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Don Leach | Staff Photographer **VOTERS HEAD** into Huntington Beach City Hall on Election Day on

Tuesday.

# 'HB3' take the lead in **Surf City** election

Williams, Twining and Kennedy look likely to unseat incumbents to form an all-conservative City Council in H.B.

#### **BY MATT SZABO**

Don Kennedy got three hours of sleep Tuesday night.

That's if he's being optimistic. The Huntington Beach City

Council candidate stayed up until 1:30 a.m. watching national election results. Then, he and fellow candidate Butch Twining got up at 4 a.m. to start the arduous process of taking down campaign signs in windy conditions.

"It's a lot more fun to pull signs down than it is to put them up," Kennedy said Wednesday.

Especially after you've won. The all-conservative trio of Chad Williams, Twining and Kennedy, who dubbed themselves the "HB3" and held a watch party in Huntington Harbour, appeared to be headed to victory by the time the night was over.

They would have unseated the three minority members of the council, incumbents Kalmick, Natalie Moser and Rhonda Bolton.

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#### **ELECTION 2024**

# Coastal O.C. voters exercise their right



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**RESIDENT GLORIA LOZA** shows her "I voted" sticker Tuesday at City Hall in Huntington Beach where, along with the controversial Measure U, three open seats were contested on the City Council.

# Whalen, challenger Jones take the lead in Laguna council race



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A RESIDENT DROPS off her ballot in the national and local elections at the Laguna Beach library ballot box on Tuesday.

#### BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach voters have appeared to opt for both the old and the new in the race for two open seats on the City Council, as incumbent Bob Whalen and challenger Hallie Jones continued to see favorable results as of Wednesday evening.

Whalen, a public finance attorney seeking a fourth term on the five-person governing body, said he was "pleased with the outcome" and vowed to continue to place public safety as his top priority.

"I think looking to always improve on wildfire safety, look to either rebuild or renovate our fire stations — all of which are

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Susan Hoffman

**VOTERS WAIT** in line outside Newport Beach Civic Center to cast their ballots on Election Day.

# Blom, 2 hopefuls win big at the polls in N.B.

Candidates backed by sitting council members will preserve a 7-0 majority of conservative members on the body.

#### **BY ERIC LICAS**

The bar at Muldoon's Irish Pub in Newport Beach was packed with patrons Tuesday night — including many wearing red hats or stickers proclaiming "I voted" and one woman in a blue dress with a collage of Trump/Vance bumper stickers printed on it — well over an hour ahead of the Orange County GOP's watch party scheduled that evening. Campaign vol-unteers handed out miniature American flags that were hoisted into the air alongside cheers as the Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump surpassed 200 electoral votes and other

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# **REV. MATT HAMBRICK** leads a special

service at First United Methodist Church in Costa Mesa, which focused on peaceful reflection and grounding in the face of **Election Day** uncertainty.



# Costa Mesa church trades out politics for peace at election vigil

## **BY SARA CARDINE**

As ballots were counted Tuesday for races still too close to call and anxious pundits speculated where political futures might be heading, one Costa Mesa church spent election night offering prayers for peace and reconciliation, no matter the outcome.

Members gathered at First United Methodist Church of Costa Mesa for a Vigil of Peace and Centering, engaging in a multisensory experience designed to combat Election Day anxieties, tension and fatigue.

Rev. Matt Hambrick, who leads congregants at the LGBTQ+-inclusive West 19th Street facility and its sister church in Mesa Verde, said

pastors are hearing from members about families, friends and colleagues being torn asunder by conflicting political view-

So, when a member approached church leaders about countering Election Day worries with practices and traditions grounded in togetherness, acceptance and love, Hambrick

'The first election I remember, when I was too young to vote, was Reagan's second election. It was contentious. People had thoughts about the Cold War and nuclear energy and weapons," he recalled Tuesday. "I've seen many elections since then, but I've never seen any-

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**ABOVE:** Tustin resident Bobbie Lee Throne reads a passage during an election night service at the First United Methodist Church in Costa Mesa.

**LEFT:** A portrait of Fred Rogers of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" greets visitors to First United Methodist Church on election night.

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SAT, NOV 16 FRI, NOV 15 JOSHUA RADIN **RONSTADT** & RON POPE REVIVAL

**COMMON SENSE** 11/8 **TYRONE WELLS** 11/9 11/13 JOHN HIATT **11/14 THE SWEET** 

COMMON SENSE

11/15 RONSTADT REVIVAL (LINDA RONSTADT TRIBUTE)

11/16 JOSHUA RADIN & RON POPE

11/21 JEREMY PIVEN

11/22 SPACE ODDITY (DAVID BOWIE TRIBUTE)

11/23 RUFUS WAINWRIGHT

11/24 CTRL + Z - FT MARC BONILLA, THOMAS LANG, RIC FIERABRACCI, ALEX MACHACEK, & JONATHAN SINDELMAN

11/26 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE) 11/27 LEONID & FRIENDS (CHICAGO TRIBUTE)

11/29 THE PLATTERS

11/30 LEE ROCKER OF THE STRAY CATS

LIVINGSTON TAYLOR & LOUDON WAINWRIGHT III 12/4

WHICH ONE'S PINK? (PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE) 12/6 WHICH ONE'S PINK? (PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE) 12/7

SANDRA BERNHARD 12/8

12/11 DAVID BENOIT (CHRISTMAS TRIBUTE TO CHARLIE BROWN)

12/12 THE RAT PACK

12/13 ABBA HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS

12/14 THE HIGHWAYMAN SHOW

12/15 THE GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA

12/18 SAMANTHA FISH (SHAKE EM' DOWN TOUR) JON SPENCER, CEDRIC BURNSIDE

12/19 A VERY WHITNEY CHRISTMAS

12/20 A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS

12/21 AMBROSIA HOLIDAY SHOW 12/22 GARY HO-HO-HOEY

12/27 BEATLES VS STONES (A Musical Showdown)

12/28 DRAMARAMA 12/29 L.A. GUNS

12/31 THE ENGLISH BEAT New Years Eve!

1/3 **QUEEN NATION** 

1/4 **QUEEN NATION** 

1/8 **QUINN SULLIVAN & HAMISH ANDERSON** 1/10 **TOMMY CASTRO & THE PAINKILLERS** 





FRI, NOV 22









1, NOV 24 CTRL + Z

1/11 AC/DC vs OZZY

JEREMY PIVEN SPACE ODDITY

BURTON CUMMINGS (of the original The Guess Who)

1/17 DADA

1/12

1/18 DSB (JOURNEY TRIBUTE)

1/23 **PAT TRAVERS** 

**GENE LOVES JEZEBEL** 1/24

& BOW WOW WOW

1/26 WHAT'S NEW PUSSYCAT? (Tom Jones Tribute)

1/30 **CANNED HEAT** 

1/31 **DESPERADO** (EAGLES TRIBUTE)

**DESPERADO** (EAGLES TRIBUTE) 2/1

2/2 **RICKIE LEE JONES** 2/7

**DAVID COOK** 2/8

LED ZEPAGAIN (LED ZEPPELIN TRIBUTE)

2/16 INCENDIO with ARDESHIR FARAH (OF STRUNZ & FARAH)

2/20 THE HEART OF ROCK & ROLL

**CHEST FEVER** 2/21

2/22 FAST TIMES (ULTIMATE 80'S TRIBUTE)

2/23 **ALWAYS ADELE** 

2/26 **HUMMEL HARP BLOWOUT** 

2/27 **VANESSA COLLIER** 

2/28 **G LOVE & SPECIAL SAUCE** 

3/6 **ALTAN** 

**COCO MONTOYA & RONNIE BAKER BROOKS** 3/7

3/8 **MARC COHN** 3/9 **MARC COHN** 

3/13 **SONS OF CREAM** FT KOFI BAKER, MALCOM BRUCE, ROB JOHNSON

3/14 THE FENIANS

**RUSSELL HOWARD** 3/26

3/28 **KIDS OF CHARLEMAGNE & PENROSE** 

3/29 SUPER DIAMOND (NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE)

3/30 **COLIN JAMES** 

4/1 **JORMA KAUKONEN** 

4/5 **HERMAN'S HERMITS FT PETER NOONE** 4/6

**HERMAN'S HERMITS FT PETER NOONE** 

4/11 **DON CARLOS** 

4/19 **KEVIN NEALON** 

4/25 **TOM GREEN - HOME TO THE COUNTRY** 

4/26 **PIANO MEN: GENERATIONS** 

5/3 THE OCEAN BLUE

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#### THE DAILY **COMMUTER PUZZLE**

By Stella Zawistowski

**ACROSS** 1 Part of the hand 5 Angel's instrument 9 Open-handed hit 13 False name 15 Wicked 16 Burial place 17 Show emotion 18 TV host Kelly 19 Becomes more mature 20 Shrub with pink or purple flowers 23 Important time period 24 Baby fox 25 Maker of cocktails 31 Raw fish dish 35 Lotion additive 36 Blue or yellow 38 Jack of "The Tonight Show" 39 Pastor's title:

Abbr. 40 High-class group 41 Producer Ziegfeld 42 CFO, e.g.: Abbr. 44 Mulligans 45 Intend 46 Actress Michelle Gellar 48 In a solemn way 50 Sheep's noise 52 Banned

insecticide: Abbr. 53 Paid item in a newspaper: 2 wds. 59 Singer Chappell 60 "Beware the \_ of March" 61 Piano practice piece

64 \_ St. Vincent Millay 65 Profound 66 Extend a subscription 67 Government agents, for short 68 Not difficult

18 20 60 62 65 66

#### **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.

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	7				6	

#### For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A4.

69 Distort

**DOWN** 

1 Golf standard 2 Bitter beer 3 Tall tale teller 4 Big knife 5 Valiant one 6 Very dedicated

7 Ready to pick

9 Young company 10 Company emblem 11 "You said it!" 12 "Frontline" network 14 Shop 21 Ballerina

22 Talk smack

8 Wooden board

name 28 Metes (out) 29 Omit in speech 30 Copter blade 32 Bank vaults 33 Allowed by Muslim law 34 Literary sarcasm 37 Dwell 43 Poolside structures 45 Changes genetically 47 Owns 49 Weirder 51 "All kidding." 53 Write a program 54 Hit the ground 55 Notion 56 Service charges 57 Road trip game: 2 wds. 58 Dip a donut

about

25 Uncovers

assistant

26 Amazon virtual

27 Popular dog

Tribune Media Services

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59 NFL official, for

62 Billy \_ Williams

## HB3

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Williams, Twining and Kennedy would form an allconservative City Council in the city, along with Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark, Mayor Pro Tem Pat Burns, Tony Strickland and Casey McKeon.

In the latest results released Wednesday at 5 p.m. by the Orange County Registrar of Voters, Williams had 41,638 votes, followed by Twining with 35,182 votes and Kennedy with 34,769

Moser (30,519 votes), Kalmick (29,654) and Bolton (28,227) lagged behind in fourth through sixth place, followed by Marissa Jackson with 7,823 votes and Amory Hanson with 3,213 votes.

A conservative endorsed by the council majority has also been elected in as the new city clerk. Lisa Lane Barnes led Regina Blankenhorn in the most recent update, 41,862 votes to 29,486.

Barnes will replace retiring Robin Estanislau, who had held the position since

Alisa Backstrom, who ran unopposed, was reelected as city treasurer.

Measure U, which requires voter approval before city-initiated zoning changes with a "significant and unavoidable" environmental impact could be implemented, also appeared headed to victory, with 43,601 voters favoring the measure and 32,344 voting

Kennedy said hard work led the newly elected conservatives to their spots on the dais, as they did 129 meet-and-greet events by an unofficial count. "We joked around with

[the sitting conservative majority] because they all supported our candidacy," Kennedy said. "They said they did 108, so we said we're going to do 109. We're going to out-work you." Twining and Kennedy,

who are both on the Planning Commission, have been residents of the city for at least 60 years. Williams, a former U.S. Navy SEAL and current keynote speaker and



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**VOTERS CAST** their ballots hours before the election deadline at Huntington Beach City Hall on Tuesday.

youth pastor, is also a lifelong resident of Huntington Beach.

Kennedy and Twining both said Wednesday they will vote the way they feel is best, no matter what the makeup of the council is.

"I'm trying to preserve what I call the best city in the country, the Huntington Beach I grew up in, which is a suburban culture full of friendly people," Kennedy said. "I want to keep it laid back, great climate, good beach life and a great community."

Twining said none of the 'HB3" are politicians, but they realized that beating three incumbents was a tall order.

"Politics is partially a game of name recognition," he said. "Bolton, Kalmick and Moser all have good name recognition, so we had to introduce ourselves to a heck of a lot of people, and that's how we did it. I feel like we outworked them.

"The difference between them and us is that I think our message just resonated

The city has seen division over the last two years on issues like suing the state over housing mandates and screening of children's library books. A 4-3 vote on the council dais has been extremely common.

Moser, who was elected in 2020 along with Kalmick, said she was concerned about the new council makeup.

"As a lifelong resident raising a family here, it is concerning to see a council so

unified in perspective, with limited diversity of thought or representation," she said in a statement via text message. "A thriving democracy depends on a robust exchange of ideas, where consensus and coalition building ensure that decisions reflect the needs of all residents. While I may have concerns about the direction of this incoming council, I hold a strong hope for our city's success. Huntington Beach deserves leadership that is committed to openness, inclusivity and true representation."

Kalmick said he felt like he, Moser and Bolton ran great campaigns with a lot of volunteer support.

"I'm fascinated to see what a 7-0 majority vote looks like," he said. "We'll see. I think divided government makes better government ... I'm disappointed in Huntington Beach, and I'm worried for its future."

"We're not conceding," Kalmick said Wednesday night, adding that there was up to 30,000 votes yet to be counted and that he believed there was a path to victory.

Neighboring Beach also has had an allconservative council.

"They don't have an elected city attorney, and they also are better stewards of their money than the current majority is [in Huntington Beach]," Kalmick said. "They passed their housing element."

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milestones in the race. Scott Baugh, the Republicompeting against Dave Min to represent California's 47th congressional district, mingled in the crowd with supporters and journalists. He encouraged them to be patient and maintain optimism as his Democratic opponent enjoyed a lead in the first rounds of preliminary results. He managed to pull ahead overnight, but just barely in a race that remained too close to call as of Wednesday morning.

Meanwhile at the local level, an incumbent and two candidates endorsed by sitting members of the Newport Beach City Council won by wide margins on Tuesday, likely preserving an atmosphere of unity and a shared vision for the city's future among the conserva-

tive-led body. Current Newport-Mesa Unified School District Trustee Michelle Barto, defending councilman Noah Blom as well as businesswoman and certified public accountant Sara Weber, all held double-digit percentage-point leads over their competition in districts 2, 5 and 7, respectively, as of Wednesday morning. They prevailed over former Finance Committee member Nancy Scarbrough, former Councilman Jeff Herdman and community organizer Miles Patricola.

"At the end of the day I respect every candidate who puts themselves in the arena for running for public office, because it's a lot," Weber told the Daily Pilot over the phone Wednesday.

"Last night was a culmination of hard work by my family, all the volunteers on my team, and the foundation laid by elected officials who endorsed me throughout the year," she added. "I really just want to thank everyone who voted for me and I'm really looking forward to earning the respect and support of those who maybe didn't."

The incoming City Council, like the current one, will consist of seven conservative-leaning members. It will include four women and three men, giving the body its first female majority in Newport Beach's history. And all but one of its members will be under the age of 50.

'It's a young council, but it's also a very well informed and community-focused council," Mayor Pro Tem Joe Stapleton told the Daily Pilot in a phone interview Wednesday. "Nobody on council is a stranger to community service in Newport Beach. What I do love is that those who are making decisions are going to see the results of that for a very long time."

All of the candidates were longtime Newport Beach residents. Many of them shared some common ground on issues related to housing, public safety and more, even if their views on how to act on those matters might differ. Only one, Patricola, was endorsed by the Democratic Party of Or-

ange County. During the course of the campaign, most candidates expressed frustration at a state mandate to zone for an additional 4,845 units of housing in Newport Beach by 2029. Scarbrough has called for a reexamination of the housing element drafted to meet that requirement; Herdman has gone as far as to suggest scrapping the document and starting over. Both had taken issue with the fact that the housing plan being implemented by the city calls for the addition of 8,174 housing units, about 68% more than what the California's Regional Housing Needs Assessment re-

Blom and Barto also said they were unhappy about the housing requirement put forth by lawmakers in Sacramento. However, they as well as members of the current City Council have argued that ignoring it, and failing to comply with California law as a result, would potentially invite state officials to step in and assert even greater control over local zoning. They characterized the city's housing element as a necessary compromise to prevent that



**REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL** candidate Scott Baugh shakes hands with supporters at Muldoon's in Newport Beach on election night Tuesday.

scenario.

"When you look at it, the voters came out strong in support of what I've always preached, which is keeping Newport Newport, and really a strong showing in public safety, maintaining our quality of life and this utopia we call Newport Stapleton said Beach," Wednesday. "So, rejecting some of the policies from Sacramento, continuing to

fight for quality of life."

Weber described supporting firefighters and police as the core of her platform. Public safety is a topic she and the rest of the incoming council will undoubtedly tackle in the near future as Newport Beach moves forward with the installation of an automated surveillance system and looks for ways to integrate technology with law en-



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**ATTENDEES OF** the O.C. GOP's election night watch party at Muldoon's pose for photos.

forcement and other public services.

Newly elected members have also expressed support for enforcement of a recently implemented ordinance banning camping in public places. They view the new law in conjunction with support services, shelter and support housing as an equation to address homelessness within the city's borders.

In August, the City Council voted to assign more police officers to handle calls involving homeless people and declined to extend its contract with Be Well, the nonprofit that has been operating a mobile mental health response team in Newport Beach since 2021.

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THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file

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IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want 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:

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**SUMMONS** 

(CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER (Número del Caso): 30-2023-01356945-CL-BC-CJC

**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:** (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

Clear Shield Concepts, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company; Aaron Frazier, an individual; and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE)

Olen Commercial Realty Corp., a

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Self-Help

(www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

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(El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Central Justice Center 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

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(El nombre, la dirección y el número de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abodgado, es): Julie A. Ault; Kaelee Gifford

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REV. MATT HAMBRICK, lead pastor at First United Methodist Church in Costa Mesa, led a Vigil for Peace and Centering Tuesday to help calm nerves on election night.

## **VIGIL**

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thing like this and the anxiety and tension people are experiencing now. You cannot escape it."

The sanctuary opened its doors to the public Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., offering a special service that began at 7 p.m. and ended with a prolonged prayer of silence.

Visitors were welcomed at the entrance to the sanctuary with a beatific image of public television icon Mister Rogers, himself an ordained Presbyterian minister and peacenik.

"Mister Rogers always said, when you see things that are scary, to look for the people who are helping," Hambrick said.

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"When you're looking for faith and justice and all these amazing people in the world, you will find them.'

Participants interacted with displays encouraging them to stop and smell, taste, touch and listen as a means of more deeply activating their awareness of the present moment. Separate stations offered tiny bottles of essential oil and cotton balls, ribbons for winding and feeling during prayer and chocolates and chips for tasting.

Attendees were also invited to sit in a quiet room equipped with weighted blankets or sing along with a church band playing songs of devotion.

The displays were curated by Bobbie Lee Thorne, a First United Methodist chiropractor who said they'd noticed a strange uptick in neck and back problems among clients in recent weeks.

"I'd say, "What's stressing you out?" and, generally, it was the election," the 63year-old Tustin resident said. "It didn't matter whether it was a Democrat or Republican — you start talking about the election and everybody feels there's something great at stake."

Unfortunately, prolonged exposure to mental or emotional distress can cause a person's sympathetic nervous system to get stuck in an adrenalinefueled "fight or flight" response.

To combat that, one must activate the parasympathetic nervous system, which governs sleep, digestion and relaxation, through soothing activities. Eating causes salivary glands to send signals to the brain to calm down, while diaphragmatic breathing and singing stimulate the Vagus nerve,

whose signals also calm brain activity.

Thorne said centering oneself is an important part of living the teachings of Jesus.

"Jesus asked us to, no matter what, love your neighbor," they said. "[To do that] we need to be centered and grounded first. And if we want our neighbors to receive that love, they need to be centered and grounded as well."

During Tuesday's service, Hambrick spoke on the importance of faith and being still enough to hear God's message. The program ended with 25 minutes of silence, intended to last until the 8 p.m. closing of voting centers, at which point Hambrick offered a final prayer.

"This is us, releasing our hopes, our fears, our dreams and our wishes to the hands of God. That silence is a protest that we will not be afraid, that we will not fear."

Afterward, parishioners Jonathan Ming, 28, of Costa Mesa and 85-vear-old **Huntington Beach resident** Corinne Neal talked together in the church's vestibule.

Ming said he wanted to be in a welcoming, inclusive space after hearing so much violent rhetoric during the campaign season. Neal hugged him, saying afterward she felt calmed by the evening and hoped to take that feeling out into the broader community.

"I think I came here needing a hug, so I appreciate that," Ming told her.

"Here, let me give you another one," she said, enfolding him in her arms once more.

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**City of Costa Mesa** Orange County, California Notice Inviting Bids

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Costa Mesa ("City") invites sealed bids, to be submitted electronically only, for the following project:

#### COSTA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT INTERIOR REPAINT **CITY PROJECT NO. 24-04**

**BID SUBMISSION AND OPENING:** Bids must be submitted electronically via the City of Costa Mesa's PlanetBids portal before the deadline of 2:00 P.M., Thursday, December 5, 2024, at which time or shortly thereafter the City will open bids electronically. The bid results will be posted online via PlanetBids. No paper bids or any other form of submittal will be accepted. Any bid received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be rejected. The City is not responsible for and accepts no liability in the event a response is late due to any network, internet, or any other technical difficulty or interruption. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that his/her/its bid is received by the deadline.

To access the bid documents and bid on this project, potential vendors and bidders must first register through the City's PlanetBids portal at:  $\underline{https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=45476}.$ 

SCOPE OF WORK AND BID DOCUMENTS: The scope of work for this project generally consists of cleaning, prepping, and repainting all of the interior walls, doors, door frames and trim, interior window frames, structural steel, concrete, and plaster/stucco materials within the building. The Contractor is responsible for removing floorboards and temporarily relocating all furniture and items on walls per the project specifications. The Contractor must schedule the interior paint removal, cleaning and prepping, and painting appropriately in order to allow the police staff full accessibility to all parts of the building and to not interrupt day-to-day activities and tasks.

The plans, specifications, and bid documents for this project can be obtained via the City's PlanetBids portal at: https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=45476

It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the most current version of

the solicitation, including any addenda, has been downloaded. Bids received without the applicable addenda will be rejected as incomplete. PRE-BID MEETING OR JOB WALK: A mandatory pre-bid job walk has

been scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

starting in the lobby of the City of Costa Mesa's City Hall located at 77

Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 BID CONTENTS: All bids must be submitted on the proposal form included in the bid documents. No bid will be considered unless it is

with the provisions of the bid requirements.

the bid submission deadline.

- BID SECURITY: Each bidder must submit a certified check, cashier's check, or a bid bond, made payable to or in favor of the City of Costa Mesa, in an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid, to the Costa Mesa City Clerk  $\underline{\textbf{PRIOR}}$  to the bid submission deadline. No bid will be considered unless such certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond is received by the City Clerk prior to
- **CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE**: A valid **California Contractor's State License C-33 (Painting and Decorating Contractor License)** and a valid California Contractor's Class B General Building Contractor License both issued by the California Contractors State License Board is required at the time the contract is awarded pursuant to California Public Contract Code section 3300. Each bidder must also be qualified as required by law at the time of the bid opening.
- REGISTRATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS: Pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, no contractor or subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work unless registered and qualified pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5
- **PREVAILING WAGES:** This project is a "public work" subject to prevailing wage requirements. Pursuant to provisions of Sections 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code, all works employed on the project shall be paid not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) for work of a similar character in the locality in which the work is performed, and not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work. Copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file with Costa Mesa Public Services Department and are available to any interested party upon request. The applicable State prevailing wages are also set forth on the Department of Industrial Relations' website: http://www.dir.ca.gov; these rates are subject to predetermined increases. The prime contractor shall post a copy of the DIR's determination of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at each job site. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the
- PAYMENT BOND AND PERFORMANCE BOND: A Payment Bond and a Performance Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount, will be required of the successful bidder prior to award of the contract.
- **RETENTION**: The City withholds five percent (5%) of each progress payment as retention. Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300, the successful bidder may substitute certain securities for money withheld by the City to ensure performance of the contract. At the request and expense of the contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld shall be deposited with the public agency, or with a state or federally chartered bank in this state as the escrow agent, who shall then pay those moneys to the contractor. Securities will be returned to the contractor upon satisfactory completion of the contract.
- $\underline{\textbf{NON-DISCRIMINATION}} : The \ bidding \ process \ and \ contract \ are \ subject \ to$ State and Federal non-discrimination requirements, including but not limited to the requirement that no person or business shall discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religious creed, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, gender, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or military or veteran status in its solicitation, selection, hiring, or treatment of individuals or businesses in connection with the bidding process or work performed for the City in connection with the project.
- CITY'S RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS: The City of Costa Mesa reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all bids, or to waive any minor irregularities or informalities in any bid.
- ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: This project is subject to local, State, and Federal regulations and requirements, as detailed in the bid documents.

City of Costa Mesa Dated: November 7, 2024



#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY Notice is hereby given that on November 26, 2024,

Extra Space Storage will sell at public auction, to satisfy the lien of the owner, personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the following locations

3190 Pullman St. Costa Mesa, CA 92626 **(714) 243-4094 12:00 PM** Sallie Ngarmtap

Maricruz Ramirez Eric Mertz William Johnson Shahid Quaraishi **Denise Ponce** 

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David Burnham The auction will be listed and advertised or www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. 11/7/24

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TS No: CA08000244-24-1 APN: 939-83-272 TO No: 240089563-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED April 19, 2021. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On November 20, 2024 at 01:30 PM, at the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on April 23, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021000275566, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Orange County, California, executed by EMANUEL TUCKER AND AMBER SINGLETON, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for PROUT MORTGAGE, LLC as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 21 EBB TIDE CIRCLE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663 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 without covenant or warranty, express 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 if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$1,013,920.71 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. 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. 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# Early counts reported for area school board elections

#### **BY SARA CARDINE**

The Orange County Registrar of Voters posted the following school board election results for Newport-Mesa Unified, Fountain Valley, Ocean View, Huntington Beach City, Huntington Beach Union and Laguna Beach Unified school districts, as of 5 p.m. Wednesday:

#### **NEWPORT-MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

In the race for Newport-Mesa Unified School District Board of Education, seven candidates competed for seats representing trustee areas 1, 3 and 6.

Wednesday's early results showed incumbent Leah Ersoylu narrowly holding the lead over challenger Robin Mensinger in Trustee Area 1 with 50.44% and 4,324 ballots cast as of 5 compared Mensinger's 49.56% approval, or 4,248 votes. Area 1 encompasses Early College and Estancia high schools, TeWinkle Middle School, and Adams, California and Killybrooke elementary schools.

In Area 3, which includes Eastbluff Elementary, Co-

rona del Mar Middle School, and Back Bay/Monte Vista and Corona del Mar high schools, incumbent Carol Crane led a two-candidate race by a margin of fewer than 100 votes with 50.44% approval and 5,402 votes, over Philip Stemler, who earned 49.56% of the vote with 5,307 ballots cast in his favor.

Among three candidates in Trustee Area 6, representing Kaiser, Woodland, Mariners and Newport Heights elementary schools, incumbent Krista Weigand led the pack with 46.64% and 4,510 ballots, followed by Amy Peters, who'd earned 35.97% approval with 3,478 votes. Early returns placed Chris Kretzu third, with 17.39% of the vote and 1,681 ballots

#### **FOUNTAIN VALLEY** SCHOOL DISTRICT

Early returns gave incumbent Steve Schultz a wide lead over challengers in a race for two seats on the Fountain Valley School District Board of Education, which governs seven elementary schools and three middle schools.

Schultz, as of Wednesday evening, had earned 13,096 ballots, representing 45.18%



**SOME OF** the local school board races show comfortable leads among candidates as of 5 p.m. Wednesday, while the results for others show much closer margins.

of the vote total. But the race among the remaining two challengers is still close, with Ashley Ramirez receiving 27.62% approval with 8,008 votes — a narrow margin over third-place candidate Huy Tran's 27.2% approval and 7,885 votes.

#### **HUNTINGTON BEACH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The K-8 district, which serves a student population of just under 5,000 in two middle schools, six elementary schools and one preschool academy, two candidates faced off against each other for one seat on the governing board.

Wednesday's vote totals showed Brian Burley with a bit of a lead, having earned 3,515 votes, or 50.85% voter approval, compared to Cindy Barrios, two trailed slightly with 49.15% of the vote and 3,397 ballots cast in her favor.

#### **HUNTINGTON BEACH UNION HIGH SCHOOL**

With one seat on the board's Trustee Area 3 up

for grabs, incumbent Susan Henry secured twice as many votes as challenger Leeann Corral, receiving 14,217 votes and 66.54% approval, compared to Corral's 33.46% approval rating with 7,149

votes. The five-member board oversees the operations of the district, which serves around 15,500 students in grades 9-12 residing in the cities of Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove and Westminster.

#### **OCEAN VIEW** SCHOOL DISTRICT

In a race for two at-large seats on the five-member Board of Trustees, incumbent Gina Clayton-Tarvin led a pack of five candidates, securing 14,841 ballots and 28.14% voter approval, a tidy lead over second-placed Keri Gorsage's 23.06% rating and 12,163

Trailing the pair were candidates David Clifford, who received 11,833 votes (22.44%), Keith Jorgensen, who earned 19.01% voter approval with 10,024 ballots, and John Brisco, who received 3,873 votes and 7.34% of the vote.

#### **LAGUNA BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Five candidates competed for two at-large seats on the seven-member Board of Education, which oversees nearly 2,500 TK-12 students attending Laguna Beach High School, Thurston Middle School, and El Morro and Top of the World Elementary schools.

Sheri Morgan maintained a slight lead over the next top vote getter, earning 4,795 votes earning followed by (23.47%),Howard Hills, who secured 4,709 votes and 23.4% voter approval. Both candidates unsuccessfully ran for office in 2020.

Meanwhile, incumbent Jan Vickers, who's served six consecutive terms since being elected to the board in 2000, placed third with 22.1% voter approval and 4,515 votes. Rounding out the pack were Lauren Boeck with 4,135 ballots and 20.24% of the vote and Margaret Mary Warder, who earned 11.16% approval with 2,280 votes in her favor.

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# Registrar updates vote counts in coastal O.C. city races

#### BY ANDREW TURNER

Below are early results of the city races in Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach and Newport Beach, where they stood as of 5 p.m. Wednesday evening, according to the Orange County Registrar of Voters.

#### **COSTA MESA**

Costa Mesa residents had four contests to weigh in on this election cycle. As of Wednesday evening, Mayor John Stephens led in his bid to serve another two-year term, securing 52.41% (16,449) of the vote over challenger James Peters (14,936, 47.59%). Stephens first became mayor in 2021, when he was appointed to replace Katrina Foley, who joined the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

Mike Buley 54.96%) outpaced Adam Ereth (3,068, 45.04%) in District 1, while Jeff Pettis (3,327, 51.94%) held a lead over incumbent Jeffrey Harlan (3.078; 48.06%) in District 6. Loren Gameros ran unopposed to keep the seat in District 2.

## **FOUNTAIN VALLEY**

Fountain Valley voters



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**RESIDENTS ARRIVE** to vote in national and local elections at the Laguna Beach Community and Susi Q Center on Tuesday.

candidates from among a 17.53%). Katy Wright had group of four for the City Council, and early returns showed sizable margins in favor of the incumbents.

Vice Mayor Ted Bui (11,490, 36.09%) and Mayor Glenn Grandis (10.503. 32.99%) had nearly doubled the percentage of the vote going to challenger Alicia

were asked to select two "Rudy" Huebner (5,581, and Don Kennedy (34,769, received 13.39% (4,262) of the ballots cast before or on election day.

# **HUNTINGTON BEACH**

Huntington Beach had a trio of conservative challengers in Chad Williams (41,638, 19.73%), Butch Twining (35,182, 16.67%)

16.48%) at the top of the results in the battle for three seats on its City Council. Twining and Kennedy currently serve on the citv's planning commission, as the chair and vice chair, respectively.

The preliminary results show Natalie Moser (30,519; 14.46%), Dan Kalmick

14.05%) Bolton (28,227, 13.38%), the incumbents, have likely failed in their efforts to retain their seats.

The race had a total of eight candidates, with Marissa Jackson receiving 3.71% (7,823) and Amory Hanson 1.52% (3,213) of the

Measure U, which would require voter approval for zoning changes with "significant and unavoidable" environmental impact, was receiving early support with 57.41% of counted ballots.

Lisa Lane Barnes (41,862; 58.67%) jumped in front of Blankenhorn (29,486, 41.33%) in the race for city clerk, while Alisa Backstrom ran unopposed for city treasurer.

## **LAGUNA BEACH**

Laguna Beach had four candidates vying for two seats on its City Council, and longtime council member Bob Whalen took the overnight lead with 30.66% (5,834) of ballots counted.

Hallie Jones, the executive vice president of Crystal Cove Conservancy, had the inside track for the second available seat. Jones had secured 29.48% (5,609)

of the votes, positioning her ahead incumbent Weiss George 22.60%). Behind them was Judie Mancuso

Ann Marie McKay, the city clerk, and Laura Parisi, the city treasurer, will both return to their respective positions after running unopposed.

#### **NEWPORT BEACH**

Newport Beach residents cast votes for candidates in three of seven districts for four-year terms on the City Council.

Noah Blom, the lone incumbent running for reelection, had a significant lead (22,559, 64.24%) over Herdman (12,559, 35.76%) in District 5.

Michelle Barto (21,608, 61.92%) led Nancy Scarbrough (13,289, 38.08%) in District 2, where Brad Avery is the outgoing council member.

Weber 73.57%) was comfortably ahead of Miles Patricola (9,042, 26.43%) in District 7, where Mayor Will O'Neill had also reached his term

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## **GIRLS' GOLF**

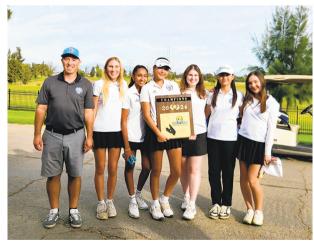
# CdM wins CIF Division 4 title

## **BY MATT SZABO**

The Corona del Mar High girls' golf team made history on Tuesday at El Golf Course in Chino.

Senior Bailey Kuo and junior Zixuan Li each fired a round of 82 as the Sea Kings won the CIF Southern Section Division 4 title, ending up with a team score of 441 on the Butterfield Stage course.

It's the first CIF team championship in program history for CdM girls' golf. CdM senior Ilana Gerber and freshman Sophie Mar-



Courtesy of Bryan Middleton

**THE CORONA** del Mar High girls' golf team displays its

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Division 4 championship trophy.

the city to navigate the co-

Updated poll numbers votes (29.48%).

The percentage of votes

Legislation, had received

vote-getter when he last ran in 2020. On that occasion, he was the only candidate of five to secure at least 6,000 votes, finishing with 6,442 in appearing on nearly 25% of ballots cast.

"I think that my experience at Laguna Canyon Foundation and as a leader of the environmental community here in Laguna, that resonated with a lot of voters," said Jones, who expressed excitement at the potential chance to serve the community as a member of the council. "While I haven't held elected office before, I have a lot of experience working within government and working with the city, and I think that voters recognized my skill set and the expertise that I bring, particularly with environmental issues, and my deep commitment to and understanding of this community."

## **BOYS' WATER POLO**

# Corona del Mar extends season with thrilling win at Harvard-Westlake

## **BY MATT SZABO**

STUDIO CITY — Lucas Reynolds remembers the match fairly well, even if it was nearly two decades

The Corona del Mar High boys' water polo team headed up to Studio City Harvard-Westlake in 2005 for a CIF quarterfinal game in coach Barry O'Dea's first season.

Reynolds was a CdM freshman at the time. Nineteen years later, he is the first-year head coach at his alma mater.

The Sea Kings again made the drive up to play



**DEL MAR'S** Landon Castillo (2) celebrates after scoring a goal on Tuesday night.

**CORONA** 

James Carbone

Harvard-Westlake on Tuesday night, with a spot in the CIF Southern Section Open Division semifinals on the line. "It definitely felt like a

lot of parallels to that," he

said. "We were excited for the opportunity. The work we put in earned us an opportunity to come up here and play in a big game at

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# **LAGUNA**

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more than 50 years old — is going to be very important," Whalen said of tasks he would like to continue to work on. "We're making some progress on affordable housing. I think we've got, sort of, the city set up. We've increased some funding. Now, we need to look for some projects that kind of fit Laguna.'

The council appoints the mayor and mayor pro tem annually. Whalen has served five mayoral terms in his 12 years on the council, including three consecutive years while helping ronavirus pandemic.

from the Orange County Registrar of Voters released on Wednesday evening had Whalen leading the pack with 5,834 votes (30.66%). Jones, the executive vice president of Crystal Cove Conservancy, was holding strong in second with 5,609

cast for the four candidates largely remained consistent a day after the polls closed. Incumbent George Weiss, a former telecom executive, had 4,301 votes (22.60%) as of 5 p.m. Judie Mancuso, the founder and president of Social Compassion in

3,283 votes (17.25%). Whalen was also the top

Jones, an Orange County Parks commissioner, has never held elected office. She is well known for her work in environmental endeavors. The Laguna Beach native also previously served as the executive director of Laguna Canyon Foundation.

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**A RESIDENT CLIMBS** the stairs to cast his votes at the Laguna Beach Community and Susi Q Center on Tuesday.

### **GOLF**

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tin both carded a 92, followed by freshman Adriana Bezrukov with 93. The sixth score was sophomore Anika Shorey, who produced a round of 101.

Kuo said it felt "completely unreal" to win a CIF title

"Now I know that the four years I have been on the team have all led up to this moment," Kuo said in an email interview. "Every loss, every hard-earned win, and mistakes and lessons that came with them have brought our team to victory. Seeing my teammates' faces light up with pride, knowing how much each of us had poured into this journey, made it all worth it."

Li said in an email that seeing "Corona del Mar" at the top of the standings felt

like a dream, and she was proud of her teammates.

"Every one of them gave their best," she said. "Even when we had some bad holes, we shook them off and stayed focused. I am very proud of them."

CdM finished three shots better than Webb, which was in second place in Division 4 with a team score of 444.

Fountain Valley placed fourth with a team score of 450, led by Megan Vo with an individual score of 79, Tracy Nguyen with an 86 and Baothu Nguyen with an 88.

CdM coach Bryan Middleton said he was extremely proud of his team's performance Tuesday.

"Golf is part ability and part keeping it together mentally," he said. "In the last week I tried to instill the belief that they could be CIF Southern Section champions if they played one shot and hole at a time. The girls' golf team is highly academic, and we took that to the course studying each hole for the championship match. The last three years has been a joy to coach the team, with the hard work and the effort the girls put into the season. Today it culminated with a Division 4 championship!"

Sage Hill placed third in the Division I finals, held at Los Serranos Country Club on Monday. Alisa Ching shot a 70, tying as individual medalist, with teammates Anna Gao and Audrey Zhao firing rounds of 72 and 73, respectively.

The Lightning advanced to Thursday's individual championship and SCGA qualifying tournament, held at Temecula Creek Golf Club.

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Courtesy of Bryan Middleton

**COACH BRYAN MIDDLETON** and the CdM girls' golf team celebrate winning the CIF Division 4 title Tuesday at El Prado Golf Course in Chino.

#### **POLO**

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such a prestigious school in the Open Division. Once we got here, we were just excited for the opportunity to try to earn a win."

Corona del Mar's remarkable season contin-

The Sea Kings earned a 14-13 upset over the No. 4-seeded Wolverines, propelling them into a Battle of the Bay semifinal Saturday at CdM.

CdM (25-5), the Pool D winner, will play Pool A winner Newport Harbor (29-0) in an Open Division semifinal match at noon Saturday at CdM.

The top-ranked Sailors got past Santa Margarita 15-7 on Tuesday night to win their pool.

Corona del Mar is back in the final four for the second straight year, despite graduating six starters last year. Senior Jackson Harlan was the only returner.

"We put in so much hard work," Reynolds said. "We really grinded throughout



James Carbone

**CDM'S BRYAN SHAPIRSHTEYN** (22) shoots and scores against Harvard-Westlake during Tuesday night's match.

the offseason and took our lickings, and I think the experience that we had playing with such a young group paid off. When it

came time for season, I feel like we've been very prepared the entire time."

Harlan had three goals for the Sea Kings against Harvard-Westlake (15-10), which tied him for the team lead with junior center Nathan Simoncelli. Bryan Shapirshteyn, a junior transfer from Newport Harbor, had what Reynolds called his best match of the season on his way to two goals and three assists.

Junior goalkeeper Vi Lues had nine saves for the Sea Kings, including a deflection of a Harvard-Westlake shot from Connor Kim off the crossbar in the closing seconds. The ball caromed to Harlan, and CdM was able to call timeout with three seconds left.

CdM sophomore Will Weir scored up top before junior Grant Christian buried his second goal into the upper corner, giving the Sea Kings a 14-11 advantage with 1:45 remaining in the match.

"It means a lot," Harlan said. "A lot of the younger guys have stepped up and played a bigger role on this team. I think we just became way more balanced as a team and gelled together, bonded together."

Harvard-Westlake's Taj Draper and Kim scored after that, pulling the Wolverines within a goal, but CdM was able to hang on

was able to hang on.

Landon Castillo and

Micah Grantham also scored for the Sea Kings, who will play the Sailors for the third time this season on Saturday.

Newport Harbor won 14-6 on Sept. 13, and 16-9 on Sept. 25.

"We're pretty pumped and excited," Simoncelli said. "I think we deserve another shot at them, especially at home, too. That was the goal in the first place."

Newport Harbor 15, Santa Margarita 7: The Sailors earned the win Tuesday night to win Pool A.

Lucca Van Der Woude had a team-high four goals and three steals, while Connor Ohl and Kai Kaneko scored two goals each. Geoff Slutzky had two goals and four ejections earned, and Mason Netzer netted a goal and dished out seven assists.

Senior goalkeeper Luke Harris made six saves for the Sailors.

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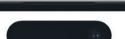
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California State Parks seasonal lifeguard Sierra Fockler discovered a 14-inch Pacific football fish around 2:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13. near the lifeguard station located at Crystal Cove State Park in Orange County. It's the second such case of the fish washing ashore over the last three years. (Courtesy of California State Parks)

Good morning. It's Wednesday, Oct. 25. I'm Carol Cormaci, bringing you this week's <u>TimesOC newsletter</u> with a look at the latest local news and events

Watch where you're stepping on O.C.'s famed sands, because you may encounter a rare specimen of marine life. One, in fact, that has very sharp teeth.

That's what happened on a recent afternoon to lifeguard Sierra Fockler, who found a spooky-looking black angler fish, specifically a Pacific football fish, while she was walking near the lifeguard headquarters building on Moro Beach, located within Crystal Cove State Park.