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SANTA HIGH-FIVES Rose Stokes, with the rest of the family, Legend, Maze, mom Tia, Tazz and Major, from left, after they brought the iconic red Giving Machines to Southern California with a launch event at Pacific City in Huntington Beach on Tuesday.

Charitable giving made easy

Bright red Giving Machines at Pacific City, the first in Southern California, allow visitors to donate 30 different items in support of a variety of charities.

BY MATT SZABO

Vending machines usually provide food, drink or some other service that can immediately be enjoyed.

But the iconic red Giving Machines give another kind of instant gratification to a purchaser, who can pick out items to purchase for donation to both local and international nonprofits.

Three Giving Machines opened during a launch event Tuesday night at Pacific City

in Huntington Beach. They'll be there through Dec. 17, when they move to Dana Point Harbor from Dec. 19 through Dec. 29.

Though 61 locations around the world will have the Giving Machines this holiday season, this is the first time they've been in Southern California since they were first launched in 2017. Officials said the machines have generated more than \$22 million in donations since that launch.

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LONGTIME TV NEWS anchor Chuck Henry and Santa Claus make a donation to the Giving Machines at Pacific City in Huntington Beach.

Homicide victim likely related to suspect

Accused in of killing H.B. resident, 78, once had the same last name.

BY SARA CARDINE

A woman whose body was discovered inside a Huntington Beach home the morning of Nov. 17 — prompting the arrest of a

48-year-old woman on suspicion of murder — has been identified, officials reported.

Orange County Sheriff's Department spokesman Sgt. Mike Woodroof said Tuesday the corner's office had identified the decedent as Sondra Lee Pettner, 78, of Huntington Beach.

The listed homeowner at 6032 Tyndall Drive, where the incident

took place, Pettner appears to be related to suspect Christine Ann Lamphier, a self-described nurse taken into custody by Huntington Beach police.

Lamphier is being held in jail on \$1 million bail and is scheduled to appear in court on Dec. 12 for an arraignment and bail review hearing. Prosecutors allege her offenses involved "great

bodily harm, threat of great bodily harm and other acts disclosing a high degree of cruelty, viciousness and callousness."

Court records indicate that Lamphier has also gone by the name "Christine Ann Pettner." An online genealogy site references an April 1996 wedding cer-

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Sewage spill shuts down Laguna coastline

An estimated 94,500 gallons of sewage resulted in closure from Laguna Avenue to Blue Lagoon on Wednesday.

BY ANDREW TURNER

A sewage spill amounting to an estimated 94,500 gallons resulted in the closure of a significant portion of the Laguna Beach coastline on Wednesday.

Orange County Health Care Agency officials opted to close the beaches from Laguna Avenue to Blue Lagoon in response to the spill. The decision was made by the agency's environmental health division.

The incident occurred due to a "break in a force main sewer line," per the agency. Laguna Beach public works had been performing routine maintenance on the line overnight.

"It's an aging sewer system,

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A PROTESTER holding a sign with the colors of the Palestine flag and the words "end genocide" speaks to police on Sunday during a pro-Palestinian rally held in Laguna Beach.

Don Leach
Staff Photographer

Pro-Palestine rally draws dozens to Laguna Beach

BY ANDREW TURNER

A pro-Palestinian rally drew a crowd of 80 to 100 demonstrators to Main Beach on Sunday, authorities said.

The demonstration took place between 3:30 and 7 p.m.

Laguna Beach police at the scene made one arrest on suspi-

cion of assault and resisting and delaying an officer, Lt. Jason Faris said.

One of the demonstrators held a sign with the likeness of the flag of Palestine, inscribed with the words "end genocide."

In its meeting on Oct. 24, the Laguna Beach City Council adopted a resolution condemn-

ing acts of terrorism against Israel and urging both sides to end the humanitarian crisis.

The council took the action following the Hamas attacks on Israel on Oct. 7, which left at least 1,200 people dead.

Mayor Bob Whalen noted there have been two pro-Palestinian rallies in the city this

month, including one on Nov. 12 and the latest on Sunday.

Whalen said he did not believe the demonstrations were related to the resolution, noting that there had been similar rallies elsewhere in the county. He added that Main Beach often sees

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Lawsuit filed against voter ID proposal

A former Surf City planning commissioner says a potential charter amendment in H.B. violates elections code.

BY MATT SZABO

Plenty of people have questioned a proposed Huntington Beach charter amendment that will be on March's primary ballot that would require voters to show identification.

One Surf City resident has now taken it to court.

Mark Bixby filed in Orange County Superior Court last week challenging the potential amendment, which he says would violate both the California Constitution's right to vote and the California Elections Code.

Bixby, a former Huntington Beach planning commissioner, publishes the Surf City Sentinel.

"Imposing a Voter ID requirement in city elections is not just a terrible idea that will undermine confidence in local elections, but is a clear and blatant violation of the state constitution, the state elections code and basic fundamental rights," Bixby said in a statement. "The City Council has ignored state officials, public interest groups and its own residents in proposing this measure. What is worse is that there is no basis for this requirement. De-

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James Carbone

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FLOCK OF SEAGULLS

- 11/30 THE MUSICAL BOX - *SELLING ENGLAND BY THE POUND*
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- 12/8 GENE LOVES JEZEBEL / BOW WOW WOW
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- 12/21 THE CHAIRMAN & THE BOARD (*THE RAT PACK TRIBUTE*)
- 12/22 AMBROSIA *A VERY SPECIAL HOLIDAY SHOW*
- 12/23 FLOCK OF SEAGULLS
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STARRING MATTHEW & GUNNAR NELSON
- 12/28 L.A. GUNS
- 12/29 DONAVON FRANKENREITER / *GOODNIGHT, TEXAS*
- 12/30 DONAVON FRANKENREITER / *GOODNIGHT, TEXAS*
- 12/31 LOS LOBOS *NEW YEAR'S EVE!*
- 1/5 QUEEN NATION (*QUEEN TRIBUTE*)
- 1/6 QUEEN NATION (*QUEEN TRIBUTE*)
- 1/7 BOBBY GRAY
- 1/11 CANNED HEAT
- 1/12 TOMMY CASTRO
- 1/13 WILD CHILD (*THE DOORS TRIBUTE*)
- 1/14 CUBENSIS (*GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE*)
- 1/18 ERIC SARDINAS /
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- 1/19 MARC COHN
- 1/20 MARC COHN
- 1/21 BIG MOUNTAIN
- 1/26 PETTY BREAKERS (*TOM PETTY TRIBUTE*)
- 1/28 THE FOUR FRESHMEN
- 2/3 GLENN HUGHES *DEEP PURPLE SET*
- 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF BURN
- 2/6 RICKIE LEE JONES



THU, DEC 28
L.A. GUNS



DEC 29 & 30
DONAVON FRANKENREITER



SUN, DEC 31
LOS LOBOS
New Year's Eve



THU, JAN 11
CANNED HEAT

- 2/9 FAST TIMES (*80s CONCERT EXPERIENCE*)
- 2/10 JOURNEY USA (*JOURNEY TRIBUTE*)
- 2/14 OTTMAR LIEBERT & LUNA NEGRA
- 2/15 KARLA BONOFF
- 2/16 PRINCE AGAIN (*PRINCE TRIBUTE*)
- 2/17 THE MOTELS
- 2/22 SHAWN PHILLIPS
- 2/23 BEATLES VS STONES - *A MUSICAL SHOWDOWN*
- 2/24 DADA
- 3/1 G. LOVE & SPECIAL SAUCE
- 3/7 THE BODEANS
- 3/9 SUPER DIAMOND (*NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE*)
- 3/13 REVEREND HORTON HEAT
- 3/14 COLIN JAMES
- 3/28 HERMAN'S HERMITS
STARRING PETER NOONE
- 3/29 HERMAN'S HERMITS
STARRING PETER NOONE
- 4/5 ULI JON ROTH
- *INTERSTELLAR SKY GUITAR TOUR*
- 4/6 RONSTADT REVIVAL (*LINDA RONSTADT TRIBUTE*)
- 4/10 JOAN OSBORNE ACOUSTIC TRIO
- 4/12 ROGER CLYNE & THE PEACEMAKERS
- 4/14 THE FABULOUS THUNDERBIRDS
- 4/18 SPONGE
- 4/19 RICHIE FURAY
- 4/21 VONDA SHEPARD
- 4/25 ISRAEL VIBRATION & ROOTS RADICS
- 4/27 KIDS OF CHARLEMAGNE (*STEELY DAN TRIBUTE*)
- 5/24 DON'T STOP BELIEVIN' (*JOURNEY TRIBUTE*)
- 7/20 Y&T 50TH ANNIVERSARY



FRI, JAN 12
TOMMY CASTRO



THU, JAN 18
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MARC COHN



SUN, JAN 21
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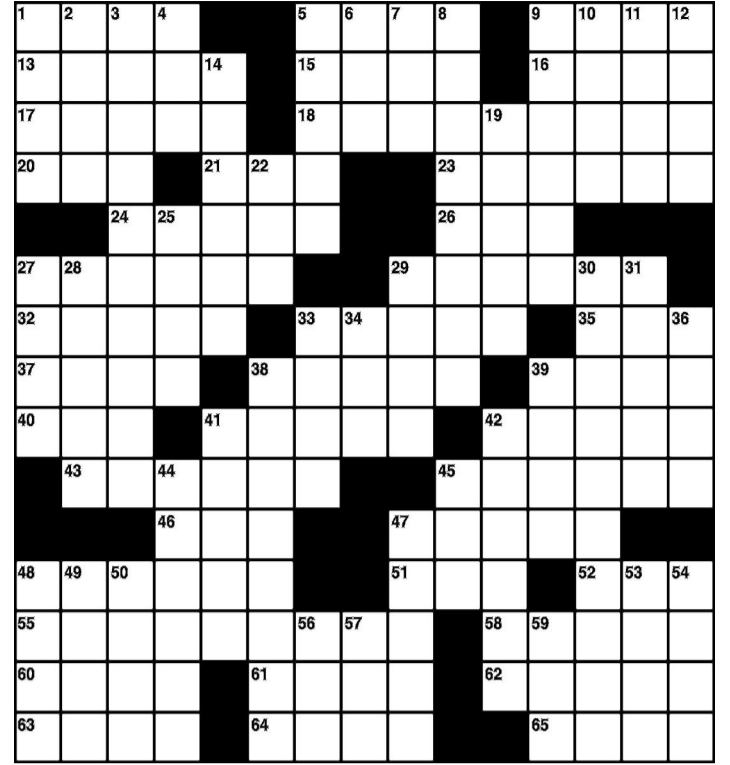
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By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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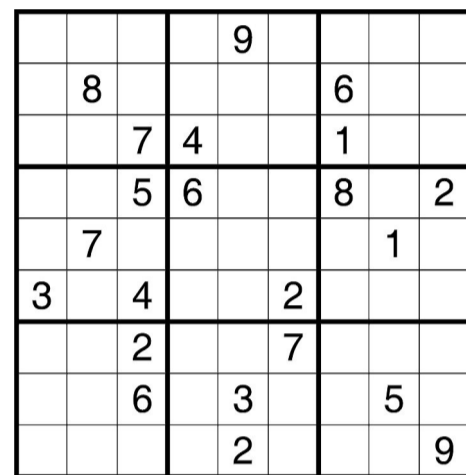
- 1 Ocean liner
- 5 "Safe!" callers
- 9 Night _; those up late
- 13 Wave patterns
- 15 Tack
- 16 Stumble
- 17 Proficient
- 18 Private investigator
- 20 Affirmative vote
- 21 Indignation
- 23 Very happy
- 24 Of the moon
- 26 Fido's foot
- 27 Frolicsome
- 29 Word of warning
- 32 Gets the booby prize
- 33 Bequest recipients
- 35 Pixie
- 37 Consumes
- 38 Dissolves
- 39 Adhesive
- 40 Bordeaux buddy
- 41 Reaches a high point
- 42 Boorish
- 43 Drag; haul
- 45 Vincent & others
- 46 Furniture wood
- 47 Signified
- 48 Overexert
- 51 Suffix for differ or insist
- 52 Everyone
- 55 Polite
- 58 WWII journalist
- 60 Up in _; outraged
- 61 Uses a straw
- 62 Foot warmers
- 63 Wear a long face
- 64 Kill, as a dragon
- 65 Nectar collectors



SUDOKU

By the Mephram Group

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



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A6.

DOWN

- 1 Go nowhere
- 2 Conceal
- 3 Starry-eyed
- 4 Get-up-and-go
- 5 Beneath
- 6 Name with Fannie or Ginnie
- 7 Cherry center
- 8 Pullman cars
- 9 Second-largest nation's capital
- 10 Judge's order
- 11 "_ and Let Die"; 007 film
- 12 Raced
- 14 Smells awful
- 19 Crab's defense

- 22 Sunbeam
 - 25 Doesn't let go to waste
 - 27 _ market; swap meet
 - 28 Meanders
 - 29 Particles
 - 30 Unwillingness
 - 31 Stay away from
 - 33 Stack
 - 34 Utah's official state animal
 - 36 Charges
 - 38 Quality of the humble
 - 39 Put on a happy face
 - 41 Hair braid
 - 42 Warehouse boxes
 - 44 Raspy-voiced
 - 45 Signer's need
 - 47 Sloppy
 - 48 Pull a fast one on
 - 49 Matador's opponent, in Spain
 - 50 Seat
 - 53 Take a fancy to
 - 54 Not as much
 - 56 Jed Clampett's discovery
 - 57 Work _ sweat; toil hard
 - 59 Actor Estes
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Suspect in Fountain Valley stabbing, 23, charged with murder

BY LILLY NGUYEN, ANDREW TURNER

The victim of a purported stabbing either late Thanksgiving or early Friday was identified by Fountain Valley police as 32-year-old Lorenzo Carreno of Santa Ana.

In an initial statement Friday, authorities said they responded to calls of a possible stabbing in the area near Edinger Avenue and Newhope Street at 12:33 a.m.

Upon arrival, police discovered the victim, Carreno, with multiple stab wounds and delivered first aid before transporting the victim to a nearby hospital.

He later died of his injuries, and police identified David Michael MacDonald as a suspect in the matter.

MacDonald, 23, of Huntington Beach, was arrested at the scene. Authorities said MacDonald self-reported the incident to the police.

Court records Tuesday indicate that MacDonald is charged with murder and faces an additional sentencing enhancement for personally using a deadly weapon, but he has not yet entered a plea. Police said the incident appears to be isolated, and there is no ongoing danger to the public.

A makeshift memorial had been placed along the sidewalk due west of Karen Avenue near the intersection of Edinger Avenue and Newhope Street. It included a cake marking a 33rd birthday, candles and flowers. Carreno would have turned 33 on Monday, according to authorities.

Authorities are asking those with information to call the Fountain Valley Police Department at (714) 593-4485 or send an email to Det. Ivan Arce at ivan.arce@fountainvalley.org.

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POLICE QUESTION pro-Palestine protesters at a rally in downtown Laguna Beach.

RALLY

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demonstrations on a variety of topics.

"It's one of those places you come, I guess, in the county," Whalen said. "Main Beach in Laguna or Huntington Beach or some

of these beach communities. These demonstrations have been very peaceful, and we're very respectful of people exercising their 1st Amendment rights, as long as they're doing it peacefully, which has been the case here on these couple of demonstrations."

Video posted of the most

recent protest on the social media platform TikTok showed a bus in which some of the protesters had arrived being towed. Additional vehicles displayed Palestinian flags as they drove past.

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T.S. No.: 2021-00424-CA A.P.N.: 935-88-001

Property Address: 103 VIA BARCELONA #1, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.

NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED

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YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 06/06/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

Trustor: MAXINE MORRISON, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN
Duly Appointed Trustee: Western Progressive, LLC

Deed of Trust Recorded 06/22/2006 as Instrument No. 2006000417034 in book ---, page--- and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Orange County, California.

Date of Sale: 12/27/2023 at 03:00 PM

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| Place of Sale: | ON THE FRONT STEPS TO THE ENTRANCE OF THE ORANGE CIVIC CENTER, 300 E. CHAPMAN AVENUE, ORANGE, CA 92866 |
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Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$730,339.83

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK, DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:

All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as:

More fully described in said Deed of Trust.

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A.P.N.: 935-88-001

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above.

The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is:

\$ 730,339.83.

Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt.

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.

The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned causes a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. 234891-CS

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

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: ROYAL RELATIONS, LLC, 220 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 11-532, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

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

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: FORWARD POWER GROUP, LLC, 840 APOLLO STREET, SUITE 300, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT of that certain business located at: 220 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 11-532, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: PRECISION DIESEL

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is DECEMBER 18, 2023, at the office of R ESCROW, 1205 E CHAPMAN AVE, ORANGE, CA 92866 Escrow No. 234891-CS, Escrow Officer CANDICE SILVA

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

(9) The last date for filing claims is: DECEMBER 15, 2023

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

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

DATED: NOVEMBER 22, 2023
TRANSFEREES: FORWARD POWER GROUP, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
ORD-1991549 DAILY PILOT 11/30/23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CATHY ANN HANLEY

CASE NO. 30-2023-01361374-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 CATHY ANN HANLEY.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by SPENCER JAMES HANLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that SPENCER JAMES HANLEY 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 in this court as follows: 02/01/24 at 1:30PM in Dept. CM06 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD, COSTA MESA, CA 92626

NOTICE IN PROBATE CASES

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 a 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.

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LAWSUIT

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spite claims by election deniers, there has been no documented voter fraud in Huntington Beach, and yet the City Council majority has continued to lie to the public about voter fraud and come up with illegal schemes to suppress the vote."

The city's charter has not been changed since 2010. The council held four special meetings regarding charter amendments this fall and came up with three possible amendments that will be decided by the city's voters in March.

Charter Amendment Measure 1 states that Huntington Beach may require voter identification for elections, provide more in-person voting locations and monitor ballot drop boxes for municipal elections beginning in 2026.

The crux of Bixby's petition for writ of mandate against Huntington Beach City Clerk Robin Estanislau and Orange County Registrar of Voters Bob Page, filed on Nov. 22, is that requiring voter IDs violates state law and exceeds the city's authority, while also resulting in discrimination against senior citizens, voters with disabilities and minorities.

In late September, state Atty. General Rob Bonta and Secretary of State Shirley Weber sent a letter to the City Council warning against the proposed voting

changes. "Everybody has warned the City Council that it can't violate the voting rights of the people of the state of California," said Bixby's attorney, Lee Fink, in an interview Tuesday. "It is not a municipal affair ... and the city has just plunged ahead with it. I assume that they've been expecting to litigate this, and so now it's upon them."

The formal argument in favor of Charter Amendment Measure 1, written by Mayor Tony Strickland and Mayor Pro Tem Gracey Van Der Mark, states exactly the opposite. It says that the state's constitution gives charter cities like Huntington Beach the power to govern their own local elections.

"It is crucial for our democracy that voters have faith in our election results," the argument reads. "That trust in the outcome of elections comes into question when we can't always be certain who is voting."

Thirty-six states request or require voters to show identification at the polls, but California is not one of them.

"What we have, despite all sorts of imagined harms, is that there's never been any serious issue of in-person voter impersonation that voter ID would solve," Fink said. "It's all ginned up outrage that's false."

Bixby's suit actually seeks to throw out the second

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VICTIM

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emony in Nevada, between someone of that name and one Robert Clark Lamphier.

The suspect maintained multiple accounts on social media — using both surnames, sometimes in conjunction — that placed her in Huntington Beach and Manhattan, N.Y.

Voting records for Lamphier list the home at 6032

Tyndall Drive as her official residence, though authorities are not elaborating on whether she was residing at the property when the incident occurred.

In 2019, Lamphier was at the center of a handful of hearings involving a mental health conservatorship, court records indicate. The outcome of those proceedings, or whether Lamphier is or was the subject of public guardianship, are unknown.

Anyone with information related to this crime is asked to contact Sgt. Anthony Pham at (714) 878-5640.

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Mary (Glasser) Spinner, 81, of Costa Mesa passed away on November 11, 2023 while vacationing in Kauai with her daughters by her side. Mary was born and raised in Los Angeles. She graduated from Dorsey High School in 1960. Shortly thereafter, she met her husband Karl and they married on December 22, 1962, and moved to Costa Mesa in 1965. They spent 56 years together until his death in 2019. Mary remained in her original Mesa Verde Upper Bird Street home until her passing. She took pride in her family, raising three daughters, Maureen, Susan and Laura. She was an avid reader, gardener, homemaker and USC football fan. When Mary wasn't playing tennis at Mesa Verde Country Club, you could find her cheering on her grandkids on the baseball and soccer fields or beside the swimming pool. Mary is survived by her 3 daughters Maureen Wauters (Mike), Sue Harrison (Ken), Laura Brooks (Todd) and 7 grandchildren, Matthew, Ryan, Alexandra, Jake, Sean, Kate and Ryder. Services by O'Connor Mortuary, Laguna Hills.

Fire & Ice Festival kicks off at the Dunes

BY SUSAN HOFFMAN

This year the annual lighting of the bay at Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort & Marina looks a little different. The opening night celebration that kicked off the holiday season the day after Thanksgiving added the Fire and Ice Festival for the first time.

"We've always strived to make it different, bigger and grander," said Phil Ravenna, general manager Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort & Marina. "Personally, for me, now in my 10th year of holiday lighting, I wanted to figure something out that was an activity throughout the holiday season for our RV guests and the community."

Ravenna and his team came up with an ice-skating rink. They wanted to create a temporary outdoor holiday facility similar to those in Costa Mesa, Irvine Spectrum and Huntington Beach. "After I saw the Huntington Beach ice rink, which sold us, then we teamed up with Ice America," said Ravenna.

Ice America began construction of the 4,100-square-foot portable rink, one of the largest in Orange County, during the first week of November in the



Photos by Susan Hoffman

ADULTS AND KIDS get pushed across the ice rink on Bobby the Seal during the Fire & Ice Festival held at Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort. It runs through New Year's Day.

parking area between the boat launch and the bridge. "Thus far we've had nothing but excitement from people walking by asking what was going up," said Ravenna.

"We frequently come to Newport Dunes, it's always lovely to come up here for family fun," said Lake San Marcos resident Laura Smith, who was staying at

the Dunes through the holiday until New Year's Day. "We saw the ice-skating rink on the Newport Dunes website, and this is the kids' third time in." According to *newportdunes.com*, the 90-minute sessions can accommodate 75 to 80 skaters ages 3 and older, and reservations are highly recommended. The rink is open through Jan. 1

on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. (last skate session starts at 8) and Mondays through Thursdays from 2 to 9:30 p.m. Nov. 27 through Dec. 14 and 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 18 through Jan. 1.

High school student Hannah Wegner, 16, of Newport Beach was happy to have a rink closer to



HANNAH WEGNER, 16, took a break from skating during the first night of the Fire & Ice Festival on Friday.

home since the Great Park in Irvine had been the nearest option.

"It was really fun. I'm glad they decided to implement the rink this year," said Wegner. "The Christmas music adds to the fun of it."

During opening night, skaters of all ages and abilities enjoyed the rink in part thanks to the skating aid accessories like Bobby the Seal and Tommy the Reindeer.

Among the 2,700 attendees was Laguna Beach resident Kristie Hensley, who brought her two daughters, Kendal, 8, and Charli, 6. "I'm so excited

about it, this is our first time here," said Hensley. "I get emails from the Dunes, and I booked the ice-skating tickets online a month ago."

As for the "Fire" festivities, portable fire pits are scattered throughout the facility with "S'more kits" available and accompanied by hot chocolate. Also new this year will be 15-minute "Fire Dancing" shows performed on Friday and Saturday nights at 5:45 and 7:45. The ice portion of the festival includes an igloo bar for adults.

Susan Hoffman is a contributor to the Daily Pilot.

SEWAGE

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and so we go in and do these kinds of routine maintenance repairs all the time," Mark McAvoy, the city's director of public works, said in an interview with KTLA on Wednesday. "We tend to do them at night when the system is at its least use, and unfortunately, equipment failure caused this spill to happen."

Mayor Bob Whalen said the sewer line was "fully repaired, shut down and cleaned up" by 8 a.m.

Whalen recalled a 1.4-million-gallon wastewater spill that originated from the city sewage system in 2019, and he was glad to hear that the more recent incident was "fairly minor by comparison."

Laguna Beach reached a \$1.5-million settlement agreement with the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board following the larger spill that occurred over Thanksgiving weekend four years ago.

County health officials have closed off the impacted waters to swimming, surfing and diving until water quality testing

shows that "acceptable standards" have been met.

"I strongly urge Laguna Beach residents, visitors and tourists to heed the warnings of public health experts and avoid the beach," Orange County Supervisor Katrina Foley said in a statement. "I am monitoring the situation to ensure we protect public health and our beaches."

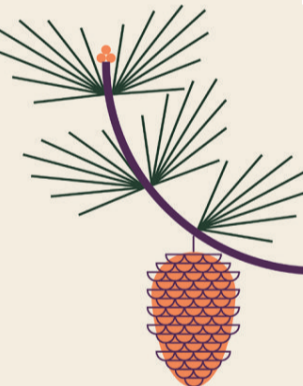
"The Health Care Agency will continue testing the water to determine when the beach is safe to reopen."

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A SIGN WARNING beachgoers at the Cress Street stairs after a reported sewage spill in Laguna Beach. Officials said the spillage was caused by a break in a force main sewer line, which has resulted in an estimated spillage of about 94,500 gallons.

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30-2023-01360929-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: **DINH Q. LUONG, aka DINH QUOC LUONG.**
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **MY LAN THI TRAN** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE.**
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **MY LAN THI TRAN** 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 **Jan 24, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM05** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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ORANGE COUNTY elections workers swap out one empty bin with another at the ballot drop box located at 5 Points Plaza in Huntington Beach in 2021. *File Photo*

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proposed charter amendment, regarding which flags can fly on city property. Fink said the full language of the two amendments themselves was not posted for public examination until Nov. 21, the second-to-last business day of the public examination period required by statute, due to a claimed clerical error.

Huntington Beach City Atty. Michael Gates said Tuesday that he doesn't believe that would be an issue because the 10-day period could start Nov. 21 and still conclude before the Registrar of Voters deadline.

Gates added that he disagrees with Fink and that cities do have local authority that trumps state regulation. The argument is similar to one he made in a federal housing case, which was dismissed earlier this month, though the City Council voted 4-3 to authorize Gates to appeal to the Ninth Circuit.

"All you have to do is gather information about what other cities are doing for their elections, and you see that so many cities have their own sets of rules," Gates said. "Having voter ID and requiring voters to show ID, as a proof of residency or proof of being registered to vote, it's basic and

it's permissible under the law ... There's a lot of saber-rattling and tough talk out there about how what Huntington Beach is attempting to do is illegal, but nobody has offered any proof under the law that what we're preparing to do is illegal."

But Fink said that a voter is clearly defined by state law.

"The city would have to administer an election itself, separately, and you're talking about having a county and statewide election at the same time," he said. "It's a huge cost, and it's a huge confusion. You're supposed to vote twice in November? That literally goes against everything we've ever been taught about democracy, and yet that's the system that the city would have to create in order to implement this unlawful concept."

Fink said that Bixby is seeking an expedited schedule for the current lawsuit.

Fink represented Bixby and former Mayor Connie Boardman when they filed suit in June to stop Surf City from beginning the payment of a multimillion-dollar settlement with Pacific Airshow operator Code Four. That suit was ultimately unsuccessful.

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BSC 224280
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Mitchell Lee Jeronimus
30-2023-01360808-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: **Mitchell Lee Jeronimus**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Megan Lee Gengo** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Megan Lee Gengo** 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 **Jan 24, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM05** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange (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: MELANIE FERGUS, ESQ
MEIER LAW FIRM
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NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660
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BSC 224259
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: YURIKO HIRATA MUKAI, aka YURI MUKAI, aka YURI HIRATA
30-2023-01360817-PR-PW-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **YURIKO HIRATA MUKAI, aka YURI MUKAI, aka YURI HIRATA**.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **DAVID S. MUKAI** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **DAVID S. MUKAI** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
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Attorney for the Petitioner: BRUCE J. GARY, ESQ/ BENJAMIN SCHWEFEL, ESQ
MURTAUGH TREGLIA STERN & DEILY LLP
2603 MAIN STREET, PENTHOUSE
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
Escrow No. **022527-SW**

(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described
(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: **MA EXPRESS GROUP LLC, 23642 ROCKFIELD BLVD, UNIT 502, IRVINE, CA 92618**
(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: **157 SUMMERLAND, IRVINE, CA 92602**
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: **ZUOTING YOUYAN CATERING MANAGEMENT (USA) CO. LTD, 14101 FRANCISQUITO AVE, BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706**
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, LEASEHOLD INTEREST & IMPROVEMENTS, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, GOODWILL, AND INVENTORY** of that certain business located at: **23642 ROCKFIELD BLVD, UNIT 502, IRVINE, CA 92618**
(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: **BEIJING NOODLE HOUSE**
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is **DECEMBER 18, 2023** at the office of: **CALIFORNIA ESCROW GROUP, INC., 1110 ROOSEVELT, SUITE #200 IRVINE, CA 92620**, Escrow No. **022527-SW**, Escrow Officer: **SOPHIE WANG**
(8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above
(9) The last date for filing claims is: **DECEMBER 15, 2023**.

(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.
(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: **TAI JI RESTAURANT, 5414 WALNUT AVE #A, IRVINE, CA 92604**.
DATED: **NOVEMBER 8, 2023**
TRANSFEREES: **ZUOTING YOUYAN CATERING MANAGEMENT (USA) CO. LTD, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION**
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COSTA MESA SANITARY DISTRICT
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

NOTICE INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS (BIDS)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors of the Costa Mesa Sanitary District invites and will receive sealed proposals (bids) for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, transportation, permits, and other items necessary for the construction of the following project:
CALCIUM REMOVAL PHASE 2
Project No. 327

This project includes cleaning and removal of calcium and mineral deposits in approximately 2,760 feet of sewer main in 11 locations around the Costa Mesa Sanitary District. Cleaning methods may include:

- HIGH PRESSURE WATER DESCALING
- MECHANICAL CLEANING
- SELF-DRIVEN ROBOTIC CUTTER
- COMBINATION VACUUM/JETTER TRUCK TO REMOVE DEBRIS.

Calcium removal must be done to the point that at least 95% of the original pipe diameter is clear.

The Engineer's Estimate for this project is \$ 145,200.

Bids will be received by the Costa Mesa Sanitary District office at 290 Paularino Avenue, Costa Mesa, California until the hour of **10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 3, 2023**, at which time they will be opened publicly and read aloud in the Board Conference Room. Sealed proposals shall bear the title of the project and the name of the bidder. Any bid received after the scheduled bid opening time shown above will not be accepted and returned to the bidder unopened. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to seal and deliver the bid proposal to the District office at or before the time specified in this notice provided.

A set of the approved contract documents including plans and specifications may be obtained on the District Website:

https://www.cmsdca.gov/news_publications/bid_opportunities.php

There is a mandatory pre-bid meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. The pre-bid meeting will be held at the Costa Mesa Sanitary District office at 290 Paularino Avenue, Costa Mesa, California.

Submit bid questions by email to Michael Benesh, [mbenesh@robhamers.com](mailto:mibenesh@robhamers.com). All questions must be received prior to 5 p.m. on Monday December 18, 2023.

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the California Labor Code, the prevailing rate and scale of wages determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California. Prevailing rates shall be paid to all workers employed in the performance of the contract. Such rates of wages are on file with Department of Industrial Relations and in the office of the District and are available to any interested party upon request. The contractor is responsible for all penalties prescribed for noncompliance with these provisions.

Each bid shall be submitted on the Bid Proposal Form furnished as part of the contract documents, and shall be accompanied by a certified check, a cashier's check or a bidder's bond in an amount not less than 10-percent of the amount of the bid, made payable to the Costa Mesa Sanitary District. The check or bond shall be given as guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract with the District and furnish the required payment and performance bonds and certificates of insurance and endorsements if awarded the work. The check or bond will be declared forfeited if the successful bidder does not enter into the contract or furnish the required bonds and insurance forms under the time frame specified in the construction agreement.

It is imperative that the bidders carefully review this notice and the district's standard construction agreement and insurance forms. The successful bidder will be required to comply with all requirements in the standard construction agreement and insurance forms. In the event of failure or inability to meet these requirements after the award of contract, the District shall have the right to reject the bid and/or declare a forfeiture of the bid bond.

Pursuant to California Contract Code Section 22300, CONTRACTOR will be entitled to post approved securities with the District or an approved financial institution in order to have the District release funds retained by the District to insure performance of the contract.

No bidder or subcontractor shall be listed in a bid proposal unless registered with the Director of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Liquidated damages in the sum of \$500 per day shall be imposed for each unexcused day beyond the contract completion date.

The Board of Directors of the District reserves the right to select the schedule(s) under which the bids are to be compared and contract(s) awarded, to reject any and all bids, and to waive any and all irregularity in any bid.

Dated: November 29, 2023

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COSTA MESA SANITARY DISTRICT

LEGAL NOTICE

T.S. No.: **2023-00764-CA** A.P.N.: **422-463-09**

Property Address: 2108 RALEIGH AVENUE, COSTA MESA, CA 92627

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02/23/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

Trustor: **Raul H. Luna, A Married Man As His Sole And Separate Property**
Duly Appointed Trustee: **Western Progressive, LLC**
Deed of Trust Recorded **02/28/2007** as Instrument No. **2007000132225** in book —, page— and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Orange County, California,
Date of Sale: **12/27/2023 at 03:00 PM**
Place of Sale: **ON THE FRONT STEPS TO THE ENTRANCE OF THE ORANGE CIVIC CENTER, 300 E. CHAPMAN AVENUE, ORANGE, CA 92866**
Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$653,502.99

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:

All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as:

More fully described in said Deed of Trust.

Street Address or other common designation of real property: **2108 RALEIGH AVENUE, COSTA MESA, CA 92627**

A.P.N.: **422-463-09**

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above.

The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: **\$653,502.99**.

Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt.

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.

The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on this 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 (866)-960-8299 or visit this Internet Web site <https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx> using the file number assigned to this case **2023-00764-CA**. 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 Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction, if conducted after **January 1, 2021**, 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 (877)-518-5700, or visit this internet website <https://www.realtybid.com/>, using the file number assigned to this case **2023-00764-CA** to find the date on 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, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, 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.

Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary
C/o 1500 Palma Drive, Suite 238
Ventura, CA 93003
Sole Information Line: (866) 960-8299
<https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx>

Date: November 7, 2023

Trustee Sale Assistant

WESTERN PROGRESSIVE, LLC MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

GIRLS' TENNIS

Sisters charge into CIF Individuals semifinals

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach High senior Yen Nhi Huynh-Nguyen and junior Le Nhi Huynh-Nguyen looked to some special supporters in the stands as they neared the finish line Wednesday afternoon.

Oilers girls' tennis teammates Cecelia Pham, Jolie Wang and Cora Garrard cheered and displayed homemade signs at the CIF Southern Section Individuals Tournament.

The Huynh-Nguyen sisters just grinned. They appreciated the support.

"I love them a lot," Yen Nhi said after the match. "Usually, they don't come to Individuals but they came to the pre-qualifiers [last week]. They asked my coach if they could come, and she cleared it with the athletic director so they could come."

The team atmosphere is not so common at CIF Individuals. But the Oilers are a close-knit bunch, and the sisters are in the midst of what could be a historic run.

They easily won their round of 16 and quarterfinal matches Wednesday at Biszantz Family Tennis Center to book a spot in Thursday's semifinals. Yen Nhi and Le Nhi beat Rihana Ford and Mia Humiston of Brentwood 6-0, 6-1 in the round of 16, then downed No. 4-seeded Cassie Blakey and Ava Min of Palos Verdes 6-2, 6-2 in the quarterfinals.

They will play top-seeded Haley Tran and Chloe Vu of Mater Dei in the semifinals Thursday at 11 a.m., with the title match to follow.

No Huntington Beach High girls' tennis singles player or doubles team has ever made a title match at the CIF Individuals. The oldest Huynh-Nguyen sister, Cindy, was part of the Oilers' only team CIF crown in 2018.

Yen Nhi and Le Nhi, the Surf League doubles champions, look like they could be title contenders this year. For Yen Nhi, making the semifinals was a bit of a breakthrough as she lost in the singles quarterfinals the last two years.

"We played well together today," she said. "[Playing together] was a last-minute decision. We thought we would both play singles, but it's my last year. If she wants to play singles next year, then she can play singles. Since I'm a senior, we might as well play doubles."

The Mater Dei semifinal opponent will be formidable. Vu won last year's CIF doubles title with graduate Natalie Lynch, while Tran got to the quarterfinals with partner Athena Wardy.

"I think it'll be a good match," Yen Nhi Huynh-Nguyen said. "They're both really solid players. They hit strong, they serve strong and they're good in volleys."

Corona del Mar High sophomore Emilie Lew was the other local player to make the round of 16 on



James Carbone

HUNTINGTON BEACH girls' tennis sisters Le Nhi Huynh-Nguyen, foreground, and Yen Nhi Huynh-Nguyen compete Wednesday at the CIF Southern Section Individuals Tournament at Biszantz Family Tennis Center.

Wednesday. Lew lost there to Natalie Kha of Ayala, 6-1, 6-0.

Kha, a left-hander, played aggressively and the Palomares League champion dictated the action.

"I felt like I couldn't really be on defense," Lew said. "Whenever she got me off the court, I would hit a de-

fensive ball back and she would just hit a winner off of it. Even if I hit a deep, defensive ball she could just smack a winner."

Still, it was a nice run for Lew, who finished third in the Surf League singles tournament but eventually got into CIF Individuals as an alternate. Last year, she

missed much of the season with a right wrist injury.

"As a sophomore, I think it's pretty great to make it to the second-to-last day of the Individuals," Lew said. "It's been a pretty good season. We also made it to Open Division, which is great. I definitely improved, and [coach] Jamie [Gresh]

has been great, so yeah. I'm happy to be here."

Lew will be a leader on the team next year, as Gresh said the Sea Kings lose 12 seniors to graduation and had no juniors on varsity this year.

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BOYS' SOCCER

Los Amigos continues hot start with win over Laguna Beach

BY ANDREW TURNER

Los Amigos looks good under the lights, the boys' soccer team earning its third win in as many matches on the new turf field the school's athletic programs have begun putting to use this year.

The Lobos scored goals five minutes apart in the second half Tuesday night, coming away with a 2-1 win over visiting Laguna Beach in a nonleague match.

Senior midfielder Jason Marin broke a scoreless tie off a set piece in the 61st minute, and senior forward Nate Villicana's penalty kick to follow wound up as the game-winning goal.

The opening goal was furnished off a throw-in from junior defender Adrian Ramirez, junior midfielder Erubey Bermudez getting his head to the ball to send it across the box for Marin to tap it in.

"It was a great play, a great run," Marin said. "We connected, and obviously, we got the set piece. It's



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LOS AMIGOS midfielder Jason Marin (9) celebrates after scoring the first goal of a nonleague match against Laguna Beach on Tuesday. The Lobos came away with a 2-1 win.

just movement. We got a big thing going on. Movement causes confusion, so we stayed moving. We set up our little play, I was moving, and I was just right there at the right time."

It wasn't long before the Lobos were buzzing around the box again, and when the ball went airborne, it found the hand of

a Breaker. Villicana converted the penalty kick to double the lead for Los Amigos (3-0). He had hooked a turn-around shot off the left post in the first half.

A bigger team, albeit one that was significantly short-handed with only a couple reserves on the bench, Laguna Beach (0-1-1) had generated more

chances toward goal throughout the match.

Junior forwards Julian Reichel and Max Garner, as well as junior midfielder Ty Tranbarger, were effective in their combinations offensively.

Reichel's determination and speed created chances late. He chased down a ball along the boundary, sliding to keep it in play, got to his feet, and got fouled in the box to earn a penalty kick for his side. Sophomore midfielder Jack Hooper scored from the spot, leading to a frantic finish.

"He's a leader," Laguna Beach coach Andy Thomas said of Reichel. "He was playing, obviously, varsity as a freshman, and you can see why. He's a phenomenal all-around player that can play any position, and he's happy to play in any position, so he's the ultimate player that every coach dreams of. He's willing to do anything, willing to run through a brick wall."

The Breakers had little trouble getting back into

the attacking third in the closing minutes, earning a couple of corner kicks. The last one came from the right corner flag, the ball dipping in and going off a Los Amigos defender.

It bounced to the right post, where freshman midfielder Brady Stringham swung his right foot through the ball, but junior defender Jonathan Sanchez and sophomore goalkeeper Rene Medal (four saves) converged to deny the bid. The referee's whistle blew before the next corner kick could be taken, much to the chagrin of the Breakers.

"If we could create one more opportunity, maybe the tie is in the cards, even with two minutes to go," Thomas added. "We had corners. I can't believe [the referee] blew it on the corner. We were still creating chances there at the bitter end, and that's just a testament to their mentality. They want to do well this year. They have set goals, and they want to make the playoffs."

Medal has earned the win in all three contests for the Lobos.

"Pretty cool," Medal said of the start to his varsity career. "I feel great."

Los Amigos has loaded its nonleague schedule with a heavy dose of area competition, opening with a 3-0 win against Ocean View and then a 3-2 decision over crosstown foe Fountain Valley.

Still to come, the Lobos will play at Marina on Dec. 6 and welcome Huntington Beach to their field on Dec. 13, before beginning defense of their Garden Grove League title.

"We obviously try to schedule these teams because we know that they're very good teams, and we want to push ourselves and see where we're at and set the bar high," Los Amigos coach Jesus Razo said. "When we go into league, we have tasted high competition, so we can be ready."

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GIVING

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The machines are on the ground floor of Pacific City, near the giant Christmas tree, and will operate from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day.

"We get to come together and be able to impact the world," said Tia Stokes, a social media influencer who attended Tuesday night's ribbon-cutting ceremony at Pacific City. "Moms, we don't even have to think what we need to do for service for the holidays. We just have to walk right over there, right? Make it a tradition with your families to give back to these amazing foundations that are out there to help us serve our world today."

Each of the machines has cards with pictures of items that represent different charitable gifts — from therapy dogs and wool blankets to groceries and safe birth for a mom. The

cards also identify the charity that will benefit.

The machines accept credit and debit cards, and the gifts cost as little as a few dollars each. When the purchase is made, the card drops and is held in the machine to show what donations have already been made.

Local organizations with gifts in the Giving Machines include Children's Hospital of Orange County, the Pacific Marine Mammal Center, To Ukraine with Love, the Ocean Institute and the Boys & Girls Club of Central Orange County. UNICEF, Church World Service and WaterAid are the international charities with cards in the machines.

The machines are sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which will handle any associated costs and ensure that 100% of the money donated goes to the benefiting nonprofits. Santa Claus himself made



TWO SISTERS

choose an option as they make a donation at the Giving Machines at Pacific City in Huntington Beach on Tuesday.

Don Leach
Staff
Photographer

the first purchase at Tuesday's event, purchasing one of every item in one of the machines for more than \$1,700.

"The nice thing is, you can pick whatever resonates with you," said Pacific Marine Mammal Center CEO Glenn Gray, adding that the center has items from fish and "healing seals" to camp and

educational benefits in the machines. "That's what's beautiful about our organization and the way it's represented here — there's something for everybody to pick from."

Tuesday's ribbon-cutting ceremony was emceed by longtime Los Angeles television anchor Chuck Henry. Huntington Beach Mayor Pro Tem Gracey Van

Der Mark briefly addressed the crowd, which also heard music from country music artist Cosette Smith.

Smith knows the importance of giving to the local organizations firsthand. She said she had her first son during the coronavirus pandemic but had to take him to CHOC when he had laryngitis and food poisoning at just two days old.

"They took amazing care of us, and they saved my son's life, really," she said. "I'm grateful to be here today to give back in some way."

Stokes, whose five children and husband also were present at Tuesday's event, also dealt with adversity during the pandemic. She was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia in 2020.

"When the world was shut down, I kissed my kids goodbye and went to the hospital to fight for my life," she said. "I call it an opportunity — not an obstacle, not a trial, but an opportunity — because it gave me the chance to be able to spread light in such a different time. The world came to me. People impacted my life ... Together, as a community here, we get to turn around and give it back to those who are in need today."

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