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Earth Day celebrated by working, learning



Clinton Hanifort, 12, left, and Henry Farris, 9, pull garbage from a jetty at Dana Point Harbor at the Stand Up To Trash Earth Day event Saturday. Farris is a junior ambassador for the nonprofit. PHOTOS BY MINDY SCHAUER — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Events this week highlight how you can help the planet, live sustainably

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An event in Dana Point to celebrate Earth Day put a spotlight on a growing concern — the impact of textiles and fast fashion on landfills and waste.

A clothing swap was added this year to Stand Up To Trash's annual Earth Day beach cleanup in the Dana Point Harbor on Saturday, with people showing up with bags of unwanted clothing to exchange with others so the materials go to a new home, rather than filling a trash can.

"There's just so much waste," said Vicki Patterson, founder of Stand Up To Trash, a nonprofit dedicated to raising awareness of the impacts of pollution.

When Patterson started researching textile waste, she said she was "astonished" by the numbers, including that if clothing manufacturers stopped making materials today, there would still be

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Brynn Kelly takes part in the beach cleanup in Dana Point on Saturday. There are events all across Orange County this week celebrating Earth Day.

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Judge rules DA showed racial bias in burglary case

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Orange County District Attorney Todd Spitzer's campaign to close a tourism loophole that allows Chileans to enter the United States without background checks has landed him in hot water in the case of a Chilean national charged with felony burglary.

A judge last week ruled that a news release by Spitzer was racially biased against defendant Jorge Navarretecorvalan, who was described in defense papers as the

"poster child" for the district attorney's push to drop Chile from the ESTA visa waiver program.

Superior Court Judge Michael Cassidy found that the June 14, 2024, news release detailing Navarretecorvalan's arrest was in violation of California's Racial Justice Act and ordered the parties to return to court today to determine a remedy.

In the release, Spitzer accused then-U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas of not taking action against Chile for failing

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Three men allegedly involved in a Chilean burglary ring that targeted professional athletes pose with a collection of watches and a safe. COURTESY OF U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

COURTS

Singer D4vd is charged

First-degree murder and other charges were filed Monday against singer D4vd for the death of a 14-year-old Lake Elsinore girl, Celeste Rivas Hernandez, whose body was discovered in the trunk of his impounded Tesla in Los Angeles last year. **A4**

NHL

Ducks drop first game in playoffs

Returning to the postseason for the first time in eight years, Anaheim lost 4-3 to the Edmonton Oilers in the first round on Monday. The Ducks took a 3-2 lead into the third period after Troy Terry scored two goals. **SPORTS**



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MIDDLE EAST

Trump's messages mixed on Iran war

President expresses measured optimism about deal but warns that 'lots of bombs' may go off

By Aamer Madhani, Munir Ahmed and Russ Bynum
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump offered mixed messages Monday about the path ahead for the U.S. war against Iran, declaring he was in no rush to end the conflict while also expressing confidence that further negotiations with Tehran will soon take place in Pakistan.

With the 14-day ceasefire set to expire Wednesday, Trump whipsawed in telephone interviews and social media posts between measured optimism that a deal could soon be reached and warning that "lots of bombs" will "start going off" if there's no agreement before the ceasefire deadline.

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CALIFORNIA

Democrat Yee drops out of governor's race

Ex-state controller struggled to gain traction with voters

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Former State Controller Betty Yee, a Democrat who for months struggled to gain traction with voters and was unable to pull herself above the low single digits in various polls, has suspended her campaign for governor.

Yee served as budget director for Gov. Gray Davis before being elected to the California State Board of Equalization. More recently, she was vice chair

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Inside: California Democrats' polling shows Republicans still lead race for governor after Swalwell's exit. **A7**

LOUISIANA

Community reeling after mass shooting

By Sophie Bates, Lekan Oyekanmi and Gerald Herbert
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SHREVEPORT, La. — A stunned Louisiana community struggled to come to grips Monday with the massacre of eight children carried out by a father who was separating from his wife and used an assault-style weapon, despite a 2019 felony firearms conviction.

The violence that unfolded early Sunday across two houses in Shreveport, Louisiana, was one of the nation's deadliest mass shootings in recent years.

The shooter, identified as Shamar Elkins, shot seven of his children and another child, police said. His wife also was shot and wounded.

His wife's sister, who called police minutes after the shooting started, escaped with a child by jumping from the roof, police and family members said Monday.

"She said she was running for her life," said Lionel Pugh, an uncle to the two women shot. "The only ones he didn't kill was the ones who got away?"

Elkins died after fleeing and a police pursuit that ended with officers firing on him. It was not clear

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