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THE SWIMMING POOL at Corona del Mar High, shown last month, has been closed for repairs due to issues with its pump.

Stroke of fortune as pool at CdM High gets quick repair

BY MATT SZABO

“WE DID IT!” reads part of an email that Corona del Mar High Principal Jake Haley sent out to families on Thursday.

The latest news on the Sea Kings’ pool is certainly cause for celebration.

It is now expected to be back online Tuesday, far sooner than the 20- to 30-week timetable that was originally ex-

pected last month.

Haley said in the email that the pool pump was redirected to an engineering firm that was able to rebuild it over spring break. On Thursday, a contractor met with the Newport-Mesa Unified School District maintenance team to install the rebuilt pump.

The pump is actively moving water, and after some fine-tuning, monitoring and

chlorine checks, the pool is expected to re-open on Tuesday afternoon, Haley said.

CdM swimming and boys’ water polo coach Kareem Captan said he was “shocked” to hear the good news.

“Obviously there’s a lot of people there that would like to see the pool open,” he said. “Just to see the community come to-

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NMUSD to close virtual Cloud Campus, divert some kids to independent study

With enrollment at 220 students, the school will not be offered next year. About half the students have agreed to enroll at Monte Vista.

BY SARA CARDINE

When COVID-19 lockdowns had Orange County school districts wondering how to segue students between in-person instruction and distance learning, Newport-Mesa Unified School District crafted a plan for families seeking to keep their children learning at home.

The Cloud Campus — a 100% virtual learning option offered

to students in grades TK through 12 — began enrolling students for the 2020-21 school year. By first semester more than 1,700 students were learning alongside classmates on Zoom for part of the school day and working independently as their schedules allowed.

It was a preferred option for children at risk of exposure to

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STUDENTS walk with their diplomas during the Cloud Campus graduation ceremony in 2022.

Don Leach

School in F.V. locked down during nearby police activity

BY ERIC LICAS

A man who entered a stranger’s home near Fountain Valley High School was in a standoff with police for about 90 minutes Friday afternoon, prompting precautionary security measures on the campus.

A resident of a house on the 9500 block of La Arena Circle saw someone they didn’t recognize go into their neighbor’s home at about noon and called authorities, Fountain Valley police wrote in a news release. The people who lived there told officers they were away and weren’t expecting anyone.

Police arrived and tried to talk the man out of the building, but initially he didn’t respond to them. He was in the house for about 90 minutes before eventually surrendering. He did not appear to have any connection to the home’s residents, police said.

The standoff took place about a mile away from Fountain Valley High School. Students and faculty had been instructed to shelter in place in a bulletin issued by campus officials at 12:11 p.m. That order was later lifted.

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Yachts to head to Balboa Pier next week for the 75th Newport to Ensenada race

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Only a week remains until the 75th Newport to Ensenada race.

Registration closed this week, and roughly 140 entrants will set off from Balboa Pier next Friday to travel on one of two tracts: the titular 125-mile trip between the pier and Ensenada, and the 90-mile sprint to San Diego.

Newport Ocean Sailing Assn. Commodore Mary Bacon said in an interview Thursday that about 55 a of this year’s entrants didn’t race in 2022, and of those about 24 are first-time participants who have never participated as an owner or a skipper.

Racers are coming from all over, with skippers coming from nine states, including California. One is expected from Canada, while two will travel north from Mexico to take part in the race.

Bacon noted that this year will likely not see the same wind as the race last year but joked that winds should be strong enough to get folks over the starting line.

The race started in 1948, when it kicked off from the Newport Harbor Yacht Club. It returned to that location this year for the annual Yachtsman Luncheon.

“We’ve come full circle. It always starts in Newport Beach, but [the Newport Harbor Yacht Club] were the ones who hosted the first race. It was a ‘just for fun’ race,” Bacon said, laughing. “They called the first race the Governor’s Cup, and an invi-



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

CREW MEMBERS SIT on the rail of their boat as they set sail during the 73rd Newport to Ensenada International Yacht Race off the Balboa Pier in 2021.

tation was sent to Gov. Earl Warren, inviting him to present the first trophy in the small fishing village of Ensenada. The invitation was sent by telegraph.”

The Newport Ocean Sailing Assn., which hosts the race, celebrated its 75th year in operation with a meeting of may-

ors between Newport Beach and Ensenada in November 2021. This year’s race is the 75th, off by one year due to race cancellations in 2020 due to the pandemic.

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At-large suspect arrested inside hospital

Charles Thomas Kelley IV is tied to attempted murder investigation of an alleged domestic violence incident.

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach police have arrested Charles Thomas Kelley IV, a suspect they had been searching for in connection with an attempted murder investigation.

The investigation had been ongoing since authorities responded to a domestic violence call in the 1600 block of Tahiti Avenue early Wednesday morning.

Kelley, 31, was taken into custody at around 3 a.m. Friday at a hospital, according to authorities. He had been transported there after he was reportedly injured in an unrelated incident.

Long Beach fire personnel, who took Kelley to the hospital, had seen a picture of him that had been released following the Wednesday incident and notified Laguna Beach authorities as to his whereabouts.

Upon being discharged from the hospital, Kelley will be booked into the Orange County jail on suspicion of attempted murder and other charges related to the April 19 incident, police said.

According to a news release issued Wednesday, Kelley allegedly burglarized a home in Laguna Beach, then returned to the residence hours later and committed an act of violence against his ex-girlfriend.

Laguna Beach High and Thurston Middle School were placed on alert due to the proximity of the incident, though authorities said there was no threat to students or staff.

The woman involved in the incident was reportedly taken to a local hospital for further evaluation after being treated for her injuries by emergency medical personnel.

Those with further information about Kelley should contact Laguna Beach Police Det. Mike Lee with the Major Crimes and Intelligence unit. He can be reached at (949) 497-0371 or via email at mlee@lagunabeachcity.net.

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THE CROWD | B.W. COOK

New Orange County foundation grants first transplant funding just 2 months after forming

The Life Savers Foundation of Orange County, officially launched in February of this year, made its first organ recipient funding grant on April 1 to **James Laningham**.

Appropriately, April is National Donate Life Month. Laningham, 44, underwent kidney transplant surgery at USC Keck Medical Center. He received the gift of life from a male donor some 10 years his junior whose life was tragically cut short.

Laningham, a long-serving valet at Newport Beach Country Club, received counsel and guidance from **Heidi Miller** for a year prior to transplant. Miller is a kidney donor and inspirational leader and co-founder of the nonprofit led by founder and principle benefactor **Carole Pickup**.

Laningham will receive a financial grant to cover three months of lost wages and other related expenses during recovery. "James was in the audience for our inaugural fundraiser in February, along with four others in need of kidney transplant," Miller said. "He will be the first of many in need we can help. We could not be more proud and happy for him."

The foundation was made possible through the generosity of Founding Chair Carole Pickup, the Pickup and Martin families and donors from across the community. For more information, send an email to heidimillerkidneydonor@gmail.com.



JAMES LANINGHAM awaits a kidney transplant at USC Keck Hospital with support from the LifeSavers Foundation of Orange County.

A GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Olive Crest, founded by **Don and Lois Verleur**, celebrated its 50th anniversary with a black-tie gala attracting 1,200 guests at the Hilton Hotel, Anaheim. The evening honored the late Newport Beach philanthropist **Howard Abel** among others, including **Mary and Rich Dutch, Josie and Matt Leinart, Steve Bernardy, James Woodside** and **Harriet Harris**.

Since 1973 Olive Crest has assisted some 200,000 children and families providing safe homes, counseling and educational services to build healthy, lasting and strong families. Organizers claim a 90% stability rate with families that have graduated from Olive Crest program, which serve about 4,000 children and families every day throughout the western U.S. More than \$1 million was

raised at the anniversary event thanks in part to title sponsor Northgate Gonzales Market and Newport Beach businessman **Bill Potter's** \$200,000 matching grant.

Front and center for the cause were **Dave Grosse, Joe Asher, Stan and Jessica Morrison, Sue Pebley** and **Dr. James and Lorraine Brinton**. For more information on Olive Crest, visit olivecrest.org.

FOR THE LOVE OF A CHILD

The fabulous spring fashion show and luncheon for Childhelp unfolded March 17 at the Balboa Bay Resort, Newport Beach. Co-chaired by **Patti Edwards, Patricia Ford** and **Pam Pharris**, the 37th annual fest was a tremendous success, raising over \$525,000 for Childhelp programs rescuing abused and neglected children. Major support for the

annual gathering came from loyal and generous sponsors **Jacquie and Michael Casey**, named "Stardust Donors." In their lofty company were the **Madeline and Marvin Gussman Family Foundation**, founders **Patti and Jimmy Edwards**, and significant donors including the **Crean Foundation, Olivia Abel, Terry and George Schreyer, Beverly Cohen, Janet Ronnenberg, Suki McCauley and Christine Bren**, to name a few.

South Coast Plaza produced a New York-worthy runway fashion show with support from designers including **Bally, Camilla, Lafayette 148 New York, David Yurman, Versace, Monique Lhuillier, Roger Vivier, Ted Baker, Saks Fifth Avenue** and more.

Special guest of the day was actor-host **John Stamos**, who received the Children's Friend Award for 2023. Stamos attended the



Ann Chatillon

OLIVE CREST founders **Don and Lois Verleur** with trustee **Steve Bernardy** at the organization's 50th anniversary gala, raising \$1 million for children and family counseling.

event with his wife, **Caitlin**. Serving Childhelp generously were committee members **Tracy Abel, Michele Capps, Terri Carlson, Mary Allyn Dexter, Susan Earlaugh, Maxine Michelson, Katherine Meredith, Diana Miner, Joyce Simon, Tami Smith, Gina Van Ocker, Ellen Hanson Walker, Joy Whitlock, Emily White** and **Debra Violette**. Learn more at childhelp.org.

SOUNDING AN ALARM

Dr. Sandra Morgan, director of the Global Center for Women and Justice at Vanguard University, Costa Mesa, addressed a full house at the Balboa Island Museum speaking on her latest book "Ending Human Trafficking."

The museum, led by chair **Shirley Pepys** and executive director **Tiffany Pepys Hoey**, welcomed Morgan's audience for a 6 p.m. wine reception followed by a serious talk on the state of trafficking related to both slave and sex labor here in O.C. as well as around the nation and world.

Morgan shocked many in attendance with the facts relating to human slavery today. Especially alarming were details relating to slave labor in the chocolate industry abroad. Attendees were advised to check the origin of their favorite chocolates.

In the crowd were **Bill and Gwyn Hoyt, Kim McKay, Erin Moloney, Laurie Easton, Jan Landstrom, Diane Mondino** and **Denise Schuler**. Also having copy of the book signed for them were **Linda Levshin, Maureen Lenihan, Christina McClellan** and **Lisa Houssels**. Former Newport Beach Mayor **Keith Curry** and his wife, **Pam**, were also there to support the lecture series at Balboa Island Museum.

The Global Center for Woman and Justice will hold its annual conference and Priceless Luncheon Sept. 16 at Balboa Bay Resort, led by **Dr. Morgan** and team from Vanguard University.

B.W. COOK is editor of the Bay Window, the official publication of the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach.

AROUND TOWN

Backhausdance to perform at Sherman Gardens

Orange County's critically acclaimed dance company Backhausdance will perform a site-specific dance work inspired by a monthlong residency at Sherman Gardens in Corona del Mar. Two ticketed performances will take place April 29 and 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Founded in 2003 by choreographer Jennifer Backhaus, the company presents original performances designed to showcase or interpret different aspects of unique locations by collaborating with other organizations.

Tickets cost \$60 and include a preshow reception with beverages and an after-show party that goes until 10 p.m. VIP packages and sponsorships are available. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit thesherman.org or call (949) 673-2261.

Costa Mesa to celebrate Arbor Day at TeWinkle Park

Costa Mesa will celebrate the annual tradition of Arbor Day — an observance that dates back to 1872, when J. Sterling Morton organized the planting of 1 million trees in Nebraska — by hosting a tree-planting celebration at TeWinkle Park April 28, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The goal for 2023 is to plant more than

30 trees throughout the park, located at 970 Arlington Drive. City contractors will plant another 10 to 15 additional trees on public land throughout the city to mark this year's Arbor Day.

The annual planting is one requirement Costa Mesa must meet to retain its status as a Tree City USA, a designation given to municipalities that take a proactive approach to improving or maintaining their urban forests. The city first applied for the distinction in 1994.

Potential adopters welcome to Spring Bark Bash April 29

The city of Costa Mesa's Animal Care Services team is hosting a free pet event with adoptions at TeWinkle Park on April 29, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dog training demonstrations, local pet licensing and microchipping will be featured along with a blanket and towel donation drive.

Pet owners or those looking for their next best friends are invited to come and visit with local pet vendors, watch a balloon animal artist and caricaturist at work, get an airbrush tattoo or grab a bite from food trucks at the park, located at 970 Arlington Drive.

Children ages 3 to 12 can adopt their own plush puppy or kitten and take home an adoption certificate. Those who donate

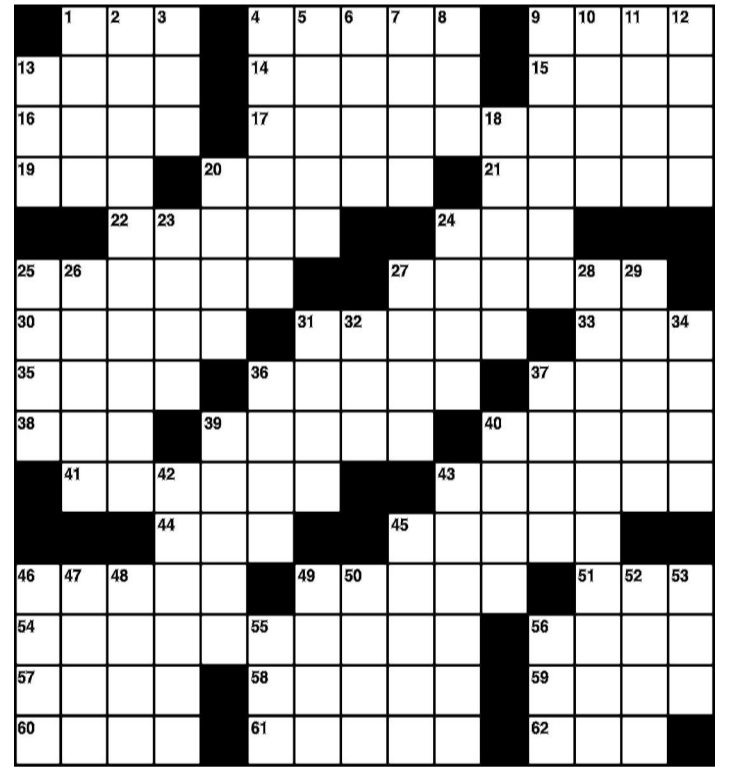
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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By *Jacqueline E. Mathews*

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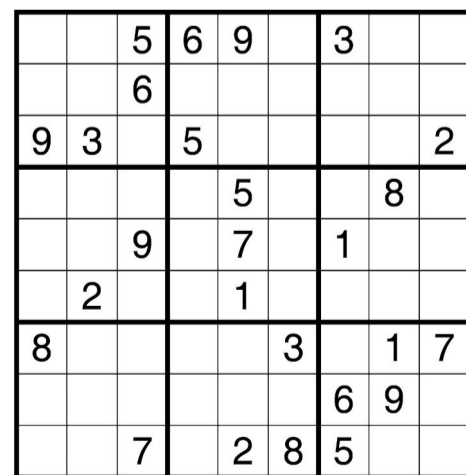
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- 13 Sickly-looking
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- 19 "Grand _ Opry"
- 20 Breath fresheners
- 21 Follows orders
- 22 African nation
- 24 Not up to _; substandard
- 25 Man of the cloth
- 27 Halve
- 30 Packages of paper
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- 33 Wheel center
- 35 Traveler's stops
- 36 Tossed greens
- 37 Liver spread
- 38 Computer, for many
- 39 Shy
- 40 Sudden shocks
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- 43 Naturally illuminated
- 44 Big _; trucker's truck
- 45 Windowsill
- 46 Babble
- 49 Pancreas or ovary
- 51 Org. for Bucks & Bulls
- 54 Draw new zoning lines
- 56 Elderly
- 57 Brings to a close
- 58 Refueling ship
- 59 Yellow, Red, Black and Dead
- 60 Cold cereal maker
- 61 Uptight
- 62 Actress Joan



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 A4.

DOWN

- 1 Sandbox toy
- 2 Loyalty
- 3 Itty-bitty
- 4 Short fast race
- 5 Sports building
- 6 Flash of lightning
- 7 Mendes & Longoria
- 8 Actor Harrison
- 9 Clothing
- 10 Weather forecast
- 11 Lump of dirt
- 12 Brooding mothers
- 13 Paid athlete
- 18 Collect and hoard
- 20 Large group of people

- 23 Does a tailor's job
- 24 Multicolored
- 25 Overly proper
- 26 _ failure; reason for dialysis
- 27 Pitt or Garrett
- 28 Champion's opponent
- 29 _-frutti
- 31 Show-offs
- 32 Actress MacGraw
- 34 Finest
- 36 Croon
- 37 Early Atari video game
- 39 Endeavors
- 40 Naomi or Wynonna
- 42 Painter
- 43 Guard
- 45 Shoestrings
- 46 Get ready, for short
- 47 Nevada gambling mecca
- 48 _ up; totals
- 49 Happy look
- 50 Uplifting tune
- 52 Bird's bill
- 53 Commercials
- 55 _ degree; somewhat
- 56 As big _ house

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HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' LACROSSE

CdM fights back for Battle of the Bay win

BY MATT SZABO

The Corona del Mar and Newport Harbor high school girls' lacrosse teams have been pretty evenly matched the last couple of years.

The Sea Kings beat the Sailors in the teams' first league meeting last year, but Newport Harbor won the second one and the rubber match in the CIF Southern Section Division 2 semifinals.

An even match was exactly what fans got Thursday, but a talented sophomore transfer helped turn the tide of the Sunset League match in favor of CdM.

J Serra transfer Meg Vanis scored the last two goals for the Sea Kings, including the game-winner, in an 8-7 Battle of the Bay win at CdM's field.

San Diego State-bound senior Frankie Garcia also scored three goals for CdM (9-7, 4-0 in league), which stayed in contention for the league title. CdM plays at defending league champion Edison (12-4, 4-0) on Tuesday night, with the winner capturing the outright Sunset League crown.

The Sea Kings came into Thursday's Battle of the Bay match as perhaps a slight underdog against



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CORONA DEL MAR'S Abby Grace (11) wins the draw and runs the ball upfield during the Battle of the Bay girls' lacrosse match against Newport Harbor on Thursday.

Newport Harbor (11-4, 2-2). It showed in the first half. The Sailors took a 5-2 half-time lead, with sophomore Casey Sharbrough scoring all three of her goals before intermission.

CdM coach Jessica Mur-

ray saw a few shots hit the post in the first half, when her team made just two of 16 shots. But she also knew that senior Abby Grace was winning the draws.

"Draw control is key," Murray said. "When you

see how many shots you have, it usually correlates pretty closely with the draw controls. We were controlling the draws, we just couldn't get our goals in. And their goalie [senior Lucy Valdes] is very good.

She's a great goalie, she's super-athletic and she's really active. I give her a ton of that credit too."

Valdes made 13 saves in the match. CdM junior Avery Charlesworth, in her first year as a goalkeeper, made a handful of saves and stayed composed throughout.

CdM rallied to take its first lead, at 6-5, on a free-position goal from Grace with 7:53 remaining. She said it took time for the Sea Kings to work faster against Newport Harbor's "backer" defense.

"It's hard for us, especially as a driving team, to get around that," said Grace, one of three CdM team captains along with Garcia and senior defender Megan Schafer. "I think especially after half, we navigated through it really well. We were really composed, and we got a lot of the draws."

Senior Caroline Close had a match-high four goals for Newport Harbor, including the last two. Her free-position strike tied the score for the final time, at 7-7, with 3:19 remaining.

She said her team was searching a bit for that same composure.

"Whenever we play CdM it's a bit stressful, especially on their field." Close said.

"We also had a lead, so I think we felt a little too comfortable. Our team just needs to work together a little more, and we're going to work on that in practice."

After Close's last goal, Vanis won the ensuing draw, sped down the field and scored nine seconds later. She waited on her shot.

"I got the draw and saw that their defense was ready for me to come, but I tried to weave my way through," Vanis said. "Their goalie is really good high, so I tried getting around to shoot it kind of by her hips. She does save almost every single one high, so I was just trying to get the best shot that I could."

Vanis and Grace led CdM with five ground balls each, while Emma Chaix and Lauren Boyd each had a pair of ground balls for the Sailors.

CdM now prepares for its league title match at Edison.

"They're a really strong team, but I think lately we've had really good momentum going and we're really strong together," Garcia said. "I think we can battle with them, for sure."

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HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

CdM boys' volleyball clinches Surf League automatic playoff berth

Senior opposite George Bruening had 17 kills to lead the Corona del Mar High boys' volleyball team to a 25-23, 25-16, 25-16 win over Huntington Beach in the Surf League second-place tiebreaker match Thursday at Edison High.

The match determined the second automatic post-season bid in the four-team Surf League. It may well have seeding implications for the CIF Southern Section Division 1 playoffs.

Huntington Beach started the week ranked No. 3 in the CIF Division 1 and 2 combined poll, while Corona del Mar entered the week at No. 6. The Sea Kings won the last two meetings between the teams, including a 22-25,

25-21, 25-23, 24-26, 15-13 home victory over the Oilers on April 1.

Junior outside hitter Sterling Foley added 15 kills in the tiebreaking match for CdM (17-8, 3-3), while junior setter Ryan Gant handed out 29 assists.

Huntington Beach finished the season at 22-6 overall and 3-3 in league.

The section will release its boys' volleyball playoff pairings on Saturday at 11 a.m.

The Sunset Conference could have as many as four of the eight teams selected to the Division 1 playoffs. Surf League champion Newport Harbor (30-2) is ranked second, and Wave League champion Edison (19-8) is ranked eighth.

— Andrew Turner



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CORONA DEL MAR'S Sterling Foley, Kaden Kavanaugh, Reid McMullen, and George Bruening celebrate a point against Newport Harbor on April 4.

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blankets or towels at the city's booth will receive a raffle ticket to win a special pet prize.

Pets may attend the event, but dogs must be on a nonretractable leash no longer than 5 feet in length while in the event area.

OCC to host Homeboy

Industries founder

Orange Coast College's Counseling Latinos for Engagement and Equity (CLEEO) project will host Father Greg Boyle, a noted author and founder and director of Los Angeles' Homeboy Industries, to speak Tuesday, from 3 to 4 p.m.

His talk will take place at the CLEEO project center, located inside the Global Engagement Center's Room 109 on the Costa Mesa campus. Boyle will discuss his role as leader

of one of the largest and most successful rehabilitation and reentry program for gang members in the world, which sprung from the concept of treating gang members as human beings.

OCC's CLEEO project provides cross-cultural learning opportunities for the campus community and supports the access and success of Latinos in higher education.

To register for the event, contact ecuellar@occ.cccd.edu.

— From staff reports

POOL

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gether was pretty awesome. It wouldn't have been possible without the collaboration of all parties ... the district really was open-minded and really stepped up to the plate, working with our administration and our community to fix the problem. I've been at CdM a pretty long time and seen a lot of pool problems, but I've never seen a something come together and a problem get fixed like this before as quickly and efficiently."

Captan said the professionalism of first-year CdM athletic director Brian Walsh, and the ability to get pool time at other pools, also made a difference.

"He just never stopped working for us to get pool time available," Captan said. "Even if it was going to take six months, he was prepared to make sure we were in a good spot."

CdM aquatic parents Tim Britt, Joe Stefano, Darin Anderson and Sam Kamel were leaders in a parent group that met with district administration in hopes of quickly resolving the issue.

Haley also thanked district Director of Maintenance & Operations Lance Bidnik among others.

"[This is] a testimony to community, kids and collaboration," Haley said in the email.

Newport-Mesa Unified School District Board of Trustees member Lisa Pearson agreed.

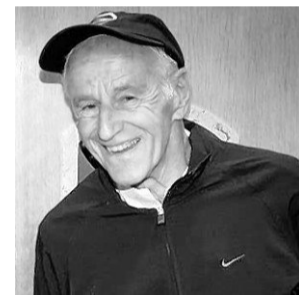
"Our parents and community are amazing," Pearson said. "Having a district, a principal and superintendent willing to meet with parents and work with them for a faster solution benefits our students ... We're in good hands."

Captan said the swim team has been training at UC Irvine recently. If the CdM pool reopens on Tuesday, it would be a day before Surf League swimming preliminaries at Golden West College.

Vika Boyko's son, Timur Tsotsiashvili, is a junior water polo player at CdM, and she also has another son playing 12-and-under water polo.

"Parents are relieved," Boyko said. "It's an understatement to say that we're just relieved and really happy."

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Carl Neisser

July 12, 1926 - March 8, 2023

Carl Neisser has departed this world at the age of 96½. Despite his advanced age, he almost got the exit he desired after only a brief two-week illness in the hospital without having to leave the house he and his wife Pat built in Newport Beach almost 67 years ago.

Truly a child of the Jazz Age — he loved permutations of this musical form his whole life — Dad began life in a city, Milwaukee, WI, overseen by a Socialist mayor and in a country presided over by the decidedly non-Socialist, Calvin Coolidge. In today's highly charged political atmosphere, this is worth noting because Dad's friendships knew no political bounds.

As a boy growing up on the North Shore of Chicago, Dad focused on the things that mattered most to him, sports — particularly tennis and basketball — and schoolwork. WWII saw Dad enlisting in the Navy in June of '44, training for a year as a radio technician, followed by a year of duty in the Philippines. Returning stateside in June of '46, Dad joined the thousands of servicemen who, empowered by the GI Bill, stormed the citadels of higher education and made the class of 1950 still the largest ever to graduate from many of them, Yale (where Dad went) included. After four years of courtship, while both were in college, Mom and Dad married in June of 1950, settling in L.A. where sons Rick and Ken were born, followed by son Drew after the family moved to Orange County in 1956. Our parents shared 64 lively years together until Mom's passing in 2014.

From 1950 to 1974, Dad honed his skills in marketing and sales at Beckman Instruments. Dad's thinking about business continued to evolve as well, and in the mid-70s, he exchanged corporate life for an entrepreneurial one. By the 1990s, his profile and reputation as an essential connector of professionals to both other professionals, and to cultural, civic, and community nonprofits had grown to such an extent that the phrases "You should call Carl" and "You need to see the Mayor of Orange County" were sufficient identifiers for one who had come to signify a uniter of people from across the spectra and a force for good in the wider world.

In the '70s, as the boys went off to college, Dad's interests expanded beyond family, sports, and business. He embraced Mom's passion for the arts and volunteered at the Newport Harbor Art Museum and South Coast Repertory Theater. In due course, he was asked to join the boards of both organizations and remained actively engaged with those organizations, and others such as Arts Orange County, virtually to the end of his life.

A signature — and remarkable — characteristic of Dad's was his ability to elicit and remember the activities and interests of family and friends, making them, never himself, the center of countless breakfast and lunch conversations. He also applied those talents as a tireless advocate for cultural, civic, and community nonprofits, enjoying great success as an enlister of others in the betterment of their communities.

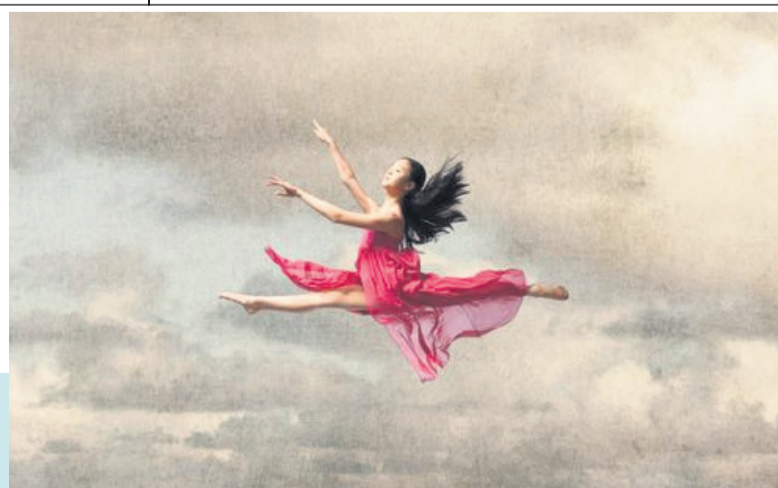
Dad's circle of friends and admirers truly spanned the political spectrum. He rarely engaged in political arguments, preferring to hear, to question, to ponder, and to learn. He lived his life with an insatiable thirst for knowledge and a deep passion for connecting with others. Embodying the values of kindness, generosity, and inclusivity, Dad will be remembered as long as there are memories and generations to share them with.

Dad's example reminds us of the importance of living a life filled with enthusiasm, effervescence, and boundless curiosity. He showed us that no matter our age, we can continue to learn, to grow, and to better the world around us. If you'd like to honor his memory, we would direct you to The Seneca Family of Agencies or your favorite nonprofit. Vigorous, caring, and engaging for nine and a half decades, Dad has left us with a treasure trove of memories that will keep us smiling while inspiring us to live our best lives. Dad was preceded in death by his wife Pat, his brother Ed and sister-in-law Judy, and Queen Elizabeth II. He leaves his sons Rick, Ken (Winifred), Drew (Linda), grandchildren Alexis (Jeremy1), Emma (Jeremy2), Nick (Lauren), and Carl, great-grandchildren Henry and Edie, niece Kate, and grandnephews IZ and Eddie.

Be a part of the 2023 Newport Beach Art Exhibition (June 24, 2023), an opportunity to show and sell artwork to the public in a one-day exhibit.

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

Deadline: May 26, 2023. Apply at CallforEntry.org



CLOSE

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the virus and students who struggled in a traditional school setting. Cloud Campus also provided a measure of continuity as brick-and-mortar schools opened and closed in response to shifting COVID-19 protocols.

"There was so much uncertainty as to, were we going to stay in hybrid learning or go back and

forth with distance learning?" recalled Mike Sciacca, Newport-Mesa Unified director of secondary education and Cloud Campus' first principal. "Many families were looking for stability."

The 100 or so instructors who'd transferred to the online school worked to create a sense of normalcy for kids by offering clubs, school assemblies and letting students select a mascot, the phoenix. Attendance swelled to 2,200 students in the school's first

year, according to Sciacca.

But now that the pandemic has receded, it seems Cloud Campus has served its purpose. With an enrollment of just 220 students, district officials confirmed Wednesday the school would not reopen for the 2023-24 academic year.

"The main reason was the reduction in parent interest," Sciacca said. "Cloud started in response to community interest, and as community interest has changed and

shifted, we're shifting the options and resources for families."

Cloud students were given three options — return to their original schools, request a transfer to another NMUSD school or pursue independent study through the district's Monte Vista campus.

News of the closure came as a blow to Newport Beach mother Robin Carter, whose 17-year-old daughter, Cameron, has thrived at the virtual

school for the past two years.

"Cloud Campus was an absolute blessing. There is a section of kids who struggle with normal school, and my daughter is one of them," Carter said of her daughter, whose anxiety and obsessive-compulsive disorder interfered with traditional instruction.

"When she realized she couldn't go to normal school, we had to fork out for a private school, which was astronomically expensive. But then the Cloud Campus opened up — it was the missing link."

The small class sizes and close connections between teachers and students helped Cameron bring her grades up from failing to As and increased her confidence. Carter said next year, they will try a mix of online learning with occasional in-person classes at Newport Harbor High.

"I think there's a big need for [online learning]," she added. "It's almost what the future is going to be anyway, where you work from home, you teach yourself and motivate yourself."

About half of the 220 TK-12 students currently enrolled in Cloud Campus in independent study next year because they report the model fits their learning style better than a traditional classroom, Sciacca said.

The influx of new admissions will swell the student population at Monte Vista, which operates on the Back Bay High School campus. District officials have decided to physically move Monte Vista to a former school campus still owned by NMUSD at 1001 Presidio

Square near Davis Magnet School.

Meanwhile, the 23 instructors who are still teaching Cloud Campus classes, like the students, have the option to return to their home schools or another campus or transfer to Monte Vista.

Under the independent study model, students work remotely at their own pace but have regular check-ins with teachers and appear in person to take tests as needed.

"We're exploring different options, where they can access teachers for more one-on-one help, and we haven't ruled out things like small group meetings with a math teacher," Sciacca said.

The school will open next year with seven teachers, along with staff members and Raquel Stephens, who will shift her principal assignment to Monte Vista from the Cloud Campus.

Stephens said Friday independent study is about redefining success for students.

"We have structured components in place to ensure students have the content support and progress monitoring they need to be successful," she stated in an email. "We also have flexibility for students who are pursuing a passion, such as music or athletics, or who, because of life circumstances, require more flexibility in the time, place, and pace of instruction."

Carter, who remains hopeful about next year, says the virtual school was a lifeline for Cameron.

"It was remarkable. It saved her life, literally," she said.

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CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF

UNDERGROUND UTILITY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 2014-2 WOODS COVE AREA

N-1 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that electronic bids will be received by the City of Laguna Beach for the UNDERGROUND UTILITY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 2014-2 WOODS COVE, together with appurtenances thereto.

N-2 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, B-9 through B-17) must be uploaded to the PlanetBids system no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 19, 2023, after which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Office of the City Engineer of the City of Laguna Beach, located at 479 Ocean Avenue, Laguna Beach, California, 92651. No late bids will be accepted.

N-3 DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK: In general, the work comprises of installing conduits, vaults and other structures to support the undergrounding of Southern California Edison, Frontier Communications, Cox Communications, Crown Castle, and City street lighting facilities, all within the City of Laguna Beach.

N-4 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-5 COMPLETION OF WORK AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: All work is to be completed in a total of 300 DAYS, excluding holidays, from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages shall be \$2,000 per working day, for each and every working days delay in finishing the work.

N-6 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-7 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 under Statistics and Research. 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-8 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-9 OBTAINING OR INSPECTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Contract Documents, in digital Adobe Acrobat (.PDF) format, are available at the City of Laguna Beach's website at https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/dobusiness-here/rfps-bids. Once at this site, click on the "Click here to access the City of Laguna Beach Vendor Portal and to see current Bid Opportunities". If you are not currently registered with PlanetBids for the City of Laguna Beach, please click on the "New Vendor Registration" button, then complete the electronic supplier registration process. Interested firms must be registered in order to submit a bid. Firms must also check the website periodically for addenda information as failure to acknowledge any and all addenda will result in bid disqualification.

N-10 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-11 ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST: The estimate of probable cost for the project is \$16,925,000

N-12 PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE: All communications relative to this project shall be directed to Pierre Sawaya, Senior Project Manager, at psawaya@lagunabeachcity.net. Deadline for all inquiries is 10:00 a.m. on May 10, 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH
By: Thomas Perez
Assistant Director of Public Works

Date: April 13, 2023

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NOTICE OF UNSCHEDULED VACANCIES

The City of Newport Beach is currently accepting applications to fill three (3) unscheduled vacancies on the General Plan Advisory Committee (term is for the duration of the General Plan update process)

The General Plan Advisory Committee meets as necessary on weeknights or weekdays (M-Th), at a time convenient for the Committee at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach.

All applicants must be qualified electors of the City, none of whom shall hold any paid office or employment in City government (Section 702 of the City Charter).

The application and Committee information can be accessed through the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov/vacancy or picked up from the City Clerk's Office at 100 Civic Center Drive, Bay E, 2nd Floor.

The deadline for filing applications has been changed from May 10, 2023 to noon on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, or until the vacancies are filled. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (949) 644-3005.



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, May 04, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. or soon thereafter as the matter shall be heard, a public hearing will be conducted in the Council Chambers at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach. The Planning Commission of the City of Newport Beach will consider the following application:

Park Newport Landslide and Rockfall Mitigation Project - A request for a coastal development permit to allow the installation of anchored mesh, temporary tarps, and k-rails to help mitigate the potential for rockfall from the sloped area adjacent to the Park Newport community onto Back Bay Drive. The project also includes the installation of soldier piles within the Park Newport site near two existing residential buildings to further mitigate against landslide risk. As the k-rails are located in the public right-of-way, the applicant is requesting a waiver of Council Policy L-6 and an encroachment permit to retain the existing non-compliant improvements, consisting of three sections of temporary k-rail that encroach up to 12 feet, 8 inches into the 40-foot-wide public right-of-way at the property.

The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 and Section 15303 under Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the State CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines.

All interested parties may appear and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City or before the public hearing. The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date; if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapter 21.64 (Appeals and Calls for Review). A fee is required to appeal any final action on a coastal development permit to the City Council. The project site is located within the appeal area of the coastal zone; therefore, final action by the City may be appealed to the California Coastal Commission.

The agenda, staff report, and corresponding documents will be available by end of business day on the Friday preceding the public hearing and may be reviewed at the Community Development Department Permit Center (Bay C-1st Floor), at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660 or the City of Newport Beach website at www.newportbeachca.gov/planningcommission. Individuals not able to attend the meeting may contact the Planning Division or access the City's website after the meeting to review the action on this application. All mail or written communications (including email) from the public, residents, or applicants regarding an agenda item must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the business day immediately before the meeting. This allows time for the Planning Commission to adequately consider the submitted correspondence.

For questions regarding this public hearing item please contact Liz Westmoreland, Senior Planner, at 949-644-3234 or lwestmoreland@newportbeachca.gov, at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Project File No.: PA2023-0034 Activity No.: Coastal Development Permit and Waiver of Council Policy L-6

Zone: Planned Community 7 (PC-7)-Park Newport General Plan: RM (Multiple Residential)

Coastal Land Use Plan: RM-D (Multiple Unit Residential) - (20.0 - 29.9 DU/AC) Filing Date: February 7, 2023

Location: bluff and residential areas near 5000 Park Newport Drive and Back Bay Drive at the bottom of the slope Applicant: Park Newport Land LTD

Sarah Klaustermeier, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach

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Special Flood Hazard (VE) Overlay Code Amendments - The City is proposing amendments to the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC) Title 20 (Planning and Zoning) and Title 21 (Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan) to establish a new Special Flood Hazard (VE) Overlay District. The proposed overlay would modify standards for new residential development for properties along West Ocean Front, generally located between 24th Street and 48th Street, and designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as being in the VE Special Flood Hazard Area (VE Zone). New development within the VE Zone is required to meet FEMA construction design criteria, which includes elevating new residential structures approximately 3 to 5 feet above existing grade to avoid flood hazards and potential wave action. As a result of this requirement, the FEMA VE Zone design criteria presents several site access and design conflicts. Therefore, the proposed standards of the Special Flood Hazard (VE) Overlay District would allow raised walkways, decks, and stairs with necessary guardrails to encroach into the front, side, and rear setback areas to provide reasonable use and site access. The raised decks and walkways would be elevated similarly to the required elevated finished floor of the new home.

The action proposed is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 21065 of CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(2), 15060(c)(3) and 15378. The proposed action is also exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment. The Amendments themselves do not authorize development that would directly result in physical change to the environment. Lastly, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15265(a)(1), local governments are exempt from the requirements of CEQA in connection with the adoption of a Local Coastal Program.

All interested parties may appear in-person and present testimony regarding this application. If you challenge this project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City, at, or prior to, the public hearing. Administrative procedures for appeals are provided in the Newport Beach Municipal Code Chapters 20.64 (Appeals) and 21.64 (Appeals and Calls for Review). The application may be continued to a specific future meeting date, and if such an action occurs, additional public notice of the continuance will not be provided.

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Project File No.: PA2018-075 Activity: Amendments to Title 20 and Title 21 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code

Zone: R-1 (Single-Unit Residential) and R-2 (Two-Unit Residential) General Plan: RS-D (Single Unit, Detached) and RT (Two Unit Residential)

Coastal Land Use Plan: RSD-D Single Unit Residential Detached - (20.0 - 29.9 DU/AC) and RT-E Two Unit Residential - (30.0 - 39.9 DU/AC) Location: West Ocean Front properties, generally located between 24th Street and 48th Street Applicant: City of Newport Beach

Sarah Klaustermeier, Secretary, Planning Commission, City of Newport Beach

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