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Lynn Ikemori

MIKA IKEMORI of Marina High School and Sarah MacCallum of Laguna Beach High have been teaming up to work with a nonprofit organization called Second Serve to provide tennis rackets, shoes, bags and clothing to underprivileged children around the country and the world.

O.C. teens show ability to serve

Junior tennis players Sarah MacCallum from Laguna Beach High and Marina High's Mika Ikemori help nonprofit group in donating equipment.

BY MATT SZABO

Sarah MacCallum and Mika Ikemori are accomplished junior tennis players, known not only for their sportsmanship on the court but also their skill.

MacCallum, a junior at Laguna Beach High, teamed up with Breakers graduate Ella Pachl last year to capture the CIF Southern Section Individuals Doubles title. Ikemori, a sophomore at Marina High, was the Wave League singles runner-up last year and advanced to the Individuals Singles quarter-finals.

One part of MacCallum and Ikemori that



KIDS IN TECATE, Mexico, are shown with tennis equipment from Second Serve.

Courtesy of Ayanna Shab

shouldn't be overlooked, though, is their ability to serve. They have teamed up with the nonprofit club Second Serve to provide tennis rackets,

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Second vaccine super site opens

Soka University in Aliso Viejo joins Disneyland as a county location, as 78 new COVID-19 deaths are reported Saturday.

BY MATT SZABO

The Orange County Health Care Agency reported 78 deaths due to COVID-19 on Saturday, the same day that a vaccine super site opened at Soka University in Aliso Viejo.

Saturday's total included 14 skilled nursing facility residents, 10 assisted living facility residents and 54 residents not living in a facility. The death toll in the county due to the coronavirus disease now sits at 2,625.

There were also 2,752 daily positive COVID-19 tests received, and the cumulative case rate, including deaths, is now at 221,493 people.

The Soka University super site is one of two in the county, joining Disneyland, which launched vaccine services on Jan. 13. Pre-registration is required for those eligible, which includes health-care workers and people 65 years old and over, on the online system at Othena.com.

"I, along with my board colleagues and our county health officer and director of our county's healthcare agency, Dr. Clayton Chau, fully understand the need and urgency to vaccinate our most vulnerable population as quickly as possible," Supervisor Lisa Bartlett said in a news conference Saturday.

"While the need is great, our supplies are limited. We are working as hard as we can, and utilizing all available resources to secure more vaccine from the state, so that we can move this program forward as effectively and expeditiously as possible."

Bartlett said she understood that not everyone can make it to a super POD site, and that the county is working to bring the

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Courtesy of Orange Coast College athletics

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Laguna to review COVID-19 grant programs

BY ANDREW TURNER

The Laguna Beach City Council will review and consider the next steps in the city's COVID-19 relief efforts in its meeting Tuesday.

In December, the council approved the "Laguna Beach Cares" grant program, which provided financial assistance to restaurants, bars and retail businesses impacted by the pandemic.

The program allowed restaurants and bars to apply for \$5,000 in aid. Retail establishments that closed could receive \$3,000, and those who saw their operating capacity drop to 20% could get \$2,000.

After initially setting aside \$650,000 to assist restaurants and bars in town, the Laguna Beach Cares program still has \$240,000 in available funds.

There was also \$200,000 allo-

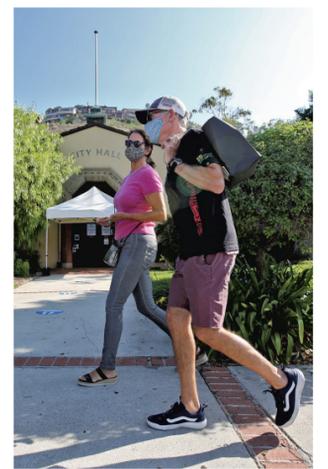
cated for impacted retail businesses, but the number of applicants exceeded the funds allotted to help the retail sector.

City staff is recommending that \$116,000 of the remaining balance from the overall Laguna Beach Cares grant program be used to assist 58 qualified retail businesses that did not receive a grant during the initial application window.

The council will also consider redistributing \$60,000 from the remainder of the restaurant and bar funding to address a budget deficit for the cultural arts fund grant.

A matching grant program was also introduced by the council on Dec. 22, which set aside up to \$300,000 to match donations made to the Laguna Beach Com-

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A COUPLE walks past Laguna Beach City Hall on Oct. 17.

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Cross-country could begin this week if stay-at-home order lifted

BY ANDREW TURNER

High school sports have yet to begin this school year, but it remains to be seen for how long.

Youth sports guidelines have indicated that the earliest that competition between two teams can occur will be Monday, contingent upon the stay-at-home order being lifted.

If that were the case, the only fall sport within the CIF Southern Section that could take place within the purple, most-restrictive tier is cross-country.

The CIF issued some additional guidance in preparation for the possibility that the cross-country season may soon get underway.

The guidelines call for masks to be worn and social distancing protocols to be adhered to by all present at a meet unless they are currently participating in the competition.

Staggered starts were offered up as a recommendation, as well as widening the course to a minimum of six feet at its narrowest point and expanding the finish line area to further promote physical distancing.

Participants and attendees are also asked not to shake hands before or after races, and water bottles should not be shared.

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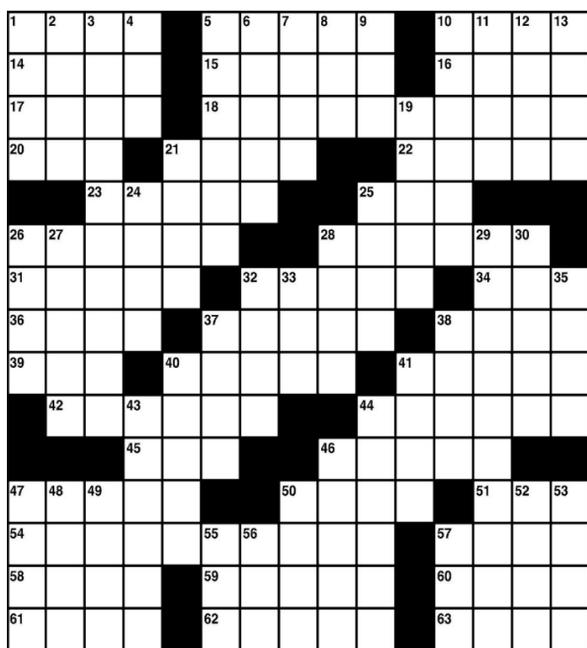
MARINA HIGH junior Marikay Schwab runs in the girls' Division 2 CIF Southern Section Cross-Country Finals at Riverside City College on Nov. 23, 2019.

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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

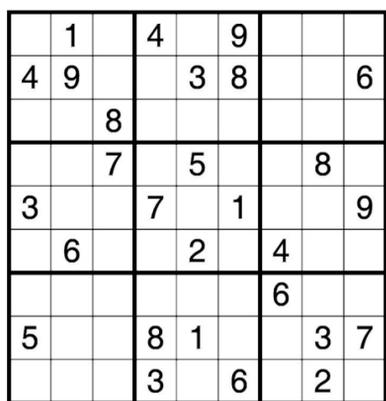
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 39 "Ready or _ here I come!"
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 50 Word attached to eye or whip
 51 "Bull" network
 54 "Nonsense!"
 57 Cease
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 59 Terre _ IN
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 63 Nervous
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 2 _ arms; furious
 3 Benevolence



SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A5.

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 5 Leaves in a hurry
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 9 _ Juan, Puerto Rico
 10 T-bar riders
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 13 Chaotic situation
 19 Like a cliché
 21 Annoyingly slow

- 24 _ tea
 25 Positive
 26 Read over quickly
 27 Wreak _ on; lay waste to
 28 Tiny skin opening
 29 Occurring out of the blue
 30 Outdoor dining spot
 32 Talk casually
 33 _ rod; fast car
 35 History
 37 _ down; resign from office
 38 Big party
 40 Catch in a trap
 41 Georgia _; univ. in Atlanta
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3 boats damaged in Newport Beach fire

Three boats in Newport Beach's Balboa Yacht Basin were damaged in a boat fire Friday morning.

Fire officials said the call came in at 10:36 a.m. for a single boat fire.

About 24 personnel from the Orange County Sheriff's Department, Newport Beach lifeguards and the Newport Beach Fire Department responded to the incident, authorities said.

Newport Beach Fire Battalion Chief Nic Lucas said the fire spread to two other vessels parked in slips beside a 31-foot boat where the fire originated, but that the flames were put out quickly.

The fire caused significant damage to the 31-foot boat and a 36-foot boat. The third boat, also about 36 feet, received minor damage.

The cause for the fire remains under investigation.

— Lilly Nguyen



Courtesy of the Newport Beach Fire Department

A FIREFIGHTER stands in the wreckage of a boat damaged in a fire at the Balboa Yacht Basin in Newport Beach Friday morning.

LAGUNA

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community Foundation to help residents and those employed within the city who have been adversely affected by COVID-19.

Donations have yet to meet demand (more than 500 applicants), so city staff is recommending that \$100,000 of the funds allocated for the matching

grant be made available immediately.

The remaining \$200,000 would continue to be available for a future matching grant.

The City Council meeting can be viewed on Zoom at lagunabeachcity.zoom.us/j/96950701098.

It can also be seen on Cox cable channel 852. The public may also comment on an agenda item being discussed by calling

(669) 900-9128.

Public comment may be submitted to the city clerk Ann Marie McKay by email to amckay@lagunabeachcity.net.

It is requested that comments be submitted by 3 p.m. on Monday to provide enough time for City Council members to review them.

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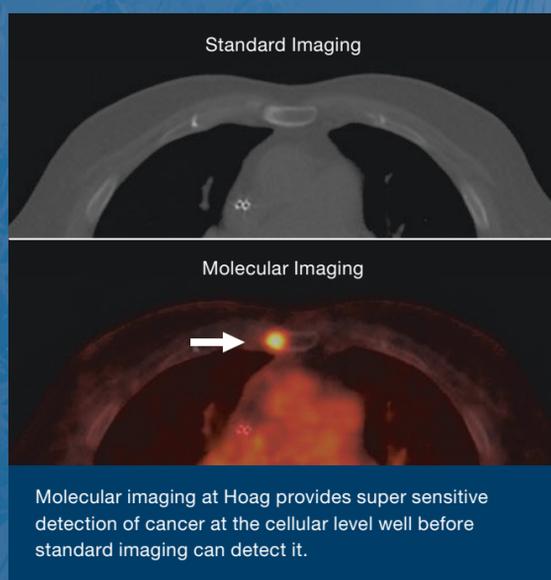
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COMMENTARY | **GREGORY C. SCOTT**

The disadvantaged are enduring the full impact of COVID-19, but we can help

While major medical and scientific entities are preparing to distribute vaccines for the greatest pandemic of our lifetime, I am struck daily with the reality of the impact of

COVID-19 on those in need. Now that we're back in the most restrictive phase of life as we know it in Orange County, we're getting an idea of what people in poverty have

endured throughout this pandemic. For them, COVID-19 has never let up.

They didn't return to work in safer, distanced environments or relax while dining out at a trendy restaurant. As I write this, the pandemic is poised to unleash its worst on our most vulnerable neighbors: *those who were already struggling*. During a crisis, disadvantaged Americans feel the greatest impact. In the thick of multiple emergencies this year, working poor, homeless and minority communities are suffering the most severe economic and health losses.

A recent nationwide study by APM Labs found that Black and indigenous populations are experiencing the highest death tolls from COVID-19 — logging a death toll exceeding 1 in 800 nationally.

Researchers also adjusted mortality rates for age differences. This revealed Black, indigenous and Latino Americans all have COVID-19 death rates of more than twice that of white Americans, who experience the lowest age-adjusted rates. Locally, a UCI study found that COVID-19 disproportionately affects low-income adults and Latinos, with experts linking the causes to preexisting health issues, crowded living conditions, barriers to healthcare and the inability to work from home.

The economic damage rendered by school and business closures has sparked crises in food insecurity, mental health and education for those who lack the resources to survive them. For children in poverty, education and health are related: School is a source of nutrition, healthcare and mental



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ROBERT VALENTINE, 75, gets a COVID-19 vaccine from Karen L. Simerlink, R.N., on Jan. 13. A vaccine against the virus is only one of the necessary steps that must be taken to address societal problems brought on by the pandemic, the president of a nonprofit writes.

health support. The parents of these students are underemployed or already unemployed or working families who have become vulnerable after pandemic-related job losses.

Many of these families are facing the end of federal unemployment benefits Dec. 26 and state eviction protections after February 2021. This economic disaster will have a long-term effect on our entire community. Not only are we still in the eye of the storm, but the coming vaccine will not cure the damage COVID-19 leaves behind.

The answers to our health, economic and social well-being don't exist in a vaccine, in multiple rounds of economic stimuli or the hearts of thousands of volunteers. It comes down to three elements working in a coordinated, equitable system: nimble nonprofits, the

public policy of state and local government and the influence of the private sector. Through this effort, we can create a vision of not a new normal, but a new acceleration to drive change in our communities.

As leaders of nonprofits, businesses, healthcare entities and educational institutions, we have to deepen our connections and innovate our future.

We can collaborate on crucial yet empowering issues like workforce development and job retraining and open new doors for underserved populations to pursue educational pathways. We have no time to lose.

In the next 12 to 18 months, many Orange County restaurants and other hospitality employers, as well as nonprofits, will not survive the pandemic. Subsequently, the need for food and shelter

along with resources for family counseling, rental assistance, job training and more will rise. Our mentality should mirror that of any successful group endeavor: Together we are stronger, smarter, faster and more effective. The vaccine will help us overcome the public health tragedy, but *we are the vaccine* that will end poverty.

You can drive change right now: Contact your congressional representative and urge them to pass the CARES Act Extension.

Passing this bill will extend vital emergency assistance and healthcare response to individuals, families and businesses most severely affected by the novel coronavirus pandemic.

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UNDATED PHOTO of Orange Coast College baseball coach John Altobelli. He was one of nine people, including Kobe Bryant, who died when the helicopter they were riding in crashed in Calabasas on Jan. 26, 2020. A virtual tribute is planned for Altobelli on Tuesday.

Virtual memorial tribute to former Orange Coast College baseball coach John Altobelli

Orange Coast College will host on Tuesday morning a virtual memorial tribute to former baseball coach John Altobelli, his wife, Keri, and daughter, Alyssa, on the one-year anniversary of the helicopter crash that took their lives, that of NBA legend Kobe Bryant and five others.

Organizers have created a video to pay homage to Altobelli and his contributions to the athletics program and the OCC community at large.

The program will include special guests sharing their experiences and memories as well as photos and videos that demonstrate how Altobelli left a lasting legacy on the

Costa Mesa campus and beyond.

The video will be broadcast on YouTube at 10 a.m. For more, visit dev.orangecoastcollege.edu/e/altobelli.

Huntington Beach hosting bimonthly COVID-19 vaccine virtual town halls

The city of Huntington Beach, in partnership with the Orange County Health Care Agency, is holding virtual town halls on COVID-19 vaccines on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month through April 21.

The meetings are designed for the public to get the facts on the COVID-19 vaccine.

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SERVE

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shoes, bags and clothing to underprivileged children around the country and the world.

The girls had Second Serve donation boxes set up at two Orange County clubs, The Tennis Club at Monarch Beach and the Laguna Niguel Racquet Club. People can donate their used equipment in the boxes.

After that, MacCallum and Ikemori collect the equipment and distribute it with the help of San Diego sisters and tennis players Ayanna and Amani Shah. The Shah sisters started Second Serve, which became active on Instagram as *@secondserveclub*, in 2019.

"When I first heard about it, I was just like, 'Wow, this is so cool,'" said Ikemori, who has been on board with the club since the beginning.

"I think it's really clever, too, because every tennis player has old stuff that's just lying around in your garage. It could really go to better use for other kids

who want to play tennis. I just thought it was a great idea."

MacCallum started out donating equipment to the nonprofit, before joining in during the coronavirus pandemic.

"For me, I joined during quarantine, when I was feeling like, 'I don't really know what I can do right now to make a difference,'" she said. "This is perfect for me, because I'm making a difference and I'm making connections and becoming stronger friends with my tennis friends. It's so cool that we all get to do this together, and we're also helping so many other people at the same time."

MacCallum said she is looking into other ways to donate equipment, perhaps to the underprivileged kids in Santa Ana. She said she plans to contact Match Point Tennis Academy, which is run at Cabrillo Park, to develop a plan. She said anyone local who has things to donate can also message her on her Instagram page, *@sarahmacallum*, to arrange a pickup.

It's a simple idea, but it

has spread among the close-knit junior tennis community. Ayanna Shah said that Second Serve now has "presidents" in 11 states and has donated equipment to seven countries, including Uganda, Mexico and India.

The club has drawn the attention of some of the top tennis stars in the United States. Madison Keys selected Amani and Second Serve as a recipient of a Medal of Kindness, and also donated tennis equipment to the cause. The sisters have also partnered with the Sloane Stephens Foundation, making two large donations.

This week, a shipment of more than 60 pairs of tennis shoes was sent to a program called Manav Sadhna, which serves underprivileged kids in the Ahmedabad area of western India.

"Their kids play sports without shoes on their feet," Ayanna Shah said. "A lot of the programs that we donate to aren't even able to play on real tennis courts."

"They have dirt courts that they play on, that they

kind of made themselves. Just seeing that they have such a great love for tennis with so little means, I think it's just super-cool that this equipment that we send them can help them so much and make such a big difference."

MacCallum and Ikemori are hopeful that they'll get to play high school tennis this spring, if the coronavirus numbers improve. Ikemori would like to build on a successful freshman year, while MacCallum hopes to play with her freshman sister Jessica, who recently was a girls' 14s finalist at the USTA Southern California Junior Sectionals.

Whatever happens, though, they plan to keep giving back through Second Serve.

"Recently, we've been looking for more money for shipping the equipment to the organizations that are international," Sarah MacCallum said. "If people don't have equipment to donate, they can go to the website and donate some money, too."

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AN ORANGE COUNTY COVID-19 response team member directs drivers to the gymnasium at Soka University.

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VACCINE

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vaccine in smaller PODs to areas where there is a greater concentration of senior citizens.

She said more information will be forthcoming on more options to make the vaccine available.

"In the meantime, please continue to adhere to health and safety guidelines," Bartlett said.

"Wear a face covering, practice social distancing and practice good hygiene. It is incredibly important that we continue to protect ourselves and our loved ones at this time. We are not out of the woods yet, but we're almost getting there."

Hospitalizations due to the virus were at 1,818 on Saturday, with 482 of those cases currently in intensive care units. There have also been 2,544,782 COVID-19 tests administered to date, including 25,262 tests reported Saturday.

An estimated 152,368 people in the county have recovered from COVID-19, the healthcare agency reported.

Updated figures are posted daily at occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/coronavirus-in-oc. Information on COVID-19 vaccines in Orange County can be found at occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-vaccine-resources.

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The first meeting, conducted Wednesday and available on YouTube, featured Huntington Beach Mayor Kim Carr and Dr. Regino Chinsio-Kwong. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 3.

For more information, visit hbready.com.

Cox Communications offers scholarships for O.C. high school seniors

Cox Communications invites Orange County high school seniors to apply for STEM-related college scholarships from \$2,000 to \$5,000 now through Feb. 3.

Scholarships are awarded to individuals who have lived in a Southern California Cox service area for at least one year and who plan to attend a higher educational institution in the U.S.

The funds may be used for tuition, books, fees, room and board and other educational expenses.

Qualified students must plan to major in a science, technology, engineering or math-related subject and have a cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale).

Candidates should have a history of active involvement in extracurricular activities, community service or work experience and be able to demonstrate financial need.

The program is open only to U.S. citizens or permanent residents. The deadline to apply is Feb. 3.

For more information, visit coxcharitiesca.org/cox-scholars.

OC Public Libraries commemorates 100 years of service

To mark its centennial year of countywide service in 2021, OC Public Libraries has launched a year-long celebration themed "Celebrate the Past, Inspire the Future: 100 Years of Possibilities" that will include a commemorative library card and logo along with a range of programs and activities throughout the year.

Special story time readings, take-home crafts and reading programs will also highlight the library's history and advocacy.

The Orange County Free Library got its start on Aug. 1, 1921, opening with a

staff of three people in a rented room at 508 N. Main St. in Santa Ana.

Today, the system encompasses 32 community branches with a collection of more than 2.4 million items checked out some 6.8 million times by nearly 500,000 library card holders.

"For 100 years, OC Libraries has enriched the diverse communities of Orange County in meaningful ways," Board of Supervisors Chair Andrew Do said in a statement.

"I am extremely proud of the integral role our public libraries have played in the growth of Orange County."

Residents are invited to join the celebration on social media by following and tagging #OCPL100. For more information, visit ocpl.org/centennial.

K-12 students are invited to participate in water district poster contest

Municipal Water District of Orange County is calling on students countywide in grades K-12 to submit hand-drawn posters for its 2021 Water Awareness Contest.

This year's contest theme is "Saving Together," and entries are due March 1.

The annual contest aims to get children and young adults thinking more about water and how access to clean, fresh drinking water improves our daily lives, while expressing themselves artistically.

Pre-K entrants will receive a personal letter from Ricky Raindrop but do not qualify for a grand prize.

Each year nearly 1,000 entries are submitted but only 40 winners are selected and recognized, along with their teachers and family members at an awards ceremony at the Discovery Cube in Santa Ana.

Select winners' artwork will be submitted to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's regional poster contest for consideration, and a chance to win a spot in their annual "Water Is Life" calendar.

For contest rules and details, visit mudoc.com/news-and-events/events/water-awareness-poster-contest.

Fountain Valley Bodyworks rebrand

Fountain Valley Bodyworks, a pair of formerly family-owned collision repair shops, has been rebranded under the Crash Champions banner.

The local body shop, which has locations at 17481 Newhope St. and

18125 Euclid St., opened its doors in 1974. It was acquired by Crash Champions in October.

"After 45-plus years of doing things the right way, we became the most trusted player in the market and found a partner in Crash Champions who could help us build on that legacy for years to come," Dave March, who founded Fountain Valley Bodyworks and maintains a stake in ownership, said in a statement.

"The Crash Champions name and brand are nationally recognized not only for being leaders in collision repair, but also strong corporate and community citizens."

In February, those who visit the Fountain Valley Bodyworks website at fubodyworks.com will be directed to the Crash Champions website at crashchampions.com.

Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce honors Annette Malinowski

Annette Malinowski received the Laguna Beach Chamber of Commerce's Board Champion award.

A member of the chamber since 2013, Malinowski has served on several subcommittees, including the committees for Government Affairs, the Laguna Beach Chamber Golf Tournament, the Retail Task Force, the Taste of Laguna and Urban Design.

The chamber has also installed its board of directors for 2021.

Sandy Morales will serve as president and CEO of the chamber, and J.J. Ballesteros is the board chairman. The executive committee also comprises Julie Laughton, David Rubel, Paula Hornbuckle-Arnold and Doug Vogel.

The other board members are Jenna Cassidy, Carmelit Green, Hasty Honarkar, Mark Meisberger, Reinhard Neubert, Tyler Russell McCusker and Craig Strong.

Laguna Beach Live, Laguna Art Museum present virtual concert

Laguna Beach Live has joined forces with the Laguna Art Museum again to provide a virtual concert.

The featured artist performance is by Triada Guitar Trio, a group made up of brothers Nikola, Petar and Vasil Chekardzhikov.

The January Live! at the Museum event can be viewed at lagunabeachlive.org.

— From staff reports



Sally Ann Panic

December 24, 1932 - December 9, 2020

+ Sally Ann Panic, loving mother of three, and grandmother of ten, died on December 9, 2020, a few weeks shy of her 88th birthday. She passed away peacefully with her children Mark, Janie, and Trish by her side.

Mom was born in Los Angeles California to Helen and William (Bill) Winn. She lived in San Marino California with her parents and two older sisters, Dorothy and Betty, and attended South Pasadena High school. Mom had a happy childhood. An accomplished pianist, she was to pursue her love of music at UC Riverside, but had to leave college suddenly when her beloved father died of a heart attack. While home taking care of her mom, she worked in the library and taught piano and through one of her students met J. Thomas "Tom" Taylor. They married in June 1954 and after a brief time in Sedalia Missouri where Tom was stationed, they moved to Arcadia California until their divorce in 1968.

In 1978, Mom married Milan Panic, a pharmaceutical executive, and moved to the Oak Knoll section of Pasadena. She lived an exciting and charmed life. She hosted social affairs, company events, and was recognized by all who came to know her as a woman of grace, kindness, and impeccable style. In 1982, they moved to Newport Beach. She joined the Philharmonic Society, played tennis at the local club, and loved to immerse herself in a good book. She had enjoyed the movies since childhood and was an expert on Hollywood's golden age. Mom traveled the world, often to Geneva and London where she relished lively chit chat about the Royals. For a short time in 1992, when her husband was appointed Prime Minister of Yugoslavia, she lived in Belgrade as First Lady.

Mom was known by her friends as caring and generous with a special fondness for animals, especially dogs. She doted on her dachshunds Judy and Katie and took them everywhere. After her divorce in 1998, she moved to Bayshores. There she joined her girlfriends for luncheons, attended symphonies, but mostly focused on her kids and grandchildren. As Grandma "Sassy," she never missed a birthday party, musical recital, weekend soccer game, graduation, or holiday school event. A particular favorite was to visit Bronxville NY each summer to take Janie's kids to camp in New Hampshire. It was also at this time in her life that she rediscovered her Christian faith. Mom worshipped at St. James Episcopal church on Via Lido in Newport Beach and spent some of her happiest years volunteering at Sunday services, making new friends and attending weekly bible study groups.

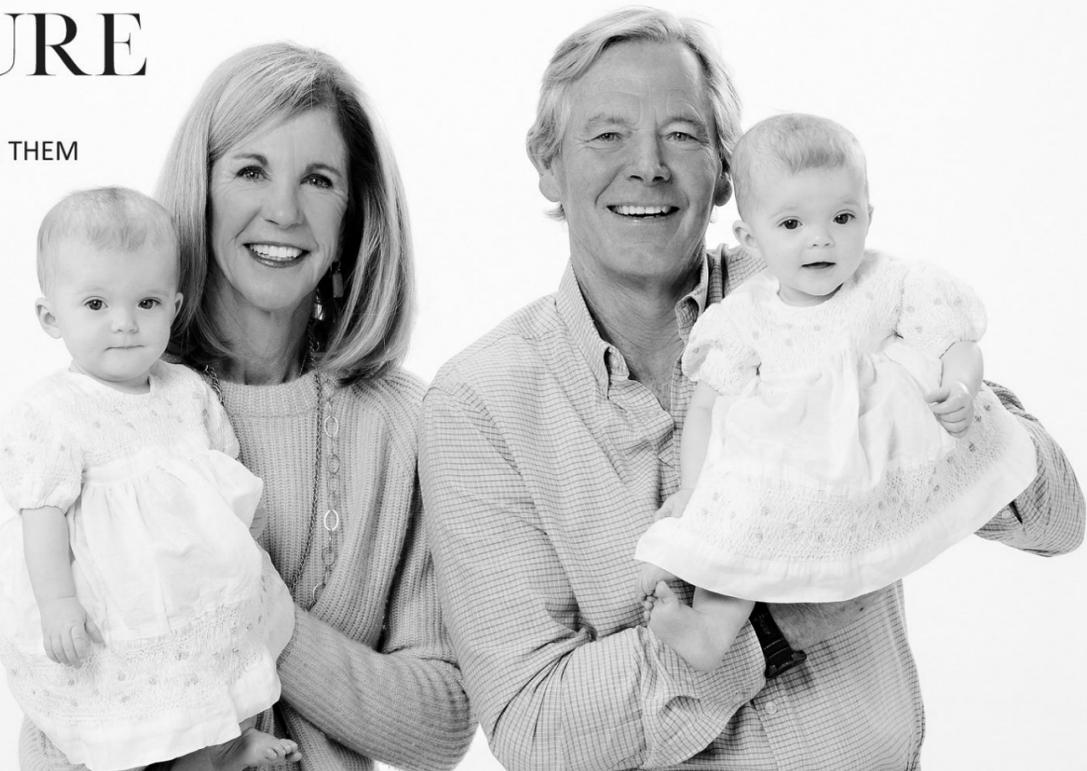
Mom will be remembered in so many ways: a loving mother, a devoted grandmother, a good wife, a loving sister and daughter, a special and loyal friend, and a devout Christian. She adored her family, each without condition. Her children, their spouses, and her ten wonderful grandkids will miss her terribly. Mom was deeply involved in her children's lives, always putting their family's needs ahead of her own. Tragically, Mom fell victim to Alzheimer's disease the last ten years of her life, but even in those final years, her legendary wit kept everyone laughing. She never lost her sense of humor or love of music.

Dearest Mother, we miss you so much. You gave us our lives and the love we have in our hearts. Until we are together again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. We will think of you often, and forever.

Sally is under the care of Pacific View Memorial Park and Mortuary in Corona Del Mar. Donations in Sally Panic's memory can be made to Newport Beach Animal Shelter: <https://www.fonbas.org/>

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