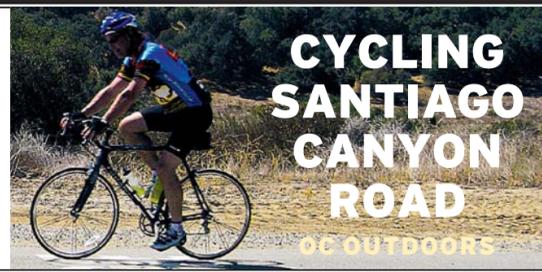




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Prisoner's son seeks answers from Iran

Kaveh Shakeri wants to know why his father, a Lake Forest resident, is still being held.

By VIK JOLLY THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

Kaveh Shakeri is heading to New York this weekend in hopes of asking the president of Iran about the puzzling imprisonment of his father in Tehran.

Shakeri would like know this: "Why have the Iranian authorities detained my father for so long without any word, considering my father is a peace activist and loves Iran and its people, and tried to build dialogue between Iran and the rest of the world through peaceful means?"

On Wednesday, the 134th day of detention for the Lake Forest mortgage and real estate broker, his son spoke by

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Flu shots abundant this year, officials say

There should be plenty of flu vaccine to go around this year, and anyone who doesn't want to contract the illness this winter should get a shot, government health officials said Wednesday. Because of mild flu seasons and concerns about shortages, fewer people have been getting vaccinated in recent years. Only 20 percent of infants and toddlers nationwide got the shots last year, officials said. The shots are particularly important for young children, senior citizens and people with weakened immune systems. The local vaccine supply is also expected to be sufficient, according to the Orange County Health Care Agency. NEWS 2

INSECT INVASION

PREPARE FOR MORE WINGED PESTS!

DON'T BLAME THE MARTIANS - IT'S A HOT-SUMMER THING.

Intense summer heat has revved up bug production in Orange County, yielding a bumper crop of flies and an onslaught of alien (meaning not native to California) pests. Ants are plaguing homeowners, too. Exotic species, including glassy-winged sharpshooters and thrips, are thriving. While mosquitoes have not increased significantly, the virus they harbor - West Nile - is showing up more often in birds. And brace yourself for the terrifying sequel: The "fall flush" could bring a burst of green - in other words, bug food - for another surge of pests.

PHOTOS: BRUCE CHAMBERS, THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

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SPAWN: Warm weather is favorable to insects such as this ladybug and long-legged fly.

ONLINE EXTRAS To see more insect photos, go to ocregister.com/extras.

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MUSICIANS UNION TO VOTE ON DEAL

THE PACIFIC SYMPHONY AND THE UNION REPRESENTING ITS 88 MUSICIANS REACH A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT.

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STORM MAY BRING WILD WEATHER

Wet weather is expected in the next couple of days in Orange County, and the rare September system might even bring lightning and hail, forecasters say.

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MARILYNN YOUNG, THE REGISTER

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SIMPSON FREED, GOES HOME

O.J. Simpson left a Las Vegas jail after a judge granted him \$125,000 bail on charges he took part in an armed robbery of sports memorabilia.

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SPECTOR JUDGE CHANGES MIND

The judge in Phil Spector's murder trial decided he will not allow the jury, which is locked in a 7-5 impasse, to consider a lesser charge.

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ANGELS SWEEP DEVIL RAYS

The Angels beat Tampa Bay, 2-1, to sweep the series and reduce their magic number to three to clinch the American League West title.

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BIOLASE TAKES ANOTHER BITE

Biolase Technology took the ouch out of dentistry with lasers, and now it hopes to put a smile on the faces of investors as it completes a restructuring.

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FOOD FOR FRESHMEN

Forget calculus. College students are most challenged when it comes to cooking. But there are plenty of cookbooks out there to guide them.

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COMING TOMORROW

DREAMER

Michael Douglas discusses playing a just-released mental patient hunting for buried treasure in "King of California," opening Friday.

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THE MORNING READ

A hard, humbling time

A machinist says he never lacked for work - until poor health left him sleeping in his car.

By ANDREW GALVIN THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

When Teddy Parsons was out of money and facing homelessness, he came back to Orange County.

Last Sept. 23, Teddy and his fiancée, Sue, parked their 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier at a Costa Mesa motel. They didn't check in. They folded down the back seat

and slept in the car.

"We had talked - and God, it was very emotional and tough," Teddy, 53, says. "Our back seat was full of luggage and everything, so we had to put everything in the front seat and kind of make a bed the best that we could."

Teddy had been working as a

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CINDY YAMANAKA, THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

CHANGES: "After a while, you lose your dignity," said Teddy Parsons, whose high blood pressure cost him his job last year.

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