

# Daily Pilot

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**A COUPLE OF** youngsters ride in the back of a custom golf cart as they motor down Park Avenue on Balboa Island on Tuesday afternoon.

## Warmer weather expected to last through the weekend

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Thanks to a high pressure system hanging over New Mexico and Arizona, temperatures started soaring in Southern California early this week, and the National Weather Service issued heat watches nearly everywhere, it seemed, but Orange County.

Temperatures in parts of the state were expected to reach 112 degrees between Tuesday and Saturday, which is forecast to be the hottest day of the week.

Along the coastline, daytime highs in Orange County are predicted to remain in the upper 70s and lower 80s. In Newport Beach, highs are expected to remain relatively even, between 77 and 79 degrees, and the same holds true for Laguna Beach and San Clemente.

The farther inland residents travel, the hotter temperatures they are likely to encounter over the coming days. Anaheim is expecting highs of 80 to 90 degrees through Tuesday, and Irvine will see highs of 85 to 90.

Meteorologist Philip Gonsalves said the high pressure system causing the heat wave is shifting and expanding westward towards



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**PADDLE BOARDERS** ease into the harbor from the Grand Canal on Balboa Island on Tuesday.



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**HUNTINGTON BEACH'S** Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve seen in March 2022. Local nonprofit Amigos de Bolsa Chica recently received a \$2-million gift in honor of late board member Bill Stern from Stern's wife, Meredyth.

## Effort to preserve, protect Bolsa Chica wetlands gets \$2M

BY SARA CARDINE

Efforts to preserve Huntington Beach's Bolsa Chica wetlands were recently bolstered, when members of the nonprofit Amigos de Bolsa Chica reported they'd received a \$2-million donation in honor of a former board member.

The citizen-led organization, which since 1976 has advocated for the protection of the area as a coastal ecosystem for marine life

and migrating avian species, announced Sunday it had received the gift from Meredyth Stern, whose husband, Bill, was a long-time volunteer and member of the group's board of directors since 2017.

A retired banker who split his time between Huntington Beach and a second home in Minnesota, Stern helped educate the public, lecturing on the value of

See *Wetlands*, page A5

## Judge drops case's sex assault charges

Hand surgeon, girlfriend ordered to stand trial on drug charges, with the doctor also still facing assault weapon charges.

BY PAUL ANDERSON

An Orange County Superior Court judge Friday gutted a sexual assault case against a Newport Beach hand surgeon and his girlfriend who were accused of drugging and assaulting two women, but ordered them to stand trial on drug charges, with the doctor also still facing gun charges.

Orange County Superior Court Judge Michael Leversen said he found the accusers "incompetent" and cited "various differing statements through the years" of what happened when they encountered Dr. Grant Robicheaux, 42, and Cerissa Riley, 36. He also pointed to their "refusal to be examined" after the alleged sex assaults.

Leversen dismissed two felony counts each of administering a drug and assault with the intent to commit a sex offense against the defendants.

Robicheaux and Riley still face single felony counts each of poisoning and sale of phencyclidine and sale or transport of a controlled substance.

They also face four misdemeanor counts of possession of a controlled substance.

Robicheaux also faces two felony counts of possession of an assault weapon.

The case has seen multiple twists since it was filed five years ago. It turned into a political football when now-Orange County Dist. Atty. Todd Spitzer was running to unseat former D.A. Tony Rackauckas. Spitzer criticized Rackauckas' handling of the case, with then-candidate Spitzer questioning why Rackauckas did not move faster to file it.

After he was elected, Spitzer called for an internal review of the

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## ALSO FROM THE DAILY PILOT:



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**H.B.'S RALPHY VELAZQUEZ** TOPS AREA SELECTIONS IN MLB DRAFT PAGE A6

## Let the fun and games begin! O.C. Fair returning tomorrow

BY SARA CARDINE

With the start of the Orange County Fair not days but mere hours away, the Costa Mesa fairgrounds are abuzz with activity, as organizers, vendors and work crews make the final preparations for the event's grand opening Friday.

This year's fair, themed "Happy Together," runs Wednesdays through Sundays and ends Aug. 13. Tickets must be purchased online in advance.

"I'm so excited," Michele Richards, chief executive of the organizing OC Fair & Event Center, said Wednesday, after an early morning walk through the site. "Imagine putting on the most elaborate

party and inviting hundreds of thousands of people to come.

"You want everything to be perfect. You want everything to be in its place as that kickoff time gets closer and closer."

While daily attendance will be capped at 45,000 visitors — a move started to ensure pandemic-era social distancing that remains an efficient means of reducing crowds and improving the guest experience — people who purchase special passports can enter on any day.

Similarly, people who purchase admission to concerts and ticketed events on the fairgrounds will be allowed one-day entrance

See *Fair*, page A3



**RCS WORKERS** assemble a giant popcorn container for Friday's opening of the 2023 Orange County Fair, with the theme "Happy Together."

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- 10/19 PAT TRAVERS BAND
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- 10/31 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS
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- 11/3 LED ZEPAGAIN (LED ZEPPELIN TRIBUTE)
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- 11/5 BEN OTTEWELL / IAN BALL
- 11/8 RODNEY CROWELL
- 11/9 THE YOUNG DUBLINERS
- 11/10 WHICH ONE’S PINK? “WISH YOU WERE HERE”
- 11/11 WHICH ONE’S PINK? “DARK SIDE OF THE MOON”
- 11/12 WISHBONE ASH
- 11/15 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE)
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- 11/18 ABBAFAB (ABBA TRIBUTE)
- 11/19 COCO MONTOYA
- 11/22 QRST (QUEEN/RUSH/STYX TRIBUTE)
- 11/26 ARETHA STARRING CHARITY LOCKHART
- 11/30 THE MUSICAL BOX – SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND
- 12/1 THE MUSICAL BOX – SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND
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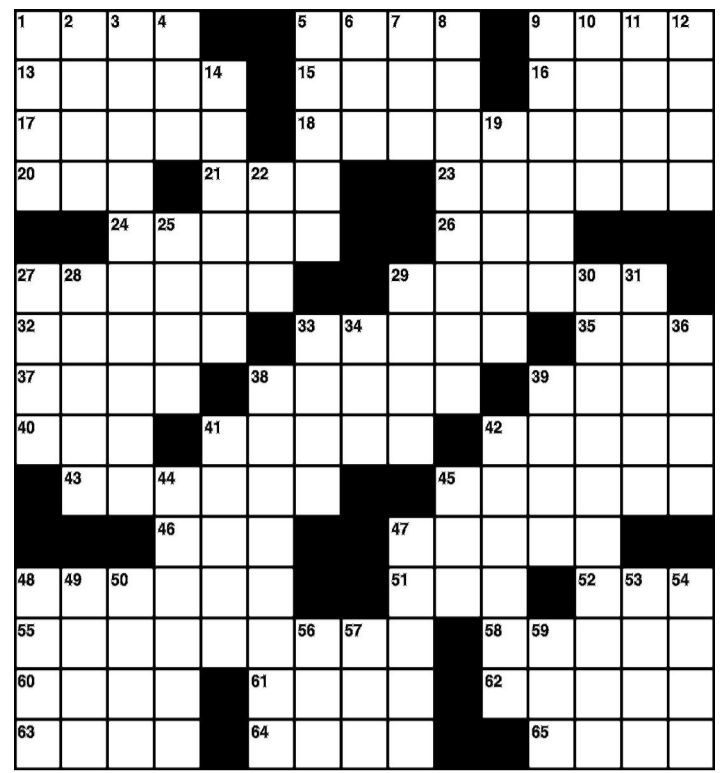
By Jacqueline E. Mathews

### ACROSS

- 1 Night fliers
- 5 \_ West
- 9 Apple discard
- 13 “\_ and his money are soon parted”
- 15 Colosseum’s location
- 16 3,600 seconds
- 17 Old hag
- 18 Astronomer
- 20 Weather forecast
- 21 Long \_; way back
- 23 Hug
- 24 New \_, CT
- 26 Sing without words
- 27 Pill form
- 29 Midwest state
- 32 Pile up
- 33 Bloodhound’s clue
- 35 A-E center
- 37 Average
- 38 Heckle
- 39 Asian language
- 40 Tiny home
- 41 Part of MPH
- 42 Household task
- 43 Say you didn’t mean it
- 45 Derided; mocked
- 46 Haul
- 47 Measuring stick
- 48 Horrify
- 51 Building wing
- 52 Utah’s official state animal
- 55 Thousand
- 58 Island & French
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- 60 Fawn bearers
- 61 Memo
- 62 Like a troubled marriage
- 63 Lively
- 64 Expand
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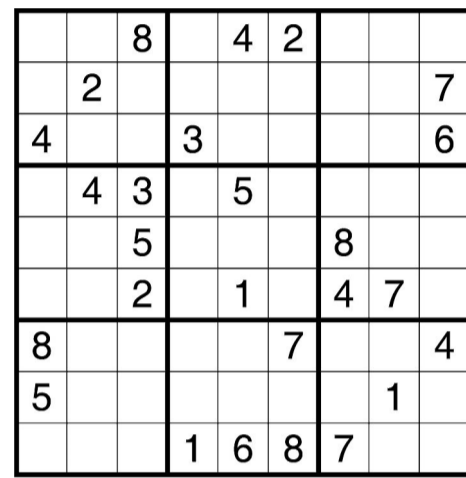
- 1 Johann Sebastian \_



## 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](http://sudoku.org.uk).



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A4.


- 2 Big ‘70s hairdo
- 3 Canine cleaner
- 4 Sean Astin, to Patty Duke
- 5 Firebug’s crime
- 6 Period
- 7 “I \_ Man of Constant Sorrow”
- 8 Shopkeeper
- 9 Bracelet danglers
- 10 Leak out
- 11 Kicks oneself for
- 12 Miscalculates
- 14 Tree droppings
- 19 Too thin

- 22 Acquire
  - 25 Too
  - 27 Money
  - 28 Love in Paris
  - 29 Griffey Sr. & Griffey Jr.
  - 30 Disgust
  - 31 Fill with fear
  - 33 Table seasoning
  - 34 Stage signal
  - 36 Passed on
  - 38 Pins-and-needles feeling
  - 39 “My Country, ‘Tis of \_”
  - 41 Treats roughly
  - 42 Basement
  - 44 Elegant
  - 45 Current calendar pg.
  - 47 Stitch again
  - 48 Does simple arithmetic
  - 49 \_ up; support from behind
  - 50 One’s equal
  - 53 Similar to
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  - 56 And not
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  - 59 Carl Reiner’s son
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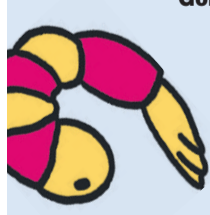




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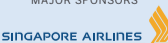


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# Pageant reopens for another summer of creativity

BY ANDREW TURNER

Last summer Laguna Beach marked the city's 95th birthday with a celebration on the cobblestones at Main Beach Park. The Pageant of the Masters, the living picture show that has entrenched itself in the town's traditions by captivating audiences through the decades, is now celebrating its own milestone.

Laguna Beach's presentation of the tableaux vivants — the recreated artworks containing standstill models — is turning 90 years old this month.

"Art Colony: In the Company of Artists" is this year's theme, paying homage to various collectives of creatives throughout history. The audience is transported through time, from the Renaissance in Europe to the rise of art academies, and from the Harlem Renaissance to the Chicano art movement.

In bringing it home, the Pageant of the Masters recreates oil paintings by Roger Kuntz, who moved to Laguna Beach in 1963 and lived there until his death in 1975.

The closing piece continues to be Leonardo da Vinci's iconic painting,



**GUESTS LOOK** over the ceramic faces of artist Paula Collins' expansive piece, "Zoomland," during preview night last week at the Festival of Arts show in Laguna Beach.

"The Last Supper."

Diane Challis Davy became the director of the Pageant of the Masters in 1996. She has led the production for 27 consecutive shows, the only interruption coming in 2020 due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Pageant of the Masters reopened the doors of the Irvine Bowl to the public on July 7, and the Festival of Arts Fine Art Show also began welcoming guests last week. Both are scheduled to run through Sept. 1.

"The Festival of Arts in Laguna Beach stands out

for its unique blend of visual arts and live performances, most notably the renowned Pageant of the Masters," Sharbie Higuchi, director of marketing and public relations for the Festival of Arts, said in a statement. "No other festival anywhere in the world recreates famous works of art with real people as a theatrical production under the stars in a beautiful amphitheater.

"Additionally, the Festival of Arts fine art show sets a high standard for artistic quality, as Orange County artists undergo a rigorous



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**PATRONS ENTER** the Pageant of the Masters. "Art Colony: In the Company of Artists" show during a VIP opening night July 6. This is the 90th anniversary of the living picture show.

selection process to participate. This combination sets it apart from other local festivals, creating an immersive experience where art comes to life."

Festival of Arts officials have announced plans to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the living picture show with a sidewalk parade on July 22. The

production, originally cast as the Spirit of the Masters, debuted in 1933.

The parade route will begin at Laguna Art Museum, progress through the downtown area and end up at the Festival of Arts grounds. Attendees are being encouraged to dress up as artists and artworks, as there will be cash prizes

for a costume contest judged by Challis Davy.

Those who plan to participate are being asked to RSVP at [foapom.com/event/pageant-party-parade](http://foapom.com/event/pageant-party-parade). Attendees should meet at the gazebo in Heisler Park at noon.

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## FAIR

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into the fair, even on days where general admission has been sold out.

Richards spilled the beans Wednesday on some of the new additions that will greet visitors at this year's fair, including aerial trapeze performances and the return of live band karaoke and the Extreme Rodeo at the Action Sports Arena.

Although guests may not enter the fairgrounds with bottled beverages, those who bring empty water bottles will be able to enjoy plenty of fresh, filtered water at one of several chilled

water stations throughout the park.

In other water news, the fairgrounds will open the tap on its Main Mall water fountain, which traditionally beckons young children with its darting jets and streams of water but has recently remained dry.

"I absolutely love it — the kids just get sopping wet," Richards said of the returning attraction.

When it comes to the ever-expanding menu of fair food and refreshments, several new items will be making their debut this year, including an egg roll hot dog from Pink's, an agua fresca stand offering traditional and "spiked"

beverages, fresh Bavarian pretzels, a western saloon with whiskey tasting and a slate of vegan and gluten-free items at the California Grill.

Three new rides will also make a first appearance at this year's fair. Joker 360 promises loads of multidirectional fun for those with iron stomachs, while a giant slingshot defies gravity, and a new inverted roller coaster, Raptor, will thrill riders with its back-and-forth banking motion.

A new exhibit coming to the fairground's Huntington Beach building is "The Art of Music Experience," which takes guests on an immersive journey through

themed galleries, where they can flip through bins of vinyl albums at a pop-up record store, watch a live painting of album cover art and vote on their favorite covers.

Promising a little something for everyone, whether it's the brand-new features or tried-and-true favorites like baby piglets at Centennial Farm and the competition displays, Richards says the theme "Happy Together" is intended to be a true celebration of unity.

"Coming out of the pandemic, it seems we've struggled a bit coming together. People are learning how to relate to each other again on a social basis, so we



**MONICA WILLIAMS** assembles a Midway game at the Orange County Fair, which will welcome its first guests Friday.

Don Leach

wanted to reflect that," she explained.

"The O.C. Fair is a place where you can forget about all that's going on. You can come and just be happy together, in this moment and in this time when you can

be with your family and friends."

For tickets, times and more information, visit [ocfair.com](http://ocfair.com).

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(SEC 6104, 6105 U.C.C.)  
Escrow No. **04-47626-AWE**

Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller that a bulk sale is about to be made of the assets described below. The names and business addresses of the seller are: **NEWPORT BEACH MAILBOXES & MORE INC., 2618 SAN MIGUEL DRIVE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**

The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: **NONE**

As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: **NONE**

The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: **NB MAILBOXES & SHIPPING, INC., 2618 SAN MIGUEL DRIVE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**

The assets to be sold are described in general as: **ALL FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE PROPERTY** and are located at: **2618 SAN MIGUEL DRIVE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**

The business name used by the Seller at that location is: **NEWPORT BEACH MAILBOXES & MORE**

The anticipated date of the bulk sale is **JULY 31, 2023** at the office of: **GRANITE ESCROW & SETTLEMENT SERVICES, 450 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 600, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660** under Escrow No.: **04-47626-AWE**

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: **ARWEN ESTELLE, GRANITE ESCROW & SETTLEMENT SERVICES, 450 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 600, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**, and the last date for filing claims shall be **JULY 28, 2023**, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

Dated: **JUNE 30, 2023**  
BUYER: **NB MAILBOXES & SHIPPING, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION**  
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE**  
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)  
Escrow No. L-040762-MK

(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: **CAFE BALBOA, INC., 707 E. Oceanfront Ste A, Newport Beach, CA 92661**

(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: same as above

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are:  
**SILVERLAKE SL LLC, 707 E. Oceanfront Ste A, Newport Beach, CA 92661**

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are Furniture, Fixture & Equipment, Goodwill, Lease, Leasehold Improvements and Telephone Number of that certain business located at: 707 E. Oceanfront Ste A, Newport Beach, CA 92661.

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at that location is: Boardwalk as Balboa Lily's.

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is 07/31/23 at the office of Tower Escrow Inc., 3400 W. Olympic Blvd. Suite 201, Los Angeles, CA 90019, Escrow No. L-040762-MK, Escrow Officer: Martha Kim.

(8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above.

(9) The last date for filing claims is 07/28/23.

(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: "NONE"

Dated: May 31, 2023  
Transferees:  
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By: *S/ Soklen Lim, Manager*  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - MESA WATER DISTRICT CONCERNING CONTINUATION AND AUTHORIZING COLLECTION OF EXISTING MESA WATER CAPITAL CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BY THE OFFICE OF THE ORANGE COUNTY TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR AND AVAILABILITY OF SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24**  
**Wednesday, July 26, 2023**  
**4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard**  
**Mesa Water District Boardroom**  
**1965 Placentia Avenue Costa Mesa, CA 92627**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 5473.1, that the Board of Directors (Board) of Mesa Water District (Mesa Water) shall conduct a public hearing to receive public comments and protests with respect to the proposed method of collecting the Mesa Water annual Capital Charge for Fiscal Year 2023-24 by way of the Orange County property tax roll collection process.

The Mesa Water Capital Charge(s) proposed to be collected by way of the Orange County property tax roll collection process are described in the Secretary's Report (defined below) which is available for public review at <https://www.mesawater.org/rates-study>.

The General Manager has filed with the District Secretary a written report (Secretary's Report) containing a description of each and every parcel of real property against which the Capital Charge is to be collected by way of the County property tax roll. The Secretary's Report contains the amount of the Capital Charges for each parcel for the forthcoming fiscal year, computed in conformity with such Capital Charges as prescribed by the 2021 Mesa Water - Potable and Recycled Water Cost-of-Service and Rate Study Report.

**How You Can Participate**  
**Contact Mesa Water for more information or to ask questions:** Call 949.631.1205 or email [info@MesaWater.org](mailto:info@MesaWater.org).

**Attend the Public Hearing:** Mesa Water's Board will consider the proposal to levy a Capital Charge to be collected by way of the Office of the Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector at the public hearing referenced above. This hearing will include the opportunity for the public to provide comments and submit written protests.

**Written Protest(s):** Any owner of a parcel of real property subject to the Capital Charge may object to having this fee collected through the County property tax bill system by filing with the District Secretary a written protest containing a legible signature of the property owner and identifying the parcel by address or assessor's parcel number. Written protests must be received no later than the conclusion of the public hearing on July 26, 2023. Written protests may be submitted during the public hearing or can be mailed or hand-delivered to: **Denise Garcia, Mesa Water District Secretary, 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627** (Please call Denise Garcia at 949.631.1205, in advance, if hand-delivering.). **Protests presented or received after this date and time will not be considered or counted.** A postmark date is NOT acceptable. To be considered valid, each written protest must identify the affected property (either by assessor's parcel number or street address), indicate the protest to the capital charge levy and collection by way of the Office of the Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector is being protested, and include the printed name and signature of the record property owner or tenant, as applicable. Only one protest per parcel or street address will be counted. Comments made by phone, fax, email, instant message, text, social media, [MesaWater.org](http://MesaWater.org), or through other electronic means, will NOT be accepted or counted as formal written protests. All protests are subject to Mesa Water's current policies. Following the conclusion of such public hearing, the Board may take action to accept the Secretary's Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24 and to thereupon levy and collect such capital charges by way of the Orange County property tax roll process. If written protests are submitted by a majority of the owners of affected properties, the capital charge will not be imposed by way of the Orange County property tax roll process. If the Board takes such action, the capital charges so levied and collected would constitute a lien on the affected property(ies) pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 5473.5. Published Daily Pilot July 13 and 20, 2023.

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**BSC 223630**  
**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LOIS A. HORNESS**  
**30-2023-01333362-PR-LA-CMC**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **LOIS A. HORNESS.**

**A PETITION FOR PROBATE** has been filed by **ESTHER L. DIEFFENWIRTH** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**

**THE PETITION FOR PROBATE** requests that **ESTHER L. DIEFFENWIRTH** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

**THE PETITION** requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

**THE PETITION** requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

**A HEARING** on the petition will be held on **August 03, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM6** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

**The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange ([accourts.org](http://accourts.org)) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your hearing.**

**IF YOU OBJECT** to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

**IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR** or contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

**YOU MAY EXAMINE** the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for the Petitioner:  
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## DROPS

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case, assigned two new prosecutors to the matter and then moved to dismiss all of the charges. That drew protests from several accusers and an Orange County Superior Court judge refused to toss the case.

Spitzer's office was eventually recused from the case, and the attorney general's office took over. Attorneys for the accused argued for a special independent prosecutor, but that was denied by another judge. One of the judges involved in the case died while overseeing it, and another abruptly quit because he foresaw a potential appearance of a conflict due to a friendship with a possible witness in motions to dismiss the charges for alleged prosecutorial misconduct. Another judge quit the case when defense attorneys complained about his temperament during hearings.

Since the attorney general's office took over the case, attorneys representing the defendants have filed various motions challenging the original search warrant and alleging outrageous governmental conduct, all of which have been rejected. A civil suit filed by one of the alleged victims against the defendants, which the lead criminal defense attorney has used to gather evidence of his own, was dismissed this year at the plaintiff's request.

Robicheaux previously faced charges involving five alleged victims and Riley three alleged victims, but a prior Orange County Superior Court judge granted a motion from prosecutors to reduce the charges. There were initially a total of 13 accusers, some of whom

prosecutors had planned to use as witnesses to show a pattern of behavior at trial.

The doctor's defense attorney Philip Cohen told Levensen that it has been "devastating to see what's happened to [Robicheaux], to his future."

Cohen argued that one of the accusers waited 20 months to allege sexual assault and alleged that one of the women did not initially tell police she was sexually assaulted, but seven years later told investigators she tried to tell them she was attacked but her claims were laughed off.

Cohen also argued that another accuser said she took a photo of bruises with her phone a day after the alleged attack, but data records indicate it was taken nearly a month later and that other photos from days after her encounter with the defendants showed no bruising.

Deputy Atty. Gen. Namita Patel, however, insisted that the accusers did not know each other, had similar stories that they related to friends after they met the defendants and a date rape drug was found in Robicheaux's residence.

Patel argued that police responded to 911 calls about a woman screaming, asking if the women were willing participants why would they scream for help.

Robicheaux had video on his phone that he refused to share with police, and investigators later found on his hard drive under a folder labeled "assault" that showed scratches he received in a scuffle described by the accuser, Patel argued.

Both women said they were fed drinks and at some point "blacked out," Patel argued.

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**WEATHER**

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California. The marine layer will continue to persist, he said, though its cooling impact may be lessened by the heat.

"The closer you are to the beaches, the lower the temperatures will be. The water temperature continues to be fairly low for this time of the year. We're approaching the middle of July, and water temps are ... in the 60s," Gonsalves said. "As long as we've got a sea breeze,

which we will most likely have every day, conditions along the coast there should be pretty mild."

He added that after the heatwave passes over the Southland on Tuesday, temperatures won't likely drop back to the cooler weather that had persisted into the first days of summer.

"The short version is that at least for the spring and up to this point of the summer, our weather pattern has been dominated by low pressure troughs ... the presence of that large-scale

low pressure trough and the cold air it typically brings with it is what has kept us at the low seasonal normals for most of the spring and summer so far," Gonsalves said. "For the foreseeable future, for the next seven to 10 days, we'll have mostly above normal temperatures."

Temperatures are expected to dip after next Tuesday, but Gonsalves noted it is unlikely the difference will be noticeable.

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**WETLANDS**

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the wetlands, leading tours and making sure that Amigos allocated its resources wisely. He died last year following a brief illness.

"Bill Stern was one of those individuals who was very much a California wetlands person," Mel Nutter, president of Amigos de Bolsa Chica, recalled Tuesday. "It was just an important part of who he was. He was a very modest and unassuming powerhouse."

Stern was deeply committed to the organization's FLOW initiative, a community-based research program, held in conjunction with the California Department of Public Health and the Fish and Wildlife Department, that empowers community members to measure, analyze and document changes in water

quality.

In a release issued by the organization Tuesday, Meredyth Stern explained her husband's lifelong connection to the local marshlands and being around those who shared his passion.

"Bill loved the Bolsa Chica wetlands," she said. "He spent many hours walking and bird watching there. He enjoyed volunteering in any way he could help, from talking to visitors on the walk bridge or picking up trash."

Nutter, a former state and regional coastal commissioner, said Tuesday while members of the non-profit will be carefully evaluating the most sensible and effective use of the new funds, the group has long discussed plans to establish an interpretive visitors center on the property that could serve as an educational resource on the site.

"I'd hesitate to say that's something we'd [definitely do]," he added. "But that's something that's been talked about by a number of people over the years."

One thing that's certain is that the recent gift will be used to further the mission of Amigos de Bolsa Chica and others who've worked to preserve an ecological resource that continually faces threats from nearby development.

"The truth of it is, we've lost almost 90% of our wetlands," Nutter said. "And with sea level rise being an issue at least some people realize is actually happening, not only do wetlands become important, but being able to protect them and respond to the changing circumstances becomes very, very important."

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**DROPS**

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The couple's defense attorneys — Cohen, Scott Borthwick and Shawn Holley — argued in court papers that the "evidence introduced at the preliminary hearing reflects that Robicheaux and Riley were in a 'swinging' relationship, used and shared drugs and alcohol, and sometimes invited other women to join them in sex. None of this makes them rapists."

The defense attorneys said the prosecution's case "rests on the unfounded assumption that anyone who engages in casual sex while drinking and using drugs also intends to rape anyone who elects to party with them, but ultimately opts not to join them in a sexual encounter. Not only is this an absurd assumption, it is absolutely belied by the evidence in this case."

The defense said the woman who alleged she was attacked Oct. 2, 2016, told officers Robicheaux

"had not tried to rape her or take advantage of her in any way," but over the years her account "has changed dramatically."

As for the other accuser, she "voluntarily drank more than she typically would and voluntarily did cocaine for ... the first time in her life," the defense said.

Attorneys representing one of the accusers declined to comment on the judge's ruling.

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**Name Change**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR A CHANGE OF NAME**

**CASE NO. 23FL000454**  
**Petitioner or Attorney (name, state, bar, and address):** Katherine Elizabeth Hinkel, 411 Vista Suerte, Newport Beach, CA 92660

**TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED:** Petitioner Katherine Elizabeth Hinkel filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
**Present Name:** Claude Henry Miller V  
**Proposed Name:** Henry Cole Hinkel

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

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
DATE: 7-26-23  
TIME: 8:30 AM  
DEPT: L74  
ROOM: n/a (REMOTE HEARING)

**The address of the court is:** SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA County of Orange 341 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92668 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county. Dated: April 27, 2023 DAVID H. YAMASAKI Clerk of the Court Published in the Daily Pilot 06/29/23, 07/06/23, 07/13/23, 07/20/23

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GINDACO USA, INC., 3800 Barranca Pkwy Ste Q, Irvine, CA 92606  
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are Furniture, Fixture & Equipment, Covenant not to Compete, Goodwill, Lease, Leasehold Improvements, Telephone Number and ABC License No. 41-631831 of that certain business located at: 3800 Barranca Pkwy Ste Q, Irvine, CA 92606.  
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BY ANDREW TURNER

Not for the first time, Huntington Beach High baseball coach Benji Medure celebrated a top-tier talent from his program going in the first round.

Those occasions haven't gotten old, and neither has the video that captured Ralphie Velazquez reacting to his name being called as the No. 23 overall pick in the 2023 Major League Baseball draft.

Sitting on a couch in a living room jam-packed with family and friends, Velazquez rose to his feet and was given several congratulatory hugs, as a sea of cellphone cameras documented the moment.

"I think what you saw with him was just like a big relief of just, 'Yeah, this is what I believed in myself. I know I can do this,'" Medure said. "I think the emotion of the moment was pretty special. I have watched that clip of him getting picked probably 50 times, and every time I watch it, it brings me a little bit to tears. It gives me the chills. It really, really does something special every time I watch it."

Velazquez became Huntington Beach's third first-round pick in Medure's time with the program, joining Hank Conger (25th overall to the Angels in 2006) and Nick Pratto (14th overall to the Royals in 2017).

The Oilers utilized Velazquez as both a catcher and a first baseman. He paced the team with a .402 batting average, six home runs, eight doubles and 23 runs batted in during his senior season. The recent graduate also tied for second on the team in stolen bases with five.

A 6-foot-3, 215-pound left-handed hitting catcher, Velazquez helped the Oilers win the National High School Invitational. He had signed with Arizona State.



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Ralphie Velazquez (24), seen against Edison in 2022, was selected 23rd overall by the Cleveland Guardians in the MLB draft.

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"We won a [Surf] League title all three years with him," Medure added. "... We won a regional championship with him. We went to the semifinals of North Carolina twice, and we won it once. We went to the Boras [Classic] finals with him. He is a winner and in every sense of the word. ... He's a nice kid, he's a great human. He's a good brother, he's a good son, he's a good friend, he's a great teammate."

Brandon Winokur, an outfielder from Edison, was selected in the third round (82nd pick) by the

Minnesota Twins. Coming into the draft at 6-foot-6 and 210 pounds, the UCLA signee is considered a five-tool player. Winokur hit .365 with nine home runs for the Wave League champion Chargers last season.

Four players with local connections were drafted after competing at the collegiate level. Three of them had played for local high schools.

Jake Brooks, a 2020 graduate of Fountain Valley, was taken in the 11th round (323rd pick) by the Miami Marlins. He spent three sea-

sons at UCLA, making the Opening Day start for the Bruins in each of the last two seasons.

Johnny Olmstead, who graduated from Newport Harbor in 2019, went to the Marlins in the 19th round (563rd pick). As a senior, Olmstead hit .288 with 11 home runs, 48 RBIs, 45 runs scored and 10 stolen bases while manning third base for USC.

The St. Louis Cardinals used the 305th pick (10th round) on UC Irvine outfielder Caden Kendle and the 425th pick (14th round) on Orange Coast College pitcher

Jacob Odle.

Kendle, a 5-foot-11, 195-pound outfielder, graduated from Marina in 2020. As a junior, Kendle hit .335 with eight home runs, 16 doubles and three triples. He scored 69 runs and drove in 56 runs.

Odle, a 6-foot-5 right-hander, threw just 14½ innings for the Pirates as a freshman, but he led the team in strikeouts per nine innings at a rate of 13.81.

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