



City Council

introduces

Main Street

amendment

change would allow

sidewalk uses with

8 feet of clearance

Following a public hearing,

the City Council on May 13

introduced a permanent amend-

ment to the Main Street Specific

Plan. The vote was 4 to 0. District

Three Councilwoman Lisa

(at a future meeting), the amend-

ment would allow sidewalk

uses for Main Street, includ-

ing outdoor dining, subject to

an administrative approval. The

amendment allows permits to

be revoked if outdoor areas are

not maintained. The amendment

will be implemented on July

1. Except for potted plants and

benches, anything placed outside

would have to be brought inside

include retail uses, but the coun-

whether to require 8 feet of clearance for pedestrians or 6 feet. The council members decided on

The original proposal did not

Council members discussed

The issue will come back to the council in six months for an

Only two individuals spoke

Rob McCone, who works on

Main Street, said the Americans

with Disabilities Act allowed a

4-foot clearance. McCone called

for a 6-foot pedestrian clear-

ance. He had made the same

recommendation at the April 15

Jim Watson also proposed a

"Marina Café significantly

Planning Commission meeting.

during the public hearing.

If adopted on second reading

Specific Plan

By Charles M. Kelly

Landau abstained.

at closing time.

8 feet for now.

update.

Hearing

cil added retail use.

Las Damas lets good times roll to raise money for art

Sunset Beach celebrates art in 56th annual festival

By David N. Young

With Steppenwolf's "Born to be Wild" blasting from the speakers, the Surf City GoGo Girls were kicking and twisting like flowers in the wind while the overflow crowd enjoyed every minute of it on this lazy, sunny Sunday afternoon.

Sunset Beach in many ways, at least for two days, partied like it was the 1960s all over again as thousands flocked to the green belt of this sometimes-eclectic community for the Las Damas 56th Annual Art Festival.

"We work very hard to make this festival a real part of the community," said Natalie Vaughn, a board member and spokesperson for the group. "We are very careful about the bands, the food and we insist on our vendors selling only hand-made arts and crafts," she said.

According to Vaughn, more than 15,000 people strolled peacefully along the green belt's curved sidewalks, sometimes stopping along the way dotted with white tents containing artisan vendors of all types selling items they had made themselves.

For sure, Sunset Beach is a community that loves its rock and



Photo by David N. Young

With songs like "Born to be Wild," and "Proud Mary" roaring behind them, the Sunset Beach GoGo Girls, (left to right) Boots, Pinky and Liberty Lane brought enough flower power for the entire festival Sunday as the 56th Annual Las Damas Art Festival roiled through the entire Sunset Beach community.

exaggeration to say it was a reboot of the Sixties generation, what is true is that the Las Damas annual event is a chance for free spirits and friends to gather and raise money for various schools and art programs.

"We've been coming here for the Mother's Day festival for as long as I can remember," said Italian-born Stephan Basi, a leather craftsman, as he sold yet another

black leather wristband.

Basi, who travels to Sunset Beach once a year from Mission Viejo with his wife Mary, said by Sunday he had almost sold out of the leather bracelets and other items he made for the event.

According to his wife Mary, there is a strong bond between many of the vendors and the Sunset Beach community that goes back many years.

"We have regular customers from here(Sunset Beach), and so do the other vendors," said Mary, She said the merry band of vendors all make the crafts and products that festivalgoers purchase as they walk by.

"We are all very passionate about the festival," she said, "and about the cause." "We all know it's

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roll, and while it is perhaps an **Los Al Unified** top teachers get their due

ALAMITOS Courtesy of Los **EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

The Los Alamitos Education Foundation hosted a special event at Old Ranch Country Club on May 1 to recognize the Los Alamitos Unified School District's top teachers of the year. The event was attended by a wide range of guests, including teachers, their family and friends, principals, school board members, LAEF staff and board members, and district cabinet members.

Ten outstanding Los Al teach-

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Courtesy photo

LAEF Teachers of the Year from left to right are: Back row - Robert Harrell (Oak), Michelle Anderson (McGaugh), Jennifer Holland (Weaver), Paula Pugh (Hopkinson), Morgan Cochrane (Rossmoor) and Tina Sudo (Los Alamitos); front row -Brandi Amundson (McAuliffe), Stacy Castiglione (LAHS), Suzanne McElderry (Lee) and Evan Grandon (District Office).

increased their sales by 20 to 25% almost immediately after

6-foot clearance.

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Kaur, Carpenter honored as Cal State Long Beach Distinguished Alumni

Grammy®Award winning artists honored by CSULB

By David N. Young

Soprano Sangeeta Kaur and musician Richard Carpenter, formerly of The Carpenters, were honored as distinguished alumni by the Bob Cole Conservatory of Music during its annual spring concert.

Kaur and Carpenter are both Grammy® Award-winning artists and graduates of California State University, Long Beach, whose

music program is now housed at the Conservatory.

University officials presented Kaur with the distinguished "Celebrating Music Award" for 2024 while Carpenter received the Inaugural Medal for Exceptional Achievement in the Arts.

"Since 1991, the "Celebrating Music Award" has been bestowed upon distinguished alumni, faculty members, and music industry leaders who have left an indelible mark

on the field of music," noted Dr. Jermie Arnold, the Conservatory's Director.

"This award serves as a symbol of our deep appreciation for your unwavering dedication, exceptional talent, and profound impact on the world of music," Arnold said to Kaur in announcing the award.

During the ceremony, Dr. Jonathan Talberg, director of the Conservatory's Choral Activities, said that in addition to her Grammy® recognition, Sangeeta Kaur had developed into "a worldclass singer, multimedia artist, and producer."

"She got her start right here (CSULB)," said Talberg, "where she completed her Bachelor of Music in Opera Performance." Eventually, he said, Kaur earned her Master of Music in Vocal Performance at the Boston Conservatory at Berklee.

"Her list of credits since that time is incredible," said Talberg. "She has produced five albums, performed on world tours, and has original works that range from contemporary songs in multiple genres to full operas," he added.

"It's been a joy to watch her career blossom and to see her transition from a driven, hardworking, talented, extremely kind, and very respectful college student to a performer of the first order," the Choral Director said.

In addition, Talberg said Kaur has produced her own PBS special and collaborated with legend-

Photo by Dave Smithson

Music Legend Dr. Richard Carpenter, right, wearing the Bob Cole Conservatory of Music's Inaugural Medal of Excellence "for exceptional achievement in the arts." Sangeeta Kaur, holding her award for "a distinguished alumni" who has left "an indelible mark on the field of music."

ary musicians like Jon Anderson, Ukulele master Jake Shimabukuro, and Stewart Copeland of the Police.

"She and her husband Hai now own a state-of-the-art recording studio in Austin and she now sits on the Austin Opera's Board of Trustees," he said.

Sangeeta has also been elected to a second two-year term as a governor of the Grammy Recording Academy's Texas Chapter," said Talberg.

"She was always a bright light," he added, "whether she was sing-

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May 13 Seal Beach City council meeting summary

May 14-15 budget meeting coverage begins next week

By Charles M. Kelly

This is a summary of the May 13 meeting of the City Council.

There was no Closed Session this week. The meeting lasted about two hours and 58 minutes.

Because of our production

schedule, the Sun plans to cover the May 14 and May 15 budget workshops in the next two issues.

During the presentations part of the meeting, the council:

• Recognized the retirement of Seal Beach Police Chaplain Don Shoemaker. He was the first chaplain in the SBPD. The program began in 2001. Shoemaker and his wife are retiring to Temecula. In August 2023, Christos P. Kanakis joined the volunteer SBPD Chaplaincy program.

• Proclaimed National Volunteer Appreciation Week.

• Recognized Lifeguard Jackson Lawrence's representation of Seal Beach and the California Surf Lifesaving Association in the New Zealand Lifeguard Exchange Program.

• Received an update on the Seal Beach Historic Resources Foundation Board.

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4:00pm Cinco De Mayo/ Lions at the TET Parade

5:30pm 2024 Seal Beach Classic Car Show

6:00pm Summertime Songs Karaoke 7:00pm Discovery Tour / Karaoke March 2024

8:00pm Impaired Vision and Hearing Club/ SongBirdz at Taco Tuesday 9:00pm Road Trip Great Lakes/ San Gabriel River Trail

9:30pm Studio Cafe 10:00pm 2024 McGaugh Pageant of the Arts

11:00pm On Q

FRIDAY, MAY 17

4:00pm Abilene Band 5:30pm 2024 McGaugh Pageant of

6:30pm Studio Cafe 7:00pm Lions at the TET Parade/ Songbirds at Taco Tuesday 7:30pm Summertime Songs Karaoke 8:30pm 2024 Seal Beach Classic Car Show 9:00pm On Q

10:00pm Discovery Tour 11:00pm Cinco De Mayo

SATURDAY, MAY 18

4:00pm 2024 McGaugh Pageant of

5:00pm Lions at the TET Parade/ Songbirds at Taco Tuesday 5:30pm Love Boat 7:00pm LAUSD Meeting Replay

8:00pm On Q 9:00pm Impaired Vision and Hearing

10:00pm Karaoke March 2024 10:30pm 2024 Seal Beach Classic Car Show

11:00pm Road Trip/ Pickleball 11:30pm Rollin Thunder

SUNDAY, MAY 19

4:00pm SBCC REPLAY/ Special City Council Mtg. Budget Workshop REPLAY

8:00pm LW Hula/ Road Trip:

Hawaiian Trails 8:30pm Vision and Hearing Impaired Club/ Summertime Songs Karaoke

10:00pm Dixieland Jazz Band 11:00pm Studio Cafe 11:30pm Lions at the TET Parade/ Karaoke March 2024

MONDAY, MAY 20

4:00pm 2024 Seal Beach Classic Car Show

4:30pm Studio Cafe 5:00pm Cinco De Mayo/ Road Trip: Death Valley

6:00pm Road Trip/ Lions at the TET 7:00 pm 2024 McGaugh Pageant of

the Arts 8:00pm Valentines on Broadway 9:30pm Love Boat 11:00pm On Q

TUESDAY, MAY 21 4:00pm Beginning of LW/ Road Trip: Death Valley

4:30pm Summertime Songs Karaoke 5:30pm Arts and Crafts Expo 6:30pm Love Boat 8:00pm Red Rock Road Trip/

Songbirdz at Taco Tuesday 8:30pm Studio Cafe 9:00pm 2024 McGaugh Pageant of the Arts

10:00pm Discovery Tour 11:00pm 2024 Seal Beach Classic Car Show/ Lions Club at TET Festival

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

4:00pm On Q 5:00pm Discovery Tour 6:00pm Lions Club at TET Festival/ Songbirds at Taco Tuesday 6:30pm 2024 McGaugh Pageant of 7:30pm Cabaret Show

9:00pm Studio Cafe 9:30pm Road Trip 10:00pm Abilene Band 11:30pm Karaoke March 2024

*All programming subject to change

Briefing Room: Don't interfere with ducks or ducklings

BY SBPD CAPT. NICK NICHOLAS FOR THE SUN

Hi Seal Beach,

As you may know, on July 1, 2023, the Seal Beach Police Department launched our inhouse animal control program. Just last week we received an animal control call involving some baby ducks who were born near a Seal Beach resident's pool. It was interesting timing because we just received some important information from our friends at the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center in Huntington Beach. See

Mallards and their ducklinas

Breeding season: Spring through Summer (and sometimes earlier)

A week before egg-laying, the female exhibits persistent quacking-she is looking for nest sites—this occurs mostly in the evening—she is in the lead and the male is waiting nearby. If this behavior is observed, you may find this is a good time to deter her from laying her eggs. As the last egg is laid the female starts to incubate. She sits very tightly, and her brown plumage blends her perfectly to the background. She rarely leaves the nest apart from short breaks to feed and stretch her legs. About 28 days later the eggs hatch together. This takes about 24 hours.

The ducklings stay in the nest for at least 10 hours while they



dry and get used to using their legs. Then, usually in the early morning, the female leads them to water. Bad weather may delay this exodus, but the sooner the ducklings get to water to feed, the better their chances of survival. The nest is abandoned, although if it is close to the feeding area, the family may continue to use it for brooding and roosting.

The mother duck will leave her nest to feed periodically during the day. It is not necessary to supplement her diet and best not to do so as food attracts attention to the nest. Leaving food out will attract other birds and rodents, e.g., bread, nuts, seeds, and chips.

Hatching and walking to

The ducklings will hatch about 25-28 days after the last egg was laid. Within 48 hours, their mama will initiate a "parade" to water. Humans must not interfere!! Humans can direct traffic as needed and steer the ducklings away from street grates or other hazards.

Let the mama duck lead; she knows where she wants to go! DO NOT INTERVENE. Only 1 or 2 ducklings are expected to survive this trek. Do not interfere with Mother Nature's overall

If the nest is some way from water, this first journey can be the most perilous time in a duckling's life. Where a nest is high up (up a tree or on a balcony) the birds must first jump to the ground. Being very light and covered in down they usually come to no harm during the fall. Next, they will have a long and potentially hazardous walk before they can reach water.

The mother duck knows where the nearest water is to take her young, although it may be a couple of miles away. You must leave her alone, because interference can cause extra stress and risk the mother panicking and abandoning her brood. In many instances keeping an eye from the distance and shepherding the family across a danger point, such as a busy road, is all that is needed.

Ducks should be discouraged from building their nests where the ducklings will be at real risk on hatching. Such instances would be in backyards near pools, especially if the property is not close to any parks or golf courses that have water. There is normally no second chance for abandoned ducklings; their best chance for survival is with their mother. If you try to catch the mother, she may panic and fly away. She may not return to her young.

Young ducklings can feed themselves as soon as they reach water but must learn what is edible. They depend on their mother for warmth for a few days. She broods them regularly, particularly at night, as they easily chill in cold weather.

The down of the ducklings is not naturally waterproof. They get the waterproofing for their down from their mother. She also protects her ducklings from attacks by other mallards. Ducks do not tolerate stray ducklings close to their own brood, and females kill small strange young they encounter. Ducklings take 50-60 days to fledge (fly) and become independent. They can breed when they are a year old.

The journey to the water is hazardous for the whole family, and on occasions, the mother dies, or part or all of the brood becomes separated from her. Rearing ducklings is a long, messy, time-consuming, and expensive process. It takes at least two months to raise a brood. PLEASE LET THEM STAY WITH THEIR MOTHER. It is against the law in California to raise native wildlife unless you are a licensed rehabilitator with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the U S Fish and Wildlife Service.

Thanks Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center for this information. To the Seal Beach community, for animal-related calls, please call our non-emergency line (562) 594-7232 and a Seal Beach Police Animal Control Officer will call or respond to assist.

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City to host suicide prevention program on May 21

48 part of Mental Health Awareness Month

Courtesy of City of Seal Beach

In partnership with Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services, the city government of Seal Beach will host a free General Adult Suicide Prevention Training on Tuesday, May 21, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Orange County Fire Authority Fire Station No. 48. The fire station is located at 3131 North Gate Rd., Seal Beach. The event is part of part of Mental Health Awareness Month.

RSVP at https://forms.office. com/g/vJsvmePUeA.

The Suicide and Crisis Lifeline is 988.

The presentation will provide an overview of suicide prevention and will discuss the nature of suicide, suicide-related statistics, risk factors, myths, and warning signs. Presenters will discuss how to assess for lethality, support a person who is suicidal, and link the person to appropriate resources. The Orange County Healthcare Agency has contracted with Didi Hirsch since 2010 to provide suicide prevention and support services.

During 2023, there were four

Event at Fire Station reported suicides, and one additional murder suicide," according to Seal Beach Police Lt. Julia

> According to the Healthcare Agency's most recent suicide report, those most at risk are residents who are white, male, and middle aged to older adults.

> Many of the cities on the coastal areas of Orange County were most affected by suicide deaths compared to their inland neighbors. These cities also tended to have the highest populations of white residents and adults 55 years and older.

> According to the report, there were 31 deaths by suicide in Seal Beach from 2014 to 2018. That's a five-year average of 6.2 deaths by suicide.

> According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 43.7% of Seal Beach's population is 65 years old or

> Do you need behavioral health services and do not know where to start? You may call OCHCA OC Links at (855) 625-4657 to speak with a "Navigator" who's been specially trained to guide you to the exact Health Care Agency behavioral health resources that will help you most.

> In case of a mental health emergency, call 988. If you are experiencing a life threatening emergency, call 911.



Courtesy photo

be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and

is free to the public. For more

information about the festival or

the Summer Arts Institute, contact

Executive Director Stan DeWitt

at 562-972-3324 or stan@long-

beachyouthchorus.org or visit

the LBYC website at www.long-

beachyouthchorus.org.

The Institute will be June 24-28 and culminates in the Long Beach Family Arts Festival on Saturday, June 29.

LB Youth Chorus Summer Arts Institute returns

FOR THE SUN

For the third year, the Long Beach Youth Chorus will offer its Summer Arts Institute, an allarts immersive camp for children in grades 2-12. The camp is designed to give children training and exposure to a wide variety of arts and expression, with emphasis on diverse cultural traditions. The Institute will be June 24-28 and culminates in the Long Beach Family Arts Festival on Saturday, June 29.

The exact programs offered will be decided in mid-May. Last year's Institute included sessions on Vietnamese dance, Mariachi, percussion, string art, songwriting, monoprinting, and an introduction to Ainu music, in addition to choral singing. There was also a field trip to L.A. that including a clinic with a choral director at USC, Dr. Tram Sparks, and the Grammy Museum. In 2022, the Institute campers painted a rose mural at St.

Matthew's church, under the guidance of artist Cody Lusby, that can be prominently seen when driving east on 7th Street just past Temple Ave.

The Institute campers will then take part in the Family Arts Festival on June 29. That festival features performances by four organizations that work with children and youth in the arts. This year the performing groups will be the Jazz Angels, Jewel Box Children's Theater Company, the Long Beach Children's Theater Company and the Long Beach Youth Chorus. The festival also features food trucks, games and art activities for kids and the Long Beach Symphony's Instrument Petting Zoo.

The Summer Arts Institute will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the grounds of St. Matthew's Church at 672 Temple Ave. The Long Beach Family Arts Festival will be held on the grounds of Grace First Presbyterian Church, 3955 N. Studebaker Road. It will





Woman's Club of Seal Beach Fashion Show set for Saturday

May 18 Woman's Club of SB Fashion Show and Luncheon

The Woman's Club of Seal Beach presents their annual Fashion Show and Luncheon to be held at the Marina Community Center on Saturday, May 18, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. A delicious lunch will be served followed by a fashion show. The apparel displayed will be from local Seal Beach boutiques. Unique raffle baskets will be offered along with a silent auction

All proceeds are used to support local charities which include the Seal Beach Animal Care Center, Arts and Media departments of local schools and the Youth Center. A complete list of recipients is available on our website, womansclubofsealbeach.

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased by calling Judy O'Neill at 562-706-5721.

May 19 RWC Garden Tour Fundraiser The Rossmoor Woman's Club Spring Garden Tour community fundraiser will be from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday

The 20th annual event features self-guided tours of six backyards and two elementry schools in Rossmoor, featuring a diversity of landscape designs and including outdoor living amenities such as pools, bars and outdoor kitchens. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased in advance from club members, from participating local merchants or on the club website, rossmoorwomansclub.org. Tickets include a map to all the homes and also entitle the bearer to stop by the tour's Outdoor Marketplace for refreshments, music by harpist Julio Montero, floral demonstrations by Cynthia McElwee of Heaven Sent Design Floral Studio in Anaheim Hills

and a chance to buy small potted plants and raffle tickets for an assortment of gift baskets. Tickets may also be purchased the day of the event

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Advertorial

Finding the Afib Treatment That's Right for You

By: Mark Lee, M.D., medical director, electrophysiology, MemorialCare Heart & Vascular Institute at Long Beach Medical Center

For patients with long-standing persistent atrial fibrillation (Afib), MemorialCare Heart & Vascular Institute at Long Beach Medical Center offers a multitude of treatments to help alleviate Afib symptoms and reduce the need for blood thinners. For each patient's unique situation, physicians from different specialties, including electrophysiologists, general and imaging cardiologists, and cardiac surgeons, meet each month to meticulously review each patient's history of long-standing persistent Afib to tailor treatment therapy specific to their needs.

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In general, newly diagnosed Afib patients are prescribed medication or treated with catheter ablation – burning or freezing the skin inside the heart – performed by an electrophysiologist to alleviate their AFib symptoms. With a hybrid approach, it involves both the cardiac surgeon and electrophysiologist working together to provide more durable results for this complex patient population.

Long Beach Medical Center is a leader in research, and innovative minimally invasive approaches to repair any cardiac disease. It has been named by Healthgrades[®] as a Five-Star Recipient for Treatment of Heart Failure for Two Years in a Row (2023-2024), and scored high performance rankings for Congestive Heart Failure and Heart Attack by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Want to learn more about Afib treatments? Visit memorialcare.org/lbheart.

Opinion

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Sidewalk Talk

How do you stay healthy?

Asked and Compiled by Charles M. Kelly



"The food you decide to put in your body." **Andrea Harris Anaheim Hills**

stays in motion. I have a little kid, so I have to be in motion.' **Cate and Less Muller**

San Clemente

"I think a body in motion



"Gotta eat right. The plate in s 90% vegetables. I try to get a little picklebal in and ride a bike.

Bill Doyle Redondo Beach



"I try to drink as much water as I can."

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Guest Column

Police Chaplain Donald Shoemaker's farewell message

Text of remarks made to May 13 City Council meeting

BY DONALD SHOEMAKER

Three significant happenings led to an October evening in 2001 when I stood in this chamber and

Police Chief Mike Seller introduced me as the police department's new chaplain, and pinned Badge #293 on me:

Donald First, I came Shoemaker across a verse

to the Lord in its behalf."

in the Bible that would change the course of the ministry. Jeremiah 29:7 (my paraphrase) - "Seek the Shalom (the peace, the well-being) of the city where I placed you, and Pray

The second significant happing was a job evaluation by my church's elder board.

The board came up with a recommendation that would change my life and refocus my ministry.

"Don, you should find some avenue of service in the Seal Beach Community."

It was great advice. Pastors already have a lot on our plates. But it was good to be told to look above the fence and see how you might serve the community round you.

But what kind of community service would I do?

That's where the third significant happening comes in:

A "Chance encounter" while I walked on Main Street one day. Assistant City Manager Dan Dorsey introduced me to the Police Department Captain John Schaefer. We both brought up police chaplaincy almost simul-

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taneously.

I researched chaplaincy and wrote a program. The the day came when Chief Sellers announced that the department now had a chaplain program. The badge pinning happened, and we were on our way.

Police chaplains serve in several ways. But I think the most significant is responding to Callouts. The chaplain's phone rings any hour of the day or night and away you go.

I have been at hospitals with parents whose little boy or girl just died. I have been at fiery accident scenes to comfort those who got out of the car in time, but their loved ones did not. I have been to suicide scenes and to homes where a spouse awoke in the morning to find his or her partner deceased.

I have prayed with officers at their request, that they might have an extra measure of strength and grace to do whatever the job demanded.

I did not know for sure what I would say or do when I got to a scene. On the way to a location, I would pray "The Prayer of St. Francis."

'Lord, make me an instrument God bless you all.

of your peace."

Then came the mass murders of 12 October 2011—the greatest challenge of my entire career as a pastor and as a chaplain. The stress on officers and dispatchers and medical providers was beyond words. Through last October I've joined family members at the memorial on October 12 each year.

Our law enforcement officers are called on to do their best as they face a challenging and often evil and dangerous world. Our culture has been losing its spirit of civility and community values and its respect for authority. Your police officers are there to restrain and resist and possibly reverse this trend.

Now my wife and I have just moved to Temecula.

Leaving my church and leaving this agency are the hardest two parts of moving from this area where we have lived for almost 54 years. I love my church, the Seal Beach community and the men and women of the police department. It has been an incredible privilege to serve these 23 years as your police chaplain.

Thank you for that privilege.

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Crime Log

CRIME LOG COMPILED BY CHARLES M. KELLY

IN SEAL BEACH Friday, April 26

• Municipal Code Complaint (Priority 3)—11:59 a.m.— Lampson Avenue (College Park East)—A woman was seen with two light-colored spaniel-type dogs off leash on the soccer field. The reporting person was painting the soccer field. As of 12:23 p.m., there were no dogs present on the soccer field at the time the area was patrolled. Using the intercom, a verbal reminder was issued that no dogs were allowed on the field. Animal control spike with the reporting person, who stated the individual entered the dog park moments before animal control arrived.

Saturday, April 27

- Disturbance (Priority 2)—9:27 a.m.—9:27 a.m.—Pacific Coast Highway—A woman in an SUV refused to move from the reporting person's loading area. She was verbally hostile with the reporting person. As of 9:36 a.m., no further law enforcement services were required. The SUV had left.
- Disturbance (Priority 2)—12:38 p.m.—Electric Avenue and Main Street—A police unit apparently observed a car trying to leave the area. As of 12:43 p.m., the car was escorted out. It was not clear from the log if the incident had anything to do with the Seal Beach Car Show, which was held that day in the Main Street area.
- Injured Animal (Priority 3)—12:39 p.m.—Surfside Avenue—An injured seagull was on the sand at the waterline. The bird had reportedly been present for two days. Police spoke with the reporting person who said citizens were bothering the bird and it possibly flew away.

Sunday, April 28

• Dead Animal (Priority 4)—5:26 p.m.—Homewood Road (Leisure World)—The reporting person said there was a dead crow in front of a residence, causing hawks to circle the area. The craw was found in the bushes. The reporting person was advised that Leisure World is private property and the reporting person could call property management the next time they found deceased wildlife. Animal control took the dead crow to WAGS for disposal.

Tuesday, April 30

- Petty Theft Report (Priority 3)—8:28 a.m.—Montecito Road—Mail was reportedly taken from a condo mailbox in the mail room during the night. Report taken.
- Fraud Report (Priority 3)—8:34 a.m.—Montecito Road—An individual was the victim of an online fraud involving an apartment for rent in Anaheim. Report taken
- Burglary Report (Priority 3)—12:17 p.m.—College Park Drive (College Park West)—Someone broke into a shipping container located in the nursery. They used a power torch to melt the lock. Loss: Power tools. Report taken.

Traffic accident results in arrest for DUI and other charges

By Charles M. Kelly

A passenger and the driver of a motorcycle were injured during an early morning traffic accident on Central Avenue this weekend.

"On Saturday May 4, at approximately 0352 hours, officers responded to the 700 block of Central Ave regarding an injury traffic collision," wrote Seal Beach Police Lt. Julia Clasby on May 7.

"Upon arrival, they discovered a motorcyclist had lost control of his motorcycle and collided with several parked cars," Clasby wrote. "His passenger was ejected, sustained major injuries, and was transported to a local hospital. As of today's date, they are listed in critical condition. The driver was arrested for suspicion of DUI and was transported to OCJ [Orange County Jail]. The driver was charged with possession of several weapons including brass knuckles, a switchblade, and a firearm," Clasby wrote on May 7.

The following week, there was good news. "The passenger has been released from the hospital," Clasby wrote on May 14.

First Lifeguard Open House is June 1

Courtesy of Seal Beach Marine Safety

The inaugural Lifeguard Open House event, hosted by the Marine Safety Department, will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, June 1.

The day will be filled with interactive booths, activities, and education aimed at beach safety and drowning prevention.

Seal Beach Marine Safety Headquarters is located at 888 Ocean Ave. (in the Eighth Street beach parking lot).

Here's what you can expect at the event:

- Meet and connect with your local lifeguard professionals and gain insight into their crucial roles in keeping our community safe.
- Explore the lifeguard facility with guided tours of headquarters, check out specialized units and equipment used for water rescues.

- Engage in hands-on learning at interactive stations, including sidewalk CPR/AED training, tarp surfing, rip current escape techniques, and
- Learn about swim lesson programs, Junior Lifeguards, and safety demonstrations showcasing rescue techniques
- Indulge in a complimentary pancake breakfast with friends and neighbors provided by the Seal Beach Lions Club.

There will also be representatives from various organizations such as Cal State Long Beach Shark Lab, Pacific Marine Mammal Center, SBPD Animal Control, Seal Beach Lifeguard Association, Junior Lifeguards, a Pop Up City Hall, and others.

This event is for families, individuals interested in lifeguarding, or anyone passionate about water safety in the community.

SBPD: May is National Bike Safety Month

COURTESY OF SEAL BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

May is National Bicycle Safety Month. Rhe Seal Beach Police Department is encouraging everyone to safely take bike rides while at the same time reminding drivers to be on the lookout for more people biking and walking. "Everyone deserves to reach their destination safely," Chief of Police Michael Henderson said. "Unfortunately, at a national level there has been an increase in bicycle fatalities and injuries over the last few years. Bicyclists do not have the same protections as people in a vehicle so if you see a bicyclist - slow down."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, there were 1,105 people killed while riding a bike in 2022, and an estimated 46,195 bicyclists were injured. In 2021, 976 bicyclists were killed (a 1.9% increase from 2020) and an estimated 41,615 bicyclists were injured (a 7% increase from 2020).

To help keep people safe while biking or walking, the Seal Beach Police Department will be conducting traffic safety operations throughout the month focused on driver behaviors that put bicyclists and pedestrians at risk, such as speeding, making illegal turns, failure to yield right of way, and stop sign/red light running.

The Seal Beach Police Department suggests the following safety tips for drivers and bicyclists:

Drivers

- Slow down and follow the speed limit. Be careful traveling through intersections.
- Look carefully for bicyclists and pedestrians before making a turn or opening a car door near streets or bike paths.
- Be patient when traveling behind a bicyclist and give them space when passing. California law requires drivers to change a lane, when possible, to pass bicyclists and always pass with at least 3 feet of space.
- Never drive distracted or impaired.

Bike Riders

- Use lights at night.
- Although not required for riders 18 and older, always wear a properly secured helmet. Helmets significantly reduce the chance of a head injury in the event of a crash.
- Bicyclists must travel in the same direction of traffic and have the same requirements as any slow-moving vehicle.
- Yield to pedestrians, just as a driver would. Pedestrians have the right-of-way within marked or unmarked crosswalks at intersections.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

For more information about bike safety and how the Seal Beach Police Department keeps the community safe, visit us on social media @sealbeachpolice.

Friendly, playful two-year-old

Furry Tails

For the Sun

Name: October Age: Two Year

Hello, I'm October, a friendly, playful two-year-old girl, brought to the Seal Beach Animal Care Center from an overcrowded rescue. I have beautiful pumpkincolored eyes, but I have limited vision and can get a little anxious when around too many other cats. I enjoy pets and attention but sometimes will move out of reach to take a break from the other kitties' antics. That also means I'm getting overlooked when visitors come! I have some favorite toys, including wand toys with feathers and bells – I can see and hear them!



Courtesy photo

I can get a little anxious when around too many other cats.

My dream is to have a home of my own - as an only cat, or maybe with another kitty as a companion. Send an email to contact@sbacc. org for more information!

Seal lion Remington's prognosis is guarded

STAFF REPORT

Remington the sea lion is not doing well at this time.

As previously reported, the female sea lion pup came ashore on April 8.

"Remington is not out of the woods and we are really worried about her condition," wrote

Deb Finster, vice president of Philanthropy and Community Outreach in a May 13 email.

"Our veterinary team are doing their best, but she has a very long road to recovery and a guarded prognosis at this time," Finster wrote.

According to the PMMC website, if you see a stranded animal, call the Center at (949) 494-3050.

Class action suit settlement gets Seal Beach almost \$1 million

The money was used in 2023-24 budget

By Charles M. Kelly

Last year, Seal Beach received \$974,039 from a settlement in a class action lawsuit against Monsanto concerning PCBs. Seal Beach was one of several cities included in the suit.

The Sun has confirmed that the budget for 2023-24 included the almost \$1 million settlement.

The Sun filed a Public Records Act Request on April 8, 2024:

"Page 49 of the 2023-2024 approved budget shows a "Settlement/Court Judgment of \$974,039 for account 101-000-0000-47500. Where did these funds come from? Has the money been assigned or spent? If so, where?"

On April 17, 2024, the City Clerk's Office sent the following email:

"Thank you for your request for public records. The City of Seal Beach has determined that the Finance Dept. has provided the following responsive to your Public Records Request. From Finance Dept: 'The check was for the Monsanto Company settlement payment and was included in the FY 2022-23 Fund Balance. The Fund Balance was utilized in the FY 2023-24 Budget.'"

The Sun also obtained a copy of the 326-page settlement.

Background

The former Monsanto Company manufactured polychlorinated biphenyls from the 1930s to 1977, according to the settlement agreement

"Plaintiffs asserted various claims against Defendant for alleged PCB-related environmental impairments, including impairments to water bodies. Plaintiffs alleged that PCBs are present at sites and public properties, including in stormwater, stormwater and wastewater systems, water bodies, sediment, natural resources, fish and wildlife. Plaintiffs sought compensatory damages and injunctive and equitable relief," according to the settlement agreement.

The plaintiffs and the defendants Monsanto Company; Solutia Inc.; and Pharmacia LLC; and Does 1 through 100 agreed to settle the suit

"NOW, THEREFORE, without an admission or concession on the part of Plaintiffs on the lack of merit of the Action or an admission or concession of liability or wrongdoing or the lack of merit of any defense by Defendant, it is stipulated and agreed by Defendant and Plaintiffs, acting for themselves and on behalf of the Settlement Class, that, on the following terms and conditions, the Action shall be settled and dismissed with prejudice as among Plaintiffs, the Settlement Class, and Defendant upon Final Approval of the Court after the hearing(s) provided for in the Settlement; and the Settlement Class Members shall release all Released Claims against Defendant and all Released Parties," according to the settlement agreement.

The settlement was entered into on June 24, 2020, and amended on Dec. 28, 2020, March 19, 2021, and June 17, 2021, according to the settlement agreement.

Summary

- Received the quarterly update from the Orange County Fire Authority.
- Proclaimed Public Works Week.
 - · Received an update on the

city's short term rental program.

Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar items are approved collectively, without discussion, unless pulled for individual consideration. Nothing was pulled from this week's calendar.

The council unanimously:

- Approved the minutes of the April 22 council meeting.
- · Authorized the city manager authorization to apply for grant from the Orange County Authority Transportation Environmental Cleanup Program. The grant would be for the Electric Avenue Stormwater Treatment

Project. "The maximum fund that a project can receive is \$600,000. A local minimum match of 20 percent (20%) must be provided as cash contributions," according to the staff report by Public Works Director Iris Lee.

"The City has previously leveraged ECP funding for storm drain catch basin inserts; however, the installation of these inserts is not as ideal for certain flood-prone Priority Land Use areas. As such, a hydrodynamic trash separator is being proposed within the vicinity of Galleon Way north of Electric Avenue," Lee wrote.

- · Approved a list of road maintenance and rehabilitation projects to be funded by Senate Bill 1. The list will be sent to the California Transportation Commission with an application for funds.
- · Approved an amendment to the city's contract with Yunex, LLC for Traffic Signal Maintenance Services. The agreement increases Yunex's compensation by \$20,000 for Fiscal Year 2023-24 and increases the company's compensation for 2024-25 by \$65,000, for a maximum of \$460,000, according to the staff report prepared by Deputy Director of Public Works/ City Engineer Kathryne Cho.
- · Approved a one-time payment of \$2,000 for all employees represented by the Orange County Employee Association. There are 35 OCEA members in the city, according to the staff report.

"The City Council approved OCEA's current MOU on March 13, 2023," wrote Assistant City Manager Patrick Gallegos in his staff report to the council

The report called the payment non-PERSable. "Non-PERSable refers to any payment or benefit that is not factored into an employee's retirement calculations," wrote Assistant City Manager Patrick Gallegos in an email.

"PERS stands for Public Employee Retirement System. Essentially, this payment is not considered 'salary' for retirement purposes. Therefore, it will not inflate the final retirement benefit amount an employee receives and will not increase long-term retirement costs," Gallegos wrote.

According to the report, the purpose is to achieve parity with the Mid-Management and Confidential Employees Association and the Seal Beach Supervisors and Professionals Association.

· Awarded a Public Works contract to TLS Choice, LLC for the Tennis and Pickleball Center Sports Court Lighting Project for a maximum of \$201,552.06

Public hearing

• The council approved a proposed amendment to the Main Street Specific Plan that would allow some outdoor uses for the sidewalks on Main Street. (For details, see page 1

New business

• The council initiated the process for the annual levy for the street lighting assessment. The council also scheduled the public hearing on the assessment for

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Faith Christian Assembly

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Memorial Day services to take place at WWII Submarine Memorial

Courtesy of Naval Weapons STATION SEAL BEACH

An annual Memorial Day ceremony will be held at the United States National Submarine Memorial West, located at Naval Weapons Station Seal Beach, on Monday, May 27.

The 11 a.m. observance will include speeches by local community leaders, as well as the unique "tolling the boats" ceremony, during which each of the 52 U.S. submarines lost during World War II is honored as a bell is tolled. The keynote speaker will or nwssbpao@us.navy.mil.

be Cmdr. Chris Rose, commanding officer of the attack submarine USS Alexandria (SSN 757), based in San Diego.

The free event is open to the public and no advance reservations are needed.

The submarine memorial is located aboard the naval weapons station at 800 Seal Beach Blvd., between Westminster Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway, in Seal Beach.

For more information, contact base Public Affairs Officer. Gregg Smith, at (562) 626-7215,

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Photo by Chris MacDonald

Joanne Fernbach, Main Street Reading Room librarian.

Seal Beach's Christian Science Reading Room celebrates 23 years

By Chris MacDonald FOR THE SUN

Have you been to the Seal Beach Christian Science Reading Room at 226 Main Street? Everyone is welcome to for free. It's open to people of all backgrounds and a way of life. This is a combination library, bookstore, and a community reading center for the exploration of spirituality, prayer and healing. Bible students can find a variety of translations and commentaries as well as a computer program and works by Mary Baker Eddy that allows research.

Librarian Joanne Fernbach said: "My greatest joy comes when someone with a really curious mind, good questions and a willingness to listen walks through the door. We are not there to convert or to convince anyone that we have a special religion. The fact that we love the Bible and the guidance we receive from studying it daily, is what we love to share and what we have in common with every

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Championship Crew



The Long Beach Junior Crew, Men's U19 quad qualified for the National Championships over the weekend by winning a gold medal in the Youth Men 4x race at the US Rowing Southwest Regional Championships at Lake Natoma, CA. Representing Long Beach Junior Crew (left to right) Travis Infante, Charlie Josephbek, Ezekiel Young and Marlon Knecht.

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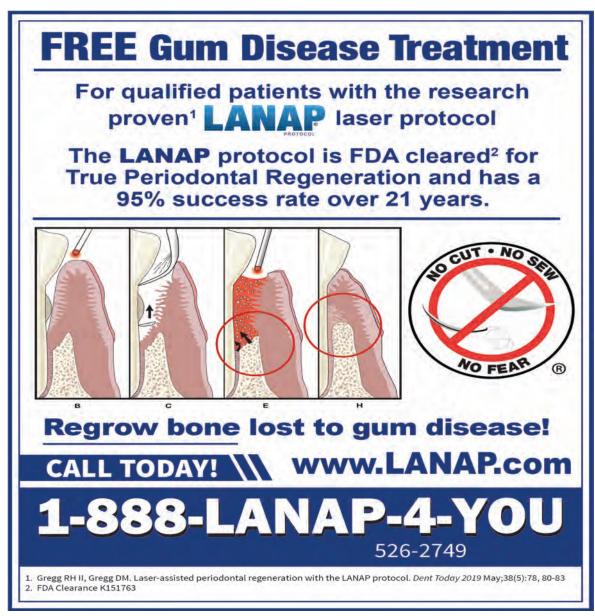
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Teachers

From page 1

ers were honored at the event, one from each of the district schools, along with a credentialed employee who supports multiple district schools. Honorees included two district music teachers, Suzanne McElderry (Lee Elementary) and Robert Harrell (Oak Middle School); a drama teacher, Stacy Castiglione (Los Alamitos High School); a special education teacher, Michelle Anderson (McGaugh Elementary); a teacher on special assignment, Evan Grandon (District Office); a math teacher, Brandi Amundson (McAuliffe Middle School): and four elementary classroom teachers, Jennifer Holland (Weaver); Paula Pugh (Hopkinson); Morgan Cochrane (Rossmoor); and Tina Sudo (Los Alamitos). Each teacher, nominated by their peers, was recognized for their dedication, creativity, and passion for their students. Principals from each of the honorees' schools spoke about their exceptional contributions and the positive impact they have had on their students and school communities.

"We are thrilled to be able to recognize these exceptional teachers and celebrate their achievements," said Carrie Logue, LAEF executive director. "These teachers have gone above and beyond to connect with their students, create magic inside their classrooms, and leave a lasting impact on our community."

The event also provided an opportunity for guests from all district schools to connect with one another, strengthening the bonds between teachers, administrators, and LAEF. LAEF is committed to supporting the education and enrichment of students in the Los Alamitos Unified School District, and events like this help to foster a strong sense of community and collaboration within the district.

"We are incredibly proud of these teachers and grateful for the positive impact they have had on Los Al kids," said Felicia Gonzalez, LAEF Board president. "It was a true honor to celebrate their achievements and to recognize the hard work and dedication they consistently demonstrate in their profession."

LAEF is the non-profit partner of Los Alamitos Unified School District. LAEF enhances educational excellence by providing after-school and summer enrichment programs to children in grades Pre-K to 12. LAEF impacts all students by providing significant funding for student mental health/wellness and STEAM instruction, as well as igniting new programs and providing valuable resources. For more information, visit www.LAEF4kids.org or call (562) 799-4700 Extension 80424.





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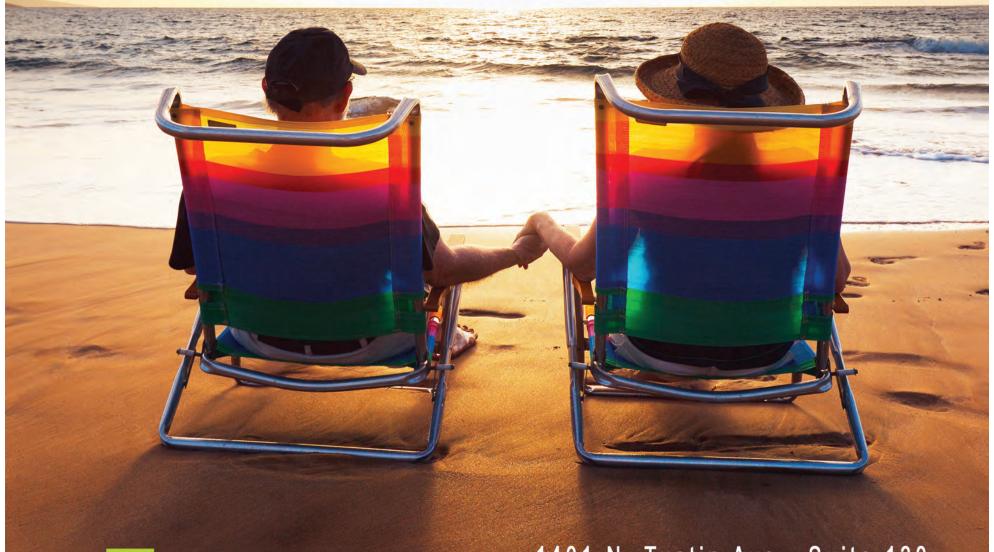


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Main Street

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they had outside dining," Watson said.

He said Marina Café had a 6-foot clearance, despite being the busiest corner in Old Town," Watson said.

"We have not experienced any pedestrian problems with a. 6-foot clearance," Watson said.

"The 6-foot clearance exists on all lots on Main Street," Watson said.

"With an 8-foot restriction, you can now only seat two people," Watson said.

Council discussion

Landau recused herself before staff presented the report.

"I will not be participating in the council's consideration of the Main Street Specific Plan amendment, due to a potential conflict of interest involving one of my sources of income," Landau said.

"The name of the source of income is Robert Griffith, who owns property on Main Street. I have requested advice from the Fair Political Practices Commission regarding this financial interest and its effect on my duties as a public official. In an abundance of caution, I am abstaining from this item because I have not yet received the FPPC's advice," Landau said.

(According to Schedule C of her FPPC Form 700, which she filed at 9:44 p.m., April 2, Landau received or had outstanding a loan from Griffith. Under "highest balance during reporting period" Landau checked off the box for "over \$100,000.

There is no larger amount on the form and no space on the form for a precise balance. The form is a public record.)

Landau then left the Council Chambers.

District One Council Member Joe Kalmick said based on the staff's work, he would support the proposal. According to Kalmick. they had gone over every inch of Main Street. He said when an applicant came in, staff would know what can be allowed at that particular address.

"My only caveat is, we need to make sure that we enforce what is going to be allowed if this passes," Kalmick said.

"Make sure that if a restaurant is allowed three, two-person tables, that they don't wind up with four or six," Kalmick said.

City Attorney Nicholas Ghirelli recommended holding a public hearing before the council made a decision.

District Four Council Member/ Mayor Schelly Sustarsic opened the public hearing.

After McCone and Watson spoke, Sustarsic closed the hear-

In response to a question from District Two Council Member Tom Moore, SealBeach Planning Manager Shaun Temple explained how staff arrived at an 8-foot clearance.

According to Temple, that during the conditional use permit hearing to allow 12 seats outside the Marina Café, there was a lot of public comment expressing concern with over-crowded sidewalks. Temple said the Planning Commission felt uncomfortable with too much area being occupied. "So that was reduced to 6 feet," Temple said.

He said staff wanted to keep the scale small. He said 8 feet would allow the majority of restaurants to participate in the pro-

Sustarsic thought it would be fair to allow retail sidewalk use. "It seems to me that they should be given an equal opportunity to do that," Sustarsic said.

As to the clearance issue, Sustarsic said if you approve 6 feet and then decide on 8 feet, "It's hard to go back."

Community Development Director Alexa Smittle agreed. She suggested staff could bring the matter back to the council in the fall or in a year to give the council an update.

Sustarsic also asked about outdoor alcohol service.

According to Smittle, the outdoor use amendment was written to be compliant with the California Alcoholic Beverage Control Department.

If the ABC chose to waive the requirement for an outdoor partition, then the business could serve alcohol. If would be up to the applicant to approach the state agency.

District Five Councilman Nathan Steele said Main Street was a stroller's street. People stroll one side and then the other. "The longer a wallet stays on Main Street, the more chances are that some dollars are going to fall out of that wallet," Steele

He believed the amendment would be good for merchants. He said he would be fine with a 6-foot clearance. Steele suggested talking about 6 feet later on.

District Two Council Member Tom Moore said he agreed with Kalmick and Steele. He said it would create a nice atmosphere for the city. He would be OK with retail use and with 6 feet of clearance.

Kalmick asked if Main Street tree wells were more imposing on available space than other

Apparently referring to the clearance space Temple said it was really a preference.

Kalmick said he would like to allow 6 feet so restaurants can place as many tables as they could. However, he expressed concern about the impact of tree wells on available space for foot

"I'm in favor of 6 feet if it works," Kalmick said.

Public Works Director Iris Lee said staff felt 8 feet was complimentary to the area. She also suggested brining the clearance space back to the council in the future.

Sustarsic said she would like to start with an 8-foot clearance and see how it goes.

The accommodation for retail use of sidewalks was not included in the resolution that was brought to the council. However, staff had prepared language if the council had decided to include the retail uses that the Planning Commission proposed in April.

Temple read the language for the council members to consider a motion.

The council struck out the language that had prohibited retail outdoor uses for Main Street.

The motion included revoking permits for outdoor uses that are not maintained.

Moore requested a six-month update.

Sustarsic moved and Steele seconded the proposal.

Background

On April 15, the Planning Commission voted 4-1 to recommend the council approve the amendment to the Specific Plan. District Four Commissioner Patty Campbell cast the dissenting vote.

Later, Campbell said she voted no because people didn't support the guidelines as written. (For details, see "Planners support Main Street Specific Plan amendment," at sunnews.org.)

According to the staff report prepared by Planning Manager Temple, the Main Street Specific Plan was adopted in 1996.

"Like many communities, Seal Beach instituted an outdoor dining 'parklet' program during the pandemic, temporarily suspending MSSP regulations and allowing for outdoor dining in the public right-of-way, primarily in parking spaces," Temple wrote.

The parklet program ended in 2023.

"The end of the parklet program was subject to significant community debate, and though the parklets were ultimately eliminated, the City Council expressed interest in exploring other options for Main Street to allow for outdoor dining," Temple wrote.

"With the amendment as proposed, ground floor businesses would be able to enhance their storefronts with potted plants, A-frame signs, or small dining tables. Currently, these uses may be achieved in other ways, typically a Minor Use Permit that must be approved by the Planning Commission," Temple

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May 20 South Coast Orchid Society Meeting

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June 1 **Los Cerritos Wetlands Habitat** Restoration

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Coast Hwy and First Street in Seal Beach. Arriving around 10:15 a.m. is recommended.

Age: All ages admitted, but children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

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Gemini, Masonry and the Pillars - To enter a Lodge of Masonry, one walks by two columns (pillars) called Boaz (power, might) and Joachim (upright, stable). They represent the Sun and moon, harmony and balance. These pillars are also in front of King Solomon's Temple, signifying a portal to the wisdom teachings, the ageless mystery teachings. The pillars also represent the two separative forces,

dissonance and harmony, only able to be brought together by love (Ray 2).

Gemini changes, mutates, rearranges and adjusts things so the Soul can come forth to direct the personality. Our world is made of dualities – day/night, light/dark, sun/moon, up/down, out/in, masculine/feminine, etc. Duality is a relationship of two things. There is a vital and equalizing relationship between them. Duality is neutral in its nature. Gemini, esoterically (inner), receives and distributes Ray 2 (Love/Wisdom). When duality is understood (and accepted), love and wisdom result. (read more each day at Risa D'Angeles FB page & on Night Light News – www.nightlightnews.org/)

ARIES: Although you're considered rather unrestrained, there are traditional, stable, responsible and detailed aspects of yourself and these help you do and be successful in the outer world. Few if any, except astrologers, may know this about you. Those qualities are gradually internalized. Then you begin to assess your personal value and worth. You know it's not how much money you have. It's more about perseverance, reliability and being steadfast in adversity and challenges.

TAURUS: Your patience and deliberateness are how you assess anything new, moving step-by-step, thinking everything through with focused care. You're also visionary, continually developing an illumined mind influenced by the Pleiades, Aldebaran and Alcyone (stars in the Pleiades). You bring forth the wisdom of the Buddha. When faced with a monetary situation you're quick and instinctive. These are your gifts. Ponder them with a partner under Venus, the evening star.

GEMINI: It's most important that your work in the world aligns with your sense of self and your values. Gemini is a complex, dual sign. You have a fluid mind and so often information must be filtered through your emotional field. Therefore that field (astral) must be clear, pure, with no judgments or opinions. This purity must be developed. You're the sign of hidden treasures few are aware of. Security for you isn't money or wealth. It's emotional ethics

and whom and what you love. What DO you love? CANCER: There's a challenge now for you to emerge from under your Cancer shell, feel safe in the world of form, cultivate a sense of adventure, step beyond comfort and tend to things more cultural, artistic and on the edge. What would that be for you? Build your sense of charisma (heart-self) with others. It furthers self-expression and creativity, things you deeply seek. Above everything else, you need activities that are enjoyable, entertaining, pleasurable and most of all, fun. What is fun for you?

LEO: Most Leos are charming. Some are hidden. But all are magnetic - an important quality to under stand because it attracts others to you. When you are aware of this you will either be kind and compassionate or you will create fear if your power does not also include equal amounts of Love. In their hearts what are people seeking when encountering vou? Light, intelligence, vitality, discipline, direction and guidance and the willingness to Love. People seek your heart.

VIRGO: Within your excellent qualities of order. discipline and lists of organized ideas, you also secretly seek diplomacy. All Virgos are also learning to cultivate tact, refinement, and how to relate to the world with goodwill which creates right human relations, all of which become conscious over time. It is good to know these are the seeds planted within all Virgos leading later to the art of cooperation and conciliation through negotiation. Virgos are learning how to be a Libra when that choice

LIBRA: Your bright smile and the light in your eves invite others to enter your field and begin to talk about themselves. They share joys and sorrows and then want to be friends with you. Libra on the Soul level brings forth harmony, fairness, justice and kindness. If not yet within this Soul reality, visualize yourself stepping into it. The results will lessen your fear and vulnerability around money and resources and the boundaries you have created to protect vourself will be less critical and more loving. For-

SCORPIO: You're aware that whatever you do often mystifies if not challenges others. These are Scorpio's tasks. As your life ceaselessly shifts, changes, transforms and regenerates, you turn and ask (demand, actually) this of others. Because your life has such intensity, you must schedule regular times for rest and retreat - times to gather strength, and rediscover inner meaning and purpose. Vision is found here, too. Only a few know amidst these

fluctuations and variations, you're also a visionary. SAGITTARIUS: Although you usually view life with optimism and a broad hopefulness and although you're an imaginative thinker who sees signs and reads oracles in every situation, you also have a sense of being duty bound, responsible, traas it hides behind constant enthusiasm. Therefore, working under rules and regulations, you have a very serious side. This you must begin to value. It is your discipline and your wisdom. You are also a hidden foodie and musician.

CAPRICORN: You exhibit great control, disci-pline, structure and reserve, often playing the role of the eldest child, parent, responsible wise one. Traditions are most important either by creating or following them. But there is another valuable part to you, that of being progressive and inventive Through these you enter the future, making you quite different than most. Often people can't quite figure out who you are with your abilities to change quickly and to offer everyone freedom to be (you and me).

AQUARIUS: It is important to acknowledge that you, like the planet Uranus, are distinctly different than most. Aquarius flows through Uranus and thus both influence you. Do you know Uranus is tipped on its side, its atmosphere is arranged in layers of clouds, its magnetic-tail is twisted into a long corkscrew, its magnetic field's source is unknown, it's blue/green, has a moon, many rings and satellites, seventh planet from the Sun and 3rd largest planet in the solar system? This unusual planet rules your entire life. Value your differentness. It's unique and beloved by many PISCES: The two signs most misunderstood are

Scorpio and Pisces. Often the fish is seen as wande ing about, a bit too idealistic for most and too sensitive for everyone. In the outer world Pisces can seem lost and dreamy if not confused. But there is more to the sign of the two fishes. You're also very brave and courageous especially when someone is in danger. You're independent and always acknowledge oth ers' gifts, which you see while others cannot. When spontaneous a light fills the air. When sad you fall into despair. Always take action. It brings you free

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF: CHARLES M. ARDOLINO CASE NO. 30-2024-01394802-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 CHARLES M. ARDOLINO.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MAUREEN ARDOLINO in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MAUREEN ARDOLINO 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 répresentative 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 peti-

tion will be held in this court as follows: 06/26/24 at 1:30PM in Dept. CM05 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD., COSTA MESA, CA

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appear in the department

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

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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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF BLENDA L. COSTIN aka BLENDA LEE COSTIN

Case No. 30-2024-01394835-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 BLENDA L. **Legals-SB**

COSTIN aka BLENDA LEE COSTIN PETITION FOR PRO-BATE has been filed by Trevor Cho Costin in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Trevor Cho Costin 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 June 27, 2024 at 1:30 PM in Dept. No. CM07 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD COSTA MESA CA 92626. The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at the Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occourts.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for

your hearing.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with

the court and mail a copy

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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 vour 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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 1995-002 APN: 932-181-92 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UN-DER A LIEN FOR DELIN-QUENT ASSESSMENTS RECORDED ON 12/16/2022. UNLESS O N YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROP-ERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE IF YOU NEED AN EXPLAN-ATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE is hereby given that, LAW OFFICE OF TARY C. LOOMIS-THERRIEN, TARY C. LOOMIS-THER-RIEN, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Notice Of Delinquent Assessment Lien dated 12/14/2022 and recorded 12/16/2022, as Instrument No. 2022000410426 of Official Records in the County Recorder of OR-ANGE, State of California,

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on behalf of Fountain Crest Homeowners Association pursuant to the terms of those certain covenants, conditions and restrictions recorded on 4/11/1986, as Instrument No. 86-145780. WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUC-TION ON 05/22/2024 AT 01:30 P.M., to the highest bidder for cash, payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States, all right, title and interest in the real property purportedly owned at time of said lien by BENJAMIN BREWER, the real property situated in ORANGE County, California and purportedly described with the street address or common address as: 17333 BROOKHURST ST, #D6, FOUNTAIN VAL-LEY, CA 92708. The Sale will be held At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701 The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said lien. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$15,260.17. Accrued as-sessments, interest and additional costs, expenses and advances if any, will increase the foregoing amount prior to Sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 5715, the property is being sold subject to a right of redemption. The redemption period within which the property may be redeemed from the foreclosure sale ends ninety (90) days after the sale. NOTICÉ 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

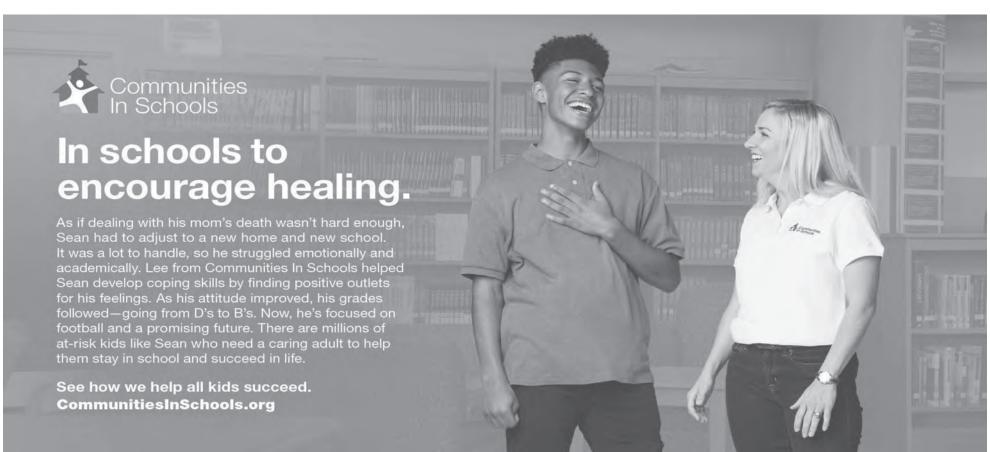
automatically entitle you to

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should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NO-TICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916) 939-0772 or visit this internet website nationwideposting.com using the file number assigned to this case 1995-002. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the inter-net website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the **Legals-SB**

trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet w e b s i t e nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 1995-002 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate profes-sional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. To the extent your original obligation was discharged or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy under Title 11 of the United States Code, this notice is for compliance and/or informational purposes only and does not constitute an attempt to collect a debt or to impose personal liability for such obligation. However, secured party retains the rights under the security instrument, including the right to foreclose its lien. Dated: 03/25/2024 Loomis-Therrien Law Office of Tary C. Loomis-Therrien Trustee Fountain Crest Homeowners Association 23272 Mill Creek Dr., Ste 130, Laguna Hills Califor-nia, 92653 Phone: (949) 459-0906 By: TARY C LOOMIS-THERRIEN SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT nationwideposting.com FOR AUTO-MATED SALES INFORM-ATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting AT (916) 939-0772 THIS OF-FICE IS A DEBT COL-LECTOR, ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMA-TION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE NPP0458974 To: HUNTINGTON HAR-BOUR SUN JOURNAL 05/02/2024, 05/09/2024



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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF: SONDRA LEE PETTNER CASE NO. 30-2024-01395852-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 SONDRA LEE PETTNER.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ERIC DAVID PETTNER in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ERIC DAVID PETTNER 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 répresentative 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.

Ă HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 07/11/24 at 1:30PM in Dept. CM07 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD., COSTA MESA, CA

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 obiections or file written obiections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by vour attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDIT-OR or a contingent credit-or 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

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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 ROBERT L. COHEN, ESQ. - SBN 150913, LAW OFFICES OF ROBERT L. COHEN, INC. 8081 ORANGETHORPE

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HHSJ 5/2,9,16/24-141993 T.S. No. 119227-CA APN: 199-053-10 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IM-PORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED TRUST, DATED 3/27/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PRO-TECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANA-TION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 6/5/2024 at 1:30 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 4/3/2006 as Instru-ment No. 2006000219301 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Orange County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: DARLYNE N LUCCHESI, AN UNMAR-RIED WOMÁN WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDER-CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN AS-SOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAV-INGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701 all right. title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State de-scribed as: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property ibed above is nurnorted to be: 220 8TH ST, SEAL BEACH, CA 90740 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 held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid

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Sale is: \$2,220,116.32 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. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the under-signed a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NO-TICE 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 re-ceive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NO-TICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 758-8052 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.HOMESEARCH.C OM, using the file number assigned to this case 119227-CA Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eli-gible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed

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to exercising this right of purchase. First. 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 119227-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (800) 758-8052 CLEAR RECON CORP 8880 Rio San Diego Drive, Suite 725 San Diego, California

Seal Beach Sun 5/16,23,30/24 - 142171

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO.

30-2024-01389388 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: PORTER ROCKWELL STUBBS LEBARON, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: PORTER as follows: PORTER ROCKWELL STUBBS LE-BARON to PORTER ROCKWELL LEBARON PORTER The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

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(To appear remotely, check in advance of the hearing for information about how to do so on the court's website. To find your court's website, go to www.courts.ca.gov/find-

my-court.htm)
A copy of this Order to
Show Cause shall be published at least once each
week for four successive
weeks prior to the date set
for hearing on the petition
in the following:

Seal Beach Sun DATE: 03/29/2024 Judge Layne H. Melzer Judge of the Superior Court

Seal Beach Sun 4/25,5/2,9,16/2024-141831

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 30-2024-01397181

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: IRENE HEATH DIRKS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: IRENE HEATH DIRKS to

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IRENE SONIA DIRKS The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing

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Judge Layne H. Melzer Judge of the Superior Court Seal Beach Sun 5/9,16,23,30/2024-142179

> ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO.

30-2024-01394366 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: GABRIELA STILES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: GABRIELA STILES to GABRIELA VIEIRA DA CUNHA. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

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Judge Layne H. Melzer
Judge of the
Superior Court
Seal Beach Sun

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

5/9,16,23,30/2024-142230

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CASE NO. 24FL000501

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: SHAOCHI CHEN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: SHAOCHI CHEN to SAMUEL SHAO-CHI CHEN. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

NOTICE OF HEARING 09/05/2024 at 1:30 p.m. L74 REMOTE

Lamoreaux Justice Center 341 The City Drive South Orange, CA 92868-1570 (To appear remotely, check in advance of the hearing for information about how to do so on the court's website. To find your court's website, go to www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm)

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Superior Court Seal Beach Sun 5/9,16,23,30/2024-142238

Judge of the

SUMMONS
(CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER
(Numero del Caso)
23CMCV01464
NOTICE TO
DEFENDANT:
(Aviso al Demandado):
EDWARD MENDY, an in-

EDWARD MENDY, an individual; JASON SCH-LESSINGER, an individual; NAMARTIN CON-STRUCTION SERVICES, LLC, a Louisiana Corporation; and DOES 1 through 25 YOU ARE BEING SUED

BY PLAINTIFF:
(Lo esta demandando el demandante)

RAFAEL COBIAN, an in-

dividual

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

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.

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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 profit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.law helpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court of county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitrátion award of \$10,000.00 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a

continuacion. Tiene 30 dias de calendario despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte v hacer que se entreque una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte Es posible que haya un formularlo que usted pueda usar su repuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayunda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la bibli-oteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formularlo de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios le-gales sin fines de lucro. uede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayunda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales

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mas advertencia.

tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion \$10,000.00 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesion de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso he name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es) Compton Courthouse, 200 West Compton Blvd, Compton, CA 90220. The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or

plaintiff without an attor-

AVISO: Por ley, la corte

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ney, is (El nombre, dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): DORON F. EGHBALI, ESQ., 9701 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1000, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212; (310)651-3065 Date: 09/11/2023 Clerk, by (Secretario) T. Carlson Deputy (Adjunto) NOTICE TO THE PER-

Huntington Harbor Sun J o u r n a I 5/16,23,30,6/6/24-142290

SON SERVED: You are

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF: PHILIP GREGORY PADEN AKA PHILIP G. PADEN AKA PHILIP PADEN CASE NO. 30-2024-01397634-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 PHILIP GREGORY PADEN AKA PHILIP G. PADEN AKA PHILIP PADEN.

A PETITION FOR PRO-

BATE has been filed by JANE PADEN in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE. THE PETITION FOR

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JANE PADEN 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: 08/15/24 at 1:30PM in Dept. CM07 located at 3390 HARBOR BLVD, COSTA MESA, CA

NOTICE IN PROBATE

The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occourts.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for your hearing.
IF YOU OBJECT to the

granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent credit or 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

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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 JOHN J. STANTON - SBN 162432

ATTORNEY AT LAW 1370 N. BREA BLVD., STE. 220 FULLERTON CA 92835 Telephone (714) 974-8941 5/16, 5/23, 5/30/24 CNS-3812013# HUNTINGTON HAR-

HUNTINGTON HAR-BOUR SUN-JOURNAL HHSJ 5/16,23,30/24-142325

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: SCOTT WATSON WHIT-COMBE CASE NO. 30-2024-01396908-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 SCOTT WATSON WHITCOMBE

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ELIZABETH W. PEDLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ELIZABETH W. PEDLEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the de-

cedent.
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. Be-

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fore 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.

Ă HEARING on the petition will be held on JULY 11, 2024 at 1:30 PM in Dept. CM07 3390 Harbor Blvd, Costa

Mesa, CA 92626 The court is providing the convenience to appear for hearing by video using the court's designated video platform. This is a no cost service to the public. Go to the Court's website at The Superior Court of California - County of Orange (occourts.org) to appear remotely for Probate hearings and for remote hearing instructions. If you have difficulty connecting or are unable to connect to your remote hearing, call 657-622-8278 for assistance. If you prefer to appear in-person, you can appear in the department on the day/time set for

your hearing.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your obiections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDIT-OR 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 four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100 The time for filing claims will not expire before four month from the hearing date noticed

above.
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 DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of

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Los Alamitos High School Senior Graduate Parade Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce

Request: To stage vehicles in the parking lot of the Shops at Rossmoor for a parade that will travel the streets of Rossmoor for graduating seniors of Los Alamitos High School.

Number of permits Issued this Year: 3

Date of proposed event(s): Saturday, June 1st 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Applicant: Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce

Property Owner: Shops at Rossmoor

The Recreation Manager must receive all comments, written or other, on the above-requested Special Event no later than 5 calendar days following the date of this letter. Within 10 calendar days a decision shall be made by the Recreation Manager with regard to this application. If the applicant or any member of the public wishes to appeal, a timely appeal must be filed with the City Clerk's Office in accordance with Chapter 11.5.25 of the Title 11 Zoning Code of the City of Seal Beach.

DATED this 13th Day of May 2024

Tim Kelsey, Recreation Manager Seal Beach Sun 5/16/2024-142421 Legals-SB

estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is availabe from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:RONALD W. LEE, 16437 LAZARE LANE, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92649. TEL: 562-592-2985

Seal Beach Sun 5/16,23,30/2024 - 142338

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 30-2024-01394376-CU-PT-CJC

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: REZA ZANJANI KAZEMI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: REZA ZANJANI KAZEMI to REY DENZO KAZEMI. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

NOTICE OF HEARING 06/04/2024 at 8:30 a.m. D100 REMOTE

Central Justice Center 700 Civic Center Dr West Santa Ana, CA 92701

Santa Ana, CA 92/01 (To appear remotely, check in advance of the hearing for information about how to do so on the court's website. To find your court's website, go to www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm)

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Journal
DATE: 04/19/2024
Judge Layne H. Melzer
Judge of the
Superior Court

Huntington Harbour Sun Journal 5/2,9,16,23/2024-141929 **Legals-SB**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 24FL000489

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: TIANZI CHEN and SHUO on behalf of KEREN CHEN LI, a minor, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: KEREN CHEN LI to CHBE KEYI LI. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause. if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the réasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

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per DATE: 05/01/2024 Judge Eric J. Wersching Judge of the Superior Court

Seal Beach Sun 5/16,23,30,6/6/2024-142239

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. 23FL000999

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: DE-SHAUN LEVAR WILSON, DESHAUN LEVAR WILSON, on behalf of JONAH GAUTIER WILSON, a minor for a decree changing names as follows: a) DESHAUN LEVAR

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Shop Eat Play Sidewalk Sale Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce

Request: To conduct a sidewalk sale on Main Street and have vendor booths at the base of the pier and Eisenhower park, including musical entertainment.

Number of permits Issued this Year: 3

Date of proposed event(s): Friday-Sunday 9/13/24 -

9/15/24 Friday-Sunday, 1/31/25 -2/30/25

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Applicant: Seal Beach Chamber of Commerce

Property Owner: City of Seal Beach

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DATED this 13th Day of May 2024

Tim Kelsey, Recreation Manager Seal Beach Sun 5/16/2024-142423 **Legals-SB**

WILSON to JEW LION BASEL b) JONAH GAUTI-ER WILSON to JUKKA LI-ON BASEL. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

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hearing.

Lamoreaux Justice Center 341 The City Drive South Orange, CA 92868

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DATE: 10/20/2023
Judge Lee L. Gabriel
Judge of the
Superior Court
Huntington Harbour Sun
Journal
5/16,23,30,6/6/24 -

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO: 20246688050

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PRC, 22461 ELOISE DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, CA 92630. County: Orange. This is a New statement. Registrant(s): PROJECT RESOURCE COLLECTIVE LLC, 22461 ELOISE DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, CA 92630. Have you started doing business vet? YES, ness yet? YES, 09/01/2023 This business is conducted by: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.
Registrant /s/ RANDY NODALO . I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Orange County on 04/16/2024.

Seal Beach Sun 4/25,5/2,9,16/2024 -141692

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Bubble Poppin' Fun Vestar/ The Shops at Rossmoor

Request: To host an event in the parking of the Shops at Rossmoor with interactive bubble stations, foam zone, live entertainment, photo opportunities with a shark character.

Number of permits Issued this Year: 1

Date of proposed event(s): Saturday, June 22nd

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Applicant: Vestar/The Shops at Rossmoor

Property Owner: Shops at Rossmoor

The Recreation Manager must receive all comments, written or other, on the above-requested Special Event no later than 5 calendar days following the date of this letter. Within 10 calendar days a decision shall be made by the Recreation Manager with regard to this application. If the applicant or any member of the public wishes to appeal, a timely appeal must be filed with the City Clerk's Office in accordance with Chapter 11.5.25 of the Title 11 Zoning Code of the City of Seal Beach.

DATED this 13th Day of May 2024

Tim Kelsey, Recreation Manager Seal Beach Sun 5/16/2024-142424

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Seal Beach has received an application for a Special Event Permit. Special Event Permits shall be granted by the City Manager or designee, under Seal Beach Municipal Code Chapter 7.50.

Independence Day Celebration Old Ranch Country Club

Request: To conduct a Celebration of Independence Day with an event, including a firework display on the grounds of the Old Ranch Country Club. The fireworks will begin around 9:00 p.m. and will be over at approximately 9:30 p.m. Anticipated attendance is approximately 900 people.

Number of permits Issued this Year: 0

Date of proposed event(s): Sunday, June 30th, 2024

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Applicant: Frank Herrera

Property Owner: Old Ranch Country Club

The Recreation Manager must receive all comments, written or other, on the above-requested Special Event no later than 5 calendar days following the date of this letter. Within 10 calendar days a decision shall be made by the Recreation Manager with regard to this application. If the applicant or any member of the public wishes to appeal, a timely appeal must be filed with the City Clerk's Office in accordance with Chapter 11.5.25 of the Title 11 Zoning Code of the City of Seal Beach.

DATED this 13th Day of May 2024

Tim Kelsey, Recreation Manager Seal Beach Sun 5/16/2024-142422

Alumni

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ing in the choir, performing in the opera, or giving a recital."

"Sangeeta always knew how to light up the stage," said Talberg in presenting Kaur with the "Celebrating Music" Award.

Kaur, who spent a significant part of her youth in the Orange County area, is passionate about supporting her local music communities such as the Vietnamese American Philharmonic as well as the Seal Beach Symphony, in which she and her husband are major patrons.

She became the first Vietnamese American soprano ever honored with a Grammy Award in the category "Best Classical Solo Vocal" in 2022 for her work on the album "Mythologies" and took the opportunity to thank everyone who played a role.

"I want to say 'thank you' to the Bob Cole Conservatory for this honor," said Kaur, "recognizing this incredible journey with which I have been so blessed."

"It is quite surreal to be standing on this stage tonight," she said.

"The Bob Cole Conservatory of Music was not a conservatory when I was here. It was a music school. It was a place that showed me what gifts I was born with," the singer said.

Kaur, a 2006 graduate, also thanked her professors for giving her the inspiration to succeed.

"This was a place that nurtured me and where my teachers, like Dr. Talberg, saw something in me, "said Kaur. "They were the ones who instilled in me what I needed to go out and do something in the world of music," she added.

"The journey of art and music is a powerful one. It takes a village of people that love you and that you can trust," she continued, "and a school and university that believe in you."

She also expressed gratitude to her mom and dad, who were in the audience.

"All these years since, and they have seldom missed a performance," said Kaur. "I would not be standing here without my family, my friends, and my community,"

"I'm just so honored. It's been quite a beautiful journey," said

Kaur recently returned from London where she completed work on "Mythologies II." She said her latest album is expected



Photo by Dave Smithson

Pictured (L-R) Dr. Jermie Arnold, Director of the Bob Cole Conservatory of Music, Soprano Sangeeta Kaur, Dr. Richard Carpenter, Dr. Royce Smith, Dean of the College of Arts & Architecture and Hai Nguyen, husband of Ms. Kaur.

to be released this summer.

Dr. Royce Smith, Dean of Cal State College of Arts, introduced Dr. Richard Carpenter, who gained global recognition performing as "The Carpenters" with his late sister Karen. By overdubbing harmonies and other groundbreaking studio techniques, Carpenter created a music sensation.

"It is a very rare occasion for an Arts Dean to meet one of his longtime heroes," said Smith, "but I feel honored and privileged to do that tonight."

"I had my first taste of their musical magic as a young boy with my 45-rpm record," he said.

Smith said he could never forget the lyrics of the Carpenters hit, 'Close to You, which embraced a sense of "kindness and compassion" that a world coming out of immense conflict needed more than ever."

"Their work contributed to the collaborative environment that was, and continues to be, a hallmark of the College of the Arts," the Arts Dean said.

"Dr. Carpenter embodies the frontline musicianship and behindthe-scenes support," said Smith, through production, arranging, and composition that has elevated the musical careers and accomplishments of others in equal mea-

Carpenter's career accomplishments include 14 studio albums, two live albums, 16 compilation albums with the Carpenters, and three solo albums, one of which included contributions from Dusty Springfield, Dionne Warwick, Scott Grimes," said Smith.

"His time and treasure have contributed to this amazing facility that we are in this evening," he said. Overall, Carpenter is credited with over 100 million records sold worldwide

"Dr. Carpenter's support of the students and professional excellence, make him a most worthy recipient of our inaugural College of the Arts Award for Exceptional Achievement in the Arts," said

Carpenter applauded the advances in technology and music skills in recent years.

"Music has changed so much for the better since I was a music major," said Carpenter, standing at a podium in the Performing Arts Center that today bears his name and that of his late sister Karen.

"Not only the variety has changed," said Carpenter, "but so has the musicianship of all the groups that my wife Mary and I have had the pleasure to listen to on this magnificent night."

"I just want to say thank you to everyone involved. I never thought I deserved this, but it is very nice," he said, clutching the bronze medal now hanging around his

As a special tribute to the Carpenters, students from the Conservatory's music program performed a special arrangement of the Carpenter's hit, "Rainy Davs and Mondays."

After the ceremony, Carpenter wistfully stood for quite a while near the "silver flake" drum set bearing Karen Carpenter's name which is permanently encased in glass in the building's lobby.

"I remember how hard my mom and dad had to work to get Karen those drums," he said while pointing them out to his wife. "Those are exactly the ones she wanted,"

Wednesday, July 3, 2024 4:00 p.m. Gates Open 8:45 p.m. Gates Close Fireworks Show begins approximately 9:00 p.m. **Los Alamitos Joint Forces Training Base Enter through Lexington or Orangewood Gates**



- · No reservations required.
- No pedestrians, walk-ins, or bicycles
- No pets (service dogs are allowed
- Minors without an I.D. must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
- Bring lawn chairs & blankets (no bleachers and no drive-up
- Weighted canopies are allowed (max 10'x10' in size and must be taken down by dusk).
- All vehicles may be subject to random vehicle inspections.



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Take the Sun on Vacation



On a recent trip down old Route 66, Rich Miller and Jan Ezell snapped this photo after breakfast at the Roadkill Cafe in Seligman, AZ. "We love the information and stories provided about our hometown of Seal Beach in the Sun News," Rich said.

Remember to take a copy of the Sun Newspaper with you on your next trip or vacation. Take a photo and tell us about your trip. Send the submission by e-mail to editor@sunnews.org.

Las Damas

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done to promote art."

While vendors were busy selling reasonably priced handmade arts and crafts, nearby food trucks stood at the ready, selling a wide variety of dishes from brisket to fried chicken and almost anything tasty in between.

The red polished floor of the former fire station that is now the Sunset Beach Community Center, stands with dozens of paintings. The work of top local artists brought the building to life with oil, watercolor, and acrylic paintings for sale.

In addition, there was a stand that displayed a sample of the art generated by children in schools supported by grants from Las Damas.

Jill Mathis, a Long Beach resident, currently living in Huntington Beach (while her home is under renovation), walked away carrying a framed beach photo she had just purchased from this year's gallery.

"I wanted something that reminds us of our beaches," said Mathis, "and this captures it," she said, holding close to her a beautiful mystical scene with three seagulls diving towards the sea.

Mathis said she's been coming to the festival for the past 10 years and always appreciates the art on display at the Art Festival. "The art is what I appreciate the most," she said as she walked out with her framed photo.

Moreover, Mathis said she was

thrilled that part of her purchase would support artists.

A Las Damas Board member, Josey Dentzer, said since there's little or no money being spent by school districts on art, Las Damas uses proceeds from its festival to fund art programs.

"We're happy to give them any amount and our teachers are so appreciative," said Dentzer.

"I think this year's festival is another great success and a tribute to all of the hard work that our Las Damas women have put into making this a great family festival," she said.

"Not every child is an academic or an athlete and we need to have some venue for all of the students. Art is such an important part of the creative process, and we must have an outlet for these kids," said Dentzer.

The Surf City GoGo girls brought their special flower power to the event, making special appearances throughout the weekend. They kept the crowds rocking with special performances in between great bands like Phunkle, Roadkill Kings and Cat Reed.

The Sunset Beach Surf City GoGo Girls are a unique assemblage of ladies with idyllic stage names like Pinky, Boots, and Liberty Lane (the niece of Penny Lane).

According to Liberty Lane, "we use authentic go-go costumes and we love to dance and take people back to an innocent time when everyone could have so much fun."

"We have so much fun," she said, noting they also make appear-



Photos by David N. Young

Mary Basi, left, and her husband Stephan, are leather craftsmen who travel to Sunset Beach once a year from Mission Viejo to sell his crafts. Below, art created by students on display during the 56th Annual Art Festival.

ances at surfing championships, the mayor's ball, and the Fourth of July parade.

"We are very pleased with the turnout this year," said Las Damas President Lisa Marie Moreo,

"With this festival's tradition of more than half a century, it has become a Mother's Day tradition for friends and fellowship," she

Vaughn said Las Damas believes the festival "went exceptionally well," with not a single incident throughout the weekend and plenty of fun indeed. Nevertheless, she said it would take a couple of weeks to sift through the adminis-



trative tasks.

For now, she said Las Damas members were thankful everything

went well and plan to announce all results from the art show and funds raised very soon.

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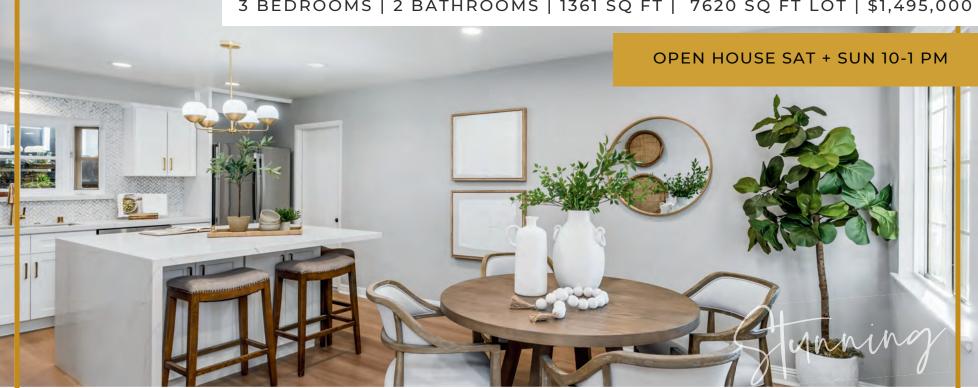




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