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HUNTINGTON BEACH Mayor Tony Strickland addresses the audience during the Mayor's Breakfast on Thursday.

Strickland speaks to H.B.

Former state senator, assembly member tells audience gathered at mayor's breakfast that he plans to organize a Mayor's Economic Summit this year.

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach Mayor Tony Strickland arrived early to Thursday morning's mayor's breakfast at the Senior Center in Central Park.

To those who know him well, that's not a surprise.

Strickland said his punctuality came from his late father, Donald, a U.S. Navy and Army veteran who became a drill sergeant at Fort Ord Army Post in Monterey.

"You can imagine what it was like to be a kid with a drill sergeant for a dad," Strickland told attendees of Thursday's breakfast. "Every minute I was late, I was grounded for a week. There's a reason why I was the first person here. I'm early everywhere I go. [Councilman] Pat [Burns] and [Mayor Pro Tem] Gracey [Van Der Mark] will say, if I'm not there 15 minutes early, 'He's not coming.'"

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HUNTINGTON BEACH Mayor Pro Tem Gracey Van Der Mark laughs as Mayor Tony Strickland mentions her during his remarks Thursday.

President of California Stonewall Democrats announces bid for 37th state Senate district

BY ERIC LICAS

The 38-year-old president of the California Stonewall Democrats has announced he's running to represent Costa Mesa, Laguna Beach, Newport Beach, Irvine, portions of Huntington Beach and six other Orange County communities as potentially the only Iranian American in the state Senate.

Alex Mohajer grew up in Irvine, where he attended public schools and community college. He continued his education at



Alex Mohajer

UC Berkeley, then came back to Orange County and earned a graduate degree from Chapman University's Dave E. Fowler School of Law. He has spent the past 10 years investigating allegations of discrimination or sexual harassment for Los Angeles County and currently resides in his hometown.

"I have a platform that's about

fighting for working class families, small business owners and public school education, because I'm the son of Iranian immigrants, which really informs my world view," Mohajer said during an interview Wednesday. "My mom came here and struggled and sacrificed a great deal so that we could have access to a good public school education and have opportunities she didn't have."

He also hopes to improve Californians' access to healthcare and "take bold climate change

action." He has pledged not to accept money from donors tied to the fossil fuel industry or those potentially detrimental to the affordability of medical treatment.

He's campaigning to replace Dave Min, the senator currently representing California's 37th senate district who has announced his bid for a seat in the U.S. Congress. If elected in 2024, Mohajer would become the only Iranian American in the legisla-

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Surf City mayor defends housing stance

Tony Strickland, whose home is listed as an affordable housing unit, says state rules would affect quality of life.

BY ERIC LICAS

Huntington Beach Mayor Tony Strickland remains opposed to the construction of large multi-family units in his city and responded to reports that the condo he lives in is part of a development for low-income families by saying he's not against affordable housing.

His residence in the Cape Ann development on the 18000 block of Breezy Lane in west side of Huntington Beach is publicly listed as a state-mandated affordable housing unit. Strickland's wife purchased the four-bedroom property with her former husband in 2000 at a price of \$319,000.

Strickland declared his interest in the property in documents filed during his campaign for City Council and said he does not actually own it. He said its deed rests with a living trust set up to benefit his wife's children in case she were to unexpectedly die.

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New C.M. Chamber leader returns to his roots

David Haithcock brings to his hometown 25 years of experience helping nonprofits and small businesses thrive.

BY SARA CARDINE

David Haithcock spent more than 25 years helping small businesses and nonprofit organizations that were part of larger trade associations leverage their membership to accomplish more than they would have been able to alone.

Although he wouldn't have known it at the time, his professional experience working with members, mainly in the banking industry, provided the perfect training ground for his newest role as president and chief executive of the Costa Mesa Chamber

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Laguna Art Museum raises \$450K through annual auction

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Art Museum brought in more than \$450,000 at its California Cool Art Auction on March 4, the museum announced this week.

The event, in its 41st year, acts as a fundraiser to support education programs and exhibits at the institution.

Works of more than 135 California artists were featured in the auction. The artwork was hung on the museum's walls, but the auction was held online to allow for more people to participate.

A sold-out crowd also enjoyed a live performance from Lee Rocker of the Stray Cats.

"The gross amount that we raised, it's about 15% of our annual operating budget," Victoria Gerard, deputy director of the museum, said. "It certainly is a help, and of course it was a fundraiser, but what's really invaluable here, especially for the museum, is kind of the ability to celebrate and promote California artists, which is so founda-

tional to the museum's history and mission.

"On top of that, the community building and the community connection was really wonderful, more so, I felt, this year than last year. ... People were still recovering from the past few years of the pandemic, and there was just a lot more energy and excitement in the room."

Laguna Art Museum recently installed a new exhibition called "Facing the Giant — Three Decades of Dissent." The exhibit features works of Shepard Fairey, who is known for depicting the struggle against oppression and the fight for change. It will be on view at the museum through June 4.

"Part of the thing that's so exciting about Shepard's work for me and Shepard's work here at the museum is the unique way that art can kind of raise awareness but also contextualize an issue," Gerard said. "It is biased, of course. It has an opinion, but it sort of creates some kind of a ... conversa-

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Courtesy of Laguna Art Museum

LAGUNA ART MUSEUM executive director Julie Perlin Lee speaks to the crowd at the California Cool Art Auction on March 4.

Incoming Newport police chief shares job goals

BY LILLY NGUYEN

While the announcement of his appointment as the new chief of police for the Newport Beach Police Department was made only a few days ago, Joe Cartwright isn't resting on his laurels.

Cartwright will be the 11th chief in the department's history, succeeding former Chief Jon Lewis, who retired last December after a lifelong career in Newport Beach. Cartwright was, until Monday, serving as the department's interim chief while the city searched for its newest top cop before deciding to appoint from within its own ranks. He will officially step into his new role in April and oversee a department of over 200 employees in five divisions and a number of other specialized units.

"I'm extremely honored to have this opportunity, but I also understand that this department and this community has never been about one person, and that's my approach to everything," Cartwright said. "We have an incredible team of officers, professional staff and volun-

teers. They're all dedicated people who want to serve Newport Beach and put the community's needs above their own."

Cartwright, who began his career in law enforcement with the Los Angeles Police Department in 1999, has served on the Newport Beach force since 2002.

His goals as chief, he said, align with a number of initiatives that have already started, and he hopes to continue expanding on them during his tenure. He said he wanted to continue increasing community engagement and pointed to the mobile cafes that the department held at local coffee shops throughout last year.

"The people in Newport Beach are our eyes and ears out there," he noted. "The more that we can educate them and how they can help, the better. Crime prevention is a team sport. People know their neighborhoods, their businesses well. If they see something is suspicious, invariably it's always, 'I don't want to bother you guys,' but that's why we're here. We want you to bother us."

"We'd rather stop a crime from occurring than report

on it after the fact."

Cartwright said he also hopes to increase communication between the city and police in addition to paying close attention to officer wellness, both physically and mentally, to place a greater emphasis on the "human element" of police work.

Addressing crime in the city is an ongoing priority for the department. Cartwright said he knows and hears the concerns about residential burglaries.

"That goes back to doing the mobile cafes and social media and neighborhood watch ... because we're trying to educate people to the tactics that the [South American theft] groups are using so they can harden the target at their home so they're not victimized," Cartwright said, adding that the department provides free home security inspections if people want to check their residences.

Dealing with the ongoing opioid crisis, particularly fentanyl, is another priority for the new chief. He said the department is working on training people how to use Narcan, a nasal spray that can reduce or reverse

the effects of an opioid overdose. He said the employment of Narcan as a life-saving tool is becoming as typical as "CPR or the Heimlich maneuver."

"It's something people need to be able to perform in an emergency. We're planning to get that out to as many people as possible so we can save lives," Cartwright said. "We want to get to the point where all city employees that are in contact with the public have access to it. We want to get to the point ... that people have some on standby like an EpiPen because I want to be realistic that saving the lives of people is the first thing we've got to do. Getting the pills off the street is going to be a huge undertaking."

Cartwright said that when he arrived in 2002, he was amazed by the community support and the quality of the staff. Though he acknowledges the department, like others in the region, faces issues with retention and recruitment, his officers are "among the smartest, highly educated people I've ever been around."

"For me, my greatest success has been engaging



Courtesy of the city of Newport Beach

JOE CARTWRIGHT will be the 11th police chief in the Newport Beach Police Department's history.

them and their brains. My goal is not to be the one who has the ideas and takes the credit, but to really work with my people and get the very best out of them. There's always somebody that has a really great idea, and I want to engage them as well and use their brain power to help propel us into the future," he said. "It's not about me, but it's

about the community. But I enjoy it, I wake up every day proud of what I do and the people I work with.

"I couldn't be more excited. I didn't expect this opportunity to come up when it did, but I was ready for it. I'm happy to be here. I really am."

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CHAMBER

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of Commerce.

"The world of associations is much like the chamber, in that you wear a lot of hats," Haithcock said Thursday. "You're overseeing member development, training and professional development for an institution's employees and providing products and services to help them compete with larger institutions."

He joined the team on Dec. 15, becoming the third president to helm the nonprofit chamber since 2020. His predecessor, Scott Mikelonis, left in November



Courtesy of David Haithcock

DAVID HAITHCOCK, seen in Costa Mesa's Lions Park, has been named president and CEO of the Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce. He is the third president since 2020.

after just two months in the role to take a senior level

position at a popular cruise line. Prior to that, Carla Va-

lenzuela was hired as chamber chief executive in August 2020 but was laid off in February 2022.

Haithcock, who lives in Huntington Beach and has deep ties to Costa Mesa and the surrounding community, assures he is in it for the long haul.

"I know I was meant to be here," he said. "I've committed to this, and I want the challenge of this. So I'm in it for as long as they'll have me."

A former student of Monte Vista Elementary School, now Back Bay High School, Haithcock is a third-generation graduate of Newport Harbor High School, where he played on the football team. He

coaches football at Edison High School.

He took classes at Orange Coast and Golden West colleges before graduating in 1993 with an economics degree from UC Riverside. He chanced upon his profession a few months later by applying for a job at a national nonprofit financial trade association based in Washington, D.C.

"They were looking for a graduate student, which I was not, but I said, 'If you hire me, you will be proud of that decision,'" he recalled. "I was at that company for 19 years."

As chamber president, he hopes to continue the work that's being done to advo-

cate for businesses at all levels of government, while promoting and engaging with members across industries.

He's also working with the chamber's board of directors to create opportunities for web-based professional development and the formation of economic roundtables, where members can discuss citywide issues or even trends within a specific industry.

"I want to do my part to support the businesses in Costa Mesa," he said. "In a way, this is giving back to the community I grew up in."

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BID

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tive body.

"The entire Iranian community is very activated with what's going on with the ongoing women-led protests in Iran," he said. "And I think, right now, the movement for the liberation for oppressed people is very intersectional with a lot of the issues we face here at home."

Mohajer said in a campaign news release that if his bid is successful he will be "one of the first openly gay Iranians elected anywhere in the world." A longtime advocate for women's and LGBTQ rights, Mohajer in 2021 was voted to become the president of the California Stonewall Democrats Club, a major chapter of one of the oldest political groups supporting gay and lesbian people in the U.S.

Over time, some in the LGBTQ community came to view the group as focused on the interests of gay men in positions of privilege, the California wing's political vice president, Renay Rodriguez, said. But she was inspired to seek leadership in the organization after Mohajer told her he hoped to expand diversity at Stonewall.

"Before Alex Mohajer ran for president, he happened to be hanging out at the Dyke March in WeHo [West Hollywood], and he came up to me and he said, 'Hey are you a member of Stonewall?'" Rodriguez said. "And I said 'Hell no! Why would I want to be a part of that club? It's a bunch of old gay men.' And he says, 'Well, then you may be interested in the fact that I'm running for president, and I want to change that.'"

Mohajer narrowly won an election to become the organization's president and sought to enact his vision of a more open club. Since then, the group has grown its membership and has become a more authentic representation of the LGBTQ community, according to Rodriguez. But she said that put him at odds with members of the group's leadership.

Former members of the California Stonewall Democrats accused Mohajer of repeatedly sidestepping established club bylaws and undermining other elected leaders of the group. In August, all seven members of the organization's political team penned a list of alleged abuses in a letter announcing their resignation.

They claimed Mohajer stripped the group's political team of many of its responsibilities. They said he placed himself and others on committees to review candidates seeking endorsement from the Stonewall Democrats despite what former members viewed as potential conflicts of interest.

"It was a really painful experience because I spent years trying to build the program at the club into something that we could be proud of," former Stonewall Democrats political vice president Jane Wishon said. "Candidates knew they would get a fair hearing, that they would be judged or evaluated on their merits and policies rather than insider trading."

Those who resigned alleged Mohajer "encouraged an open season on attacking [former political] Vice President Jane Wishon and members of the political team," in their letter. They said he repeatedly bashed her in meetings and email exchanges and had once called together other members of the group's leadership to talk about her behind her back.

Former members of the group who spoke to the Daily Pilot on the condition of anonymity suspect Wishon was, at least in part, singled out because she is a woman and in a heterosexual relationship. She identifies as gender fluid.

Stonewall's community vice president, Nico Brancolini, said he believes Wishon resigned to avoid being disciplined. He had filed a grievance claiming she had used an anti-gay slur during a telephone conversation with him. He said she responded by airing out what had been a private complaint in emails, and a formal meeting had to be

held on the matter.

Rodriguez, Wishon's successor as Stonewall's political vice president, said change was needed at the organization. She accused those who quit of prioritizing their positions over the club's growth.

Rodriguez said she had clashed with Wishon over the planning of a meeting between Los Angeles County Sheriff Robert Luna and gay men caught up in undercover vice stings run by law enforcement in Long Beach, where Luna had previously served as police chief. She said her predecessor insisted on moderating the exchange, but Rodriguez and others felt it was critical that a gay man lead a discussion about the harassment of gay people.


"They really weren't understanding where their privilege blindness was and they weren't understanding what representation means in the community," Rodriguez said.

She said Mohajer has acted within his authority as the club's president thus far and noted that he helped bring her and other women into Stonewall's leadership. Rodriguez described friction with the former political team as the result of personal differences and dismissed any allegations of misogyny by Mohajer.


The organization has grown its membership by 30% and its budget by 80% since Mohajer was elected, he said. They have endorsed 124 candidates and initiatives with an 84% success rate. As many as 37 of those candidates identify as members of the LGBTQ community.

"Listen, democracy is messy, and change can be, sometimes ... difficult," Mohajer said. "I've been an advocate for change and even challenged powerful people within my own party. I'm ultimately proud of the work we've done at Stonewall. I think if you come to Stonewall today you'd see it's a very unified place. We've accomplished a lot together."

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N-1 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids with online bid price submittal will be received by the City of Laguna Beach for furnishing all work, as provided in the contract documents for **MOSS STREET BEACH ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS, CIP 21-9461**, together with appurtenances thereto, in accordance with the specifications on file at the Office of the City Engineer of the City of Laguna Beach, located at 479 Ocean Avenue, Laguna Beach, California.

N-2 PRE-BID CONFERENCE: There will be a mandatory pre-bid conference on **Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** Attendees shall meet at the **westerly terminus of Moss Street in Laguna Beach, CA.** Failure to attend will result in your bid proposal being declared non-responsive.

N-3 DATE OF OPENING BIDS: Bid prices for each line item of the Schedule of Work must be entered and all other required documents for the bid proposal packet (pages B-1 through B-5, and B-8 through B-16) must be uploaded to PlanetBids in accordance with the instructions beginning on page B-6 no later than **2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.** No late bids will be accepted. No other method of bid submittal will be accepted.

N-4 DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK: In general, the work comprises of removing existing beach access improvements, drilling, shoring, coastal/tidal protection, cofferdams, grading, forming and constructing new concrete pathways, stairways, and stairway bridge structures, constructing retaining walls, telecommunications improvements, drainage improvements, curb ramp, signing and striping, installing irrigation systems, and landscaping improvements in the City of Laguna Beach.

N-5 AWARD OF CONTRACT: (a) The City reserves the right after opening bids to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality (non-responsiveness) in a bid, or to make award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder and reject all other bids, as it may best serve the interest of the City. (b) As a condition of award, the successful bidder will be required to submit payment and performance bonds and insurance.

N-6 COMPLETION OF WORK AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: All work is to be completed in a total of **ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY (160)** working days, excluding holidays, from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed, which is anticipated to be **September 2023.** Liquidated damages shall be **Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000)** per working day, for each and every working day delay in finishing the work.

N-7 CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE CLASSIFICATION: The Contractor shall possess a valid **Class A, General Engineering**, Contractor License at the time of submitting bids, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the California Business and Professions Code.

N-8 WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS: In accordance with the provisions of Sections 1773.2 of the California Labor Code, copies of the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the State Director of Industrial Relations are available on the Internet at the World Wide Web site of the State Department of Industrial Relations at www.dir.ca.gov. It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded and upon any subcontractor under him to pay not less than said specified rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the contract. All parties to the contract shall be governed by all provisions of the California Labor Code relating to prevailing wage rates; Sections 1770-1781 inclusive.

N-9 RETAINAGE FROM PAYMENTS: The Contractor may elect to receive 100 percent of payments due under the Contract Documents from time to time, without retention of any portion of the payments by the City, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

N-10 OBTAINING OR INSPECTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Contract Documents, in digital Adobe Acrobat (.PDF) format, are available at the City of Laguna Beach's website at <http://lagunabeachcity.net/cityhall/pw/bidinfo/default.htm>. Click on the "Click here to access the City of Laguna Beach PlanetBids portal." If you are not currently registered with the City of Laguna Beach, please click on the "New Vendor Registration" button and then complete the electronic supplier registration process, including selecting Category Code(s) describing the goods and/or services you provide, as well as entering your Contractors State License information. After registering your firm, click on the "Bid Opportunities" button to view and download the Bid Documents. Interested firms must be registered on the City's website and download the Bid Documents to submit a bid. Firms must also check the website periodically for addenda information as failure to download and acknowledge all addenda will result in bid disqualification.

N-11 REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS: No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)]. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

N-12 ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE: The Engineer's Estimate for the project is \$1,225,000.

N-13 PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE: All communications relative to this project shall be transmitted by email to **Tom Perez, Assistant Director of Public Works** at tperez@lagunabeachcity.net. Deadline for all inquiries is **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 13, 2023.**

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH
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Virtual Zoom Link PC: <https://lagunabeachcity.zoom.us/j/93696942810>
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Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 6:00 PM

The CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH will hold a public hearing on the request below. You may participate in-person at City Hall or virtually on Zoom. Case No.: Variance 22-2208, Coastal Development Permit 22-2209, Address: 1940 Upper Rim Rock Road I APN: 641-401-07, Applicant: Robert McGraw, Architect (949) 494-0812 bob@mcgraw-architect.com, Property Owner: Scott Thompson, Application Filing Date: October 22, 2019, PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant requests a Variance and Coastal Development Permit to create a legal building site taking access from streets with less than standard width in the R-1 (Residential Low Density) zone. COASTAL ZONE: This project is located within a non-appealable area of the Coastal Zone. CEQA: Staff recommends the Planning Commission determine that the proposed project is categorically exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15332 -In-Fill Development Projects, in that the project is characterized as in-fill development meeting all specified conditions. MORE INFORMATION: The property is not required to be staked with story poles. The proposed application package will be available on the City's website the Saturday before the public hearing (<https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/live-here/city-council-meetings-agendas-and-minutes>) and at the Community Development Department public counter during the following hours: Monday - Friday: 7:30am - 4:30pm, closed alternating Fridays. HOW TO COMMENT: If you have any comments or concerns about the proposed project, please communicate those thoughts in writing to Anthony Viera, Senior Planner at aviera@lagunabeachcity.net or submit to the Community Development Department located at 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, CA 92651. Planning Commissioners may also be contacted to discuss issues and questions about the proposed project. A listing of the Planning Commissioners and their contact information is available in City Hall and on the City's website at www.lagunabeachcity.net. Comments may also be made via teleconferencing during the Public Hearing from a computer, iPad or smart phone or in-person in the Council Chambers. Please be advised that this project may be scheduled for action on the Consent Calendar. Any person wishing to discuss a project on the Consent Calendar must be logged in to the meeting punctually at 6:00 p.m. and specifically request a public hearing on that item. If no member of the public, staff, or Planning Commissioner requests separate consideration of this project, it likely will be approved without discussion. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with a disability who require a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in a meeting may request such modification or accommodation from the Zoning Division at (949) 497-0329. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to the meeting. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if you challenge this application in court, the issues raised shall be limited to those raised in the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the public agency prior to, or at, the public hearing

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He added that he is "for development. I'm just against the high-rise high-density urbanization of Huntington Beach that's being forced on us."

"As mayor, I would have supported the Cape Ann development," Strickland said. "Frankly, there's other developments I would support so long they fit within our suburban and coastal community feel. The place I live in is a two-story condo. It's not this high rise, high density facility that the state's trying to mandate on us."

He and other members of the City Council elected in December have been at odds with the state over its Regional Housing Needs Assessment. The recurring review lays out a broad plan for home development in California. It currently mandates numerous communities to construct more homes for people of all income levels in response to an ongoing housing crisis, and requires Huntington Beach to accommodate development of 13,368 new units by 2029.

A chief component of those are accessory dwelling units, also known as "granny flats." These are additions to existing property that contain a full kitchen and bathroom. The city had stopped accepting new applications for those until they were sued by California Atty. Gen. Rob Bonta and the Department of Housing and Community Development on March 8. The next day, Huntington Beach officials announced they had filed a suit against the state alleging the Regional Housing Needs Assessment violated their chartered authority to zone

property. The city also requested a temporary restraining order to halt the enforcement of state housing laws alongside their suit. That request was denied by a federal judge on Tuesday.

"I've said it before and I'll say it again: Local governments don't get to pick and choose which state laws they want to follow," Bonta wrote in a statement following the denial of the city's request. "Huntington Beach's lawsuit is another baseless and obstructionist attempt by the city to defy state housing laws."

The city did have a plan as recently as last fall that would have put it in compliance with the assessment. But the City Council has held off on voting on it. It was brought up for consideration Tuesday, but was tabled for further discussion at their next meeting on April 4.

Strickland said the city is "built out" and would not be able to support the kind of growth officials in Sacramento are telling local authorities to make. He believes meeting the requirements of the assessment would urbanize Huntington Beach in a way that would potentially drive out long-time residents.

"We're 95% built out, and the city was built out in a wonderful way that maintains a great quality of life for citizens," Strickland said. "Me, as mayor, I have to fight to protect that quality of life that people come to enjoy here in Huntington Beach."

He said he will continue to resist directives from the state that would lead to the construction of high-density dwellings in Huntington Beach.

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NEWPORT REGATTA

Newport Aquatic Center sweeps races

BY MATT SZABO

The Newport Regatta is typically a college-only affair, but it was a deeper field this year as high school teams were allowed to compete.

One local club, Newport Aquatic Center, took full advantage.

Newport Aquatic Center's men's and women's varsity eight teams each took first place in a competitive field last weekend, at the 58th annual Newport Regatta in Newport Beach.

The men's varsity eight winning lineup for NAC consisted of coxswain Jake Bazulto, Andrew Buda, Lonnie Laster, Kian Aminian, Travis O'Neil, James-Anthony Chavos, Charlie Talley, Nick Gonzalez and Nic Samen. They finished the race in 6 minutes, 15.70 seconds, almost five seconds faster than second-place NorCal Crew.

The winning NAC women's varsity eight team included Hannah Hykes, Michaela Banta, Sidney Harris, Vivi Spitz, Olivia Wilson, Lauren Brown, Julia Channel, Chloe Sorensen and Olivia Aceves. They crossed the finish line in 7:02.09.

"It was a beautiful morning on Newport Harbor for racing and a great opportunity to see strong competition from San Diego and NorCal crews," Newport Aquatic Center men's varsity coach Nick D'Antoni said. "It's exciting to 'sweep' a home race in the eights but equally important that the field will only get more challenging as the season



Courtesy of Marcel Stiffey

THE UCLA men's varsity eight won the collegiate race at the 58th annual Newport Regatta on March 18.

progresses, so we'll have to look for ways to build from this performance.

"The first varsity eight had a gritty race, and we're currently ranked seventh nationally, so hopefully with the weekend's win

we'll improve our ranking and look forward to defending our San Diego Crew Classic title in a few weeks."

Among other Newport Regatta results, UCLA won the collegiate varsity eight,

and host Orange Coast College won the freshman eight competition.

The event featured a number of 2,000-meter races, UCLA head coach Marcel Stiffey said.

"Winning this regatta,

with all its tradition and history, is a great moment for us," Stiffey said. "It shows that we've realized our potential, and we plan to carry this ambition with us for the rest of the season."

Next on the schedule for these teams is the 50th San Diego Crew Classic, which runs from March 31 through April 2.

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HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

Huntington Beach's Makenzie McRae earns marquee win

BY ANDREW TURNER

Makenzie McRae already had a soft spot for the track at Laguna Beach High, where she first broke 11 minutes in a 2-mile race.

The Huntington Beach High junior distance running standout added to those memories on Saturday, as she earned a wire-to-wire win in the marquee event of the Laguna Beach Trophy Invitational.

McRae crossed the finish line in 10 minutes, 44.03 seconds in winning the Eric Hulst girls' 3,200-meter race, securing a four-second personal record in the process.

"I love this track, and I love Laguna and the ocean and all that," McRae said. "Last year, I had a really good race on this track, too, so it's kind of like a lucky track, I guess. Coming back to it, knowing that I've had good races in the past here gets me excited to run another good race."

Not far behind, Corona del Mar junior Melisse Djomby-Enyawe placed fourth in 10:51.93. The duo have starred in the past two cross-country seasons, too.

Fountain Valley senior Benjamin Prado ran with the pack in the Eric Hulst boys' 3,200-meter race, producing another top-10 finish for the area in 9:21.76 (10th).

Contested at Newport Harbor High, the meet's throwing events saw Edison junior Alexa Sheldon come away with a sweep. Her winning marks included 40 feet, four inches in the shot put and 131-8 in the discus throw, both career-best tosses.

Locals claimed more field events at Laguna Beach High, where Fountain Valley senior Jonathan Yu (45-2¼) and Marina senior Julia Wang (35-11) won the triple jump competitions.

The area was also victori-



James Carbone

HUNTINGTON BEACH'S Makenzie McRae, center, and Corona del Mar's Melisse Djomby-Enyawe, left, in the girls' 3,200-meter race of the Laguna Beach Trophy Invitational.

ous across both genders in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles, as Huntington Beach junior Kieren Beckman (40.66) and Newport Harbor freshman Natalie McCarty (46.67) paced the field.

"I always have just had a really competitive mindset," said Beckman, who said he started running competitively a year ago. "Just being able to kind of have me as my own team and be able to improve on myself really kind of pushed me to love the sport."

Beckman was joined on the podium by Edison senior Jackson Irwin and Yu, an all-Sunset Conference showing in the event.

It is not uncommon to see multisport athletes participate in track and field. Laguna Beach's Ryner Swanson, an all-CIF tight end for the Breakers' Division 9 football championship team, was among those putting in some work on the track.

The 6-foot-5, 240-pound junior turned heads — even for those within his heat — as he barreled down his lane in 11.90 seconds in the 100-meter sprints.

"If I get smoked, then it

just makes me want to get better and better," Swanson said. "I didn't get smoked today, but I just want to keep improving my time and just having fun."

The Laguna Beach receiver said he has made visits to BYU, Utah, Oregon, Washington, Alabama and Ohio State, among others.

Corona del Mar junior Ava Simos placed in the top three of the 100 (12.65) and 200 (25.13) sprints and the 100 high hurdles (15.64).

Long Beach Poly junior Xai Ricks set a meet record in running 1:53.91 in the boys' 800 meters.

"It's great having another top guy out there with me," said Ricks, who saw Jackrabbits teammate Cameron Rhone finish fourth in the race. "We're always pushing each other constantly in practice, so it's fun."

New meet records on the girls' side included Long Beach Poly senior Kennadi Reed in the 200 (25.02) and Las Vegas Centennial's Iyonna Codd in the 400 (55.39). JSerra also set the time to beat in the 1,600 relay (3:51.57).

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HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING

Newport Harbor, CdM split Battle of the Bay meet

BY MATT SZABO

The Battle of the Bay swim meet was wet and wild on Tuesday at Newport Harbor High.

Rain turned into huge downpours at times. Scoreboard equipment kept malfunctioning, and at one point a Corona del Mar High swimming tent nearly flew over the north wall of the pool complex.

The wind also moved the flags above the pool — designed to tell swimmers where they are in the race — off track at times.

“On my finish, I tried to look where the lane line went solid white instead,”



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

CDM'S Maggie Schalow swims the girls' 200-yard freestyle during a meet against Newport Harbor on Tuesday.

said CdM senior Milan Bever, who won the girls' 100-yard backstroke. “I was able to nail my finish, even with the flags being really off.”

The CdM girls again nailed the meet itself. For the second straight year,

they won every race, cruising to a 118-51 victory.

Newport Harbor's boys, who had lost every race against their rival last year, rebounded in a big way. They used their depth to earn a 96-74 win, their first in the Battle of the Bay

meet since 2019.

It was the first meet of the season for CdM; coach Kareem Captan said the CdM pool has been down for the last couple of weeks, and a meet against Laguna Beach had to be rescheduled.

But that didn't stop the CdM girls from producing. University of Virginia-bound Maggie Schalow was a double-winner, in the 200 freestyle and the butterfly. Bever, sophomore Joyce Chang, Schalow and sophomore Alexandra Milisavljevic also touched first in the 200 medley relay, while senior Jillian Schlom, junior Taylor Park, sophomore Nikki Lahey and Schalow won the 200 free relay.

“These conditions aren't ideal for a swim meet, but everyone's been super-positive,” Schalow said. “Our team's been cheering all our

teammates on. It's just been a fun meet. The conditions aren't great, but we make it fun.”

Schalow was CIF Division 1 runner-up in both her individual events last year. As of now, she said she's planning to swim the same events again this year, though that could change. She said she hopes to get down to 51 seconds in the butterfly by season's end.

Bever, bound for the University of San Diego, finished second to Schalow in the 200 free in addition to winning the backstroke. She also formed part of the winning 400 free relay team, along with Park, Schlom and Lahey.

“We didn't lose anyone last year, so our team's only getting faster and older, which really helps,” Bever said.

Individual event winners for CdM also included Milisavljevic (200 individual medley), Lahey (50 free), Schlom (100 free), Park (500 free) and Chang (breaststroke).

Sophomore Harper Price finished second in the 100 freestyle and third in the breaststroke for Newport Harbor's girls (2-1).

On the boys' side, Newport Harbor sophomore Aidan Arie was a double-winner in the 500 freestyle and backstroke. Arie said his goal this year is to break Todd Lincoln's school record from 1980 of 4:29.2 in the 500 free; he's gone a 4:31 in club swimming.

Arie was the only multiple-event winner for the Newport Harbor boys (1-2). But the Sailors beat their rivals with depth, and solid swims from guys like water polo seniors Finn Genc and Finn LeSieur.

They seized control of the meet after Arie, Gavin McNeal and Kenzie Tang swept the top three spots in the 500 free. The Sailors also swept the top three spots in the 200 free (Ty Hansberger, McNeal and Peter Castillo) and the backstroke (Arie, Nick Kennedy and Mateo Abourjelly).

“It always feels good to beat [CdM],” said Castillo, a star water polo center. “There's not a day in my life for any sport where you don't want to have that competition with them. It's always fun to play them, whether you win or lose, but it's always much better to win.”

CdM's boys earned a pair of wins from senior Kevin Li in the IM and butterfly, as well as junior Camren Simoncelli in the 50 free and 100 free. The Sea Kings won the 200 medley and 400 free relays, while Newport Harbor won the 200 free relay.

Corona del Mar opens Surf League competition at Fountain Valley on Tuesday, the same day that Newport Harbor hosts Laguna Beach in its first Wave League meet.

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NOTICE OF SALE U.C.C.7210 In accordance with the provisions of the California Commercial Code, Sections 7201-7210, there being due and unpaid storage for which the Move Central holds a lien as Warehouse on the goods hereinafter described and due notice having been given to parties known to own or claim an interest therein and the time specified in such notice for payment on such charges as having expired, notice is hereby given that the goods will be sold at public auction at 17091 Daimler St, City of Irvine, County of Orange, State of California, on the 13th Day of April, 2023, at 10 o'clock AM. The following is a brief description of the storage property to be sold: Goods are described as household goods, furniture, antiques, rugs, pianos, items of art, appliances, tools, misc. goods, commercial & restaurant equipment, office furniture & equipment, sealed cartons and the unknown. For Terms and Conditions contact: Dave Hester Auctioneer ph. 714-271-2770. Bond #70759390 Name Amount Owed Valji Bagada \$7,722.00 Gregory Winston \$7,172.00 Chris Calcinari \$14,596.00 Shawn Scott \$5,170.00 Lucien Runge \$12,042.50 Yovanna Sagarnaga \$1,677.00 Dated: 3-14-2023 at Irvine, CA By: Move Central, Tel. No. (949) 635-7229 3/24, 3/31/23 CNS-3680838# DAILY PILOT

BSC 222989 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: WILHELMINA EVA HELGA CALLAHAN 30-2023-01306054-PR-LA-CJC

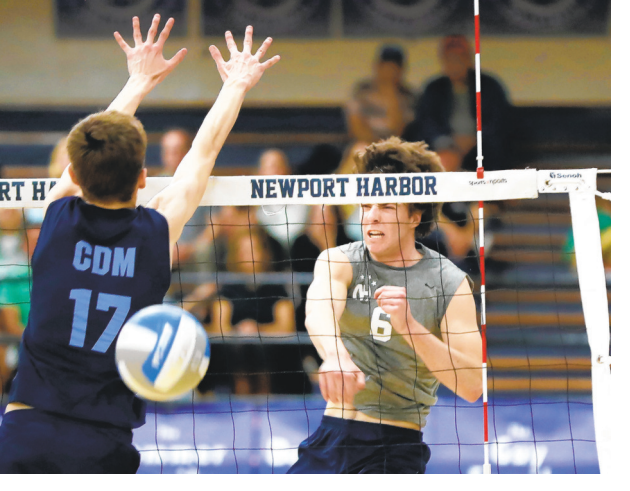
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: WILHELMINA EVA HELGA CALLAHAN. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by TOM CALLAGHAN in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that TOM CALLAGHAN 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: May 31, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. C10 located at: 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701 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. Attorney for the Petitioner: BRADLEY R. KLEIHEGE, ESQ. LAW OFFICES OF MICHAEL K. LANNING, APLC 11777 SAN VICENTE BLVD., #750 LOS ANGELES, CA 90049 Published in the ORANGE COAST DAILY PILOT on: 3/23, 3/24 & 3/30/2023

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TSG No.: 220524923-CA-MSI TS No.: CA2200287763 APN: 551-061-47 Property Address: 4 BELL IRVINE, CA 92620 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/06/2006. 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. On 04/17/2023 at 01:30 P.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 04/12/2006, as Instrument No. 2006000244421, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of ORANGE County, State of California. Executed by: TODD S HIGAKI, AND HELEN P HIGAKI HUSBAND AND WIFE AS COMMUNITY PROPERTY WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701. All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 551-061-47 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 4 BELL, IRVINE, CA 92620 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said 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 said 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 \$ 76,971.07. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. 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 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 or visit this internet website http://search.nationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx, using the file number assigned to this case CA2200287763. 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 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 (916)939-0772, or visit this internet website http://search.nationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx, using the file number assigned to this case CA2200287763 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 4795 Regent Blvd, Mail Code 1011-F Irving, TX 75063 First American Title Insurance Company MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916)939-0772NPP0421978 To: NEWPORT HARBOR NEWS PRESS COMBINED WITH DAILY PILOT 03/10/2023, 03/17/2023, 03/24/2023

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BOYS' VOLLEYBALL



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NEWPORT HARBOR'S Jake Read, right, blasts a ball past CdM's Ryan Gant during a March 17 boys' volleyball match.

Sailors open Surf League play with win over Sea Kings

BY ANDREW TURNER

The Newport Harbor High boys' volleyball team is picking up where it left off, as the defending CIF Southern Section Division 1 champions are showing no signs of slowing down.

Senior outside hitters Jake Read and Luca Curci have the Sailors docked atop the Division 1 and 2 combined rankings once more, riding a 13-match winning streak at the outset of the Surf League schedule.

Read supplied 18 kills and 10 digs to lead Newport Harbor to a sweep of visiting Corona del Mar 25-20, 25-23, 25-18 on March 17 in the first meeting of the Battle of the Bay rivals this season.

“It feels great,” Read, a Loyola-Chicago commit, said of earning a win against the Sea Kings to kick off league. “Beating CdM is always one to cherish. It's always a great fight, a great battle. This was really fun. It's always a great time playing against CdM and especially beating them.”

Curci delivered 10 kills and three block assists for Newport Harbor (20-1). Junior opposite Riggs Guy had nine kills. Middle blockers Lukas Johnson, a senior, and Jack Berry, a sophomore, had eight kills apiece, and senior setter Korbin Francisco churned out 47 assists across the three sets.

Newport Harbor's only loss came against Beckman in the final of the Tesoro Tournament. The Sailors have since won the Best of the West Tournament, and they have dropped only one set across their prolonged

winning streak. Experience at each position group has provided stability for the Sailors.

“We've got a lot of new faces on the team this year as compared to last year, but there's also a lot of continuity in terms of the experience of the guys that we returned,” Newport Harbor coach Andrew Mabry said. “I think what we've seen in the first month or so of the season, which is about where we're at — we're about the halfway point — that we've seen kind of a consistent rate of improvement.”

Corona del Mar, ranked fourth in the Division 1 and 2 combined poll, was playing without standout junior outside hitter Sterling Foley, who was with the U.S. youth national team for the NORCECA U19 Continental Championship in Guatemala.

Senior opposite George Bruening, a UC Santa Barbara signee, had a team-leading 14 kills for CdM (10-5).

“He's been doing a really good job taking care of himself, understanding when he needs to go to the trainer and just being ready to play,” CdM coach Katey Thompson said of Bruening. “He's doing a lot of work, and a lot of that work happens in the offseason.”

Junior outside hitter Reid McMullen added eight kills for the Sea Kings. Junior setter Ryan Gant had 25 assists and two aces, and sophomore libero Brogan Glenn chipped in with 10 digs.

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