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COMMENTS & CURIOSITIES

Fight night comes to Costa Mesa

nd in this corner, at 6 feet, 8 inches and 200 pounds, from Costa Mesa, California . . . please welcome . . . Jeff Byrne." Ever heard of him? I suspect

you will. Byrne, a 29-year old Costa

Mesa entrepreneur, is part of a sports venture called "Uppercut Boxing, which is bringing professional boxing to the Costa Mesa Hilton on June 26 with a BUFFA



PETER

black-tie, high-glam opening night of jabs, feints, thumps and bumps.

I know, I know. Boxing is the bad boy of sports. It's violent and primitive and downright ugly at times, and it doesn't exactly appeal to our better instincts. But that's also why it appeals to a whole lot of people all around the big blue marble. By the way, how did boxing ever come to be called, of all things, "the sweet science?" If you know please let me know. I could tell you that I'm a big fan and know all about boxing and can name who's who and what's what and when's when. Or, I could tell you

My knowledge of boxing is as suspect as my knowledge about anything else, and I refuse to watch Mike Tyson at any time ir any setting for any reason. But I do enjoy watching a fight on TV now and then, and better yet. seeing one in the flesh.

Boxing is one of those sports where you absolutely, positively have to be there. On the tube, it's as good as Sominex, only faster acting. But when you're up close and personal, it's loud and rowdy and frenetic. Boxing has also held a long-standing fascination for writers.

Whenever sportswriting rises to the level of literature, the subject is always one of two sports: baseball (my personal passion) or boxing. And we're not just talking about legendary sportswriters like Ring Lardner. George Bernard Shaw, Jack London, Ernest Hemingway and plenty of other heavyweight scribes were fascinated by boxing and wrote about it for money or love or both. Hollywood has been bonkers for boxing for years. There's been a slew of sports movies, but the

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SUNDAY STORY



PHOTOS BY SEAN HILLER / DAILY PILOT

Margaret Klemm tends to her garden plot at the Del Mar Community Gardens in Costa Mesa. The city-owned garden is maintained by more than 50 tenants.

A place in the sun

Costa Mesa's community garden offers a welcome respite from daily life and a chance to exercise a green thumb



Individual styles that decorate each garden plot add character to the Del Mar Community Garden.

Deirdre Newman

Daily Pilot

ome plots boast roses the color of fire. Others have a tantalizing array of fruits and vegetables. Some are sparsely planted, leaving a lot of open space. Others are so dense with greenery they are reminiscent of the Brazilian

The diverse plots of the Del Mar Community Garden, which is run by the city, reflect the varied interests of their tenders. Yet a common refrain heard among these residents blessed with a green thumb is: "It's in my blood."

The Del Mar Garden satiates the eternal hunger for gardening for 59 residents - plus one person who has since moved. Many more are on the waiting list.

Earlier this month, despite some objections, the City Council approved a second community garden for a property on Charle and Hamilton streets, which could be ready for planting by the end of the year. This one will have 42 plots.

Mayor Gary Monahan and Councilman Allan Mansoor were on the losing end of the 3-2 vote to

approve the garden. Monahan suggested using space in existing parks for another community garden, while Mansoor tried to get a vote on a pocket park instead, which failed to muster any support.

During all the discussions on the issue, many of the Del Mar gardeners spoke in favor of another community garden. "I've been a gardener at the Del Mar gardens for

eight years and I'm a real happy person today because I live in Costa Mesa," Kris Gold said on July 7, before she shared some of her bounty with the council members. "It's given me inner beauty to work in the garden.

A HISTORY OF GROWTH

The city purchased the parcel of land where the garden is now in the 1970s with the intent of widening Del Mar Avenue, said Mark Taylor, a management analyst with the recreation department. Two houses and a barn on the site were removed to that end. When the street widening project didn't pan out, the site lay vacant for a number of years until a resident suggested it be turned into a community garden. It opened in 1994

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INSIDE THE PILOT IN SIGHT

Summer is definitely here and if you're planning on having that backyard barbecue, why not try it Hawaiian style. We've got all the tips you'll need to put on the perfect luau. See Page A5

COMMUNITY **FORUM**

They're not mashed, fried or scalloped but Carmel Dyer has whipped up a good thing with her Australian battered potatoes See Page A11



SPORTS

The Back Bay trail serves as a sanctuary for exerc enthusiasts of all ages See Page B1

TOP STORY

Candy, carousels and, yep, ID cards

Booths at the fair offer parents a way to keep important information about their children in case of emergency.

Lolita Harper Daily Pilot

FAIRGROUNDS - Emerchild identification sheets are something every parent hopes they never use but is something they can't afford to be without.

Two booths at the Orange County Fair, the Orange County Sheriff's Department and the Masons of California,

offer free identification sheets, with pictures, thumb prints and DNA for parents to keep in case their worst nightmare comes true.

"Parents can put these [sheets] away in a safe place and hope they never need them," said Mason Al Korn, who helped man the booth Saturday afternoon.

Aunt Patty Thews said she and her nieces and nephew were walking along and the Masons recruited them. It sounded like a good idea and the children were anxious to get their thumbs scanned, so

they gave it a try.

"Cool that was fun," nephew
Austin Dodge said.



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3-month-old Andrew De Sevilla of Montebello gets his fingerprints taken with the Mason Hi Tech Child ID Program with a little help See CHILDREN, Page A8 from his mother, Bernadine, at the O.C. Fair Saturday.

WEEK IN REVIEW

COSTA MESA

Council leaves field use study to commission

Two council members said they are not interested in discussing a controversy over athletic field use at California Elementary and TeWinkle Middle schools any further. At a joint study session with the Parks and Recreation Commission Monday, council members Libby Cowan and Mike Scheafer say they don't see a need for the council to consider the issue. So the commission and city staff will continue to work with residents in the area who are concerned about field overuse and related problems.

· Councilman Chris Steel appealed the expansion of the softball fields at TeWinkle Park on behalf of the Mesa del Mar Homeowners Assn. Residents in the neighborhood said they weren't notified about the potential changes and are not happy with plans to remove 36 mature trees to expand some of the fields.

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POLITICS

Maddox to stick with Nichols endorsement

Comments from Newport Beach Councilman Dick Nichols spilled over into the offices of Newport-Mesa's two assemblyman. The offices of Ken Maddox and John Campbell were flooded with calls and e-mails responding to Nichols' criticism of Campbell.

Nichols, in explaining why he endorsed Maddox, criticized the appointment of openly gay Republican activist Frank Ricchiazzi as "questionable."

Maddox reiterated his support of Nichols, saying he didn't intend to drop the councilman's support from his endorsement list.

· On Thursday evening, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush paid a visit to Newport Beachs' Four Seasons Hotel. The younger brother of President Bush urged GOP supporters to rally California in 2004.

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EDUCATION

UC Irvine students will pay 25% more for school

University of California system officials decided Thursday to raise tuition fees 25% this fall to help make up for fiscal shortcomings the state has handed them. The average in-state student will now pay about \$5,000 per year, though the UC Board of Regents gave UC President Richard Atkinson the option to raise the fees another 5%

NEWPORT BEACH

Recall of councilman dropped on Wednesday

A businessman opted against pursuing an effort to recall City Councilman Dick Nichols on Wednesday, Newport resident Lloyd Ikerd said at a press conference at City Hall that a recall could further damage the community. However, he did announce that he would form a watchdog group to keep an eye on Nichols and an ear on his comments. The councilman drew controversy in June when he said he did not favor grass improvements at Corona del Mar State Beach because they would attract Mexicans, who would end up staying there all day.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK 'HAMMING IT UP AT THE RACES'



The Alaskan Pig Races at the Orange County Fair draws a crowd every year. Cute pigs leaping over hurdles and the sheer determination on their faces to get the prize at the end of the race always produces a good photo. It seems that nothing can deter the pigs from crossing the finish line. But this year, the pigs actually did an about-face and headed in

the opposite direction; drawing boos from the crowd and

disbelief from the race announcer.

How did this happen? Photographer Kent Treptow's camera with it's big lens was something the pigs must have never seen before because the mere sight of it sent the little piggies packing. He was trying to find a new angle of the races by using an ultra-wide angle lens.

- Steve McCrank, photo editor

PUBLIC SAFETY Accidents occur on two Orange County Fair rides

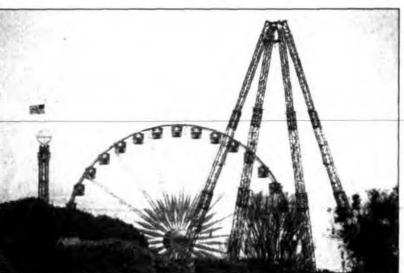
State officials are investigating two accidents at the Orange County Fair both of which happened Sunday within hours of each other on rides right next to each other.

On Sunday afternoon, 30-year-old Aidyl Sofia-Gonzalez of La Canada Flintridge got hurt on the Adrenaline Drop after the ride's nets failed to break her freefall. On that attraction, riders fall from the trapdoor 110 feet in the air untethered by bungee cords or harnesses. Sofia-Gonzalez was released from the hospital on Monday on crutches. The ride remains closed to fairgoers and under investigation.

The second accident happened on the Booster after a pin came loose and hit 23-year-old Staci Tomack on the face. Her family said she underwent surgery, but ride operators reported that she suffered "a cut." State officials are investigating the extent of her injuries. Fair officials said Tomack declined to take the ambulance and rode with her friend to the hospital.

The Booster was up and running on Tuesday after an inspector from the state Division of Occupational Safety and Health inspected it.

· The district attorney on Friday dropped sex abuse charges against a former Costa Mesa pastor accused of molesting a boy about 25 years ago. Denis Lyons, 69, the pastor of St. John the Baptist Church on Baker



KENT TREPTOW / DAILY PILOT

The Adrenaline Drop, right, looms above other rides at the Orange County Fairgrounds. An investigation is underway to determine why a woman was injured when ride's safety nets failed to completely break her fall.

Street for 18 years, walked out of Harbor Justice Center a free man on Friday, three weeks after a U.S. Supreme Court decision struck down a California law that allows prosecution of old sex crimes.

· The attorney for one of three teenagers accused of gang raping an unconscious 16-year-old girl at a Corona del Mar home last July filed a motion on Tuesday alleging prosecutorial misconduct. Joseph Cavallo, who is defending Greg Haidl, asked in his motion that the case against his client be dismissed

because the district attorney overcharged Haidl and failed to give Cavallo information.

Haidl, Keith Spann and Kyle Nachreiner - who were all 17 at the time of the incident - face 24 counts. If convicted of all charges Greg Haidl, son of Orange County Asst. Sheriff Don Haidl, faces 104 years to life in prison.

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 The state Coastal Commission has decided that city officials will have to rework the Lower Bayview Landing senior housing project because it would affect three areas on the parcel deemed to be wetlands. Plans at the site near Coast Highway and Jamboree Boulevard call for 150 affordable senior homes. If the project does

come into fruition, the city will have to spend \$500,000 more from its affordable housing fund because of Prevailing Wage laws.

· City officials blame antibacterial filters for the rise of bacteria levels in the West Newport channels. Assistant City Manager Dave Kiff said "we may not have used the correct filter

media." When the filters were first installed last year, bacterial levels dropped below the state minimums for the first time ever.

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NOTABLE **OUOTABLES**

"I don't even agree with my wife 100% of the time," Maddox said Monday. "I disagree with the statements, but I'd rather reach out to the man."

 Ken Maddox, a Costa Mesa assemblyman and candidate for state Senate, on retaining Newport Beach Councilman Dick Nichols as one of his endorsements

"I think that Dick Nichols is his own worst enemy and his tirades are going to continue."

- Lloyd Ikerd, a Newport Beach businessman, on dropping his recall efforts, but warning that he will create a watchdog group to keep tabs on the Corona del Mar councilman

"You need to resolve these problems at the source. As long as we're indifferent and silent about it and looking the other way and afraid to deal with it for social and philosophical and political reasons, it's going to be worse and worse, particularly when you invite the immigrant children, and they're innocent, and their tradition is soccer, and once you invite them in, there's a moral obligation to (give them recreation), and this entails more coaches and more fields for soccer."

- Chris Steel, Costa Mesa city councilman, on the overuse of athletic fields in the city

"Being summer, we have the windows open in front. We couldn't notice

- Stephanie Vandelinder, a Mesa del Mar resident who lives near the Pacific Amphitheatre, on being unable to hear the music at the venue that reopened for Orange County Fair concerts

"These young guys, they [complain] all the time.

 John McEnroe, tennis legend known for his constant complaints of judging on the court, on Brian MacPhie, a Newport Beach Breakers tennis team player

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SURF AND SUN

WEATHER FORECAST

Fog that developed overnight will stick around in the morning. Otherwise expect mostly sunny conditions with highs about 75 at the beaches and as high as 92 degrees inland. Tonight, areas of clouds and fog will be prevalent after midnight. Lows in the 60s. Information:

www.nws.noaa.gov

BOATING FORECAST

Winds in the inner waters will be variable at 10 knots or less, changing to 10 to 15 knots in the afternoon. Waves at 2 feet or less and western swells at 2 to 4 feet and southern

wells at 3 feet. Out farther, wins will be from the northwest at 10 to 15 knot with wind waves at 2 ft. and swells from 3 to 5 feet

from the west and south. Expect patchy fog to develop

The southwest swell that was very short-lived is dropping off but, if you look, you can find some larger waistto shoulder-high sets at the best west facing spots today and Monday. Southwest periods are

averaging 14 seconds from 175

On the horizon, expect some northwest windswells but no groundswells, Tuesday

through next weekend. Water quality: www.surfrider.org

TIDES

8:50 a.m. 3:54 p.m. 10:45 p.m. 3:56 a.m.

1.38 feet low 4.50 feet high 2.15 feet low 3.08 feet high

WATER TEMPERATURE

70 degrees

LOOKING BACK

Keeping with tradition at the fair

Sankey family has been coming opening day of the Orange County Fair since 1993.

Lolita Harper Daily Pilot

From "We're Having Bushels of Fun" in 1993 to "Red, Ripe and Rockin'" the Sankey family has been coming to opening day at the fair for 10

Mother Paula Sankey said it is a tradition that started when her oldest was just a baby. It was July 1993 and the fair was saluting crops and vegetables for its 101st fair. Sankey took her little one to

the face-painting booth for her inaugural "fair experience." She didn't remember what the painting was but she remembered the booth and has gone back every year for the same artistic touch.

"He has watched my children grow up," Paula said.

Ten years ago the fair included an educational packet with vegetable fact sheets, planting tips, Guinness vegetable records, a farm fact quiz and coloring for elementary school-aged chil-

dren. Sankey's only daughter was too young for the material but it wouldn't be long before the children would read the fair theme themselves.

There was a petting zoo, the livestock display, plenty of rides and food and concerts. The Pacific Ampitheatre was still up and run-

ning.

The decade of fair-going tradition has come full circle as the theme is once again vegetable themed — this time its tomatoes — and the Pacific Ampitheatre made its big comeback with a blockbuster list of performances.

Lauren Sankey, 7, said she enjoyed the tradition, although she doesn't remember her first trip to the fair. She has seen pictures and looks forward to it every year. Each summer, the family adds more memories to their opening day archives.

Lauren proudly showed off the colorful dragon painted on her face and this year stepped up the body art to a temporary tattoo.

Ten years at the Orange County Fair is just the beginning of the Sankey family tradition, Paula Sankey said.

"We'll be back again next year too."

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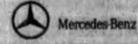
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with approximately 40 parcels and expanded to 60 around 2000, Taylor said.

The city maintains the general area and provides water and a bathroom facility. The garden basically takes care of itself, Taylor said.

'We don't come out that much except to clean weeds and make sure everyone is following a few simple rules.

The guidelines include being considerate of your neighbors and not putting up something so high that it casts shade on nearby plots, Taylor explained.

Each gardener gets a 15' x 13' parcel. The one feature they all crave is sunlight, Klemm said.

Not enough sun in her own backyard is one of the reasons Cheryl Duff had her eye on a coveted spots at the community garden. She has a great backyard, she said, but it's not conducive to growing vegetables. So like a gardener nurturing her seeds, she waited patiently - for three years until she got a space at the Del Mar garden.

"I was very excited," Duff said. "We walk over to the swap meet every weekend for exercise and I would see this and say, 'I want a garden.

Gardening is in her son's blood as well.

Richard May, 34, found out he finally scored a plot on the first day of spring, after waiting a whole year. After he and his girlfriend spent the last few months diligently digging, they are now reaping the rewards

summer squash, tomatoes, cucumbers and beans.

"It's phenomenal," May said. "It's really rewarding. I've had small vegetable gardens, but this is the first time I've had a large vegetable garden."

DIFFERENT SEEDS FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS

Each gardener designs their plot based on their interests and the amount of sunlight available.

Klemm is partial to flowers like New Dawn roses - which start out as a vibrant pink color and then fade into a softer shade of pink - and vegetables like lettuce and arugula.

"I try to keep a few flowers for my soul, and the rest are vegetables for eating," Klemm said, as she munched on some

Tuesday, Klemm came to the garden for a practical purpose to gather some lettuce for sandwiches a friend was making for a picnic at a jazz concert later that night.

"[The lettuce] is kind of at its prime right now," Klemm said. It's good oak leaf lettuce. I (plant) stuff that I can't find in he grocery store.

Duff said the first thing she planted was corn, since that's what her grandfather used to

"But it only grew one ear on each stalk," Duff lamented.

So she diversified. Now her plot contains watermelon, cantaloupe, pumpkins, carrots and sweet peas. She came Tuesday to remove the sweet peas because it is the end of their season and to replace them with green beans.

Once a week her "adopted" granddaughter - the granddaughter of a good friend - comes and helps her tend her garden. She zeroes right in on the succulent strawberries, Duff said.

"Everything here is ready to be picked," Duff said. "She eats them as soon as she can."

MORE THAN PRACTICAL

While many consider their gardens a place to connect with the earth and grow what they can eat, some use their plots to teach life skills.

Goodwill Industries of Orange County maintains three spaces so their disabled clients can have a hands-on activity and learn where fruits and vegetables come from.

"It's an activity and it gets them out of the house and doing something," said Kim Tran, a training specialist. "They learn how to make a plan.

After planning what they want to grow in their garden, the clients go shopping at Home Depot, pick out the seeds and help plant them.

Their gardens contain a varied bounty, including red and green peppers, strawberries and cucumbers.

They come twice a week after working in the Goodwill Store on 19th Avenue. First, they have a relaxing lunch in a shady area. Then, they start working.

On Tuesday, Mui Lau watered one of the plots. Smiling and laughing as she watered, Lui was assisted by Tran, who helped direct her where to aim the hose.

When the fruits and vegetables they have cultivated have grown, Lau and the others



Mui Lau of Costa Mesa, a client of Goodwill Industries of Orange County, waters vegetables at Del Mar Community garden as part of a program to teach people with special needs life skills

get to take them home.

HEARTY AND HEALTHY

Many of the gardeners tout the healthful benefits of growing their own fruits and vegetables.

Duff grows parsley for its beneficial properties.

"It's a natural diuretic, so it's good for cleansing," Duff said. "I use it everyday. That's why I grow it in abundance. I try to do everything as close to herbal as possible.

And May likes that no pesticides are allowed.

"It's all organic, so you don't have to worry about the health factor," May said. "You could probably feed a family off the veggies you get there.

PUBLIC SAFETY

COSTA MESA

· Airway Avenue: A vehicle burglary was reported in the 3100 block at 2:32 p.m. Thursday.

· Coolidge Avenue: A vehicle burglary was reported in the 3000 block at 5:11 p.m. Thursday

 Harbor Boulevard: Petty theft was reported in the 3100 block at 6:32 p.m. Thursday

 Harbor Boulevard and Wilson Street: A hit-and-run was reported

at 7:31 p.m. Thursday. Newport Boulevard: Possession of drugs was reported in the 1900 block at 10:15 p.m. Thursday.

NEWPORT BEACH

 West Coast Highway and Superior Avenue: A traffic accident involving injuries was reported at 12:40 p.m. Friday.

· Irvine Avenue: An auto theft was reported in the 900 block at 2:44 p.m. Friday.

 Ocean Boulevard and Poppy Avenue: Petty theft was reported at 4:45 p.m. Friday

 Santiago Drive: A home burglary was reported in the 2200 block at 1:45 p.m. Friday.

COMMENTS

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few that qualify as serious drama are always about the gritty world of boxing: "Raging Bull," "Requiem for a Heavyweight," "The Bigger They Are, The Harder They Fall" and "Golden Boy." "The Bigger They Are . . . " was Bogart's last movie, by the way. And do you know who wrote "Requiem for a Heavyweight"? Rod Serling. Interesting,

But let's return to Byrne. Hey, I was a poet and I didn't know it.

Jeff Byrne is bright, permanently stuck on fast forward and extremely vertical, at six feet, eight inches. He was a basketball standout at Estancia High School, then bounced around college basketball (get it? "bounced around?") for five years before returning to Costa Mesa and

setting up his tent as a strength and conditioning trainer. I don't know what that is, but it sounds like it's hard and it hurts, which is probably why I am neither strong nor conditioned.

Jeff is also making a run at becoming a tight end in the National Football League. Yes, the NFL. He tried out for Orange County's semi-pro football team, the Makos and got a spot on the team, never having played football in his life. Very Byrne. As Jeff's reputation as a highly effective, if not somewhat crazed, trainer grew, boxing promoters started sending fighters to him to become bigger, faster and stronger, not necessarily in that

At that point, enter an experienced promoter named Ed Steinfeld, who was a key player in a long-running series of fight nights at a notel in a nearby city, which shall remain unnamed, except that it's south of Newport Beach and

starts with an I. That was the start of "Uppercut Boxing" and a lot of planning, hard work and sheer nerve later, the wham bam world of boxing moves to Costa Mesa and checks into the Hilton next Saturday night with a flurry of jabs, crosses and uppercuts. That's another thing I like about boxing. There's a lot of lingo: jabs, crosses, uppercuts, bantamweight, heavyweight, this weight, that weight.

Do you know how an uppercut works? I found this terribly British explanation in a BBC Sports guide to boxing: "You bring the uppercut up and it comes underneath your opponent's jaw, who can't see it coming and it does look very dramatic. It's more effective when you're fighting inside."

I don't get it. What does whether you're fighting inside or outdoors have to do

The main event on Saturday night will

feature USBO Super Middleweight Champ Willie "Slick Willie" (it's a different one) Stewart, with an 18-0 record and 10 knockouts

And for those of you who think it's all about super macho-manly men glaring at each other and making unpleasant noises, it's important to note that a lot of the action in pro boxing today is a girl thing. There will be a number of female boxers in action Saturday night, including the Junior Bantamweight Women's Champion, Para Draine, who I think should retain the title based on her name alone.

So that's the deal: Saturday night, Costa Mesa Hilton, the sweet science, black tie and boxing. And remember, never, ever use an uppercut outside. I gotta go.

• PETER BUFFA is a former Costa Mesa mayor. His column runs Sundays. He may be reached by e-mail at PtrB4 @ aol.com.

Ruth Ellen Earle

OBITUARY

Services will be held Foothill Family Church at 11 a.m. Monday in Foothill Ranch for Ruth Ellen Earle, who died Wednesday of ovarian cancer. Ms. Earle was born on Feb. 16, 1939, in Deer Park, Ohio. She lived in Costa Mesa for 35 years and worked as a substitute teacher in the area. Ms. Earle is survived by hermother Mildred Altemeier; sons David and-Dan Earle; and daughters Karen, Kathy and Melody Earle.

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SAILING CLASSES Orange Coast College is

offering new credit and noncredit sailing classes this summer. Most classes are five weeks in length, and boats range from Lido 14 dinghies to large ocean racers, even keelboats. Cruising seminars are also being taught. The OCC Sailing Center is at 1801 W. Pacific Coast Highway, Newport Beach. (949) 645-9412 or visit occsailing.com.

Sailing Fascination offers classes in boating safety and sailing year-round for persons with disabilities. Free. (949) 640-1678.

Orange County employers can bring their employees out to Newport Beach on weekdays to enjoy a day of sailing courtesy of Orange Coast College. The School of Sailing and Seamanship now offers a chance for groups to work with the on-board instructor on different sailing techniques while they get advice on how to perform well in business. No sailing experience necessary. One-day classes cost from \$100 to \$125. (949) 645-9412.

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include boats, trivia questions, maps, Polaroid cameras and supplies. The cost of a hunt begins at \$225 per boat and catering is available at an additional rate. For hunt reservations, call (949) 673-7200.

by the hour at Duffy Electric Boats, 2001 W. Coast Highway, Newport Beach. All boats are equipped with window enclosures and CD players. Ice and cups are provided. Reservations are suggested. An hour rental is \$75. (949) 645-6812.

Electric boat rentals are available

Pedal boats, electric boats, boogie boards, kayaks, inflatable rafts, catamarans, beach furniture and wetsuits are available for rent at Resort Water Sports at Newport Dunes. (949) 729-1150.

Gondola tours are offered by the Gondola Co. of Newport, 3400 Via Oporto, Suite 102-B. The \$75 cost includes a basket of bread, cheese, salami, ice, glasses, a blanket, music and a Polaroid picture. Wine is also available. (949) 675-1212.

Gondola Adventures/Newport, 3101 W. Coast Highway, offers one- and two-hour gondola cruises. A one-hour tour with champagne is \$70. A two-hour tour with dinner and champagne is \$180. Pickup is available at waterfront restaurants. (949) 675-4984.

Irvine Coast Charters in Lido Marina Village offers two-hour electric boat cruises with a gourmet dinner. \$180 for two persons. (949) 675-4704.

Gondola Romance offers daily tours of Newport Harbor during lunch and dinner. Call (949) 675-4730. The tours go out of Lido Marina Village, 3400 Via Oporto, Newport Beach.

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CRUISES *

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Nora Teresa Gonzalez Maher Nora Teresa Gonzalez Maher, of Costa Mesa, CA. was killed in an automobile accident on July 15, 2003. There is no doubt in the mind of the family, that after being summoned by God, Nora stayed to protect the other five family members traveling in the car, who walked away relatively untouched. Born in Diriamba, Nicaragua on August 28, 1930, she moved to Los Angeles in the 1950's. While residing in a catholic

boarding house, she met her future husband, Peter Donald Maher III. They were married on April 14, 1956 in Managua. As newly-weds they lived in Annapolis, Maryland, before finally settling down in what would become their "true home"- Costa Mesa. Following a brief stint in England, they returned to Costa Mesa with the family, which had now grown to seven members. To Nora, family was everything, and everyone she met became a member of that family. Nora was always active in the community; her most noteworthy accomplishment was co-founding "Save The Youth" (SOY). In addition to doting on her five children and ten grandchildren, she worked as a pre-school teacher, instructional aide at Pomona School, a migrant home-school aide, and an incoming student evaluator for the Newport-Meaa School District She was an insatiable gardener and was famous for her "secret" garden. She was well known in her Franciscan parish, Saints Simon & Jude, in Huntington Beach. She was always thirsting for knowledge. At the age of 71, she entered the age of technology - attending computer school up to 14 hours a week. She and her husband traveled throughout the U.S. and Europe, and one of her fondest memories was a visit to the Holy Land. She is survived by her husband, Don; daughter, Kalia Codde of Leesburg, VA.; four sons, Peter Donald IV of Kennewick, WA.; Edward Alexander of Costa Mesa; John Karl of Corpus Christi, TX; Richard Augustine of Hollywood, CA.; a brother J. Roman Gonzales of Hialeah, FL and ten beautiful grandchildren. Friends may call Monday, July 21, 2003, 6-9 PM, Recitation of the Rosary 7:00 PM at Dilday Brothers Mortuary, 17911 Beach Blvd., Huntington Beach. Mass of Christian Burial, Tuesday, July 22, 2003, 10:00 AM, Sts. Simon & Jude Church, Huntington Beach. Interment following at Ascension Cemetery, El Toro. Dilday Brothers Mortuary assisting the family. (714) 842-7771.



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east & Aloha

A backyard luau brings the islands home

Take your senses on a trip to Hawaii in just four simple steps



The taste

you ask Chris Garnier, head chef at Roy's restaurant in Newport Beach, what the most important element of a luau is, without hesitation, he'll say, "The company." Luaus are all about spending time with 'ohana and hanging loose, Hawaiian-style. But the feast comes in a close second and is essential to a successful island get-together.

Traditionally, a pig is roasted in an imu, or underground oven heated by hot rocks, but it's definitely not necessary to dig up the backyard to create the great tastes of Hawaii at home. To feed your guests a variety of island flavors, think pūpū platters. Pūpū is the Hawaiian word for appetizers or finger foods.

Foods appropriate for pupu combine the diverse cultures that make up Hawaii. Sushi, potato chips, crispy wontons, peanuts and macadamia nuts will please your guests' palates. And of course, have a variety of fresh tropical fruits available, especially pineapple, which is best when cut in long spears. The outer shell can be halved to use as a serving boat.

Roy's Wood-Smoked Szechwan-Style

5 tablespoons white miso (shiro miso)

tablespoons minced ginger

tablespoons minced garlic

1 tablespoon chile paste with garlic

2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley

2 tablespoons minced fresh cilantro

Combine marinaded ingredients in a

Place the pork ribs in a large saucepan

Remove the ribs, and reserve the broth to

prepare the grill and soak some kiawe or

over the wood chips on a covered grill

until nicely browned and smoky (about

15 to 20 minutes). Serve with extra

Szechwan marinade on the side.

Brush the ribs again with the marinade before roasting, and slowly cook the ribs

Baby Back Pork Ribs Serves 4

Szechwan marinade:

cup hoisin sauce

tablespoons sake

2 teaspoons sugar

(preferably Lan Chi brand)

3 quarts chicken stock

1/2 tablespoons soy sauce

21/2 pounds baby back pork ribs

1 tablespoon minced ginger

2 teaspoons minced garlic

bowl and refrigerate overnight.

with the chicken stock, ginger, garlic, parsley and cilantro, and simmer for

freeze for another time. Immediately

about 30 minutes, or until tender

brush the ribs with the Szechwan

mesquite wood chips in water in preparation for smoking the ribs.

marinade, and let cool. Meanwhile

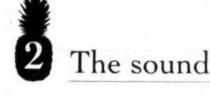
Hard-to-find Hawaiian and Japanese products can be found at Marukai Asian and Hawaiian Grocery at 2975 Harbor Blvd. in Costa Mesa. You can pick up premade pūpū there or visit L&L Hawaiian Barbecue inside the market and get your pupu catered.

For especially tasty and satisfying pūpū, try these treats from Roy's, which specializes in gourmet Hawaiian cuisine and is known throughout the islands. These recipes can be multiplied to serve everyone at your party.



wo pupu platters from Roy's ah poke topped with avocado and tobiko caviar, left, and wood-smoked Szechwan-style baby back

pork ribs. At right, a Roy's mai tai



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Keep this in mind There are only 12 letters in the Hawaiian alphabet A is "ah" as in father

E is "ay" as in say I is "ee" as in see O is "oh" as in throw

U is "oo" as in moon H, K, L, M, N, P and W are pronounced as in

Pepper your conversations with these Hawaiian words and phrases

A hui hou! - Goodbye! See you later! Aikane - friend, pal, buddy; friendly aloha - love, greetings, goodbye, pity, compassion, mercy, affection, farewell; spirit of love, affection, kindness Aloha wau iā 'oe - I love you Hau'oli La Hanau! - Happy Birthday! honi-kiss

Ho'omaika'il - Congratulations! kāne - male, husband, man

keiki - child

kolohe - rascal, mischievous, naughty; prankster

kupuna - grandparent, elders, ancestors ku'uipo - my sweetheart mahalo - "thanks," gratitude mele - song; to sing

nani - beautiful, pretty; beauty 'ohana - family, immediate and/or extended. Extremely important in Hawaiian culture. pua - flower

The feel

The ambience of the islands is easy to achieve.

find at big book and music stores, or even small specialty

Your guests will really feel the island experience if they

become part of the props. Aloha shirts are a must for men.

As for seating, almost anything goes. Having low tables

benches works just as well. Fishing nets, bamboo placemats

and ti leaves all make excellent table coverings. The sides of

tables can be covered with grass skirts or raffia

while wahines can go native in grass skirts or mu'umu'us.

Music tops the list in the mood-creator category.

Slack-key guitar or tribal drumming CDs are easy to

Wahine - woman, wife, female



1 pound sashimi-grade ahi (tuna), cut into small equal-size cubes

roasted sesame oil to taste

furikake to taste! truffle oil to taste (extra virgin olive oil

may be substituted) ¼ medium Japanese cucumber, peeled, seeded & fine diced

2 tablespoons red onion, finely diced dash of soy sauce

2 tablespoons Kalware sprouts,

1 large Hass avocado, peeled, seeded and cut into small cubes

Mix carefully all ingredients except avocado - do not mix too much. Gently

mix in avocado. Adjust flavor and add salt to taste. Should be mixed right before serving dish. Garnish as desired.

Roy's Mai Tai 1 ounce Bacardi rum

% ounce orange curacao 6 ounce amaretto 2 ounces pineapple juice 1 ounce sweet 'n' sour splash Lahiana Special dark rum (may

substitute Myers) garnish: slice of fresh pineapple w/

skin, a pineapple leaf, lime wedge and a

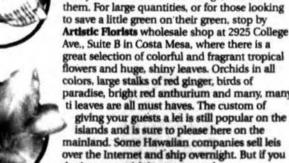
Place ice cubes in a tall glass, add rum, curacao, amaretto, pineapple juice, sweet 'n' sour, and stir. Splash a float of dark rum, squeeze lime and place pineapple garnish on rim, add straws.



If the gathering of Hawaiian goods seems daunting, give yourself over to the House of Tiki at 1860 Newport Blvd. in Costa Mesa. Owner Wes Johnson provides luau rentals ranging from a single extra-large tiki statue to complete party packages that can include a thatched-roof bamboo bar, tiki statues, reed fencing, masks, strings of tiki lights, torches and fake palm trees.

House of Tiki also has the details down. Hawaiian-themed napkins, coconut cups, tiki mugs, scented candles, lanterns, shell leis and much more can be found there.

You've got the clothes. You've got the torches and the tikis. But for a true Hawaiian feel, you need flowers and foliage, and lots of



paradise, bright red anthurium and many, many ti leaves are all must haves. The custom of giving your guests a lei is still popular on the islands and is sure to please here on the mainland. Some Hawaiian companies sell leis over the Internet and ship overnight. But if you don't want to risk it, you can order sweet-smelling leis from Artistic Florists or even make them yourself from blossoms.

And to the wahines: A hibiscus behind the ear

is always attractive, but do it right. If you are single, put the flower behind your right ear. If you are romantically-involved, put the flower behind your left ear, closest to your heart.



The sights

ancing is always the most fun and exciting part of the luau. The hula is an expressive, indigenous Hawalian dance done by men and women. There are many how-to hula videos on the market. Teach

yourself and then share with your guests.

If possible humiliation doesn't sound like fun, hire professionals.

Tekurio Nul Polynesian Dance and Drum Studio in Casta Mesa is the place to go to hire a whole hula dancing troupe to entertain at your party. Visit their Web site at www.tekurionul.com.



CHECK IT OUT

Navigating the nautical collection

hile a smattering of cities may be as synonymous with the sea as Newport Beach, few can boast a nautical collection that rivals the one housed at Balboa

Branch Library.
With resources for sailors, boat builders and armchair mariners, the collection reflects the interests of a community proud of its nautical history. In addition to books, it includes current and historical magazines, videocassettes, audiobooks

and information on nautical Web sites and local yacht clubs.

DVDs have now been added to the shelves, including such "how to" titles as "Anchoring Your Boat" and "Sailing With Confidence" from the Better Boating series. You can view renowned sailor John Rousmaniere demonstrating sailing and seamanship skills on "The Annapolis Book of Seamanship." Or,

prepare for one of the ultimate tests of boating ability with help from "U.S. Coast Guard License Boating Course."

If you didn't make it to Hawaii last week to witness the conclusion of Transpac 2003, watch "Transpac: A Century Across the Pacific." With dramatic color footage,

this two-hour documentary tracks the history of the 42nd Los Angeles to Honolulu race.

Among new and updated books, there's no better source of information about popular production sailboats U.S. COAST GUARD LIGENSE analy than the si this corevier bistori

Sailor's Practical
Boat Buying." Find
analyses of more
than 200 vessels in
the sixth edition of
this compendium of
reviews, company
histories and owner
feedback.
Equally

indispensable for hands-on mariners is "The Boater's Handbook." Recently revised and updated, the new edition incorporates tables, charts, line drawings and a wealth of useful Internet addresses.

For those reluctant to rely on wind power, "Sorensen's Guide to Powerboats" provides tips for evaluating design, construction and performance of fresh and saltwater boats. With information about what each type does well or poorly, what to look for in each, and

hundreds of reviews, this in-depth guide is an all-in-one source for buyers and owners. Looking for entertainment

and escape without getting

near a boat? Check out

actually lived.

"Wayward Sailor: In Search of the Real Tristan Jones." In an absorbing, thoroughly researched account of the nautical adventurer who died in 1995, Anthony Dalton details the life Jones created for himself and the one he

Turn to maritime historian Joan Druett for other secrets of the sea, plumbed in "In the Wake of Madness: the Murderous Voyage of the Whaleship Sharon." Based on recently

unearthed journals of the ship's cooper and third mate, this is a riveting account of the murder at sea of one of the most ruthless captains to sail the high seas. Without going overboard in capturing the darkness of the events, Druett delivers a nautical thriller that reads like a real life "Moby Dick."

• CHECK IT OUT is written by the staff of the Newport Beach Public Library. This week's column is by Melissa Adams in collaboration with Phyllis Scheffler. All titles may be reserved from home or office computers by accessing the catalog at www.newportbeachlibrary.org.

GETTING INVOLVED

 GETTING INVOLVED runs periodically in the Daily Pilot on a rotating basis. For information on adding your organization to this list, call (949) 574-4298.

ACADEMIC YEAR IN AMERICA Costa Mesa families can host a German student and earn up to \$1,000 toward a number of travel-abroad programs. Danielle Carpino, (800) 322-HOST.

ALS ASSN., ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

The Amyotrophic Lateral
Sclerosis Assn., which helps
individuals who have the disorder
that is also known as Lou Gehrig's
disease, needs volunteers. (714)
375-1922.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSN. OF ORANGE COUNTY

Support group leaders, Visiting Volunteers, family resource consultants and office volunteers are needed. Volunteers may work on one-time projects or ongoing programs. Training sessions are available. (800) 660-1993.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

The Orange County Region of the American Cancer Society seeks office volunteers. The society also seeks volunteers to answer calls for the unit's Helpline InfoCenter. (949) 261-9446.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY DISCOVERY SHOP

The American Cancer Society
Discovery Shop needs unwanted
goods such as clothing, furniture,
jewelry, accessories, antiques and
collectibles to fund the society's
research, education and patient
services programs. The goods
may be dropped off at 2600 E.

Coast Highway, Corona del Mar. Volunteers are also needed from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the same location. (949) 640-4777.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY ROAD TO RECOVERY

The transportation program needs volunteers to drive cancer patients to and from medical treatments free of charge. The required commitment is a few hours each week or month. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and insurance and be at least 25. Volunteers may use either their own vehicles or American Cancer Society vans. (949) 261-9446 or

scomer@cancer.org.
The American Cancer Society is also looking for volunteer speakers for its Speakers Bureau program, which offers a free service to communities, schools and corporations by providing trained speakers to address

cancer issues. The organization will train all interested volunteers at a special session on Dec. 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Spectrum Club, 1535 Deerpark Drive in Fullerton. For reservations, call Florence Dann at (949) 567-0604 by Nov. 22.

AMERICAN HEART ASSN.

The American Heart Assn. is looking for volunteers to perform various general office duties in the main office and implement educational and fund-raising events through Orange County. No experience necessary. Training will be provided. (949) 856-3555.

AMERICAN HOME HEALTH HOSPICE PROGRAM

The American Home Health Hospice Program needs volunteers to give emotional support to terminally ill patients and their families in the greater Orange County area. Training is provided. (714) 550-0800 or (800) 540-2545.

AMERICAN RED CROSS, ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

The chapter needs volunteers to address community groups about Red Cross services and to act as liaisons with the media in disaster and emergency situations. Lynn Howes, (714) 481-5376.

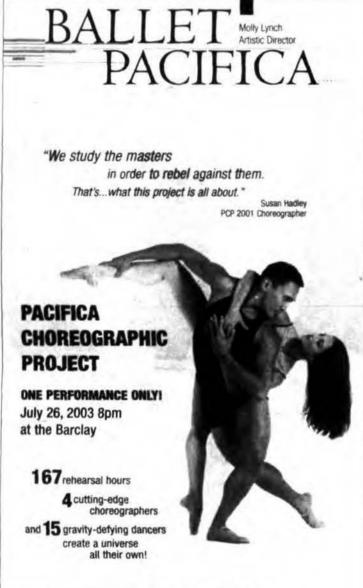
ANIMAL NETWORK OF ORANGE COUNTY

Become a bottle-feeder or take in pregnant cats at your home. Many shelters kill pregnant cats upon arrival. Dogs and cats are also available for adoption.(949) 759-3646 or www.animalnetwork.org.

ASSISTANCE LEAGUE

OF NEWPORT-MESA
Volunteers looking for varying
levels of involvement are needed

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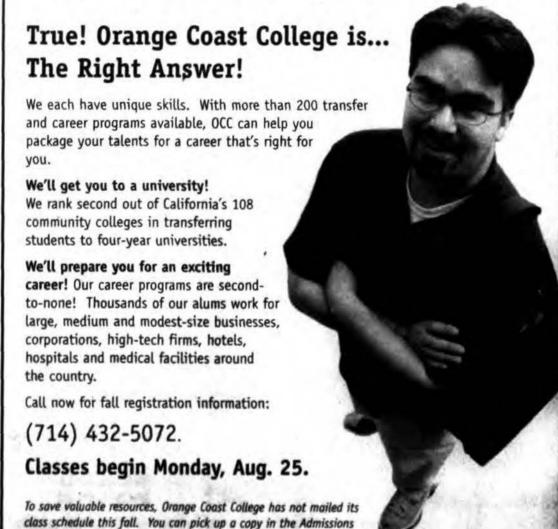


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to help the organization with its goal of helping children in the community. (949) 645-6929.

ASSN. RENAISSANCE CREATORS

The Costa Mesa group sponsors and supports outreach community service programs, such as the homeless sanctuary. Volunteers are needed. (714) 540-5803.

BEST BUDDIES

The nonprofit organization is looking for volunteers 18 and older to provide companionship for adults with developmental disabilities. As a "Citizen Buddy," volunteers will visit with a buddy twice a month and call or e-mail them once a week. The organization also has an e-Buddies program that forms friendships entirely over the Internet. Volunteers for that program must be at least 12 years old. (714) 546-1826 or www.bestbuddies.org.

BIG BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS

The local chapter is looking for men and women older than 20 who have lived in Orange County for at least six months and have been on the job for at least three months to serve as big brothers or big sisters for children ages 6 to 16 from single-parent homes. (714) 544-7773.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA INC.

Volunteer opportunities for the **Orange County Council include** fund-raising, program development and training to existing troops and packs. (714)

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF NEWPORT-MESA

The three area clubs need volunteer coaches and arts and crafts workshop teachers. Call for locations. (949) 642-2245.

BRAILLE INSTITUTE'S ORANGE COUNTY CENTER

The nonprofit organization is looking for volunteers with a basic knowledge of Windows 95/98, Microsoft Word and a willingness to learn the adaptive equipment used by its students to participate in various activities at the Oasis Senior Center in Corona del Mar. Volunteers will tutor legally blind adult students using computers and other adaptive technology. Mary Johnson, (714) 821-5000, ext.

CAMP LAUREL FOUNDATION

Camp Laurel is seeking volunteer counselors and medical staff for Summer Camp and Teen Adventure Camp. The organization is dedicated to providing educational camping programs free of charge to children living with HIV and AIDS. Call (323) 653-5005.

COMPANION HOSPICE

The Hospice is now recruiting volunteers to become a friend for someone who needs that extra special caring at the end-of-life. Become a member of a team whose goal is to promote quality of life and comfort measures. Each applicant will receive 16 hours of orientation and training. For more information, call (714) 560-8177 or e-mail volunteers@ CompanionHospice.com.

COMMUNITY ANIMAL **NETWORK**

The network needs volunteers to help control the rising population of wild cats in local neighborhoods. Volunteers would trap and deliver cats to local veterinarians for spaying or neutering, and then release them back to the property where they were found. The goal of the program is to save the lives of stray cats. (949) 759-3646.

COSTA MESA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The society preserves and promotes the history of Costa Mesa and the harbor area. Volunteers are needed for the archives, library, museum, docent and public outreach programs. (949) 631-5918

COSTA MESA LITERACY COUNCIL

The Costa Mesa Literacy Center needs volunteer tutors to teach English as a second language. People who want to learn English as a second language are also encouraged to call. Call to register. (714) 435-3310 or (714) 545-3445.

LITERACY PROGRAM

The program is always in need of volunteer tutors. No professional teaching experience is required. To attain certification, a series of training classes must be completed. For more information, contact Literary Services at the Newport Beach Library, (949) 717-3874.

COSTA MESA MS SELF-HELP GROUP

The Orange County chapter of the national Multiple Sclerosis Society has started a new self-help group in Costa Mesa for people newly diagnosed or with minimal symptoms of multiple sclerosis, or both. The group meets at 11 a.m. the second Tuesday of every month. (949) 650-7659.

COSTA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Seniors 55 and older are invited to help staff the Westside substation. Volunteers are asked to work two four-hour daytime shifts per week. They would be responsible for answering phones, bicycle registration, fingerprinting, data entry and assisting with other citywide projects. Seniors who can speak Spanish and English are also needed. Call for an application. Fred Gaeckler, (714) 754-5208.

COSTA MESA SENIOR CENTER

The multipurpose senior services facility at the corner of 19th Street and Pomona Avenue seeks volunteers who can greet members and the public at the front desk and volunteers for the Resource Department with Excel computer experience and sharp telephone skills. The Senior Meals program also needs people to deliver meals to homes. (949) 645-2356.

COSTA MESA SENIOR CORP.

The nonprofit organization at the Costa Mesa Senior Center is looking for new board members. The fund-raising and policymaking board needs volunteers who will participate in monthly meetings, occasional committee meetings and special projects. Candidates should have conhections in Costa Mesa and surrounding communities and an interest in serving the community by helping senjors. (949) 645-2356, ext. 16.

COURT-APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

Volunteers are needed to serve as advocates for abused, neglected and abandoned children. Volunteers work one on one with a child for three hours a week. (714) 663-9034.

CRISIS ASSISTANCE

PROGRAM INC. The nonprofit organization is seeking volunteers for its expanding trauma response program. Some volunteers assist law enforcement, firefighters and other emergency-type responders by providing emotional first aid and support to injured or traumatized people. Other volunteers provide dispatch and office support. No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. (949) 588-1414.

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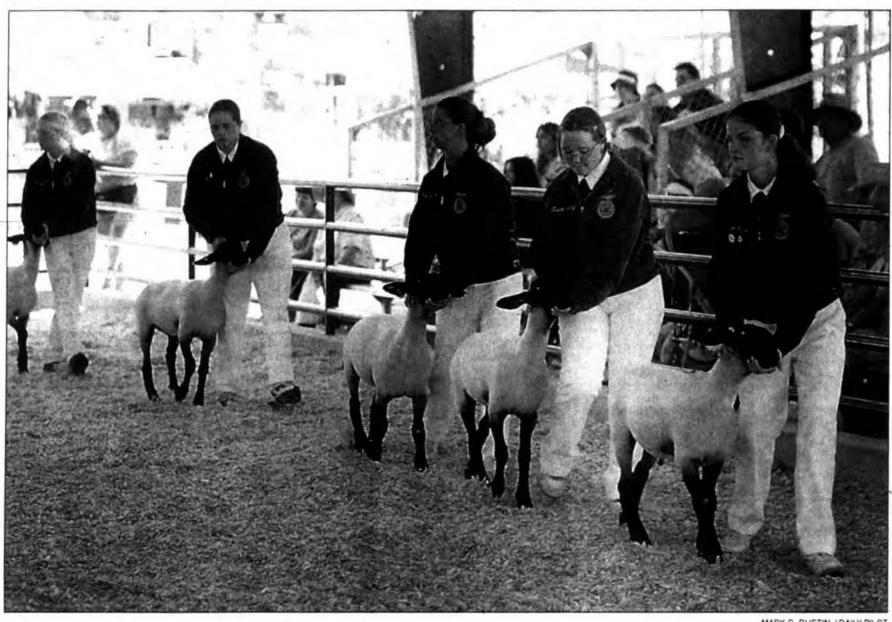




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Contestants for the Class 1 FFA Single Market Lambs contest parade around the Livestock Arena with their Lambs at the Orange County Fairgrounds Tuesday.

No kidding around

Goat judging at the Orange County Fair provides lessons for participants, some of which are hard earned

Tom Forquer Daily Pilot

he midday heat of the Orange County Fair was saturated by kids crying "maa" as they behaved like animals. Listening to the cries were not frustrated mothers but children making final preparations for the Junior Market and Showmanship goat judging.

Last week's event marked the culmination of a process that began three months earlier when youth involved in Future Farmers of America and 4-H purchased their goats and began their projects.

Getting a goat to show it's loins to a judge can be tricky.

Decked out in the white pants and uniforms of their respective organizations, the owners held their goats by the collar in the livestock ring, repeatedly lifting and placing their feet so that they stood squarely, placing back legs in a slightly extended position to give their hindquarters flex.

Out of 18 entries in two weight classes, Roxana Khan of Mission Viejo was deemed market Grand Champion with her goat, Douglass.

"It hasn't really kicked in yet but I'm really excited," she said after the event concluded.

During the showmanship event, the owners were required to lead their goats around the arena, keeping the goat between them and the judge, maintaining continuous eye-contact with one hand tucked behind their back, at times executing a technical hand swapping rotating maneuver similar to a pirouette.

Mission Viejo resident Austen

Palmer shared the secret to success.

"Keep your eye on the judge and make smooth movements," said the owner of goat Captain Cornelius and champion of the showmanship event.

At the end of each event, the judge

announced the placing of the entries, explaining over the PA system the rationale for his decisions, citing both qualities and faults.

Orange resident Jennafer Russel, who's goat Houdini won the heavy-weight class, explains the atmosphere of the judging.

"It's a little nervous because there is a lot of people watching," she said.

All but one entry were from either FFA or 4-H, both organizations that aim to enrich people through agricultural education and projects.

Winslow Mosley, tending to his goat Pinky, a spunky Boer-Nubian cross who at one point in the day escaped and led his owner on a wild goat chase, listed off the daily chores involved in raising a goat.

"Feeding, watering, sanitizing the pen, exercising, making sure the goat is healthy," Mosley said.

Anne Wokenhauer, a recent graduate of Fullerton High School who was returning for the third year in the goat category, found tending to goats similar to caring for canines.

"It's a lot like it, you have to exercise and walk it just like you would a dog," she says, adding "though they don't seem as intelligent."

The conclusion of the process happened Saturday during the livestock auction when the youth got to see how much money their goat would fetch. Though some goats will be purchased for future fairs or pets, most will be slaughtered.

The participants had mixed feelings about the fate of their goats.

"I don't want it to go but I knew this was going to happen when I first started," Khan said.

Russel admits that "It's pretty heartbreaking." She noted however, that this emotional sacrifice is worth it

"I think everyone should know what agriculture is all about," she said, after a brief pause adding that "It's the way of life."



EVENT OF THE DAY

The roll of the ball and the clash of pins can be heard in Costa Mesa again with Free Bowling offered at the fair by the Orange County Bowling Council. Take your best shot and get a certificate to bowl at participating bowling centers.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

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Roxana Khan of Mission Viejo, who was deemed market Grand Champion with her goat Douglass

FAIR ATTENDANCE

Attendance as of 6 p.m. Saturday was 36,083, down by roughly a third from the 53,820 recorded

CHILDREN Continued from A1

As cool as it was, the 9-yearold admitted he wasn't sure what it was for.

"I think it's an [identification] for, like, if you get lost or something," Austin said.

thing," Austin said.

Getting lost would be the best case scenario, officials said. Unfortunately, information on the card can also be used to identify remains. A digital camera takes the child's picture and a scanner copies the prints from the left and right thumb. Parents fill out their child's information, including name, nickname, address, doctors, dentists, weight, height, hair, etc. and attach a swab of DNA on the sheet.

Mason Peter Jantz said the Grand Lodge has sponsored free identification programs since 1994. The service has advanced over the years, from messy ink fingerprints to high-tech digital equipment but the idea remains the same. About 400 children per day are finger-printed, Jantz said, and he hopes to have given a sheet to about 2,000 people by the time the fair is over.

the fair is over.

Bernadine de Sevilla wasted no time getting her son's identification card. Three-month-old Andrew de Sevilla sat in his mother's lap, while she gently placed his tiny thumb on the scanner. She gently tickled his tummy while his picture was being taken and Andrew dis-

played a wide grin of gums.

Officials at the Orange

'Parents can put these [sheets] away in a safe place and hope they never need them.'

Mason Al Korn, who helped man the booth that offers free identification sheets

County Sheriff's Department booth said they could not comment to the press but offered a worksheet for parents to fill out. The handout gives explicit instructions for how to gather a child's DNA, by rubbing a cotton swab on the inside of a child's cheek, and fingerprints.

Both booths are in the Orange County Building at the fair — just east of the Heritage Stage — and will be there for its duration.



Alison Thews, 13, of Lake Forest gets her fingerprints taken with the Mason Hi Tech Child ID Program at the O.C. Fair Saturday.

SEAN HILLER /



ORANGE COUNTY FAIR SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JULY 12

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 Orange County Tole Painters (until 11 p.m.) - Home and **Hobbies Building**

. The Purina Cat Chow Way of Life Experience - A Purina Exhibit and Cat Adoption (until 6 p.m.) - Outside Blue Gate · Crafts (until 8 p.m.) - Youth Building

· "Discover the Fair" Button Program (until 8 p.m.) - Youth Building

· Sock Hop - Kids Stage

11 A.M.

 Tap-A-Rhythm — Heritage Stage

 U.S. Studio of Self Defense — Sun Stage

• Juggler Dan Wiles - Kids Stage Oxen Team Presentation –

Livestock Arena Circus Fun Review Auditions (11:30 a.m.) - Kids Stage

NOON

· Mariachi Festival (until 10 p.m.) - Citizens Business Bank Arena Folkloristas De California

Heritage Stage The Little Gym of Tustin — Sun

. Introduction to Wood Carving with Pat Pagano - Home and **Hobbies Stage**

 Paula Crego-Vocalist — Grass Roots Stage — Floral Building Juggler Dan Wiles

Celebration Stage - Youth Building . Circus Fun Review Show - Kids

· Maureen W. Puppet (12:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.) - Around the grounds

1 P.M.

. Dancers in Motion - Heritage

Stage

· Polynesian Dream - Sun Stage

· Tole and Decorative Painting -Home and Hobbies Stage Art and Woodworking Demonstrations (until 8 p.m.) -

Visual Arts Building Meg Vora — Vocalist. Grass Roots Stage - Floral Building Glassblowing Demonstration —

Crafters Village · Kariann Deshler - Youth Vocalist - Celebration Stage -Youth Building

· Red Delicious Applesauce Eating - Kids Stage All-Alaskan Racing Pigs —

Livestock • Oxen Team Presentation -Livestock Arena

 Traveling Game Show (1:30) p.m. until 6:30 p.m.) - Around the grounds Ceramics Demonstration (1:30

p.m.) - Crafters Village • Milking Demonstration (1:30 p.m.) - Millennium Barn

2 P.M.

• Russell Bros. Circus - Green

Gate Area · Laura Roberts School of Dance Heritage Stage

• Divine Talents - Sun Stage · Cooking from Trader Joe's -

Home and Hobbies Stage · "Love a Beautiful, Green Lawn" with Mr. Fertilizer (Don Knipp) -Grass Roots Stage - Floral Building

 Cabernet Sauvignon Seminar (\$20) with Bob Bullard - The Courtyard

· Storyteller - Youth Building · Wanda's Dance Studio Celebration Stage - Youth Building

. The Magic of Frank Thurston -Kids Stage • Recycled Percussion - Little

Theater

3 P.M.

· Southland Ballet Academy -Heritage Stage

· Babylon Mood Dancers - Sun Stage • Paula Crego - Vocalist - Grass

Roots Stage - Floral Building Dancers in Motion -Celebration Stage - Youth

Building • Juggler Dan Wiles - Kids Stage All-Alaskan Racing Pigs

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Livestock

• Oxen Team Presentation -Livestock Arena

Tole and Decorative Painting

p.m.) - Millennium Barn

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· Red in the Face Donut Eating Contest - Kids Stage

 Recycled Percussion — Little Theater Port City Washboard Wizards

(3:30 p.m.) - Home and Hobbies • Milking Demonstration (3:30

 Just Four Tonight — Heritage Stage

· Innisfree Irish Band - Sun Stage

(4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.) -

Home and Hobbies Stage

p.m.) - Crafters Village

Salsa Contest (4:30 p.m.) —

Ceramics Demonstration (4:30)

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· Master Showmanship Judging Livestock Arena

 Circus Fun Review Show (5:30 p.m.) - Kids Stage

 Milking Demonstration (5:30) p.m.) - Millennium Barn

6 P.M.

· Basketry: Vines from your garden - Home and Hobbies

· Storyteller - Youth Building

• The Magic of Frank Thurston -Celebration Stage - Youth

Building

• Recycled Percussion - Little Theater

· Red, Ripe & Karaokin' Contest (6:30 p.m.) - Heritage Stage Hangin' Loose Contest (6:30 p.m.) - Kids Stage

· Summer Concert Series: Amy Grant/Michael W. Smith (7:30) p.m. Gates open 6 p.m.) -Pacific Amphitheatre

• Russell Bros. Circus - Green Gate Area

· Hypnotist Mark Yuzuik - Sun Stage

· Glassblowing Demonstration

- Crafters Village · Kids' Karaoke - Celebration Stage - Youth Building

· All-Alaskan Racing Pigs -Livestock

· Market Awards Ceremony -

Livestock Arena · Port City Washboard Wizards

(7:30 p.m.) - Heritage Stage The Magic of Frank Thurston (7:30 p.m.) - Kids Stage

Ceramics Demonstration (7:30

p.m.) - Crafters Village Milking Demonstration (7:30)

p.m.) - Millennium Barn

• Open Wide Band - An All-Dentists Band - Sun Stage • Hot Tomato Contest - Kids

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• Moonlight Express (8:30 p.m.) Heritage Stage

9 P.M.

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• Ceramics Demonstration (9:30 p.m.) - Crafters Village

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EDITORIALS Maddox, Zippi on wrong side of Nichols' fence

ne can tell a lot about people by the company they keep. Assemblyman Ken Maddox and state Assembly candidate Marianne Zippi should keep this in mind if ever questioned about accepting and retaining Newport Beach Councilman Dick Nichols' endorsement.

Both Maddox, who will seek a state Senate seat in the March primary, and Zippi, who seeks to replace him in the assembly, accepted Nichols' stamp of approval before the councilman suggested that grassy improvements at the Corona del Mar State Beach would attract Mexicans, who he said would end up staying there all

But they've now had a chance to erase Nichols' name from the

list and have decided against it. It's respectful that Maddox and Zippi are sticking with one of their supporters, but they shouldn't be surprised if that

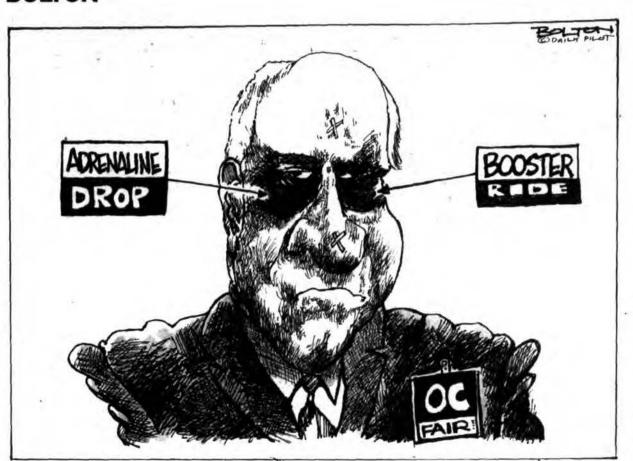
decision comes up time and time again during their respective elections.

Voters do tend to remember the most recent occurrences at election time, but looking at Nichols' track record, it wouldn't be surprising if he made another faux pas closer to the March election.

At the same time, knowing Nichols' track record, it would be understandable if Maddox and Zippi dropped him from their list of endorsements. He has made several questionable statements that some voters especially in Newport Beach will remember.

In the future of their campaigns, however, it would behoove Maddox and Zippi to have their people perform background checks of those from whom they ask endorsements. That way, they won't find themselves in such an unenviable predicament. They could have avoided this





COMMUNITY COMMENTARY

Setting the record on center

By Barbara Venezia

was appalled to see a copy of the letter that Russell Niewiarowski wrote to Newport Beach Mayor Steve Bromberg on your editorial page. It's bad enough that Niewiarowski didn't check his facts about the proposed community center, but don't you guys check the facts

Here's my reply to Niewiarowski. I hope you print this so the misinformation can be corrected and your readers can understand the project and process. The Santa Ana Heights PAC has an informational Web site that clearly delivers current information to the community on all our pending projects at http://www.sahpac.com/ sys-tmpl/door/.

If you are going to be against the proposed community center, at least get your facts straight.

1. The PAC did not pull this idea out of the air. Two years ago when we asked the community to write in on the web site and at PAC meetings to suggest projects they would like to see undertaken, a community center was one of their suggestions, and by the way, was high on the list. That is why it was acted upon. (The survey was on the Web site for a

2. The first site selected for the community center, the Koll property, was less money but it did not work because of zoning issues, parking, and the neighbors surrounding it were not in favor of it. The CEO real estate division of the county explored the possibility and even entered into some negotiations with the seller, but they decided the location was not the right fit.

3. Since the community center was still on the list, a subcommittee of PAC

targeted several other properties; the YMCA made the most sense because of parking, zoning and neighborhood acceptability.

4. The YMCA is not mismanaged. They are operating in the black. The facility is old. They are selling the facility because they were gifted property by the Segerstrom family and are building another facility more up to date in Santa Ana and this one is older and needs major remodeling. Go over there any time and the place is packed even in its run down condition. Where do you think these folks come from who go there? They are from Newport, Santa Ana Heights, Corona del Mar and Costa Mesa.

In order to make a better presentation, Rick Dayton, who is a PAC member and subcommittee member, was kind enough to work with us and draw up mock plans to show the potential of what the space could be and did this at on his own time and at his own expense. The committee made a wish list of what could be included. At no time has anyone said these were the definite plans for the center. Should the center go forward, there is a whole process within the county and the city that would have to be followed and a bidding process as well. There certainly was no conspiracy between Dayton and PAC Chairman Roger Summers.

6. No where at any time has the city of Newport Beach asked for this facility as a way into the city annexation. Just the opposite. It has taken more than a year to get them to really look at and get on board with this. We started talking to them about the concept when we first looked at the Koll property. Only recently have they seen the merit and been supportive.

7. The interpretative center does not work for the PAC meetings. We looked into this when it was first completed. It is also not used much. That is why with the community center across the street we could cross promote programs to get more folks into that facility.

Had Niewiarowski been coming to PAC meetings and staying for the issues . discussed, he would have heard everything I have stated above. He comes to the public comments section and leaves, so he has missed a lot of information, as well as seeing how the neighbors at the PAC meeting react and ! \ are in favor of building the community center. It is not a health club, as he keepsreferring to it. He has obviously missed the wide scope of the project, which is to have after-school programs for kids as well as senior programs, plus work out facilities that the YMCA currently offers, in addition to programs offered by Newport Beach Parks and Recreation.

I am also very put off at his reference of how dare we spend PAC money so that all of Newport Beach can benefit from it. Hasn't he been petitioning and , trying to get his neighborhood, the west side of Santa Ana Heights, annexed by Newport Beach for more than two years now? So he wants to be in the city and ... benefit from the increase in property value and services, but is not in favor to adding anything to it that would benefit anyone other than Santa Ana Heights residents? Wouldn't he then consider himself a Newport Beach resident? How about just being a good neighbor? Maybe he wouldn't use the facility, but I'm sure lots of families in the area would.

 BARBARA VENEZIA is a resident of Santa Ana Heights and the secretary for the Santa Ana Heights Political Action Committee.

A cautionary tale

here are several cautionary tales to be found in the tragedy that now surrounds former Newport Beach recreation worker Trenton Veches, who was found guilty earlier this month of 23 counts of felony lewd act with a child and two misdemeanor counts of sexual assault. He faces life in prison and is not eligible for parole for 15 years.

The first is that it is difficult to be too careful with one's children. No one could guess what Veches, who by most accounts was well liked by the children he worked with, would do. He was known to be a hard-worker whose playfulness around children - including piggy-back rides and the infamous sucking of toes - did not arouse suspicion among his fellow workers. He seemed like someone parents and the city could trust. But it turns out that trust was unwarranted, that it was given out too freely. For there apparently was another side to Veches, and that is where the second cautionary tale begins. With Veches. With a man who seems to have liked children and wanted to help them, but who made decisions and did things that will cost him years of his life.

During his trial, Veches' attorney argued that Veches'

acts were not sexually motivated, just "weird and quirky." But it is a fact - one that likely says something profound about our society that the lines of propriety and professionalism are drawn more precisely than in years past. As parents have to be careful with their children, so too do adults have to be careful of their actions.

Were Veches' actions sexually motivated? A jury decided yes. But even apart from that verdict, his actions crossed lines that cannot be crossed today. Recreation workers can't hand out candy. They can't wrestle with their charges. And they so clearly, so obviously, can't suck on boys' toes for fun or for some other, more disturbing reason.

Trenton Veches is living with the consequences of that truth. The parents of the children who came into contact with him, especially those photographed and inappropriately touched, are living with the consequences of not being just a little more cautious with their children, of finding that impossible balance between letting children grow up and experience the world and keeping them wrapped in a protective embrace. We all can hope that the children involved will not live with this sad tale any longer than they must.

THE LAST WORD

True to the team

hen tennis star Lindsay Davenport inked an agreement with the Newport Beach Breakers to play two home matches, she intended to keep that promise. Proof of that came July 12, when she had to make an early exit from her second home match after she re-injured a nagging foot injury.

So technically, she didn't finish her second home game. But there's another way to fulfill the obligation, at least to her teammates and to the Newport

With the Breakers' brief World Team Tennis season wrapping up in about a week and Davenport considering having surgery on her foot early this week, there's no way she'd be able to play again even if she wanted to. However, it'd be great if she could show up at more than the two games she's obligated to, if only to support her team.

It's not quite taking one for the team, but her teammates would most likely love to see their marquee player cheering them on.

MAILBAG

Parents need help to keep children safe

Another tragedy in the foster care system occurred this month when two more children were left to die in a car, which we know become death chambers for children when they are left in the hot sun. Children die all year long from what must feel like torture when they are left to die baking in hot cars by parents who are too busy too hurried and are too busy too hurried and are too impatient and have too few friends to help them avoid this tragedy. A warning to all parents is that if you hurt children, they may be placed in more dangerous care. Don't make these deadly mistakes.

What can be done about it? Be a nod friend, neighbor, or volunteer give help to a mom or dad who to give help to a mom or dad who just wants to go run a few errands without the kids for a few minutes. Children left unsupervised leads to numerous pool drownings and to children dying when left in hot cars. Grief-stricken and jailed parents are left wishing they had taken the extra time to lock a gate or wake a sleeping child and drag or wake a sleeping child and drag

them along. Errands are so trivial when compared to endangering a

My advice to parents who do not want to lose custody of their children or go to jail is to get educated. The more aware and informed we are as parents, caregivers and friends, the better we can protect our children. Headlines of priests molesting children and the abduction and murder of Samantha Runnion and Danielle van Dam can make one forget 65% of the sexual abuse of children takes place in their own homes. Some 42% of perpetrators are parents, 23% are friends or family, 30% are older juveniles or siblings. The majority of sexual abuse victims are less than 6

years old.

Here are parenting tips to keep your child alive this summer.

Prevention is paramount.

1. Don't' drink too much alcohol.
The majority of abuse takes place

with parents under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

2. Never leave a child alone or in a car or at any other place, time or season. As many as 50 children were lost daily at the Orange

County Fair last year. 3. It's never OK to hit a child. Two thousand children are brain damaged a year by angry, tired parents. Take a parenting class that will teach you to be more effective and less dangerous to you and your children.

4. Refuse to yell at your children. Yelling is not good for anyone. Take a parent stress management class and lean about giving children

choices and consequences.
5. Praise, hold and hug your child at least once a day. Praise is

6. Take time out for yourself. Take time when you just take care of you and nobody or anything else.

The major causes of the abuse of children and parent burnout are: parents who were abused as children; parents that abuse alcohol and drugs; parents who lack education on parenting; financial stress or financial excess; chronic stress and poverty; marital strife; poor self-esteem; isolation; and depression.

MILY KAN



BIO

Occupation: Owner of Australian Battered Potatoes at the O.C. Fair Education: Two-year diploma in child care in Australia Residence: Carlsbad 70% of the time;

Sydney 30% Family: Niece and nephew helping out

Hobbies: Real estate; preparing for the next fair and event

GREAT TASTE, **REALLY FILLING**

'I had one the other day. There was a TV camera and they asked me to try one and I hadn't tried one for ages. It was really good. I can only eat like one. They're too filling. That's what's good about them. Two or three people can share the plate. Really, you don't want to have the whole plate. The seniors want the, whole one. You didn't think so with the seniors.'



Taking in the sun while selling spuds

Carmel Dyer stops by her 17th Orange County Fair with her Australian battered potatoes.

armel Dyer isn't a big fan of winter and she doesn't have to be as she's enjoying her 54th consecutive summer. The native Australian, who owns and operates the Australian Battered Potatoes booth at the Orange County Fair, says she constantly has to "wear my sunscreen and a hat."

Dyer has homes in Sydney and Carlsbad, but spends 70% of her time in the San Diego County city. This summer marks her 17th Orange County Fair, where she puts in extremely long hours over the 3 1/2 weeks. But she enjoys her job.

On Thursday, City Editor James Meier enjoyed some sun over at the fair to ask Dyer more about her business and the tasty spuds.

So what exactly are Australian battered potatoes?

In Australia, we call them potato scallops. Over here, we changed the name to Australian battered potatoes because potato scallops are like your au gratin potatoes. The battered potatoes are totally made up. But the ranch and the cheese are totally Americanized. In Australia, we use ketchup and malt vinegar and you get them at Fish and

What convinced you to change the

People didn't understand what they were. After giving samples for five years, we finally changed the name and never looked back. And every time we have a bad story about too much cholesterol, we get busier.

On senior citizen day, they just love them. They've been waiting all year for

How long have you been doing this?

This is my 17th year, but we started with meat pies. We did meat pies for five years [at the Orange County Fair].

Now, do you have this booth at many other fairs?

We do the Del Mar Fair [that just completed before the Orange County

You must be tired after that.

It's OK. You just get through that one and then you start on the next one and you get the help.

We go onto Minnesota after this one and we also do one in Sydney, Australia (in summer down under), but there, we do hot dog on a stick, cheese on a stick and lemonade. So we do Australian stuff here and American stuff there. We retotally Americanized over there. We take all of equipment, our batter, everything. . . . We sell a lot more cheese on a stick than hot dogs. We have five

lemonade carts and three food stands at our fair in Sydney, which is the biggest event we have in the country Depending on the weather, we sell

more lemonade when it's warmer and more food if it's cooler.

We also do a lot of off-season events in Australia. I don't do as much there as Lused to. My sister and nieces and nephews do a lot of it.

How often do you end up eating

I had one the other day. There was a TV camera and they asked me to try one and I hadn't tried one for ages. It was really good. I can only eat like one They're too filling. That's what's good about them. Two or three people can share the plate. Really, you don't want to have the whole plate.

The seniors want the whole one You didn't think so with the seniors.

What led you from an education in child care to battered potatoes?

Unemployment. Couldn't get a job in child care and went to our fair in Sydney and got a job there.

So did you come up with this setup

Year, this is my third stand. The made a lot of changes and this is basically as perfect as I'd want to get it. Everything is custom-built. We have every imaginable piece of equipment that we can have to make things easier for our help and more efficient. And if we don't have it. I'll get it. I'm always looking for something new that will make it a little more efficient.

How did you get started in the business?

Obviously, I got started when I worked in Australia for an American here who has the giant slide and they worked in the fair industry for various people for 10 years and then I decided I'd go out on my own. I knew it was time

Now, this may sound like a trick question, but what's your favorite

In-N-Out Burgers.

Any final thoughts?

It's important to me the kids that I work with - I'm a fairly tough boss learn something that they can carry on when they go and work for someone

To me, if they come out here and they're not the way I want them to be, it doesn't matter, but as long as they learn something and make themselves more employable when they go on, that's what's important to me.

FROM THE NEWSROOM

Fond farewell to talented photographer

was a sad week here in Daily Pilot land. Saturday marked the last day of employment for Sean Hiller, one of our ace photographers who has taken a

job with the Daily Breeze in Torrance. Hiller has been a great fit at the Pilot. I can't think of single person in the

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newsroom who doesn't consider him a friend as

well as a colleague and for some, a surfing buddy. Hiller is probably best known for a penchant for police scanners. Police officers, firefighters and lifeguards throughout Newport-Mesa know him well and many

carried his cellphone number around for emergency calls.

Thet has paid off many times for Hiller, who has been at more crime scenes, fires or accidents that anyone in recent Pilot memory.

The crowning achievement of course came last March when he snapped a shot of a man dangling from a freeway overpass. That shot has won Hiller numerous accolades and awards.

To send Hiller off, we had our traditional going-away lunch at El Ranchito on Friday.

To top it off, I asked him if I could interview him for this column to give readers a little insight into the life of this talented photographer. Here's what he had to say:

How long have you been at the Daily Pilot?

Well this is my fifth tour at

the O.C. Fair, I have four Toshiba golf tournaments under my belt and I have been to almost every restaurant and church in Newport-Mesa. So I think that adds up to four years and three



What's your favorite part of vorking at the paper?

"The community. Every day, regardless of the assignments, I et to meet new people Working for the paper is like having a license to go where and whenever you want. It's just a great opportunity to be a witness to life and to enjoy the people of our community.

How much are you going to alss Newport-Mesa?

"Well I still live in the area, so it's not like I'm leaving the area. But I will be working in the South Bay, which has the same type of geography. I'll still be working in a beach town, which has to be the best part of working in the Newport-Mesa area. It's a good day when the biggest news story of the day is

What has been your best

assignment at the Daily Pilot? "The best assignments were the ones I found on my own. Looking for pictures is the best part of my job. It's like an Easter egg hunt everyday. Either I'm looking for stand-alone pictures or chasing breaking news stories. So I guess the best assignment would have to be the CHP rescue attempt of a man trying to commit suicide on the San Diego Freeway. At least that is the assignment that provided me with the opportunity to take the best picture of my career so far."

Your most mer prable

"I think it would have to be

when Hillary Clinton brought her campaign fund-raising efforts to Lido Isle and the Secret Service told me that I wouldn't get a picture of her, and for me to just forget about it. Their attitude just motivated me more. I knocked on almost every door in the neighborhood until one lady let me in, and onto her roof top. There I staked out the scene and waited more than two hours for Mrs. Clinton to exit the fund-raiser tea. Then she appeared, surrounded by agents. To my surprise she looked up at me and waved to the camera, giving me what all those shady characters in black said I couldn't have, her picture."

What are you going to take away from this job to the next

"Memories. I've made a lot of friends here. I'm especially going to miss the photographers. Through everything we have gone through over the years, our friendships just kept getting

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stronger. We've become brothers. But as far as the Pilot goes this is where I first got my feet wet as a photojournalist. Being hired right out of school I didn't have a whole lot of experience. So pretty much the photographer I am today is a result of the experiences I have gained here at the Pilot,".

Good luck, Sean. For a glimpse of more of his work, readers can go to his Web site at www.seanhiller.com



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The Newport Center Toastmaster's Club can help you improve your public speaking skills or polish your business presentations. Members come from a variety of professional disciplines and backgrounds. The group meets every Monday morning from 7 to 8:30 a.m. at 610 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach. Validated parking is available in the parking structure next to 24 Hour Fitness. Guests are welcome. For more information, call (949) 721-5732.

The ACLU of Orange County meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 1259 Victoria St. in Costa Mesa. Each month's meeting will feature a different speaker on issues relating to the Bill of Rights. For more information, call (714) 957-6107.

"Beach Landscapes," an exhibit featuring digitally manipulated aerial photographs of the Hawaiian islands by Donna Ruzicka, umbrella beach scenes by Carole Boller and Back Bay landscapes by Luke Spencer, will be on display through Sept. 30 at Newport Beach City Hall. For more information, call (949) 717) 3870.

Tennis in Art," an exhibit of paintings by longtime tennis instructor and coach Jose Mendoza, will be on display in the

Newport Beach Central Library foyer through Aug. 30. Mendoza's work is known for its manipulation of color and form as well as its concentration on tennis. For more information, call (949) 717-3870.

Volunteer drivers are needed to help deliver nutritiously prepared meals to homebound, frail or elderly clients incapable of shopping or cooking for themselves through "Mobile Meals," sponsored by FISH-Harbor Area Inc. and Hoag Hospital, Call (949) 645-8050 for more information.

Swim lessons are available through July 18 at Halecrest Park, 3107 Killybrook Lane in Costa Mesa. Another session will begin July 21 and run through Aug. 1. Information: (714) 557-7234.

Project Cuddle, a nonprofit organization that offers safe and legal alternatives to girls who are considering abandoning their babies, is in need of ongoing volunteers. For more information, visit www.projectcuddle.org or call (714) 432-9681.

Macy's in Costa Mesa invites Orange County nonprofit organizations that provide services and programs to the HIV/AIDS community to apply for participation in Macy's South Coast Plaza's Passport In Store fund-raiser. This year's event will be held on Oct. 4. To receive an application to participate, call (714) 556-0611, ext. 4231.

Yoga classes will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 12:40 p.m. for nine weeks at West Newport Community Center. Registration is \$54 for one class each week or \$100 for two days a week over nine weeks for Newport Beach residents. Others pay an additional \$5. For more information, call (949) 644-3151.

The merchants of Balboa Village will hold a seaside Craft Merchant and Farmer's Market at Peninsula Park near the base of the Balboa pier in Newport Beach every Thursday through Aug. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The market will include fresh organic produce, freshly cut flowers and arts and crafts. For more information, call (714) 536-2213.

Costa Mesa's Recreation Division will provide a three-hour theme birthday party for up to 20 guests at the Balearic Community Center weekdays from 5 to 8 p.m., Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. or 4 to 7 p.m. and Sundays from 4 to 7 p.m. Parties for children 5 to 12 will consist o lunch/dinner, games, crafts, prizes, cake with ice cream and supervision by staff. Parties cost \$250 or \$300 For more information, call (714) 754-5158.

Five new wines will be served on Bayside Restaurant's terrace overlooking Newport Harbor every Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$15 per person. For more information, call (949) 721-1222

Newport Dunes Resort's "Movies on the Beach" will run every Friday and Saturday throughout the summer, including a two-hour barbecue before the movies start at dusk. Guests are invited to bring their favorite cuts of meat. The resort will provide the rest for \$7.95 per person. The films will be shown on a large screen in the sand on every Friday and Saturday evening in June and July except July 4. Parking is \$8 per car. For more information, call (949)

729-DUNE.

A variety of private, semi-private and group swim lessons will be offered this summer at the Marian Bergeson Aquatic Center at Corona del Mar High School. Options include one-on-one instruction on Saturdays and a Monday through Thursday program for all ages and levels. For session dates, times and costs, call (949) 644-3151, or register in person at Newport **Beach Recreation and Senior** Services at 3300 Newport Blvd.

Children, teens and adults can now register for summer recreational boating classes offered through Newport Beach Recreation Services. Classes begin July 12. Fees vary. Call (949) 644-3151, or visit the Newport Beach Recreation and Senior Services a 3300 Newport Blvd. for more information.

Professional and licensed soccer trainers with the All-England Soccer Academy are available for one-on-one, small group and large group training. For more information, call (949) 395-5103.

Jewish Family Service is sponsoring a teen support group for high school students that meets Mondays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Tarbut V'Torah Upper School in Costa Mesa. For information or to register, call (714) 445-4950. Pre-registration is required.

The First Page - Fine Children's Books, at 270 E. 17th St., No. 10 in Costa Mesa, offers free story time Mondays, Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m. For more information, call (949) 645-5437.

"Abstract Works on Canvas and Paper," an exhibit of art by Janet Rosener, will be on display at the Newport Beach Central Library through June 30. The exhibit will feature selections from Rosener's "Washed Away" series, created by dripping, splattering or pouring additional paint and mediums onto an original painting and washing it away to suggest the passage of time. For more information, call (949) 717-3816.

Award-winning works by Orange County artists working in an array of two-dimensional media will be on display at Newport Beach City Hall through June 27, for the Spring 2003 Orange County Artists Exhibition. For more information, call (949) 717-3870.

Bayside Restaurant in Newport Beach offers wine tasting every Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for \$15 per person, featuring five new wines each week. For more information, call (949) 721-1222.

If your orchid is too big for its pot, Green Systems International will show you how to re-pot your plant during their free orchid-potting seminar at 2 p.m. every Saturday. A plant sale is held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the 20362 Birch St. facility. Call (949) 756-1211 for information.

Discover the secrets of Carbon Canyon Regional Park as you walk through groves of beautiful Coastal Redwood trees every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Parking is \$4. Call (714) 996-5252 for more information.

Team Survivor, a nonprofit organization encouraging women who have been through cancer treatment to exercise, hosts "Walk and Talk" at 10 a.m. the second and fourth Friday of the month in front of NIKEgoddess store in Fashion Island. Members meet for lunch after at Atrium court. It is free, and all fitness levels are welcome. For more information, call (949) 275-3888.

Newport Community Counseling Center offers a way to stop the cycle of domestic violence through the support group In S.A.F.E. Hands. S.A.F.E. stands for safety, awareness, faith and empowerment. The group meets Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Free. For more information, call (949) 721-8079.

Teens are invited to drop by the city of Costa Mesa Recreation Center from 2 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday for indoor and outdoor sports and activities. The center is at 1860 Anaheim Ave. For more information, call (714) 327-7560.

The Newport Beach Walking Club meets at the corner of Superior and Hospital Road in Newport Beach at 9:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. everyday. For more information, call (949) 650-1332.

The Newport Beach Cake Decorating Club meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday nights at Superior and Hospital Road in Newport Beach. For more information, call (949) 650-1332.

The Assn. of Business Services hosts a networking meeting that deals with education connections from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month at the Holiday Inn at 3131 Bristol St., Costa Mesa. For more information, call (949) 805-0011.

"Divorce: A New Beginning," a workshop for men and women divorced or getting divorced, is held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 180 Newport Center Drive on the third Saturday of every month. Cost is \$40. For more information, call 644-6435.

Free tours of the Orange County Performing Arts Center take guests to the dressing rooms, performer's lounge, backstage and on stage at 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday and Saturday at 600 Town Center Drive, Costa Mesa. Group tours can be held by special arrangement. For more information, call (714) 556-ARTS,

The Newport Beach Newcomers Club holds a general meeting on the third Wednesday of every month. The organization is open to all women residents in Newport Beach who have lived in the area fewer than five years. For more information, call (949) 645-9922, or visit newcomers-newportbeach.org.

Oasis Senior Center holds a pancake breakfast from 7:30 to 10 a.m. on the second Saturday of every month. Breakfast includes pancakes, sausage, coffee and orange juice for \$3, \$1 for children. The center is at 800 Marguerite, Corona del Mar. For more information, call (949) 644-3244.

Macy's South Coast Plaza presents "Workshop Wednesdays: A Hands-on Cooking Class Program" hosted by chef Alexx Guevara. The class is held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 3333 Bristol St., Costa Mesa. The cost, including materials, is \$30. To reserve a spot, call (818) 994-5075.

Yoga and rhythm,

"Yogarhythmics" combines yoga, dance and fun. The class is held from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. Tuesdays at 2850 Mesa Verde Drive East, Suite 111, Costa Mesa. For more information, call (714) 754-7399.

The Newport Harbor Nautical Museum offers the exhibit "Joe Duncan Gleason: Rediscovering California's Marine Art Master. through Sept. 30. The museum is at 151 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Newport Beach. Free admission. For more information, call (949) 673-7863.

Interfaith couples with one Jewish partner are invited to participate in a discussion group at the Jewish Family Service of Orange County office. The group is geared toward dealing with issues between interfaith couples, such as raising children, observing holidays, symbols in the home and relationships with extended families. The cost for three sessions is \$45 per couple. Preregistration is required. Call to schedule date and time. The office is at 250 E. Baker St., Suite G, Costa Mesa. (714) 445-4950.

Women 50 and older can join a discussion group coordinated by Jewish Family Services to address issues such as anxiety, depression, relationships, loneliness and family. The group meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays at the agency offices, 250 E. Baker St., Suite G, Costa Mesa. Preregistration required. (714) 445-4950.

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The Braille Institute offers free computer classes to people with fading vision who have difficulty seeing the computer screen. The Oasis Center at 800 Marguerite Ave., Corona del Mar, offers six sessions. Call to sign up for classes. (714) 821-5000.

A spiritual care class meets at 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays at 3400 Irvine Ave., Suite 114, Newport Beach. Call to reserve a seat. (949) 263-1462.

The Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce hosts networking luncheon meetings Wednesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Costa Mesa Country Club. The cost is \$14. The club is at 1701 Golf Course Drive, Costa Mesa. (714) 885-9090.

A brain tumor support group meets the first and third Thursdays of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Hoag Cancer. Center at Hoag Hospital, 1 Hoag Drive, Newport Beach. Free. Registration not required. The group is designed to help patients and their families understand and cope with the illness. (949) 574-6232.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church hosts a mental illness support group from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays in Dierenfield Hall C at 600 St. Andrews Road, Newport Beach. (949) 574-2236.

The Jewish Family Service of Orange County sponsors a discussion group for adult children and their parents from 6 to 7 p.m. two Tuesdays a month at the Jewish Family Service office at 250 E. Baker St., Suite G, Costa Mesa. \$10 per person, per session. Preregistration required. (714) 445-4950.

The Jewish Family Service of Orange County has a weekly parenting support group. Parents learn strategies for successful parenting and for dealing with the feelings and behavior of their

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WHAT'S AN UNLAWFUL DETAINER? By Dave Wong

About as pleasant as a good case of the flu, an unlawful detainer is the situation that results when someone is living in a home or rental unit that they no longer have the right to occupy. Most commonly, the term is used regarding tenants who have failed to pay rent or broken the rental contract in some other way.

A tenant who is in arrears on rent

is generally given a three-day notice to pay or quit (move out of) the premises. If nothing has happened after three days, an eviction or unlawful detainer action is filed with the court, and an official delivers a notice to the tenant, giving him and/or her five days to file an answer to the landlord's complaint. If the tenant fails to answer, the court most likely files a default judgment against the tenant, with a writ of possession directing the sheriff to move the tenant out of the home, which will take place if, after another period of perhaps twenty days, the tenant has not appeared in court and offered justifiable reason for not paying rent (such as a complaint that the property is uninhabitable - an odd reason with which to justify neither paying rent nor moving out, and the

court is very aware of this paradox). Fun? Definitely not. Indeed, it argues for something very simple and effective, which is the establishment of good lines of communication with tenants from the get-go, often with the help of your real estate professional and detailed contractual agreements. Unlawful detainer very rarely arises unless no one is talking in the first place. The rental of real estate should be, after all, beneficial for both renter and landlord. Need help with your real estate call me at 949-533-1200 or visit my websites at davewong4.com or onefordroad.com.

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children. The group meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays at the Jewish Family Service office at 250 E. Baker St., Suite G, Costa Mesa. The group will cover managing anger, anxiety and peer pressure children experience. Preregistration required. (714) 445-4950.

The Costa Mesa Senior Center has ballroom dancing with live music from the Costa Mesa Music Makers from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. every Tuesday night at 695 W. 19th St., Costa Mesa. \$4. (949) 548-3884.

Jewish Family Service of Orange County sponsors an ongoing healing support group for the chronically ill. The purpose is to provide participants with emotional and spiritual support to manage illness and its consequences. The group meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Jewish Family Service office at 250 E. Baker St., Costa Mesa. Attendance is free, but registration is required. (714) 445-4950.

Scrabble Club No. 350 meets from 6 to 10 p.m. Thursdays at Borders Books, Music & Café at South Coast Plaza, 3333 Bear St. in Costa Mesa. \$3. New players are welcome. (949) 206-9822.

The Coin and Stamp Club meets from 1 to 3 p.m. Mondays at the Oasis Senior Center. New members interested in trading, buying and selling stamps and coins are being sought to join these informal meetings. There are no fees required. (949) 644-3244.

Jewish Family Service offers ongoing bereavement support groups for adults at all stages of loss. Group members share experiences, hear how others deal with grief, receive support and learn ways to cope with sadness and loss. One group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Beth Jacob in Irvine. The second group meets at 10 a.m. Tuesdays at Temple Judea in Laguna Hills. The third group meets at 1 p.m. Thursdays at the Ezra Center in Anaheim. Free, but advance registration is required. (714) 445-4950.

Jewish Family Service of Orange County provides a support and discussion group for persons recovering from childhood or teenage sexual abuse. The group meets from 8 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 250 E. Baker St., Costa Mesa. Advance registration is required. (714) 445-4950.

Two-hour kayak tours with a trained naturalist guide are offered at 10 a.m. Sundays from the Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort. The resort is at 1131 Back Bay Drive, Newport Beach. \$20, or \$10 for California Wildlife Campaign and Newport Bay Naturalists and Friends members. (949) 729-1150.

A yoga and dance class is held from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. Tuesdays at the Center for Spiritual Discovery, 2850 Mesa Verde Drive East, Suite 111, Costa Mesa. (714) 754-7399.

The Rev. Connie Ryckman leads a discussion group using the book "Conversations with God" from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Center for Spiritual Discovery, 2850 Mesa Verde Drive East, Suite 111, Costa Mesa. Bring a lunch. (714) 754-7399

Marshall's Tae Kwon Do in Costa Mesa offers free self-defense classes to airline pilots and flight attendants. Classes are taught by three-time U.S. National Champion Tom Marshall. Marshall's is at 333 E. 17th St., Suite 13, Costa Mesa. (949) 574-0122.

A Dealing with Divorce support group is offered by Jewish Family Service of Orange County. The group is led by an experienced counselor and meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at the Jewish Federation campus, 250 E. Baker St., Suite G, Costa Mesa. (714) 445-4950.

The Sea Scouts' ship Del Mar 711 of Orange County offers a program for boys and young men ages 14 to 18 interested in sailing, seamanship, piloting, navigation and cruising. Meetings are from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays at the Sea Scouts Sea Base, 1931 W. Coast Highway, Newport Beach. (949) 642-6301 or (949) 551-8591.

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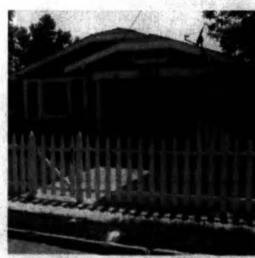
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"Without a doubt, they feel the pressure, but I want them to play their best and be happy about playing baseball."

Rich Hogan, NHBA Bronco A Manager

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BACK BAY TRAIL



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Newport Beach might be known for its beaches and recreation harbor, but the bike path and horse trails along the Back Bay offer visitors an uncrowded outlet with the sweet smell of sage.

A neighborhood sanctuary

Trail along Back Bay a haven for exercise enthusiasts

Bryce Alderton Daily Pilot

I get stomped on by hundreds of feet, wheels and hooves each day. The dust settles as I provide a foundation for the fitness enthusiasts, those that want a quiet place to reflect on life's subtleties and get away from the bustle for a moment, if not more.

I am the Back Bay trail of the Upper Newport Bay Nature and Ecological Preserve, encompassing 1,000 acres of open space. Slithering on the crests of hills and the sands below, people or animals — take a fresh breath as they pound, roll or gallop on me.

A mother and daughter from Newport Beach walk here each day, for exercise and a respite from the grind life can all too often bring.

Wednesday they were pushing a stroller, calmly stepping along the portion above the Peter and Mary Muth Interpretive Center, a slight breeze shooting through the retreating morning clouds that subtly muffled the July sun.

nuffled the July sun. Horses know the gravel I possess, even though the city of Newport Beach doesn't seem to heavily promote trail riding.

A woman who lives two blocks away pushes the stroller that carries her 14-month old grandson, munching on a handful of Cheerios. She stops on me, pausing to glance at the cliffs encircling the mouth of the

I meander through the sage, which eschews a scent as refreshing as pine on a clear mountain day.

on a clear mountain day.

Bikers roll along my dirt — and paved — paths. Some come from Irvine, where a 63-year-old begins his quest. I am a transition and an end, providing a goal to be reached and giving someone a chance to exercise

and drop by his sister's house for a brief break.

I am the Back Bay trail. Roller bladers glide along my smooth asphalt trails alongside joggers, whose sweat droplets fall onto my arteries, where they quickly

evaporate under the intense sun.

"Crunch, crunch, crunch."
That's the sound I make when feet

"plop" along by sandy soil. Gordie Fitzel took his Orange Coast College cross country team to train

every morning on me.

I give them a challenge with my little hills, sharp turns and steep

They sweat even more, but still come back.

EDITOR'S NOTE

With its abundant horse trails and scenic bike path, the Back Bay serves as a haven for jogging, cycling, walking and in-line skating enthusiasts. Sports reporter Bryce Alderton caught up with the Back Bay trail and magically made it come to life.

I provide a pedestal to the views the first Native Americans encountered when they strode upon me nearly 1,000 years ago.

The views, oh, the views. Looking down on the salt water

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NEWPORT HARBOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Newport on cusp of berth

Bronco A All-Stars fall to Anaheim, but can still advance with one more sectional victory.

Bryce Alderton Daily Pilot

WHITTIER — One win is still all they

The Newport Harbor Baseball Association Bronco A 11- and 12-year-old All-Stars, attempting to reach territory rarely visited by any team in recent memory, took a step back Saturday in their quest to reach the double-elimination sectional tournament with a 10-0 mercy loss in five innings to Anaheim A, the only team to defeat Newport since it began district play last week, at York Field.

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at York Field in Whittier. Anaheim won the game, 100, with the game called after five innings on a mercy rule.

STEVE McCRANK / DAILY PILOT Newport Harbor's Jacob McCann chases an Anaheim baserunner in a pickle Saturday in the Bronco sectional tournament Tea Cup's poster girl still swinging

THE BIG EASY

ee time at Mesa Verde Country Club is on the horizon with the seventh Tea Cup Classic set for Friday, so guess where the attention focuses?

That's right, our poster girl since the idea for a showdown of local women's club champions began, four-time champion Marianne Towersey of Santa Ana Country Club.

Towersey of Santa
Ana Country Club.
She's been the
favorite going in on
every occasion,
although this time
around the



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home-court advantage may shake things up a little. We'll see.

As for Marianne, whose schedule just about defies gravity at the age of 52, she says she's playing her best golf. Like most tournaments she plays on the amateur circuit, she's the matriarch

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BRIEFLY

Heating up in the summer

Two more victories provide CdM girls water polo team with momentum.

Corona del Mar's girls summer water polo team continued its winning ways with two more vic-

On Friday, CdM beat Huntington Beach, 7-4, getting three goals apiece from Katya Eadington and Camille Hewko. Jordan Anae added one goal while goalie Brittany Fullen contrib-

Eadington made five steals while Natalie Wayte and Hewko each added two. Anae tallied two

On Monday, CdM defeated Fountain Valley, 9-3, taking a commanding 6-0 lead at intermission.

Amy Strack, Katie Kubas and Anae each scored two goals while Ashley Chandler, Hewko and Madison Jackson found the back of the cage once apiece.

Kelsey McCormick made three saves and Hewko led the team with three steals. Eadington and Chandler each added two steals.

Thaler finishes third

■ WRESTLING: Gabriel Thaler, who will be a freshman in the fall at Estancia High, placed third at the Orange County Wrestling Coache's Association Summer League Tournament at El Dorado High on Friday, winning five of six matches.

After pinning North Torrance's David Little in the first round, Thaler lost to eventual champion Nick Abraham (Edison), 10-0. Thaler then pinned four consecutive opponents to capture the third-place medal.

YOUTH SOCCER

Breakers notch another win

Girls club soccer team wins its second straight tournament with four consecutive victories last week.

The Newport-Mesa Breakers, a club soccer team made up of girls from Costa Mesa and Newport Beach ages 8-9, won the Wolfpack Invitational - their second straight tournament victory - July 12-13 in Fountain Valley.

The Breakers went 4-0 in the tournament, including a comefrom-behind 2-1 victory over the Infinity Soccer Club in the opener.

Heather Flores scored in the first half to tie the game, 1-1, and Courtney McIntosh added the game-winner late in the second

The Breakers trailed by a goal with 10 minutes to go against the Santa Anita Strikers, but Anna Venturini scored twice late in the game to seal the win.

Coaches Kirk McIntosh and Javier Chavez credited the play of goalkeeper Lauren Terry and marking backs Brooke Lux and Shanay Fischer.

Rachel Kerce and Heather



The Newport Beach Breakers girls club soccer team, made up of 8- and 9-year-old players, won the Wolfpack Invitational last week.

Flores each scored two goals to each scored goals with assists lead the Breakers to a 4-0 victory over the Southwest Soccer and Andy Chavez. Breakers' de-Club in the early game on Sun-

The offense continued to shine in the afternoon game as Newport-Mesa when they comthe Breakers defeated Crown City United, 5-2.

Flores, Venturini and Kerce this fall.

from Sierra Gordon, Josie Jogwe fender Claire Castillo couldn't play due to illness.

The Breakers will represent pete in the girls under-10 division of the Coast Soccer League

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OUTDOORS

Skiff fishing great fun in Newport Bay

productive fishery for a large variety of small game fish and big bat rays despite being one of the busiest harbors along the Pacific Coast during the summer recreational season. Anglers can effectively fish the bay from public piers and docks, off a few bulkheads, in float tubes, out of a kayak or with a bass boat, but the best way to fish Newport Bay is in a rental skiff from the Balboa Pavilion. Tides were right earlier this

week for this outdoor editor to spend a morning sampling the fishing in the bay with my wife, Toni. Doug Turin, co-owner of Pavilion Skiff Rentals, (949) 673-1434, greeted us at the dock and passed on a few fishing tips before helping us board one of the 14' U-drive skiffs that have served in the rental fleet for many seasons. Turin said, "The halibut bite has been real steady right here in front of the Pavilion and fishermen drifting with live anchovies or plastics around the bait receiver between the twin jetties have been catching all kinds of fish. We had a 15 pound halibut weighed in this past weekend and anglers report lots of action on spotted bay bass, halibut and an occasional legal white seabass.

That report sounded good enough to me and after taking on a scoop of choives, in the bait well, we headed out to the mouth of the harbor as the sun broke through the morning fog. We were ahead of the high tide movement and had to wait about 20 minutes before the fish got into a feeding mood. Once the tide began to move into the bay it triggered the feed call for all kinds of fish. There were three other skiffs anchored up in the channel but I opted to drift along the east jetty. Just about every anchovy was bit by some kind of fish once it got near the bottom and often the live bait would be picked up on

Action was wide open for all the skiffs as bent rods drew an have served many fishermen joggers on the CdM walkway. Our choice of tackle was Daiwa light action SS1300 spinning reels spooled with 6-pound Stren mono and matched to a 6 1/2-inch rod. This combi-nation proved



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the hook into this bigger fish it nearly took all the line off the reel before I could get the motor started and begin backing down on the monster as it headed out to sea. Dodging other skiffs, anchors, a parade of private boats and the Catalina Flyer as it headed to Avalon, the big ray finally won the 20 minute battle when the small hook pulled just as Toni was about to try and net it.

when I set

Having caught lots of short halibut, bass and mackerel, the scoop of bait was exhausted so we turned to fishing plastics along docks and off bulk heads while heading back to the Pavilion catching more small bass along the way back. Anglers were still catching halibut and bass off the main dock at the Pavilion as we tied up the skiff. Turin asked about how the morning's fishing went and my report was petty good for just a few hours on the bay. We caught well over 35 fish and about the only kind of fish we didn't catch was a white seabass, croaker or shark, carefully releasing everything we caught back into the bay to grow up a little.

Rental skiffs are available all day for \$68 and \$47 for a 1/2 day including live bait. A California fishing license is required for all anglers over the age of 16 and the Department of Fish and Game does patrol the bay on a regular schedule. Each boat can handle four adults and two children and life preservers are part of the package. The Pavilion Rental Skiffs and fishing dock are open seven days a week from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. The old skiffs has spent 28 years on the docks, says that a new fleet of boats will be ready for service by the first week of August.

The latest word on albacore is that they have moved off to the west due to a sudden rise

in water temperature. Sport boats from Davey's Locker and adaptable Newport Landing Sportfishing are running outside of San Clemente Island to find the until this writer hooked albies, but fishing has been into a huge spotty. Hopefully the big bat ray. We schools of longfins, currently had been south of San Diego, will move catching lots of small up the coast and be within easy reach of the Newport halibut and based fleet by early next week. bass, but

There have been no reports of yellowtail being caught under floating kelp in the channel even though there are some pockets of 73-degree water, but there have been tails hooked at both Catalina and San Clemente. The white seabass bite that erupted this past weekend has dropped way off. The full moon did it's magic, producing some of the best catches of the big croaker this season.

Water along the beach has warmed up into the low seventies and anglers fishing from the surf and both the Newport and Balboa piers report pretty good fishing for a mix of small fish and shovel nose sharks on cut bait.

Youth Outdoor Safari Day held Saturday

■ Southern California youngsters really enjoyed a wonderful outdoor experience when attending the fifth annual Youth Outdoors Safari Day at Raahauge's Sporting Clays Complex in Norco Saturday. The event was free to all kids 17 years of age and younger when accompanied by an adult. The day was filled with outdoor activities covering fishing, shooting sports, conservation, wildlife tours, rock climbing, kayaking and concludes with a giant kids raffle. The day was co-sponsored by the Orange and Los Angeles chapters of Safari Club International and through donations of many sponsors and volunteers a free lunch was served to every youngster that came to this very popular Southland

Highlighting this year's Youth Outdoor Safari Day were appearances by Olympic Gold Medal winner Kim Rhode, trick shooting by John Claugherty and outdoor TV host Dez Young, who had his young dog Dash show off his hunting skills for the kids.

SAILING

Top juniors to compete for international championship

Premier match-racing event once again to be hosted by Balboa Yacht Club Aug. 13-17.

Balboa Yacht Club in Corona del Mar announced recently that yacht clubs from the U.S. and overseas will be sending their top junior sailors to this year's Balboa Yacht Club Governor's Cup.

The event, which is the premier international junior match racing championship in the United States, will be held in the waters off Newport Beach Aug.

As host of the Governor's Cup, Balboa Yacht Club invites 12

sailors each to match race identical yachts for four days of intense round-robin competition.

The "Deed of Gift" for the Governor's Cup was granted in 1967 by then Governor and later President Ronald Reagan. From this race world-class sailors Paul Cayard, John Kostecki, and Gavin Brady, to name a few, have emerged to dominate the America's Cup and many other international competitions.

"This race continues to be the ultimate test of junior sailing excellence," BYC Race Director Bill Marting said. "Last year's win-ners from the Royal Yachting Association in the United Kingdom are not returning, so the field is wide open. With the high caliber yacht club teams of three junior of the teams participating, there

For the 37th annual running of the Governor's Cup, in addition to the host team from Balboa Yacht Club, the competitors will be:

■ Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Md Cruising Yacht Club of Australia,

Darling Point, NSW, Australia King Harbor Yacht Club, Redondo

■ Kings Point Sailing Academy, Kings Point, N.Y.

■ Mission Bay Yacht Club, San Diego

■ Newport Harbor Yacht, Balboa ■ Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron

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COLLEGES

VU promotes two of its own

Dent, Renkoski named Vanguard University associate athletic directors.

Vanguard University has extended its athletic department staff to include two new associate athletic directors, VU Athletic

Director Bob Wilson said. James Dent, a former studentathlete and graduate of Van-

guard, has been hired to assume one position, while Beth Renkoski, sports information director and VU softball coach, will assume a new title from within the

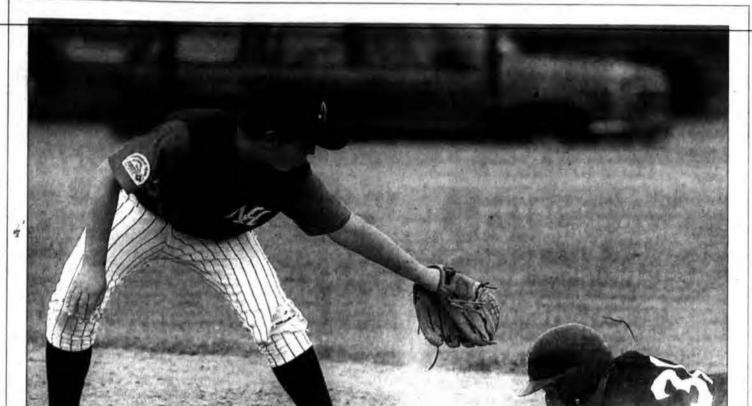
athletic department.

Dent, originally from Canada, came to Vanguard as a baseball player to 1997 and completed a baseball player in 1997. bachelor's degree in exercise sports science in May, 2000. He has worked for Sportsco International/ SkyDome as a premium seating sees and marketing account execu-

tive for the Toronto Blue Jays and left his native country again to return to his alma mater to become an admissions counselor at VU, his current position.

Renkoski's portfolio includes

serving as VU softball and handling media relations. She has been involved in the VU softball program since 1991 and became the part-time SID in 1996. Renkoski became a full-time staff member in 1999 and her new position will begin immediately.



Newport Harbor's Danny Moskovits reaches to tag Anaheim's Chris Manning, who is safe on the play. Anaheim won the Bronco sectional tournament game, 10-0, at York Field in Whittier Saturday. Newport is still alive in the sectional tournament

NEWPORT

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But a win today puts Newport into the regional tournament, which begins next weekend. The loser of Los Alamitos and Whittier will face Newport at 12:30 p.m. to-

Newport, 15-6 overall in the postseason, had won five in a row, including a 17-3 trouncing of Placentia A in the district championship, coming into Saturday's game against Anaheim, the designated visiting team. But the offense suddenly went silent against the pitching duo of Alex Mascarenas and Brian Boles. Michael Helfrich started the fourth with a single into left field - Newport's Ione hit - as Mascarenas and Boles each retired the side in order in every inning.

"The guys didn't hit like they are accustomed to," Newport Manager Rich Hogan said. "They then put pressure on themselves and [Anaheim] took advantage of the mistakes. Anaheim is an aggressive team."

Anaheim stole eight bases against Newport pitching, three by Mascarenas, who singled twice in four at-bats and scored four runs.

Anaheim's speed caused havoc on Newport's defense and it showed with three er rors leading to four runs in the fifth.

Helfrich, who came on in relief of starting pitcher Adrian Rodriguez in the third, struck out two of the first four Anaheim batters in the fifth.

Then came the elusive third out. Roman Lopez singled in two runs with a hit to right the infield sailed over the catcher. Lopez more of the summer

EASY

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at the Tea Cup, but it doesn't

seem to cause her any concern.

against at Pinehurst [recently]

was from the South and each

time I asked if she or I were

away, she'd keep saying, Yes,

mam," said Marianne.

beat 'em, anyway.'

"One of the girls I was playing

"It's kind of shocking to hear

At the recent California State

Championships near Monterey,

Huntington Beach. Not too long

she found herself competing

against Courtney Goebel, a

product of Marina High in

ago Goebel and her Marina

teammates were up against

Newport Harbor, which was

being coached by Marianne.

21-and-under set, accentuated

"I've been thinking of myself

by the ascent of such stars as

6-foot, 13-year-old Michelle

as an old fish in a big pond,"

The amateur circuit is

dominated by the

said Towersey.

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your opponent talking like that.

You just have to get over it and

and leadoff hitter Brian Lopez later scored after the catcher threw over the third baseman's head and the ball got past the left

"We had a bad game," Hogan said. "I'm more upset that in the last few innings, we looked like a defeated team."

Anaheim grabbed a 1-0 lead in the second before scoring four in the third. Rodriguez struck out four in 2% innings while Helfrich fanned three in 2% innings.

Newport limited Anaheim to only one run in the fourth, getting three outs after rundowns. Brian Lopez, who had walked and stole second, induced a pickle by venturing halfway between second and third. Newport executed the pickle efficiently, with Austin Wobrock holding on to the ball to record the out despite falling to his back on top of the third-base bag after colliding with Brian Lopez.

With two outs, Boles walked and then induced a throw to allow Mascarenas to score from third. But Boles was tagged out by shortstop Danny Moskovits after Helfrich, Nick Svendsen and Jacob McCann sent the runner back and forth between first and second. Moskovits tagged out Boles as he tried to slide into first

Hogan emphasized that Newport, which has six 11-year-olds, has come together during its postseason run, which continues at 12:30 p.m. today against the loser of Los Alamitos and Whittier. A win today

The kids have to come out confident and have to forget |Saturday's| game," he said. "Without a doubt, they feel the pressure, but I want them to play their best and

be happy about playing baseball. A win today would provide plenty of field. He took second when the throw from pleasure and keep Newport playing into

boasting its commitment to

It cost Marianne \$100 when

Annika failed to make the cut,

as husband Brian won the bet.

remains in Annika's corner and

Nevertheless, Marianne

"Everybody wanted my

Marianne. "I was just hoping

Marianne believes more of

especially with such items as

focusing on weight training,"

"Some of these girls are

amazingly fit at such a young

age and are able to launch their

Marianne is a bit of an expert

careers way ahead of the rest."

with the emergence of younger

Newport Harbor where she and

A freshman last year on the

Dranganza and Marianne has

two incoming freshmen boys

Change

Scott Tarnow basically share

duties as boys and girls golf

girls level was Natalie

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players. She has some at

"More of (the younger set) are

for the best for her. I think it

opinion about that," said

gave tremendous focus to

the same will be coming,

"fairness," etc.

says it's not over.

women's golf.

said Towersey.

coaches.

That's a pretty deceiving

close in her ongoing quest to

gain a spot on the state's

ball on a golf course the

immediate thought has to

woman" agenda. As does

center around the "man vs.

Around here the theory

and Toshiba, but don't hold

Annika, Marianne's drives and

approaches leave little room for

quickly boils down to Towersey

your breath, not that she would

shrink to any challenge. It's just

that nobody's making an offer.

"I would love to play, as an

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Farms Golf Club for the two or

invitation," said Marianne.

she was involved in the

If you've ever watched

Marianne Towersey drive the

amateur team.

criticism.

scenario considering she is very

Newport opened the sectional tournament Thursday night with a 9-2 victory over Dana Point after trailing, 2-0, entering the fourth inning. That's when Newport sent 11 men to the plate and tallied

Moskovits pitched a complete game, going seven innings while allowing four hits and two runs to go with 12 strikeouts. Moskovits hit a bases-clearing triple in the fourth to go with two RBIs on a single by Jack Grace and an RBI hit by

Six batters tallied two hits each for Newport. Blake Davey added a walk.

In the 17-3 win over Placentia, Helfrich went 4 for 4 and scored two runs in the leadoff spot while Grace had two RBI singles and also scored a run.

McCann's inside-the-park grand slam highlighted the offense. He added a triple and scored four runs.

Rodriguez went four innings on the mound, allowing no earned runs and Helfrich came on in relief, giving up no runs in one inning.

On Wednesday, Newport faced elimination against Garden Grove in the district tournament, trailing, 3-2, heading into the final inning.

But with two outs, Newport's next six batters reached safely, contributing to a 3 victory, Ryan Albert's bases-clearing

double was the key hit in the inning. Moskovits again threw a complete game, striking out eight, including the final out, and allowed one run. He went

3 for 3, walked and scored a run. Alex Maddox and Austin Devan each

commitment

oozing with promise in Justin

Morehead and Dan Darnell.

All three have unlimited

Marianne. The key, of course, is

While her Sailors may or may

not wrap their fingers around

the competition on a team

benefits of the game far past

"It's very rewarding to

the game with friends and

encourage them to play well

enough where they can enjoy

family in the future. It's a great

Knowing the etiquette of the

game, the rules and learning

sport in (the world of) business.

There are also such items as

potential trips to Florida and

continuing the Pelican Cup at

Pelican Hill Golf Club with the

ongoing rivalry with Corona del

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will be enforced.

basis, Marianne sees the

the win-loss factor.

how to keep up.

potential, according to

CATCHING UP WITH

Bill Leach

Bryce Alderton Daily Pilot

s if the Pacific Coast Triathlon didn't lure world-class athletes before, this year has an "Olympic" feel unlike any other for the course that winds its way along the bluffs, beaches and blue waters around Crystal Cove State Park.

For the first time in its six-year history, 70 professional triathletes from around the world competed Saturday, trying to garner points toward securing a spot for the U.S. Olympic trials. Athletes swam 1,500 meters, rode a bicycle for 25 miles and ran five miles on a course plotted by many volunteers and overseen by Bob Cuyler and Bill Leach, who formed the triathlon six years

Leach, who competed in the Hawaiian Ironman Triathlon in Hawaii for the first time in 1981, and Cuyler, a Newport Beach dentist, have worked nearly 400 races worldwide since meeting 20 years ago.

One of Cuyler's patients, Jeff Horn, a Newport Beach artist. was a classmate of Leach and introduced the two to each other.

We started to train together and a rivalry was formed," Leach recalled. "He wanted to do better and worked harder and harder. He beat me in some of the races and I beat him in some.

"We've grown as friends, trusting each other a lot. There is not an ego problem as you sometimes get with partners."

The course mapped out for today's sprint championship for age division entrants, which will number nearly 1,200, begins near the trailers along the beach at El-Moro as the athletes delve into the water for a half-mile swim. Then they will bicycle for 12 miles, climbing and descending on hills and finally finish with a three-mile run along the cliffs overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Instead of doing two loops of six miles each, bikers will traverse the hilly terrain for six loops, each one spanning two miles.

"There is no flat part on the bike course," Leach said. "We've taken out the flat part from one mile south of Corona del Mar and added two extra loops. This is one of the toughest courses any pro triathlete will be on."

Spectators standing on the beach will be able to watch athletes during the swim portion and as they run up and down the beach.

For Leach, 57, an Advanced Placement world history teacher at Corona del Mar High, these trails are quite familiar. Leach and Cuyler ride their bikes along the course three times a week and have been doing it for 20

The frequent changes in

BACK BAY

Continued from B1

from Newport Harbor, which mixes with freshwater from inland sources, gently clears a squiggly path among the emerald-green grasses below.

The fog lifts and the sun sends a glow that bounces off the water. It is three-and-a-half miles from the upper to lower reaches of the Bay.

I meander below the cliffs and on top of the bluffs, always turning, always waiting.

Waiting for the next walker or jogger or bicyclist.

From where? People come from Irvine, Santa Ana, Laguna Beach, Costa Mesa and Newport Beach, as well.

A man moved from Houston just a week ago and has seen my



Bill Leach

elevation throughout the course make this triathlon difficult, and special, Leach said.

"It is never easy," he said. An avid bodysurfer and kayaker — he competed in the K-2 kayak race in the 1976 Montreal Games - Leach most recently competed in the swimming and biking prodivision at a triathlon in Carlsbad Pain in the sciatic nerve, the largest nerve in the human body which extends from each side of the lower spine, through the buttocks and into the back of the thigh, hinders Leach's ability to run for prolonged stretches of time, so he doesn't compete as much as he did in the past.

Not to worry. He spends time with sons Shane and Hayden and wife Julie, who competed alongside Leach in the 76 Games in the K-1 race. She finished seventh in the medal race and claimed the fronman in 1982

"It is like meeting God," Bill said of competing in the Ironman. "You meet yourself in that race The couple will return to

Hawan in August to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the first Ironman. "It means even more now that

when we were doing the race. Bill said. "Finishing is a pretty fulfilling moment. State Assemblyman John

Campbell, who represents the cove and Newport Beach, along with Dave Kiff, Newport Beach's assistant city manager. Mike Tope, a State Parks official in charge of the Southern California region and Dan Nevenhuis, a former Newport Beach lifeguard along with Leach, who donated 2,000 singlets, or cut-off jerseys given to winners of each age division, have all assisted in the

event's planning. "We've had fabulous volunteer help," Leach said. "Any setbacks have been overshadowed by the community support.

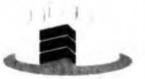
The community can come out to cheer on the athletes at 7 a.m.

good graces three times already. The trails, the scenery are unmatched anywhere." he said. Exactly the reason I've taken up space here and don't plan on

leaving anytime soon.

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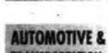
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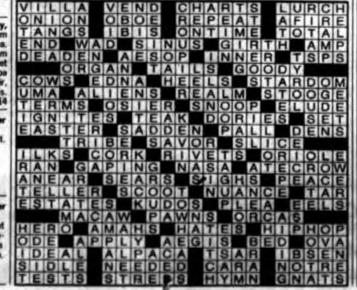
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ending in hand, and declarer contin

ued by leading a club to the queen

tured the next club with the ace and

East paused to take stock. Since the

opening bid marked West with at

least five hearts, declarer held at most one. West would likely have led a

heart from a holding of either A K or

K O, so that card had to be the king

However, there was no need to lead :

heart through the king. For an open-ing bid, West had to have substantial

values in diamonds, so it might be important to attack that suit

Matching the idea to the logic, East

shifted to the nine of diamonds and

when South produced the ten, West's jack forced the king.

Declarer had no quick entry back

to hand to take discards on the good

clubs. When South led a heart to the

king. West won with the ace and

cashed the ace and queen of dia

returned a heart, the contract would

have made. Although West can win.

the ace of diamonds will be the third

and last trick for the defense

Declarer can get to hand with a heart ruff to discard a heart and a diamond

on the long clubs and, when West

turns up with the ace of diamonds, 10

Note that, had East routinely

monds for a one-trick set.

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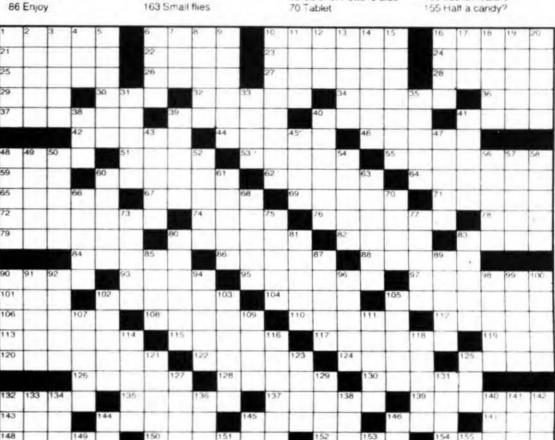
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