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THE SUPERVISOR'S SCOOP

THE LATEST THIRD DISTRICT NEWS

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Dear Valued Residents,

COVID-19 appears to have shut down most of society. But life must go on. I continue to fight for public safety and Third District families and businesses amid the struggles at hand.

For example, we still owe justice to crime survivors and their families. At our last Board of Supervisors meeting, an item I brought forward unanimously passed to clear the County's rape-kit backlog. The lab expects to complete the testing in 16-24 months. It was unfortunate to learn some of the kits go back a staggering 20 to 30 years. I thank D.A. Spitzer for his tireless work on this vital effort.

COVID has not spared us from wildfires, either. Swathes of SoCal's open spaces are now charred and scorched. However, I intend to be proactive and protect the fire-prone areas in my District as a Board Director of the Orange County Fire Authority. We are removing dry debris and encouraging residents to create defensible space. On October 6, I will be streaming a virtual Fire Town Hall with County officials to help residents stay safe and prepared this fire season.

I will also continue to advocate for those suffering under the governor's sweeping, anti-scientific orders. There are disadvantaged children who need access to full-time school resources and there are business owners facing ruin and there are employees facing layoffs. To add insult to injury, the Employment Development Department has failed to deliver checks to those who need it most.

That is why I am leading the Open Cal Now effort for a safe reopening. From physical distancing to increased sanitizing to facial coverings, we know how to protect ourselves and those vulnerable to the virus.

We will get through this together. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you on the Board of Supervisors.

Stay healthy and well,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Donald Trump", is centered on the page. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.



ORANGE COUNTY STUCK IN RED TIER

(See [CA's Color Tier-System](#))

Orange County is frozen in the [Red Tier](#). It will be a slow thaw to the Orange Tier as the 21-day clock resets. This means more people are out of work every day. Some will close their doors forever.

THE GOVERNOR'S NEW METRIC

As if the grand tiered-color scheme wasn't enough, CA counties must now meet a "third" metric before reopening. In addition to the existing testing metrics, the "Equity Measure" breaks counties into census tracts. The lowest quarter of census tracts must be within a specific percentage of the county. A county could have one census tract creating business closures in a different census tract 70 miles away.

With businesses operating at 25% capacity, some less, it will be a costly endeavor to maintain. And each time we get close to meeting the governor's goals, the goalposts move. Just ask [Disney Chairman Iger](#).

Typically, significant policies like this pass through the legislature. Instead, Californians are living under one rapid-fire executive order after another. It's never been done before in America, let alone California history. The mental, physical, and financial devastation to innocent individuals is striking.

**OPEN
CAL
NOW**

Open Cal Now movement.

Science tells us how we can reopen safely and who we need to protect. The state's arbitrary color system is a matter of bad policy.

To save our children, our businesses, and working families from further ruin, please sign the petition to Open Cal Now.

SIGN THE PETITION

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LATEST OP-ED



As a skateboarder rolls by, diners sit at a table beneath an umbrella along a closed Glassell Street in Orange just south of the Plaza on Friday morning, July 10, 2020. The closed street has allowed restaurants to move seating outdoors for social distancing during COVID-19 and be open for business. (Photo by Mark Rightmire, Orange County Register/SCNG)

By [DON WAGNER](#) | Orange County Register

"Instead of paying people not to work, spend the money helping the elderly and immuno-compromised among us with groceries, medicine, telehealth, safe transit to essential places, and other necessities to protect them while they distance. We would spend a lot less money doing so, and the rest of us could get back to work."

"Instead of pretending that children don't need in-person education and that distance learning is "learning," we should use resources to get kids safely back in their classes while protecting at-risk teachers and students. Any parent unwilling to return a child to the classroom can opt-out and be given assistance to bridge the digital divide..."

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IN THE COMMUNITY



Rotary Club: Project Shield

Thank you, Rotary District Governor, Marc Aarons, for leading "Project Shield", the organization's biggest project of the year. Team Wagner honored the District Governor with a Certificate of Recognition for serving his 2019-2020 term with outstanding service to his community. More than 70,000 Face Shields have been built and distributed by Rotary clubs to keep frontline workers safe. Learn more about Project Shield [here](#).



Irvine City Manager John Russo Retires

John Russo's career in public service spans 30 years, recently serving as Irvine City Manager since 2018. From 2015-2018, he worked for Riverside and then Alameda from 2011-2015 as their City Manager. Prior, he served the City of Oakland as a Councilmember from 1995-2000, moving onto be the first elected City Attorney for 11 years.

District Director, Scott Voigts, and District Representative, Deepak Sahni, presented a Certificate of Recognition to thank him for upholding the excellent quality of life in Irvine during his tenure as City Manager.



Supervisor Don Wagner Hosts Blood Drive with OC Soccer Club at Santiago Canyon College

Blood donations are always needed. On October 2, Team Wagner hosted a blood drive with the American Red Cross and the Orange County Soccer Club. The event was a success with every reservation slot filled! All blood is tested for COVID-19 antibodies, which can be used for life-saving plasma treatments. Sign up at [RedCross.org](https://www.RedCross.org) to be someone's lifesaver today.



UPCOMING DATES

SUPERVISOR DON **WAGNER**
SUPERVISOR LISA **BARTLETT**
INVITE YOU TO JOIN

OC FIRE SAFETY TOWN HALL 2020

EXPERT TIPS TO PROTECT YOUR LIFE AND PROPERTY

TUESDAY **OCTOBER 6** | 6 PM

 LIVESTREAM

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR A PRESENTATION
ON THE IMPORTANT TOPIC OF

THE BASICS OF SENIOR FINANCIAL PLANNING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2020 AT 9:30 A.M.

ORANGE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING BEING HELD VIA ZOOM

To join by phone, call one of the following phone numbers, then enter the Webinar ID:
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Webinar ID: 912 4955 8460

Passcode: 577669

Link to meeting:
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Guest Speaker

Janet Morris
Janet R. Morris, Esq.
Elder Care Consulting



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Thanks for reading!



Supervisor Don Wagner is proud to represent nearly 600,000 diverse residents in the communities of Irvine, Tustin, North Tustin, Villa Park, Orange, the unincorporated canyons, and Yorba Linda. Team Wagner is honored to serve you.



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