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The expeditionary force's current commanding general, Lt. Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr., has been selected for promotion to general and the position of assistant commandant of the Marine Corps.

GRETEL C. KOVACH

Whooping cough cases grow; vaccinations urged

Health officials are urging people to get vaccinations for whooping cough, as new cases continue to be reported in a statewide epidemic that has killed seven infants, including one in San Diego last week.

The county Health and Human Services Agency reported four new cases in San Diego County this week: a 10-year-old attending Summerbridge San Diego in La Jolla and a 9-year-old attending Turtleback Elementary in Rancho Bernardo, who both were current on the immunizations; and an 11-year-old attending Casillas Elementary summer school in Chula Vista and a 13-year-old in Clairemont who were due for booster shots.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend that children get doses of DTaP vaccine at 2 months, 6 months, 15-18 months and 4-6 years of age. A dose of Tdap vaccine is recommended at 10-11 years old.

The state Department of Public Health recommends adult booster shots for everyone who has not yet received one, including women who are pregnant.

Whooping cough, or pertussis, is a highly contagious respiratory infection with cold-like symptoms in the early stages. If not treated with antibiotics, it can lead to serious illness or death, particularly in infants.

San Diego County has had 298 cases so far this year compared with 143 cases for all of 2009, officials said. Statewide, 2,174 cases have been reported.

JANET LAVELLE

Military academy settles cadet's hazing lawsuit

CARLSBAD: A settlement has been reached in a lawsuit filed against the Army and Navy Academy in Carlsbad that accused the school of failing to protect one of its cadets from hazing.

The plaintiff's lawyer, Vince Finaldi of Orange County, confirmed Wednesday that the suit was resolved about two weeks ago but declined to discuss details, citing a confidentiality agreement between the parties.

The academy's president, retired Army Gen. Stephen Bliss, also confirmed that the lawsuit had been settled but declined to provide additional information.

At least three lawsuits have been filed against the academy since spring 2008, all of which claimed that the boarding school failed to protect cadets from violence at the hands of peers. The school enrolls about 300 students on the 16-acre, ocean-front campus.

The other lawsuits are still pending.

cerned for the safety of the students, pliss said Wednesday.

DANA LITTLEFIELD

417-home project meets supervisors' approval

NORTH COUNTY: The county Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a project Wednesday near Ramona that would include 417 homes, parks, open space and what some Ramona residents say is much-needed development.

The Montecito Ranch project has been in the works for 12 years, and would span 935 acres. The development required a zoning amendment to allow the homes be on smaller lots, which range from 0,000 square feet to 1.8 acres.

The new development will also provide ads that may help traffic flow.

"This is one of the most well-planned deelopments I've seen in a long time," said upervisor Dianne Jacob, whose district actudes the proposed site.

She said she was impressed that the eveloper had altered the plan based on mmunity input. Many residents spoke favor of the project at the meeting; none present opposed it.

The board allowed the development company to move forward with a plan to include a wastewater treatment facility in the development site.

The other option, which county staff recommended, was connecting to the Ramona Municipal Water District for treatment. Developers and community supporters said this option would be too costly, and could even sink the project.

The water reclamation plan is still subject to the approval of the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission, which handles jurisdictional boundary changes.

NATHAN SCHARN

Work to start on center for cancer-killing protons

SAN DIEGO: Scripps Health will hold a groundbreaking ceremony today for a \$185 million radiation treatment center that will use beams of protons to destroy certain types of cancer cells.

The Scripps Proton Therapy Center in Mira Mesa will be one of seven facilities in the United States and only the second on the West Coast to use proton therapy.

Advocates say it uses a stronger, more focused beam than other radiation treatments to kill malignant cells without damaging nearby tissue or causing secondary cancers.

The therapy often is used to treat tumors in the spine, head, lungs and prostate. According to the National Cancer Institute, 60 percent to 75 percent of the nearly 1.5 million people diagnosed with cancer each year will undergo some form of radiation therapy.

Grading has begun for the Scripps center on Summers Ridge Road, and the facility is expected to open in spring 2013 with the capacity to treat 2,400 patients



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The other West Coast proton therapy center is at Loma Linda University Medical Center in San Bernardino County.

JANET LAVELLE

Lemon Grove sales tax measure dies in council

LEMON GROVE: Residents in Lemon Grove won't be voting on a proposed sales tax increase anytime soon.

Supporters of a half-cent tax increase failed to convince enough Lemon Grove City Council members Tuesday to place the measure on the November ballot. Although three of the four council members present voted to approve the ballot measure, four votes are needed to put a proposed tax to a public vote.

The vocal and divisive crowd was chastised several times by Mayor Mary Teresa Sessom to stop clapping during the meeting.

Councilwoman Mary England cast the sole dissenting vote. She is president and CEO of the La Mesa Chamber of Commerce and in 2009 supported that city raising its taxes. Sessom and Councilmen George Gastil and Jerry Jones voted in favor of putting the measure on the ballot. Councilman Jerry Selby, who supports

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HEALTH

THREE MORE LOCAL KIDS GET WHOOPING COUGH

As county cases climb to 412 this year, health officials continue vaccination push

Three new cases of whooping cough have been reported in San Diego County this week, and public health officials are reminding parents to make sure their children are immunized before starting the new school year.

An epidemic of whooping cough, or pertussis, has swept California this year, with 3,311 cases reported as of Tuesday, including eight infant deaths. One was a 1-month-old boy in San Diego.

In San Diego County, 412 cases have been reported, according to the Health and Human Services Agency.

The three latest local cases involved a 3- and 5-year-old who were up-to-date on immunizations and a 10-year-old due for a booster shot, county officials said.

Whooping cough is a highly contagious respiratory illness that leads to severe and long-lasting coughing attacks and possible lung damage.

Infants are at greatest risk of serious illness or death from the disease. Health officials are urgVaccine clinics

The county is holding vaccination clinics each weekend until Sept. 26. The clinics are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturdays: San Ysidro Port of Entry, 720 E. San Ysidro Blvd., San Diego.

Sundays: At six Northgate Markets — 2909 Coronado Ave., San Diego; 1410 S. 43rd St., San Diego; 1058 Third Ave., Chula Vista; 1346 S. Mission Road, Fallbrook; 1150 E. Vista Way, Vista; 606 N. Escondido Ave., Escondido.

ing anyone in contact with babies and children to get vaccinated. Children are urged get one dose of DTaP vaccine at ages 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, 15-18 months and 4-6 years.

A booster shot of Tdap vaccine is recommended for everyone 10 years or older.

For more information, call (866) 358-2966.

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SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE WANTS WRITE-IN CHANCE

Nakamura, third in primary, petitioned court to allow it despite S.D. city code ban

SAN DIEGO

A Superior Court judge will decide whether San Diego school board trustee Katherine Nakamura can San Diego Unified School District.

The incumbent barely campaigned last spring, saying she was too busy working to balance the dis-



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ESCONDIDO

A chickenpox outbreak has been reported at two Escondido schools, the county's Health and Human Services Agency said Wednesday.

Seven students ranging from 4 months to 15 months old have been diagnosed with the virus at the Escondido Community Child Development Center, and three students between 15 and 17 have been diagnosed at Escondido High School.

The agency said there is no known connection between the cases at the two sites.

Two of the three high school students had received two immunizations for chickenpox, and the third had one. Six of the seven children at the Child Development Center were immunized. People who have been vaccinated tend to experience a milder case of the illness, public-health officials said.

Chickenpox is a highly contagious condition that spreads through coughing, sneezing and contact with chickenpox blisters.

Symptoms include blis-

terlike lesions, mostly on the face, scalp, chest and back. Potential complications increase after puberty, including bacterial infection, pneumonia and dehydration.

JONATHAN HORN . U-T

Escondido to honor city worker who died

ESCONDIDO

The city will lower flags to half-staff at all city facilities Friday in honor of an employee who died of cancer Aug. 4.

The city chose Friday to honor Tom Foley, a senior wastewater treatment plant operator, because that is when Foley's family plans to scatter his ashes off the coast in Santa Barbara.

Foley, an Oceanside resident, had worked for the city since November 1994. He is survived by his wife, Margot, and sons, Sean and Dimitri. Colleagues described Foley as an avid horseman and kayaker who loved the ocean.

City policy allows flags to be lowered on the day of a city employee's interment.

MICHELLE BREIER · U-T

EDUCATION

BOARD INCUMBENT GETS TO PURSUE WRITE-IN BID

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Win won't automatically seat Nakamura, who lost district primary to two others

SAN DIEGO

San Diego Unified school board incumbent Katherine Nakamura will continue her write-in campaign for a third term, but victory at the polls on Nov. 2 may not guarantee her a seat on the dais.

Superior Court Judge David Oberholtzer directed the county registrar's office Wednesday to tally votes for Nakamura, but he did not rule on whether she will be allowed to hold office for another four years if she gets the most votes. He left that to a possible court challenge if she wins.

"If there is a contest, we'll hear it," he said. "But there's got to be somebody who obiects."

The candidates on the ballot, who finished ahead of Nakamura in the June primary, are Kevin Beiser and Steve Rosen.

Nakamura claimed the city's election code, which the school district follows, is unconstitutional because it prohibits write-in can-



Katherine Nakamura

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Despite his refusal to give Nakamura a clear ruling on whether she could take office if she attracts the most yotes, Oberholtzer said he expects anyone who wins an election to be seated.

"The person with the most votes is going to sit at the table," he said. "Doesn't that just make sense?"

Oberholtzer's statements fell in line with the school district's argument that "it's not the role of the judicial branch or the judge to tell the district what they have to do if something in the future occurs," said Mark Bresee, the district's general counsel.

Nakamura said she considers the judge's statements a victory.

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EAST COUNTY



GREEN-CAREER CLASSES **AVAILABLE TO JOBLESS**

Cuyamaca College offers free instruction on landscaping and water conservation

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Cuyamaca College is reaching out to those who are jobless and have green thumbs.

With the help of a \$400,000 grant, the Rancho San Diego campus is offering free courses to 100 unemployed and underemployed people who are looking for careers in landscaping and water

'History Alive' series speaker is retired cop

LEMON GROVE

Rick Carlson founder of the San Diego Police Museum, foreman of the county grand jury and a retired detective - will be the next speaker in the "History Alive" series presented monthly by the Lemon Grove Historical Society.

GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

CITY WEBSITE TRACKS **CAMPAIGN FINANCING**

Want to know how much is being raised for campaigns in the city of San Diego but don't want to pour through hundreds of pages of documents?

The city's Ethics Commission has launched a new website it plans to update throughout the election season that tracks the finances of each campaign, from City Council candidates to Proposition D, the proposed sales tax

raised quickly on both sides of the sales tax debate. In less than two months, the Yes on D campaign has collected about \$168,000, including \$100,000 and \$50,000 respectively from the city's fire and police

The No on D campaign raised nearly \$147,000, including roughly \$35,000 each from two business groups - the Lincoln Club of San Diego County and the San Diego Restaurant and



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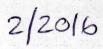
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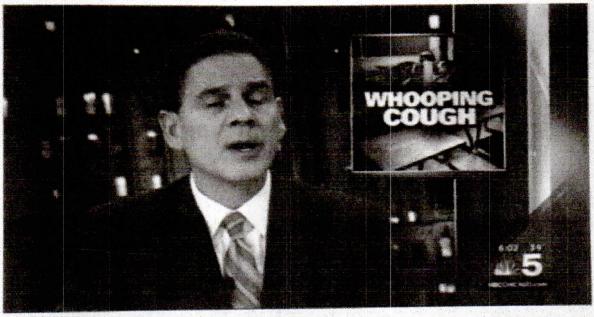
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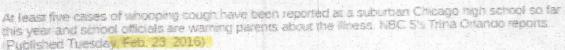
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By Trina Orlando









At least five cases of whooping cough have been reported at a suburban Chicago high school so far this year and school officials are warning parents about the illness.

Fenwick High School said it is working the Oak Park Department of Public Health after a number of students have been diagnosed with whooping cough, also known as pertussis.

The first case was reported in mid-January and school records show all five students had been previously vaccinated prior to their diagnosis.

The school has been in compliance with the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Oak Park Department of public health," a spokesperson for the school said. "We are following all procedures for how to manage this and have notified



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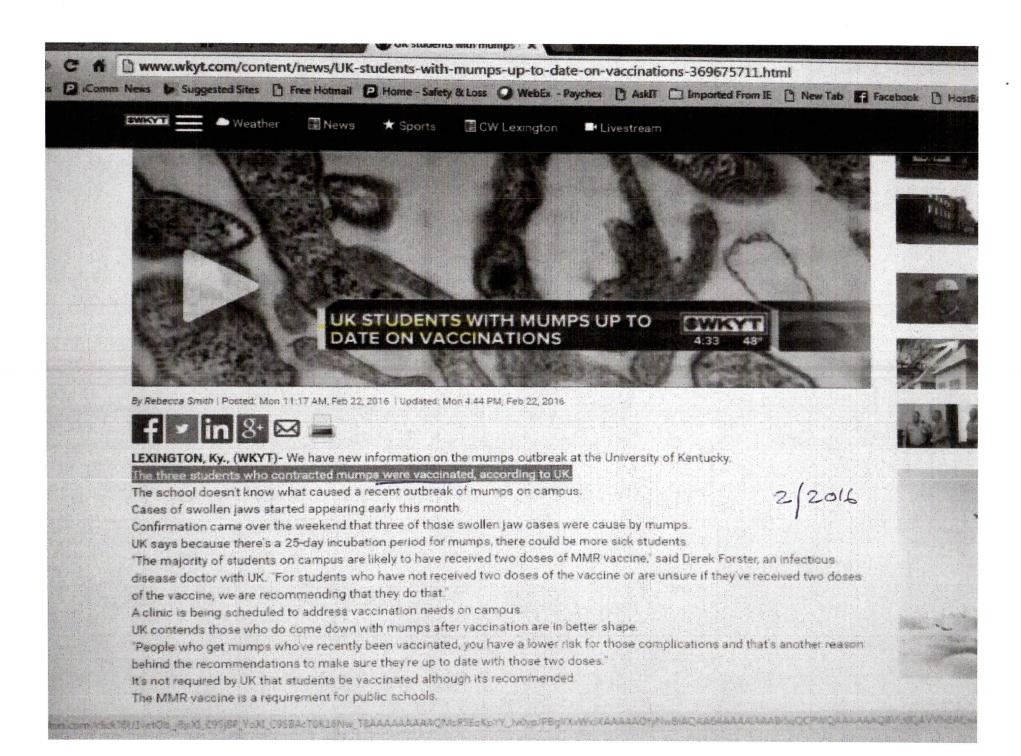


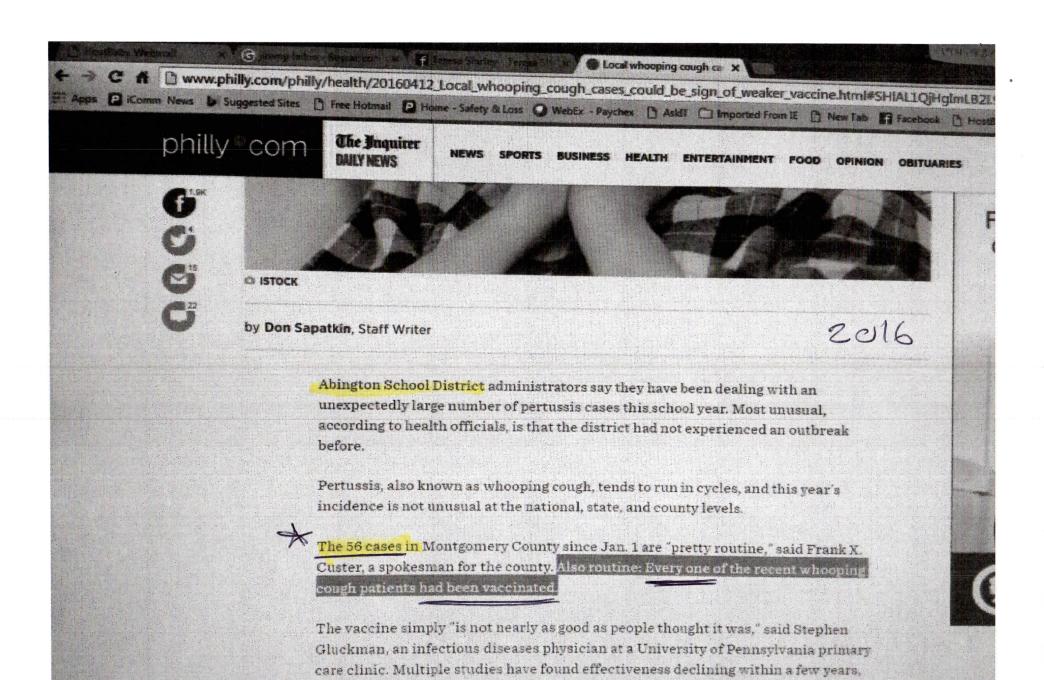




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40 deaths linked to child vaccines over seven years

Sarah-Kate Templeton Health Editor

FORTY children are suspected to have died as a result of receiving routine vaccines in the past seven years.

Childhood vaccinations are also suspected to have left two young children with brain injuries and caused more than 1,500 other neurological reactions, including 11 cases of inflammation of the brain, 13 cases of epilepsy and a coma.

The data, disclosed by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Authority (MHRA) following a request by The Sunday Times under the Freedom of Information Act, shows that, since 2003, there have been more than 2,100 serious adverse reactions to childhood vaccines, some of which were life-threatening.

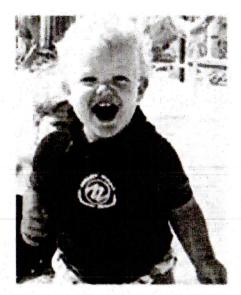
Fifteen injections are given routinely to young children as part of the government's vaccination programme. They offer protection against diseases such as polio, diphtheria, mumps and measles.

The MHRA says the deaths and neurological reactions should be seen in the context of the 90m doses of childhood vaccines which have been given since 2003.

Details of the suspected deaths and neurological problems have been released just two months after a legal ruling forced the government to accept that its vaccination programme had left a baby severely brain damaged.

Thirteen years after first refusing to acknowledge that Robert Fletcher, now 18, had been left severely brain damaged by the MMR vaccine for measles, mumps and rubella, the government was forced to pay him compensation:

Robert's mother, Jackie, who founded Jabs, a support group for families with vaccine-



George Fisher died in 2006

damaged children, said: "It is generally accepted within the medical profession that only about 10% of suspected adverse reactions get put forward in the correct way. It is accepted by the Department of Health that the full scale of the problem is far greater than these statistics show." Jake Dukes, 18, from Weymouth, Dorset, was left severely brain damaged by the whooping cough vaccine which he received when he was two months old. He has the mental age of a toddler, is incontinent and uses a wheel-chair. He was awarded £91,500 under the government's vaccine damage payment scheme.

The family of George Fisher are convinced that the MMR vaccine contributed to the death of their 18-month-old son. He died 10 days after being inoculated in January 2006.

His mother, Sarah, a hotel receptionist, believes that an existing illness made George susceptible to an adverse reaction to the vaccine.

She said: "George had had a bad virus. He had been very ill and had suffered a convulsion due to his high temperature. I don't think it was just the MMR, but I think it was a factor in his death."