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Courtesy of Robyn Grant for Newport Beach

**PICTURED FROM LEFT** is Marie Case, Christine Carr, Robyn Grant, Evelyn Hart and Kay Walker.

## Robyn Grant to run for council seat in Newport

First-time politician announces her bid in District 4, which includes Eastbluff and Big Canyon.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Robyn Grant, a long-time Newport Beach resident and first-time politician, recently announced her bid for a seat in the upcoming 2022 Newport Beach City Council election at a small gathering of her friends and supporters last week.

Grant is running in District 4, which encompasses the Eastbluff and Big Canyon neighborhoods. The district's incumbent is current Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Muldoon, who will be terming out of his seat next year. Muldoon was first elected in 2014 and reelected in 2018.

Seats are also up for the vote next fall in Districts 1, 3 and 6, with at least two of those seats having incumbents Diane

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**COSTA MESA** Public Affairs Manager Dane Bora, 55, announced this week he will retire on Dec. 3, after 31 years of service with the city.

## Dane Bora, the face and voice of CMTV, to retire

At 23, he landed a part-time job at City Hall that would turn into a 31-year career.

BY SARA CARDINE

Anyone who follows civic affairs in Costa Mesa has surely met Dane Bora — the face and voice of locally broadcast CMTV and social media campaigns perhaps best

known for delivering weekly video news headlines under the banner “Costa Mesa Minute.”

Just 23 years old and two years out of college in 1990, Bora landed a part-time production job at Costa Mesa City Hall that would turn into a 31-year career for the broadcaster-turned-public affairs manager.

Now, his final scene is

See **Bora**, page A4

## Laguna Beach honors vets with ceremony



Photos by Kevin Chang | Staff Photographer

**THE LAGUNA BEACH** Honor Guard retires the colors during a Veterans Day ceremony on Thursday at Monument Point.

Service men and women were celebrated with a Veterans Day ceremony at Monument Point on Thursday. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5868 also marked its 75th anniversary.

BY ANDREW TURNER

**R**olling cliffs looked down upon the vast ocean below at Monument Point, a visage of the splendor that is Laguna Beach.

For those who have spent even a few hours in the seaside community, it is a privilege to take in its beauty.

And it pales in comparison to the most important privilege of all: freedom.

Service men and women were honored in a Veterans Day ceremony attended by a couple of hundred people on Thursday in Heisler Park.

“We are here today to offer thanks and to pay our respects to our veterans for their service and their sacrifices,” Laguna Beach Mayor Bob Whalen said. “As we stand here at Monument Point, we see all that our veterans have protected and preserved for us. We stand on free soil, we look out on an ocean that is safe for travel, and we stand under crystal blue skies without fear of invasion.



“But none of this happens by accident. It exists because of the courage, dedication, sacrifice and bravery of the millions of American women and men who have served their country.”

The program included music performed by the First Marine Division

Band, a C-17 flyover conducted by members of the Air Force 452 Air Mobility Wing and recognition of the 75th anniversary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5868.

Those who have served stood and

See **Veterans**, page A2



**ABOVE:** Vietnam veteran Al Harvard, U.S. Army major retired, salutes the flag as the pledge of allegiance is recited.

**LEFT:** Keynote speaker Col. Charlie Quilter, USMC Ret., addresses the crowd during Thursday's Veterans Day ceremony.

## Operation Open Water's Veterans Day paddle again a success

**U.S. ARMY SGT.**

First Class Jake Green is assisted out of the water by retired Army medic Chad White, left, physical therapist and Army National Guard veteran Brooke Thomas and Chief Warrant Officer Five John Anderson, right, during the third annual Operation Open Water Channel crossing on Thursday in Huntington Beach.



Scott Smeltzer  
Staff Photographer

Thirty-three paddlers went 32 miles Thursday, from Catalina Island to Huntington Beach.

BY MATT SZABO

Thirty-three U.S. military veterans and first responders gathered in a circle in the Catalina Channel on Thursday morning.

Each person held a rock. At 11:11 a.m., on the 11th day of the 11th month of the year, the paddlers dropped them into the ocean.

The symbolic gesture, made on Veterans Day, was meant to symbolize mental wellness and letting things go. It meant a lot to Irvine resident Jordan Sisco, a U.S. Army infantry veteran who lost both of his legs in an explosion in Afghanistan in 2012.

“I feel like I'm always hitting that wall, trying to fight it,” said Sisco, 31. “Just letting go of that

rock, letting go of all that weight and then coming onto the shore, it was more than just a physical [thing]. It was way more emotional.”

The third annual Operation Open Water Veterans Day paddle concluded a few hours later, as the group of paddlers hit land just south of the Huntington Beach Pier. The paddle unites veterans and first responders with the community in the endurance challenge, to promote camaraderie and connection.

Sisco trained for the paddle and completed it with his father, John, a lifelong surfer who also made the crossing last year. Operation Open Water was co-founded by

See **Paddle**, page A3

# Respiratory care therapist charged with assaulting girl for 10 years

A respiratory care therapist pleaded not guilty Wednesday to repeatedly sexually assaulting a girl in Costa Mesa for a decade.

Sergio Arroyo Miralrio is charged with three counts of lewd or lascivious acts with a minor younger than 14, four counts of sexual intercourse or sodomy with a child 10 years or younger, a count of oral copulation or sexual penetration with a child 10 years or younger, three counts of aggravated sexu-

al assault of a child younger than 14 or seven years younger than defendant, three counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child: sodomy, two counts of rape, two counts of sodomy by force of a victim 14 or younger, two counts of lewd acts on a child 14 or 15, and two counts of attempted forcible oral copulation of a minor 14 or older, all felonies.

The alleged sexual assaults occurred from September 2009 through Sep-

tember 2019, according to court records.

Prosecutors from the Attorney General's Office on Friday filed a motion to suspend Miralrio's license as a respiratory care therapist while his case is pending.

Miralrio entered his plea in the jail courtroom in Santa Ana and was ordered to return to court Dec. 16 for a pretrial hearing at the West Justice Center in Westminster.

— City News Service

## VETERANS

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were acknowledged while their respective branch's song was played during a performance of the Armed Forces Salute.

Col. Charlie Quilter, who served in the Marine Corps, gave a brief history of the various campaigns that the U.S. military has been involved in since World War II during his remarks as the keynote speaker.

"In a way, our organization, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, exists to preserve the memory of the service of our veterans in these faraway places, and our numbers diminish," Quilter said. "Forty years ago, 18% of Americans were veterans. Today, it's just 7%. In a few months, I will be 80 years old, and I'm acutely aware that as a veteran, I am a survivor.

"In Vietnam, I lost 25 friends, and that was a significant percentage of the people I knew as a young man, and on a day like today, I think about them. Yes, I know it's not Memorial Day, but I can't help it.

"Those that were lost in combat, and I lost a few more in Desert Storm and Iraq, were filled with the expectations that



Kevin Chang | Staff Photographer

**DOZENS OF PEOPLE** attendee a Veterans Day ceremony on Thursday at Monument Point in Laguna Beach.

they one day might grow as old as I am today ... I had the dubious honor of being the oldest Marine to serve in Iraq at age 61, and yet, somehow I survived, and I was so lucky."

The Laguna Beach honor guard participated in the ceremony and retired the colors at its conclusion. There were also large American flags displayed prominently along the coastal side of Cliff Drive, where many of the veterans attending the event arrived by car.

"Honor, courage, valor, respect, perseverance are all words that come to mind when I hear the word 'veteran,'" Orange County Supervisor Lisa Bartlett said prior to

presenting a certificate of recognition to the local VFW post. "They are steadfast in their resolve to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies and stand for something far greater than themselves.

"They are proud Americans who are dedicated to the principles which made our country free. Throughout our history, veterans have fought and died to ensure our freedom and protect our way of life. We can never repay the debt of gratitude to those who are with us today and those who have fallen."

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## THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

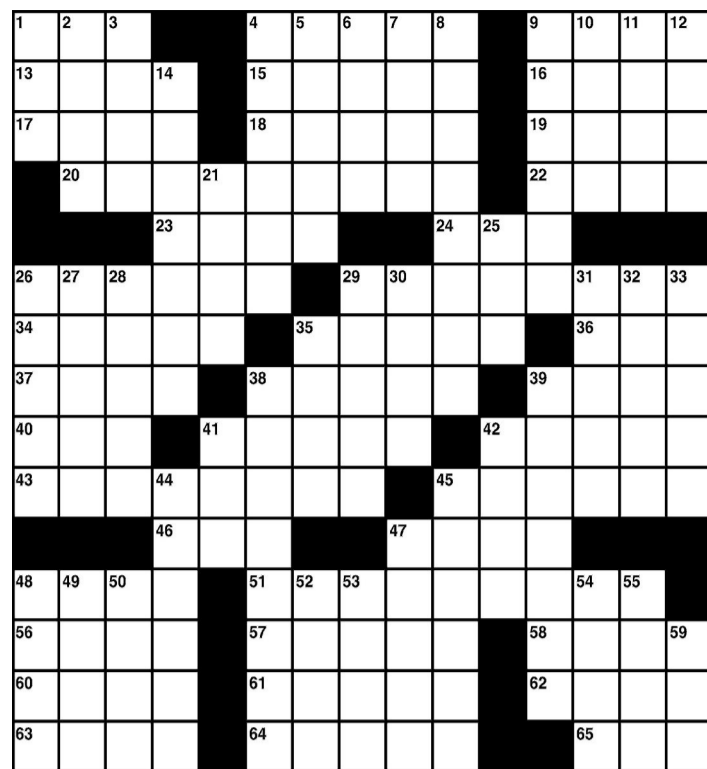
By Jacqueline E. Mathews

### ACROSS

- 1 Role on TV's "Alice"
- 4 Chef's accessory
- 9 Tight hold
- 13 Brain tests, for short
- 15 "Good job!"
- 16 Speed contest
- 17 Low-lying area
- 18 Romeo
- 19 Neighbor of Calif.
- 20 Everlasting
- 22 Moistens
- 23 Lab rat's challenge
- 24 Punch
- 26 Recessed area
- 29 Abundance
- 34 Martin & McDermott
- 35 Vulgar fellows
- 36 Johnson or Morrison
- 37 Water barriers
- 38 British nobleman
- 39 Terra firma
- 40 Wrath
- 41 Singer Roberta
- 42 Hernia
- 43 Haughty
- 45 Handbags
- 46 Fleur-de-\_\_
- 47 Wharf
- 48 Etna's output
- 51 High-pitched screaming
- 56 Wood splitters
- 57 Swoon
- 58 \_\_ lights; marquee rim
- 60 Skirt opening
- 61 Say
- 62 San Francisco's Golden \_\_ Bridge
- 63 Chicken producers
- 64 Actor/comedian Denis \_\_
- 65 Uncooked

### DOWN

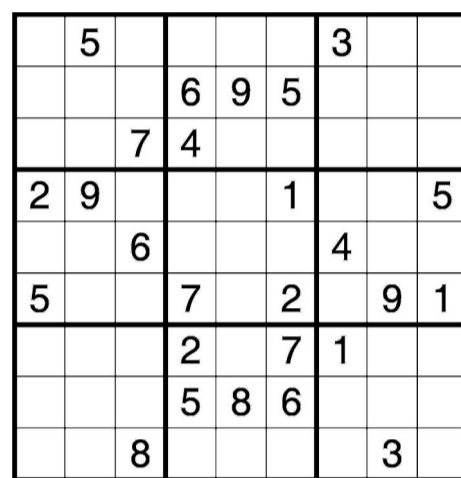
- 1 Nourished
- 2 "Look before



## SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

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



**For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A3.**

- you \_\_
- 3 Flirt with
- 4 On fire
- 5 Lying flat
- 6 \_\_ about; praise wildly
- 7 Large appliance
- 8 \_\_ lights; aurora borealis
- 9 Expansion
- 10 Infrequent
- 11 Rapper & TV actor
- 12 Dowels
- 14 Sunday talks
- 21 Dallas athletes, for short
- 25 " \_\_ a Boy Girl

- Thing"; 2006 film
  - 26 \_\_ Ababa, Ethiopia
  - 27 Acquire knowledge
  - 28 Carved gem
  - 29 Veranda
  - 30 \_\_ alike; double
  - 31 Spoon shapes
  - 32 "Home on the "
  - 33 Mountains near Lima
  - 35 Bleats
  - 38 Happy
  - 39 Moving stealthily
  - 41 J. Edgar Hoover's agcy.
  - 42 Dollar
  - 44 Explosions
  - 45 Wordsworth's specialty
  - 47 Eatery
  - 48 Word attached to eye or back
  - 49 Wheel rod
  - 50 Blood channel
  - 52 Abhor
  - 53 Coolidge or Moreno
  - 54 Close
  - 55 "I \_\_ Name"; Jim Croce song
  - 59 Just purchased
- Tribune Media Services

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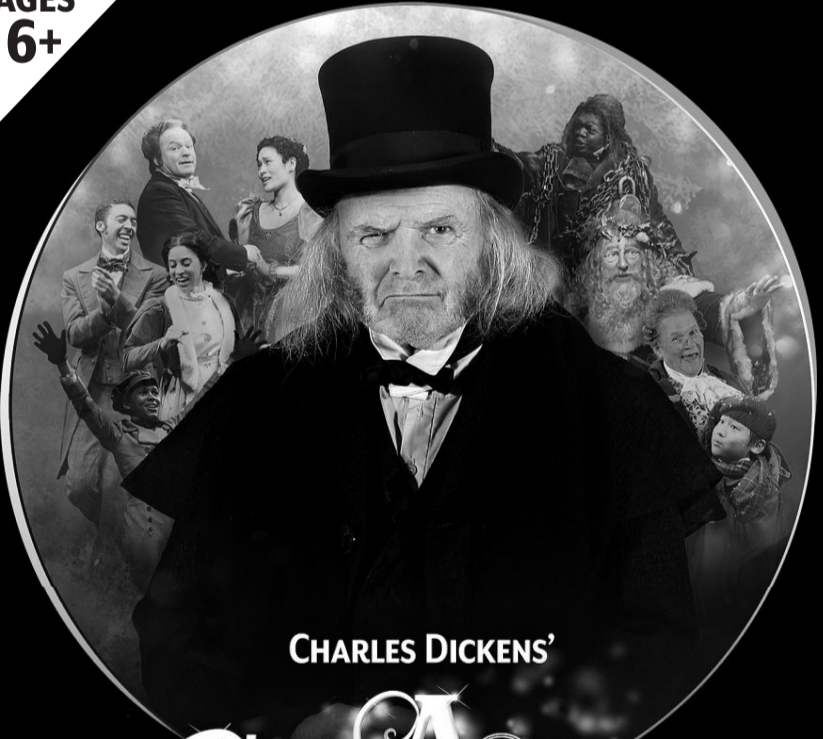


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# Sex offender pleads guilty to sex assault crime spree in H.B.

A 28-year-old registered sex offender pleaded guilty Wednesday to going on a sexual assault crime spree on his birthday in downtown Huntington Beach. Justin Wayne Goodgame began his crime spree about 11 a.m. Jan. 5 when he exposed himself in a business, according to Huntington Beach Police

Department Lt. Brian Smith. The victim did not report it immediately, but later called police when she heard about two other assaults against two other women, Smith said. Police were called at 11:53 a.m. about a woman being groped in another business, Smith said.

Officers arriving on scene saw the suspect walking on the street, but when Goodgame saw them, he ran away, Smith said. Police were still scouring the area for the suspect when officers were called again just after 12:30 p.m. when a woman in a third business alleged the de-

fendant grabbed and groped her, Smith said. Several "citizens actively chased him down and held him for officers, who took him into custody and immediately recognized him as a suspect" in the 11:53 a.m. attack, Smith said. Goodgame pleaded guilty to a felony count of

assault with the intent to commit a sex offense, two counts of indecent exposure, a count of failing to register as a sex offender upon release from jail and a count of touching an intimate part of another person, all misdemeanors. As part of Goodgame's plea deal, felony counts of kidnapping to commit a

sex crime, attempted forcible rape and sexual battery were dismissed. According to the criminal complaint against Goodgame, he was convicted of indecent exposure as a juvenile, requiring him to register as a sex offender. Sentencing is scheduled for Jan. 27. — City News Service

**SGT. FIRST CLASS** Jake Green, center, huddles with his support team after exiting the water.



**FAMILY AND FRIENDS** take photos at the third annual Operation Open Water channel crossing. Photos by Scott Smeltzer



## PADDLE

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Danny Nichols, who is a former professional surfer himself, and Army veteran Kyle Kelly. The veterans and first responders got a bigger crowd than normal welcoming them on the shore, thanks to an unseasonably warm day that brought plenty of people to the beach.

The conditions on the 32-mile crossing, which started at daybreak, were also ideal, Nichols said, adding that "the universe was looking out for us." "We're just using water as a medium to bring veterans, first responders and the local community together," Nichols said. "We're all just here to be of service. Some serve our country, some serve our communities and some serve others. There's a lot of gratitude in

that. There's a lot of humility and respect in all of that." Interim Huntington Beach Police Chief Julian Harvey said he enjoyed the paddle, as part of a relay team from the police department. "I've done some paddling, but nothing of this distance," Harvey said. "It was a wonderful experience. For me, it reminds us that we take a lot for granted. We should be considerate of those who have served our country, and those who have lost every-

thing." Bill Cerri, a captain with the Huntington Beach Fire Department, made the trek as part of a four-person team. Each man went as hard as he could for a half-hour shift, he said, before passing off the paddling to a teammate. "It's a challenge," Cerri said. "That's what it is, it's just a challenge. You only live once. To get that opportunity to do something different with a team, you've got to jump at it." Sisco said a highlight was

a pod of dolphins that followed the paddlers for much of the journey. As he got back to the beach, he got back into his wheelchair, still without legs but with a full heart. "I've never had that experience before, or anything close to it," he said of paddling with the dolphins. "It was really, really freaking cool. Really cool to see Mother Nature just kind of cheer you on, in a way."

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## CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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Greens, hearts of palm, feta, olives, red onion, bay shrimp, tarragon vinaigrette

**ENTREE SELECTIONS**

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Tier 1 | Fifty Four dollars per guest

Pan Roasted Turkey Breast  
White & dark meat, whipped Yukon Gold mashed potatoes, house made stuffing, turkey gravy

Blackened Wild King Salmon  
Yukon Gold mashed potatoes, avocado relish, honey jalapeno beurre blanc

Grilled Vegetable "Tart"  
Grilled Portobello mushroom cap on a bed of Yukon Gold mashed potatoes topped with grilled mixed vegetables, toasted breadcrumbs, melted smoked gouda cheese

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Tier 2 | Sixty nine dollars per guest

Prime Rib of Beef  
Au jus, creamy horseradish, whipped Yukon Gold mashed potatoes, broccolini

Prime Rib of Beef & Pan Roasted Turkey Breast Combination  
Whipped Yukon gold mashed potatoes, house made stuffing

Prime Filet Mignon  
Eight ounce prime filet mignon, whipped Yukon Gold mashed potatoes

Miso Marinated Chilean Sea Bass  
Soy glaze, coconut rice, stir-fried vegetables, mushrooms, lemongrass ginger beurre blanc

✂

Tier 3 | Seventy nine dollars per guest

Prime Bone-In Rib Eye  
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