struck and killed by an SUV while crossing Beach Boulevard in Huntington Beach on Monday night, authorities said.

The Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the incident, which occurred at 6:12 p.m. Monday, near Beach Boulevard and Yorktown Avenue. A 59-year-old woman from Corona del Mar, who was driving a 2017 Mitsubishi Outlander, struck and killed an unidentified man, police said.

Police said that the man was known as a transient. The Orange County coroner's office identified him as a 61-year-old in a news release, but has not released his name pending family notification.

The driver remained on scene and cooperated with police, Sgt. Joshua Page said. Alcohol and drugs are not suspected.

An initial police investigation showed that the woman was driving southbound on Beach Boulevard when she struck the man,

who was crossing westbound on Beach outside of the crosswalk.

He suffered extensive injuries and was transported to UC Irvine Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

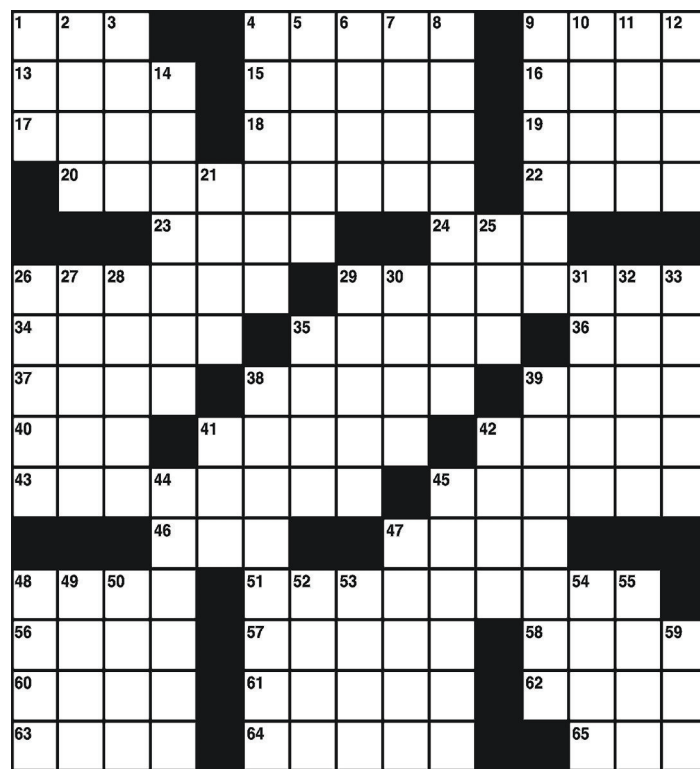
The investigation is ongoing and being conducted by the HBPD Multi-disciplinary Accident Investigation Team. Anyone with information is asked to contact Traffic Investigator Doug Demetre at (714) 536-5670.

— Matt Szabo

THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

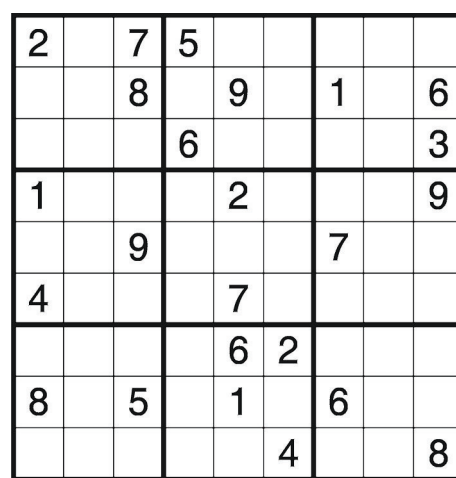
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16 Beauty mark
17 No longer wild
18 Hooded jacket
19 Out in the _; exposed
20 Cruel
22 Officials with striped shirts
23 Female animal
24 "Son _ gun!"
26 _ down; topsy-turvy
29 U.S. state capital
34 Pews & chairs
35 Ore seeker
36 Tennis court divider
37 "The buck stops _"
38 Presided over
39 "Beat it!"
40 Zsa Zsa's sister
41 Convicts' quarters
42 Monopoly player's purchase
43 Discusses again
45 Café employee
46 Falsehood
47 Cultivate the soil
48 Spill the beans
51 Horrific
56 Theater box
57 Circular
58 "All You _ Is Love"; Beatles song
60 Think _; ponder
61 Burst of electricity
62 Backyard access
63 TV's "Father Knows _"
64 Boo-boo
65 Skedaddled



SUDOKU

By The Mephram Group

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.



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

4 Set lofty goals
5 Like potato chips no longer crunchy
6 As _ as a boil
7 BPOE members
8 Added salt & pepper to
9 Lacking any ethical standards

10 Skipping _; playground activity
11 Treble _; musical symbol
12 Farm fowl
14 One who eats on the house
21 Womanizers
25 In favor of

26 Church volunteer
27 Rub the wrong way
28 Actress _
29 Beverly _, CA
30 Tip jar bills
31 Still whole
32 A new _ on life; revitalized outlook
33 Absolute; total
35 Long-eared animal
38 Prepare for opening night
39 Making dirty
41 TV series for Jorja Fox
42 Corridor
44 Queen Victoria's husband
45 Actor/director Gene _
47 Ballroom dance
48 Shapeless mass
49 Zero, in tennis
50 Ice _; cold periods
52 Rain heavily
53 Contented cat's sound
54 Close
55 "_ move on!"; cry to a slowpoke
59 Lair

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homeless cats and kittens will go on through the Catmosphere Laguna Foundation.

As of last week, Catmosphere Laguna had adopted out 195 cats. Landau added that the demand for pet companions has gone up during the pandemic, but she continues to be particular about the conditions of adoption. She wants to make sure the cats are going to an environment that they will fit into and that they will continue to receive veterinary care, if necessary.

"[The cats] are fully vetted, spayed or neutered, re-

ceive all their vaccinations, they're socialized, they've been with fosters, and I carefully interview the prospective adopting parents," Landau said.

"I make sure they go to a home where they will be an indoor cat only. The individuals sign an adoption agreement after the interview process with me. I used to go to the homes and do a home check, but now I do a Zoom check or I do a FaceTime check."

Landau is also conscious of relationships that have been formed between the cats, and she said that she does not allow for separation of bonded pairs.

As a nonprofit organization, Landau said the Catmosphere Laguna Founda-

tion pays for veterinary bills and food with the help of donations. Donations can be made at catmosphere.laguna.com.

Adoptions through Catmosphere Laguna are \$300. Landau added that the cats are microchipped, and a veterinarian health report, flea treatment and a super "purr-sonality" are included.

Landau said she is on the hunt for her next location, as she hopes to open a cat cafe again after things improve from the impact of the pandemic.

Catmosphere Laguna has also partnered with rescue outfits like the Ark of San Juan and the Laguna

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vestors for Lotter's high-risk investments.

Officials said the two led several victims to believe that the company was authorized or affiliated with the California State Teachers' Retirement System, which provides retirement pension advice to state public school educators. Some did not discover that it was not authorized or affiliated until after they'd invested substantial funds in Lotter's companies, according to officials.

"Even though these insurance agents had a fiduciary responsibility to represent their clients' best interest, they allegedly put greed above their clients' needs," Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara said in a statement. "Their arrest shows the department of insurance will persist in investigating and stopping insurance professionals who put their clients at financial risk."

State officials said Lotter and Major continued to do this between 2003 and 2018, claiming that profits from the two companies were "just around the corner" and that they had partnerships with large internet companies and prominent mobile carriers. "They showed clients



Courtesy of the Orange County district attorney's office

PICTURED, FROM LEFT, is Charles Albert Major, 72, of Irvine, and Robert Andrew Lotter, 63, of Newport Beach.

newspaper articles and televised interviews featuring Lotter to cement victims' confidence in their investments and mitigate concerns victims had about their investments and the continued delays of their investment returns," officials said, adding that eAgency, Inc. and Mymobilewatchdog, Inc. had poor financial statuses that included unpaid financial obligations to prior investors.

Officials said Lotter and Major did not make their clients aware of the statuses of the companies.

Lotter and Major also did not notify victims when the alleged lucrative partner-

ships fell through and led victims to believe that their investments were still viable, officials said.

Lotter is due to appear in court on Dec. 17 for a preliminary hearing at the Central Justice Center in Santa Ana.

Major's arraignment in the jail courtroom was continued to Dec. 16.

Both remain in custody as of Tuesday. Lotter is being held on a bail of \$4 million and Major is being held on a bail of \$2 million, according to the Orange County district attorney's office.

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COMMENTARY | WILL O'NEILL

There's reason to be encouraged in Newport Beach

During Breast Cancer Awareness Month, I heard friends and residents discuss their personal connections to this insidious disease during those few weeks. Thank you to all who have shown unity and support through messages of hope.

I was fortunate to attend the ribbon cutting this year at the City of Hope's Newport Beach location. In conversations, I have been reminded that despite our reputation for healthy lifestyles, Newport Beach and Orange County are not immune to the one-in-three statistic for Americans who will receive a cancer diagnosis.

Unfortunately, I have also learned that our local breast cancer rate is growing faster than the national average.

Consider this my plea to get the word out about prevention, early detection and local cancer resources. We must also support our healthcare professionals, including researchers and scientists, who are dedicated to treating and curing this terrible disease.

Right here in this city, we have some of the nation's leading clinical scientists translating labora-



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ANNETTE WALKER, City of Hope Orange County president, center, Harley Rouda, former 48th District of California U.S. congressman, third from right, Will O'Neill, Newport Beach mayor, second from left, and other guests cut a ceremonial ribbon during the grand opening for City of Hope in Newport Beach in January.

tory breakthroughs into the latest treatments. These are phenomenal efforts that need our recognition and backing.

The good people at City of Hope Orange County asked us all to raise our voices, offering personal videos describing our desire to finally put an end to cancer. Business leaders, cancer survivors, healthcare professionals and many others joined in, inspiring us all.

This year has been filled with healthcare challenges, and too many people have been impacted by illness. We have not and will not lose sight of the good work that is being done to improve our overall well-being.

There is reason to be encouraged, especially here in Newport Beach. The way that our community comes together gives us confidence.

I'm proud of what we do here in Newport Beach to support one another. Now is an excellent time to remember that it's in our power to support a healthier future for us all.

WILL O'NEILL is the mayor of Newport Beach.

WISH

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ping complex in a limousine, alongside her mom, Martha Alvarez, and youngest brother, Emilio, 11. She received a red-carpet welcome from a small phalanx of masked and socially distant organizers and store employees congratulating her on her "wish day."

"Wish Granted. Happy Wish Day. #1 Fan. We love you," read a series of handmade signs crafted for the occasion.

The ebullience of the scene was a far cry from September 2019, when Kate's family learned a severe and persistent pain in her right leg, misdiagnosed for more than a year as sciatica, was actually non-Hodgkin's B-cell lymphoma. Finally, an MRI revealed the source of her pain, a football-shaped tumor curled inside the curve of her pelvis.

"It was very hard but also relieving to find out what was actually wrong after being misdiagnosed," the teen recalled Monday. "It was definitely an adjustment and hard to process. But my family was there for me."

Kate has also been buffered by fans and followers on social media, where she's turned to share her personal story with others who may be going through similar challenges.

When two rounds of treatments at Loma Linda University Medical Center wrapped up earlier this year, Kate's cancer appeared to be in remission.

A Feb. 12 video, showing the tearful teen ringing a bell to signify completion of her final treatment, garnered hundreds of thousands of supportive clicks and comments.

Wanting to continue to share her story with others, Kate now hopes to widen her social media presence by wading into YouTube. In her Make-A-Wish request, she asked for computer and video equipment to increase the production quality of her posts.

"I wanted to get this so I could share about my journey and my experience and what it was like for me," she said, telling her story Monday before a lineup of TV news cameras.

Kate's wish was granted

— and much, much more. Representatives from Macy's teamed up with Make-A-Wish to enhance the teen's request as part of the store's "Believe" campaign, where for each child's letter to Santa Claus, Macy's will donate \$1 to Make-A-Wish up to \$1 million.

In addition to the equipment, Kate received a \$1,000 Macy's gift card and expert cosmetics and clothing consultations from staff on site.

She learned the importance of good angles during a quick eyebrow consultation and YouTube tutorial from social media savvy cosmetic expert Paola Regalado.

"The best videos are actually the ones that are not edited, where you're talking from your heart," Regalado advised the teen. "Be yourself when you talk to the camera. And keep posting. You have to be consistent and post every day."

In the store's juniors clothing section, Macy's stylist Gabriela Rosales had put together some outfits based on Kate's style. The two chatted about colors and tastes, and Rosales promised to have the perfect picks ready for a post-press junket shopping spree.

Kate's wish is one of more than 7,300 requests

granted to critically ill children between the ages of 2½ and 18 by the regional Make-A-Wish office since the national organization's founding in 1983, according to Gloria Jetter Crockett, president and chief executive of Make-A-Wish Orange County and Inland Empire.

"It's all about providing hope and inspiration to these kids while they're going through something terrible and lifting their spirits," Jetter Crockett said of the group's work. "It makes you feel good inside."

For Kate's mom, Martha Alvarez, Monday's celebration is an exciting chapter in her daughter's continuously unfolding story.

"It was exciting just coming here — we didn't expect all this," Alvarez said, reflecting on the ups and downs of the past year and a half. "It's been hard. But she's a really, really strong little woman."

As difficult as parts of her experience have been, Kate says she hopes being vulnerable and honest will encourage others.

"For everybody going through cancer, or just fighting something, I just want to say, 'Don't give up,'" she said. "Take it day by day — it's a journey, so just stay strong."

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KATE GUERRERO and her brother Emilio drop a note to Santa Claus at Macy's South Coast Plaza.

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patients being treated in intensive care units is at 158. California Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly said that all options are in play for how the state will navigate the challenge of the pandemic. He added that officials will focus on measures that will be "impactful and time-limited."

Ghaly also said that the availability of ICU beds was being looked at as "the primary trigger for deeper, more restrictive actions."

"Statewide, we see that the second half of December could be pushing the limits in some areas," Ghaly said. "We want to act sooner than that so that we



Scott Smeltzer | Staff Photographer

ALLAN, ALLISUN and Lilah Gonzalez walk along the Huntington Beach Pier on Monday.

can get transmission down and we can handle those potential high ICU surges."

Orange County reported 790 new coronavirus infections on Tuesday. The

county did not report any additional deaths due to the virus, keeping the county's cumulative related fatalities at 1,577. Since the onset of the pandemic, the county has experienced 79,343 cases.

The county healthcare agency also reported 17,236 tests for the virus within the last day, bringing the total number of tests administered to 1,469,434. An estimated 60,186 people have recovered after contracting the virus countywide.

Newsom said on Monday that the state is expecting to receive 327,000 doses of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine in the middle of December.

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

Orange County:
 • Santa Ana: 15,255 cases; 331 deaths
 • Anaheim: 13,335 cases; 344 deaths
 • Huntington Beach: 3,373 cases; 89 deaths
 • Costa Mesa: 2,682 cases; 45 deaths
 • Irvine: 2,759 cases; 14 deaths
 • Newport Beach: 1,503 cases; 26 deaths
 • Fountain Valley: 864 cases; 21 deaths
 • Laguna Beach: 337 cases; fewer than five deaths

Here are the case counts by age group, followed by deaths:

- 0 to 17: 6,503 cases; one death
- 18 to 24: 11,588 cases; four deaths
- 25 to 34: 16,821 cases; 21 deaths
- 35 to 44: 12,601 cases; 40 deaths
- 45 to 54: 12,861 cases; 120 deaths
- 55 to 64: 9,622 cases; 219 deaths
- 65 to 74: 4,880 cases; 309 deaths
- 75 to 84: 2,529 cases; 343 deaths
- 85 and older: 1,882 cases; 520 deaths

Updated figures are posted daily at ochealthinfo.com/corona-virus-in-oc.

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TESTING

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The guidance advises new patients and employees who may be exhibiting symptoms of the virus to receive immediate COVID-19 testing.

Hospitals must by Monday submit testing plans identifying the number of at-risk and total employees and explaining how they will test for, report and trace positive cases.

Those directives align with proposals put before the state by leaders of the National Union for Healthcare Workers (NUHW), who have organized demonstrations highlighting the need for coronavirus protections, including several at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital & Medical Center.

That was where, on Nov. 23, workers rallied to memorialize Armando Rodriguez, an imaging aide who reported being exposed to the virus in his Santa Ana home in July and was told to continue working and check for symptoms.

Barbara Lewis, NUHW's Southern California hospital division director, said Tuesday union representatives were pleased state health officials had acted on behalf of the safety of frontline workers.

"There's absolutely no doubt healthcare workers, as a result of this, will be safe," she added. "And when healthcare workers are safe, that means patients are safe and communities are safer."

The union leader praised the courage of employees who stood up and risked their jobs to expose inadequacies at their respective hospitals. A July 1 complaint filed on behalf of Fountain Valley Regional Hospital employees, for example, triggered a state investigation into the site's COVID-19 policies and practices that resulted in systemic improvements.

"They knew what was happening and they knew it wasn't good enough for patient care," Lewis said. "When we talk about healthcare heroes — this was their heroic act."

Josh Jesus, a CT scan tech at the Fountain Valley facility, was one of several employees who participated in rallies held in July and August. He self-quarantined in late June after a coworker was hospitalized with COVID-19. Hospital supervisors refused to test the exposed workers.

"That's the kind of thing we're trying to prevent," Jesus said Tuesday. "I feel the [guidance] is going to make an impact. Patients coming in will know workers are being tested — and it's going to help us feel a lot safer."

Todd Burke, a spokesman for Tenet Healthcare, which owns and operates Fountain Valley Regional Hospital, said officials were aware of the recommendations and in the process of evaluating them. The hospital, he said, employs some 2,200 employees. It is unclear whether a funding source has been identified to help facilities implement testing plans.

In a release issued Monday, NUHW President Sal Rosselli acknowledged the new recommendations will ultimately save lives but said more employee groups working in high-risk areas outside hospitals should also receive regular testing.

"Gov. Newsom deserves credit for recognizing the urgency of the problem and taking decisive action to finally make hospitals test all workers and patients upon admission," Rosselli said. "[But] we still need to expand testing requirements to caregivers in home health settings and in correctional facilities where outbreaks continue unabated."

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Beach Animal Shelter.

"Catmosphere Laguna Foundation is a part of the fabric of Laguna Beach," said Nancy Goodwin, the manager of the Laguna Beach Animal Shelter. "As one of our fellow nonprofits, Catmosphere's mission to provide homes for rescued and abandoned cats is vital and important to our community. We serve to protect animals and partner together for their health and survival. We look forward to our continued work together."

Susan Hamil is the chairwoman of the Blue Bell Foundation for Cats, another Laguna Beach-based organization that acts as caretaker of older cats whose owners can no longer do so.

Hamil, a registered veterinarian technician who is also on the board of directors for Catmosphere Laguna, said that Landau had established a model for anyone who wants to start a cat cafe.

"You can be really assured of a healthy cat, and the atmosphere at Catmosphere was such that you can't just walk in and adopt a cat," Hamil said. "You have to sit down and get to know that cat and be friends with the cat and have the cat accept you as much as you want to accept the cat, and that was the beauty of it."

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CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH
Public Works Department
505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, CA 92651
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
ON-CALL PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE SERVICES PW-20-0010

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Public Works Department of the City of Laguna Beach, California, for furnishing all labor services, materials, tools, equipment, supplies, transportation, utilities and all other items and facilities necessary therefore, as provided in the contract documents to provide On-Call Pavement Maintenance Services at various locations throughout the City of Laguna Beach together with appearances thereto, in strict accordance with the specifications on file at the **Department of Public Works**, 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, California 92651.

DATE OF OPENING BIDS: Bids will be received at the City of Laguna Beach **until 10:00:00 a.m. on December 10, 2020**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Laguna Beach City Council Chambers located at 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, CA 92651. All bids must be submitted online through Planet Bids. **No Hand-Delivered or courier delivered bid packages will be allowed.**

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The work to be performed shall include, but not be limited to: Asphalt and Concrete Pavement Maintenance Services such as demolition, saw-cutting, excavation, minor grading, compaction, AC cold milling, PCC grinding, forming, AC paving, concrete paving, traffic control, hauling, disposal, water quality BMPs, and other items not mentioned here, but required by the complete contract documents.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Contractor must possess a minimum of three (3) years' experience within the last five (5) years. Bidders who fail to meet these minimum qualifications shall have their bids deemed "non-responsive."

To obtain a copy of the Bid Documents, please visit the City of Laguna Beach's website www.lagunabeachcity.net. Click on the "Government" tab and then "Public Works", and review the information under the Bid Information tab on the Left side of the page. Next, click on the "e-Procurement System" link. If you are not currently registered with the City of Laguna Beach, please click on the "New Vendor Registration" button and then complete the electronic supplier registration process including selecting Category Code(s) describing the goods and/or services you provide, as well as entering your Contractors State License information. After registering your firm, click on the "Bid Opportunities" button to view and download the Bid Documents. Interested firms must be registered on the City's website and download the Bid Documents in order to submit a bid. Firms must also check the website periodically for addenda information as failure to download, and acknowledge in the bid submittal, any and all addenda will result in bid disqualification.

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: All questions relative to this project prior to opening bids shall be prepared in writing and transmitted to the attention of Reza Jafari, Deputy Director of Public Works by email to rjafari@lagunabeachcity.net with a copy to Adam Gufarotti, Senior Public Works Analyst at agufarotti@lagunabeachcity.net. Requests for Information and other inquiries will not be accepted after 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 4, 2020, as this would not allow time to respond to all plan holders. Phone inquiries will not be accepted.

Thank you for taking the time to submit a bid to the City of Laguna Beach.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST Loan No.: PRATT RESS Order No.: 77064 A.P. NUMBER 117-253-05 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 02/25/2015, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on 12/16/2020, at 01:30PM of said day, At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701, RESS Financial Corporation, a California corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust executed by JENNIFER B. PRATT, A SINGLE WOMAN recorded on 03/11/2015, in Book N/A of Official Records of ORANGE County, at page N/A, Recorder's Instrument No. 2015000126634, by reason of a breach or default in payment or performance of the obligations secured thereby, including that breach or default, Notice of which was recorded 7/30/2020 as Recorder's Instrument No. 2020000370129, in Book n/a, at page n/a, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, lawful money of the United States, evidenced by a Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, or the equivalent thereof drawn on any other financial institution specified in section 5102 of the California Financial Code, authorized to do business in the State of California, ALL PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF SALE, all right, title and interest held by it as Trustee, in that real property situated in said County and State, described as follows: LOT 44, TRACT 1101, BOOK 35, PAGE 28, OF MISC. MAPS The street address or other common designation of the real property hereinabove described is purported to be: 316-318 BROADWAY, COSTA MESA, CA 92627. The undersigned disclaims all liability for any incorrectness in said street address or other common designation. Said sale will be made without warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession, or other encumbrances, to satisfy the unpaid obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest and other sums as provided therein; plus advances, if any, thereunder and interest thereon; and plus fees, charges, and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of said obligations at the time of initial publication of this Notice is \$301,865.98. In the event that the deed of trust described in this Notice of Trustee's Sale is secured by real property containing from one to four single-family residences, the following notices are provided pursuant to the provisions of Civil Code section 2924f: NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee's sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 916-939-0772 or visit this Internet Web site www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 77064. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not be immediately reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Dated: 11/13/2020 RESS Financial Corporation, a California corporation, as Trustee By: GRACE GROVES, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER 1780 Town and Country Drive, Suite 105, Norco, CA 92860-3618 (SEAL) Tel.: (951) 270-0164 or (800)343-7377 FAX: (951)270-2673 Trustee's Sale Information: (916) 939-0772 or www.nationwideposting.com NPP0372133 To: ORANGE COAST DAILY PILOT 11/25/2020, 12/02/2020, 12/09/2020

Loan No.: Fox TS no. 2020-10160 APN: 440-281-26 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/15/2016, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on 12/9/2020, at 1:30 PM of said day, At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701, Ashwood TD Services LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust executed by John Daniel Fox, a Married Man as his sole and separate property recorded on 11/23/2016 in Book n/a of Official Records of ORANGE County, at page n/a, Recorder's Instrument No. 2016000595604, by reason of a breach or default in payment or performance of the obligations secured thereby, including that breach or default, Notice of which was recorded 8/13/2020 as Recorder's Instrument No. 2020000406609, in Book n/a, at page n/a, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, lawful money of the United States, evidenced by a Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, or the equivalent thereof drawn on any other financial institution specified in section 5102 of the California Financial Code, authorized to do business in the State of California, ALL PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF SALE, all right, title and interest held by it as Trustee, in that real property situated in said County and State, described as follows: Parcel 1: Lot 23, Tract 6905, per Map, Book 308, Pages 27 to 32 inclusive of Miscellaneous Maps. Parcel 2: An appurtenant non-exclusive easement for ingress and egress throughout Lot 65, Tract 6905, per Map, Book 308, Pages 27 to 32 inclusive of Miscellaneous Maps. The street address or other common designation of the real property hereinabove described is purported to be: 509 Ventaja, Newport Beach, CA 92660. The undersigned disclaims all liability for any incorrectness in said street address or other common designation. Said sale will be made without warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession, or other encumbrances, to satisfy the unpaid obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest and other sums as provided therein; plus advances, if any, thereunder and interest thereon; and plus fees, charges, and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of said obligations at the time of initial publication of this Notice is \$254,179.96. 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