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SOLANA BEACH

Is train station plan dead?

Some city officials hope to revive the proposal for Cedros Crossing mixed-use project after voting it down Monday, but it faces hurdles. **B4**



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In memory

Family has scheduled memorial service for David Martin, who was killed by a great white shark off Solana Beach. **B3**

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Church foreclosure

Ambassador Family Church defaulted on its loan payments; credit union took the property back at a trustee sale this month. **B3**

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Construction delays on county highways. **B2**

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SOLANA BEACH

Victim of shark attack remembered at paddle-out

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In a traditional salute to a fellow waterman, nearly 100 relatives, surfers and triathletes held a quiet paddle-out off Fletcher Cove yesterday in memory of David Martin.

The group paddled surfboards about 400 yards off the Solana Beach coast to remember Martin, a retired veterinarian who was killed by a great white shark Friday.

Son Jeff Martin, 41, said the group formed a circle, held hands and paid tribute to his father before heading back to shore.

"It was a very nice ceremony," Jeff Martin said. "I'm very honored so many people showed up. I'm humbled."

David Martin, 66, was attacked while swimming with eight members of the Triathlon Club of San Diego about 150 yards off Tide Beach Park, about a half-mile north of Fletcher Cove. It was the group's weekly

IN MEMORY

- Memorial service, 1 p.m. Saturday, Horizon Christian Fellowship, 6365 El Apajo Road, Rancho Santa Fe. Open to the public; casual attire suggested.

- Dave Martin Memorial Fund, First Pacific Bank of California, 937 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach, CA 92075

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training swim.

In the days since, friends and strangers have brought flowers and notes to the lawn and fence at Fletcher Cove, the city's main beach.

A memorial service will be held Saturday.

David Martin, who lived in Solana Beach, is survived by three sons, Jeff, Andy and Ben; a daughter, Hannah; a stepson, Kevin; and three grandsons.

Friends have established the David Martin Memorial Fund at the First Pacific Bank of California in Solana Beach.

A message posted on the city of Solana Beach Web site said donations to the fund will be used to award scholarships to college students who compete in triathlons. Specific criteria will be established, and application guidelines will be published as they are determined.

The last person to die from a shark attack in the county was a skin diver killed off Alligator Point in La Jolla in 1959, according to the International Shark Attack File in Gainesville, Fla.