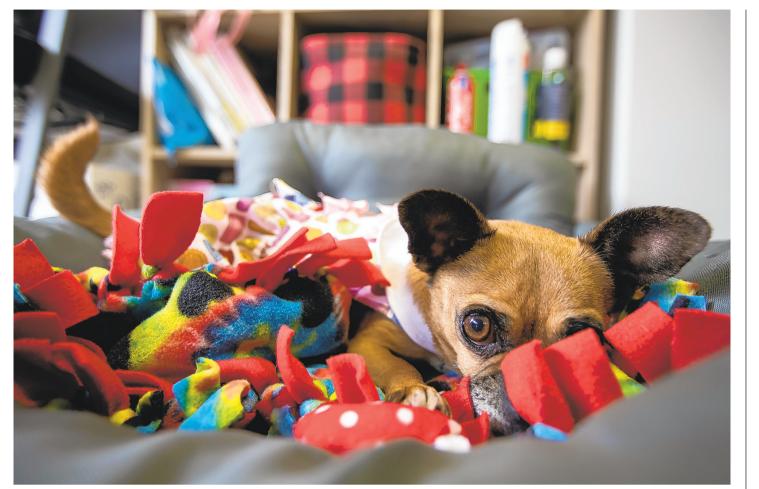
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**BUBBLES SNUGGLES** into her bed on Monday. The Newport Beach Animal Shelter mascot "has this lightness of spirit that makes everybody smile," said Francesca Agrusa, a Newport Beach Police community services officer.

## Meet the stray who's winning hearts as a shelter mascot

#### **BY SARA CARDINE**

The Newport Beach Animal Shelter wasn't looking for a mascot in October 2019, when officers located a tiny stray female Chihuahua-pug mix hobbling around on nearby Mesa Drive — but that's exactly what they got.

There was something not quite right about the little pooch, whose front paws angled outward in a Charlie Chaplin-like stance, turning her walk into a crooked and prancing gait, but they took her in and named her Bubbles for her sprightly personality.

"She has no fine motor skills, so everything is more animated," said Valerie Schomburg, an animal control officer who supervises the shelter for the Newport Beach Police Department, during a visit Monday. "She always looks like she's super happy, just her gait is off a little." Bubbles suffers from a mild version of cerebellar hypoplasia, a disorder that hinders development of the brain stem and can cause problems with balance, posture and coordination. Shelter workers wonder if she may have been abandoned for her ailment.



BUBBLES, a Chihuahua-pug mix who has been tapped as the mascot of the Newport Beach Animal Shelter, has uniforms, a tiny badge and her own police cruiser.

## NMUSD will keep virtual Cloud Campus

As coronavirus cases subside, school officials are left to decide the future of online learning.

#### **BY SARA CARDINE**

With coronavirus cases subsiding and students poised to return to campuses for full-day instruction later this month, Newport-Mesa Unified officials are left to decide the future of remote-learning models many families had come to rely on during the pandemic.

Consequently, a cohort of students who for months have been livestreaming in-person classes at their home schools from the safety of their living rooms may have to reconsider their options come fall.

School board members in a special meeting last week decided they would continue a 100% virtual Cloud Campus for TK-12 students into the 2021-22 school year. The move, they reasoned, provides an online option for families hesitant to join the rush back to brick-and-mortar classrooms.

"This is a great, wonderful option we want to be able to continue for [students] moving into the next school year," Supt. Russell Lee-Sung said at the April 8 meeting, indicating intent-toparticipate forms would soon go out to parents to help plan enrollment and staffing in the year ahead.

Officials estimate 1,700 pupils currently attend the Cloud Campus, including some 550 secondary students. With its own teachers, curriculum and mascot (the phoenix), the online campus functions as an independent school.

"I love my teachers and how everything is set up on my Chromebook for me to use," Cloud Campus seventhgrader Owen FitzSimon told board

Coming in unfixed, with baby teeth that needed to be removed and a muzzle showing gray fur, staff place her age at around 3, but it's a guess. Schomburg said early attempts to adopt Bubbles out netted some responses, but as time wore on, one thing became apparent — the shelter was fast becoming the loving home she needed.

"We realized how much fun we were having with her," Schomburg said of the decision to keep the stray. "Then, we thought maybe we should use her for some common cause."

Staff posted photos on Instagram last August, introducing the newest member of the family to the neighborhood. Soon, the photo sessions began to tell a story about Bubbles, the shelter and the wider Newport Beach community.

A social media timeline shows her apply-

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## Sentencing of N.B. man who posed as a lawyer postponed

#### BY LILLY NGUYEN

Sentencing was postponed Friday in the case of a Newport Beach man who posed as an attorney to defraud clients through debt consolidation and mortgage modification schemes.

James Frank Barker, 61, pleaded guilty in February last year to more than 20 felony charges that include grand theft, money laundering derived from criminal activity and forgery. He's also been charged with two counts of petty theft, which is a misdemeanor.

Court records indicate additional sentencing enhancements such as aggravated white collar crime between \$100,000 and \$500,000 and property damage exceeding \$65,000 and \$200,000.

Barker initially pleaded not guilty at the time of his arrest in 2017.

He is now scheduled to appear in court at the Central Justice Center in Santa Ana for sentencing on May 28.

Jail records do not currently indicate that Barker is still in custody.

Prosecutors said Barker posed as an attorney between December 2013 to July 2015 under a variety of aliases and law firms to solicit clientele with the promise of consolidating their debts and lowering their mortgage payments through loan modifications. During that time, Barker is reported to have collected a total of \$45,600 from three pairs of clients and failed to notify their creditors.

Barker refused to provide refunds after failing to perform the work entrusted to him, authorities said.

An investigation by the Orange County district attorney's office began in 2015 after officials received a tip from an attorney representing two of Barker's clients.

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## L.B. receives Tree City USA honor for 2020

#### **BY ANDREW TURNER**

Laguna Beach has maintained its status as a Tree City USA community, as recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation, for the third year in a row, the city announced on Tuesday.

The city has now received the honor for the years 2018 to 2020, a distinction that is handed out to cities that satisfy several criteria. To qualify, cities must have a tree ordinance and maintain a board or department that handles tree care in the community. They must also spend a minimum of \$2 per capita on urban forestry, as well as have an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

"Maintaining our Tree City USA status demonstrates that the city of Laguna Beach values our urban forest and recognizes the benefits that trees impart to all residents and visitors," Laguna Beach Mayor Bob Whalen said in a statement. "It affirms the city's commitment to caring for the trees that line our

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**THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH** has been named a Tree City USA community for the third year in a row. Here, the spring leaves of an oak tree flicker in the sunlight in the village area.

## H.B. man arrested on suspicion of lewd acts with minors

#### **BY MATT SZABO**

A Huntington Beach man was arrested on Thursday on suspicion of committing lewd acts with minors.

Police had been investigating Charles Jacques, 58, since March on allegations that he had engaged with lewd acts with a minor on multiple occasions, Huntington Beach police Lt. Brian Smith said. Throughout the investigation, detectives identified additional minor victims.

Officers served a search warrant on Jacques' residence on Thursday morning, Smith said. They took him into custody for four counts, including forced oral copulation with a minor through force or fear, lewd acts with a minor under the age of 14, lewd acts with a minor and child annoyance.

Jacques' bail has been set at \$2 million. At the time of his arrest, he was employed by the Huntington Beach City School District, but Smith said police have not identified any district students as his victims.

In an email to HBCSD families Thursday, Supt. Leisa Winston said that Jacques has been employed by the district since 2009 and most recently worked Moffett Elementary at School.

"While we remain respectful of his right to due process, it is our responsi-

bility and intent to support the HBPD investigation in any way we can," Winston said in the email. "Consistent with our employment requirements, Mr. Jacques cleared employment-related background checks. Due to the legal constraints, which include the privacy protections of minors and confidential personnel

matters, the details of this investigation and the minor victim(s) cannot be disclosed."

Police are asking anyone with information regarding other possible victims to contact Det. Tim Emanuel at (714) 536-5977.

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#### MASCOT

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ing to work for the city, interviewing with NBPD Chief Jon Lewis for an officer position and later undergoing the necessary background checks, fingerprinting and physical agility test required to join the force. The fact that she passed with flying colors is evidenced by an official ID card and an itty-bitty badge made just for her March 6 swearing-in ceremony.

Followers may see a costumed "Cindy Lou Bubbles" helping spring the Grinch from jail or writing, and later mailing, a Valentine's Day card to a special someone. In April, she teamed up with McGruff the Crime Dog to locate the Easter Bunny, who'd gone missing before the big day.

'It's about creating an awareness of what everyone in the police depart-ment does," Schomburg explained of what's become a de facto campaign with fun tidbits mixed in.

**Today Bubbles greets** guests to the Riverside Drive facility and leverages her full 8 pounds of influ-



BUBBLES PLAYS with a cat toy Monday at the Newport Beach Animal Shelter, where she has become an official mascot.

ence in occasional squabbles with one of the shelter's 18 other residents over treats or trinkets. Fond of felines, especially kittens, she plays with cat toys and enjoys a good scratch on the rump.

Francesca Agrusa is a Newport Beach Police community services officer who's volunteered with the shelter since 2016. She described what a gift the new addition has been to officers in the department.

"Bubbles has this lightness of spirit that makes everybody smile," Agrusa said. "Being in the line of duty can be hard, especially with COVID-19. Having a wonderful little soul just turns everything around.

"She's just special — not because of her condition, but because she's Bubbles,"

she continued. Part of Bubbles' appeal may be attributed to an impressive collection of dresses and uniforms



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members. "I'm so excited to keep going to school here next year."

Principal Mike Sciacca highlighted efforts to create an espirit de corps that keeps kids like Owen connected to one another in a brief presentation, during which he described a growing list of clubs, electives, AP classes and activities.

"These small things make a big difference, connecting students to an identity and making them feel like they're a part of something beyond a Zoom screen," Sciacca said.



File Photo

STUDENTS at Corona del Mar High School on the first day of hybrid learning in November. High schoolers are set to return to full-day instruction the week of April 26.

being a competitive college "My freshman and my junior are streaming full time into their classes five days a week," Maher said. "There has been very little difficulty, and my girls are being connected to their teachers and connected to the programs."

crafted for every occasion. The teeny-weeny frocks feature pumpkins, shamrocks or gingerbread men and often have sleeves and collars. The creations come from

Costa Mesa's Carol Leadbetter-Graham, who works creating seasonal displays for the Westminster Mall Target store and has been sewing for nearly six decades. The seamstress was put in touch with the Newport Beach Animal Shelter after Schomburg posted an open call for doggie designs.

'Ever since then, we've become friends," said Leadbetter-Graham, 67. "I think I've made over 50 dresses already, and I've got two on the go.

She's happy to do the work just to see the result on its intended model.

"Bubbles puts a smile on everybody's face," the Costa Mesa seamstress said. "She's such a lovely dog."

Schomburg couldn't agree more.

'She's not available for adoption," she said. "She's part of us."

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and students will get vaccinated against COVID-19.

Board Vice Chair Michelle Barto said she was fine approving the contin-uation of a TK-12 Cloud Campus but recommended the district survey all students who participated in online classes this school year, not just those in "The Cloud."

"My concern comes down to Cohort C. I would want for those students to be surveyed too, so that we really know our picture," Barto said. "We've got a pool of 2,700 kids districtwide who aren't ready to be on campus. How do we handle them?"

Lee-Sung said NMUSD would also survey Cohort C

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#### Dawn O'Brien Washer

#### November 25, 1932 - April 9, 2021

On April 9th, 2021 Dawn O'Brien Washer died peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family. Dawn washer died peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family. Dawn was born on November 25, 1932 in Waco, Texas to Sibyl McClellan and James A. O'Brien. They divorced when Dawn was a baby and was brought up by her mother and loving grandparents. She graduated from Waco High School and attended Baylor University where she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, elected a Baylor beauty for three years, and homecoming Princess her senior year. When working at Yellowstone Park at Old Faithful between her junior and senior she met her future husband, Robert Washer. She came out to teach school in Carden Organ and Abage School in Carden and School in Carden and School in Carden and School in Carden and School and School in Carden and School and Garden Grove and they were married in June 26, 1954. Bob was a pastor at the Garden Grove Methodist Church. They had four boys, their first son David, followed by Drew, their third son, Greg was born on his dad's birthday, followed by their fourth son John.

In 1968, after 20 years of dedicated service, Bob retired from the ministry and moved the family to Corona Del Mar so he could be more actively involved with his sons. Dawn began teaching at the O'Neil Elementary School in Mission Viejo and received her masters degree in American Literature from Chapman University. She then began a doctoral program in International Education at USC where she was awarded a Fulbright scholarship to study in India. She spent the summer of 1975 in India which she found very enriching. Ultimately, however, Dawn decided to postpone the pursuit of her doctorate degree. She missed her family and, to Dawn, nothing was more important than her family. She also retired

from teaching. As her children grew up, Dawn was able to indulge in her many passions, particularly art. She began playing tennis at the Balboa Bay Club Racquet Club; got involved in the Newport Art Museum (later called Orange County Museum of Art); she became a do- cent at the Bowers Museum; a member of the Adoption Guild; she joined Women of Chapman; she volunteered at the Newport Beach Library Bookstore, and was a dedi- cated member of her book club. Whatever she did, she did with her trademark style, charm and enthusiasm. Every group she joined was better for having her as a member.

She is survived by her husband Robert Washer, her four sons, six grandchildren, two great grandsons, and proceeded in death by her beloved granddaughter, Phoebe.

But many families who sought online options during the pandemic - including Corona del Mar High School mom Cindi Maher, whose two daughters suffer from immune system issues — maintain the Cloud Campus is not a viable choice.

"They were trying to throw kids into this Cloud Campus last year, but it does not meet the needs of high-performing students," she said Thursday. "It's just not going to meet a lot of kids' needs, no matter what they do."

Maher's junior daughter is a student athlete and attends AP classes and special programs that are not offered at the Cloud Campus but are crucial to her

#### TREE

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streets, span our parks and constitute our open space."

The U.S. Forest Service and the National Assn. of State Foresters are partners in the Tree City USA program, which has now seen more than 3,400 communities across the nation join the cause. The cities that have been recognized in the state of California for 2020 also include Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach and Newport Beach, Alana Tucker, the Tree City USA program manager for the Arbor Day Foundation, confirmed.

A virtual ceremony will be held to commemorate Laguna Beach's latest listing as a 2020 Tree City USA community. Residents can view the presentation and tree planting on the city's Facebook page at 3 p.m. on Friday, April 30, which is National Arbor Day. It will take place at Top of the World Park.

Laguna Beach will also be starting an annual Arbor applicant. That's why the family turned down the virtual offering for the current school year.

Still, the prospect of inperson learning posed health risks that made Maher hesitant to return her daughters to Corona del Mar, even under a modified schedule with students separated into A and B cohorts that came on campus in shifts.

When the district, anticipating a post-Thanksgiving coronavirus surge, created a "Cohort C" that would allow kids in quarantine or self-isolation to keep up with classes from home without having to leave their own schools and programming, it seemed like the best option.

Maher isn't the only one who prefers having a third option. Kirk Bauermeister, executive director of secondary education, estimated at the district's special meeting some 1,500 middle and high schoolers have participated in classes as part of Cohort C.

Trustees grappled with predicting enrollment trends in the year ahead, given uncertainty over a possible coronavirus resurgence in the months ahead and how many teachers

students to see if they'd prefer to enroll in the Cloud Campus over returning to in-person learning.

Maher said Thursday she would wait and continue to hold out hope that, barring a complete eradication of the coronavirus by next fall, her daughters would be to continue able to livestream their classes. She guessed she wouldn't be alone.

"Families are probably going to wait and see," Ma-her said. "They're not going to commit to the Cloud Campus. I'm not going to commit — I'm going to wait."

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THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH has been named a Tree City USA community for the third year in a row. Here, a canopy of eucalyptus grow in the village area.

Day Youth Art Contest. This year's theme is "What trees mean to me."

Any student in the Laguna Beach Unified School District can enter using a variety of forms of expression. Students can produce a drawing, a painting, a picture or a poem on the subject, with entries not to exceed 81/2-by-11 inches in size.

All entries should be turned in to the check-in area at Laguna Beach City Hall by April 26 to be considered. There will be a total of three winners, one for each level of the district's school system — elementary, middle and high school.

"Arbor Day's core message builds enthusiasm amongst young people to plant new trees," Matthew Barker, the city arborist for Laguna Beach, said in an email. "Through the new Arbor Day Youth Art Contest, we hope to continue that momentum while also celebrating the creative and artistic talent of our local students."

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#### **AROUND TOWN**



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**A WOMAN** and her children get some exercise at Central Park in Huntington Beach last year. The park will be the site of a community picnic Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### Community picnic set for Sunday in Huntington Beach

The city of Huntington Beach is hosting a community pop-up picnic on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Central Park.

The event will be held behind the Central Library and aims to celebrate diversity and help neighbors get to know one another.

It will feature conversations with city leaders, food trucks, performances, information booths and family activities.

Residents are asked to bring their own picnic blankets and chairs, wear face masks and socially distance when possible.

#### United Way to host online Homelessness 101 class

The United to End Homelessness initiative, empowered by Orange County United Way, is hosting an online course to inform residents on the countywide crisis of homelessness, dispel myths and misinformation and share how "good intentions" contribute to a growing problem.

On Tuesday, April 20, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., speakers will cover frequently asked questions on the topic and provide an update on the current state of homelessness as well as the key factors that lead to it and how it might be solved. Participants will become familiar with ideas and terms related to homelessness and gain a better understanding of systems and trends in Orange County.

Pre-registration is required through Eventbrite or by visiting *unitedtoend-homelessness.org.* 

## Randy's Donuts to hold hiring event for its stores

Randy's Donuts, which recently opened a store in Costa Mesa, plans a COVID-19safe hiring event at its Inglewood location April 20, from 1 to 3 p.m.

The company is hiring for multiple fulland part-time positions, including jobs at the new Costa Mesa site on Harbor Boulevard. Jobs include managers, supervisors, cashiers, bakers, fryers, decorators and cleaning crew. No experience is necessary, nts can join in on the culinary fiesta featuring some of Orange County's top chefs and restaurants. Guests can enjoy the musical stylings of DJ Irv from the safety of their vehicles.

Creative and delicious tacos will highlight the benefit, which will include margaritas to go. Proceeds benefit SOS Social Services.

Tickets cost \$75 per person and must be purchased in advance at *shareourselves.org/event/28th-annual-wild-andcrazy-taco-night-tickets*. Vehicles will sign up for a 15-minute interval upon registering.

#### Costa Mesa Sanitary recognized as 'District of Distinction'

The Costa Mesa Sanitary District recently received a "District of Distinction" accreditation by the nonprofit Special District Leadership Foundation for its sound fiscal management policies and district operations practices.

The foundation independently audits the last three years of a district's operations to ensure fiscal prudence. Audits are reviewed on a voluntary basis by special district controllers, directors of finance and certified general managers.

To receive the recognition, districts must post transparency requirements on their websites, including board meeting schedules and agendas, election procedure and deadlines, district budgets and financial audits and compensation of board members, among other requirements.

Board members and executive staff must also show proof of educational training in public governance and compliance with ethics and harassment prevention training.

In a release issued by CMSD, Board President Robert Ooten said he and staff were honored and proud to receive accreditation for the 12th year in a row.

"Our district's core values include fiduciary responsibility, integrity and transparency — all of which are reflected in SDFL's District of Distinction accreditation," Ooten said.

#### THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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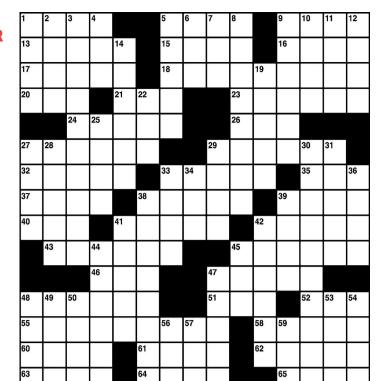
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#### SUDOKU

#### By The Mepham Group

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

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The event takes place at 805 W. Manchester Blvd., Inglewood. Those who cannot attend in person are asked to send their resume to jobs@randysdonuts.com or call (310) 686-1765.

#### Get 'Wild & Crazy' during Taco Night at fairgrounds

Costa Mesa's Share Our Selves — a nonprofit that provides food, rental assistance, medical services and more to area homeless individuals — will host its 28th Wild & Crazy Taco Night fundraiser at the O.C. fairgrounds in a drive-through format.

On April 24, from 3 to 6 p.m., participa-

#### Jobless rate in Orange County drops in March

The March jobless rate in Orange County was 6.4%, down from 6.8% in February, according to the state Employment Development Department, which released the figures Friday.

The Orange County labor force totaled 1,541,900, of which 98,600 were unemployed last month, the data showed.

The county's trend downward nearly mirrored statewide data collected in two surveys taken last month. California's unemployment rate dropped 0.2% in March, according to the EDD, as the state's employers gained 119,600 jobs.

The top three industries in the state showing employment growth last month, according to the report, were leisure and hospitality; trade, transportation and utilities; professional and business services. Financial activities was the only sector to experience a month-over job loss of 600

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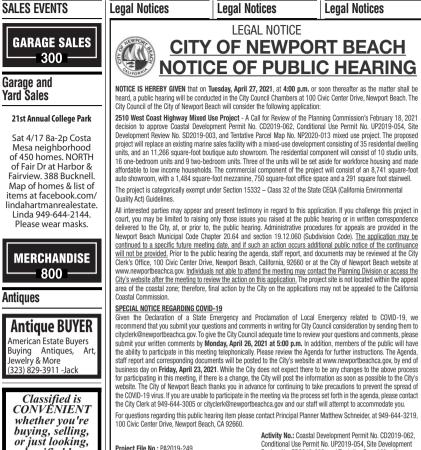
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, April 29, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted online via Zoom. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Norton Residence – A coastal development permit for the demolition of an existing single-family residence and the construction of a new 2,678square-foot, single-family residence with a 383square-foot attached 2-car garage. The proposed also includes development additional appurtenances such as walls, fences, patios, hardscape, drainage devices, and landscaping.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15303 under 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 in regard to 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. 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. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 21.64. A fee is not required to appeal any final action on a coastal development permit to the Planning Commission. A fee is required to appeal any final action on a coastal development permit to the City Council. The project site is located within the appeal area of the coastal zone: therefore, final action by the City to approve a Coastal Development Permit may be appealed to the California Coastal Commission

#### **HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP**



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**SAGE HILL'S** Emily Elliott drives in for a layup against St. Margaret's in a San Joaquin League game in February 2020. The team beat Bell Gardens Thursday night, 57-16.

## Sage Hill girls' basketball blows out Bell Gardens in 57-16 game

Emily Eadie had 23 points and 13 rebounds to lead the Sage Hill School girls' basketball team in its 57-16 win over Bell Gardens on Thursday night in a nonleague game at home.

Kat Righeimer had 14 points, seven rebounds, four steals and three assists for the Lightning (6-1). Isabel Gomez contributed six points, five assists, four steals and four rebounds and Emily Elliott added six points, 13 rebounds and three steals.

Zoie Lamkin chipped in with eight points and six rebounds.

Sage Hill previously was eliminated by Bell Gardens in the second round of the CIF Southern Section Divi-

sion 4AA playoffs in 2018. Newport Harbor 73, Costa Mesa 15: Cydney Jover's 15 points and three steals led a balanced effort in Thursday's win for the host Sailors in a nonleague game.

Chase Dionio had 12 points and four steals, and Vanessa Cornejo scored 10 points for Newport Harbor (4-0).

Reese Rasmussen, Willa Rath and Emma Fults each scored eight points, while Ellie Robinson contributed seven points, two blocked shots and two steals.

day in a nonleague game. Mikaela Carman homered for Huntington Beach (9-0) in the contest.

In the pitching circle, Emma Francisco struck out five over her four innings of work. Zoe Prystajko also recorded five strikeouts in two innings, and Devyn Greer struck out the side in her one inning.

#### **BOYS' VOLLEYBALL**

Newport Harbor 3, Huntington Beach 0: Brendan Read had 14 kills and three service aces to lead the host Sailors to a 25-17, 25-19, 25-13 sweep on Thursday in a Surf League opener.

James Eadie had eight kills and two blocks, Rees Classen had eight kills, and Luca Curci delivered four aces and three digs for Newport Harbor (5-1).

Huntington Beach is now 5-1 overall.

Corona del Mar 3, Laguna Beach 0: The visiting Sea Kings opened Surf League play with a 25-14, 25-15, 25-20 straight-sets win over the Breakers on Thursday.

CdM improved to 2-1 overall, while Laguna Beach is now 1-4 on the season.

#### **GIRLS' SOCCER**

Newport Harbor 2, Fountain Valley 0: Anto Russo and Brielle Benedict

Newport Harbor (8-1-1, 3-0 in league). Goalkeeper Jessica Gardner made one save to help the Sailors earn their fifth straight shutout.

Fountain Valley is now 1-6-3 overall, 0-3 in league.

Laguna Beach 1, Marina 0: Baylor Lund scored a penalty-kick goal for the Breakers in Thursday's Wave League match at Laguna Beach High.

The Breakers improved to 3-2 overall and 2-1 in league. Marina is now 5-3-2 overall, 1-2 in league.

#### **BOYS' TENNIS**

Ocean View 11, Westminster 7: The Seahawks stayed unbeaten in the Golden West League after Thursday's match at Westminster High.

The doubles teams of An-drew Oldag and Lucas Salama, Michael Dechene and Josh Kim, as well as Nick Chumacero and Daniel Vasilevko, all swept for Ocean View (7-3, 5-0 in league). Parker Walpole won twice in singles.

Ocean View hosts Katella on Thursday.

#### **GIRLS' TENNIS**

Edison 10, Laguna Beach 8: The Chargers improved to 2-0 in Wave League play after winning Thursday's match at Laguna Beach High.



#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, April 29, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted online via Zoom. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Dr. Eckermann Outpatient Surgery Facility - A request for a minor use permit to operate a 2,070 square-foot, by appointment only, outpatient surgery facility with a single operating room in an existing professional and administrative office park. The proposed hours of operation are Monday through Friday, from 8AM to 4PM and all required parking is provided onsite.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 – Class 1 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony in regard to 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 Joselyn Perez, Assistant Planner, at 949-644-3312 or jperez@newportbeachca.gov.

<b>Project File No.:</b> PA2020-344	<b>Activity No.:</b> UP2020-196
<b>Zone:</b> SP-7/PA (Santa Ana Heights Specific Plan Professional & Administrative Office District)	<b>General Plan:</b> CO-G (General Commercial Office)
<b>Location:</b> 20321 Irvine Avenue, Suite F <b>-</b> 2	<b>Applicant:</b> Jan Eckermann, MD

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For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact David S. Lee, Associate Planner at 949-644-3225, dlee@newportbeachca.gov, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

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<b>Zone:</b> R-2 (Two-Unit Residential)	<b>General Plan:</b> RT (Two Unit Residential)								
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#### SOFTBALL

Huntington Beach 9, San Clemente 2: Emma McCraw and Sophia Knight each had three hits to lead the visiting Oilers on Thurs-

each scored for the Sailors in Thursday's Wave League match at Fountain Vallev. Kenna Robar and Laine Briggs each had assists for

Edison is 5-6 overall.

Sisters Sarah MacCallum and Jessica MacCallum swept in singles for Laguna Beach (6-4, 1-1).

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positions statewide, which was attributed in the report to a decline in finance and insurance as well as activities related to real estate.

#### Hoag selects national expert to lead team for multiple sclerosis program

Hoag Hospital's Pickup Family Neurosciences Institute has recruited Dr. Yasir N. Jassam to lead a multidisciplinary team that aims to improve the management of multiple sclerosis and similar disorders.

Coming from the University of Kansas' Landon MS Center, Jassam completed his medical training at Cambridge University hospitals in the UK and earned the membership of the Royal College of Physicians and a diploma in neuroimaging for research from the University of Edinburgh.

After completing a residency at Tufts University School of Medicine, Jassam served as a clinical fellow at the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, part of the National Institutes of Health. He is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

#### Festival of Arts Foundation awards \$100,000 in grants to L.B. arts community

The Festival of Arts Foundation announced this week it is awarding a total of \$100,000 to 17 organizations that support the arts in the Laguna Beach community.

Among the beneficiaries are Laguna Beach High School's art department, ceramics and band boosters.

The other recipients are the Boys & Girls Club of Laguna Beach, the Festival of Arts, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach Chamber Singers, Laguna Beach Live!, Laguna Beach Seniors, Laguna College of Art and Design, Laguna Community Concert Band, Laguna Dance Festival, Laguna Playhouse, Laguna Plein Air Painters Assn., LagunaTunes Community Chorus, LOCA, and the Sawdust Art Enrichment Fund.

"The FOA Foundation is a longtime sponsor of the Laguna Beach communities' nonprofit art organizations," Bob Earl, the president of the foundation, said in a statement. "During these difficult times, the Foundation is proud to support local organizations and venues that provide education and experience in all the arts to our youth."

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#### **CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS**

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