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High school athletics are back! Left, El Modena's Sam Astor (30) recovers his own fumble as Gino Nino from Canyon High covers the play. Right, Erik Martinez from Orange High School heads the ball in the right direction. See Community Sports pages 14-15.

Orange strengthens regulations for ADUs

The Orange City Council approved an ordinance that regulates the construction of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) on residential property in compliance with state guidelines, but with slightly more restrictions.

California has mandated that jurisdictions approve ADUs "over the counter" with little oversight. The state's goal was to increase housing opportunities with a bent towards "affordable." More "granny flats" would accommodate aging parents, students and young families or provide rental units for low-wage workers.

The state's new ADU mandates went into effect in January 2020, but guidelines were not provided to municipalities until September, leaving cities like Orange unclear on many of the relaxed provisions. Applications for ADUs in the city swelled to more than 40 last year, compared with four in 2019.

Unclear on the concept

The city learned, largely through eyewitness accounts from observant neighbors, that some permits issued for ADUs were being used to convert single-family homes into student housing.

The city responded to the uproar by passing an emergency ordinance imposing a 45-day moratorium on remodeling, and drafting this new ordinance regulating ADUs that takes advantage of the leeway allowed by the state.

The state, for example, imposed a 1,200 sq. ft. maximum for ADUs, but cities can limit that to 1,000 sq. ft., which Orange's ordinance does. It also limits the number of bedrooms to one for every 500 sq. ft. and restricts building height to 16 feet or that of the existing structure. While California's regulations do not require any additional parking spaces for ADUs or Junior ADUs (added rooms that connect to the home), Orange now requires JADUs built in a garage to include parking spaces to compensate for those lost.

Make no mistake

Orange is also applying historic standards to units built within historic districts. Deed restrictions will prevent the accessory dwelling unit to be sold separately. To combat dorm-type additions, the city is prohibiting exterior access to each bedroom; wet bars, sinks or microwaves in each bedroom; or advertising additional rooms for rent. The ADU must have a common living area and kitchen to accommodate the occupants of all the bedrooms.

The city council approved the ordinance by unanimous vote at its March 9 meeting.

Alvarez resigns; Orange council will decide how to fill the vacancy

By Tina Richards

Mike Alvarez resigned his seat on the Orange City Council, March 8, opting not to appeal a court judgment that found him ineligible to run for office last November because he was termed out.

The sudden vacancy, announced just one day before the scheduled city council meeting and too late to be added to the agenda, prompted Mayor Mark Murphy to solicit a vote to approve an "urgency" discussion item from his colleagues. A unanimous approval enabled the council to address the options it had to fill the city's Third District seat.

Before filing his candidacy last summer, Alvarez consulted with an attorney to determine his eligibility to run. Orange voters had approved term limits in 1996, limiting council members to two consecutive four-year terms. Al-

varez was, after serving from 2012 to 2020, termed out.

No one said no

His attorney, however, advised him that because the city had switched to by-district voting, the District 3 council position was effectively a "new seat" and that term limits would not apply. City Attorney Gary Sheatz agreed with that assessment, giving Alvarez the go-ahead to run in the November 2020 election. District 3 voters elected Alvarez by a wide margin, with his total 5,482 votes surpassing those received by the prevailing candidates in any of the other districts.

The OC Registrar of Voters certified the election results Nov. 25, and within 30 days, two separate lawsuits were filed by two Orange voters challenging the termed-out candidate's eligibility.

The court ruled, Feb. 4, that

term limits did apply, and that Alvarez was ineligible to run and must step down. The judgement was entered Feb. 24, after which time he had 10 days to file an appeal. He submitted his letter of resignation instead.

Points to ponder

"We have 60 days to either appoint someone or call a special election," Murphy reported during the council's March 9 urgency item discussion. City code specifies that a special election must be held on the next regularly established election date, which, in this case, is Nov. 2. The cost to the city would be approximately \$150,000.

Arianna Barrios inquired about other options, including a vote-

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FCA meeting covers a lot of ground -- remotely

By Tina Richards

The annual Foothill Communities Association (FCA) meeting, held remotely on March 1, was highlighted by a presentation from the Edison Company, an update on local issues from Supervisor Don Wagner and wide-ranging questions from the online audience.

Edison focused on outages and wildfires, and what the company is doing to lessen the impacts of both. Noting that five of the six largest wildfires in California occurred in 2020, Edison's Troy Nguyen reported that public safety power shutdowns are the best way to "make sure our equipment is not the cause of a fire."

Balance of power

Power outages are determined by red flag conditions, strong winds, fire science assessments and real-time observations.

Planning begins four to seven days prior to an event, and consideration is given to the impact on first responders. "Sectionalization" allows most of an area's power to stay on, with only targeted areas left in the dark.

Edison, Nguyen explained, also has 166 cameras in high-risk areas and 1,000 weather stations. To date, 100,000 trees have been inspected, 200,000 power poles cleared of brush and 1,400 miles of insulated wire installed. The company is also offering rebates for small appliance and device battery backup, generators for well water and fully subsidized critical care battery backup for income-qualified households.

The company is also addressing climate change, with plans to reduce carbon emissions and attain carbon neutrality by 2045. The key, according to the utility,

is electrifying transportation and buildings, in that, "people will think of gas appliances as dated, as wood stoves are today."

Latest and greatest

Supervisor Don Wagner led his discussion with "good news about COVID." He reported that vaccinations in Orange County are "well ahead of surrounding counties" and that "we're fifth or sixth in the state." The goal for herd immunity, when the impact of the virus is substantially lessened, he said, is July 4.

After announcing that he had recently moved to North Tustin from Irvine, he softened his stance on the proposed development of the Racquet Club property. At last year's annual meeting,

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“Now & Again” Thrift Shop celebrates 60 years



From left, Thrift Shop co-chair Sue Friedhoff, co-assistant chairs Meri Burgess and Cindy McCandless, co-chair Ellie Jordan and President Norma Hockensmith stand before the antique window found during the restoration.

Assistance League of Orange is celebrating the 60th anniversary of the “Now & Again” Thrift Shop’s location at 20 Plaza Square in Old Towne Orange.

The Thrift Shop is staffed by Assistance League volunteer-members, and funds the nonprofit’s many community philanthropic programs.

As early as 1948, members began holding rummage sales to raise funds for their philanthropic programs, creating the desire to have a permanent thrift shop and income stream.

The historical building, built in 1922 and purchased for \$22,000, was previously the home of the Orange Building and Loan, and later, First National Bank.

In 2011, as part of the building’s restoration, the large walk-in vault was removed, bricks were restored, and a hidden metal-framed window was found and repurposed as a donor dedication

plaque behind the counter.

The shop has recently reopened, donations are again accepted, and customers are invited to “Shop with Purpose” as all proceeds help the nonprofit transform lives and strengthen the community. For information, see alorange.org.



Aimee Sam Abrams-Widdicombe, a 2012 Foothill High School graduate, passed the California Bar Exam in February and is now an associate attorney with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in Palo Alto. She graduated from Scripps College in Claremont as an economics major and attended the London School of Economics her junior year. Widdicombe attended Duke University Law School, where she was a staff editor and editorial board member of the Law Journal and executive vice president of the Women’s Law Students. She earned the Outstanding Client Service Award for her work as a student attorney in Duke Law’s Community Enterprise Clinic, and also received the Pro Bono Award. She graduated in May 2020 and was sworn into the California Bar on Feb. 26.

Orange will seek community input on possible El Modena annexation

The annexation of the El Modena and North El Modena county islands into the City of Orange might be pursued if the residents of those areas are in favor of it.

An overview of the annexation process was presented during the March 9 city council meeting. The topic had been introduced by Councilwoman Ana Gutierrez in December. She represents the already-incorporated portion of El Modena within District 5. She reported that when she was campaigning, many residents of the El Modena county islands expressed an interest in becoming part of Orange.

Because both islands are relatively small (102 and 31 acres), they qualify for streamlined annexation. The county generally supports the incorporation of islands into cities and would likely pay some of the costs associated with the process.

Islands in the streamline

“I’m happy they qualify for a streamlined process,” Gutierrez said. “Our community needs to be recognized for its rich cultural and historical resources. The

General Plan has goals to protect those resources. There’s no rush, but it’s important to do right by the community that is surrounded by the city.”

Mayor Mark Murphy stressed that the city should not spend any money on the process until it is sure community members want to be annexed. “I’m willing to consider it,” he said. “But not if folks are not interested. It needs to be supported by the people affected by this change.”

Both he and Councilman Jon Dumitru recalled an annexation effort in 2003 when many residents totally objected to the change. “We got slapped around with previous annexation attempts,” he said. “When you tell people about city ordinances, they don’t want to be part of it. The county is more lax. Reaching out would be beneficial.”

Doesn’t hurt to ask

Gutierrez agreed, noting she’d be happy to help collect community input. “We want the community to support this,” she said, “not impose it.” Councilwoman Arianna Barrios added, “This is

why we like local control. I’d be honored to help with this.”

The county currently receives about \$42,000 in tax revenue from both islands, and spends about \$900,000 on services. Those expenses, however, do not necessarily translate into costs the city would incur. Orange staff would have to assess the areas’ service costs and infrastructure needs to determine the actual financial impact on the city.

The city already supplies some services to both county islands (water, back-up emergency fire response). It would, however, be responsible for police, trash pickup, street sweeping, code enforcement, infrastructure maintenance -- with annexation. The estimated property tax revenue from the 785 dwelling units in those areas would be less than what the city would spend to service them. But that’s true of any residential annexation.

The council agreed to proceed with information gathering and outreach in the El Modena islands. If residents prove receptive to the idea, the annexation process is expected to take one to two years.

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Dispatches from the Silverado mudslide front

By Scott Breeden

Wednesday morning, March 10, water and mud carried trash cans and other debris past my Grundy Lane house in Silverado. The worst-hit area near me was around the corner on Anderson Way, where at least three cars were carried downstream and lodged next to somebody's house.

A lot of the Anderson mud next wound up on aptly-named Water Way, the street closest to Silverado Creek. At the last house on that road, Linda Learned recovered clothing and other artifacts, including someone's yearbook and a very muddy rattlesnake (probably dead, though it was carefully carried off to uninhabited territory as a precaution).

Linda, husband Steve, and several neighbors then shoveled and fire-hosed enough mud out of the way so Steve could drive one car out to the Canyon Market area, where sheriff's deputies were encouraging residents to park their cars if they were not planning on leaving town. A mandatory evacuation order was now in ef-

fect -- anyone leaving would not be allowed back in until the order was lifted, which occurred three days later.

The amount of debris caught everyone off guard, since there hadn't been as much here after the previous rainstorm. At the top of Shady Drive, Fran Williams had just gotten through paying Mike Silberman for digging a large catch basin to keep any debris from farther up the canyon off the road. But the catch basin filled up and overflowed.

Ron Wortman used his tractor to clear an upper stretch of Anderson Way. The creek is supposed to flow out of the two pipes in the culvert under the road when it rains. But since the other end of the pipes got clogged with debris, the creek shifted over to the road, depositing mud and rocks from the burned hills above as it went.

Martra Abello was extremely interested in the road-clearing operation because her car was

parked uphill. She had gone for a hike Wednesday morning when the weather seemed fine. When she got back to her car, though, the road was buried under so much mud and rock that she had to leave the car and walk out.

While at least six homes were damaged and a number of cars swept downhill, no injuries were reported.



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LETTERS to the EDITOR



Location, location

Dear Editor:

I read with interest and great laughter the story about Vince Rossini.

His windmill chasing is hysterical. Despite having the correct house address, this buffoon took photos of the wrong structures at the wrong house.

His actions are typical of over zealous council people that have zero knowledge of architecture, construction and real estate. The result was predictable and very funny.

With modern technology, it is virtually impossible to get lost anywhere on the planet; however, Rossini got lost in the smallest city in Orange County.

If he can't find the correct address in VP, imagine how poorly he governs the city.

Steve Palmer
Orange

Sentry ♥ Peter

Dear Editor:

You make my day each month when your paper arrives, giving

me great news on the issues I care about. Many thanks.

Peter Wetzel
Orange

Come to terms

Dear Editor:

I wasn't surprised when Orange County Superior Court Judge Nathan Scott ruled that Mike Alvarez was a termed-out officeholder and ineligible to run for a third term. In August of 2020, many were surprised when Alvarez filed to run again, as he was termed out. What was disappointing was that the city attorney and city council looked the other way, refusing to uphold the term limit ordinance.

Alvarez stated, "prior to my submitting my papers to run, every effort was made by both my attorney and the city's attorney to determine the legal issues involved." This is not a complicated legal issue but very straightforward. Orange voters overwhelmingly voted for term limits in 1996. It's a shame Orange residents had to file legal

challenges when the city attorney should have just told Alvarez he could not run, as he was violating the term limit ordinance.

Now voters are forced to deal with the mess caused by city hall, with the real possibility that the city council may appoint someone they favor over anyone who actually ran for that seat. Or they could appoint John Russo, the second-place finisher. Russo was actually in the District 3 race last November – campaigning, spending his time, money and resources – and showing a real interest in the city with some great ideas. The city council should either appoint Russo to the vacancy or hold a special election and require Alvarez and the city attorney to pay the cost of the election.

Michael Fischer
Orange, District 3

Power down

Dear Editor:

The article [Guest Commentary, February 2021] by Jim Mamer was very good, and I agree with what he said about how Edison discriminately turns off power to large areas and is not selective at all about it! Not only did they shut off the canyon, but they shut off large residential areas of East Orange (which causes food to thaw in refrigerators -- and also no hot water). It doesn't make any sense at all because

ALL the power lines in those areas are UNDERGROUND! Does anyone have an explanation for this? What am I missing here?

Mike Burris
East Orange

Ouch

Dear Editor:

I enjoy reading the monthly newspaper. It helps to keep me up-to-date on the community. I get a lot of information from this newspaper.

In regards to the article in "Canyon Beat" under the section "A New Year Gets Under Way," the author kept referring the sandbags and coping with heavy rain to the Lunar New Year tradition. I thought that was distasteful and disrespectful to Asian communities that celebrate Lunar New Year.

Celebrating the new year is not just a fun event, but also thanking the people who had relationships during the previous year and welcoming and wishing for a healthy and prosperous year.

Cleaning the house before the new year also means preparing to welcome the ancestors' souls, aka New Year gods. It also means getting rid of any bad things that happened during the year and preparing for good things in the new year. The writer compared this tradition to preparing outside of the house for the potential

flooding, which is not positive and flooding is a bad omen.

The ignorance in this article is a signal of racism against the Asian people and Asian community. As an Asian person living in this community, I experience this often. It is not intentional, but just because the offenders did not do it knowingly, it does not mean that it is acceptable. As you are aware, racist attacks on Asian people have increased with COVID-19. Especially with where we stand now, I would like you and your team to be more considerate and intentional about anti-Asian racism.

Nagisa Aoki-Kilgore
Orange

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by-mail alternative that might be simpler, given the limited scope of the election. "We don't have that option," Sheatz told her, "due to the language in the code." Jon Dumitru asked if the election had to be run through the county, or if the city could handle it in-house. The answer was "probably not in-house."

Murphy noted that if the council opts to appoint someone, that term would run through 2022, at which time District 3 voters could elect the candidate of their choice. He also encouraged residents of District 3 to submit their application for a potential appointment by March 26.

"We can't take any action tonight because the item was not agendaized," he stressed. The point of the urgency item, he said, was just to "get the facts out and direct staff to explore the options." The District 3 vacancy will be further addressed and a decision made at a subsequent meeting when the item is properly placed on the agenda.

Two in-person public speakers from District 3 told the council to hold a special election; eight email commenters said the same. No one, to date, has favored an appointment.

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he assured the audience that he would oppose any zone change, that he would not allow someone to come in and change the character of the community.

This year, he told viewers that "the project should not go forward without community buy in" and that the developer was "changing his approach."

The altered approach includes an Environmental Impact Report that could take six to nine months. When the draft is complete, the community will be able to review it and "challenge it in court, if necessary."

Asked and almost answered

Wagner also reported that the county has changed several ordinances to provide more tools to crack down on sober living homes that are not being good neighbors. He did not define what those tools are, but advised residents that "we can get regulators

out there" if bad operators are disrupting a neighborhood.

The county is also preparing to allow the future veterans' cemetery property at the 241/91 interchange to be used for RV storage. The storage fees will provide funding for the cemetery development.

Questions from the audience reflected the issues of interest to the North Tustin community. The status of the Panorama Heights transfer out of Orange Unified into Tustin Unified: OUSD appealed the transfer to the state, which has a backlog. Fall 2022 is likely the soonest the case will be heard. In the meantime, TUSD is accepting some transfer students.

Why is power shut off in areas where there is no imminent fire threat?: Out of an abundance of caution. Even if the fire is not at your doorstep, embers can travel for miles.

Out of bounds

How about a "view law?" How can we get that started?: That's a matter of state law. The county

has a 35-ft. height restriction, but has no legal authority to do anything. Suggest contacting State Senators Steven Choi or Dave Min.

Low flying aircraft approaching John Wayne Airport: The county has nothing to say about it. The FAA has complete control over flightpaths, airspace and altitude. It's an issue for your federal representative, in this case Katie Porter.

Trash pickup, why do North Tustin residents pay more?: The rates for unincorporated Orange County are competitive. There are seven jurisdictions in the county with lower rates, the rest are higher. But the county is going out for bids on a new waste-hauling contract. The driver will be rates and reliability.

The status of the proposed park at Crawford Canyon and Newport: OC Parks has received funding. Ground is expected to be broken this fall.

Code blue

The 92705 ZIP code: Since it

is shared with Santa Ana, North Tustin residents end up paying that city's higher tax rate. North Tustin needs its own ZIP: There is a tax chart, available from the state, that clearly shows the correct assessment for North Tustin; vendors that overcharge must be informed one by one.

The post office is reluctant to change an area's ZIP code. Again, it's a federal issue beyond the auspices of the county.

"We were rebuffed the last time we tried to get a dedicated ZIP code," FCA President Rick Nelson recalled. "Maybe it's time to try again."

To join FCA, visit fcahome.org.

Plan to backfill Orange wetland on hold for now

The Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board denied a request, March 11, from Chandler LLC to backfill a former mine site, now a riparian area, with waste dirt and debris.

The property, located near the intersection of Cannon and Santiago Canyon Road, adjacent to Santiago Creek in Orange, was abandoned as a mining operation decades ago. Over time, the canyon returned to nature as a wetland and habitat for native plants and animals.

Buried treasure

Chandler bought the property with the intent to backfill it to street level. The City of Orange, with little review, was prepared to issue a grading permit to allow the

work to begin. Neighbors of the property attempted to convince the city that the property deserved more environmental review before it was buried.

Failing that, residents enlisted the Water Quality Control Board to inspect the area before any dumping could take place. The board found that just slightly less than two acres were wetlands, and thus considered to be waters of the state.

In denying Chandler's application for waste discharge, the board noted that the project's environmental impacts had not been adequately reviewed and that the city's ministerial issuance of a grading permit was insufficient. "The action," the board ruled, "would fill

waters and wetlands of the state and could potentially impact endangered species and produce other potentially significant environmental impacts."

If not here, there

Further, the State of California has a "no net loss" policy for wetlands. That means the acreage lost to the fill operation would have to be restored or established somewhere else at a 1:1 ratio. Chandler did not provide a mitigation plan that would adequately compensate for the permanent loss of wetlands and waters on the project site.

Chandler has one year to complete a satisfactory environmental study and develop a mitigation plan for the lost wetlands.

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Fake News

Lately, almost anything you write about the canyons could be true. Hail, rain, and snow one day, a brush fire the next. In Modjeska, a two-person Edison crew counted utility poles and synced the grid each morning for a week, with one of the techs wearing not only his bright safety vest and carrying an iPad and tripod but sporting a red, white, and blue "Q" cap. Edison public relations might want to have a chat with a dude who works for an agency already struggling with credibility.

Agrestic arrives

Weirdly, on the same early January day that the county and SCE were repairing infrastructure back on Santiago Canyon Road near Silverado, Saddle Crest (Rutter Development) began spraying a lovely seasonal mix of bright neon-green grass seed and fertilizer adjacent the

road six miles from wildfire damage. The "environmentally sound plan to develop 65 homes [read: McMansions for wealthy people] in charming Trabuco Canyon" on 114 acres has been hard to ignore, despite canyon residents' efforts. This month, the left turn lane into the real life version of Agrestic, the fictional tract in the TV show "Weeds," arrived. Not much to turn into yet but, alas, no turning back. The already-congested south end of the canyon freeway between Ridgeline and Santiago Canyon Estates will potentially become more dangerous, with safety mitigation gestures likely after a few predictable collisions. A traffic signal, further despoiling our night sky, seems inevitable.

More weeds

Weed abatement notices haven't yet made it to the big screen but arrived from the county and make for excellent viewing. Does anybody show up for

public hearings to object to weed removal? OC Planning advises you call before using a tractor, bulldozer or backhoe. Maybe Rutter has a spare.

When it rains, it burns

News that California's rainy season now officially starts a month later than a half-century ago is hardly news to Silverado flood and mudslide victims. But we're glad the National Weather Service keeps track, and note that a later wet season means a longer Santa Ana winds and wildfire season. Our worst fires occur in fall, so not too early to start your wildlands workout, an exercise and defensible space fitness regimen using chainsaws, rakes, trimmers, weed whackers, machetes. None of those require notifying the county. Gardening tip: Use old sandbags to fill starter pots for fire-resistance plants. Mulch weeds but make sure your compost pile doesn't combust. This community can't stand more irony!

Radio net

Canyon Watch is changing the frequency of canyon repeaters. Keith, Bic and Cle are reprogramming both handheld GMRS radios and base stations. Weekly Radio Net check-ins have prepped the growing network membership for our next emergency, with new

block captains recruited. My own go-bag is permanently stowed in my truck, along with must-have accoutrements of temporary refugee prep: loud battery-powered megaphone to alert neighbors, a gallon of water, flashlight, overnight bag, cell phone charger.

Open house

From Silverado Modjeska Recreation and Parks District President Isabel Kerins, an invitation: Silverado Children's Center, a nature preschool, begins registration for the 2021-22 school year on April 26. A SMRPD program, the center offers an emergent curriculum incorporating appreciation of nature's handiwork, care for living creatures, and a solid respect for the environment. Students age 2 - 6 enjoy an incredible outdoor/indoor classroom atmosphere, farm animals on site, creative play spaces and hiking adventures. Register for socially distanced Open House on April 24: silveradochildrenscenter.com.

The SMRPD board last month donated proceeds from the sale of leftover donated fire relief items to the Inter Canyon League. That's \$900 to ICL. Nearly the same was raised at a rattlesnake avoidance event for dogs in Modjeska. Fifty-nine hounds will now presumably make smarter decisions around sidewinders.

Hello kitty

Fido might be good to have around, if on a leash, while walking his master on local trails or even Modjeska roads, especially at dawn or dusk. Our recently too-frequently sighted mountain lion has dined on goats and llamas, and been spotted on the Modjeska House grounds as well as on trails by hikers and runners. Early-morning dog walkers now carry bear spray and practice looking tall and swearing, loudly. While the county monitors and takes paw prints, it cannot relocate this animal. Korinna Domingo of the Cougar Conservancy spoke recently to ICL members and will offer a 30-minute presentation at the regular Tuesday, April 6 monthly meeting about cohabitating with a cougar.

Local girl makes good

Modjeska resident Lisa Alvarez, co-editor of a previous anthology of OC literary fiction and nonfiction, has compiled a 50-year celebration of poetry from participants of the legendary Community of Writers summer workshops in California's High Sierra.

Available from publisher Heyday, copies of the landmark anthology "Why to These Rocks" will no doubt soon be on the shelves of the Library of the Canyons.

Waste stockpiler wins cease and desist appeal; operation remains in limbo

By Tina Richards

Milan Capital's appeal of the cease and desist order issued by the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) to halt the stockpiling of construction waste on its East Orange property was upheld by CalRecycle, Feb. 26.

The state's decision to grant the appeal was based on procedural errors made by LEA in issuing the cease and desist order and not on the agency's overall enforcement of activity on the site.

Milan and contractor Chandler LLC had been dumping construction debris on the property adjacent to Santiago Canyon Road without permits or oversight for years. Complaints from neighbors led LEA, the local arm of CalRecycle, to investigate.

Not so fast

The agency informed Milan/Chandler that a permit was needed. One of the requirements for the permit was that the site be registered with either the City of Orange's Non-Disposal Facility Element (NDFE) or the Countywide Siting Element (CSE). Milan/Chandler claimed that the site was going to be listed with the city and LEA granted the permit in June.

Shortly thereafter, LEA realized that the site had to be listed with the county, not the city, and asked that the permit be relinquished. That request was ignored, and LEA responded with an order to cease and desist the dumping operation. The permit was eventually returned, but the cease and desist order was upheld in a hearing between LEA and the property owner last fall.

Milan appealed that decision to CalRecycle, which found that LEA had erred in its methodology and that the cease and desist order was not supported by waste management law.

Missed step in the process

The agency could not legally revoke the dumping permit, CalRecycle found, or issue a cease and desist order without first holding a hearing. The hearing in October was held after the cease and desist order had been issued; the subject of that proceeding was whether or not Milan/Chandler

needed a permit at all. The hearing officer found that they did.

Permits can be voided if the operator "violates the inherent terms;" in this case, CalRecycle noted, the operator did not violate the permit. Instead, LEA had retroactively determined that the permit application was incomplete because the site was not listed on the county siting element. But LEA had already accepted Milan's application, with the siting element box checked, and issued the permit.

Second thoughts

LEA described the operator's checked box as "material misrepresentation," which, it believed, nullified the permit. But the authorizing Public Resources Code states that the operator's application be deemed "satisfied when the requisite statement is included, even if that statement ultimately proves to be incorrect."

Although Milan prevailed in its appeal to CalRecycle, it cannot resume dumping waste material on the site.

It had voluntarily relinquished its permit, claiming it didn't need one because it was dumping only clean inert debris to be used as fill.

During its investigation of the dumpsite, however, LEA found contaminated materials mixed in with clean fill, and told the operator that the tainted debris must be removed before more waste is piled on top of it. And LEA continues to have jurisdiction over the site.

"LEA has indicated that it will issue additional enforcement orders against appellants' operations at the site," CalRecycle wrote in its decision. "While this cease and desist order is overturned, nothing in this decision and order curtails LEA's authority to issue further enforcement orders pertaining to the site and consistent with waste management law."

Chapter S P.E.O. scholarship awarded

Villa Park High graduate Emily Condon, a senior at MIT, was awarded a scholarship from the California Chapter S P.E.O., a philanthropic educational organization. Condon will pursue a Masters of Engineering at MIT.

She is also the MIT Director for Camp Kesem, a national organization serving children affected by a parent's cancer. The MIT chapter funds and operates a week long sleep-away summer camp on campus.

Dorothy Halleck Chapter S scholarship consideration is of-



Emily Condon received a scholarship from her hometown P.E.O.

ferred to local women who have achieved at least a junior status in college. Applications are currently available for the 2021-2022 educational year. For specific info, call Nancy at (714) 637-5631.

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TAWC announces Young Women of the Month

The Tustin Area Woman's Club high school honorees of the month are Kristen Bold, Lauren Carlen-Jones and Beatriz Suentes Martinez.

Kristen Bold, from Foothill High School, is majoring in public health or ethics, with biology. She aspires to be a surgeon, and has applied to over 15 colleges.

Kristen is the president of the National Honor Society, holds a GPA greater than 4.5, and is heavily involved in community service.

Lauren Carlen-Jones, a senior at Tustin High School, is majoring in communications. She has been involved in the Model United Nations Program for four years, and has traveled to Prague and Vienna for conferences. Lauren is a member of the National Honor Society and explores global cultures through the THS Alliance Club.

She is a member of the Tustin Dance Team, and has been involved with the Thistle Academy of Irish Dancers for over 10 years.

Beatriz Suentes Martinez, from Beckman High School, is passionate about her activities with Colorguard, an endeavor that involves skillful handling of flags, sabers and rifles.

She enjoys being part of a team, meeting new people and is always available to help others talk through education or personal issues.

Her goal is to find a job she enjoys and help out her father, whose hard work, she says, has taken care of her family.



Photo courtesy OC Parks

Santiago Oaks Park hosted a "Safe Trails" day, Feb. 27, to promote good trail etiquette, answer questions and hand out promotional material. The canopy set up at the intersection of the Oak, Bumblebee and Grasshopper Trails drew equestrians, hikers and mountain bikers.

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Cowboy Easter is back

Cowboy Church will be resurrected from the ashes of COVID-19 to reappear on Easter Sunday, April 4, at 7 a.m. at the OPA horse arena.

Hosted by longtime OPA resident Cowboy Preacher Larry Day, the Easter sunrise service will feature music and song by Stacey Maxwell and her Bluegrass Musician Friends, cowboy poems and exhortations, free cowboy Bibles,

coffee and donuts.

This cowboy service is held just once a year, but was cancelled last year due to coronavirus restrictions. Bring a chair, your dog, and your loved ones. Cowboy Larry will also do live demonstrations with his favorite horses, Merlin the Buckskin, Pearl the Palomino Princess, and Jules the Red Head, blaze-faced, champion cow chaser.

THOUGHTS from a TREE M.D.

by Vince Olivieri, ISA Certified Arborist (WE-12884-A)



Spring is in the air!

The beginning of spring signals a new start, a new beginning with new, endless opportunities. It has always been a signal to begin preparations for the new season.

I prepare my garden boxes for spring planting, yet again, purging them of the palm roots that seem hell bent on living in my cabbage patch. Every season is a repeat of my "battle of the palm roots," invading the well-turned, nutrient-filled soil made special for the vegetable garden. Palm roots, the omnipresent "Wi-Fi" of my soil, occupying every nook and cranny except for the biobarrier-lined boxes, the "dead zones" spared of their reach. Or were they?

Catching the corner of my eye, was it a root? Incredulously, the roots had defied gravity, growing vertically and plunging into the soft, inviting soil. No matter how much I did to compact the soil around the boxes to discourage the roots from invading,

they were there. Roots are lazy, but they are also stubborn. They prefer the paths of less resistance, but upon encountering a barrier will rally all their will and fight to overcome it, so that they can carry on. Sometimes the only way to stop it is by triggering signals of the physiological biology at the meristematic root tip (wherein all cells can divide repeatedly and from which all primary root tissues are derived.)

Reminds me of a friend from high school. Have you ever tried to help someone because you want what's best for them? Or what you think is best for them? Only to have it backfire? These roots are no different. You can give them everything they need, but if they are set on their path it can be a battle for the ages.

Thank you for joining me on my garden box rumination. My plan? Alter the meristematic root tips of my palms and leave my friend's meristematic stem alone.

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VP City Council votes on new fees and rate increases

By Andie Miles

Rates and fees are going up in the City of Villa Park. The city council voted, March 23, to raise existing rates and impose new rates on services previously free to residents, effective July 1.

A \$19,800 study by consultants BerryDunn provided the fee recommendations. The council authorized the proposal for the Comprehensive Citywide Fees and Charges Rate Study in February 2020, before the pandemic. The contract was awarded on Sept. 22, 2020. The last such study had been completed in 2013.

The BerryDunn study recommended that the city adjust rates and add specific fees to provide a targeted cost recovery of 50% to offset the full cost of city services. The city's current user fees and charges rate is calculated at 49.7%.

New fees for services provided by the city that may benefit only a specific project, not the city as a whole, were recommended: core drilling/soil boring, \$175; temporary encroachment permit, \$82; addition/remodel, \$747; ADU plan check, permit, \$747; electrical Sub-panel, \$150; residential EV charging station, \$150;

masonry fireplace, \$300. These services cost the city in terms of personnel time, plan review, permitting and inspection.

The study also recommended a new technology fee of 3% be assessed to cover licensing, software, hardware upgrades.

Technology targeted

City Manager Steve Franks indicated that costs for the new, updated technology installed in the council chambers and board room, allowing seamless online meetings and presentations, was approximately \$100,000; a 4% fee to help maintain and upgrade as needed, was recommended.

The fee increases will include rental of the facility room/council chambers, once the room is open for use; it has been closed during the pandemic. Currently residents pay \$25 per hour to rent the room, plus a cleaning fee of \$25. That rate would increase to \$37.50 per hour, plus a \$25 cleaning fee, plus the new technology fee, at 4% of the total rental cost; the total for one hour would be \$66.

The current rental fee for non-residents is \$50 per hour, plus a \$25 cleaning fee. That fee would be boosted to \$75 per hour, for a total of \$103, with the cleaning

fee and 4% technology add-on.

Mayor Crystal Miles suggested that a separate rate for for-profit rentals be charged; the council agreed on a fee of \$150 per hour. The city manager would have the authority to waive or reduce fees.

Timing questioned

Both Councilman Robbie Pitts and Mayor Miles mentioned their concerns about raising rates during the pandemic; Pitts suggested tabling the vote to be certain all residents were aware of the proposed fee increases. He was assured that the published agenda was sufficient notice.

The council voted unanimously to effect the cost recovery at a 50% targeted rate, round cents to the nearest dollar (to streamline accounting), approve the facility rental fees, and implement the new fee schedule as of July 1. The vote to approve the new technology fee at 4% was 3-1, with Pitts the lone dissenter. Councilman Chad Zimmerman was absent.

Though rates are going up, city coffers are slated to receive approximately \$1.1 million of federal relief funds; guidelines as to allowable expenditures are not yet in place.

Tustin Summer Academy returns

Tustin Public Schools Foundation is offering in-person enrichment classes as well as select on-line courses June 7 – July 1 at the Tustin Summer Academy. Registration is open at tpsf.net/summer.

Students in kindergarten through high school may sample from more than 60 classes in two- and four-week sessions.

Coding, gardening, creative writing, video game creation, baking, college prep and drama production are just a few of the offerings. For those wanting to get a head start for the new school year, Fast Forward classes will offer elementary students an opportunity to prepare for fall. All classes are no homework, no tests, no pressure -- just fun.

PWC helps set up household

The Premier Women's Council (PWC) joined OC LULAC (League of United Latin American Citizens) to help a mother and her five children relocate to an empty house. The family needed complete household furnishings. PWC purchased a washer and dryer, sofa, coffee table, end tables and an entertainment console. Members were generous in donating new and slightly used items, including a computer printer, dinette set, a bedroom set, bunk beds, linens, towels, student desks, pots and pans, dishes, tablecloths and toiletry items.

Premier Women's Council has mailed out an ongoing invitation for a Quarantine Tea Party Fundraiser to raise money to give back to women in need. All donations are appreciated, and can be mailed to P.O. Box 131, Orange, CA 92866. For more information, please email Anita Preciado at manzanaa@aol.com or text (714) 290-5802.

Olympian Cindy Brown competes on a new court

Cindy Brown is known to have been fiercely competitive on the basketball court. She earned an Olympic Gold Medal, set two NCAA scoring records, won numerous other golds, and played professionally in Europe, Japan and the WNBA.

Now, she is competing in a different court, without a basketball (February Foothills Sentry). There is no playbook. This month she will, once again, enter a courtroom, hoping to have her Villa Park home restored to her. Her case has been returned from Federal Court to California Superior Court. She was notified that the Court is being asked to sit as an appellate court on decisions made by other courts and it has referenced a similar case that gives Brown hope that she'll soon be sleeping in her own bed, not her car.

Her ordeal began in 2005, when an identity thief refinanced her home. The court recognized the identity fraud, but found the bank was not complicit and could not be held responsible for its failure

of due diligence. The bank now says it owns her home.

Title to the home is clouded by numerous title changes, none of which she initiated. There are 20 unregistered parcels attached to this one property. Her thick binders of evidence uncovered layers of fraud and deceit: notary malfeasance, unauthenticated documents, title documents stamped as "presumptive," without notary seals, misspelled notarized signatures, title changes in Texas and South Carolina, in noncompliance of California law.

Brown continues to pay for utilities she cannot use, waiting for her day in court.



Cindy Brown, 1988 Olympic Gold Medalist and fighter

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Orange extends moratorium on small lot remodels

The moratorium prohibiting the addition of three or more bedrooms and bathrooms on single-family houses on lots less than 12,000 sq. ft. has been extended for 10 months and 15 days.

The extension, approved by a unanimous council vote March 23, gives city staff sufficient time to research and review appropriate changes to the municipal code to protect neighborhoods from unregulated growth.

The changes under study include standards for open living space, lot coverage, parking and the proper placement of boarding houses, dormitories and student housing.

Houses not homes

The issue arose when residents alerted the city to a proliferation of remodels in single-family neighborhoods to serve as housing for Chapman University students. Neighbors reported illegal parking, trampled landscaping, unruly parties, confrontations, litter and trash.

The Orange City Council passed an emergency 45-day

moratorium on residential additions Feb. 16. Asked if the moratorium had received complaints from residents applying for room additions or interior renovations, City Manager Rick Otto said that most applicants understood the situation and modified their plans. Others have not yet resubmitted plans that would comply with the emergency restrictions.

More is not merrier

Councilwoman Arianna Barrios noted that, "We're seeing homes advertised with 10 bedrooms for students. How do we regulate that?" The answer from City Attorney Gary Sheatz was, we can't.

"Occupancy is regulated by the state," he said. "You can't regulate based on numbers." Because the state has defined 'families' as just about any group of people living together, limiting occupants is considered discriminatory.

Regulating the number of bedrooms and bathrooms added to an existing home is, according to Sheatz and city staff, an available tool in the toolbox.

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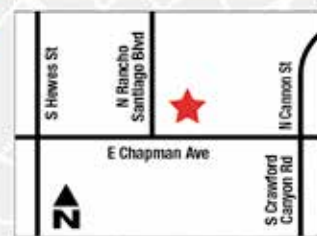
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The land of Mufasa's ghost

By Robert Detrano

On a cold February morning, Mom nudged me out of a deep sleep. It was too dark to see my already-awakened sister on the other side of the lair. Three days ago, my sister had helped take down our first coyote. Today we were hoping for a deer. Mom led us out of the sage and onto the soft dewy golf course grass. She froze and signalled us to silence. Just 20 yards away, near the shoulder of Antonio Parkway, a small doe was grazing in the moonlight. The doe's ears pricked up. She sniffed the air and then stepped toward the highway. In a flash, she bolted across the road. Mom followed like the lightning. I pulled my brain out of its sleepy state and jumped a second later. Mom's scream and then my pain! The pain in my shoulder made me forget the last sound I heard from Mom's mouth. Now, after my surgery, I remember her squeals and then silence as she ascended to the land of Mufasa's ghost.

On an early morning this past February, the female puma, F270, died in a hit-and-run collision in Santa Margarita. Her two orphaned female kittens witnessed her death. The staffs of the Serrano Animal Hospital and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife used specially baited traps and tranquilizer guns to find and capture the kittens. One kitten was injured and is recovering from surgery at the animal hospital. She will eventually join her sister in a San Diego facility that rehabilitates wildlife, in preparation for return to the wild.

Encounters with mountain lions are exciting -- but frightening. When we see these animals near our homes, we remember reports of them hurting or even killing humans. Scientific facts to the wind. Emotional terror takes over. In the past 100 years, there have been three human deaths due to cougar attacks in California. Fatal lion attacks occur less frequently than fatal snake bites, fatal lightning strikes, or fatal bee stings.

On the other side of the coin, there have been over 42,000 wild animal road carcasses reported in the state between 2009 and 2018. Each year, Californians use their vehicles to kill over 6,000 deer, 400 coyotes, 200 bear and 100 mountain lions. Only a fraction of roadkill is reported. This is especially true for deer that frequently suffer fatal injuries but succeed in escaping the road and die from their wounds in the wild.

The cost to the animals, some of whom are being driven to extinction, is immeasurable; but there is also human cost. State Farm Insurance estimates that California has more than 20,000 claims a year for such collisions at a total cost of \$600 million. There are more than 250 human injuries resulting from these accidents every year.

Preventable animal deaths happen very close to us. In 2020, the UC Davis Road Ecology Center reported at least four deer killed on Santiago Canyon Road. Other wildlife collision hotspots occur on Ortega Highway, Antonio Parkway and the 241 and 261 toll

roads.

How can we reduce roadkill? In order of effectiveness: better fencing to separate roads from wildlife; well-placed overpass and underpass corridors to allow wildlife to cross; and better and increased numbers and quality of wildlife crossing signs.

Wildlife fences, like that on the northern section of the 241 toll road, almost completely eliminate large animal collisions. However, if insufficient safe crossing opportunities are not provided, the barrier effect of the fence increases habitat segmentation. Therefore, fences should always be accompanied with appropriately placed under or overpasses where animals can traverse the road.

Wildlife signs are more effective when obvious and interactive. Complex sign systems which detect large animals are even more effective. These systems are activated and flash warning signals after a large animal has been detected near the road.

Right now, Orange County Public Works (OCPW) is upgrading Santiago Canyon Road. Unfortunately, the agency is not providing more wildlife crossing signs. Please contact OCPW and ask that appropriate measures are taken to decrease roadkill. Email ProjectInfo@ocpw.ocgov.com.

Silverado resident Robert Detrano is a retired cardiologist and missionary doctor who is working to protect wildlife and habitat.



Photo by Mark Girardeau

A mountain lion mother of two was killed in a hit-and-run accident.



Map courtesy UC Davis Road Ecology Center

The dark red line indicates more than two roadkills per mile per year. Lighter red is one per year; yellow, .5 per year and orange, .3.



Photos courtesy Serrano Animal Hospital

The orphaned kittens, one injured, were rescued and taken to a wildlife rehab center. The injured kitten was first patched up at the Serrano Animal Hospital in Lake Forest.

American dream, school choice are topics at April ORWF meeting

The Orange Republican Women, Federated invites the public to its Friday, April 16 meeting at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge.

The meeting, commencing at 11 a.m., begins with "Saving the American Dream," a talk by Paula Prizio, OC GOP Youth Chair and UC Irvine college students Kimo Gandall and Anthony Mansfield, members of College Republicans. They will share the challenges of being conservatives and promoting a conservative voice on a liberal campus.

Larry Shoaf, Ph.D., Chair, California School Choice Orange County, will also speak on

"School Choice: A Solution for California's Failing Schools." School choice is an important issue that affects us as all, he says, parents, grandparents, or anyone concerned about the future of our children.

A lunch prepared by the Elks Lodge chefs will be served. The cost is \$25 per person, cash or check. To make a reservation, contact Peggy Baranyay at (714) 828-1289.

The Elks Lodge is located at 1751 A. Lyon St., Santa Ana. For more information, contact Andrea Krupka, ORWF president at andrea.krupka44@gmail.com.



Woman's Club of Orange donated gift cards totaling \$1,645 to families of veterans who died in action. This project was part of the club's connections with the Veterans Administration. The donations were collected by, from left, Irene Serna, Marty Brancucci, Suzanne Vaugine, Sandy Johnson and Rebecca Martinez.

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Elks donate to rescue mission

The veterans committee of the Orange Elks Lodge donated \$1,000 to the Orange County Rescue Mission, which serves men, women and children from many walks of life.

All are wounded in different ways. Some are highly educated, many are survivors of abuse, addiction and abandonment. None

ever imagined they'd be homeless, and they all need help. The mission's goal is to treat each person with respect and dignity. (See rescuemission.org.)

In addition, Girl Scout Troop 3634 from Santa Ana/Tustin donated 40 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies with a handwritten thank-you card to mission vets.

Tustin Dems to feature Dave Min

California State Senator Dave Min will join the Tustin Democratic Club's Zoom meeting on Tuesday, April 27 at 7 p.m. Min will dig deeper into issues affecting Tustin citizens, and answer questions.

Senator Min will be followed by Tustin licensed clinical social worker Leslie Cox, whose specialty is trauma, abuse and physical pain. Cox will address emotional health in the time of COVID, including self-care, behaviors that support mental health, barriers to seeking mental health treatment and strategies for overcoming them.

Meetings will continue to be held via Zoom until the community is widely vaccinated. In the meantime, footwear is optional, but everyone is encouraged to bring a healthy dose of curiosity and an appetite to strengthen our community. See TustinDemocraticClub.org for information. New members and guests are always welcome.



Three sorrels, Randi, Levi and Rhet, are 2018 geldings, all available for adoption through Rockin' R Ranch and Rescue. The nonprofit helps equines in need. For information about these horses, or others -- Kristoff the Palomino, Woodrow the buckskin, Maple the beautiful bay -- email rockinrrrescuexca@gmail.com.

REAL ESTATE
with David Silva

Is it time to sell that rental?

Today we are going to take a look at the local market, inventory and values to see if it is time to sell that rental property you, or someone you know, might own.

With inventory hovering around all-time lows and the interest rates doing the same, something has to give, right? Let's talk about that rental property you own and why now might be a great time to sell it. For starters, you might have had that rental for years and always had a pretty good idea of the value of that property. Do you know that value now, in today's market? In most cases, it is valued much higher than you thought. Today there are cash offers on homes selling over the asking price.

I recently spoke with a property manager who said that maximum rent increases are at 10% in California, and that Fair Housing Laws govern almost everything they do. With new laws concerning tenants' rights leaning more favorably toward tenants, it seems to be more and more of a balancing act to be a landlord. When I ask someone who owns rental property if they're thinking about selling, the answer I sometimes hear is, "No, it makes me money, so why would I sell?" If they knew

today's value, might there be a pause and interest? I ask in return, "Is that rental property something you plan to hold on to? And if so, for how many years?"

If you are looking to hold on to your rental property for more than five years, then maybe now is not the time to sell. We can't predict the future, but property values have always shown resiliency. However, if you're planning to keep your rental for less than five years, you might want to consider selling now, to take advantage of the high sales prices and low interest rates that are currently happening.

As always, it is a good idea to get input from your financial advisor and tax consultant.

ORANGE FEBRUARY 2021					
MONTH at-a-glance	FEB-21	LAST MO	LAST 3 MOS	FEB-20	YTD
Median Sales Price	\$775,000	5%	1%	5%	\$770,000
Average Sales Price	\$896,765	18%	8%	18%	\$829,706
Properties for Sale	117	18%	--	-30%	--
Properties Sold	78	1%	--	16%	155
Avg Days on Market	32	-11%	-3%	-27%	34
Avg Price/Sq Ft (Sold)	\$459	1%	2%	17%	\$458
Inventory (Months)	1.5	17%	28%	-40%	1.4

TUSTIN FEBRUARY 2021					
MONTH at-a-glance	FEB-21	LAST MO	LAST 3 MOS	FEB-20	YTD
Median Sales Price	\$724,000	-7%	-3%	7%	\$750,000
Average Sales Price	\$768,777	-6%	-4%	1%	\$790,542
Properties for Sale	63	2%	--	-17%	--
Properties Sold	56	14%	--	37%	105
Avg Days on Market	37	-16%	-5%	-5%	40
Avg Price/Sq Ft (Sold)	\$467	7%	5%	9%	\$453
Inventory (Months)	1.1	-11%	8%	-39%	1.2

VILLA PARK FEBRUARY 2021					
MONTH at-a-glance	FEB-21	LAST MO	LAST 3 MOS	FEB-20	YTD
Median Sales Price	\$1,639,000	17%	15%	28%	\$1,424,000
Average Sales Price	\$1,851,500	45%	20%	23%	\$1,631,308
Properties for Sale	10	43%	--	-38%	--
Properties Sold	8	60%	--	167%	13
Avg Days on Market	41	-59%	-16%	-69%	64
Avg Price/Sq Ft (Sold)	\$478	-5%	5%	38%	\$487
Inventory (Months)	1.3	-11%	1%	-77%	1.3

VPWL is happy to be together again

Villa Park Women's League members are "Happy to Be Together Again" and will celebrate at an outdoor masked meeting on Thursday, April 8. This final general meeting of the year will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at a private residence, and include a vote for next year's officers, as well as music, games and prizes. See vpwl.org for information.

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**Laurie Marine
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She was an animal person all her life; those were her children. Her first horse, at age 16, Coffee Break, was kept at the long-gone corrals on the coast between Laguna Beach and Corona del Mar, near Crystal Cove. She went on to have more horses, numerous cats, dogs, goats, pigs, chickens; any animal that nobody else wanted. Laurie passed away peacefully at her adored home in Orange Park Acres, leaving behind her brother, Jules, Jr., his wife Wendy, their children, Maddie and Jules III, and cousins Hillary Storms, Dan Andrews, Steve and Susie Maxey.

Born in 1943 in Los Angeles, but raised in Laguna Beach by her parents, Jane and Jules, Sr., she attended Laguna Beach High School and Woodbury College (now Woodbury University) in Los Angeles, where she studied interior design. After a career with the County of Orange, Laurie opened Laurie's Garden in Newport Beach, using her design skills to prepare beautiful, one-

of-a-kind arrangements. She also moonlighted in plant-grafting and horse boarding at her Cotswolds cottage-like OPA home.

She had a sharp mind for investing, buying rental properties at the right time and accumulating an impressive stock portfolio, loaded with early-purchase Apple shares. She had a taste for adventure: traveling Europe in her teens, living in Aspen, Colorado in her 20s, then later in the cottages at Crystal Cove (the northernmost one, the red one), and floating the Amazon in her 50s.

Laurie had a love of art, traveling to Europe and New York for exhibitions, collecting Western and plein air works, plus sculpture. A voracious reader, she subscribed to many magazines, publications and newspapers. She introduced her brother to many things: Chinese food, Hang Ten shorts, skateboards, surf films, Warren Miller ski films, cool T-shirts, Pendleton jackets, body surfing, skiing, cooking and modern art.

She was a genuine friend of the downtrodden and the needy, whether it be animals or people, frequented city council meetings to advocate for the homeless, and organized food, blanket and clothing drives. Her wit was sharp, finding humor in many of life's situations.

On certain Halloweens she dressed up as Big Bird (she was six feet tall), or an oversized Rolex with a yuppie on her wrist, and one year, a body suit covered with fall leaves, with which she brought a leaf blower, posing as the "Santa Ana winds."

Laurie's group of friends were varied; her high school friends, fellow art school attendees, and equestrians from OPA. Her favorite charity was Red Bucket Equine Rescue in Chino Hills, redbucketrescue.org.



**Crescendo
presents "A
Walt Disney
Journey"**

Author Jeff Kurti will present "A Walt Disney Journey," featuring never-before-published photos and eyewitness recollections of Walt Disney's global excursions at the Celebrity Speakers Series event on Thurs, May 13.

Hosted by the Crescendo Chapter of the Guilds of Segerstrom Center for the Arts, the Celebrity Speaker Series 2021 is resuming after a hiatus dictated by coronavirus restrictions.

The event begins at 10 a.m. at the Bowers Museum Norma Kershaw Auditorium, 2002 N. Main Street, Santa Ana. Parking is \$6.

Tickets are \$30 general admission and for Crescendo members. Museum members may buy one discounted ticket for \$20. Students with valid student IDs may purchase tickets for \$25 each, or three for \$20. For information about Bowers membership and student tickets, contact Mary Staton at (714) 544-5549.

The Guilds of Segerstrom, including the Crescendo Chapter, raise funds to support the Center's community engagement and arts education programs, which each year serve more than 360,000 young people, families, and educators throughout Orange County and other California counties.



**ElMo teacher
wins funds for
Mentor Meals**

El Modena High teacher Alexis Greenlee won a \$2,500 State Farm Teacher Assist grant. She is the only Orange County recipient, and one of 40 teachers throughout California to be recognized by State Farm.

Greenlee will use these funds to sustain a program for at-risk students called Mentor Meals that she created seven years ago. At-risk students are paired with Orange Plaza Rotarians and El Modena alumni for monthly meals. In a comfortable setting, students learn work place skills, goal setting, and creating a professional social media presence.

Greenlee says, "Every year, graduates rate the Mentor Meals program as one of their most influential experiences. And each year we struggle to scrape together funds. This gift will enable at-risk youth to gain access to a mentor to provide guidance and direction for their lives."

**Tustin Art League to feature
Chinese brush painting**

Mayee Futterman, a specialist in the spontaneous style of Chinese brush painting, will demonstrate her work at the Tustin Art League's Wednesday, April 14 Zoom meeting. In Chinese art and culture, a flower is never merely a flower; each has its stories and symbolic spirituality. Futterman's demonstration will explore the Peony through the Four Treasures of Chinese Brush Painting.

Futterman is an instructor at UCLA Extension, Huntington Beach Art Center, and the Institute of Chinese Language and Culture. Her live-on-line classes attract hundreds of students worldwide.

The meeting is from 5 to 7 p.m., and can be found at Zoom,

98009215926. Attendees are encouraged to log in early to socialize. Email selenoir@gmail.com with questions.



Nancy Lewis, equine mental health worker for Seneca Center in Anaheim Hills, was the "10-minute" speaker at the Tustin Area Woman's Club's March general meeting. Lewis spoke about the center's Healing on Horseback and Green Acres Interactive Therapy programs, and how they help children with complex trauma. TAWC presented the organization with a \$250 check. Pictured from left are TAWC President Barbara Grider, Nancy Lewis and Dean Nancy Wills.



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Preserve Orange County releases interactive map of historic places

By Krista Nicholds

Is there historic architecture in Orange County? Preserve Orange County says “yes” and proves it by launching a mobile-friendly online map.

It is the county’s first publicly available map of historic places in a digital format.

The map features the 292 cultural resources, historic buildings, and heritage landscapes throughout the county that are listed on the California Register of Historical Resources and the National Register of Historic Places.

The map also includes the county-owned historic sites and places identified with a special plaque, all accessible in an easy

point-and-click interface.

Significant but not listed

In addition to officially designated sites, the new online map features properties Preserve Orange County identifies as historically or culturally significant but which are not yet designated. This list includes Modern neighborhoods and Late Modern properties associated with Orange County’s boom years after World War II and beyond. Included are vernacular dwellings as well as architecturally designed master works.

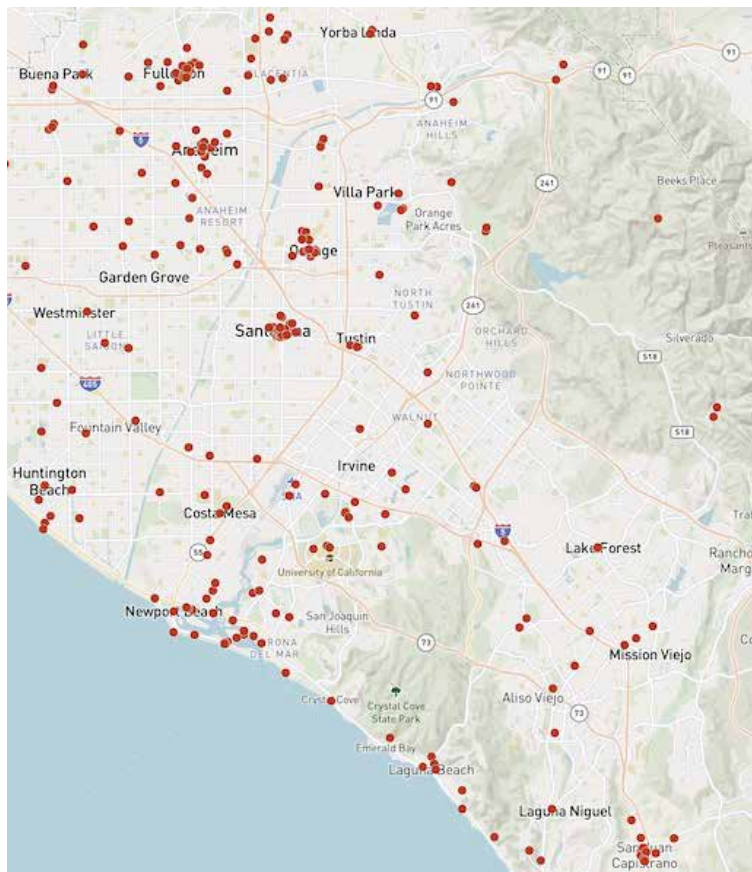
For tourists and residents alike, the map will be a guide to older neighborhoods and historic sites open to the public.

This new tool allows residents or visitors to create their own self-guided walking or driving tours by searching a wide range of buildings and sites by property type, city, date of construction, architectural style and area of significance, among other criteria.

Unidentified, unprotected

This interactive map is a step forward for Preserve Orange County’s mission to preserve the county’s unique heritage. Resources that aren’t publicly recorded are vulnerable to insensitive alteration and demolition.

The list of sites will be continually expanded. Preserve Orange County invites the public to suggest additions to the map.



Historic sites in Orange County can be located by property type, architectural style, significance or community. The website includes buildings on national and state registries, as well as those undesignated. Visit preserveorangecounty.org.

Villa Park Rotary to host Italian wine class

Rotary Club of Villa Park will host its second Zoom wine class, this one featuring an Italian wine tasting adventure, on Friday, May 14, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Participants will get a virtual tour of Piemonte, Tuscany, Friuli-Venezia Giulia and other areas while sipping wines from some of those regions. The class will

be taught by Italian wine expert and certified sommelier Sasha DeJaynes of Vinolust, which specializes in wine experiences for novices and enthusiasts alike.

Register for the event at bit.ly/RCVPwine or by calling (714) 406-0060. The cost is \$99 per household, which includes the Zoom class, three wines, and

cheese and crackers. Rotary members will provide complimentary delivery of the wines and appetizers to residences within five miles of Villa Park. The deadline to register is May 7.

This event is a Villa Park Rotary fundraiser in conjunction with Kherut, an organization that assists victims of sex trafficking.

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Finally Orange County sports gets the green light

In three weeks, COVID cases fell from over 20 to 11 per 100,000 people, and on kick off, it was down to less than six. But with the opening of the sports season, came a lot of restrictions. In football, no spectators except two family members per player. The state health department recently approved cheerleading on the sidelines. The latest CIF memo indicated players are not required to be tested weekly, but many schools, as a precaution, did anyway.

El Modena christened the new Fred Kelly Field, March 10, with a shutout win over Canyon High School, 45-0. Villa Park hosted Orange High School, a team it hadn't lost to in 25 years. Orange turned the tables and upset Villa Park, 26-16. Zeus Alefosio from

Villa Park scored before the end of the first half to take a 10-0 lead. Orange quarterback Daylen Pedroza had a good season opener, running for 102 yards and passing for 102 yards. Raymond Casillas returned a VP kickoff for 98 yards.

El Modena upset undefeated Tustin in boys soccer by coming from behind to tie, 1-1.

Canyon boys and girls lacrosse are off to a good start with two wins each.

Foothill took back the gauntlet after two straight yearly losses, winning over Tustin, 28-12.

Cross country was the first sport to return and has concluded its brief season. Boys and girls soccer, boys and girls lacrosse, boys and girls water polo, baseball and softball are all underway.



Angel Ramirez from Orange High drives the ball up field in the Mater Dei game.



Ralph Castillo from Villa Park scoops up a loose ball, taking it in for the Spartan's first score against Orange.



Orange goalkeeper Andrew Hernandez stops a hot shot on goal in the game against Mater Dei.



J.P. Alvarez (1), El Modena goalkeeper, saves a goal against Tustin. Running interference is Gage Pope (3).



Isaiah Adetoye from Orange High gets stopped by Villa Park's Daniel Ayala (left) and Owen Duckworth (right).



OHS Gerardo Suarez Cabrera (11) handles a pass, with teammate Nelson Marmolejo covering.



Ray Benitez (center) gets congratulated by Lucca Pracilio (left) and Brandon Moreno after scoring for El Modena.

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Meet the coaches



Vince Brown

Foothill baseball lost a veteran. Vince Brown retired after 24 years, posting 442 wins, 187 losses and winning 14 league titles. Brown will be able to watch his two sons play baseball at Cal State Fullerton and Villa Park. Brown served as Foothill's AD for 17 years and coached the girls softball team for three seasons. Brown had taken the athletic director's position at Orange Lutheran and will be an assistant baseball coach.

Taking over at Foothill is Chris Price. Price was an assistant under Brown for six years and brings 20 years of coaching experience to the program.

At Orange High School, the boys soccer program has a new head coach. Edgar Hernandez took over after Victor Esparza stepped down. Esparza has taken

a position with Santiago Canyon College.

At Santiago Canyon College, Martin Stringer has taken over the office of academic affairs. The new athletic director is Denise Bailey.

Tom Fox was promoted to Assistant Principal at Villa Park High. Andy Saltsma, from Redondo Union High, takes over coaching duties at Villa Park.

Mark Lofink has stepped down coaching the Canyon High School girls basketball team. Chris Czaban takes over as the new head coach. Czaban was an assistant under Nate Harrison.

Celena Photopulos, the Canyon High School boys water polo head coach, was awarded the Orange County Athletic Director's Coach of Character award last October.



Easton Jellerson (13) from Foothill High almost picked off an overthrown pass in the end zone intended for Canyon receiver Ryan Gardner.



Will Tanaka, a freshman on the Foothill High boys varsity golf team, sinks a putt on 18 at the Tustin Ranch golf course. Foothill topped Beckman for the second year in a row.



Colby Sommerville, a senior on Foothill's boys golf team, lines up a putt on the Franklin Cup match against Beckman High.



Shane Walker, a Foothill sophomore, took medalist honors at the Franklin Cup Golf Tournament.



Daylen Pedroza, Orange quarterback, looks up field for a receiver.



Canyon quarterback Chris Lundsberg finds some open real estate against El Modena.

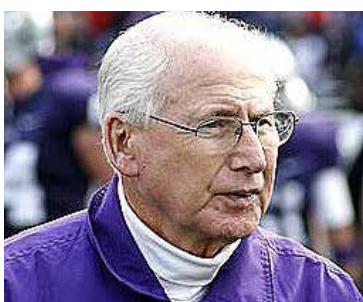


Matt Lester, Orange Unified School District Kelly Field manager, was given a plaque from the district's athletic directors honoring his 40 years and five months of dedication. El Modena Athletic Director Ed Drzanek made the presentation prior to the start of the football season on the new field.

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Former Foothill High Coach Snyder receives the Tom Osborne Legacy Award



Bill Snyder

Bill Snyder, former head coach at Foothill High School (1972-1974) and head football coach at Kansas State University from 1989 to 2005, and again from 2009 to 2018, received the Tom Osborne Legacy Award, recognizing him as a "winner on and off the field."

Snyder was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in

2015 and won several conference and national coach of the year awards.

He was the head coach at Kansas State for the program's 300th, 400th, and 500th all-time wins. In recognition of his contributions to the program, Kansas State has named its home field the Bill Snyder Family Football Stadium.

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You guessed it, Attraction! While people dress to attract other people, trees and plants do it to attract insects! Pollinating bees and other wildlife are drawn to the bright colors of a healthy canopy and flowers. If they had a choice between an unhealthy plant with chlorotic leaves, and small flowers and healthy colorful canopy, they will always pick the healthy one. The law of



attraction extends far beyond the cliché, as it ensures exposure, community participation and of course reproduction!

How do we keep our trees fashionable and irresistible? By making sure all the nutrients are available to them, their soil structure is favorable, and their irrigation is adequate! Keep in mind however, that just like our fashion, the bright colors and pleasurable fragrances can attract unwanted attention as well. Pests see these colors and sense the smells and come to attack your plants as well.

TREAT SMARTER, NOT HARDER

I don't know who came up with the horrific saying: "there are many ways to skin a cat", and although I don't agree with the sentiment, it is true I guess... Since Spring is here, and your trees and plants will undoubtedly be the target for many foliar pests, borers and mammalian pests, I thought I'd touch on how to best handle the pesky buggers.

Of course the most effective insecticides would be non-organic, systemic options, and depending on the pest in question, the application as well as the product may vary, but most of them provide around **1 season of control time** (about 1 year). Now foliar sprays would be the odd one out in the equation since they are subject to weather, evaporation, morning dew, birds and mammalian pests. So when possible, always opt for an IV treatment, and if that isn't an option, a soil injection would probably work just

fine. Organic options would be the obvious choice for fruit trees, since most of them allow for consumption of fruit after being washed thoroughly. However, control time for organic options are much, much shorter, and often require several applications and they don't remain active in the plant for long. Organic compounds break down in the plant's system faster than non-organic options.

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