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**HUNTINGTON BEACH** residents protest and hold signs about the proposal to screen children's books at the Huntington Beach Public Library during Tuesday night's City Council meeting, where members voted 4-3 to create a community review board of up to 21 members.

# H.B. council majority opts to vet children's library books

Decision approves resolution to create community panel of up to 21 members to review material for subjects and content deemed objectionable.

# BY MATT SZABO

A community parent advisory board will be tasked with approving children's books that hit shelves in the Huntington Beach Public Library, a move critics say is a book ban and takes power away from trained and educated people also emailed the City Council about the agenda item, with more than 90% against the idea of a council-appointed board screening children's books for sexual content.

But Resolution No. 2023-41, introduced by Mayor Pro Tem Gracey Van Der Mark, was passed. Van Der Mark was joined



# Task force winds down, shares ideas

Members last week gave suggestions as Ocean View School District trustees prepare to consider school closures.

# BY MATT SZABO

The Ocean View School District Board of Trustees will again weigh difficult decisions on possible school closures after receiving suggestions from a Superintendent's Schools Task Force.

The task force, which has been holding meetings since the spring, held its 11th and final meeting last Thursday night at the district office. Twenty-one task force members in attendance took votes on which ideas they would prefer to recommend to the school board, as it has weighed possibly closing Circle View, Village View and Golden View elementary schools and repurposing Spring View Middle School.

Nineteen suggestions were presented in the areas of innovation, instruction, financial and property management. At a special board meeting on Oct. 5, at least three members agreed that each suggestion was a viable option in the face of the district's continued declining enrollment.

The task force, which consisted of school site, community, union and administration representatives and was facilitated by former Orange County superintendent Joe Farley, agreed on some ideas. Twenty members believed the district should open the farm at Golden View to outside districts, while 16 agreed the district should focus on how to effectively address over-staffing as a cost-saving method. In a related suggestion, 18 were in agreement that Ocean View should entice teachers to retire.

librarians.

The Huntington Beach City Council voted 4-3, with the conservative majority holding sway, to approve a resolution to form the board near the end of a hotly debated meeting Tuesday night.

There were 128 people signed up for public comments, which took about five hours. About 550 passed. Van Der Mark was joined in support by her conservative colleagues on the dais, Mayor Tony Strickland and Councilmen Casey McKeon and Pat Burns. Councilman Dan Kalmick and Councilwomen Natalie Moser and Rhonda Bolton voted against

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**HUNTINGTON BEACH** residents cheer and hold signs during public comments at Tuesday night's Huntington Beach City Council meeting.

# Huntington Beach's Dom Jones pivots to the race for State Assembly District 72

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**BEACH** resident Dom Jones is running for the State Assembly in District 72 instead of pursuing the District 47 congressional seat.



File Photo

# **BY MATT SZABO**

She was aiming for Washington, D.C., but now she has her sights set on Sacramento.

Dom Jones has pivoted from a crowded Congressional District 47 race into the contest for State Assembly District 72, she said Saturday.

The community activist from Huntington Beach is the only Democrat in the District 72 race and will contest incumbent Diane Dixon, a Republican from Newport Beach.

"I could not have asked for a more perfect outcome," Jones said. "It's absolutely phenomenal how it all turned on its head. I've been in this race for 10 months, and my opponents have been able to out-raise me. But what kept me contending and on every stage

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Other suggestions were more basic, with 20 agreeing the district should offer instructional programs and options that other dis-

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# **OBITUARY** Daily Pilot, Times photographer kept his eye trained on local news

# **BY SARA CARDINE**

Richard Koehler, a former Daily Pilot photographer known for being the first to arrive at a breaking news scene — which earned him the nickname "Scoop" — died Thursday at his Costa Mesa home after a battle with cancer. He was 82.

Friends, family members and colleagues fondly recall a man who carried a camera wherever he went, snapping images of people, places and scenes, both for placement in area publications or for the sheer pleasure of watching life unfold before a viewfinder.

"My dad was a really quiet person, but he liked being involved — I think that was one of his ways to be involved in the community," daughter Kerrie Conti recalled of her father's photography Tuesday. "He felt more comfortable with his camera." Born on April 2, 1941, Koehler graduated from Newport Harbor High School, where he served on the school newspaper before graduating in 1959 and moving on to Orange Coast College.

As a young reporter for the Newport Beach News Press, purchased by the Daily Pilot in the 1960s, Koehler had already garnered the nickname "Scoop" by those familiar with his penchant

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Courtesy of Kerrie Conti

**RICHARD "SCOOP" KOEHLER** took photos for area newspapers for seven decades, serving 20 years at the Daily Pilot. He died Thursday at age 82.

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# **SUDOKU**

# By the Mepham Group

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In terms of property management suggestions, 19 task force members agreed the district should lease out "dead" properties, with the majority of those indicating that senior center facilities, employee housing or a sports complex made sense. About half said that Spring View should be utilized as a larger elementary school.

The school board's next regularly scheduled meeting is Oct. 24.

'In my personal opinion, I feel like you've given us a lot of good options, good recommendations," board President Patricia Singer said at Thursday night's meeting. "I feel like you've done your due diligence and given us what we've needed."

Also at the meeting, Supt. Michael Conroy shared detailed data about the district's financial prospects to the task force. Conroy indicated the district is overstaffed by at least 22 teachers, not including 12 transitional kindergarten classes, due to low school enrollment. That cost ranges from about \$2.3 to \$3.5 million annually.

The overall deficit for the district, which serves parts of Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Westminster, is nearly \$1.7 million for this school year.

"We're operating in the red," Conroy said. "How do you manage when you're operating in the red? You go to your savings account. We call that our fund balance."

Conroy presented hypothetical budget scenarios for the next five years, each based on the premise that the district reduces three teachers per year while still giving 3% salary schedule increases. The variables for each scenario were that the district does nothing, consolidates one school, two schools or four schools.

Even in the most drastic

Matt Szabo

**CIRCLE VIEW** Elementary School in Huntington Beach is one of the campuses the Ocean View School District Board of Trustees is considering closing.

fourth scenario, and even dipping into \$4 million that the district has allocated for facilities and technology upgrades, it would have an emergency reserve of just \$2.4 million by 2027-28, a number which would be trending downward. The emergency reserve for the current school year is about \$11 million.

In the other hypothetical scenarios, the emergency reserve by 2027-28 is either less than \$1 million or gone completely.

Enrollment in the district has steadily declined in recent years, and it most recently closed Sun View Elementary in Huntington Beach in 2018. That site now serves as an alternate site for OVSD campuses that are undergoing renovations — Mesa View Middle School in Huntington Beach this school year using Measure R funds.

In September, task force members were asked to complete an anonymous survey. Twenty-two members said the district should implement consolidation and repurposing in successive school years, beginning with one or two schools per year. Fourteen members said they thought it should all happen quickly, essentially a "rip off the Band-Aid" approach.

Some parents on the superintendent's schools task force said after Thursday's meeting that they are hopeful their children's schools will be spared from closures. Robert Espinoza, whose wife is a teacher in the district, has two sons in the district and one graduate. He represented the district's preschool and Circle View on the task force.

"I appreciate the information given and hope that the board takes what we've said into consideration and really looks at the community impact," Espinoza said.

Keeley Pratt was on the task force representing Village View, the school two of her children attend. She remained plugged in throughout the process and consistently asked questions but said she didn't necessarily leave the last meeting Thursday night feeling satisfied.

Pratt compared the process to a college science course.

"This was lecture, and I kept waiting to go to the lab and try, experiment, understand," Pratt said. "That did not happen ... [but] I give great credit. I think Dr. Conroy and President Singer obviously have really collaborated on meaningfully including all stakeholders. We can talk about the composition, the mode of operation, we can talk about the survey. I believe [the task force] was done in good faith. Do I agree with how it was done? Not necessarily. I don't think it solved the problem, but it was a really good effort."

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# BOOKS

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the item.

Van Der Mark, who first brought forth the idea in June, has been seeking more oversight of children's books for years as a parent in the Ocean View School District, even before she was elected to the City Council last fall. In 2020, she initiated a successful challenge to move "Gender Queer: A Memoir" from the young adult/teen section to the adult section of the library.

She said she has had several meetings with city staff to discuss library issues and the process of procurement of children's books.

"The whole goal [is] to make our libraries the safest place for our children," Van Der Mark said. "I've been working with cleaning up our school libraries for many years, seven years. In spite of the fact that I brought forward books that were controversial, very sexually explicit books, there was always a lot of push-back."

She reiterated Tuesday night that it's her belief the new regulations don't amount to a book ban. The dictionary defines "ban" as the act of officially or legally prohibiting something.

The parent or guardian advisory board, which can include up to 21 members, will have the final say on what new children's books can hit public library shelves. It will also review books currently in the library to see if they should be moved out of the children's section.

Votes will be by simple majority, and there will not be an appeals process for any board decision, per council discussion.

"We are engaging the community," Van Der Mark said. "We're empowering the parents to have more control."

Community and library services director Ashley Wysocki confirmed to Van Der Mark that library staff often make collection development decisions based



Photos by James Carbone

**EXAMPLES OF** books with LBGTQ+ topics were on display in the Huntington Beach City Council chambers during Tuesday night's meeting.

on data, meaning some books are rejected. Van Der Mark asked Wysocki if that constituted a book ban, and she answered no.

Kalmick responded that there's a nuanced difference between a librarian's collection procedure and a review board of people appointed by a political board deciding about community standards for sexual content.

"If we're stopping something from entering someplace, I forget what that's called," Kalmick answered facetiously. "When you're 86ed from a bar, I forget what it's called. If you're counting cards in a casino and you aren't allowed back in — it's called a ban. You're banned from the casino, you're banned from the bar, and your new books that are deemed inappropriate by this committee of parents or guardians will be banned from entering the library."

Moser asked if the parental review board would be a Brown Act board, and Van Der Mark said no. Moser then asked for public livestreamed meetings, which seemed like they could be a possibility. There will be no minimum qualifications for the review board members.

"Frankly, we should be driving young people to go

"We're driving them to the Internet, a place that is not fact-checked, it's not curated, it's not rigorously reviewed ... I want to understand why members of this council majority keep attempting to fix what is not broken."

Earlier Tuesday, the City Council held a study session where staff presented ideas for library updates, including a parental control library card and requiring minors 12 years old and younger to be accompanied by an adult at all times in the library. Van Der Mark said those ideas could complement the ideas expressed in her resolution.

The outcome of the City Council's vote went against a request from the 1st Amendment Coalition, ACLU of Southern California and Freedom to Read Foundation, which sent a joint letter Tuesday urging them to reject the resolution.

PEN America also raised concerns over the council vote in a response Wednesday morning. "The decision from the

"The decision from the Huntington Beach City Council should sound an alarm for residents across the state of California," said Allison Lee, PEN America Los Angeles managing director, in a statement. "To review an entire children's library collection based on an opaque claim of 'sexual content' is absurd. Librarians are not in the habit of stocking pornography on children's library shelves, and this review stands only to censor literature that children and teens deserve access to. We have seen how attacks on 'sexual content,' particularly on children's books, have been used to target books with LGBTQ+ themes and books that include characters of color. We hope the community will continue making their voices heard and maintain diligence over the identification and processes of the appointed community review board."

State Sen. Dave Min also showed up to Tuesday night's meeting to speak against the resolution, as did a few librarians. Carin Meister is a school librarian in Huntington Beach, and a mother of three daughters who use the Central Library often.

"How are you planning to finance this committee?" Meister asked the council. "Will you be purchasing 21 copies of any books deemed objectionable, so that all committee members can actually read the material in question? Or,



HUNTINGTON BEACH Mayor Pro Tem Gracey Van Der Mark and Mayor Tony Strickland listen to public comments.



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Council members on the

losing side of Tuesday's vote

also expressed concerns

that the parental advisory

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But Surf City resident Kevin Otis said he sup-

"This is not a book ban,"

Otis said. "This resolution is

about properly protecting

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"At 16 years old, I am able

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**BEACH** residents raise signs of protest during Tuesday night's meeting.

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beyond-reasonable boundaries. Those in opposition, do you not believe in appropriate boundaries?"

During the council's discussion, McKeon said he couldn't comprehend why people are so in favor of children having access to sexually explicit material without parental consent.

"Can a child attend an Rrated movie?" he asked. "No, they cannot. They could with parental guidance with an adult. Could a child check out an R-rated movie at Blockbuster? No, they could not. Is that a movie ban? No ... Movies versus books, it's the same thing."

Moser responded that the movie industry rating system uses voluntary guidelines adopted by a private industry, while the book censorship issue involves the imposition of government restrictions on speech in violation of 1st Amendment freedoms.

"It's just not the same thing," she said. "It's not apples to [apples]."

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to the library," Moser said. "We're driving them to the Internet, a place that is not

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RICHARD "SCOOP" KOEHLER in his office at the Daily Pilot in the '70s. The lifelong photographer died Thursday at age 82.

# OBITUARY

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for listening to police radio scanners, retired Pilot sports editor Roger Carlson recalled in a 2004 column.

"As a lifeguard dispatcher he would hear the police calls and off he'd go on his motor scooter, almost always the first, and often, the only photographer at the scene for the benefit of the News Press," Carlson wrote.

The photographer worked for the Pilot from 1966 to 1986, faithfully capturing the comings and goings of residents, politicians and civil servants in Newport Beach and Costa

Mesa in between crime incidents and weather events. When newsroom darkrooms weren't available, he'd develop photos in a processing lab built onto his home.

'He would take us on calls with him. We'd go to fires or accidents, and we'd sit in the car," Conti recalled. "When I grew up, I thought it was normal for people to have a [police] scanner in their house."

Koehler eventually segued from the Daily Pilot to the Los Angeles Times in 1987, where he would win numerous awards from industry associations all the way up until his retire-

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Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 P: California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a **CLASSIFIED** (833) 290-7452 | F: (562) 983-5379 The street are unable to connect to your remote hearing, notice under section 9052 of the California Probate address and other common designation, if any, of call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to the real property described above is purported to be: 21 Ardmore, Irvine, CA 92602. The undersigned Code. Other California statutes and legal authority appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your may affect your rights as a creditor. 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BSC 224058 NOTICE OF PETITION

A Request for Special Notice form is available from

Newport Beach, CA 92660 Published in the ORANGE COAST DAILY PILOT on:

the court clerk.

Attorney for the Petitioner:

SARAH A. KIRLAND, ESQ. SARAH A. KIRLAND, ESQ., INC. APC

5120 Campus Drive, Suite 150

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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If 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: RENEE C LLOYD-NASIRI ESO LLOYDS & ASSOCIATES, PLC 4630 CAMPUS DR., STE 211 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 in the HUNTINGTON BEACH Published INDEPENDENT on: 10/12, 10/19 & 10/26/2023

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# LEGAL NOTICE

# NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Coast Community College District ("DISTRICT"), acting by and through its Board of Trustees, will receive sealed bids for the award of a contract for the following named Project. Bids will be received up until, but not later than, the bid deadline listed below.

Project Name:	Orange Coast College Pool & Classrooms				
Bid Number:	Bid #2194				
Advertisement:	10/19/23 & 10/26/23				
Pre-Bid RFI Deadline:	11/9/23, 12:00 P.M.				
Bid Deadline:	11/15/23 Prior to 2:00 P.M.				

A MANDATORY pre-bid job-walk will be held at 9:00 A.M., November 3, 2023, SE side of Bldg. 91-Gymnasium, Pool side. 2701 Fairview Rd, Costa Mesa, CA 92626.

Place of Bid Receipt: All bids shall be submitted electronically via the PlanetBids Vendor portal located on the District Website (https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/36722/bo/bo-detail/110836), including the forms furnished by the District, prior to the bid closing date and time, and results will be available immediately upon the close of bids. Incomplete, inaccurate, or untrue responses or information provided therein by a bidder shall be grounds for the District to reject such submissions for non-responsiveness.

Project Description: Abatement and demolition of the various existing building and structures, including capping, removal and/or rerouting of utilizes, including installation of various owner furnished equipment per drawings. Bids amounts to be provided separately for each area (Area A: Woman's locker room & Pool, Area B: Building 71 & 72). Complete scope of work can be found within the PlanetBids project description. It is anticipated that the project construction will commence on Dec 11, 2023, and be complete by May 31, 2024.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15 and Public Contract Code Section 3300. The District requires that the bidder possess at the time of bid, and maintain throughout the duration of the Agreement, the following license classification(s):

Bid Package	Trade	License	Engineer's Estimate
1	General	В	\$850,000

DIR Registration. Each bidder submitting a proposal to complete the work, labor, material, and/or services ("Work") subject to this procurement must be a Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") registered contractor pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. A bidder who is not a DIR-registered contractor when submitting a proposal for the Work is deemed "not qualified" and the proposal of such a Bidder will be rejected for non-responsiveness. Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, all subcontractors identified in a Bidder's subcontractors' list shall be DIR-registered contractors as well.

Prevailing Wage Rate ("PWR") Monitoring and Enforcement. The Work is subject to payment of the PWR. The Contractor and all Subcontractors of every tier shall pay laborers performing any portion of the Work not less than the PWR established for the labor provided. Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4(a)(4), PWR monitoring, and enforcement shall be by the DIR.

More information regarding this project can be found on the PlanetBids Vendor portal listed above. Further inquiries should be directed to the District's Purchasing Department at purchasing@cccd.edu.

Published in the Daily Pilot on: October 19, 2023 & October 26, 2023

Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call, (916) 939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website, www.nationwideposting.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 23-05760CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 23-05760CA to find the date on CALIFORNIA NEVADA OREGON WASHINGTON 301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 P: (833) 290-7452 | F: (562) 983-5379 which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.nationwideposting.com or Call: (916) 939-0772. Dated: September 21, 2023 By: Carlos Foreclosure Associate Affinia Default Quezada Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 (833) 290-7452 NPP0441002 To: NEWPORT HARBOR NEWS PRESS COMBINED WITH DAILY PILOT 10/05/2023, 10/12/2023, 10/19/2023

Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said

note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the

Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and

expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by

said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$190,773.36 (Estimated).

Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will

increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at

the time of sale the opening bid may be less than

the total indebtedness due. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL

BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this

property lien, you should understand that there are

risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You

will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself.

TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Chris Todero. aka Christopher Alexander Todero, aka Christopher A. Todero, aka Chris A. Todero 30-2023-01317838-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: Chris Todero, aka Christopher Alexander Todero, aka Christopher A. Todero, aka Chris A. Todero.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Linda Todero in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Linda Todero be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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 Dec 07, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM6

located at: 3390 HARBOR BVLD. 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 (occourts.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: JONATHAN D. PRIMUTH, ESQ LAGERLOF, LLP 155 NORTH LAKE AVE., 11TH FLOOR PASADENA, CA 91101 Published in the HUNTINGTON B INDEPENDENT on: 10/12, 10/19 & 10/26/2023 HUNTINGTON BEACH

# GIRLS' TENNIS Corona del Mar reaches top in Surf League

## **BY MATT SZABO**

The Corona del Mar and Huntington Beach high school girls tennis teams have traded off the Surf League title over the last few years.

This year, the Sea Kings reign with their depth.

Corona del Mar won 11-7 at Huntington Beach High on Tuesday to clinch at least a share of the league title with two matches remaining. The Sea Kings can win it outright Thursday with a win at home over an improved Fountain Valley squad.

CdM, ranked No. 8 in CIF Southern Section Division 1, improved to 12-4 overall and 4-0 in league. That's ahead of defending champion Huntington Beach (9-4, 2-2).

Senior Yen Nhi Huynh-Nguyen easily won her three singles sets for the Oilers, 6-2, 6-0, 6-0. But CdM's Sophia Andrei-Birca, Emilie Lew and Sienna Brooks were all able to easily win their other two singles sets.

"I have to be on my top game every time I play them," said Andrei-Birca, a senior. "Yen played smarter today, she played better than me, but I did have to fight to get those two games and definitely deserved those [other two] wins."

The twin sister tandem of sophomores Polina and Sasha Briggs swept in doubles for CdM, which also got two wins from its No. 1 team of seniors Sasha Fellner and Elodie Dennison.

The teams split two marathon first-round doubles matches. Huntington Beach seniors Sophia



James Carbone

**CORONA DEL MAR'S** Sophia Andrei-Birca hits a backhand during Tuesday's match at Huntington Beach.

Straub and Ella Weisman edged Fellner and Dennison, 7-6 (7-5). But the Briggs sisters topped the Oilers' Le Nhi Huynh-Nguyen and Eve Hazard by the same score, helping CdM earn an early 4-2 sets lead.

Straub and Weisman edged CdM's Lillia Edalat and Isabel Roytman 7-6 (7-5) in the second round, but all of the other sets played were lopsided.

"It was kind of a long grind of a match, with not that much interesting tennis, but a win's a win," CdM coach Jamie Gresh said. "We got a win on the road. My kids are there to compete. We play fast and we're in shape and we're ready to go, so we're dialed in for all these

matches for sure."

After Huntington Beach won its first Surf League title in 2020, CdM was back on top in 2021. The teams seemed destined for a split last year.

But on Senior Day last year against Newport Harbor, Gresh inserted all of his seniors after a 5-1 first round. The Sailors came back for a 10-8 upset victory in the league finale, giving Huntington Beach the outright league crown.

"It was just a really big mess," Andrei-Birca said with a laugh. "He subbed everyone out really early, put the seniors in and it just went downhill from there. But it's OK, he said it won't happen again."

Huntington Beach, which has had a lot of coaching turnover in recent years, has a first-year head coach in Jill Muranaka. She said the Oilers' coach last year, Megan Wilson, died of breast cancer at the age of 37 last December, following the season.

Wilson, an Edison High tennis graduate who left behind a husband and two children, started a nonprofit, Still We Rise Against Breast Cancer, before she passed. It continues to accept donations that will go to individuals and families closely impacted by breast cancer.

A fundraising event at the Huntington Club on Sunday raised more than \$26,000, Muranaka said.

Weisman said the Oilers are grateful that they've had an assistant coach, Brett Halpin, as a stabilizing force.

"[Wilson] left a lot for the program," Weisman said. "Not only did she leave a letter and a message to us, but she also left her ideals and her style that I think the coaches have carried on."

Huntington Beach hosts Los Alamitos on Thursday.

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# CROSS-COUNTRY Local girls race up front in cross-country championships

# **BY ANDREW TURNER**

SILVERADO — The Orange County cross-country championships arrived this weekend, with teams looking to make a statement before a much-anticipated release of rankings.

A key set of rankings came out on Monday following the meet, the first of the final four to be put out by the CIF Southern Section this season. Teams that appear twice in the top 13 of the final four rankings earn a spot on the starting line in the CIF preliminaries, regardless of whether or not they qualify through their league finals.

With that in mind, teams

Keaton Robar led the local contingent, finishing as the runner-up to the indomitable Holly Barker of Trabuco Hills, who won her third county title in as many starts.

Coming off a breakthrough season on the track, in which she placed fifth in the 800 meters of the CIF State finals as a sophomore, Robar has upped her game on the scenic circuit. She ran a lifetime-best time of 16 minutes 35.4 seconds on the 3-mile course, one week after she set a new personal record of 18:15.8 on a 5K course in the Clovis Invitational.

Newport Harbor has kept a busy schedule, Sailors coach Haley Bates saying Marley McCullough (12th, 17:08.1) in the girls' sweep-stakes race on Saturday.

Barker paced the field in 16:08.1, but a handful of local girls filed in behind her. Huntington Beach had two top-10 finishers in senior Makenzie McRae (sixth, 16:40.5) and freshman Sydney Rubio (ninth, 16:50.8).

The duo led Huntington Beach to a sixth-place finish as a team, the best among local boys' and girls' teams in the featured races. The Oilers were rewarded with an appearance at No. 11 in the Division 1 girls' rankings this week.

"We need to get a ranking because nothing's guaranteed out of [Surf] League," Huntington Beach coach Kareen Shackelford said. "Sydney is such a talented athlete. She plays football, she does the surf team, she's a cheerleader, so we only get her actually out in practice a few days a week.

"She and Makenzie had an excellent workout on Tuesday. They were training together. It was so exciting. I think [things] are clicking for Sydney. Makenzie's tough as nails, and all the other girls [set their personal records] today. I couldn't ask for anything more. I'm so proud of all of them and how hard they worked."

Corona del Mar senior Melisse Djomby-Enyawe placed seventh in 16:42.3, keying a 12th-place showing for the Sea Kings in the girls' sweepstakes.

Edison freshman Avery Williams won the girls' medium schools race in 18:20.7, doing so in her first look at the course. "It feels really good," remarked Williams on the win, adding that running competitively is a relatively new experience for her. "[It was] kind of just pacing, running my own race, not worrying about the people around me."

Laguna Beach won the girls' small schools race 40-59 over Pacifica. The Breakers, who are now ranked No. 7 in Division 4, had a scoring quintet consisting of Sydney Sydney (second, 18:32.3), Yolo Javier (fifth, 18:59.0), Hayden Joseph (10th, 19:31.6), Anoua Carrie (11th, 19:36.2) and Kiara Flores (21st, 20:14.2).

Corona del Mar topped the area performances on the boys' side. Sophomore Kevin Steinman (20th, 14:43.8) and junior Max Douglass (23rd, 14:44.8) propelled the Sea Kings to 11th place in the boys' sweepstakes. The latest rankings have the CdM boys at No. 9 in Division 3. Newport Harbor junior

Uriel Rosete (fourth, 15:43.7) and Ocean View sophomore Maury Young (sixth, 15:59.9) were the area's top finishers in the boys' medium and small schools races, respectively.

Dana Hills clipped San Clemente 48-53 to claim the county championship in the boys' sweepstakes, while JSerra ran away from Trabuco Hills 46-110 to take home the title in the girls' sweepstakes.

"Everyone PR'ed by a minimum of 10 seconds all across the board, so I'm super proud of everyone," said junior Evan Noonan, who won his first individual county crown in 13:59.4 for Dana Hills. "Can't ask for more, and just glad that we can take back that county title."

and individuals put their best foot forward at Oak Canyon Park over the twoday event on Friday and Saturday.

Newport Harbor junior

coach Haley Bates saying that the team exercises an approach of training through races. The training wheels came off for Robar and fellow junior teammate

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# JONES

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with them was my entertainment and media platform. People know who I am because of my public community image that I've built of being for everyone and with everyone. Every stage we were on, it was incredible, and people could see that I'm a real candidate."

Assembly District 72 encompasses mostly coastal Orange County, including Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach and Seal Beach, as well as Aliso Viejo, Lake Forest, Laguna Hills and Laguna Woods.

Jones exits a crowded Congressional District 47 race that includes fellow Democrats Dave Min, currently a state senator, and Joanna Weiss, as well as former state Assemblyman and Republican Scott Baugh.

As the only current Democratic candidate in Assembly District 72, Jones would have a clear path through the primaries and into the general election. Jones, who owns a gym in Huntington Beach, is running for public office for the first time. She has previously been a candidate for the Huntington Beach City Council seat vacated by Tito Ortiz in 2021, which Rhonda Bolton eventually filled via appointment.

She said she wants to spearhead fundraising efforts and to engage younger demographics, including Gen Z and millennials.

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Courtesy of Kerrie Conti

**FORMER DAILY PILOT** photographer Richard Koehler with his wife, Beryl, in November 2020. Beryl Koehler died in November 2022.

# OBITUARY

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to Conti. But the photos didn't stop there. The retiree lent his talents as a freelancer for the Orange County Register and was still snapping pics in 2022, when he received a firstplace prize from the Orange County Press Club

place prize from the Orange County Press Club for a photo of a fatal vehicle crash in Newport Beach.

Members of the Costa Mesa Police Department remembered Koehler in a Facebook tribute Friday, recognizing the friendships he forged with first responders over his lifetime of service to the community.

"If you have ever read the local papers, you must have seen a photo taken by Scoop. At a crime scene, he was the first photographer on scene, day or night," the tribute read. "Many of us worked with him for years, and for some of us he eventually became like family. He will be missed — RIP, Scoop."

Koehler was predeceased by his wife of 52 years, Beryl, who died in November 2022 after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease, during which Richard was her primary caregiver.

Diagnosed with esophageal cancer in 2021, he initially underwent treatment with few symptoms. But his health declined after the death of his wife, and Koehler received hospice care in the final days of his life.

Čonti said even during her father's final months, local firefighters and police officers came to visit and pay their respects. When Koehler was in the hospital, his cellphone kept ringing with breaking news alerts and had to be silenced.

He is survived by son Tobin Koehler and daughter-in-law Sherrie, of Fountain Valley; son Todd Koehler and daughter-inlaw Sarah, of Rancho Santa Margarita; and daughter Kerrie Conti and her husband, Steve Conti, of Costa Mesa. He also leaves grandchildren Sydney, Braden, Alexa, Katie and Lindsey.

Family members are making arrangements with St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach for a memorial service at a date to be determined.

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