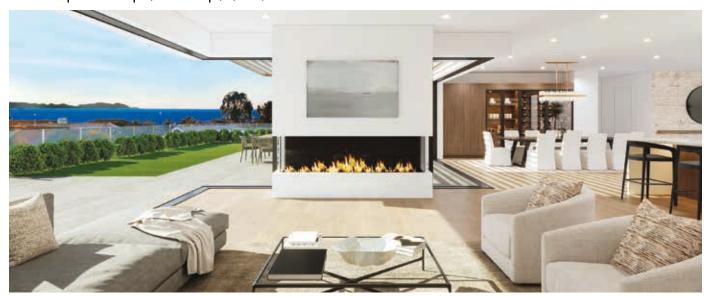
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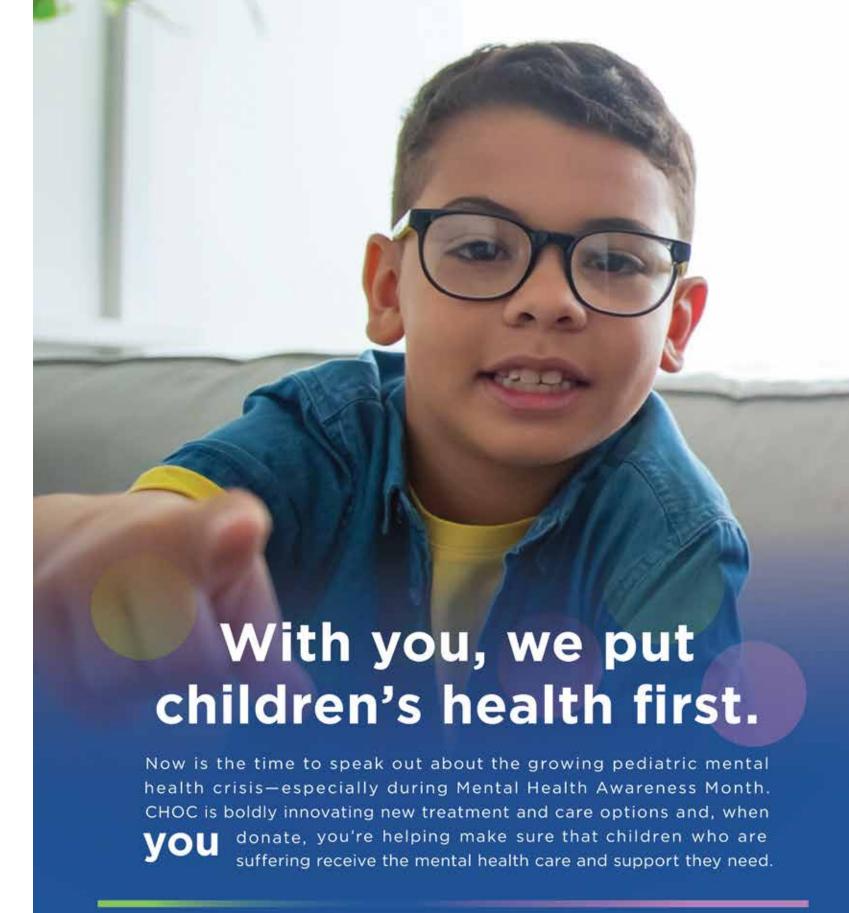








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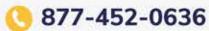


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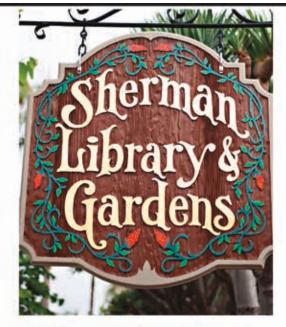
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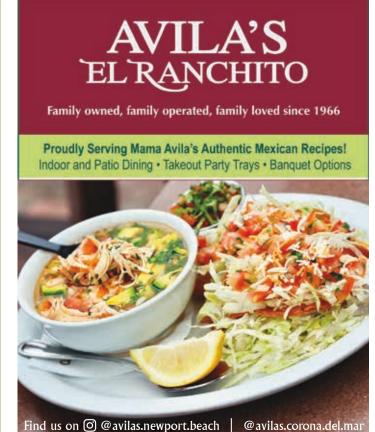
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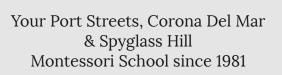
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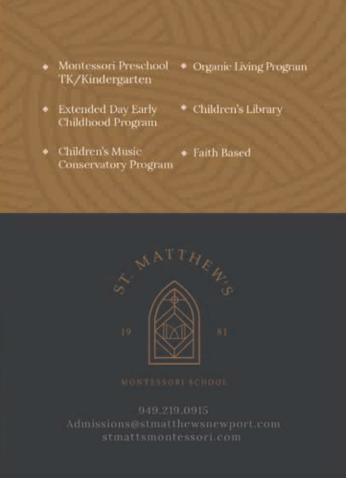


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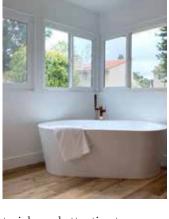
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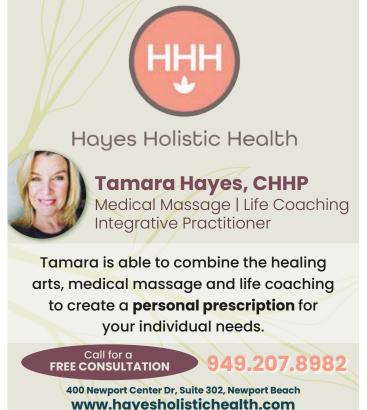


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Springtime at Harbor View Elementary

BY MONICA HOUPT, HARBOR VIEW PFO PR AND SOCIAL MEDIA VOLUNTEER

Hello from Harbor View Elementary!

The numbers are coming in, and this year's Jog-a-thon raised more than \$100K through corporate sponsors and family donations. Our parent volunteers worked tirelessly to ensure the success of this event. We thank everyone who contributed.

HV parent, Monica Meacham, has been running our track team this winter. The kids have had fun learning the different events. They had their own tent at the Newport-Mesa Spirit Run then hit the Newport Beach Youth Track Meet of Champions a week later. Our team had a great time, and several of our kids placed in their events.

The same week of the track meet, kids from 5th and 6th grades debuted this year's school play. The PFO enlisted the help of Arts and Learning Conservatory to produce *Aladdin Jr*. After many weeks of rehearsals, set production, and audiovisual training, our students and community saw the story of Jasmine and Aladdin brought to life. Lower-grade kids were thrilled to see some of their upper-grade reading buddies as citizens of Agrabah and enjoy treats from B Candy.

At Harbor View there is never a dull moment—Book Fair took place in March, many classes enjoyed spring field trips, and April brought our final fundraiser of the school year, Parents' Night Out at Five Crowns. We can't wait to share how it went!

















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BY NAYAN PETRIME, JR. WRITER AND CDMHS STUDENT

want to warmly welcome new CdM resident and cottage preserver Stephanie Pettey. Dr. Pettey just acquired her "little gem" in October 2022 and is very excited to call it her forever home sweet home. Dr. Pettey has been a Newport Beach resident for over 35 years and just thought it was the perfect time to move into her ever after home in our very own picturesque CdM. She chose the cottage upon falling in love with the home's location, nestled on a corner lot with a perfectly sized yard positioned for tons of sunshine. Other than that the home just gave "lots of positive vibes" that sealed the deal and she knew it was the one for her.

Dr. Pettey absolutely adores the vintage 1940s style in her cottage and as of now has no plans on making any changes to the home other than enjoying gardening and adding blooms and a classic white picket fence to showcase the cottage's already massive charm. The charming cottage was built in 1947 and the facade has remained essentially untouched. The home is nostalgic of a simpler time gone by with an inviting brick walkway and paned windows for the sunniest of front rooms.





Bob Pettey (dad), Teri Veltkamp (sister), Bob Pettey, Jr. (brother), Stephanie Pettey, and Pat Pettey (mom)

Similarly, to others living in historic CdM homes, Dr. Pettey finds it imperative and gratifying to preserve the cottages and CDM's quaint history. She believes people can always build new homes, however you can never bring back a home you tear down! So perfectly said Dr. Pettey!

> Outside of enjoying her new cottage, Dr. Pettey works as a psychologist for Irvine Unified School District. In our conversation she shared another forever passion is teaching. She began her career as a teacher but eventually found her true calling was psychology. Dr. Pettey has worked in various special education and administration positions and taught at the university level for approximately 12 years. Teaching has allowed Dr. Pettey to pursue quite a bit of traveling as well. She has been fortunate enough to travel to over 60 countries and was even able to teach children in Russia over one of her summers!

I asked Dr. Pettey to share what her perfect CdM day looks like. Any day spent with her family and friends is a perfect day! She has even purchased a golf cart along with her new home so she can cruise her parents





and grandkids around town! I am sure their golf cart cruises will be one of their lifelong memories of both being with family and CdM!

Dr. Pettey also loves gathering around the fire pit, chatting with people walking by her home, and strolling to Banderas or El Cholo to meet friends. Dr. Pettey is looking forward to exploring more of CdM with her family in tow on her golf cart. Thank you, Dr. Pettey, for preserving your little gem, a little bit of CdM history, a whole lot of CdM charm, and for sharing a bit of your amazing CdM life!



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AUTHOR, CARDIOLOGIST, AND CDM RESIDENT

BY BRUCE CARLIN, CDM RESIDENT | PHOTOS BY TURVILLE PHOTOGRAPHY

After Cristina LePort graduated from medical school at the University of Bologna, the oldest university in the world going back to 1088, she moved to New York not knowing any English except medical terms to begin her life in medicine. For a few months, she worked as a nurse's aide while learning the language and became quite adept at the English words for bodily functions while cleaning bedpans.

In 1976, she began her internship and then residency at Long Island College Hospital where she specialized in internal medicine. In 1979, she decided to move to California and start an internal medicine private practice. While working at Los Altos Hospital and Fountain Valley Regional Hospital, she met her husband, Peter LePort, a general and bariatric surgeon, and they were married in 1984. In 1998, after practicing Internal Medicine for almost two decades, Cristina started a cardiology fellowship at the UCLA-VA program. She has been practicing Cardiology since 2002.

Cristina has three children – sons Christopher Rizza, who is a Real Estate Attorney, and Francisco LePort, who attended college at age 13 and is now the CEO of Gordian Biotechnology, and daughter Aurora LePort, who is a data scientist. Cristina has three grandchildren aged 15, 9, and 7.

Cristina first started writing medical thrillers 20 years ago and has written several books. The first, by her own admission, received hundreds of rejections. To never give up is Cristina's defining characteristic. And she never gave up. She loves the art of writing, creating something out of nothing, creating interesting people and plot twists that hopefully engage and entertain her readers.

She wrote her second novel, now published, called *DISSECTION*. On the cover, there's a hand holding a card that reads "Your heart attack will arrive in one hour." It's a medical and political thriller—the idea came to Cristina while watching an aspirin commercial on TV a number of years ago. It was the perfect inspiration for her new book *DISSECTION*.

Becoming an author is an ego-testing endeavor. Rejection is part of the game. First, you need to find and then interest an agent to represent you and your work in



order to get to book publishers. Book publishers rarely entertain new books that are not presented to them by agents. She sent out hundreds of first-three-page snippets to potential agents, and the rejections came. "It's 'too male,' it's 'too political,' it has 'too many curse words" she was told. She even received one rejection just five minutes after she submitted it. No luck. It's a numbers game. Frustrated, she hired a coach to help her land an agent. The coach essentially took her "pitch letter," moved her sentences around a bit, and that did the trick. She was able to land a deal with Bob Diforio of D4EO Literary Agency to represent her book.



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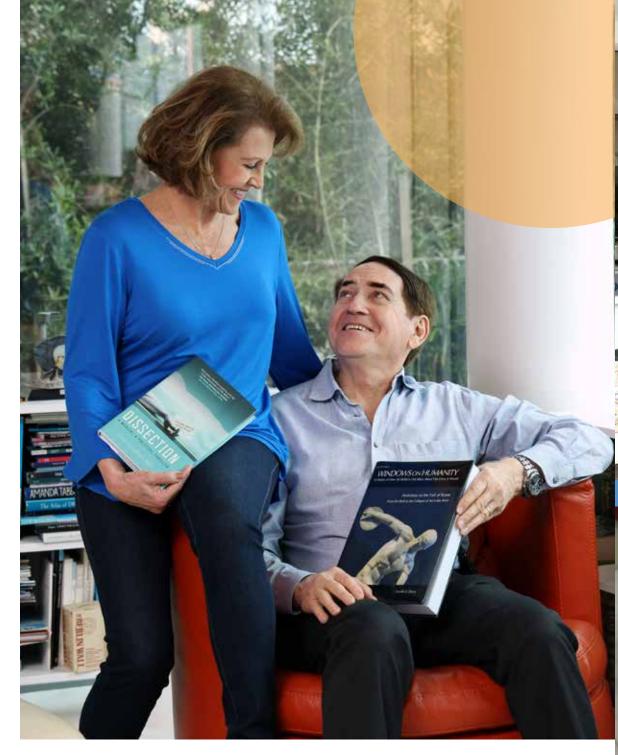
Diforio's first words to her? "I don't know if I can sell your book." You need a bulletproof ego in the writing business. Her book was published by Bancroft Press in 2022, and it reached bestseller status earlier this year. Cristina's now on a book-promoting journey, another challenging part of being a writer. Getting the book written and published is only half the challenge; the rest is to get your book known-book signings, magazine articles, and book events are all part of the process.

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In addition to her cardiology practice and being a writer, Cristina has also managed to fit in becoming a black belt in karate, along with her daughter Aurora, who is also a black belt.

Cristina and Peter live in Corona del Mar in a beautiful contemporary home that they built 17 years ago, one with walls of glass looking out to the Pacific, including a gourmet kitchen worthy of a chef born in Italy. Born in Bologna, you can guess her culinary specialty homemade pasta Bolognese, of course.

Would you like to nominate a family to be highlighted in Greet Corona del Mar magazine? We'd love your suggestions! Email us at cdmlifenews@gmail.com.



THE ORCHESIS DANCE **COMPANY LOVES THEIR PETS!**

BY EMMERSON BOYNTON, CDM RESIDENT AND CORONA DEL MAR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

rchesis is a Corona del Mar High School (CDMHS) tradition. Originally founded as a club in 1962, the Orchesis Dance Company is one of CDMHS's longest-standing student organizations. Orchesis continues to maintain the group's founding principles of honor, integrity, discipline, and high standards of excellence as a world-class high school dance company.

In Greek, the word "Orchesis" means "the art of movement." As a 501(c)(3) non-profit high school dance organization, Orchesis Dance Company is dedicated to providing quality and professional dance instruction and instilling an appreciation for the art of dance in a safe studio environment at Corona del Mar High School. Their mission is to provide dance education in the classroom, the school, and the community.

In addition to their LOVE of dance, the Orchesis Dance Company members also LOVE their pets!





Ella & Chief





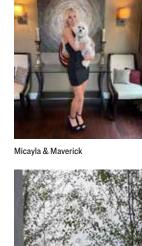


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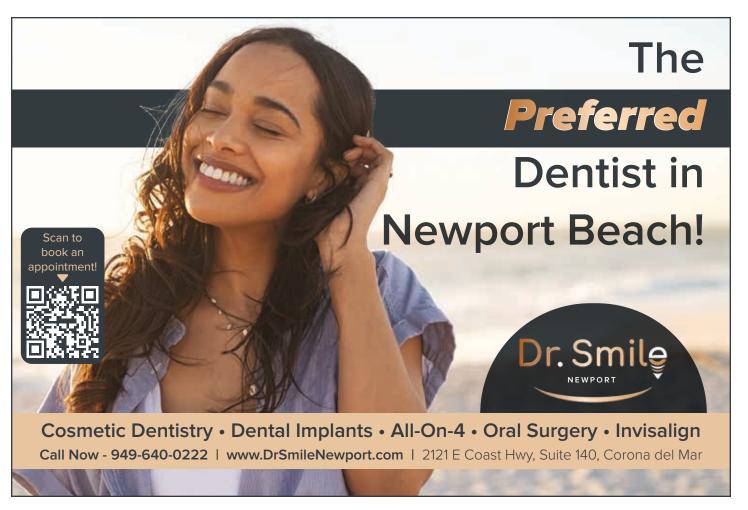




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BLUEBERRY LEMON BREAKFAST CAKE

SUBMITTED BY DEBI DOOLITTLE-CAMPBELL, CDM RESIDENT



here do I begin with all the wonderful things about this fabulous recipe? It's a big, fat, moist buttermilk coffee cake/snack cake loaded with juicy blueberries and made with lemon sugar that gives it the most lovely citrus perfume. It's gotten high scores with all my taste testers! The secret is the lemon sugar. Be sure and peel the lemon zest in strips and don't include any of the white pith because this will make it bitter. Another secret is the coarse decorative sparkle sugar that I used, which I put on before and after baking for a really pretty finish and a nice crunch. I'm addicted to it! This cake is amazing warm from the oven, but you can reheat it in a microwave for leftovers. You won't be sorry you tried this one, I promise! Enjoy!

INGREDIENTS:

- · 1 cup granulated sugar
- Zest of 1 lemon, peeled in strips
- ½ cup butter at room temperature (1 stick)
- 2 large eggs, at room temperature
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1¾ cups all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup cornstarch
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp salt
- ½ cup cultured buttermilk
- 2 cups fresh blueberries
- Sparkle sugar (for top of cake, optional)

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease 9x9 inch square pan.
- 2. First make the lemon sugar. Put the sugar and lemon zest into a food processor and process until the zest is completely incorporated in to the sugar and it's pale yellow and fragrant. If you don't have a processor, just finely grate the zest and mix it into the sugar.
- 3. Cream the lemon sugar and butter together until pale and fluffy. I like to go for a full 5 minutes, scraping down the bowl as necessary.
- 4. Beat in the eggs, one at a time. Beat each one well, and scrape down the bowl. Blend in the vanilla.
- 5. Whisk together the flour, cornstarch, baking powder and salt.
- 6. Take about a tablespoon of the flour mixture and toss with the blueberries. (This will help the blueberries not float to the bottom of the cake.) Then add the dry mix to the butter mix and blend until almost incorporated. Blend in the buttermilk, just until everything is mixed, but don't overdo it. Gently fold in the blueberries.
- 7. Spoon the dough (it will be thick) into the prepared pan and spread out evenly. Sprinkle some sparkling sugar over the surface. Bake for about 40 minutes, or until golden and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out without wet batter clinging to it.
- 8. I sprinkle more sparkling sugar on the cake after it comes out of the oven and then let it cool for at least 15 minutes before slicing.





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Remembering Augie Nieto

Fitness industry mogul, founder of Augie's Quest to cure ALS & hero to ALS families

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arlier this year, Augie's Quest shared the news that its founder, beloved leader and ALS champion, Augie Nieto, died, surrounded by his family on February 22, 2023, just seven days after his 65th birthday.

Augie was the fitness industry mogul credited for the success of Lifecycle, Life Fitness and Octane Fitness brands. In 2005, at the height of his career, he was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or ALS, a progressive nervous system disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord, causing loss of muscle control.

Shortly after his diagnosis, he and his wife, Lynne, cofounded Augie's Quest, a nonprofit focused on raising the funds and awareness needed to advance cutting-edge research and fast-track effective treatments to ultimately cure ALS.

With the fierce tenacity he used to revolutionize the modern-day fitness industry, Augie, expended that same high-energy and business acumen to transform how ALS research is conducted today.

Since 2005, under Augie's leadership, nearly \$200 million has been raised for ALS research. These funds helped to establish the Augie's Quest Translational Research Center at the ALS Therapy Development Institute (ALS TDI) to better understand the mechanisms of how ALS affects the body and use the knowledge to develop new, more effective treatments for the disease. A crowning achievement, Augie's Quest funding has led to development of Tegoprubart (formerly AT-1501), one of the most promising ALS treatments in development today and marks the very first time in history a non-profit organization research project has reached this stage of drug development.

As a leader in an industry dedicated to maintaining muscle strength and performance, it is tragic irony that Augie's disease robbed him of the strength and use of his body. But, ALS could not take away his fierce competitive nature, determination, drive and love of life, friends and family. A visionary and true hero to so many ALS families, Augie galvanized the global fitness industry, corporate partners, individual donors, ALS families and friends, to join forces to change the way people live with ALS.

Lynne paid tribute to her late husband at his celebration of life: "ALS was Augie's biggest tragedy. But how he dealt with it was his greatest triumph. His strength, leadership, perseverance, and indomitable spirit set examples for all of us to live the rest of our lives and emulate that. He showed us how to best deal with an extraordinarily bad situation and to deal with it with grace and courage and love, and most of all with a sense of humor. He loved life, he loved his family, and he loved his friends. He left a great legacy of courage, determination, honesty, and love of family. I promised Augie on the day he left his body behind, that I will never give up his Quest and that we all will collectively carry on his mission. Augie and I both knew that his mission wouldn't help his own life, but we knew that we needed to change the landscape of ALS from one of despair to one of hope."

In Augie's own words: "Please keep me in your hearts... please help continue the progress of Augie's Quest to Cure ALS. Please help Lynne to carry on the mission the second finest achievement of my life. Because I will be in your heart, I will get to experience the joy when we discover a cure."

Augie's life story was chronicled in the award-winning film, Augie. To honor Augie's memory and help support ALS research, visit Augie's Quest at augiesquest.org.



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n Saturday, March 25th, St.
Mary's School held its annual
Gala at the Balboa Bay Resort in
Newport Beach. The fundraiser themed
"Let's Rock the Boat" treated more than
300 St. Mary's community members
to a lively evening of cocktails, dinner,
dancing, fundraising and more. The
event was generously supported by the
presenting sponsor, Greenlaw.

RECORD BREAKING SUPPORT FOR STUDENT PROGRAMS!

This event is an essential fundraiser for St. Mary's. Thanks to the overwhelming support of event sponsors and the Falcon community, over \$525,000 was raised through ticket sales, sponsorships, auction and Fund-a-Need. The silent and live auctions specifically brought in record breaking numbers – \$194,000! Many thanks to our families

and community members for their generous donations. Without you, this success would not be possible.

The Fund-a-Need for the 2023
Gala goes directly toward funding
the St. Mary's Scholar Program. The
Scholar Program provides full-tuition
scholarships to qualified students.
Through this funding, not only will
the lives of these children and their
families be changed, but our community
will be changed for the better. We
raised an incredible \$220,000
specifically during the Fund-a-Need for
the St. Mary's Scholar Program!

"The 2023 St. Mary's Gala was a tremendous success. We are so blessed to have such a generous and supportive community that annually comes together to celebrate our school. Thank you to all of the families that participated and supported the Gala. A special thank you

to our event sponsors and our talented Gala co-chairs Megan Roshan and Lindsay Dickhout and their committee." Doug Patterson, Head of School.

FALCONS ROCKED THE BOAT!

Wow, what a night! Guests enjoyed a Cocktail Reception with "Three Sheets to the Wind" Signature Cocktail and a Champagne Wall, Appetizers, Photo Opportunities, Silent Auction, Dinner and Dessert, Live Auction, Fund-a-Need and celebrating on the Dance Floor to Dancing To Undercover Live with treats from the Dessert Bar!

Thank you to our fabulous 2023 Gala Committee; Gala Co-Captains: Megan Roshan and Lindsay Dickhout; and committee members: Nicole Bhathal, Jamie Goodman, Cathy Green, Tonya Johnstone, Jennifer Kite, MaryAnn Samuel and Carey Tushin-Vile.















- 1. Sara and George Webb
- 2. St. Mary's Board Members
- 3. Laura and Jason Duko
- 4. Brandon Goethals and Janelle File
- 5. St. Mary's Head of School Doug
- Patterson, and his wife
- 6. St. Mary's Gala Committee

AN INTERACTIVE S.T.E.M. SCIENCE FAIR AT THE **CDM LIBRARY**

BY ALICIA LUCAS, CDM RESIDENT

The scene was a kaleidoscope of kids and caretakers energetically exploring the tables where magnetics, balloons, scales, a hard-to-resist water tub and an oversized magnifying glass lay. On March 10, the Corona del Mar Library hosted an interactive S.T.E.M. Science Fair with self-guided, hands-on experiments.

Open to the public, this was the first time branch librarian Nadia Dallstream had hosted such an event in CdM. "The idea originally came from the YAAC (Young Adult Advisory Council) at the Newport Beach Central Library," Nadia explains. "The teens were looking to do something different and came up with the idea of having a science fair." For this event, Dallstream did all the research herself and created six lab-inspired workstations. Each station posed a question that engaged the child to create their own hypothesis, perform the experiment, and analyze their findings.

"My daughter and I came today because we love all the events the library puts on," Linda Kazaibwe-James of Costa Mesa shared as her 5-year-old daughter Gina peered through the magnifying glass. "This isn't our first event at this branch. We love the location and that it's child friendly."

Standing at the static electricity station, I asked resident Shiden Farjoodi what brought her to the science fair. "I brought my daughter today because she wants to be a scientist. This is perfect for her to try different things and see what she likes best." As her 4-year-old daughter Shaya focused on her experiment, she adds "I love to make potions." Maybe chemistry is her thing? Shiden laughs, "Maybe."

One of the many perks of living in Corona del Mar is the community's efforts in making educational events available to our children. A child can never be too young to start developing critical thinking skills. Science fairs give kids hands-on experience with science and the scientific method fostering innovative ideas. I want to encourage parents and caretakers in our area to participate and take advantage of all opportunities offered through our local libraries. Event calendars can be found on the library's website: newportbeachlibrary.org/ calendar/children-s-calendar





Nadia Dallstream, Librarian at Corona del Mar Library













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Look for Kay Azuma and Keith Richardson, volunteers at Sherman Library & Gardens, painting in the Gardens during the Spring Art Faire weekend. | Photo by Bruce Crary

SPRING GARDEN ART FAIRE May 20th & 21st Sherman Library & Gardens

Art and nature come together in this beautiful botanical garden this spring, with a two-day creative celebration that includes local artists painting throughout the gardens, instructor-led art classes, and an interactive community art project. For more information: thesherman.org.



41ST ANNUAL CORONA DEL MAR SCENIC 5K & FUN WALK June 3rd

Registration is currently open for the popular CdM Scenic 5K & 2-Mile Fun Walk that will once again highlight the event's charming ocean view course and delicious restaurant row of local eateries. The CdM Scenic 5K offers activities for all ages including the adult men's and women's 5K, a 2-mile youth run, a dolphin dash for the little ones, and a festive 2-mile fun walk. Participants also enjoy entertainment, an awards ceremony, vendor exhibits, breakfast, swag bags and a socializing scene of friends and neighbors! To register or for more information: CdmChamber.com or 949-673-4050.



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CORONA DEL MAR RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION 2023 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

June 7th, Doors open at 5:30pm; Guest speaker at 6:30pm Sherman Library & Gardens

This year's program will focus on the beginnings of Corona del Mar. This story starts with the transformation of portions of the Irvine Ranch property into a seaside village with historic cottages and later moves to the formation of surrounding communities like Shore Cliffs and the Cameo Communities. The guest speaker will be Author Mike Stockstill (*Transforming the Irvine Ranch*).

Community Expo begins at 5:30pm and will include representatives from a number of city departments and city commissions, as well as community organizations. Speaker's program follows the Expo at 6:30pm. Refreshments will be provided, and opportunity drawings will be held for fun gifts from local businesses. Open to all Corona del Mar residents and businesses. Be sure to bring your neighbors! For more information: cdmra.org or follow on Facebook (@cdmra) and Instagram and Twitter (@cdmra92625).

Sherman Library & Gardens Fine Art Collection on Display at Laguna Art Museum

The visionary behind Sherman Library & Gardens was businessman Arnold D. Haskell, who opened the gardens to the public in 1966 and named them in honor of his mentor, and prominent entrepreneur, Moses Hazeltine Sherman. The library was initially established to house Sherman's papers and has become an invaluable resource of Southern California history. Sherman Library's impressive collection of maps, photographs and fine art provide a visual understanding of the people, places and activities of this region's changing geography. Sherman Library's fine art collection began in 1969 when Haskell began purchasing paintings by Rex Brandt, Arthur Cahill, Roger Folk, William A. Griffith, Anna Althea Hills, Clarence Hinkle, Joan Irving, Edgar Payne and William Wendt, to name a few. Over the years, the collection expanded when patrons and artists donated artwork to hang in the library. Sherman's fine art holdings are now prized for their historical, cultural and environmental significance.



"Sherman Library's fine art collection is an opportunity to make connections between past and present, tell a tale of local lore and notoriety and see the ties that weave California's coastal and artistic communities together. A special partnership between Sherman Library & Gardens and Laguna Art Museum brings this legendary collection out of the library for the first time in over 50 years," said Sherman Library Director Jill Thrasher.

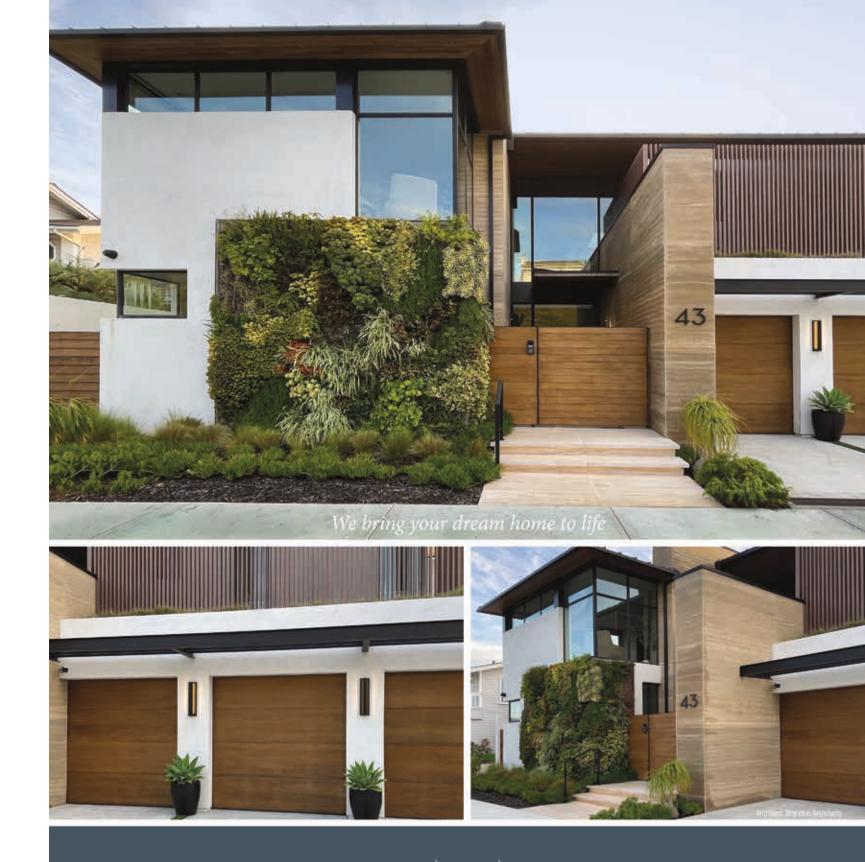
Unseen Ties is on display now through June 4, 2023. Members of Sherman Library & Gardens can enjoy free museum admission during the exhibition by showing their membership cards upon arrival. The Laguna Art Museum is located at 307 Cliff Drive in Laguna Beach. For more information, visit thesherman.org or call **949.673-1880**.



Edgar Payne, Sierra Landscape



Roger Folk, Sherman Library





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FAVORITE CDM RESTAURANT?

El Ranchito. It is locally owned and run by a family. The environment is so friendly and inviting, and the food is amazing! They also support the community a lot and help local corporations and fundraisers. I have so many memories from when I was little and lived in Cali during the summers. If you haven't tried El Ranchito, I would definitely give it a try!



FAVORITE PLACE TO HANG OUT?

Little Corona Beach. It's secluded from the chaos of the main beach, which makes it seem lonely. I love it though; it gives me a chance to be in my thoughts and enjoy our beautiful beaches.



BEST PART OF CDM?

Our community – everywhere you go, you are sure to find a friendly smile or a helping hand. It's refreshing to know we live in a place where we can all be congenial and supportive of our local businesses.

ey, CdM! For those who don't know me, I am Johanna Richter. I moved here around two years ago and have been writing for this magazine for a little over a year now. I was born in Utah, but I moved at a very young age to South Carolina. I am in 8th grade, and I attend CdM Middle School.



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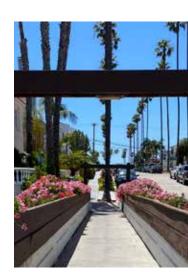
YOUR PERFECT WEEKEND IN CDM?

Waking up for a run just before sunrise. Catching breakfast at Mother's. Walking around the shops, then stopping at the beach for a dip. Lastly, walking on the beach at sunset.



BEST PLACE TO WALK IN CDM?

The Flower Streets. You have the beautiful view of the ocean, and if you like looking for open houses, they have tons! It's a beautiful community to sightsee or just go for a stroll.



FINDING THE RIGHT ART FOR YOUR LUXURY HOME

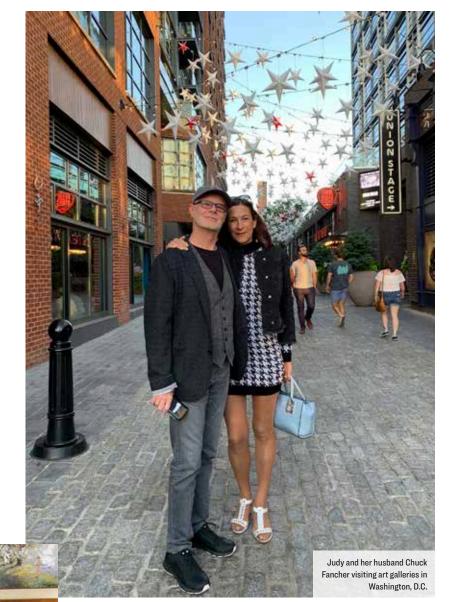
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We've all seen it. A luxury residence with a Miele range, imported honed marble, a Kelly Wearstler coffee table, lighting fixtures from Remains, and then.... oh my, cheap mass market art prints on the walls!

Often, even with the work of a fantastic interior designer behind the scenes, the walls seem to have been left to fend for themselves.

If you have a new home, a remodel, or have just realized that the art in your

Ju<mark>dy with</mark> Bernie Taup<mark>i</mark>n, the artist of the piece pictured, as well as the songwriter for Elton John



home is not at the same level as the architecture or interior design, you can benefit from having the help of a professional art consultant.

That's where Judy Brower Fancher comes in. Having acquired original art from galleries and artists across the country and around the globe for more than 20 years, Judy has the ability to turn finding and acquiring the art that you love into a relaxed and enjoyable process.

"Getting help from an art consultant, whether you're a sophisticated collector or it's the first time you've selected art, is a true luxury!" Judy notes. "Finding new art you love is a joy and the process should be a pleasure, as well."

Judy combines her ability to learn a homeowner's taste with her art history background, passion for art and knowledge of options. It makes the process effortless for her clients.

"Instead of staring at blank walls, mass market prints, or Googling 'art galleries near me,' my clients are shown a handcurated selection of pieces within the aesthetic that appeals to them," she adds. "I source paintings and sculpture that are



BEFORE: Example before art

additive to their interior design and that are within the budget range with which they're comfortable. I often find some existing pieces as well as some commissionable options. In each case, I am taking the hard work off the client and making art selection an engaging, non-threatening and beautiful experience."

Judy does not own the art she is recommending, nor representing specific artists.

"My clients are the only people I represent," she explains. "At a gallery, the gallerists offer art only from the artists they represent, which is their job. In my business, I'm curating pieces I feel a specific client will love based on our input meeting. This way, I can source locally, nationally and globally, and then the client can simply select one or more pieces that they are passionate about."

She notes that working with an art consultant also provides the same benefits one finds when working with any other professional, from a financial adviser to a make-up artist. If a person wants expert guidance, or just the pleasure of having someone else do the leg work, it's there for them.

"In today's world, very few people feel they have enough free time. When they can find some carved out moments, they often want to spend that time with their family and friends, or exercising, or...wait for it...resting!" she laughs.

A Corona del Mar High School graduate, Judy returned back to the area forever right after college. In addition to understanding the overall aesthetic of our beautiful beach community, she also knows the vibe of the residents here.

"We all tend to go 100 miles an hour through our days," she says. "And the last thing any of us needs is to put in extra time finalizing our homes. We want our homes to be complete so we can come home for rejuvenation and relaxation. Having spectacular art can add to our enjoyment of our home, as well as our pleasure in creating a special environment for our family and friends who visit."



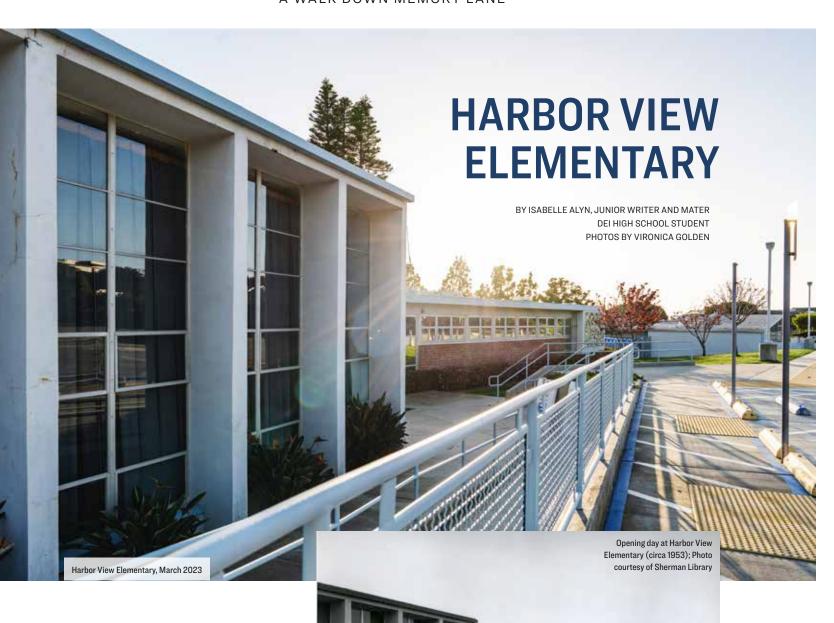
AFTER: Example after, with painted tapestry by © Christina Knoll, Copenhagen

Those interested in working with Judy Brower Fancher of Brower, Miller & Cole to acquire art can reach her at jbrower@browermillercole. com or (949) 427-5211. For art inspiration, follow Judy on Instagram

@browermillerandcole.







he 700 acres of what is now the highly desirable community of Corona del Mar, changed hands several times between disenfranchised investors and developers during the early1900s. As WWII came to a close in 1945, lot sales picked up as returning veterans and their families along with those who had been brought to California for the war effort bought up the lots. With the expanding population, another

neighborhood school was needed. In 1953, Harbor View Elementary opened to students by Roy O. Anderson, then district superintendent of the Newport Beach Elementary School District. "We had three schools then and needed another one," he recalled. "We selected the Harbor View

site because it was close to Corona del Mar, and we knew that area was really going to grow."

Presently, the beach city that could not give away lots for \$100 a century ago is now one of the most desirable zip codes in the country, and Harbor View

is a scholarly award-winning public elementary school. Besides the amazing staff and teachers, the most advantageous resources at Harbor View Elementary are the Harbor View Parent Faculty Organization (HVPFO) and Harbor View Dads. The HVPFO was established in 1984 and is a non-profit 501(c)(3) registered organization dedicated to promoting Harbor View students' health, wellbeing, and educational success through strong

parent, family, and community involvement. The parent volunteers are given the astonishing task of raising the required funds through six different fundraising campaigns to fill the \$338,000 funding gap that is not covered by the State and District for the school's annual academic needs. As a former Viking...At Harbor View Elementary, we will ensure that all students are better scholars, better citizens, and better human beings by making learning our adventure!







Don't Have a Closed Mind About Screwcaps

BY LENARD "THE WINE GUY" DAVIS

n out-of-state friend brought me some wine the other day from New Jersey. She apologized for the fact that it had a screwcap enclosure, also known as a Stelvin named for the company that manufactures a great many of them. (I will talk about New Jersey wines some other time.)

I said that there is absolutely nothing wrong with a screwcap enclosure, although some of us might recall those evenings long ago by a campfire with a large jug of Gallo Hearty Burgundy which came sealed with such a thing. The fact is that screwcaps may well be what most of the industry will one day be using due to the fact that winemakers have a dirty little secret. The name of this secret is trichloroanisole (TCA), a type of bacterial infection also known as cork taint.

When TCA infects a wine, the wine becomes "corked" and emits a moldy aroma and taste something akin to old dirty wet socks. Drinking a wine with this problem is unpleasant, although fortunately, it won't hurt you. But if you were to drink a wine with this problem for the first time, you may well not ever buy it again. When one considers that about 5% of all bottles of wine are so affected it becomes a major problem for the industry.

Cork is a material made from so-called cork oaks which mostly originate in Portugal, Spain, Italy, and Algeria. Most of it comes from Portugal, and the overwhelming bulk from a province called Alentejo. When harvested, the cork is sometimes laid on the ground and can become infected with TCA if not properly handled. Back in the 1970s when a revolutionary Socialist government came to power in Portugal, many cork trees were ripped up by government decree and replaced by corn, which doesn't grow well in Portugal. The remaining cork was badly handled. The result: less cork and more TCA infected cork. Much of this was shipped off to Australia and New Zealand because a prevailing thought was "What did those hicks in the outback know anyway?"

Needless to say, those Down Under winemakers got pretty mad at being "had" and have more or less stopped using cork at all. I have not seen a cork in a wine bottle from New Zealand in decades and very few from Australia. South Africa is another of those Southern hemisphere countries where wine producers mostly eschew using a cork to seal their bottles. They all use screwcaps, and while there may be some Australian wines I don't like (Yellowtail, for example),

it's not because they are using screwcaps.

There are other alternatives. A very small number of wineries use a glass stopper although I've heard that breakage can be an issue. Then there are plastic corks which I avoid because I think the flavor from the plastic can become infused into the wine if it sits a long time. There are also wine enclosures made from



soggy and sometimes the wines have suffered because of it.

a composite material which includes some cork but there have been few if any cases of them being infected with TCA. The problem with these artificial stoppers is that they are hard to get back into the bottle in the event you don't consume it all at once. The solution for that is to buy some of those little rubber stoppers that come with a small hand pump.

Still, there is much to be said of the tradition and romance of a real cork and the lovely little pop they make when you pull them out with a corkscrew. There's also the argument that a good wine ages better when a real cork is used. Something about tiny molecules of air within the cork itself that release themselves into the wine over time. You may have noticed that some fine wines have two tiny vampire holes on top of the enclosure on the assumption that a tiny amount of air can seep in and help mature the wine. A critic might point out that the metal enclosure over the cork should pretty much keep out the oxygen anyway.

It is important to store wines well and at the proper temperature—between 55 and 60 degrees—and, if sealed with a cork, on their sides. Leaving such a bottle in an upright position for a long time will cause the cork to dry out and will allow too much oxygen into the wine causing it to oxidize and become like vinegar. There is, however, something to said for a nice wine vinegar so I wouldn't necessarily throw it out if that does happen. I recently opened a bottle of Mouton Rothschild 1972. The wine was undrinkable, not because of TCA but because it had turned. I have been using it to make the best salad dressing ever.

> About the author: Lenard Davis is a local author on Newport Beach history as well as a wine lover. Readers may be interested in his book: Wine Memories, the Recollections of a Wine Lover available through authorhouse.com

and others with a

Stelvin cap. But the

in general use for a

few years so the jury is still out on whether

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the screwcap will, in

fact, age as well. Still,

as the owner of many

older bottles—some

1960s—I get rather

tired of dealing with

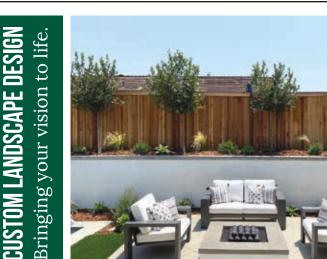
have either dried out too much or become

old, crumbly corks that

going back to the

latter have only been

Some wineries, Plumpjack comes to mind, have produced bottlings of the same wine with some sealed with a real cork







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5 Ways to Support a Teen Dealing with College Rejection

We regret to inform you Those five words on a college rejection letter can send high school seniors spiraling. Teens tend to take college rejection as a judgment on themselves not just their academic abilities but who they are as a person. Failing to get into their dream school can undermine their confidence and self-worth. Here's how to support teens to cope with college rejection.

ALLOW THEM TO GRIEVE THE DREAM.

It's okay to feel sad about a college rejection. Let your teen vent about it, cry about it, or just be bummed out for a while, without judging their reaction. However, if teens can't shake depression and sadness about a college rejection, seek support from a mental health professional.

LET THEM KNOW THEY'RE NOT ALONE.

That's particularly true if they applied to elite universities. For example, Harvard accepted only 3% of applicants for its class of 2026—a record low. Among the many people who didn't get into their dream schools are Steven Spielberg (rejected from USC's film school), Tina Fey (rejected from Princeton), and Barack Obama (rejected from Swarthmore).

CHECK YOUR OWN REACTION.

It's important for parents to examine their own reactions, too. What hopes did you have for your teen? Did you imagine them attending your alma mater before they got rejected? Be honest with yourself—and then put those emotions aside and focus on supporting your child.

REMIND THEM THEY ARE SO MUCH MORE THAN THEIR **COLLEGE APPLICATIONS.**

A rejection is not a judgment on a teen's personality, likeability, or worthiness—or even their academic ability. According to college admissions officers, as many as twothirds of rejected students are fully equipped to succeed at their schools.



HELP THEM EMBRACE THE GOOD NEWS.

Along with rejection letters, it's likely your teen received some acceptance letters. One of those safety schools could end up being the perfect fit. There's a reason they chose those schools as backups, and there's a reason those schools chose them.

Furthermore, research by the Stanford-affiliated nonprofit Challenge Success shows that attending a selective school is *not* more likely to lead to greater job satisfaction or well-being. The report found that engaging fully in the college experience

is the most important factor for success, regardless of the school you go to.

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