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CONNOR OHL of Newport Harbor takes a shot for a goal during the Battle of the Bay against CdM on Wednesday.

Rivalry in the water

The Sailors earned a 16-9 win in Wednesday night's Battle of the Bay match, beating the Sea Kings for the 16th straight time.

BY MATT SZABO

The Battle of the Bay boys' water polo match brought a packed crowd to the Corona del Mar High pool deck on Wednesday night.

For Newport Harbor senior Lucca Van Der Woude, a transfer from Studio City Harvard-Westlake, the match represented his first — and last — Battle of the Bay experience.

"Talking to him before the game, he was like, 'Will there be a lot of people?'" Sailors coach Ross Sinclair said. "I was like, 'Yeah, it's a big crowd, it's a cool thing.'"

Van Der Woude scored three times in the first half, and each goal was followed by gestures as well as a big grin.

"I've heard stories, but I mean, I didn't expect anything to be like this," he said after the match. "It's my only Battle of the Bay, so I wanted to make it fun."

Lately, Newport Harbor has been having most of the fun in this rivalry.



See *Rivalry*, page A3 **CORONA DEL MAR'S** Will Weir takes a shot as Newport Harbor goalie Luke Harris defends.

CVS workers meet in Newport Beach to rally for better pay, safety

BY ERIC LICAS

Michele Creager started working as a pharmacy clerk 37 years ago and used to be able to make ends meet. The 60-year-old Huntington Beach native and her co-workers at Sav-On could count on an hourly raise of \$2 each year, affordable healthcare plans and paid vacation time, she said. She also recalled stores being well staffed late into the evening and generally feeling

safe when working after dark.

But things changed when CVS Health took over in 2006. Her annual pay increases shrank to as little as a dime or two per hour while the cost of her health insurance plans grew. The company also cut workers' hours, she said, leaving fewer employees to look out for the store and each other.

"There used to always be eight

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MICHELE CREAGER, who works at a CVS in Huntington Beach, joins a demonstration in front of CVS in Newport Beach Thursday.

JOLENE CRUZ speaks with shoppers in front of CVS in Newport Beach while demonstrating for better wages and safer working conditions.



Photos by Eric Licas

Colorful safety refresh debuts in H.B.

Officials gather with residents to celebrate a \$6.5M beautification project in city's Oak View neighborhood.

BY MATT SZABO

Huntington Beach's Oak View neighborhood has gotten a lot more colorful.

Diamonds of green, blue, yellow and pink were painted on the asphalt on Wednesday afternoon, as city officials spoke at a ribbon-cutting ceremony signifying the completion of the Oak View Neighborhood Beautification Project.

"These are murals that were chosen by this community," project manager Denice Bailey said of the paintings in the largely Latino and lower-income community. "A lot of them are from different parts of Mexico, and there was a heritage element to this. They wanted to bring part of their culture to their community."

The new paint, though, is only the most cosmetic of changes.

Repaired roads, ADA improvements and landscaping are some of the things that make Bailey really excited.

The Oak View Neighborhood Beautification Project, launched earlier this year, was a \$6.5-million project primarily funded by a \$5-million Caltrans grant through Gov. Gavin Newsom's Clean California Initiative. The city of Huntington Beach chipped in the rest.

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Laguna, Newport win grant funding from OCTA

Trolley services in both cities are set to benefit from millions doled out to county cities; L.B. will also expand a bus route.

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach has received \$7.2 million in grant funding to expand and enhance its community-based public transit services, city officials announced Tuesday.

The funds arrive via the Orange County Transportation Authority's Project V, a grant program that supports local transit offerings across the county. In 2006 voters approved Measure M2, a 30-year half-cent transportation sales tax that generates revenue to provide for the program.

Laguna Beach plans to put \$5.2 million of the awarded funds toward its trolley service. It will help fund the off-season weekend trolley routes through 2031.

The Canyon Route operates between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekends, allowing visitors to park for free at the Act V Lot (No. 16, located at 1900 Laguna Canyon Road), then be transported to the downtown area. From there, riders can hop on a Coastal Route trolley, which runs daily and transports passengers along Coast Highway.

"The \$5.2 million will fund both the expansion and extension through 2031 of the off-season weekend and the Summer Breeze services," said Michael Litschi, the city's director of transit and community services. "With the Summer Breeze, the

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Victims sought of trio arrested on suspicion of child porn

BY SARA CARDINE

Detectives are searching for possible victims of a 24-year-old Costa Mesa man arrested Friday on suspicion of possessing and distributing child pornography,

after material he'd circulated was seized in an investigation into two suspects from Lake Forest.

Tanner Shallahamer was taken into custody by Costa Mesa police, who also obtained a warrant to

search his vehicle and residence, according to a release issued Monday by the Costa Mesa Police Department.

His arrest is the third so far in an investigation into pornographic images and

videos depicting minors being shared and potentially sold online by adults.

One of those suspects is Jonathan Garduno, 30, of Lake Forest, initially arrested on Sept. 7 after a promised rendezvous with

a 15-year-old girl in Costa Mesa resulted in a meeting with a special investigations detective who had posed as a minor online.

Garduno was arrested at the scene for trying to meet a minor with intent to commit a sex act, and his cellphone was booked as evidence, CMPD reported Sept. 14. He reportedly posted \$20,000 bail that same day.

Information retrieved from Garduno's cellphone implicated his live-in girlfriend, Khyla Kauffeld, 29, Lake Forest, in similar criminal acts, according to police.

A search warrant was executed at the couple's residence, and both individuals were arrested. Garduno was booked on suspicion of possessing child pornography, sending/selling child pornography and distribution of obscene matter depicting minors. Kauffeld was booked on suspicion of possessing child pornography. Both individuals posted \$20,000 bail and were released, CMPD spokeswoman Roxi Fyad confirmed.

In their investigation, detectives also found pornographic videos and images of minors shared between

Garduno and Shallahamer, the latter of whom also allegedly sent videos of himself stalking a woman while she lay in bed at her Costa Mesa residence, according to a police news release issued Monday.

"Detectives are further investigating Shallahamer for possibly stalking other women and female teenagers and involving another male subject by sharing identifying information with intent to commit a sex crime," the release stated.

Shallahamer was taken into custody Friday. Although a bail enhancement, from \$20,000 to \$250,000, was granted, Shallahamer posted bail Saturday and was released.

Police believe the 24-year-old suspect has potentially stalked and sent nude photographs of himself to other female victims in and around Costa Mesa and Newport Beach.

CMPD seeks the public's help in identifying potential additional victims and providing further details related to this case. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact Det. Adam Gardner at (714) 754-4377.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

MARIE ROGALLO SAMUELS
CASE NO. 30-2024-01423968-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **MARIE ROGALLO SAMUELS**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **TODD SAMUELS** in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **TODD SAMUELS** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: **October 24, 2024 at 1:30 PM** in Dept. CM07 located at 3390 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA 92626, Costa Mesa Justice Complex

NOTICE IN PROBATE CASES

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IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner: T. OWEN RASSMAN, ESQ., 1901 CAMINO VIDA ROBLE, STE. 112, CARLSBAD, CA 92008 Telephone: 760-278-1116. 9/20, 9/26, 9/27/24 CNS-3854244# DAILY PILOT

BSC 225788
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
KARL DREWS
30-2024-01425892-PR-PW-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **KARL DREWS**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **Grace Margaret Carroll Drews** in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **Grace Margaret Carroll Drews** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on **Oct 30, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM08** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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In accordance with the provisions of the California Self-Storage Facility Act, Section 21700, et seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California the under-signed will be sold at public auction conducted on STORAGETREASURES.COM on October 11, 2024, ending at 10am. The personal property including but not limited to: Personal and household items stored at Imperial Beach Self Storage, 901 S Beach Blvd, La Habra, CA 92626, County of Orange, by the following persons:

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
LOUISE MAE MILTENBURG, aka LOUISE MILTENBURG
30-2024-01418018-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **LOUISE MAE MILTENBURG, aka LOUISE MILTENBURG** A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **James Miltenburg** in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **James Miltenburg** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on **Oct 09, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM08** located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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HUNTINGTON BEACH city and community members including Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark, in green, gathered Wednesday for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to signify the completion of the Oak View Beautification Project.



AN ICE CREAM truck serves residents parks on Mandrell Lane, where new landscaping and "bulb-out" curb extensions are part of the Oak View Beautification Project.

REFRESH

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The Oak View neighborhood is bordered by Beach Boulevard, Gothard Street and Warner and Talbert avenues.

"This has transformed an area, it's uplifted an area," said Bobi Hettick, Caltrans District 12 deputy director of maintenance and operations. "We're so proud to be a partner with the city of Huntington Beach."

One primary improvement for children's safety was the addition of curb

extensions, also known as bulb-outs, at multiple intersections in the neighborhood, Bailey said. These areas allow children to safely see oncoming traffic from the sidewalk as they head to and from Oak View Elementary School.

Additionally, she said more than 120 trees were added in Oak View, while lighting was improved after a photometric study of the entire community. Some poles were rotated, while 10 others were added.

"That was a big improvement for children's safety was the addition of curb

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Design Review Board / Board of Adjustment
Council Chambers, 505 Forest Avenue Laguna Beach, CA 92651
Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 5:00 PM

The CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH will hold a public hearing on the request below. You may participate in-person at City Hall. Case No.: Design Review 24-0425, Variance 24-0427 Address: 505 Dunnegan Drive | APN: 053-111-18 Applicant: Warren Hutcherson, Designer (949) 338-6905 wh3d@cox.net Property Owner: Brandon Parrish Application Filing Date: October 9, 2023 PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant requests design review for a new garage and driveway with new vehicular access from Dartmoor Street, roof extension, and spa on an upper-level deck in the R-1 (Residential Low Density) zone. A Variance is requested to exceed the maximum building height [BMC Section 25.10.008(D)] and for the roof extension to encroach into the additional building setback in the R-1 zone [BMC Section 25.50.004(D)]. Prior approvals include Design Review 23-2095. COASTAL ZONE: This project is located within the excludable area and does not require a Coastal Development Permit. CEQA: Staff recommends the Design Review Board determine that the proposed project is categorically exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15303 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, in that the project consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures. MORE INFORMATION: The property is required to be staked with story poles at least 21 calendar days prior to the hearing. The agenda packet will be available on the City's website at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled public hearing (<https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/live-here/city-council-meetings-agendas-and-minutes>) and at the Community Development Department public counter during the following hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 3:00pm, closed alternating Fridays. HOW TO COMMENT: For additional information, contact City staff: Jessica Mendoza, Assistant Planner at jmendoza@lagunabeachcity.net (949) 497-0390. Comments may be made during the Public Hearing. In order to allow sufficient time for staff to review and consider your written comments, written comments will be accepted for consideration up until the close of business (i.e., 5:30 p.m.) on the business day before the Public Hearing is scheduled. You may invite the Board Members to view the proposed project from your property prior to the meeting. Please complete a site visit request by visiting the link below: <https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/government/departments/boards-commissions-committees/design-review-board>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with a disability who require a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in a meeting may request such modification or accommodation from the Planning Division at (949) 497-0713. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to the meeting. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if you challenge this application in court, the issues raised shall be limited to those raised in the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the public agency prior to, or at, the public hearing.

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The CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH will hold a public hearing on the request below. You may participate in-person at City Hall. Case No.: Design Review 24-1768, Variance 24-1769 Address: 22 N Vista de Catalina | APN: 056-152-14 Applicant: James Conrad, Architect (949) 497-0200, jconradarc@gmail.com Property Owner: Roland Shany Application Filing Date: April 16, 2024 PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant requests design review for modifications to a prior approval (DR 92-095) and a variance to exceed the maximum height in the TAB (Three Arch Bay) zone. Modifications include additions greater than 15 feet in height, elevated decks, swimming pool and spa, door and window changes, material changes, landscaping, grading and an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) (the "Project"). A variance is requested to exceed the height limit (BMC Section 25.44.050(F)), encroach into the additional building setback (BMC Section 25.50.004(D)) and encroach into the side setback (BMC Section 25.44.050(A)(3)). The applicant also requests to maintain non-conforming site conditions including building height, side setbacks, and parking. The proposed 634 square-foot attached ADU is exempt from Design Review. COASTAL ZONE: This project is located within a deferred certification area, whereas any applicable Coastal Development Permit are subject to the Coastal Commission. CEQA: Staff recommends the Design Review Board determine that the proposed project is categorically exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15301 - Existing Facilities, in that the project consists of the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures or topographical features, involving negligible or not expansion of existing or former use, and Section 15303 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, in that the project consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures. MORE INFORMATION: The property is required to be staked with story poles at least 21 calendar days prior to the hearing. The agenda packet will be available on the City's website at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled public hearing (<https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/live-here/city-council-meetings-agendas-and-minutes>) and at the Community Development Department public counter during the following hours: Monday - Thursday: 7:30am - 3:00pm and 7:30am - 12:00pm alternating Fridays (closed alternating Fridays). Pursuant to Laguna Beach Municipal Code Sections 12.14.040(d) and 12.16.080(c), landscaping previously approved through the design review process with established height limits shall be exempt from all future hedge height, view preservation, and view restoration claims by neighboring property owners. HOW TO COMMENT: For additional information, contact City staff: Daniel Latham, Associate Planner at dlatham@lagunabeachcity.net or (949) 464-6612. Comments may be made during the Public Hearing. In order to allow sufficient time for staff to review and consider your written comments, written comments will be accepted for consideration up until the close of business (i.e., 5:30 p.m.) on the business day before the Public Hearing is scheduled. You may invite the Board Members to view the proposed project from your property prior to the meeting. Please complete a site visit request by visiting the link below: <https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/government/departments/boards-commissions-committees/design-review-board>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with a disability who require a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in a meeting may request such modification or accommodation from the Planning Division at (949) 497-0713. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to the meeting. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if you challenge this application in court, the issues raised shall be limited to those raised in the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the public agency prior to, or at, the public hearing.

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CVS

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or 10 people scheduled at night," said Creager, now a Costa Mesa resident. "Now it's myself and one other person, and when that person goes to lunch I'm left alone. I've been kicked, punched, slapped [and] had a knife pulled on me. I don't feel safe."

That's why she joined a handful of fellow workers and organizers from several Orange County CVS pharmacies to rally at the company's Newport Beach location on Thursday. They asked shoppers to boycott the store from noon to 2 p.m., opt out of the company's reward program or otherwise show support for the union representing them, United Food and Commercial Workers Local 324, as they negotiate a new contract.

UFCW represents CVS workers across Southern California, including 29 at the Newport Beach location and 26 at two locations

in Huntington Beach, according to UFCW spokeswoman Jenna Thompson. The company's last agreement with the union expired on June 30.

Last week, union members at stores in Orange County, the South Bay and the Long Beach area voted on whether or not to authorize strikes. The results will be aggregated, and have not yet been publicized, Thompson said. Both sides are scheduled to resume bargaining on Oct. 16.

The union's bargaining team has met with CVS representatives five times since the contract ended, according to company spokesman Amy Thibault. She said they have made progress and have tentatively reached common ground on specific issues like reducing the number of years required to earn top rates.

Representatives for UFCW claim corporate management has been resistant to the union's efforts to obtain a living wage.

They have described the offers put forth by CVS so far as "insulting."

The average CVS store clerk makes less than \$20 per hour. The company reported about \$11 billion in profits in 2023, UFCW officials said in a release.

"They don't treat us like living breathing human beings," Creager said. "We're a number on a spreadsheet that's costing them money. CVS needs to stop stepping over the bodies of workers like me, they're working to death."

Some of the people who encountered Creager and her colleagues in front of the Newport Beach CVS Thursday averted their eyes or sheepishly waved as they passed by on their way to accomplish errands. But about half of those who stopped to talk to them were convinced to shop elsewhere. Others who were sympathetic but needed to pick up important prescriptions agreed to opt out of the pharmacy's rewards program in solidarity with workers.

Costa Mesa resident Carla Parker was planning on picking up medication for a friend on Thursday but decided to hold off until after the union's demonstration. She said her sister works for a CVS in Palm Desert, has had to work late with minimal support and often struggles to cover bills on her salary.

"It would be my sister on the picket line," she said. "They're not asking for a bunch of money." A few passersby did scoff at the protesters in front of the pharmacy. And security guards were summoned to ask union members to leave about midway through the modest demonstration, but they asserted their right to organize and stayed.

"We're not out here because we're against you," one of the guards told organizers Thursday. "But I'm just trying to do my job. Believe me, I get it; I have two jobs myself."

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Eric Lucas

SECURITY GUARDS attempt to get union members to leave a demonstration in front of CVS in Newport Beach.

RIVALRY

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Van Der Woude and Kai Kaneko each scored four goals as the Sailors earned a 16-9 Sunset League win to stay undefeated on the season.

Geoff Slutzky and Connor Ohl scored three goals each for Newport Harbor (13-0, 4-0 in league). Fellow junior Mason Netzer dished out four assists.

Newport Harbor has now beaten rival CdM 16 straight times since 2016, which was Sinclair's second year in charge at his alma mater.

He said he still remembers that 2016 loss, which featured a late CdM comeback, "vividly." Since then, the Sailors have asserted their dominance.

They also beat CdM 14-6 earlier this season in the quarterfinals of the South Coast Tournament, on their way to the title.

"We talked about [how]



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

CORONA DEL Mar's Aiden Sexton (8) reacts to a goal against Newport Harbor on Wednesday night.

for us, it's just another opportunity to get better and develop some cohesiveness," Sinclair said. "It's kind of like a playoff experience and atmosphere, so how well can we communicate, how technical can we be and not get caught up in the moment? That's always the message in this game. Winning and losing this

game, if you win, it's cool, if you lose, it's not the end of your season."

Senior goalkeeper Luke Harris had 10 saves for the Sailors, who led just 4-3 late in the first quarter after CdM senior Jackson Harlan ripped the back of the net.

Harlan scored a match-high six goals for Corona del Mar (12-4, 2-1).

But Kaneko quickly responded with a goal on a post-up move. Newport then added the first two goals of the second quarter — Van Der Woude scored inside before Dash D'Ambrosia drew an exclusion and scored — to grab a 7-3 lead.

"What I was most proud of, I told the boys, that every time they'd score a goal or try to get that momentum, I thought we did a really good job of controlling and taking the momentum back," Sinclair said.

D'Ambrosia has a unique view of the rivalry, as his older sister Kendall played water polo at CdM.

"Growing up, 10U, 12U, you sit in the stands watching these guys and you're chomping at the bit to be in this atmosphere," said Dash D'Ambrosia, who scored a pair of goals Wednesday night. "Once you're here, it's just such an amazing atmosphere. It's so fun for both sides. I think Newport and CdM both do a good

job with their school spirit, and it's something to be grateful for."

Aiden Sexton, Cooper Harlan and Will Weir all added goals for CdM. Junior goalkeeper Vi Lues, a transfer from Beckman, made six saves.

Newport Harbor has scored at least 12 goals in every match this season and is averaging nearly 16 goals per contest.

"I thought we put together a pretty decent game against them," CdM coach Lucas Reynolds said. "That's kind of around the mark where they're scoring on teams right now ... Their transition is very strong, and they have multiple lines. They're able to press really, really well, just because of how deep they are. The subbing is what really makes them special."

Perhaps as impressively as the offensive fireworks, the Sailors have held every opponent this season to a single-digit scoring total. As a center defender, Van Der

Woude plays a key role in that, as does Harris.

"We know that the most important part of the game is defense," Van Der Woude said. "You don't go to offense until you have the ball. So, I really wanted to make sure that everyone was structured, that we had the ball before anyone went to offense ... Luke's been so good helping me communicate to the team. He's an amazing goalie."

Newport Harbor returns to action on Oct. 2, with a league match at Los Alamitos. CdM, meanwhile, is the top seed in this weekend's 16-team S&R Tournament. The Sea Kings open against Irvine on Friday at noon at Woollett Aquatics Center.

In the JV Battle of the Bay, Newport Harbor freshman goalkeeper Oliver Aguero made two penalty-shot blocks in the fourth quarter to help the Sailors earn a 10-9 win.

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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Stella Zawistowski

ACROSS

- 1 Restful resort
4 Sport played on horses
8 Notices
13 Your and my
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Length-measuring device
15 First Greek letter
16 Bitter beer
17 Old enough: 2 wds.
18 Cassettes
19 Postseason games
21 Sticks for twirling
22 Sounds of hesitation
23 Skeleton part
24 Early video game brand
27 Off in the distance
29 Pooches
33 Visa competitor
35 "To _ it another way..."
36 Bike tire measurement: Abbr.
37 Quits working
39 Neckwear with a suit
40 Seventh Greek letter
41 Movie with no sound: 2 wds.
43 Naysay
45 Throw away
46 Marathons, e.g.
47 Not odd
49 "Wait just a _!"
50 Climbed up
53 Places to see movies
58 Computer cord
59 Frog's sound
60 Compete
61 Middle color in a traffic light
62 Waist accessories
63 "Rocks" in a drink
64 Peruses

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-66 indicating starting positions for clues.

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.

Sudoku puzzle grid with some numbers pre-filled.

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

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66 Helmed
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1 Bar in a bathtub
2 Yank or tug
3 Specialization
4 Tissue brand
5 "Frozen" snowman
6 Table supports
7 Mined resource
8 The Devil
9 Covered with metal
10 Political research, for short
11 Subsequently
12 Impertinence
14 Having more space
20 Circular tent

- 21 Dairy brand
23 Ballet class supports
24 Really excited
25 Try a sip of
26 From China or Laos
27 Steven Seagal genre
28 Gets an F
30 Eye-related
31 Crafty deception
32 Flower supports
34 Took a break
38 Strings of wins
42 True statement
44 Hollered
48 Swerves suddenly
49 Arena capacity
50 "The Lion King" villain
51 Arrived
52 "SOS" band
53 Part of a forest
54 Middle of a bagel
55 Wicked
56 Grain used in sushi
57 Center of a peach pit
59 "Survivor" network

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BSC 225750 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JAMES FRED ARDARY 30-2024-01423843-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **JAMES FRED ARDARY**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **CHERYL ARDARY** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **CHERYL ARDARY** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on **Oct 23, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM08**

located at: 3390 HARBOR BLVD. COSTA MESA, CA 92626

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IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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BSC 225787 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: SHELDON POWELL RILEY, aka SHELDON RILEY 30-2024-01426088-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **SHELDON POWELL RILEY, aka SHELDON RILEY**. **A PETITION FOR PROBATE** has been filed by **LAUREN SIGNAL** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **LAUREN SIGNAL** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on **Oct 30, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM08**

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BSC 225773 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: HESSIE MARIE THOMAS 30-2024-01425312-PR-LA-CMC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **HESSIE MARIETHOMAS**.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by **STEVE PARRINO** in the Superior Court of California, County of **ORANGE**.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that **STEVE PARRINO** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on **Oct 31, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. CM07**

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provement because prior to that, we had a lot of dark areas," Bailey said.

Bioswales, landscape depressions that treat water before it goes into the ocean, are also now in place.

"Previous to this, anything that came off the road wasn't treated before it went into a storm drain and went into the ocean," Bailey said. "Now, it's getting filtered through this filtration system and then getting sent out."

Huntington Beach Mayor Gracey Van Der Mark and Deputy Director of Public Works Tom Herbel also gave remarks at Wednesday's ceremony, thanking Public Works Director Chau Vu as well as the Ocean View School District for their work on the project.



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

STUDENTS FROM Oak View Elementary School walk past the painted street of Mandrell Drive where it meets Oak Lane, part of the Oak View Beautification Project.

City Council members Dan Kalmick, Natalie Moser and Rhonda Bolton also were in attendance.

"Oak View has always been a community to be proud of," Van Der Mark said, also issuing some re-

marks in Spanish. "With these improvements, it will become an even better place to live, learn, play and come together."

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service from Irvine, part of the proposal was to add more frequency, so adding an additional vehicle in the rotation, so there's more frequent service between Irvine and Laguna Beach during the summer when that program is running."

Litschi added that the Summer Breeze route would begin service earlier than its traditional alignment with the start of the summer art festivals. The extended route through the canyon will now be available beginning Memorial Day weekend, he said, providing for an additional four weeks. Trolleys would be expected to arrive at pick-up/drop-off locations closer to every 20 minutes.

The Summer Breeze trolley saw approximately 23,500 boardings this summer, which Litschi said marked an increase of 27% from the previous year. Litschi explained that trolley usage is tracked through automated passenger counters, as well as input into tablets by the drivers of each vehicle.

"The great thing about our transit service in Laguna Beach is that it serves residents, visitors and employees who work in town and travel from one end of



File Photo

LAGUNA BEACH plans to put \$5.2 million of the awarded funds toward its trolley operations.

town to the other," Litschi said. "I think there's a lot of beneficiaries of it. The other benefit of the transit service is that it helps to take cars off the road."

An additional \$2 million will help extend the Laguna Local on-demand transit service to residential neighborhoods off Laguna Canyon Road and El Toro Road.

A local match requirement will call on the city to come up with 11% of the operating cost for the trolley service and half of what is needed to run the local on-demand transit service.

"Our city is committed to providing accessible and sustainable transportation options for both residents and visitors," Laguna

Beach Mayor Sue Kempf said in a statement. "The expanded trolley and Laguna Local services will improve mobility, reduce congestion and support our environmental goals by encouraging people to use public transit."

The OCTA board of directors approved funding for 13 recommended projects on Monday, awarding approximately \$42.3 million in M2 grants this cycle. Among the grants awarded, Irvine received \$4.4 million for its special event circulators. Newport Beach had requested \$2.5 million for the continuation of the Balboa Peninsula trolley service, but that estimate increased to \$3.2 million to operate the program for the next few years.

Eric Carpenter, an OCTA spokesperson, said Monday's vote would allow OCTA staff and Newport Beach to work toward accommodating the additional funds, provided the amount remains within the Project V budget. Both the Irvine and Newport Beach projects were slated for a required local funding match of 11%.

"As the county's transit provider, we realize that traditional fixed-route bus service with 40-foot buses isn't right for every community," Carpenter said. "Through Measure M, the county's half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements, OCTA provides funding for these seasonal trolleys and shuttles to better meet the individual needs of each community and get people where they need to be safely and efficiently using public transit."

Newport Beach's Balboa Peninsula trolley has run on summer weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day since 2017. Ridership peaked at 26,330 in 2019. Boardings reached a level of at least 20,000 for the first time since the coronavirus pandemic this summer, according to a presentation from city staff.

"As a popular tourist destination, we owe our residents and visitors the ability to enjoy our city while lessening traffic congestion," Newport Beach Mayor Will O'Neil said. "My thanks to our partners at OCTA and my colleagues who have put in hard work to improve our trolley system going forward."

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