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NEWS TICKER

By Reader staff writers

Red-shirted and red-handed

Cell phone bandit hits stores from Solana Beach to Chula Vista

Law enforcement officials are looking for help in identifying a man associated with at least five robberies at mobile phone stores in recent weeks.



Red bandit has made off with \$7000 in display phones. The reward for information leading to his arrest is \$1000

The suspect, described as a white male in his 20s or 30s, standing between 5'10" and 6' tall, and weighing about 170–180 pounds, has been entering stores in locales ranging from Chula Vista to Solana Beach and Poway. While inside, he takes display model mobile devices and cuts security cables tethering the phones to shelves.

Losses to date are estimated at over \$7000 in the incidents spanning June 16 to July 17. In more than one instance, the suspect has worn a red baseball cap with red shirt and black shoes, and fled the scene in a red 2012 Toyota Camry. On at least one occasion, he's been seen with a possible accomplice.

Crime Stoppers is offering a \$1000 reward for information leading to an arrest. Reporting parties can call 888-580-8477, or the Poway Sheriff Station, which is handling the case, at 858-513-2800.

Dave Rice

San Diego Unified accused of ignoring needs of autistic boy

Mother files lawsuit against school district
Parents of an autistic child filed a lawsuit against San Diego Unified School District alleging administrators failed to follow a specialized education plan for their 12-year-old son.

According to the lawsuit, filed in federal court on July 29, the mother and her son recently relocated to San Diego from a school district in Del Mar. Upon the boy's enrollment the mother gave district staff her son's education plan, which outlined the boy's learning and emotional needs. The boy was found to have "significant delays in receptive and expressive language," according to a 2012 document.

In an effort to help the student cope, school administrators required four hours of specialized instruction per day, 30 minutes of speech and occupational therapy each school week.

The boy's mother, however, claims San Diego Unified School District refused to follow the previous nonpublic-school's education plan and instead placed the boy in a large middle school.

Dorian Hargrove

Big cash for Myrtle Cole from Mission Valley

Legal defense fund reaps well-timed money before stadium vote

How important is cash on the barrelhead to members of the San Diego City Council?

Plenty, judging by the latest batch of financial disclosure reports delivered over the weekend to the city clerk's office.

One disclosure drawing special attention was filed by the legal defense fund of Democratic councilwoman Myrtle Cole, lately noted for her vote in favor of Mayor Kevin Faulconer's \$2.1 million environmental impact report for a new Chargers stadium.

Cole described the stadium expenditure — regarded by critics as a waste of public money in light of the scorn the mayor's proposal has received from the Chargers — as a "\$2 million investment in keeping San Diego competitive."

Added Cole, "I own two L.T. jerseys," apparently referring to ex-Chargers star LaDainian Tomlinson. "That's an investment and I want to wear those jerseys."

Cole also has more substantial personal financial concerns. The Fourth District council-



Councilman Scott Sherman offered this plan for the existing Qualcomm Stadium site

woman set up a legal defense fund in 2014 to pay for costs of defending against a libel suit brought by fellow Democrat Dwayne Crenshaw. He alleged he had been defamed by a hit piece dispatched by her campaign during their 2013 council race.

The case was dismissed a year ago by superior court judge Richard Strauss, who said of the mailer, "the statements therein are not provably false."

In a disclosure filing of last December 19, Cole's legal defense fund reported a debt of \$42,159 to the Lawton Law Firm, which handled the case for her.

The fund's latest filing, dated July 31, shows that the legal liability has been reduced to \$5,009, thanks to an influx of cash this spring

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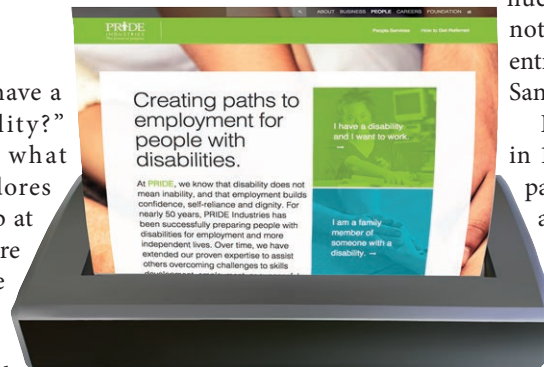
Disabled? You're hired. Not disabled? Pretend you are.

Federal government investigates Pride Industries

By Joe Deegan

'D'o you have a disability?" That's what

would-be stevedores applying for a job at Pride Industries are asked. The private company maintains a contract with the federal government's Ability One to load Navy ships with food and other supplies in San Diego. A crucial condition of the agreement is that 75 percent of the hours worked on the jobs must be performed by people with disabilities. Ability One and its nonprofit partner, Source America, have come under fire for corruption and fraud since the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Dis-



PRIDE INDUSTRIES
The power of purpose

At Pride Industries, 75 percent of the hours worked must be by people with disabilities.

abilities Act on July 28. The U.S. Department of Justice has been investigating the charges.

Provisioning ships is only one of Pride's enterprises.

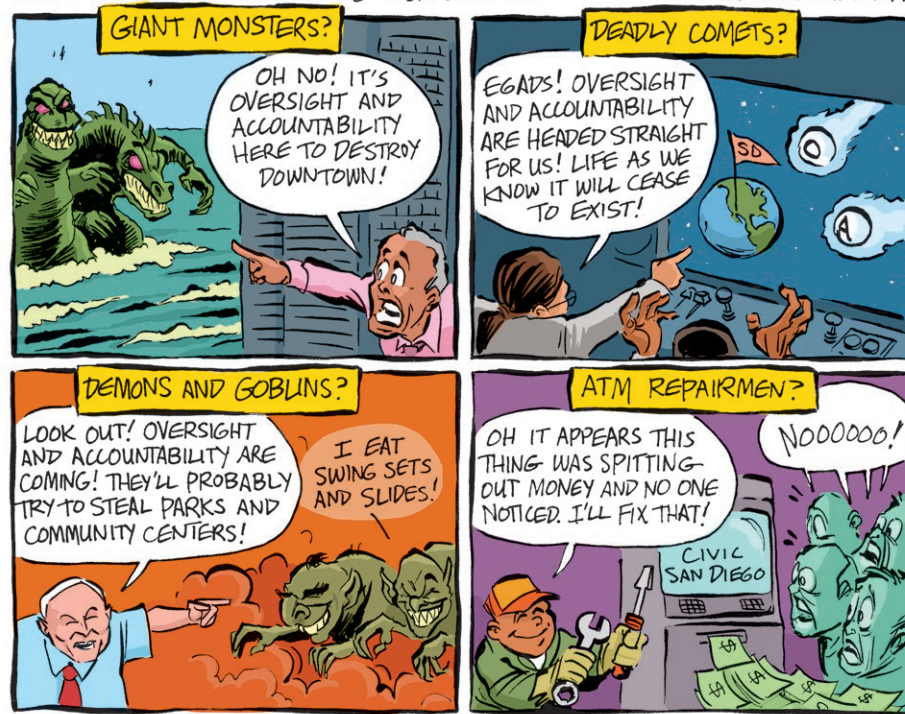
The company performs custodial, document shredding, and other services for businesses, the U.S. military, and branches of government in 13 states. Its headquartered in Roseville, approximately 20 miles northeast of Sacramento. Locally, the Pride office is on Wilson Avenue in National City, not far from the main entrance to Naval Base San Diego.

Pride was founded in 1966 by a group of parents. "Their goal," according to the company's website, "was to create an organization that would find meaningful work for their adult children with disabilities and, in the process, help those individuals transcend their disabilities."

Pride's one-time motto, "We're on a mission from God," has disappeared on the website in recent years, as its employee relations or financial practices in Texas, Florida, Louisiana, and California have been criticized or landed the company in court. A company

Neal Obermeyer

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fact sheet lists its revenues for fiscal year 2013-'14 at \$258.7 million.

In San Diego, coming up short of disabled stevedores makes consistent adherence to the 75 percent disabled worker requirement almost impossible at times. Multiple current and former Pride employees say manager Greg Pomrenke, a 21-year Navy retiree, occasionally asks certain other workers for some dicey help. Pomrenke has been quoted in court documents as saying he would probably lose his job if he failed to reach 75 percent several pay periods in a row.

By email, I asked Pomrenke what he does when the number of disabled stevedores falls too low. As of this writing, he has not replied.

The charge of manufacturing cases of people with disabilities to meet quotas was given more credence in a December 16, 2013 letter concluding a two-and-a-half-year federal investigation of Pride Industries in San Diego. "Some complainants, who did not list a disability," states the letter, "claim that the [project manager], on various occasions, suggested that they go to the doctor and get a disability statement so he could meet his quota for disabled employees, and inquired as to their disability, or commented that 'You are kind of hyper, you should be on medication.'"

Pomrenke's superiors have expressed no public concern over the propriety of this practice. Nor have they bothered about other charges made by the federal investigator Lorna Dennison, of the local branch Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. The office belongs to the U.S. Department of Labor.

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Nonprofit partners have come under fire for corruption and fraud.

Dennison's letter, addressed to Pride Industries in Roseville, cites a laundry list of behaviors by which Pomrenke and his supervisors may have abused disabled workers. They have used threatening and harassing language, she wrote, prevented the eating of food to accompany medication, denied regular breaks and occasionally lunch breaks, and forced some workers to remain long hours in ships' freezers without adequate jackets.



Gonzalo Curiel

In particular, Dennison highlighted the situation of Cezar Carvajal, who started working at Pride as a non-disabled worker in 2004. She charged Pride with refusing Carvajal's reasonable requests for the accommodation of his disability. But she noted that her office would not be able to pursue "any make-whole relief on his behalf" due to a lawsuit Carvajal filed against Pride in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of California, on November 9, 2010.

I spoke at length with Carvajal about his case, which a jury heard in April and May 2014. Not long after starting work at Pride, Carvajal said he began having trouble with his knees while working on stairs and

ladders leading from ships' main decks to their holds below deck. Once a conveyor belt moves boxes of food stuffs onto the ships, Pride's teams of stevedores set up human chains to carry the boxes down. The holds of some aircraft carriers, such as the *USS Ronald Reagan*, are located as far down as eight stories, and the work of loading sometimes lasts well over 12 hours.

In early 2008, according to court documents, Pomrenke began insisting that Carvajal be able to show he had a disability. A doctor provided papers, Carvajal told the court, that explain that he has "bad knees. And when I gave [Pomrenke] those, he said, 'These will do for now.'"



Audrey Farrington

But the papers did not declare that the bad knees constituted an official disability, even though the diagnosis was osteoarthritis and ligament damage, because the doctor told Carvajal that his discomfort was treatable with pain medication. So Carvajal testified that his boss eventually wanted "something more substantial, like, you know, a knee disability documented correctly."

One time, Carvajal said on the witness stand, Pomrenke told him, "Cezar, you

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UNDER THE RADAR

Toni's native American retreat

Democratic Assembly Speaker **Toni Atkins** and entourage stopped by the Barona Casino for free food and drink at the Italian Cucina there this spring, the tribe's disclosure shows. Atkins got a meal worth \$29.20 on May 8, as did her district director **Denise Zellmann-Price** and field representative **Toni Duran**. Brenda Haggerty, sergeant to Atkins, got the same. On June 19, San Diego city councilman **Todd Gloria**, who is running for Atkins's seat,

of which she is termed out, came in for a free meal worth \$16.39. Another big fan of Barona appears to be Democratic state senator **Richard Pan**, who received a \$28 meal on April 1 and also stayed the night in a room worth \$89. ... **Rachel Laing**, the former media handler for ex-Republican mayor **Jerry Sanders**, didn't derive any cash from her current occupation as a lobbyist during this year's second quarter, according to a July 30 disclosure report by her company, Laing Strategic Communications. On the other hand, the document reveals, she was a fount of campaign money, including \$600 to city attorney candidate **Gil Cabrera**, \$350 for mayor **Kevin Faulconer's** re-election bid, and \$250 to keep the GOP's **Scott Sherman** on the city council. Laing also

co-hosted a fundraiser for Democratic councilwoman **Myrtle Cole's** legal defense fund that brought in \$2300, and she co-chaired an event for Democratic councilman **Todd Gloria's** Assembly bid that raised \$5900. A fundraiser Laing helped put on for her favored city attorney candidate **Cabrera** hauled in \$10,000, and another held at her house for council hopeful **Chris Ward**, came up with \$2000.

Bob White strikes it rich California Strategies and Advocacy, founded by **Bob White**, the nattily attired top aide to **Pete Wilson** during the latter's rise from San Diego Assemblyman to mayor of the city and then on to the

United States Senate and governorship of California, has been doing very well for itself in the halls of the state capitol. Last week the *Sacramento Bee* reported

that the firm, known fondly among political insiders as Cal Strats, was number eight on the list of California's top ten lobbying firms, with a gross of \$1,792,146. Though only about half the size of top lobbyist KP Public Affairs at \$3,508,620, the White firm's Sacramento haul was still impressive, drawing from a well-moneyed clientele, including Tesla Motors, Lennar Homes, Accenture, and the National Football League, among others. The money White's crew made lobbying the state legislature doesn't include cash pulled in elsewhere, including the city of San Diego, where a July 31 quarterly lobbying disclosure filing shows the company got \$15,000 from giant apartment investment manager Aimco for influence peddling regarding extending its lease on Point Loma property owned by the San Diego Housing Commission, as well as "issues regarding Broadway lofts located at 1007 5th Avenue," including "noise, traffic, and parking." Among other San Diego clients were national rental car giant Enterprise Holdings, which is seeking "maintenance of rental car tax/fees at current rate."

The company also wants to be allowed to "bid on [a] car sharing program within City limits," and needs to take care of "code compliance for Enterprise facility located at 1691 Hancock Street between Bean Street and Emory Street." Kilroy Realty, the Los Angeles outfit that spread lots of money around San Diego's lobbying community during its battle over North City's One Paseo complex, paid Cal Strats \$15,000, as did paramedic vendor Rural/Metro, and Airbnb, the

San Francisco firm that is fighting with the city over short term rental regulation. In addition, White's company got \$12,000 from LaSalle Hotel Properties of Bethesda, Maryland for lobbying

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Toni Atkins, Todd Gloria, Richard Pan...ding! ding! ding!



Bob White, Pete Wilson's top aide, has hit the big time with his Cal Strats, one of California's top lobbying firms.

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Causing a Commotion

I have some concerns about the cover article that was published this week (August 6), “Doula Dilemma at Mary Birch.” It’s about Sharp Mary Birch’s doula program, which I am a part of. The whole article is filled with inaccuracies that need to be addressed. It’s causing quite the commotion in the doula world.

Karen S.
via voicemail

Against Diversion

I’m very concerned about this Best Buys article (“Hydrate Your Hair for the Summer,” July 30). As a stylist, part of my job is to sell product. I would only ever suggest products to a client that I think would benefit them and that they would actually use.

As a stylist that happens to use both Moroccan oil and Neuma, I am flabbergasted that you would ask a stylist’s advice, and then post that it’s available on Amazon. I am aware of the owners of Millicent, and I know they are against diversion. Diversion is when a product is sold to a third party to be sold again, when a product is counterfeited and then sold, or even when someone empties out a product to fill it back up with another product (so, what is in the bottle is really something cheap).

By you telling people to shop at Amazon, all of these things could happen. Please do some research about it. There are articles about a lady digging through trash, cleaning up bottles, and

then selling them on eBay and Amazon. Do you really want your readers to buy these kinds of products? Moroccan oil doesn’t sell to Amazon; neither does Neuma, nor hundreds of other brands. They are salon-only, because this is part of our livelihood.

I know that poor stylist didn’t know you were going to say that you can find these products on Amazon, or else she wouldn’t have helped you. This girl could be fired, for all you know. If she was in my salon, she would be. And it would be very hard to find another job because of it.

I get that you are trying to save money. If that is the case, do an article about product lines that work but aren’t as pricey. I can give you two lines. Loma is a natural aloe-based line that is extremely cost-friendly, and the line actually works. I can also tell you salons that sell it, since mine doesn’t. There is also a professional line called Verb — and everything costs \$14!

Do your research — as a writer this is your job. You just jeopardized this stylist’s job, the salon’s integrity, and your readers who shop online — their scalp and hair could be jeopardized by buying counterfeit products.

Steffanie Conley
North Park

Or What

I was anticipating some whimsical folly when I opened the Reader’s July 30 News of the Weird, but was quickly horrified with Chuck Shepherd’s second item, “Is This a Great Country, or What?”

Chuck implies that there must be a serious malfunction for a country not to suspend the constitutional rights of suspects just as they do for someone convicted of a violent crime. Chuck thinks suspects should be presumed guilty.

But it’s worse than that. I’m really being charitable using the term “suspects,” because suspects means there has been a crime, and that law enforcement has looked into and determined that someone is “of interest”

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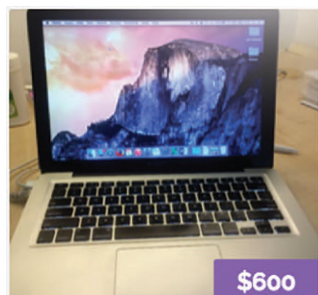
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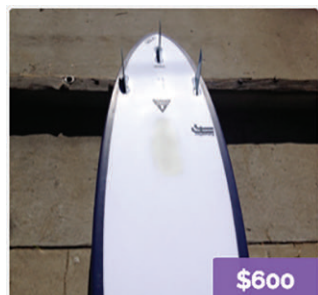
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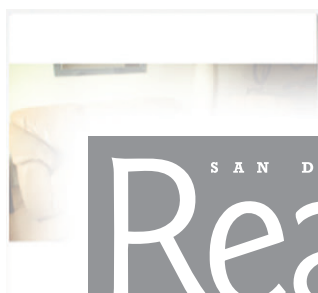
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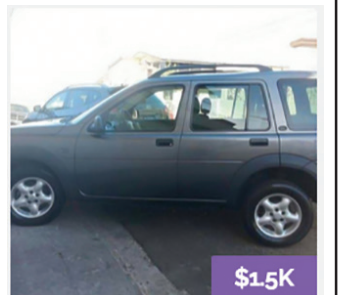
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Rattlesnakes percolating from dry canyons

Leave 'em alone and watch your pet

On August 8, Shannon M. of West Clairemont alerted neighbors via *NextDoor.com* that one of his Mt. Acadia neighbors had found two different rattlesnakes in his back yard within the past 24 hours. A Bay Park resident also shared that she found one in



Rattlesnake in Tecolote Canyon

her driveway last Sunday. Last week on Mt. Armet and Mt. Hukuee in West Clairemont, a very large rattlesnake was caught by Animal Control.

In April, my neighbor Paul saw a huge rattlesnake, that he guesstimated to be 15 feet in length, in a front yard in Bay Park. Last month, I saw a snake taking a leisurely nap in a bush near my home.

With the drought, more snakes will be making their way out of canyons and open spaces to nearby homes. Because of this, it's

important to keep a close eye on pets. Many disappear due to coyotes and snakes coming up from the canyons.

The most important tip is to leave the snake alone. Only experts can tell by looking if a snake is venomous or not. The majority of snake bites occur when someone tries to capture it; all snakes will bite if they feel threatened. Call the fire department to remove any snakes in or around your home.

JULIE STALMER

SAN YSIDRO

Endangered birds hold up road construction

Still no sidewalks for high school students

The nonprofit organization Casa Familiar held its 17th Safety Walk along the unpaved Otay Mesa Road on July 31, with about 20 protestors holding signs saying "Sidewalk Promised" and "Safety For Our Children."

Many of the 2364 San Ysidro High School students must use this path daily to get to and from school, which includes no guardrails, no street lights, and windy turns with unpaved pedestrian trails.

Every last Friday of the month since February, 2014

Casa Familiar has held a Safety Walk to bring awareness to the dangerous road conditions.

It took until March 2014 for the San Diego City Council to approve the \$11.5 million necessary to fund the road improvements. Weary that construction would ever start, Casa Familiar vowed to conduct their safety walks each month until the city broke ground on the project.

The problem might soon be resolved, but there is a sticking point: breeding season for endangered species.



Casa Familiar's safety walkers are telling the city to "cut the red tape!"

According to the Advance Planning & Engineering Division of the City — which created a 93-page document concerning the Otay Mesa Road — the endangered Least Bell's Vireo and the threatened coastal California Gnatcatcher both breed within the land next to the road. As a consequence, from February through September construction is forbidden.

The report admits, "The unimproved section of roadway along Otay Mesa Road presents significant safety dangers..." However, the report also explains, "In order to avoid potential impacts to nesting birds, vegetation clearing would be required to occur outside of the general avian breeding season."

BARBARA ZARAGOZA

BAY HO

Get friendly with your UPS driver

Perps get new cell phones on Quapaw Avenue

A couple weeks ago, Krysten R. of Southwest Bay Ho discovered that someone she didn't know had signed for a package in front of her home on Quapaw. She said that someone had filed a bogus insurance claim on

her cell phone account and had new phones shipped overnight to her address.

Krysten said, "I would think that the Fed-Ex and UPS guys in the area would be familiar with who is at the houses. I order so much from Amazon, I feel like they would know if it was a random person jumping out of a car to sign for the package."

Bay Park and Clairemont residents have shared daytime sightings of shady-looking characters bicycling in circles around neighborhoods in which they don't

reside.

Within the last few weeks, three neighbors have complained to me of missing packages. A few months ago, Alex C., a Northeast Bay Ho resident had a couple of Fed-Ex pack-



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ages from Target stolen from his front porch. Another neighbor also had a package stolen from Jappa Avenue in Bay Ho around the same time.

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by Barbarella

Freak flag

I inspected myself in the mirror over my sink in the bedroom. David was still in bed, skimming through news headlines on his iPhone. When he glanced up, I caught his eye in the reflection. “What do you think? Keep the red?”

“Yeah, I like the red,” David said.

“The upkeep is a bitch, but with all this sophistication showing, more upkeep in general probably isn’t a bad thing,” I said. By “sophistication,” David knew I meant the increasing number of silver hairs emerging along my hairline. “Silver’s super trendy right now, but I’m more of a red-and-black girl,” I added.

More often than not, over the past dozen years I’ve brandished at least one shock of ruby-red in my otherwise brunette locks. Just a few weeks ago, shortly before David and I left for our annual summer sojourn to Martha’s Vineyard, I

got my red streaks brightened, my natural brown darkened, and the sophistication around my hairline suppressed.

One afternoon, while taking the scenic route to Edgartown for dinner, I asked David why he liked the red so much. “I think it’s pretty,” he said. I waited patiently for him to continue, because I know my man — aesthetics are the smallest part of how he measures a person. “It’s not boring, you don’t have ‘Mom hair,’” he said. “The red is funky.”

“You’d think it would be more prevalent,” I said. “I mean, think about all the seriously alternative people we know and how few of them have weird hair. Why is that?”

“I think there’s this fear about it,” David said. “I mean, when I decided to shave my head — that took years of building up courage. Which is ridiculous, because it would have grown back in a matter of weeks.”

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“What is there to be afraid of?”

“I don’t know...afraid you’ll look bad? In hindsight, it’s a very absurd fear to have, but when you’re in it, it’s... When you’re facing that for the first time, say you’re not a habitual hair coloring/shaving person, and you’ve looked that way for 20 years, you’re kind of changing your identity. And that can be scary, especially if someone is not a particularly adventurous type or a risk-taker. Then it makes it even more daunting. You err on the side of caution — and to change your whole identity, well that’s pretty much the opposite of caution.”

“So, basically, my red says — what, that I’m bold?” I stared out the window for a moment at the green of the woods. “Women often tell me, ‘I love your red lipstick, I wish I could pull that off,’” I said. “And all I can think is, *Why can’t you? Here, it’s easy,*

you take red lipstick, you put it on, and there — you’re pulling it off. They use words like ‘confidence,’ but I don’t see how wearing red lipstick has anything to do with confidence. You choose the blouse you wear, you choose accessories. It’s just another choice.”

“Maybe they’re afraid of being judged,” David said.

“Yeah. People are judgy,” I said. Just the night before, at a social event, I overheard a group of old ladies gossiping about one man’s longer hair. “What’s with that ponytail?” One said, with a *tsk-y* tone, “Is he trying to relive his childhood or something?”

I reminded David about that, as he’d heard it, too, and then said, “I like to think that when people belittle others because of some non-cookie-cutter aspect of their appearance, it’s because they want to express themselves in some way, but are too afraid to do it. You know, like how the most vocal anti-gay dudes turn out to be closeted homosexuals. They long to be that free, and they feel that if they can’t, then nobody should.”

“Anyway,” I continued with a wry smile, “So you like it that I let my freak flag fly. Might as well let people know in advance what they’re dealing with so they can either step forward or turn away, right? But, seriously, what is it about having bright colors in your hair that...I don’t know... makes someone seem immediately more interesting? I’m not talking about me, I mean other people, like that guy at the Rep.”

David knew which guy I meant. It seems every time we catch a show at the San Diego Repertory Theatre, we notice this cool older dude, a lanky fellow with a relaxed disposition.

We know he’s cool because amid his straight, shoulder-length milky white hair (perpetually pulled back into a neat queue) is one stripe of electric blue. Of all the proverbial “blue hairs” we encounter, this man — with his alluring azure — is the one I’d pick out of the crowd to sit beside. *What is it about that blue strip of hair,* I wondered. What message did it convey?

Answering my inner voice aloud, I said to David, “That guy’s blue tells me he’s not traditional, not uptight; that he enjoys a little color in his life. That he’s not afraid of a little attention. That he’s not boring. In fact, he calls it to himself. I mean, don’t get me wrong, there may be dozens of people around him with the same attitude, who are just as cool, but I wouldn’t know that at a glance. That blue streak is a beacon.”

We found a parking spot in the center of Edgartown, which is the preppiest town on the island. Here, men wear pink pants and whale-printed belts, and women wear white shirts and black capris. Just before we got out of the car, a 40-something woman and a boy of around 10 walked by us. Her hair was dirty blond from her crown to her chin, but when it reached her shoulders, it transitioned into dark streaks of blue, green, and purple. We turned our heads as she passed and stared after her until she and the boy disappeared around a corner.

“Now you see what I mean,” David said. “Of all the people on this street, she’s the one who is immediately interesting to me.” Thinking of my own hair, I couldn’t help but agree. ■ (@barbarella)

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Street had become such a tourist estab-
lishment. During its heyday, it boasted a
marvelous collection of boutiques... Don
Arden had offices above one of the shops
in the street during the time he managed
the Small Faces. There's a great deal of
history that relates to British music and
British fashion in Carnaby Street. Sadly,
these days, it has lost most of its charm
and the excitement it once had."

Apparently, the Jam felt that even in
1977, if the lyrics to "Carnaby Street" indi-
cate anything: "The street that was a legend/



Is a mockery/ A part of
the British tradition/ Gone
down the drain."

So, on the one side,
you have a kinder, 1960s
version of LATFH, with
the musician engaging
in some old-fashioned
hipster hating. On the
other, there's a 1970s
hipster ruefulness
over the great injus-
tice of having been into
something before it was
cool, and of subsequently
having to watch a bunch
of pretenders to the hipster
throne bite your style. Were
the "dedicated followers
of fashion" the best or
the worst?

One important band makes fun of
them, but another, also very important
band (that happens to like the first band
enough to cover its songs) holds them
in high regard. What's going on here?
Something can't be passe, overexposed,
dare I say it...mainstream if it wasn't cool
and exclusive in the first place.

If your definition of hipster puts them
on the cutting edge of popular culture, then
I guess the "dedicated followers of fashion"
would fit the bill; with mainstream popular
music taking unfair potshots from the



recording studio,
and their cutting
edge hipster legacy
inspiring a genera-
tion of revivalists a
decade down the
road. If your vision
of hipsterdom is
one of indentured
servitude to what-
ever's cool, then I
suppose you would
see the dedicated
followers of fash-
ion as stylistically
impoverished hip-

sters in the worst possible sense.

Either way, it seems like the answer
to your question is a convoluted
"Yyyyyyyes?" with lots of raised eyebrows
and frustration at trying to draw parallels
between scooter driving Small Faces fans
and moustache waxing craft beer drinkers
who used to be into Arcade Fire (until
they recorded that song for *The Hunger
Games*). You know what they say, "Ask a
simple question, get a long-winded, prob-
ably irrelevant answer!" See what happens
when you make me break out the books?

— DJ Stevens



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Almost factual news

Freedom of Speech

NIH invites Junior Seau's daughter to speak at ceremony

After considerable controversy, the National Football League allowed Sydney Seau to speak at last weekend's NFL Hall of Fame ceremony, following the post-humous induction of her father, Tiaina Baul "Junior" Seau, Jr. Seau, a fearsome linebacker who played the majority of his career with the San Diego Chargers, took his own life in 2012 after a period of prolonged depression. A post-mortem examination of his brain by scientists associated with the National Institutes of Health revealed signs of Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy, or CTE, a brain disease that can be caused by repeated blows to the head, and which can bring on feelings of depression and even suicidal ideation. Seau's daughter said that the league had initially invited her to speak at the ceremony, but then rescinded the offer, citing Hall of Fame policy. Only after Ms. Seau

publicly stated, "I just want to give the speech he would have given. It wasn't going to be about this mess" was the invitation renewed.

Now, according to a press release from the National Institutes of Health, Ms. Seau has another speaking engagement to consider: "The National Institutes of Health hereby formally extends an invitation to Ms. Sydney Seau to attend the induction ceremony welcoming her father into our NFL Hall of Shame on October 1, 2015. The hall exists to protest the unintentional and unwilling sacrifices made by the dozens of NFL players who have suffered from Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy as a result of the ever-more-violent collisions that are part and parcel of professional football. After we unveil the bust of Mr. Seau's CTE-damaged brain, we invite



The NIH's NFL Hall of Shame



One of these things is not like the other...

Ms. Seau to say whatever the hell she wants: about her father, about football, about blood-thirsty American sports fans, about the National Football League's pathetic response to the

crisis — hell, even about us and our decision to use her father's tragic death from brain disease as a tool for raising awareness. Have at it, sweetie; you're the one who lost a father."

Save Us, San Salvador

Replica of famed explorer Cabrillo's ship finally launches

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his mission. If, say, Mars is in fact home to little green men, you must remind yourself that they are not human, and so

over the structural integrity of wooden vessels under the intense strain of space travel, the San Diego Maritime Museum's replica of Juan Cabrillo's San Salvador finally launched today, carrying with it the fading hopes of a doomed species on a dying planet.

Before takeoff, Mayor Faulconer addressed the 50 brave souls who will seek out a New World, gather its resources, and prepare it for colonization. "You travel forth today not merely to honor Cabrillo and his spirit of discovery, but also to imitate



Honoring the past by repeating it?

you may use them as you wish. Take their treasure, enforce their labor, enjoy their women. If they resist, kill them without qualm or hesitation, for they are savages, as unlike you as you are unlike the gods above. The fate of our species depends on your success. It's not like we're going to fix things here."



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YouWillDie.com recently rated San Diego as the sixth nicest large urban center in America in which to fritter away the brief span of your life before descending into endless oblivion. Considering factors such as weather,

job availability, cultural activity, traffic, and home prices, the website found San Diego to be an excellent distraction from the grim certainty of death — much better than Los Angeles or even New York City.

Search Functionaries

CPUC chief decries lawmaker's deadline for release of emails regarding San Onofre deal

California Public Utilities Commission president Michael Picker has issued a strong statement in reply to Utilities and Commerce Committee chair Anthony Rendon, who recently issued a July 31 deadline for CPUC's presentation of emails relating to the San Onofre nuclear power plant. The plant, which was shut down after its owners installed faulty equipment, has already cost Southern California ratepayers some \$3 billion, thanks to a sweetheart deal between CPUC and the power companies it is supposed to regulate.

"Frankly," says Picker, "I think Mr. Rendon has a lot of nerve



Picker, standing before just a few of the countless stacks of printed emails that must be inspected

dropping some kind of hard deadline on us. CPUC is a big outfit, and many of our employees send over 50 emails a day. His committee is asking for every email pertaining to a very specific subject, and finding them is hard, tedious work. It's not like there's some magical way to search through our communications and pick out just the ones you need. Maybe that was true in the old days, when you had a secretary whose whole job it was to file correspondence in an easily

recoverable fashion. Say, alphabetical by sender, with the most recent correspondence in the front of the file. But those days are gone, and Mr. Rendon is just going to have to accept that fact."

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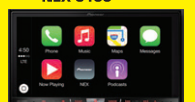
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Summer has the Kellys exploring the boom in gourmet ice cream sandwiches. “We are baking cookies all day long, so that we can serve you the absolutely freshest, warmest cookie for your custom ice cream sandwich,” said Sam Malas, co-owner (with his brother Abdul) of Cream (two locations, Pacific Beach and SDSU). “We keep baking until one hour before closing. Our flavors include chocolate chip walnut, snickerdoodle, and the tuxedo, which is a double chocolate cookie with white chocolate chips. We make gluten free cookies: chocolate chip, snickerdoodle, or double chocolate chip. And we have a vegan cookie. It’s tricky to make a good vegan cookie, since they contain no animal products. We offer a banana walnut with chocolate chips; the banana helps keep it soft.”

Cream’s ice cream “is made just for us, from our recipes, in San Francisco. We change flavors seasonally. Cinnamon chill is very popular right now. We also offer a soy blueberry ice cream, soy mint chip, and soy vanilla.”

Customers can mix and match any cookie flavor and ice cream for \$2.99. Toppings are \$.50 extra. “We have a big selection. We crush our own Oreos for the Oreo topping, and we source our gummi bears from a particular place, and use a spoon to press them into the ice cream. Customers tell us how good those gummi bears are.”

Fresh is also a key component at Crunchtime in the Gaslamp (619-338-0048). “Everything is made from scratch right here,” said owner David Pinkney. “We make the cookies and we make the ice cream. We use fresh berries, and we don’t use any dye. We make it every one to three days; during Comic-Con, we made it every hour. Cookies are baked every three hours. Our most popular sandwich is cookies and cream: vanilla ice cream mixed with Oreos and sandwiched between two brownie cookies. But I like butter pecan between chocolate chip.” Sandwiches are \$6.75 for a full, \$4 for kid-sized. “A full sandwich is pretty big, three inches high and six inches across.”

“All our cookies are baked fresh daily from scratch,” said Shane Stanger, owner of Baked Bear Custom Ice Cream Sandwiches (four locations around San Diego). “We use original recipes. Our cookie of the month is mocha almond fudge. For the fudge component, we

“A full sandwich is pretty big, three inches high and six inches across.”

underbake brownies, break them into little bits, and mix that into the cookie dough. Another popular cookie is cookies and cream; it’s an oreo cheesecake cookie. We also have gluten-free chocolate chip cookies and regular brownies.”

To make a sandwich, you pick your top cookie — or brownie, or donut(!) — and your bottom cookie, then select one of their 12 ice cream flavors (plus soy vanilla). “For now, we buy our ice cream, but we’re in the process of having our recipes produced offsite just for us.” Customer favorites include “mint chip, vanilla, and cookies and cream. My personal favorite is peanut butter fudge ice cream between two brownies. Then you pick a topping, things like caramel, mini M&Ms, or sprinkles. Finally, if you like, we can warm it up for you in a hot press machine. It gets really hot for just a short time, which makes the cookie on the outside warm but keeps the ice cream in the middle from melting.” Sandwiches are \$3.25 for cookies, \$4.25 for brownies and donuts, and \$3.70 for a mix-and-match.

At Blush Desserts in Kearny Mesa (858-505-9498), ice cream sandwiches are served on macaron cookies, said owner and head baker Mai Thuong. “Macarons are very different from macaroons. A macaron is an almond cookie, made with whipped egg whites and sugar. They are light, crisp on the outside, and slightly chewy on the inside. We have 100 flavors of macarons in the book, including traditional ones like chocolate, pistachio, and strawberry. But we’re known for

flavors such as Fruity Pebbles, churros, s’mores, and Captain Crunch. Customers pick the cookie and the ice cream, and we’ve seen some really adventurous creations. Our most popular sandwich has Fruity Pebbles macarons with either vanilla, green tea, or strawberry cheesecake ice cream. We get our ice cream from Thrifty, which is, in my opinion, the best ice cream in the world, because I grew up on it. But we hope to make our own in the future.” All sandwiches are \$5.



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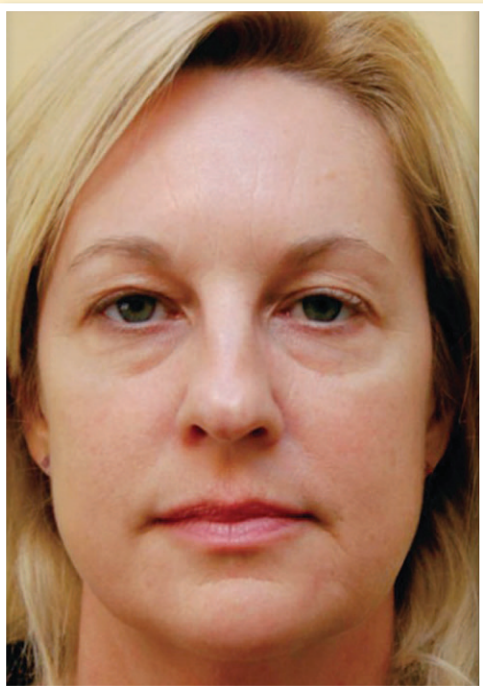
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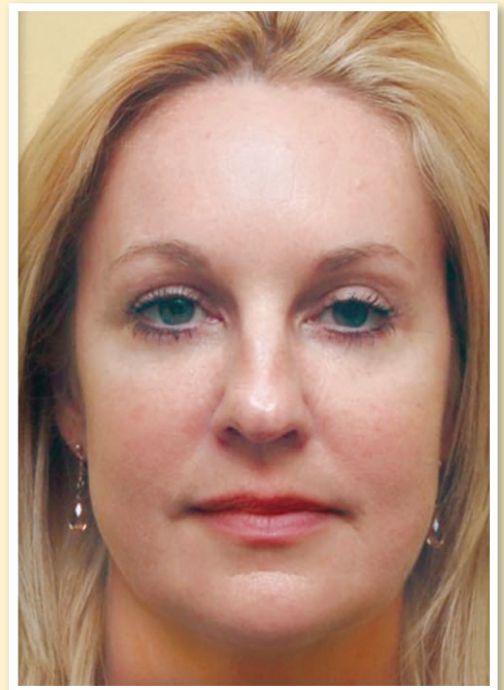


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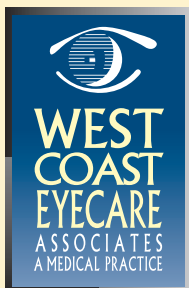
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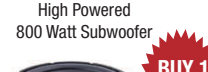
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AUTHOR: Andrew Randhawa | FROM: San Diego | BLOGGING SINCE: April 2015

 POST TITLE: **Appreciation for Mental Health Systems**

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This summer, I enrolled in a computer class, which lasted six weeks and was held every Thursday.

I attended every session, and in the end I learned how to use Microsoft 8 efficiently. I learned a lot, and it was one of my favorites of the classes I have taken that are put on by NAMI [National Alliance on Mental Illness] San Diego. I won a Toshiba computer. Every day, I attend the Clubhouse in San Diego, and hang out with other mental

patients who want to better themselves as a person and in life in general. I encourage anyone to attend who wants to improve health, body, and spirit. I like engaging in conversation and exchanging gifts.

Before this transformation, I was in and out of jail for three consecutive years, battling a mental disorder and anger, which caused my family grief. I was arrested over six times in a span of three years, not including trips to the hospital for which they wanted to give me help. I learned a lot in the hospital, and in jail, reading and brushing up on my writing and cleanliness. Jail and hospitals taught me the importance of life, and to be appreciative of what I have. I encourage anyone to get mental health, and to be prepared about life, because it does affect you and your family and the decisions you make.

Before this, I was in college. I graduated from Stanislaus State University in Turlock, California before moving back to San Diego. I received my bachelor's degree in criminal justice, concentrating in juvenile justice. I received an overall undergraduate [GPA] of 2.6, not knowing I was diagnosed with a mental disorder, which is astounding. I have medicine to make this disease pass as soon as possible.

I made first team, all-district in baseball, and made the local county All Star game, finishing with a .316 average, and batting seventh in the whole division. We made the playoffs, but lost in the first round. I

received my Associate's Degree from Delta College, which I attended for two years.

I enjoy sports, art, collecting, shopping, video games, poker, and driving fancy cars. I enjoy traveling in the continental United States and Hawaii. I enjoy concerts, and love the Reader because of the concert series and articles from young people. My next mission

is to travel to events with people from the mental health systems.

The best things in my life are my friends and family, who support me 24/7. I enjoy eating different foods, including fine foods and carnival foods. I have Social Security from the government, and suggest to anyone who has a mental disorder that they look into their disorder, because it can be cured. I have a mild dose of bipolar and schizophrenia. I don't see this as a negative, but rather, a positive. I can conquer this and other things in my life. It is an obstacle but I am willing to challenge this and shed this disease.

My brother is my biggest fan, and supports me. I hope I can start working again when this disease has been tamed, and have a successful career. I want to pursue a career in law enforcement [within] the juvenile system, which has always been a dream of mine. I want to fulfill my dreams [and deal] with this disease with the coping skills I have learned over the last three years.

My hero is myself, because I look at myself as the only person who can make decisions for me. But I do enjoy listening to what other people say, and watching what they do. I have learned my own experiences, and from other people's experiences as well.

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"I made a profile, and you can like other people's pictures, and based on who you like they can like yours back, then you make a connection, and then they can message you. And I liked one of his pictures, and then he liked mine."

The teenager used her real name and true age. The man lied. "Um... a couple of times, yeah. He told me he was 16."

And then he said he was 18. Eventually he told her he was 21. He never did tell her he was actually 41.

Roni still lives in San Diego County. In late January 2014, the teen was in San Francisco participating in a pro-life march with her church group. That was when Roni first communicated with the sly older man. He identified himself as Shawn Opry and used a photo from the internet of a male model who is actually named Sean O'Pry. The clever man used a lot of names over the next few months, including Slim and Max Powers and Janis Christo. They first communicated through the Hot or Not app, and then they moved to Facebook and Skype to continue messaging.

The man asked for Roni's full name and phone number right away, but she wanted to be sensible. She made him wait. After four days she gave him the information.

Two weeks later, on Valentine's Day 2014, the teenager was thrilled to receive a dozen roses, delivered to her home. Mom was not so thrilled, "Once he sent the roses, I felt like he knew where we lived."

A man she had never met was communicating with her daughter. "[Roni] was ecstatic and



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Rodriguez used an image of male model Sean O'Pry as his original profile photo

that we were a family and that we were close."

Mom wanted to contact the man in a non-threatening way. "They were talking about being in love and getting married, and I was afraid she was going to run away."

But the man didn't take it that way. On February 17, he texted to Roni: "Your mom was probing. She's crafty. She's trying to catch me."

Coincidentally, Roni's family had plans to travel up the coast for her dad's work. The whole family was going, and they would stay at a resort hotel. Mom wondered if this might be an opportunity to meet the person communicating with her daughter. They had time to think about it because the trip was more than a month away.

But the mystery man would not wait. One week after Roni received

her Valentine roses, she met the man in San Diego County. He came to San Diego County at least

Francisco peninsula. For his construction business, Rodriguez used a mailing address two blocks away,

orders against him. One was 17 at the time. For those previous troubles, Rodriguez made a plea deal and served time in a Northern California jail in 2010.

In 2012, a jury found Rodriguez guilty of eleven crimes in San Mateo County. Those crimes included stalking while under a restraining order, identity theft, computer fraud, intercepting electronic communications, and making threatening phone calls. For those offenses, Rodri-


Roni was madly in love. She expected an engagement ring at any moment.

five times, traveling more than four hundred miles each way, before he was finally arrested.

on Cassia Street.

At least two of Rodriguez's former girlfriends had obtained restraining


Meet the mystery man
Pedro Luis Rodriguez is 43 years old. He is 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighs well over 200 pounds. He's the eldest of five brothers. When Rodriguez first connected with Roni, he was living in a room at his mother's home on Spring Street in Redwood City on the San



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smitten and just head over heels," Mom remembered later when she testified in court. "I was afraid if I cut it off she would run away." So Mom hesitated. Her daughter told her the man lived hundreds of miles away in Northern California. So Mom figured any cause for worry was not

so imminent.

Mom did try to connect with the mystery man, to find out more about him. She sent a photo of her sweet daughter tying her little nephew's shoelaces at a soccer game. Mom attached the caption: "That's my little girl." Mom's idea was "to show

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guez was sentenced to six years in State prison. He was released early — on Christmas Eve 2013. At the time Rodriguez contacted Roni he had been out of prison one month.

In court documents, Rodriguez was described as being on “post release community supervision” under Assembly Bill 109. That legislation “realigned” the supervision of convicted felons from the State prison and parole system to local control. Thousands of criminals were moved into local jail or released back into their local communities after the law redefined 500 crimes as “less-serious.”

I've never been kissed before

Rodriguez traveled to San Diego County on February 22, 2014. “We agreed to meet in my neighborhood outside



Pedro Luis Rodriguez during trial in a San Diego courtroom

of my house,” Roni said in court, six months later. “Well, I was walking down street, I came down the hill behind my house.”

She saw Rodriguez standing outside his car, and she recognized him from a picture he sent. She got into his rental

car and they drove around and went shopping. “After that we went to his hotel, because he had to get something from his room. It’s off of El Camino by the Hooters by the freeway in Oceanside. It’s Extended Stay.”

She decided to go with him to his room. They



DDA Matt Greco couldn't believe all the evidence.

sat on the bed and talked, and then “He kissed me. I laughed. Because I’ve never been kissed before. I got really shy. I was just hugging him.”

But before they left the hotel room, the intergenerational couple moved well past hugging and kissing. And they

took pictures.

Rodriguez traveled to San Diego County again two weeks later. They arranged their secret meetings as they could. “My parents sometimes randomly go away for the whole day, so sometimes it was up in the air if I could get out that week-

end,” Roni explained later. “And that weekend it happened to work out so we could meet.”

Three weeks after that, Roni made the planned trip to Northern California with her family. Investigators claim Rodriguez got a room at the same hotel and secretly met with his underage lover. However, there are no charges filed for any alleged crimes that may have happened in that jurisdiction.

During the months of their relationship, Rodriguez gave Roni multiple cell phones so they could communicate. He put his number in the phones under the name Jeannette so it would look like Roni was messaging a gal pal. And Rodriguez was able to see Roni’s location any time using an app on the phones.

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Attorney Weston with Rodriguez and evidence photo displayed in court

ment ring at any moment. But one night in the spring of 2014, Roni had an evening with her girlfriends. “Just five of my friends that I go to school with. We had a sleep over, and I showed them pictures.” Some of the photos were of Roni in bed with a man. “I thought it would be funny.” And Roni showed her friends certain sexual devices, “I said that he ordered them online and that he sent them to the UPS store.”

That store was within walking distance of Roni’s home. Her friends were not impressed the way she expected they’d be. “They stopped socializing with me.” And word got back to her parents. “My parents were really stressed out at that point, hearing all the things I had said to the girls at the sleepover.”

And there were other things that made Roni start to question her relationship with her secretive man. Sometimes Rodriguez sent hurtful messages to her. For example, one day he sent to her: “I [verb’d] you in the [anatomy] the first

time we met. You didn’t even make me wait. You’re not special.”

Roni sometimes attempted to withdraw from him. She blocked his phone number. But somehow he got around that. He wouldn’t stop. Finally one day Roni handed one of her phones to her mother, “Hoping he would leave me alone at that point.” Then Roni used another of her secret phones to tell Rodriguez that her mother had the other phone now. Roni thought this would make him back off. But Rodriguez was savvy enough to erase all the data on the surrendered phone remotely.

And then Roni asked her mother to take her to a gynecologist. She had begun to worry that she’d been exposed to sexually transmitted diseases. After that doctor’s visit police were finally contacted.

Rodriguez reacted quickly. On May 27, 2014, he sent a letter to Roni, asking her to sign it. This letter was entered as an exhibit during his

trial a year later. It read, “I (Roni) had my first gynecologist visit today and upon completion of my examination and explaining I was sexually active was told I was a party to a crime.

I was shuttled to the Sheriff’s dept where I was under belief I was being detained for a sex crime or producing child pornography. I had adult themed videos of myself on my phone. I was never Mirandized and felt if I did not say the things the officers wanted as well as identify a photo of someone from my Facebook I would be arrested and sent to jail. I only know a Mr. Rodriguez from a dating app and was forced to identify him as a partner.”

Three-carat diamond

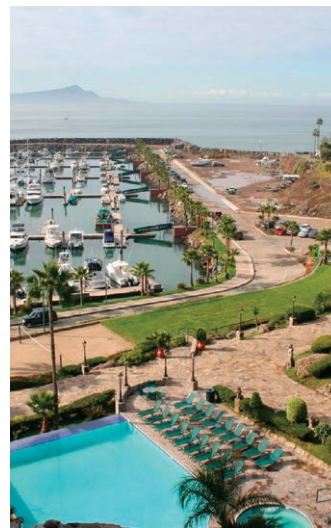
Oceanside police detective Steve Stracke contacted Rodriguez’s “post release community supervisor” in San Mateo County. Rodriguez was taken into custody and eventually transferred to San Diego County. In July of 2014, Rodriguez was brought into a San Diego courtroom and the judge ordered him to have no contact whatsoever with the alleged victim. After this order, investigators claim Rodriguez made “hundreds” of illegal communications with Roni.

Slick operators often attempt to represent themselves in court. Rodriguez was not exception. While in custody, Rodriguez allegedly coordinated with his family to send more cell phones to Roni so he could continue to communicate with her. One of his brothers has already pleaded guilty as an accomplice in a separate case against Rodriguez.

In court papers, one investigator described an

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During trial, the prosecutor played one of the recorded phone calls Rodriguez made to Roni, from jail in San Diego County. "I've been going over the charges and one

thing that's on there is that they are charging me with contacting you specifically for sex. So if they ever ask you if he contacted you for sex you have to say no, and that you never got naked for sex."

In January of 2015 a police investigator came to Roni's home and took away three different cell phones that she was still using to communicate with Rodriguez. One phone was in Roni's purse, one was in the pocket of the hoodie she was wearing, and one was plugged into a charger in a bookcase in the family room.

She's a liar

Rodriguez gave up acting as his own attorney on the date set for trial, in October of 2014. His mother Gloria hired private defense attorney, Herb



San Diego Superior Court judge K. Michael Kirkman will pronounce sentence.

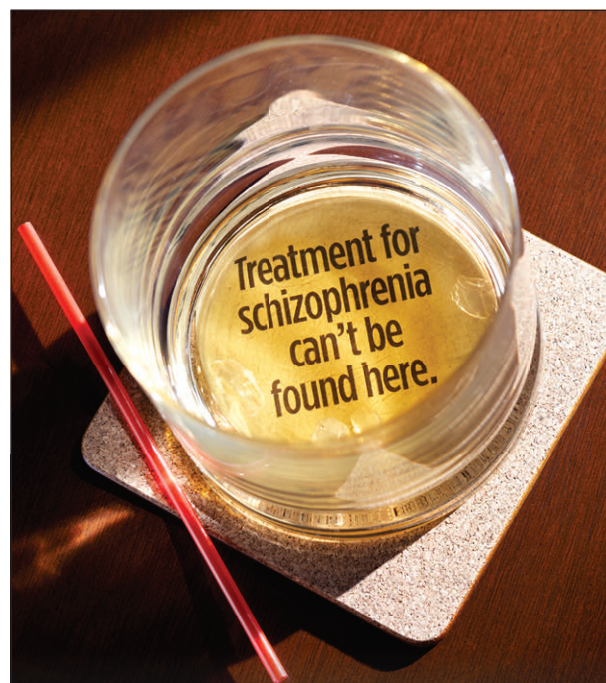
Weston, who delayed trial another seven months until late May 2015.

The defense attorney wanted the jury to question the reliability of the alleged victim. "She lies. And then she lies again." When Roni came to court she gave conflicting testimony at different hearings. During one hearing,

while Rodriguez was still acting as his own attorney, she declared from the witness box: "I love him still, um, because I feel like he cares about me" and "because I feel like there's nothing wrong with our relationship."

Roni told a judge she had discussed with Rodriguez, "That we would

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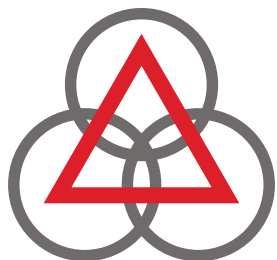
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wait until I was 18 to get married.”

Defense attorney Weston suggested that this girl got mad at Rodriguez during a childish fight and wanted to get him in trouble. “Can you say you are forever sure of the truth of the charges from her testimony?” he asked the jury.

When Roni was last in the witness box she said it was hard to finally come out with the truth and that she told lies trying to keep her parents’ love and trust. And she felt guilty. “I felt really bad for the situation he was in,” Roni said in a small voice. “And maybe it was my fault that everything had happened.”

“It is so rare to have the

mountain of evidence that is in this case,” prosecutor Matt Greco countered. He displayed many photos during the three-week trial. “Pictures of

lator,” a “sexual predator,” and “every parent’s worst nightmare.”

Rodriguez, now 43, testified in his own defense. The jury deliberated a

He called the defendant “a master manipulator,” a “sexual predator,” and “every parent’s worst nightmare.”

the events as they occur.” Greco said, “Only a narcissist would want to preserve this, document this.”

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Jacqueline Isaac holds a Yazidi child on Mount Sinjar in Iraq

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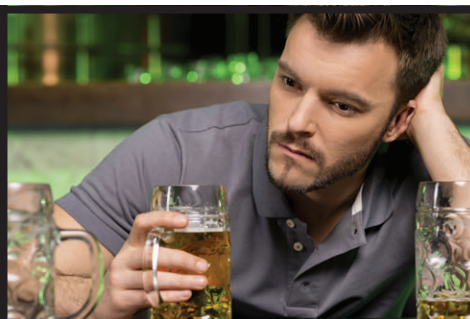
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Jacqueline Isaac says help fulfilling her and her mother's mission has come from local officials and organizations, including San Diego County Supervisor Dave Roberts and the San Diego County Deputy Sheriffs Association in the form of thermal blankets and shoes.

"We bring them just about anything you can fit into a shipping container except, of course, weapons," the younger Isaac says. "Ours is strictly a humanitarian effort."

Isaac's delicate, elegant appearance belies her apparent fearlessness. Both she and her mother are well aware of the dangers in trekking across some of the bloodiest

battlefields and terrorist-held terrain on earth. But they try to keep the danger in perspective.

"We have been to places where you can see the black flag of ISIS flying in the distance," Jacqueline says. "You have to be careful, but you also have to use whatever fear you have to help you plan carefully. Then, you just have to put your fear aside."

She points to the Yazidi and Kurdish women and young girls she's met and helped in Iraq as "better examples of courage" because they have weathered murders of their relatives and attempts to dehumanize them through rape and human trafficking. "They are the ones

who have shown us how to overcome fear while holding on to dignity and hope," says Isaac. "We have to help these girls and these women — we don't have a choice."

But Isaac and her mother do have a choice. They could do what most of us do: hear about the kidnappings, rapes, and murders of women and girls as young as 5 by radical-Islamist militant groups like Boko Haram or the self-proclaimed Islamic State, and shake our heads in disgust — or mutter "jeez, what's wrong with this world?" and carry on with our comfortable lives. That's not enough for Jacqueline and Yvette Isaac. "When you see the

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faces of mothers, daughters, sisters and cousins who have joined the military to protect each other from these ISIS monsters, you see your own family; you see yourself," Isaac says. "In spite of what they have been through, there's still light in their eyes. You can still see hope and innocence even in the eyes of the ones whose innocence was taken by DAeSh... by ISIS."

Isaac was stunned by the level of desperation she found among the Yazidi women, children and elderly men still clinging to life atop Mount Sinjar the first time she arrived there with supplies.

"These people were in starvation mode," she says. "We weren't giving them food, and they weren't literally starving; I mean they had gone so long without anything like



A cardboard box is treasure to a Yazidi girl, who saw the box that came packed with blankets as shelter from the cold atop Mount Sinjar.

fresh blankets and clothing, lotion for their skin, soap to clean with. They were exposed to the harsh elements and their skin — my God, they were slowly dying from exposure to

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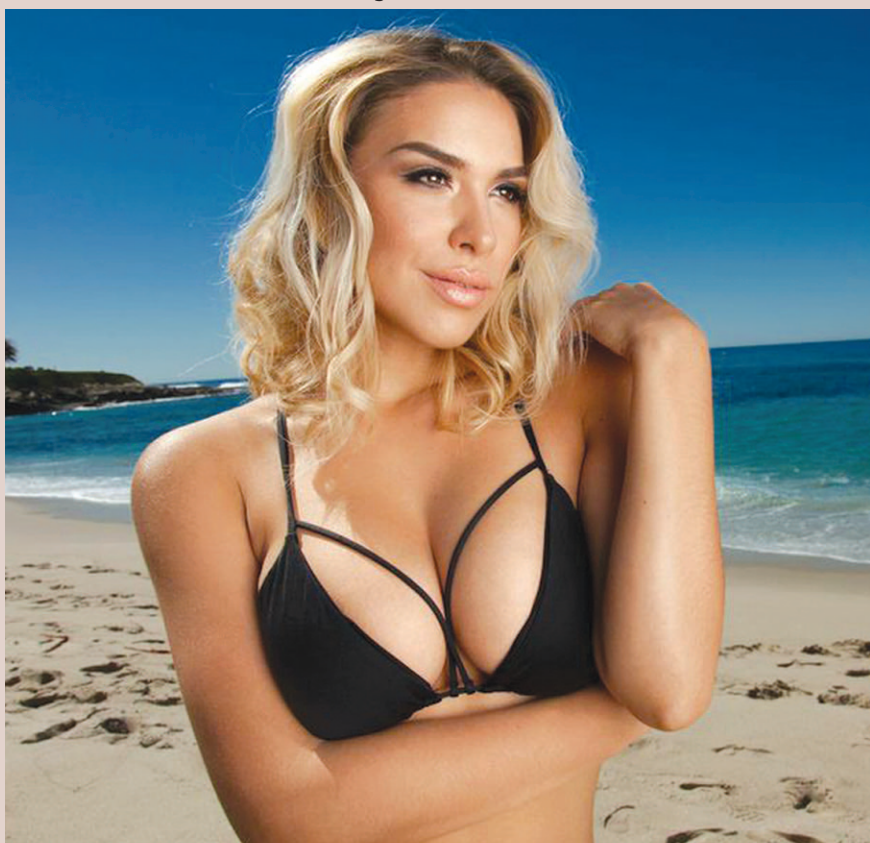
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shows Isaac handing out blankets, clothing, shoes, and toiletries to the Yazidi survivors on the mountain, most of whom are female civilians and female soldiers. The footage reveals a tenuously composed Jacqueline Isaac concealing an overwrought state beneath her facade. Stress hit hard after a 120-mile-per-hour streak across the desert floor through a narrow corridor where brutal fighting between the Kurds and ISIS still raged on its flanks.

"No, I don't mean kilometers-per-hour," she says, explaining her first sojourn along with officials from the Kurdistan Ministry of Health. "Our convoy of about thirty Peshmerga and Kurdish military vehicles left before sunrise and had to keep moving very, very fast in order to make sure ISIS couldn't target the vehicles in the convoy."

The trip hadn't gone as planned. Not only did the hoped-for large group of American witnesses to the human suffering on Mount Sinjar shrink in size to a group of one — Jacqueline Isaac — at one point the Egyptian-American had all but lost track



Yvette and Jacqueline Isaac thrill Yazidi children with new clothing, toys, and hygiene products. Italian reporter Benedetta Argentieri (not pictured), who has been to Mount Sinjar to interview commanders of the female Kurdish fighting, tells the Reader the women soldiers on Mount Sinjar need more weapons and communications equipment to defeat ISIS.

of the cargo container she and others had worked so hard to fill and send to Iraq. Now, streaking across the desert, she would soon be handing out those supplies in person.

"I had to go to the mountain," she says. "I had to see it for myself. I had to see the people getting the supplies."

Getting the container, dwarfed among massive stacks of identical containers aboard a giant cargo ship, across two oceans and the Mediterranean Sea via multiple ports-of-call had been an ordeal. Originating from the Port of Long Beach, the container eventually sailed on to Turkey. That's where

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the “fun” really began.

“Turkey gave us a really hard time,” Isaac says. “It took three weeks of constantly pushing and questioning; ‘Where’s this bill-of-lading now? Where’s the container now?’ I was on the phone with this Turkish official, then that one. Finally, the container made it to Dohuk [in Iraqi Kurdistan].”

Isaac’s original plan had been to have her container trucked to a United Nations internally displaced persons camp not far from Mount Sinjar, then distribute its contents to the mountain from there as pauses in the war allowed.

“But a passage was opened up by the Kurdish military,” Isaac recalls. “We had been in Iraq for two weeks waiting for the container to come [overland] from Turkey.



A Yazidi child takes refuge from the chilly weather atop Mount Sinjar beneath a blanket brought by the Isaacs

We were on our last days before we had to leave when we got the news that the container was in Iraq.”

With the corridor now open by the Kurdish military and the Peshmerga Army to Mount Sinjar, and with the Isaacs’ time

in Iraq running out, the decision was made to truck the container of critically needed supplies directly to the people atop the mountain. Jacqueline Isaac made her decision to catch up with the container, ISIS be damned.

“Our truck was protected by military vehicles in front and in back,” she says. “I felt safe even though the road was very rough and we were going so fast. I knew ISIS was out there, but there were more immediate prob-

lems, like my glasses and the weather. My eyes were so blurry.

Isaac recalls struggling to see ahead of her as the caravan of trucks tore across the rocky corridor to Mount Sinjar. “I remember constantly having to put my coat on, then take it off again because it went from freezing cold when it was still dark, to scorching hot by 7:00 a.m. We had the air-conditioning on in the truck, but it was just too hot to make a difference. Then, on the mountain and on the way back it was so cold, so cold... I was shivering.”

Accidents of Birth

Isaac sounds almost sheepish describing her travails in getting to the Sinjar Mountain range. The reason she’s loathe to complain has less to do with wanting to sound tough

and more to do with a revelation she had while on the mountain. “It’s just luck,” she says, her voice suddenly thin, “Nothing more — well, God’s grace, of course. But luck of being born in one place versus another is all that separates me and you from these people stuck on a mountain in the desert with monsters below trying to kill them and destroy their entire families in the most disgusting ways you can think of. It’s just an accident of birth.”

That realization, Isaac says, hit her when she saw a beautiful, yet weather-ravaged, war-beaten Yazidi toddler taking shelter inside of a cardboard box... a box that had come from the container Isaac had shipped from Southern California to Iraq only weeks before. She hadn’t dreamed that

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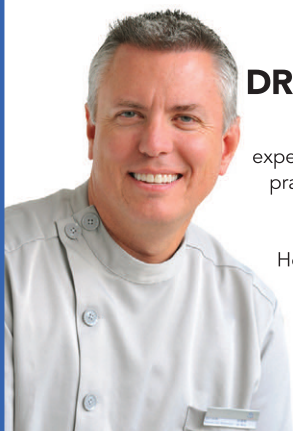
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in addition to the blankets and medicine she brought, that even a cardboard box would mean so much to a frightened child on a frostbitten mountain half a world away.

"I took a picture of her," Isaac says. "She was four, maybe five years-old. She saw the box as a treasure. Something she might find warmth in, a place she might be safe."

No name evil enough

"DAeSh" is a loose Arabic acronym that's used by enemies in the Middle East to describe the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. The name DAeSh has two negative connotations. Translated to English, it indicates the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant. You may notice, the English acronym spells "ISIL" rather than "ISIS." ISIL is also the name given to the group



Yvette Isaac (center-left, wearing sunglasses) and Jacqueline Isaac (center-right) unpack toys, handing them to kids on Mount Sinjar

of radical, mostly Sunni-Muslim militants and serial beheaders by the U.S. and other western governments, including France.

In addition to having a negative, colonial-era connotation because "the Levant" is an early 20th century European term for the border region divid-

ing modern-day Iraq and Syria, when pronounced, DAeSh sounds very much like an Arabic word meaning roughly, "those who crush underfoot" or "those who sow discord," according to the France 24 news network.

"There is no name that is evil enough to

describe how deeply ISIS has scarred the Yazidis," says Isaac.

A report released by the United Nations in March says that recent Islamic State attacks on the Yazidis and other religious minorities on and near Mount Sinjar were rife with acts that

"almost certainly amount to war crimes."

The report documents numerous accounts of child rape, summary executions by the hundreds, as well as the ongoing captivity of as many as 6000 Yazidi women and girls by the so-called Islamic State.

Despite these reports, the Isaacs remain undaunted in their drive to personally bring supplies to Iraq's persecuted religious minorities. They brought mental health professionals and missionaries to lend support to women and girls who had escaped or who had been rescued from ISIS captivity during their second trip to Iraq. "At the time, we were near Erbil with a team of professionals providing counseling to girls and women who had been rescued from human traffickers and who survived ISIS attacks — although their families

didn't survive."

According to the U.N. report, some of the girls of Sinjar were forced to watch Islamic State militants kick the decapitated heads of their brothers, cousins, uncles and fathers as if their loved-ones' heads were soccer balls.

Hearing similar accounts first-hand from the young girls and women, who had been subjected to repeated raping at the hands of so-called Islamic State militants after witnessing their male relatives being slaughtered, strengthened the Isaacs resolve to continue coming back to Iraq as long as the country's religious and ethnic minorities remain in peril. "Some of our security people didn't want me to go to Mount Sinjar," Jacqueline Isaac says. "But I was going. That was just a fact."

She still recalls the

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thrill of witnessing Yazidi survivors using the supplies gathered in San Diego. “It was an amazing feeling for us to see the same blankets we packed into the shipping container here in San Diego actually being used by survivors and soldiers on that mountaintop in Iraq,” she says. “The NASA [thermal] blankets you really notice because they’re like an almost metallic material that reflects sunlight. They were instantly recognizable.”

She believes the fact that the first container Roads of Success sent to Iraq, a portion of whose contents also went to families at a U.N. refugee camp, ever made it to the women soldiers defending Mount Sinjar is no less than a miracle. The Isaacs were warned that they were taking a big chance by trying to send



Yvette Isaac (center, wearing sunglasses) joins an elderly Yazidi woman in blessing gifts from Southern California

supplies to Mount Sinjar, never mind visiting the most dangerous real estate on the planet in person. “Because we went, we were able to bring back video footage of us delivering the supplies with our own hands, supplies that people in Southern California had donated,” Yvette Isaac says. “The

donors back home were so happy to see the same items they helped put into the container actually make it to Iraq.”

Laughing nervously, she says she had reason to believe the mission would succeed. “You see, we were told [the container] might never make it to the people,” Yvette Isaac says. “They said ISIS might get everything.”

“Nothing was going to stop me from going,” Jacqueline Isaac repeats as her mom Yvette chimes in. “I knew she would go; I knew she would do good; and I knew she would be safe.”

Pressed to explain what made her so confident her daughter would not fall prey to the militants as she made her way to Mount Sinjar, the elder Isaac touches her chest.

“In my heart,” she replies in a whisper.

Yvette wanted to accompany her daughter to Mount Sinjar that first time. “But I had to stay with the team we brought to [to Iraq] counsel the girls who escaped or who got rescued from ISIS.”

Both Isaac women made it to Sinjar in March — their third visit to Iraq in six months. Devout nondenominational Christians, Yvette and daughter Jacqueline

have fallen in love with the Yazidis, an ancient sect of about 500,000 non-Christian, non-Muslim Kurdish people who are sometimes called “the original Kurds.” Notably, most Kurds are either Muslim or Christian — not Yazidi.

The Isaacs believe the Yazidis, whose dwindling population is concentrated on and around the Sinjar mountain range in the semiautonomous Kurdistan region of northern Iraq, must be protected from Islamic State butchery. “The Kurdish government is very protective of the Yazidi girls and all of the survivors of ISIS,” says Jacqueline. “We were trusted by local officials to help these precious and beautiful souls who are very young girls in some cases. I will cherish the opportunity we were given to counsel and console them for the rest of my life.”

Being Arabic-speaking Americans of Middle Eastern descent has informed what might be called the Isaacs’ humanitarian bedside manner. Their unique perspective and multicultural acumen may also have helped them get access where others have been denied. “It’s important to show appreciation and respect to local people when you’re

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In late June, Jacqueline and Yvette Isaac spoke at United Nations headquarters in New York as part of a conference for correspondents who cover the U.N. Not surprisingly, they told international reporters gathered for the conference about the unsustainable situation faced by Iraq's religious minorities. That was a few weeks after Jacqueline Isaac testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee in May about the plight of Yazidi women and girls.

“Although ISIS intended to destroy [them] through enslavement and torture, they could not capture their souls,” Isaac told the Committee. “These resilient girls are using their newfound hope and dreams to display to the world that light can still radiate and break through darkness.”

A short film by San Diego-based filmmaker, Dave Macintosh, titled *Iraq 2015*, documents some of the Isaacs' trip, as well as the work done by a rapid-response counseling team they shepherded through Iraq. The team counseled about 70 of the 550 or so young female Yazidi and Christian survivors of Islamic State attacks and captivity.

A young Yazidi girl can be seen at the film's one-minute mark. Her name is Bessima.

“The first time time I saw Bessima in the [United Nations internally displaced persons] camp, there was an instant connection,” says Jacqueline Isaac. “She was so scared; but we bonded. I told her I would come back and that I would find her. I knew I would, but I didn't know how.”

Refugee (cross-border) and internally displaced persons camps are by their very nature, extremely transient places. Yet when Isaac returned to the neatly maintained yet stark and barren U.N.

camp months later, she was able to immediately zero in on Bessima amid dozens of rows of several hundred tents each.

“We took her shopping,” Isaac says. “It was the happiest day of her

life, she told me. We went into town and went to the open-air market and we spoiled her with gifts. I want to bring Bessima to the U.S. where she can be safe and get an education.”

Now the Isaacs are

planning another trip to Mount Sinjar and to the nearby camp. But it's doubtful they'll be bringing Bessima to San Diego this time. Then again, the Isaacs are a mother-and-daughter humanitarian

team that's famous for pulling off “miracles.”

“Of course, we never have enough finances,” Yvette says, “but God always seems to supply our needs.” ■

— Thom Senzee

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Pomrenke eventually asked Carvajal, the stevedore told the court, to sign a document that he had a mental disability. “And I refused to say I am a mental patient.... I’ve never been on meds. I’ve never done anything mental, like be in a rubber room or anything like that, set fires or anything like that, no.”

What Carvajal did say, he told me later, was that he would take the paper Pomrenke wanted him to sign to an attorney. “But Greg said, ‘That document will not leave this office,’ and he told me to get the hell out of there.”

Not long afterward, Carvajal said he had words with his immediate supervisor Patrick Garvey, because Garvey refused to allow him to bring Motrin on board to alleviate his knee pain.

Three days later, on July 1, 2008, Carvajal was terminated for insubordination.

The jury in Carvajal’s wrongful termination case ruled against him. Part of their reasoning was that the complainant did not have a true disability. A motion by Pride Industries attorneys to prevent the jury’s hearing evidence from the federal investigation by Lorna Dennison also played a role. Judge Gonzalo Curiel granted the motion on April 1, 2014, arguing that Dennison’s investigation would take away “the jury’s role as fact finders,” that it would be “given too much weight by jurors.” The jury reached its decision on May 14, 2014.

The judge’s decision to exclude the Dennison investigation, which contains 300 to 400 pages of testimony, much of it confidential, is now the basis of an appeal by the Mirch Law Firm that represented Carvajal in the original lawsuit.

As this story was going to press, Audrey Farrington, Pride’s vice president of marketing and communications, sent a statement {LINK} about the company’s participation in Ability One’s program for employing people with disabilities. In part, it reads as follows.

“To be eligible for employment under the Program, individuals with severe disabilities are required to validate their disabilities through a licensed medical professional and that documentation is subject to review and inspection. In addition to mandated laws and regulations, PRIDE Industries has created internal processes to periodically ‘recertify’ its disabled workforce.” ■

Under the radar

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on behalf of lease extensions for the Hilton Mission Bay Hotel and the Paradise Point Resort Hotel nearby.

Kevin and Tony’s business model

Republican mayor **Kevin Faulconer** has picked up yet another contribution to his One San Diego non-profit corporation from a well-heeled donor with business at city hall. In a July 28 filing with the city clerk’s office, the mayor reveals the charity, of which his wife **Katherine** is honorary chairwoman, got \$15,000 from Cox Communications, the giant cable company covering about half of the city. Previous contributors to the non-profit have included utility giant SDG&E,

whose parent Sempra Energy has been lobbying heavily against utility rate regulation measures. A July 31 disclosure filing says Sempra spent \$66,276 battling a city council rate reform resolution in the second quarter of the year. Other special interest donors to the Faulconer fund include Pardee Homes, Vulcan Materials, and Petco Park tenant Padres L.P., each with \$5000. Meanwhile, ex-city councilman **Tony Young**, president of One San Diego, continues to prosper as a lobbyist. The July 30 financial disclosure report for his firm Civic Link Strategies, says the outfit received \$15,000 from SDG&E to battle the city council rate resolution. It also got \$15,000 from shopping mall developer Westfield Corporation to muster “support for an economic development strategy relating to Horton Plaza and [University Town Center].” In addition, Young’s firm was paid \$5000 by San Francisco’s Zirx, a start-up specializing in on-demand personal transportation. According to Young’s filing, he worked on behalf of “implementation of Zirx business model in city limits.”

— Matt Potter
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from city hall lobbyists and other special interest donors.

The contributor list is notable for money from those with major stakes in the development of Mission Valley.

Matt Potter

Navy SEAL punches another San Diego immigrant

Kyle Blackwell’s second assault in a year and a half Former Navy SEAL **Kyle Blackwell**, accused of punching an unsuspecting immigrant taxi driver in December 2013, now faces a two-to-four year prison term on felony assault charges filed by San Diego County District Attorney’s Office on July 28.

According to the charges, Blackwell committed the assault “by means of force likely to produce great bodily injury” against a Mr. Anthony Delgado on July 18 of this year. Blackwell was released on \$200,000 bail and will appear before a judge on August 10.

The July 18 felony assault is Blackwell’s latest brush with the law.

In December 2013, (as first reported in a December 2014 Reader cover story), Blackwell, who at the time

was 24 years of age, allegedly punched taxi driver Avtar Singh shortly after Singh had dropped him and his then-fiancée off at the Bayfront Hilton.

In a statement to police during the December 2013 incident, Blackwell said he feared Singh was “a Muslim extremist and wasn’t sure what he was capable of.”

Harbor police cited Blackwell for two counts of misdemeanor battery. Months later, San Diego city attorney Jan Goldsmith’s office dismissed the charges before any trial took place. The city attorney, failing to contact Singh in regards to their decision, ordered Blackwell to pay Singh \$150 to replace the window.

Dorian Hargrove

Do we know cause of 2011 blackout?

Edison didn’t provide blackout emails to regulator The San Diego law firm of Aguirre and Severson on July 31 filed a lawsuit against the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, charging that it has suppressed evidence about the failure of the San Onofre nuclear plant on September 8, 2011, during the largest blackout in California history.

The commission is supposed to ensure electricity

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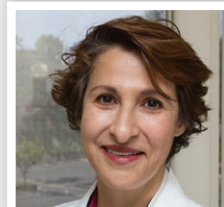
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reliability across state lines. Mike Aguirre of the law firm has been trying since March to get emails between the commission and Southern California Edison, majority owner of the now-shuttered nuclear plant. The commission says it can withhold hundreds of documents because of legal exemptions to the firm's Freedom of Information Act requests. Aguirre has gone to court to force release of documents.

On August 3, the firm released part of a document that it has in its possession. An Edison official on September 12, 2011, was told to provide blackout-related documents to the commission. Four days later, the executive replied in a letter to the commission, "Certain electronic documents related to the outages, particularly electronic mail, may have been deleted in the ordinary course of business prior to

the receipt of your September 12 letter."

Says Maria Severson of the firm, "Edison destroyed evidence about its complicity within days after the blackout with the full knowledge of [the commission]. Today's evidence shows that [the commission] did nothing to stop them." Severson wonders if the proof of what caused the blackout may ever come out — particularly San Onofre's role.

Don Bauder

Like SDSU, like Faulconer?

The school's decade-long environmental impact fight may portend mayor's stadium fate

An August 3 ruling by the state supreme court against San Diego State University may be regarded as a warning to Republican mayor Kevin Faulconer.

As controversy shadows

Faulconer's hurry-up environmental impact report for a new stadium in Mission Valley, it's back to the drawing board for San Diego State University and its decade-long battle with the city over the school's mammoth campus expansion plans.

In a unanimous August 3 ruling, the state supreme court has held that SDSU and its parent, the California State University system, broke the law when officials certified an environmental impact report saying they couldn't find millions of dollars needed to deal with increased traffic congestion and other negative effects of the giant development.

SDSU's environmental impact report acknowledged the proposed project would contribute significantly to cumulative traffic congestion off-campus in San Diego, yet argued that the eight figures or more in extra costs would have

to be shouldered by "others."

Matt Potter

UCSD loses Alzheimer's research contract

Pharmaceutical giant Lilly shifts to USC, new home of alleged staff/data poacher. The financial repercussions of a controversial move by one of UC San Diego's top researchers to the University of Southern California appear to be surfacing.

Eli Lilly and Company, a global pharmaceutical giant, announced on August 4 that it intends to end its contract with UCSD for research related to Solanezumab, a prospective new early-stage Alzheimer's treatment drug.

The announcement comes in the wake of Alzheimer's specialist Paul Aisen leaving UCSD in order to start a San Diego-based research facility in conjunction with USC. The move has been the subject of

litigation by UCSD, who claim that Aisen, while still on the university's payroll, called meetings for the purpose of poaching staff to join him in his planned exodus. Aisen and others are also accused of stealing data and property from UCSD prior to the move.

It has been reported that Aisen was allegedly offered \$8 million by USC to set up his new facility if he agreed to move, as well as a \$500,000 annual salary.

Dave Rice

Don't throw rocks at the border patrol

Agent who shot illegal immigrant faces lawsuit

The family of a Mexican man shot by a Border Patrol officer last year is seeking at least \$10 million in a newly filed lawsuit, *Courthouse News Service* is reporting.

In February 2014, agent Daniel Basinger was report-

edly attempting to apprehend three men attempting to cross the border illegally near Otay Mesa, among them Julian Ramirez Galindo, identified at the time by the Border Patrol as Jesus Flores-Cruz, who identified him postmortem by fingerprints from a previous deportation. Ramirez was allegedly throwing rocks at his pursuer "the size of a basketball."

Basinger responded to the rock-throwing by opening fire, fatally striking Ramirez twice.

The case is not the first Border Patrol-involved shooting to stem from a rock-throwing incident to elicit legal action. In 2013, the widow of another man attempting to cross the border illegally sued the agency and its agents for killing her husband, who had allegedly hidden in a tree and attempted to throw rocks at agents in the process of arresting a companion.

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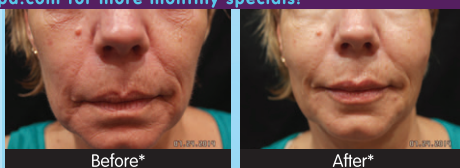
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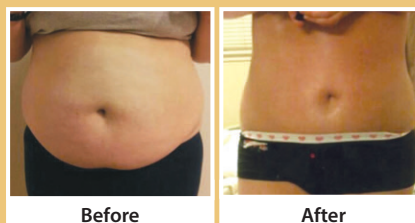
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WHEN: 8 p.m.

WHERE: The American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue, downtown San Diego. 619-795-3858; americancomedyco.com

Friday | 14

SUDS & SCIENCE: THE LIFE AND DEATH OF BEES

How does a beehive function? How do bees communicate? Most importantly, what is colony collapse disorder and what can be done about it? Join bee-keeper Mari Jarvis and Dr. Heather Bell from UCSD as they discuss the life and death of bees and what we can do to support a healthy bee population. Ticket includes two beers from Mother Earth Brewing Company. \$10.

WHEN: 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Japanese Friendship Garden, Pan American Road, Balboa Park. 619-238-1233. rhffleet.org/events/suds-science



Saturday | 15

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Celebrating the abstract work of notable San Diego artists of the mid 20th Century with an assembly of paintings, sculpture, and works in other media. The exhibition represents a cross-section of

the San Diego art community as it was in the 1950s and 1960s. Runs August 15 through November 1. \$8.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-435-3720; oma-online.org

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casting call location, but there will not be a kitchen to cook or warm the dish.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

WHERE: Westin San Diego, 400 W. Broadway, downtown San Diego. 619-239-4500; masterchefcasting.com

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WHEN: 10 a.m.

WHERE: Tijuana River Estuary, 301 Caspian Way, Imperial Beach. 619-575-3613; trnerr.org

DA DUN FINE ARTS OF TAICHUNG CITY

For this exhibit, jurors have selected the finest examples of modern and traditional arts such as painting, seal carving, printmaking, sculpture, digital art, and photography from among 1347 entries from 27 countries. Taiwan's

Taichung City has held this exhibition each year since 1996, and this is the first year it has traveled to the United States. \$4.

WHEN: 2 to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Chuang Archive and Learning Center, 541-B Second Avenue, downtown San Diego. 619-338-9888; sdchm.org

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WHEN: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle North, Mission Valley. 619-297-1101; tikioasis.com/2015

Monday | 17

THE STORM MAKERS

This exposé traces modern-day slavery in Cambodia by uncovering the fate of a young woman slave and the parallel stories of two human traffickers. In Khmer with English subtitles. A POV documentary with a discussion after the film. POV (“point of view”) is the longest-running showcase for independent nonfiction films on television, featuring 14–16 documentaries each year on PBS.



WHEN: 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard, East Village. 619-236-5800; sandiego.gov/public-library

THE MAN FROM

U.N.C.L.E. Does it up the ante, or will you join our critic in crying, “Uncle”? Movies, [page 70](#).

UP HERE. Dan might have a chance with Lindsay if his “technicolor mind,” ruled by a circus of neurotic, judgmental characters, doesn’t intrude. A new musical by the creators of *Frozen* at La Jolla Playhouse. Theater, [page 69](#).



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WHERE: Downtown Encinitas, 760-943-1950; encinitas101.com/events/annual-taste-of-mainstreet

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WHEN: 6 to 9 p.m.

WHERE: Ocean Enterprises, 7710 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa. 858-565-6054; oceanenterprises.com

METZ. The post-punk Canada band hits the Casbah, hot on the heels of their sophomore Sub Pop release. Dave Good breaks it down in *Of Note*, [page 64](#).

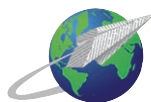
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Serenity found...in L.A., even

Finding peace at Lake Shrine

By Derek Ray

If you're in L.A. and seek a respite from the traffic and stress, there's a place that just may restore — at least temporarily — a sense of tranquility to your being.

The Self Realization Fellowship Lake Shrine Meditation Gardens in Pacific Palisades, located on Sunset Boulevard just off Pacific Coast Highway, is an urban oasis — one of the best places in L.A. to escape the traffic and bustle. Here's a space designated for contemplation and serenity.

Upon walking onto the Lake Shrine grounds, it's difficult not to be soothed by the aura of calmness permeating the area. The grounds are beautifully landscaped with trees and flowers from around the world. The ten-acre site, surrounding a manmade lake, was once used as a film set for silent movies. It was acquired and dedicated by the Hindu yoga master and founder of SRF, Paramahansa Yogananda, in 1950. Best known as the author of the spiritual classic *Autobiography of a Yogi*, Yogananda was one of the premier ambassadors of Indian spiritual philosophy to the West.

An inclusive spirit prevails at Lake Shrine, and its Court of Religions honors the world's five great religions: Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism. Symbols of each of the religions are at hand, including a cross for Christianity, a Star of David for Judaism, a Wheel of Law for Buddhism, a crescent moon and star for Islam, and an Aum symbol for Hinduism. Yogananda explained, "We are one people living on one world, and we have one God and we call that God by many different names."

Benches dotting the grounds welcome visitors to sit, relax, and meditate, or simply enjoy a moment of silence. As you walk around the lake or relax on one of the benches, time seems to stand still. Appreciate the beauty, transcend the mundane or commune with the divine in

your own way, on your own terms. No one will preach or lecture to you.

A visitor's center with a gift shop and museum mark the entrance to the grounds. You can pick up a free informative brochure there. The museum exhibits artifacts from Yogananda's life, including photos of him with Mahatma Gandhi. When Yogananda visited India in 1939 he initiated Gandhi into Kriya Yoga. The Mahatma Gandhi World Peace Memorial at Lake Shrine includes a brass and silver coffer that contains some of Gandhi's ashes.

A waterfall and several graceful swans leisurely floating on the lake add to the ambience of peace. The lake also contains ducks, koi fish, and lotus flowers.

Some other points of interest at Lake Shrine include a Dutch windmill chapel where services were formerly held, and a houseboat where Yogananda lived and meditated for hours while working at the lake. Fans of the Beatles may be interested to know that after George Harrison's death, his family and friends gathered for a private memorial service at the windmill chapel.

The temple where SRF services and meditations are held is on the hilltop overlooking the lake. Visitors can ascend a stairway during visiting or service hours. Docent-led walking tours of Lake Shrine are normally on Sundays at 3 p.m. You can also go to one of the evening kirtans that are sometimes held and sample the hot chai.

Everything is free, including parking, but donations are appreciated. Visiting hours for the Meditation Gardens are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and on Sunday from 12 to 4 p.m. Closed Mondays. Visit lakeshrine.org for more information.

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EAGLE PEAK

Enjoy a 360-degree view of the San Diego River canyon and its surrounding peaks.

Distance from downtown San Diego: 65 miles. Allow about 1.45 hours driving time (Cleveland National Forest). From I-8, exit north on SR-79 and then west on Riverside Drive. Turn west on Viejas Grade then make an immediate right past the store onto Oak Grove Drive. Turn right on Boulder Creek Road and drive 13 miles (7 miles is on a well-kept dirt road) to a hairpin turn that intersects Cedar Creek Road and the trailhead. The trailhead is for both Three Sisters Falls and Eagle Peak with Cedar Creek Fire road slightly to the north. Park near the hairpin turn with an USFS Adventure Pass in view. The Boulder Creek Road trailhead also can be accessed via Engineers Road from Lake Cuyamaca. It is a shorter route but has many hairpin turns. **Hiking length:** 4.2 miles out-and-back. **Difficulty:** Moderately strenuous. Elevation gain/loss 1000 feet. Most of the hike is on an easily followed trail. However, the last 0.4 mile up to the peak is over more difficult terrain and requires some bushwhacking where navigation skills will come in handy. No facilities or water.



San Diego River Valley viewed from the top of the peak

Eagle Peak is not the highest peak in the area but it has a commanding 360-degree view of the San Diego River canyon, the river's main tributaries, and all of the surrounding peaks. It is a popular destination for local area rock climbers, but the trip described here does not require any special climbing skills. Much of the hike goes through grassy fields with scattered Engelmann oaks or relatively open chaparral. When the ceanothus is in bloom, the shrubs will be covered with a mist of blue blossoms and a wonderful fragrance can be experienced. Wildflowers are abundant here in the spring and include wine cup clarkia, the shy mariposa lily, caterpillar phacelia, wooly paintbrush, and many others.

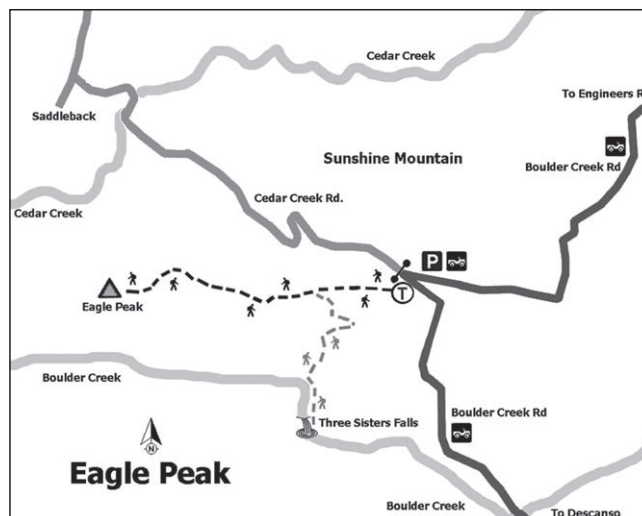
The trail leads straight ahead from the trailhead, passing through chaparral dominated by chamise.

Closer inspection will allow discovery of a scattering of manzanita, wild cucumber, virgin's bower, and mountain blue curls among the gray-green chamise, some or all of which may be blooming depending on the season. The trail begins to rise and goes to the top of a hill and under a few Engelmann oaks set in non-native grassland. Engelmann oaks are not as fire resilient as coast live oaks, but these managed to survive the 2003 Cedar Fire that scorched this whole area.

From the top of the hill, the trail declines to a saddle, 0.66 mile from the trailhead where the trail to Boulder Creek's Three Sisters Waterfall splits off and down to the south. The trail to Eagle Peak goes straight ahead (west) from this point and continues up the side of a south-facing slope vegetated with a mixture of foothill chaparral shrubs, including scrub oaks, ceanothus, and California sagebrush as well as chamise.

Beyond the Three Sisters Falls split the trail is less traveled and can be narrow in places so there is a chance of ticks hitching a ride. Light colored long pants and sleeves help! At 1.35 miles from the parking area, the trail crosses a saddle and begins a slow descent into a shallow valley, while staying on its north-facing slope. The aspect of this slope protects

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ART

Art of Photography Show: Opening Reception Alexander Salazar Fine Art is pleased to collaborate with Steven Churchill, the producer of the Art of Photography Show, to present a curated collection of work from the acclaimed international exhibition. The Art of Photography Show is an established force in the world of contemporary photography. This exhibition presents 70 pieces from the 2006-2013 shows. Friday, August 14, 6pm; **free**. Alexander Salazar Fine Art Exhibitions, 1040 Seventh Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

ArtWalk NTC @ Liberty Station This year's ArtWalk NTC will have the most artists the event has ever had, giving attendees the opportunity to purchase artwork from more than 200 local, regional, and international artists. The art displayed will cover nearly every medium, from oil painting and sculpture, to photography and jewelry. Attendees will also be able to enjoy live music, interactive art for adults and kids, street food options, and a wine and beer pavilion. Saturday, August 15, 10am; Sunday, August 16, 10am; **free**. Ingram Plaza at Liberty Station, 2640 Cushing Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

Da Dun Fine Arts Exhibition: Opening Reception Contemporary Chinese art: *Art Without Borders: The Da Dun Fine Arts Exhibition of Taichung City*. For this exhibit, jurors have selected the finest examples of modern and traditional arts such as painting, seal carving, printmaking, sculpture, digital art, and photography from among 1347 entries from 27 dif-

ferent countries. Taichung City has held this exhibition each year since 1996, and it has been a major international contest since 1999. This is the first year the exhibit has traveled to the United States, and Taichung has selected the Chinese Historical Museum in its sister city of San Diego to host the exhibition and celebrate our international friendship through the universal language of the arts. Saturday, August 15, 2pm; \$4. Chuang Archive and Learning Center, 541-B Second Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

In the Abstract: Midcentury San Diego Painting and Sculpture Celebrating the abstract work of notable San Diego artists of the mid-20th Century. Curated by Dave Hampton, *In the Abstract* features an assembly of paintings, sculpture, and works in other media representing a cross-section of the San Diego art community as it was in the 1950s and 1960s. Exhibit runs August 15 through November 1. Saturday, August 15, 10am; \$8. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

Some Sort of XXX: Opening Reception Richard ChauDavis's solo exhibit is an anti-establishment freedom of expression. 18 and up. Saturday, August 15, 6pm; Dolphin and Hawk Fine Art Gallery, 7742-M Herschel Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Tiki Oasis 15 Art Show: Artist Reception Meet the Tiki Oasis artists and the 2015 Winner of the Miss Tiki Oasis Pageant. Exhibition dates: Friday, August 14 to Sunday August 16. Saturday, August 15, 1pm; **free**. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

Wine & a Bite Artwalk Stroll the historic downtown district, stopping at several venues, where you will enjoy wine, a bite of local fare or dessert, and a unique art experience at each stop. Program, glass, and beverage tickets included in the price. Friday, August 14, 5pm; \$10-\$20. 21 and up. Downtown Fallbrook. (FALLBROOK)

BEER

Saint Archer Beer Dinner A five-course menu showcasing fresh seafood paired with five unique Saint Archer beers. Try Chef Elias' yellow tail sashimi and ahi tartare. Thursday, August 13, 6:30pm; 21 and up. OB Warehouse, 4839 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

Saint Archer Tasting Room Goes Coastal Whole Foods Market Encinitas and Saint Archer are coming together for a day of beer and BBQ. BBQ with Saint Archer-inspired beer brats (cost varies), pop-up shop with Saint Archer merchandise, Saint Archer recipes in every department, and free tasting of multiple beers, including their newest released brew. Saturday, August 15, 2pm; **free**. Whole Foods, 687 S. Coast Highway 101. (ENCINITAS)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Compost Workshop The basics of backyard composting and vermicomposting (composting with worms). Using trial-tested advice and demonstrations, Solana Center expert educators will teach you all you need to know to get started with a bin that fits your needs and lifestyle. Saturday, August 15, 10am; **free**. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Memory Café A gathering place for individuals with early memory loss, for those who worry about memory problems and forgetfulness, and for their care partners. Safely relax, share stories, discuss, socialize, learn, and play games and other activities. Ongoing, every 2nd and 4th Friday, with Kathy Gilbert, LCSW. Friday, August 14, 10am; **free**. 21 and up. First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, 4190 Front Street. (HILLCREST)

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- Daytrip to the Salton Sea by Emily Dayton, 4th place - July 23
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COMEDY

Clean Comedy Contest Rising Legends Entertainment, the Comedy Palace, and the Rock Comedy Ministry bring you the clean comedy contest. Forty comedians will battle it out to see who is the funniest comedian that can work clean. For the preliminary rounds, the audience accounts for 50% of the voting. Saturday, August 15, 5pm; \$5. Comedy Palace, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Pablo Francisco Pablo Francisco weaves together his arsenal of characters, spontaneous outbursts, and clever insights to create a stand-up show that more resembles an hour-long comedic jazz riff. He is an off-the-wall, animated character that points out the absurdity in an illogical, pop-culture obsessed world. Thursday, August 13, 8pm; Friday, August 14, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, August 15, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Sunday, August 16, 8pm; \$25. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

DANCE

Argentine Tango with Colette Learn tango now. If you have ever been curious about tango and want to try it, this is the time. Take a first free class Monday, August 17 at 7pm or Wednesday, August 19 at 7pm (or any Monday or Wednesday at 7pm thereafter). No need for a partner. We will introduce you to the passion and magic of tango. *tangowithcolette.com*; 514-726-5567. Dance Place San Diego, 2650 Truxtun Road, Studio #106. (POINT LOMA)

Contradancing No partners needed, and no experience necessary. Calling by JoAnn Koppany, live music by guest musicians Larry Unger and Audrey Knuth. Teaching from 7:30pm-8pm. Dance starts

at 8pm. Wear soft-soled shoes to protect the dance floor. Friday, August 14, 7:30pm; \$12. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

Mojalet Summer Series: Jerry Hager, The Boy & Me Journey into the world of a aging ventriloquist and his “Boy” (Dummy) as they reminisce, hope, and play. Saturday, August 15, 7pm; Sunday, August 16, 2pm and 4:30pm; \$10-\$15. Bernardo Winery, 13330 Paseo del Verano Norte. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

FOOD & DRINK

4th Annual Reader Feast Follow your taste buds to Broadway Pier for the Reader Feast Tasting Event. Enjoy food and drink tastings from dozens of neighborhood eateries, wineries, breweries, and food trucks as you look out over San Diego Bay. A portion of every ticket sale and all proceeds from the cash bar benefit The Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank, the largest hunger-relief organization in San Diego County. Visit *readerfeast.com*. Saturday, September 12. VIP entry at noon; general admission 1pm. Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier, 1000 N. Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Gourmet Food Truck Festival Some of the tastiest food on wheels comes to Del Mar at the 4th annual Gourmet Food Truck Festival. Enjoy a variety of some of the hottest eats in Southern California as 50 food trucks are expected, all in one location, with gourmet chefs serving their eclectic bests at super prices. Most items \$4 to \$8. Pair your food items with several cold brews on tap in the beer garden. The event will take place in the Seaside Concert Area. Free admission to the food truck area with paid racetrack admission. Saturday, August 15, 12pm; **free**-\$6. Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Valley Center Food Truck Festival The Valley Center Food Truck Festival returns to Bates Nut Farm. Fifteen San Diego food trucks will be on hand, along with vendors, entertainment, and family fun. Guests can choose from a variety of cuisine from sushi to Cajun. The Beer Garden will serve

Rhyme & Verse
Two poems by Dana Gioia

California Hills in August

I can imagine someone who found these fields unbearable, who climbed the hillside in the heat, cursing the dust, cracking the brittle weeds underfoot, wishing a few more trees for shade.

An Easterner especially, who would scorn the meagerness of summer, the dry twisted shapes of black elm, scrub oak, and chaparral, a landscape August has already drained of green.

One who would hurry over the clinging thistle, foxtail, golden poppy, knowing everything was just a weed, unable to conceive that these trees and sparse brown bushes were alive.

And hate the bright stillness of the noon without wind, without motion, the only other living thing a hawk, hungry for prey, suspended in the blinding, sunlit blue.

And yet how gentle it seems to someone raised in a landscape short of rain — the skyline of a hill broken by no more trees than one can count, the grass, the empty sky, the wish for water.

Progress Report

It’s time to admit that I’m irresponsible. I lack ambition. I get nothing done.

I spend the morning walking up the fire road. I know every tree along the ridge.

Reaching the end, I turn around. There’s no point to my pilgrimage except the coming and the going.

Then I sit and listen to the woodpecker tapping away. He works too hard.

Tonight I will go out to watch the moon rise. If only I could move that slowly.

I have no plans. No one visits me. No need to change my clothes.

What a blessing just to sit still — a luxury only the lazy can afford.

Let the dusk settle on my desk. No one needs to hear from me today.



Poet Dana Gioia served as the chairman of the National Endowment of the Arts for six years. His book *Can Poetry Matter?* is considered a classic of contemporary criticism. Winner of the American Book Award and the Aiken-Taylor Prize, Gioia teaches each fall at the University of Southern California. His fourth and latest volume of poems, *Pity the Beautiful*, was published in 2012, and “California Hills in August” is taken from his first volume, *Daily Horoscope* (1986).

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LECTURES

Birds of the San Diego Garden Enjoy bird photography and become familiar with some of the most common birds in a typical Southern California garden. Learn about daily and seasonal visitors from as far away as the Arctic and Central America, why each bird is special, and how to keep these feathered friends coming to your home. With guest speaker Mike Matherly, San Diego Audubon Society. Saturday, August 15, 10am; **free**. Tijuana River Estuary, 301 Caspian Way. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Digital Microfilm & Genealogical Records This presentation will demonstrate how to find records for your ancestors in probate, land, town, tax and other unindexed records. Randy Seaver

is a former president of the Chula Vista Genealogical Society and is currently the Newsletter Editor and Research Chair. Saturday, August 15, 10am; **free**. Robinson Auditorium complex at UCSD, off Pangea Drive. (LA JOLLA)

OUTDOORS

Blue Whale Watching Adventure Look for whales, dolphins, and sea birds along some of the most beautiful coastline in the world. Saturdays; through Saturday, September 26, \$71-\$75. Hornblower Cruises, 970 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Life in Nature Explore nature’s world and its many offerings on Mission Trails Regional Park Trail Guide-led walk. Learn tips on keenly observing habitats and the

craft beer from 2pm to 7pm. Live music on the Bates Stage from Red Lane from 4pm to 7pm. Saturday, August 15, 2pm; **free**. Bates Nut Farm, 15954 Woods Valley Road. (VALLEY CENTER)

FOR KIDS

Family Weekends at Del Mar On weekends, families always win at Del Mar. Join the party in the infield with plenty of fun for the entire family. Children receive free racetrack admission, adults are \$6. Activities feature giant scramble slide and obstacle course, inflatable games and rides, Del Mar Mascot “Pony Boy,” pony rides,

magic shows and gamezone, jockey stilt walkers, and face painters. Saturday, August 15, 12pm; Sunday, August 16, 12pm; **free**-\$6. Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Tinkerers’ Club Join us on Saturday mornings to learn new skills and work on fun projects that you get to take home with you. This month’s theme is All About Physics with projects that explore torque, energy, and momentum. This session: Soldering Skills Lab and Wind Energy Learn to solder and power a motor to create a real working turbine that you get to take home. Saturday, August 15, 10:30am; \$12-\$15. Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

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it somewhat from the sun's direct rays, permitting the growth of a more lush coast live oak woodland with an understory of scrub oak, white-thorn and cup-leaf ceanothus, winter current, and manzanita. If hiking in late winter or spring, there will be an abundance of blooming wildflowers including the scarlet bugler, baby blue eyes, owl's clover, and the fringed Indian pink.

There is a second fork in the trail 1.7 miles from the start. The trail to the left goes about 0.2 mile to a lookout with spectacular views of the rugged Boulder Creek and Eagle Peak cliffs. The trail straight ahead continues 0.4 mile with about 300 feet of elevation gain to the peak. The trail becomes increasingly difficult to follow from here,

with several false peaks to surmount before actually reaching Eagle Peak itself and care needed due to the sharp drop-off. However, the climb is worth it for the perspective it gives you on this whole area that includes views of San Diego to the west and Cuyamaca Peak to the east. Sign the hikers' register before returning to your vehicle the way you came.

The sheer portion of Eagle Peak is closed to rock climbers during raptor nesting season with a map available at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/cleveland/home/?cid=stelpdb5288499>.

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SHEEP and GOATS

Farid Attar

When, at a propitious moment, the door suddenly opened, there stepped out a noble Chamberlain, one of the courtiers of the Supreme Majesty. He looked them over and saw that out of thousands, only these thirty birds were left... “We have come,” they said, “to acknowledge the Simurgh

as our King. Through love and desire for him we have lost our reason and our peace of mind. Very long ago, when we started on this journey, we were thousands, and now only thirty of us have arrived at this sublime court. We cannot believe that the King will scorn us after all the suffering we have gone through.

Ah, no! He cannot but look on us with the eye of benevolence!” The Chamberlain replied, “O you hose minds and hearts are troubled, whether you exist or do not exist in the universe, the King has his being always and eternally. Thousands of worlds of creatures are no more than an ant at his gate. You bring nothing but

moans and lamentations. Return then to whence you came, O vile handful of earth!” — from “The Conference of the Birds”

Farīd ud-Dīn ‘Attar (circa. 1145–1221) was a Persian Muslim poet, Sufi theologian, and historian who believed that the soul’s return to its divine source

could be experienced in this world through ascetic purification and personal sanctity. Anticipating the “Parliament of Fowls” of Geoffrey Chaucer (1343–1400) by about 150 years, the Mantîq al-Tayr (“Conference of the Birds”) is a 4500-line poem that uses allegory to explain the Sufi way of life.

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native plant and animals populating local landscapes. Meet inside Visitor Center. Saturday, August 15, 9:30am; Sunday, August 16, 9:30am; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Summer Twilight Walk Experience the nocturnal world of Mission Trails Regional Park as dusk sets in, transitioning into night and learn about the changes that occur under darkening skies on a MTRP trail guide-led stroll in nature. Bring jacket and flashlight. Meet in parking lot at Bushy Hill Drive across from Campground Entry Station. Saturday, August 15, 6:45pm; **free**. Kumeyaay Lake Campground, Two Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

Trail Maintenance and Restoration Help us keep Batiquitos Lagoon beautiful. First and Third Saturday every month. Volunteers

needed for trail maintenance and restoration. Wear closed shoes, long-sleeve shirt, sunglasses, sunblock, and bring water. We will provide tools, gloves, and goggles. Saturday, August 15, 9am; **free**. Batiquitos Lagoon Nature Center, 7380 Gabbiano Lane. (CARLSBAD)

SPECIAL EVENTS

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up at urbanadventurequest.com. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

Campfire Night Enjoy quality time with your family and friends for the return of Old Fashioned Family Days with storytelling, campfire songs, and s’mores. Friday, August 14, 7pm; **free**. Old Poway Park, 14134 Midland Road. (POWAY)

Heritage Ball Old Mission San Luis Rey is excited to announce the 32nd Annual Heritage Ball. Friends, family, and supporters of this beloved historic landmark gather together for a night of dinner, dancing, and fundraising under the stars. Saturday, August 15, 6pm; Mission San Luis Rey de Francia, 4050 Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

Lanes Collective: Grand Opening The small 200 square building is painted a bright turquoise color,

with gifts for all occasions. Grand opening includes free giveaways and prizes. Thursday, August 13, 7pm; Lanes Collective, 3843 Mission Boulevard. (MISSION BEACH)

MasterChef Wants You TV’s *MasterChef* with Gordon Ramsay is casting season 7. Seeking home cooks, not professionally employed chefs or cooks. Bring one prepared dish to be served to the judges. You will be given three minutes to plate your dish at the casting call location, but there will not be a kitchen to cook or warm your dish. Saturday, August 15, 10am; **free**. 18 and up. Westin San Diego, 400 West Broadway. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

The Reagan Market This curated community art market offers renewable products, handmade art, and unique direct sales. Open the third Sunday every month. Located in the Mira Mesa High parking lot.

Sunday, August 16, 10am; **free**. Mira Mesa High School, 10510 Reagan Road. (MIRA MESA)

Tiki Oasis Tiki Oasis is a family-produced Polynesian Pop lifestyle convention/party which takes place in Southern California each August, the only event of its kind on the West Coast. Tiki Oasis attendees experience three days of mixology, live and DJ music sets, educational symposiums, book signings, marketplace shopping, art, burlesque, comedy, vintage cars, fashion, food, and kids’ events. The car show, art show, and marketplace shopping are free. Friday, August 14, 8:30am; Saturday, August 15, 9am; Sunday, August 16, 9am; \$20-\$25. Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

SPORTS & FITNESS

Night Flight Night Flight features pro flow-boarders challenging the non-stop Flow Wave and performing maneuvers and big-air wave tricks under colorful lighting. Enjoy drink specials at the bar. Admission is free. Thursdays, 7:30pm; through Thursday, September 3, **free**. 21 and up. Wave House, 3125 Ocean Front Walk. (MISSION BEACH)

Renegade Roller Derby Bout Your San Diego Renegade Roller-girls are hosting a no penalty, full contact, real-action roller derby bout. Saturday, August 15, 6:45pm; \$13. R Sportz Arena, 165 Denny Way. (EL CAJON)

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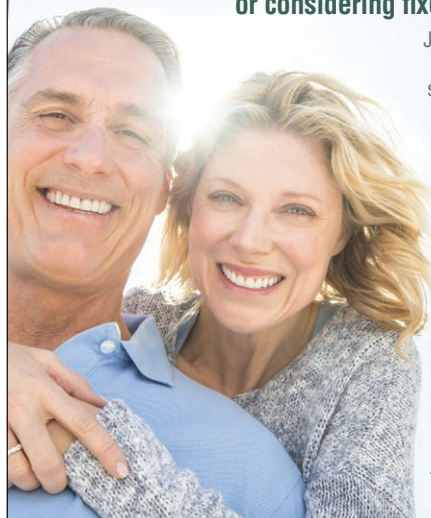
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Hops on the Harbor The brewery pairing for August is Pizza Port Brewing Co. Meals include sliced tri tip with horseradish mashed potatoes, lamb sliders with tzatziki sauce, arrabiata penne with grilled chicken, and summer harvest gazpacho with shrimp. Fridays, 7pm; through Friday, August 28, \$35-\$59. 21 and up. Flagship Cruises & Events, 990 N. Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Junior Anglers Tournament The Michael Farrior/ International Game Fish Association tournament welcomes junior anglers between the ages of 8 and 16 to celebrate a free day of angling fun for boys and girls. The tournament includes a free half-day fishing trip aboard a local sportfishing vessel. Following the fishing there will be a free barbecue at 4pm at the Marlin Club, 2445 Shelter Island Drive. One adult may accompany up to two juniors. Private boat entries are also welcomed to take part in the event. Every participant is given a free IGFA Junior Membership. All of the anglers will be able to fish and take home prizes. Saturday, August 15, 6am; **free**. H&M Landing, 2803 Emerson Street. (POINT LOMA)

Kayak Tour: Summer Fireworks Watch the Embarcadero Summer Pops Fireworks show from a two-person kayak floating on the San Diego Bay. You and a boat partner will depart from the Coronado Ferry Landing, paddle beneath the Coronado Bridge in the bay, and finish with a fireworks show set to music by the San Diego Symphony. No previous kayaking experience needed, although you are required to bring another person for the kayak. Saturday, August 15, 8pm; Saturday, August 22, 8pm; Saturday, August 29, 8pm; \$35. Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First Street. (CORONADO)

Kids' Fishing Derby Hosted by the Kiwanis, the free IB Fishing Derby is for youngsters up to 16 years of age. Sign in is from 8 am to 8:30 am. Entrants are encouraged to bring their own rod and reel, though there will be a few loaners around. The derby starts at 9 am with weigh-in at 11:30 am. Lots of raffle prizes. Saturday, August 15, 9am; **free**. Imperial Beach Pier Plaza, 10 Evergreen Avenue. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Labor Day BBQ Brunch Cruise The bay cruise includes a buffet stocked with classic American breakfast dishes, seasonal lunch entrées, and desserts. Our guide will tell stories and give us historical context as we sail past the Coronado Bay Bridge, the Star of India, the North Island Naval station, and the barking sea lions at Point Loma. Monday, September 7, 10:30am; \$63-\$84. Hornblower Cruises, 970 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Tides

	LOW TIDE				HIGH TIDE			
	AM	HT.	PM	HT.	AM	HT.	PM	HT.
THU, AUG 13	3:43	-0.54'	3:21	1.67'	10:02	4.91'	9:26	6.52'
FRI, AUG 14	4:12	-0.42'	3:54	1.59'	10:30	4.99'	9:58	6.33'
SAT, AUG 15	4:40	-0.21'	4:27	1.56'	10:56	5.04'	10:29	6.06'
SUN, AUG 16	5:06	0.07'	5:00	1.59'	11:23	5.06'	11:00	5.69'

For daily updates to waves, water conditions, and fish reports, go to **SDReader.com/waterfront**

Nick Castellanos Memorial Walk Event to celebrate the life of Nick Castellanos, who passed away in an accident on January 16, 2015. Festivities begin with a three mile beach walk at Silver Strand State Beach. Check in begins at 3pm at the main lifeguard tower. The beach walk will commence at 4pm. After the walk, stick around to enjoy a BBQ dinner and spend time with friends and family. You can purchase a parking pass for \$5 to enter the beach at a discounted rate. Admission price includes Nick Walk swag, walk participation, and BBQ dinner. All proceeds from this benefit the Nick Castellanos Foundation, which supports Silver Strand State Beach Junior Lifeguard Program, Coronado Islanders Lacrosse, and Chico State Club Lacrosse. Friday, August 14, 3pm; \$5. Silver Strand State Beach, 5000 Highway 75. (CORONADO)

Revolt Summer Surf Series 9.0 The Revolt Summer Surf Series is a non World Surf League domestic surfing competition for male and female surfers, professional and amateur. Watch the carvers, longboards, and SUPs compete. No charge for spectators. Saturday, August 15, 7am; **free**. Crystal Pier, Garnet Avenue at Ocean Boulevard. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Tall Ships Parade Spectator Cruise The 2015 Festival of Sail kick offs with a "Parade of Sail" (the Tall Ships Parade) on San Diego Bay. More than a dozen majestic tall ships and windjammers, led by a vessel from the United States Navy, will parade into San Diego's harbor in a nautical procession. Hornblower offers a two-hour narrated cruise. Friday, September 4, 1:30pm; \$29. Hornblower Cruises, 970 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Tuna Challenge 5am: Lines are in the water and the tournament begins. Weigh-In 4pm to 10pm. Awards banquet and auction on Sunday; tickets \$15 per person. Captain's Meeting on Friday at 6pm. One team member must be present at this meeting. Tournament benefits the Make-A-Wish foundation. Saturday, August 29, 5am; \$40. Silver Gate Yacht Club, 2091 Shelter Island Drive. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Tuna Harbor Dockside Market Focused on San Diego's historic commercial fishing and aquaculture industries, local customers — both the public and professional chefs — can purchase fresh-caught seafood and aqua-farmed seaweed direct from local fishermen. Saturdays, 8am; through Sunday, December 20, **free**. Tuna Harbor Dockside Market, 598 Harbor Lane. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

World Bodysurfing Championships Approximately 400 bodysurfers from around the world will compete in the 39th Annual World Bodysurfing Championships. Saturday is the general Men's, Women's, and age group divisions. Sunday features Quarter Finals, Semis, and Finals for all age brackets. The Men's and Women's Grand Championship Final follows the last age group final. No charge for spectators. Saturday, August 22, 6:30am; Sunday, August 23, 6:30am; **free**. Oceanside Pier, Mission Avenue and Pacific Street. (OCEANSIDE)



Sherman will be charging hard to take a trophy in front of his home crowd.

Sherman aims for revenge

The Revolt Summer Surf Series heads into Ocean Beach this Saturday. It combines surf competition with music and beach activities in a festival setting. Ocean Beach Pier will be the second stop in the four-stop competitive series that concludes with the championship in Pacific Beach October 3.

Last year, Ocean Beach was stop number three and San Diego received swell from a series of tropical storms and hurricanes in Baja.

Throngs of spectators enjoyed champion Vince Bou-langer's style as he won his first series event in O.B. last year by out-scoring Brazilian Icaro Rodrigues and O.B. favorite Cody Sherman in the Men's Pro-Am. Sherman will be charging hard to take the division in front of his home crowd this year.

— Daniel Powell

Waves (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Height	Direction	Interval
1'-2'	W	7 seconds
1'-2'	W	6 seconds
1'-2'	W	7 seconds
2'-3'	WNW	8 seconds

San Salvador touches water in Chula Vista

Finally, after almost six years and over 500 volunteers, the full-scale replica of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo's ship, the *San Salvador*, touched water for the first time on July 29. It's the same water that touched Cabrillo's ship on September 28, 1542 when he sailed into San Diego Bay.

After many announced attempts to move the heavy vessel from the build site near the airport to the San Diego Maritime Museum, the Marine Group Boat Works of Chula Vista helped with the lowering of the galleon into the water at their South Bay dock. The ship had to be moved by barge from the build site to the ship works, because of its excessive weight.

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HARBOR POLICE REPORT

From San Diego city lifeguards -San Diego City beaches from Ocean Beach north to Torrey Pines received 216,000 visitors. Lifeguards performed 4,879 preventative acts, 99 medical assists and 36 rescues.

7/28 - Harbor Police Units responded to a call of a capsized vessel just north of the Point Loma

Lighthouse. The vessel occupants were taken aboard a Harbor Police vessel until Vessel Assist responded to assist the occupants.

8/1 - Harbor Police Units responded to the Chula Vista Marina to preserve the peace during a vessel repossession.

8/2 - Harbor Police Units responded to a trespasser aboard a vessel at the Maritime Museum. The 32-year- old female was transported to County Mental Health.





Water Conditions

SURFACE TEMPERATURE:
LOW
71 °F
HIGH
72 °F
VISIBILITY
5'-20'

The surf will be somewhat flat this week, but the building short period WNW swell toward Saturday/Sunday and moderate tide swing might stir it up a bit. Other than a possibility of rain Thursday, the coast should be mostly sunny with light-moderate breezes creating good offshore diving conditions. Boaters should keep an extra eye out for divers near the reefs and channel edges and divers always mark yourselves and area appropriately.

Visibility based on existing conditions and NOAA predicted swell and weather conditions at press time. Check up-to-date daily visibility/conditions at the San Diego County Lifeguard info line: 619-221-8824

Moon Calendar

				
	THUR	SAT	MON	WED
AUGUST	13	15	17	19
SUNRISE	6:11	6:12	6:13	6:15
SUNSET	19:36	19:34	19:32	19:29
LENGTH OF DAY	13H 25M	13H 22M	13H 19M	13H 14M



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San Salvador gets ready for its bath.



Black's, after the storm

At the special christening ceremony held by the museum, it was Mrs. Vi McKinney, a museum donor, who got to swing the bottle of champagne.

Still closed to the public, the boat will receive final preparations for its Labor Day weekend sail toward public display at the Embarcadero.

— Ken Harrison

Comment
Paul_Kotzebue Aug. 2, 2015
The weight of the San Salvador is not “excessive.” A subcontractor responsible for weighing the vessel reported an inaccurate weight that was much lower than the design weight. This was subsequently corrected after the subcontractor was asked to verify their reported weight figure. The corrected measured weight of the vessel is within 2% of the design weight in the April launch condition.

Reports of the vessel being overweight are not true.

Black's Beach during flash flood
July 19 started out warm and pleasant at Black's Beach. Around 1 p.m., an intense squall poured rain on the area and destabilized the trails, especially the Box Canyon and Goat Trails as several beach-goers tried to escape exposure to lightning and heavy rain.

This comes from a report from lifeguard Benjamin Lewis: “3S Romero was on a critical pick off rescue at Goat Trail in heavy rain when Black's guards reported people stuck in Box Canyon. I was on my way to assist 31S when I diverted to Box Canyon call. Kerr and Carter were with me. LGI McIntyre climbed into Box Canyon to evaluate ten

people in the lower canyon stuck due to poor footing/rain. A ladder rescue was planned and the ladder set up, but the canyon flash flooded. What was a flowing creek that you could walk up to access the people became swift-moving, deep, and impassable. This prevented us from getting everyone to the ladder extrication point.

“Rocks began falling on them but no one could move. We used the ladder to access the canyon (adjacent to a raging waterfall), but making way in the mud beyond this was near impossible. Kerr managed to barely make it to the victims. Estes gained higher ground by laddering stakes up the slope and finally got a high stake line set up. By this time Copter 2 had been requested and they were able to fly and make the quick capture rescues flying quite low (below the cliff top) with a short cable.

“The first two victims evacuated were small children. I had sent Carter to the top to look at sending a rope down from above but he found five people needing assistance himself. I requested a River unit. We also had moving water in the equation. The Copter 2 crew did a great job. Quick capture was required because there was not [a] spot for the medic to stand. Kerr and McIntyre had to grab the medic's hand and allow him to grab our fixed line in order to get into position. They received an electrical shock each time they did this.

“The rain slowed and the water level dropped about halfway through the extrication process. All LGs made it out fine but one stake from U3 is still in the canyon and one radio buried at the base of the waterfall. Several radios were water damaged or lost.”

— Daniel Powell

THE CATS ARE OUT AT NIGHT

Inshore: The barracuda bite that came on strong by the end of last week faded a bit and the yellowtail numbers dropped off locally. A few white seabass are making the private boat and kayak counts. Kayakers are enjoying the extraordinarily rare opportunity to catch tuna and dorado within a couple miles of the beach in San Diego. The yellowfin and big bluefin tuna are still close and taunting the ½ and ¾ day boats away from the kelp edge and out into open water. Larger 3 to 7 pound calico

bass are biting well in the evenings of the kelp edge.

Outside: The bluefin tuna bite picked back up and they are still the larger variety fish. The dorado (AKA Mahi-mahi) counts dropped a bit offshore, but still great fishing for the acrobatic-fighting and very tasty pelagic wanderers. Yellowfin tuna continue to raid the inshore and offshore waters within 1 day range of San Diego and a few skipjack tuna are in the mix.

July 19-25 Dock Totals: 7,161 anglers aboard 284 boats out of San Diego landings caught 5,278 yellowfin tuna, 1,220 bluefin tuna, 3,340 yellowtail, 2,224 dorado, 15 skipjack tuna, 1 white

seabass, 634 calico bass, 261 sand bass, 4 lingcod, 204 barracuda, 215 rockfish, 8 sheephead, 3 halibut, 100 mackerel, 40 bonito, 9 sculpin, 2 whitefish and 2 striped marlin, one of which was released.

Freshwater: Catfish are biting and night-fishing is now ongoing at: Lake Jennings Friday & Saturday (Friday 6pm to midnight, Saturday 6am to midnight) through September 7; Santee Lakes from 5:00 to 11:30pm August 13 & 27; Dixon Lakes 5pm - 11:45 pm Thursday & Friday through late August, and Friday and Saturday night until 10pm at Lake Henshaw through the

Sweet mishmash

“We do have what’s called ‘breakfast,’ for eating in the evening after prayers, breaking the fast.”

Okay, this was during Ramadan. Muslim month of abstinence kinda like the Christian Lent. I knew there’d

be basically no eating till sunset. So no surprise that Coffee Time Daily was empty. This is where all the Somali taxi drivers gather to drink tea, usually, and eat goat meat, and argue Somali politics. This day, just one Somali guy in traditional white robes sits fingering his beads and watching a mullah on the TV deliver a sermon.

This is on University, east of the Tower by Euclid. Coffee Time Daily is a little corner place usually concealed behind a barricade of yellow and blue and white and red cabs. But right now, I guess everyone’s waiting for evening when you can end the fast for another day.

“Even then, most people don’t eat here,” says the lady behind the counter inside. “After prayers, the mosque gives out free food. Why pay for it here?”

She’s dressed in flowing, bright-colored Somali-style robes. Name’s Asha. “Or Sara,” she says. She has a face that totally lights up when she laughs.

Me, I’m thinking food of the last time I came. Swear it was here that the owner, Mr. Mohammed Ali, had some camel meat in. A rare treat. Tasted like a combo of lamb and buffalo. A little gamey, but good. Had come from Australia, where feral camel herds have roamed since pioneers imported herds to be ships of the desert in Oz’s Empty Heart.

Yes. That was great. But right now, things look a little, well, empty right here too.

“But we do have what’s called ‘breakfast,’ for eating in the evening after prayers, breaking the fast,” Asha says. “I can heat some up for you.”

It’s called “iftar,” and it has lots of little snacks to revive your appetite. The “asariyo quartet” is the four basic ingredients for Somali afternoon (“asariyo”) tea, which is a big deal. Tea, plus at

least three of what the French call “amuse-bouches,” mouth-amusers, which says it all.

So here’s what Asha brings out from the

kitchen: a sweet pastry called “bur saliid,” (\$1 each) which are like really sweet breads, dunked in the deep fryer. Then “Bajiya,”

deep-fried donut-shaped snacks made from black-eyed peas, with onion, garlic, jalapeño pepper, turmeric, coriander, plus a spicy sauce (50 cents each, and worth it. These are totally delicious). Next, “mashmash,” or “bishbi-shi” (50 cents), which are sweet fried dough disks that make you think of wontons, but sweet, and then a couple of beef sambusas (\$1 each). Plus, wow, a scarlet ball of fried dough.

“This is ‘nafaqo,’” says Asha. “We just stain it red.”

Turns out “nafaqo” means “food,” or “nutrition.” Like “nafaqo daro” means “malnutrition,” a feared word in Somalia. I can see why they call it “nafaqo,” because it looks filling. It’s basically potato wrapped around a hard-boiled egg, all crumbed and deep-fried. Makes you think of the British Scotch egg. Costs \$1 and man it’s filling, and way more peppery than the British cousin.

Wow. And so far I must have spent all of six, seven bucks. Guess I should have the traditional hot tea, but it’s so hot outside I go get a can of Brisk lemon tea from the cooler under the TV.

The real wow moment comes when Asha brings out a small pile of Somali canjeero, the round sourdough flatbread. “It’s different from the Ethiopian injera,” says Asha. “That’s huge and thick, and they let it ferment for three days. We eat ours on the first day, straight

from the oven. And it’s thin and savory.”

And now she brings out a pan of tiny cubes of beef. “This is odka,” she says, “or ‘muqmad.’ It means preserved meat. It is very traditional Somali food.”

Turns out this is the beef jerky of the Somali world. Des-



Dropping the odka, cubes of marinated beef, onto the canjeero

banana, we have maybe 50 different kinds to choose from, back home.”

I ask how much she misses it. “It is so beautiful,” she says, “but crazy people have taken over. Children can’t graduate. There was fighting again today. It is so hard. I have two sisters. I try to talk to my father on the phone, but he is sick. He can’t speak to me anymore.”

And suddenly tears sprout from her eyes. She has to turn away to gather herself.

I end up taking an \$8 plate of rice with two chicken drumsticks back to share with Carla. “Kentucky chicken Somali-style,” says Asha. She’s right. It’s covered in wicked batter, but comes with plenty of basmati rice and veggies, and a hot sauce that could evaporate you in 10 seconds if you took more than a drop.

‘Course, I would have gone for the goat with basmati rice, or spaghetti chicken steak, or rice with fish, each \$8, along with some gringo choices like Philly chicken steak with cheese for \$3.99, and chopped beef cheese (\$4.99), and falafel sandwich at \$2.99, but hey, stack any of these against my new love, the odka? Fuggeddaboutit. ■

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Nafaqo, potato wrapped around hard-boiled eggs and deep-fried

ert nomads could survive on milk from their camels, and meat from this diced, sun-dried beef that could last up to a year without going off. Asha says here they just fry and dice it. There’s no need to dry and preserve it. But it keeps the look, and most important, the flavor of the staple that you can see must have always made the difference between life and death over there, just as jerky often did in the American West back in the day.

But the basic thing for me is this flavor is just totally scrumptious. With the canjeera — which I think I like better than the thick Ethiopian version — it really is a combo to remember. Specially with the banana Asha brings. “Somalis like bananas with everything,” she says. “And we don’t just have your one

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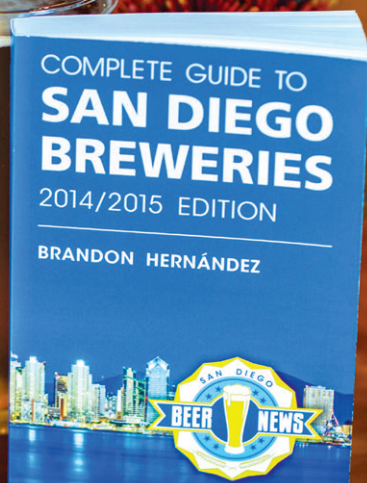
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I like plums

Beach Plum, 6971 El Camino Real, Carlsbad. I found Beach Plum in a shopping center off El Camino Real and picked it over a few other unfamiliar restaurants in the same center because it looked nice. Or because I like plums and love the beach.

Whatever the reason, my hopes remained high when I stepped inside. It's beautifully laid out, with a big patio of shaded tables outside and an upscale Denny's vibe inside, complete with breakfast counter and a small taplist. The staff was nicer and more welcoming than any Denny's I've known.

Service was prompt, and the menu was full of options: omelets, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, waffles, and sandwiches galore. I was an inch away from ordering pork belly hash (how could it not be good?), and then I spotted the buttermilk fried chicken & waffles.

The words still make me drool a little bit, even though I know how this turns

out. I ordered chicken & waffles, and I was so happy about it that I added a biscuit to the order so I could try one of the restaurant's house-made jams during the feast.

I've had great waffles before, even here in San Diego. These were pretty good. No harm there. But the chicken was flat. Like, a literally flat filet of chicken breast and...I'm not sure...some other parts involving dark meat. Without the natural chicken shapes, I can't be sure which.

But worse than the literal flatness was the figurative flatness. This chicken lacked flavor. No buttermilk, no paprika, not even any discernible salt. A side of good honey mustard BBQ sauce may have helped, but this wasn't even good mustard. It was meant only to obscure the blandness of the poultry.

The saving grace was the jam — strawberry basil — which tasted good despite a lackluster, dry biscuit. The jam I would eat again. Except next time I'll take a chance on another restaurant.

by Ian Anderson

FEAST!

Afghanistan's loss is Lakeside's gain

Lake Lindo Grill, 12128 Woodside Avenue, Lakeside. "99.99% of our customers love our food," says the blurb. "It is known that Lakeside and Santee have

many kinds of restaurants...but there was a shortage of Mediterranean (Greek) food."

This is from Lake Lindo Grill on the prairie of Woodside Avenue. It's a low building with long picnic tables in its forecourt.

"Any good?" I ask this lanky guy eating kabob with his girl. "Awesome, dude," he says. "You get a lot."

Inside walls are French blue, white, and brick red. I notice the menu has text on the back in Arabic, Russian, and is that Turkish?

"I am from Afghanistan," says the owner, Jan Sidiqi. "When I had to leave, and Russia accepted me, I got there through Turkey."

The menu is a combo of kabobs, gyro sandwiches (around \$6), wraps (\$5 for chicken, \$7 for lamb), and combination platters with basmati rice, salad, and tandoori bread for \$10 (chicken) \$12 (lamb



Should have ordered the pork belly hash



Lamb and salad platter

ing for a female? That is not permitted. Next time we see you doing this we will drop you from this window.' It was on the third floor. Things became too dangerous."

So here is this physician, this doctor, bringing Mediterranean food to Lakeside, serving me. How can you not admire his guts and resilience, to start over like this?

Such a loss for Afghanistan. Such a gain for Lakeside.

by Ed Bedford

and chicken), and \$14 (lamb). And there are sides that are a good deal. Like, you can get a skewer of charbroiled chicken breast for \$2.99.

"Would you like tea? I make it. It's organic. Hot or iced."

I go for the hot, and it comes steaming greeny-gold in a glass cup.

Then, wow. He brings out this plate with finger-sized samples, seven of them. "This is my free sampler to help you decide," says Jan. It has chicken kabob, lamb, meatball, yellow curried chicken, grilled chicken, chicken korma sautéed in a brown sauce and sabzi korma, and lamb sautéed with spinach in a dark sauce. The curried chicken and the two kormas are scrumptious.

I end up with a large lamb platter (\$8.99). And it is large. Has the basmati rice, bread, salad, and multi chunks of lamb. "In Kabul it would come on the skewer," he says. "Here, I can't, for legal reasons."

You get a big grilled tomato and chunk of grilled onion as well, plus mung beans mixed in with the rice. Plus a tub of green chutney to put with the meat, and the salad has tzatziki cucumber sauce with it. A heckuva combo. This guy is really trying.

Turns out Jan is a physician. A pediatrician. "But my qualifications don't transfer," he says, "so I started this."

Why did he leave Afghanistan? "Taliban," he says. "Strange people. They want to take us back 1400 years. I was in the hospital when they came. I was tending to a young girl. They said 'Why are you car-

Going beyond BBQ

Blue Korea BBQ House, 4620 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa. It's easy for me to get into a rut when eating ethnic food. Once I've tried a couple of dishes that capture my imagination, I tend to go back to them. Especially since I usually move on to the next restaurant on my list of many yet to try in San Diego. So while I might adore the sundubu jjigae at Convoy Tofu House, chances are I'm going to be trying a new Korean restaurant next time I crave that soft tofu stew, because that's my job.

On a recent visit to a nearby Convoy spot, Blue Korea BBQ House, I was looking to escape that rut. I've had plenty of tofu stew, bibimbap, and Korean BBQ dishes and keep circling back them. And since I knew fellow Feaster Ian Pike had already had a mediocre encounter with this restaurant's BBQ and banchan, I was determined to broaden my horizon.

Helping me was a friend of Korean descent, which meant I was left out of most of the interaction with our server. As planned, a few dishes were recommended to replace the usual.

The first one, yukgaejang (\$10), consisted of shredded beef and vegetables in a rich and spicy beef broth with thin sweet potato noodles. The broth seemed to swim with savory chili oil that made the whole dish enjoyable, to the point that I almost missed a new-to-me vegetable amidst the onions and cabbage: dried gosari. It's the fiddlehead of a bracken fern, said to detoxify, and it tastes like a

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POUR OVER

BY IAN ANDERSON

It takes so long to learn about coffee

When **Blue Bridge Hospitality** announced the list of all-local concessions participating in its Liberty Public Market last month, **The West Bean** was revealed to be the company chosen to represent San Diego coffee in the ambitious project. The open stall marketplace scheduled to open in Liberty Station this fall will resemble a permanent indoor farmers market, featuring artisanal purveyors of prepared meals and gourmet grocery items.

West Bean co-founder

Andrew Karr says the roaster will build off the experience of establishing its first retail outlet downtown this winter. Like that Broadway location, the new market stall will sell whole beans and cold brew, both in bottles and on tap. Espresso drinks will also be available, with a machine fed through a reverse osmosis filtration system out of the stall's dedicated water line. He adds that West Bean will be "Fine tuning our menu to see what kind of specialty offerings we'll have here." He hesitates to specify drip and/or pour over offerings until construction is complete, and they can get into the small space allotted to them and determine how much room they have to work with.

West Bean started out as a coffee wholesaler back in 2009, when Karr, along with co-founders James Rauh and Paul Reizen decided to turn their shared coffee roasting hobby pro. Their beans have routinely received high scores from the coffee judges from industry rating site **CoffeeReview.com**, earning eleven 90+ point scores since 2010, including last year's 95-point Kenya Nyeri Giakanja, which rated in the top 20 of



Bottles of West Bean cold brew, available at Liberty Public Market this fall

fees of 2014. Though their coffee has been well-received from the start, Rauh indicates he and his partners began with a measured approach to the growth of their business. "It takes so long to learn about coffee," he says, "It takes working in coffee to really get serious about it."

During those five years prior to opening its first retail shop, the business slowly raised its

profile through key restaurant placements and coffee service at events produced by *Riviera Magazine*. In addition to clients obtained via personal relationships in the Pacific Northwest (Rauh hails from Portland, Karr from Seattle), West Bean services the coffee programs of **Social Syndicate** restaurant group (**Wonderland Ocean Pub, Rabbit Hole**).

It's also previously counted Blue Bridge as a client, which made the new project a natural fit. Rauh says, "We had a pre-existing relationship with Blue Bridge Hospitality...we provide coffee to [its] **Coronado Coffee Company** kiosk at the ferry landing."

However, Blue Bridge co-founder David Spatafore says he did meet with other local roasters who expressed interest in the concession, and also offered the high quality coffee he sought for the market. He says The West Bean ultimately earned the selection by showing it was best prepared from a business standpoint; in other words, a company ready to grow. ■

involving non-junky, legitimate food. I seriously considered buying a box of Malden's smoked salt flakes but erred on the side of caution — I'd most likely overdo it by putting smoked salt in every recipe.

I made my way to that deli counter, which was situated between a butcher's counter and a sushi station, across from a salad bar. For being inside a grocery store, my lunch options didn't seem too grim. I started with the salad bar. There was no evidence that any of it was organic, but at \$5.99/pound it was a steal compared to the \$8.99 Whole Foods salad bar.

I also found a small tub of orzo, tomato, and basil salad — tasty enough for about \$4. But my real score was a pair of salmon hand rolls at the store's Kikka Sushi counter. Going for about \$7, the fair-sized rolls were fresh and the fish not too shabby. I mean, I don't walk into a supermarket — even a lovely community-oriented market such as this — expecting premium fish. But I liked it enough for the price. If I lived closer to Del Cerro, I'd probably overdo it on this purchase, too.

by Ian Anderson

stalky green onion crossed with chard. It didn't contribute to the dish's flavor, but it did make enough of an impression for me to ask what it was.

The real standout dish I tried was haemul pajeun (\$20), a seafood scallion pancake featuring squid. It's not something I would have picked off the menu on my own, and it was fantastic. Squid's going to be chewy just about every way it's served, a deal breaker for some. But the umami flavor of the pancake won me over, and in combination the taste and texture gave me plenty of reason to cut another slice.

Like Pike, I was underwhelmed by the banchan dishes that made our way to the table, as well as some of the beef that we shared. But when it came to breaking the routine, Blue Korea delivered a memorable visit, and there are still plenty of options on that menu yet to explore.

by Ian Anderson

What goes best with beer?

Telefónica Gastro Park, Tijuana. In his vegetarian days, Reader reviewer Chad Deal visited the Telefónica Gastro Park, didn't try any meat, and still called the location an undeniable paradise for carnivores. He was right.

One of my favorite meals is a well-made all-American hot dog. Humo delivers a modern approach on this with homemade bread and sausages.

I found Telefónica relatively empty early on a Tuesday afternoon. Sitting by himself in front of his hotdog cart was chef Giovanni Brassea. He approached me, as he does to any customer that glances at his

menu, and started talking about his food.

"Have you tried all of our hot dogs?" he asked. I told Giovanni that I've been to Humo multiple times and was a fan. "Great, then let me tell you about one that is not on the menu. Get the Joe. It's like a mix between the Bork and the Bacon dog."

The menu offers four types of hot dogs, all for \$5, including a side of corn on the cob. The options: The Greek (beef sausage, tzatziki sauce, feta cheese, cherry tomatoes), the Bork (half beef and half pork sausage, pulled pork, BBQ sauce, corn kernels, red cabbage), the Bacon (bacon sausage, mayonnaise, mustard, bacon marmalade), and the Pulled Pork (with BBQ sauce, red cabbage, corn kernels).

I sat with the chef for a brief talk while my hot dog was being prepared. "Why hot dogs?" I asked.

"I am a huge fan of beer," replied Giovanni. "And what goes best with beer? Sausages. I got into it, the smoked meat game. So I got interested in meats from Texas to all over the mid-Western United States and did culinary trips."

Giovanni makes the sausages

every morning and smokes them for four to five hours on olive firewood before grilling. He outsources the bread to a private baker. I wasn't planning on drinking with my meal, but if the chef says his food is best accompanied by beer, I'd better listen. I got a bottle of La Lupulosa (the hoppy one), a beer from local craft brewers Insurgente for \$3.75.

The meaty hot dog arrived in less than five minutes. The beef and pork sausage and pulled pork fit nicely inside the bread, which is more of a baguette than a hot dog bun. It was topped with generous amounts of chipotle marmalade and bacon bits. I had no problem destroying the first half of the dog in less than a minute. The second half took a few minutes as I enjoyed every bite slowly, each it with a sip of beer.

It was difficult to get up and leave after the meat heavy meal, but I was full for the rest of the day — well worth the trip.

by Matthew Suárez

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I finally made a lunchtime shopping run to Windmill's deli counter. Browsing the aisles on the way in I found an assortment of products, including gourmet items and organics, plus some great bulk spice drawers. Prices weren't always as low as I'd have liked, but there were interesting options, and most of them

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BEER NEWS

BY IAN ANDERSON

Two new SD breweries place alongside old favorites at state fair

San Diego breweries took 13 awards and two Honorable Mentions in this month's **California State Fair Commercial Craft Brew Competition**. One thousand eighty six beers were judged in 34 Categories, and locals were recognized in 10 of them.

Ballast Point narrowly missed being named brewery of the year, placing in four categories along with an honorable mention. Particularly impressive was placing first in a competitive IPA category with its Scul-

pin IPA. The Miramar brewery also picked up first with Wahoo Witbier, in the Belgian and French Ale group.

The company's original Linda Vista brewing location nabbed two second-place finishes: Navigator Doppelbock (Bock category), and Three Sheets English Barley Wine (Strong Ale). Three Sheets was only beaten by the competition's best in show winner: Fat Hog Barleywine by **Ritual Brewing Co.** out of Redlands. Ballast Point's honorable mention came in the Specialty IPA group, with its Grapefruit Sculpin.

Four first place awards came home to San Diego in all. Santee's **BNS Brewing and Distilling Co.** took on 77 entrants to see its Gatling Gun named top Imperial Stout. And Mission Hill's **Acoustic Ales Brewing Experiment** bested 31 other breweries for the designation best fruit beer with its Strawberry Blondie.

Two brand new SD breweries entered beers that took second in their categories. **Division 23 Brewing**, which launched this spring in Miramar, placed number two in sours with its Sour Superintendent Berliner Weisse. Guadalupe Brewery is still waiting for the city of Carlsbad to okay public

service in its new brewery's tasting room, yet its Wild Reserve managed to claim the number two Barrel Aged beer under 20 percent ABV. One of



State Fair commercial beer competition named Sculpin best IPA. No big surprise there.

SD's oldest breweries also placed second — Coronado Brewing Co. did so in the Amber Hybrids category with its Coronado Common.

The top category for our city was IPA, where in addition to the Sculpin win, **Mike Hess Brew-**

ing's Solis IPA earned honorable mention — which carries a lot of weight considering 114 beers were competing. Hess also got a third-place award in the spice, herb, or vegetable beer with its Jucundus orange honey wheat.

San Diego made a strong showing with Belgian Dark Strong Ales. **Rip Current** got third with the Take Off Tripel, while **Karl Strauss** placed second with Two Tortugas (Strauss also got second with its Joltin' Joe in specialty beer).

Taking first in Belgian Dark Strong's was the Belgian Vanilla Blonde Ale by **Babe's Bar-Be-Que & Brewhouse**. That win helped the Rancho Mirage brewpub come away with the distinction California's 2015 brewery of the year. ■

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Tio Leo's: Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 domestic pints, \$4 import pints, \$5 house margaritas and well drinks. \$5 street tacos, TJ hot dogs, carne asada fries.

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Su Casa: *Monday-Friday*, 5-7pm: \$3.25 mug or Bud Lite draft, \$3.50 house wine glass, \$4.50 margarita, single well drinks. 1/2-off select appetizers.

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Guava Beach Bar & Grill: *Monday-Friday*, *Sunday*, 4pm-7pm: Half-off drinks. 25% off all appetizers.

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Big in Peru. Radio doesn't have the make-or-break power it held from the 1950s until MP3s arrived in the late '90s. Still, nothing jumpstarts a career like a Top 40 hit.

But in order to get on the radio you need the support of a major-label promotion

"We sent an email in April to the program director of Star 101.9 in Honolulu," Simon tells the *Reader*. "We just thought it was a good idea to send an 'Aloha' song to a Hawaiian station. It's not rocket science. Months went by and we didn't hear anything until he

chart and going up. They play us between Mumford and Sons and Florence and the Machine."

Formerly known as Hampton Beats, Simon says the band slogged along for a couple years playing by the rock-band play book.

"Everyone thinks they have to hide behind this stupid band setup of drums, bass, and guitar," says Simon. "It's like high school where no one wants to step outside of the box and be judged. We finally discovered we could implode that formula. We axed the drummer from the equation, and went back in the studio and built a new sound based around guitar parts and harmonies. To us it's all about

the songwriting. Our music is more akin to the pop of the '50s and '60s."

Echo Park's rhythm section is now electronic. All four members share lead vocals.

"For instance, nobody cares if Milky Chance is playing without drums or bass. They are two dudes, one with an acoustic guitar and another with a computer, who realize it all comes down to a good

song."

Echo Park Social Club, including keyboardist Rob King, singer Eric Swank, and

guitarist Jeff Price, appears Wednesday, August 19, at Soda Bar with headliner DJ Matias Aguyo.

"I wondered why our video had so many hits from Peru," says Simon. "It turns out ['Let's Say Aloha'] is number 12 in Peru."

— Ken Leighton

Any port... A Ship in the Woods, a nonprofit arts collective, set sail from the north end of Del Mar in July following the expiration of their lease after about five years at the location. The wooded residence served as home to founders R.J. Brooks and Dan Fauchier, assistant director Addison Stonestreet, and curator Lianne Mueller, as well as a live music, art, and creative space that hosted over 50 events and more than 80 residencies. Since their departure, the collective has continued to curate events around town as they search for a new port.

"One of the most important things we are looking for are beautiful grounds with trees and land, ideally about an acre or more," says Mueller, a Bay Area native who has been curating with the group for about a year. "We like interesting features: big boulders, wild cacti, trees, any kind of setting that would be inspiring to artists, scientists, and musicians. Music has become such an integral part of what we are doing. A big thing we have our eyes on is a recording studio,

something like Rancho De La Luna in Joshua Tree. We want to have perfect sound but also make it a place where there's a sense of warmth and collabo-

10 p.m., Mueller and Rebecca Webb are co-curating a fundraiser event announcing their Indiegogo campaign to raise \$100,000 by the end of



Skate pro and former Jet Black Crayon member Tommy Guerrero played A Ship in the Woods' most recent event at Lafayette Hotel.

ration."

How soon are they looking to relocate? "Yesterday would be great," Mueller says. "Basically, nothing is going to stop us. We just want to create experiences: on the beach, in city and national parks, galleries. 'Unexpected' is a big part of what we do, but we don't have a show without music now. We are interested in building an advisory board of musicians and recording engineers to maintain the studio. We've also found two grant writers, so we are no longer self-funded, but we are all volunteers, all 10 to 15 of us. We are planting our roots. I don't want people to think that we are in anyway leaving [San Diego]. We are here. We have a plan. Everything is right around the corner."

On August 15, from 5 to

the month. Here/Hear will be held at Space 4 Art and features multimedia exhibitions from Lana Kaplan, Adam Belt, Francisco Eme, Gabie Strong, Matthew Hebert, Tim Mullen, Andrew Hunter, and live performances from Hexa and PRGRM.

— Chad Deal

Molly's nightmare.

Punk-rock veteran Cliff Cunningham takes some credit for talking Some Kind of Nightmare into a life on the road. "It was sometime in 2010 and I had just played with them at the Pier View Pub in Oceanside. I told them they didn't have jobs to hold them down and they should just go out on the road. I told them the one thing I regretted with Social Spit is we never toured

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machine and/or the push of well-connected radio promoters. Echo Park Social Club just blew up that system.

The four-man band cracked the airplay code by getting their song played on an alternative station in the iHeartRadio/Clear Channel radio chain. And they did it without a manager or label.

"We sent them an MP3 and they started playing it," says Echo Park guitarist Peter Simon.

That song, "Let's Say Aloha," is an infectious pop tune that (like a Beach Boys classic) paints a paradise image using harmonies and references to beaches and huarache sandals.

contacted us on our facebook asking for a high-resolution copy so he could play it on the radio."



Echo Park Social Club: "We thought it was a good idea to send an 'Aloha' song to a Hawaiian station. It's not rocket science."

"Let's Say Aloha" has taken off in Oahu, where it gets played once every four hours. "It's No. 17 this week on their

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Some Kind of Nightmare took the advice and never looked back. "We have played in every state except Hawaii,



Mr. and Mrs. Mess of mobile punk band Some Kind of Nightmare are living one...

Alaska, Maine, and Minnesota," says singer/bassist Molly Mess who anchors the band with her singer/guitarist husband Chy Mess (real last name). Molly guesses they have gone through about 30 drummers and other band members over the years.

Launched in Ohio in 2006, they moved first to San Jose in 2009 before calling San Diego home in 2010. "We were big fans of Rancid, and California seemed to get them more than anywhere else."

Their long-scheduled show for Sunday at the Bancroft is

still on. But they will be there in name only. Molly broke the news on their Facebook page on July 27 that many shows on their itinerary were canceled when Molly, 29, learned she has breast cancer.

"We were supposed to do a tour with Michael Graves. He was one of the singers from Misfits." Molly and Chy and their van are back in Ohio where her grandmother is also dealing with breast cancer and her mom with COPD.

As you might expect, the mobile punk band did not carry medical insurance. "Our bills were just cell phone and van insurance. We're waiting to hear back from Medicaid about my eligibility....

"I know how it looks being in a punk band, but I have always been completely drug and alcohol free."

Their loose punk-rock network has stepped up to the plate.

"Several bands in other cities have told us they will give us all the proceeds from shows we've had to cancel. They've been really nice...Chy has been my rock. We're still writing music and sending tracks to our drummer. We want to stay as positive as possible. We don't plan on stopping."

All bands performing at Sunday night at the Ban-

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croft — the Mice, Sculpins, Revolut-Chix — are playing for free. A \$5 voluntary door donation is requested, plus 20 percent of the bar receipts that night will go to Molly's medical bills.

— Ken Leighton

Liquid Blue covers the world.

While most bands these days have trouble getting out an album every few years, Ocean Beach-based Liquid Blue is in the midst of a series of albums that will see a different-themed release each month through the end of 2015. The band has already recorded over 600 songs, hits from the 1960s up through today, for the project. Though Liquid Blue has previously recorded their own music, for this project they stick primarily to cover songs, with one original composition closing out each collection.

"It started out that we just

wanted a demo of every cover song we perform live, so the band would have a template to rehearse to and we would also be able to demo these songs for potential clients," Liquid Blue frontman Scott Stephens

House." "We were doing a couple songs per day. But with 600 tunes, it still took almost two years to track."

Themes and titles for the albums include *Protest Anthems*, *Tribute to R&B*, *Uptown Funk*,



Who's that playing all your favorites in the "Hippie House" in Ocean Beach? This crew, Liquid Blue.

tells the Reader. "As it evolved we found that some of these mixes had some 'magic' and so little by little we proceeded to expand the project."

The band recorded everything at its own studio in their O.B. headquarters, aka "Hippie

and *Faded (A Tribute to the 2000s)*, with songs by artists ranging from the Jefferson Airplane to Beyoncé.

The albums are, at least initially, only available digitally. "At the end of the project we'll release a 'best-of' disc called

The Singles, and that will definitely be available on physical CDs."

Though the album series is due to be completed in December, with hundreds of songs left over, plans are to release the remaining material on a series of singles and EPs through 2017.

"We've come to the realization that our forte is being a cover band," Stephens said. "We enjoy playing the best popular music recorded in our lifetimes. Our bread and butter is our live shows, and people want to hear songs they know. We've only mustered one *Billboard* hit in our 18 years, so we have to rely on covers. Fortunately, we love doing it."

— Bart Mendoza

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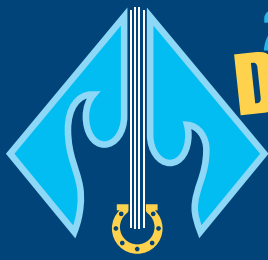
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This Week In Music

Thursday 13

Sounds like the Flintstones meet the Jetsons at this year's Tiki Oasis, as the annual cocktail-nation confab promises to premodernize "Tomorrowland" style. "We here at Tiki Oasis will take you on warp speed from the garage-rock primitivism of the **Chocolate Watchband** to the blast-off rock of those beings from another planet **Man or Astronaut?**" It all starts Thursday night with a meet and greet at San Diego's house of sticky sweet eats and umbrella drinks, the Bali Hai on Shelter Island, and then the tiki torch glows through Sunday at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Mission Valley. Deets at the kitsch-chic new website: tikioasis.com/2015/.... From Chicago, those crazy White kids with the banging ginger fros, brother-sister band **White Mystery**, roll into Whistle Stop Thursday night. Guitarist Miss Alex White (founder of Missile X Records) and her kid brother drummer Francis Scott Key White are touring in support of last year's double album, *Dubble Bubble*, which includes a disc of new studio stuff and a disc of live takes from Chicago's Double Door club. The siblings absolutely shred, giving those other Midwest Whites a run for the blues-rock crown.... More heaviosity across town in Hillcrest, as heady hard-rockers **Mursic, Ruines Ov Abaddon, Xantam, and Procyon** fill an ear-ringing bill at the Merrow.... "I was born to do this, and I'll die doing it," says **Struts** frontman Luke Spiller. The English glam-rock band hits House of Blues behind their Virgin debut *Everybody Wants*, which arrives tautologically tagged, "campy Queen."



MAN OR ASTRONAUT AT TIKI OASIS

this year's Bloodshot release *Sonic Ranch* is "the missing piece in what was already a well-apportioned arsenal of outlaw honky-tonk firepower." Phoenix-based acousti-country cat **Tony Martinez** opens the show.... And around town Friday night, Casbah has more country-fried fare, as **Cash'd Out** exhumes the Man in Black after the **Sleepwalkers** and **Stephen el Rey**...Soda Bar sets up Echo Park oddity Kim House and her **Kim and the Created**. House is a tall, blonde, freak of a fashion plate who knows how to crush a crowd, or as **Noisey** puts it, "Kim and the Created's live performance is nothing short of a full-blown exorcism"...right down the road, LA/NY dark-wave dude Wesley Eisold's **Cold Cave** hits the Hideout after the goth-pop **Victoriana**...alt-rock acts the **Toadies** ("Possum Kingdom") and **Fuel** ("Shimmer") split a bill at House of Blues...while out in La Mesa, the always-entertainin' rock-n-tonk covers quartet **Rio Peligroso** rolls into the Riviera's Turquoise Room.

Saturday 15

I had this fun Saturday spiel about the **B-Five-Twos** gigging Humphreys by the Bay, but it turns out that cosmic thing is sold way out. Even my ticket broker/barber guffawed — and Anton is not a man known to guffaw — so if you want to see it, as Anton says, "Start blowing up your rubber, amico mio, and these time don forget the oars ha ha ha!".... If you missed tickets too, Casbah has us covered with some hardcore for hippies, as they stage "an evening with" **Fu Manchu!** The boys'll be blowing through their sixth disc, *King of the Road*, as well as a jukebox worth of hits, deep cuts, and crazy covers. Mos def, one of my favorite live bands, so see you on Kettner.... Miss the door in Muggletown, you've got Grand Rapids' "psychotropic" trio the **Heaters** at the Hideout. I'd never heard of them, so I gave their Bandcamp page an officious perusal, and man, the new songs ("Mean Green" b/w "Levitae Thigh") are stellar stuff — and "psychotropic" is on point. I cannot recommend



FU MANCHU AT CASBAH

Friday 14

Berserktown weekend kicks off at the Observatory up in The O.C., staging a bunch of fun stuff through Sunday, highlighted by **Thee Oh Sees, Fucked Up, and Royal** freaking **Trux**. As far as we know, that's a one-off for Haggerty and Herrema, but let's see what the weekend brings. I'll bet a dozen donuts they're putting the band back together.... Closer to home, Belly Up books **Whitey Morgan and the 78's**. *Savingcountrymusic.com* calls him "Whitey By God Burly Beard Ormerly As Hell Whiskey Shootin' Telecaster Twangin' Morgan," and says

the purchase, though, as the EP's listed at \$1000. Tickets to the gig are just ten bucks... Else: local rock-rollers **Joey Harris & the Mentals** will get mental at the Merrow with the **Casey Hensley Band** and **22 Kings**...L.A.'s melodic death-metal band **Nekrogoblin** will stack 'em at Brick by Brick behind this year's *Heavy Meta* after **Crimson Shadow** and **Lord of War**...while that Latin-flavored funky musical stew **B-Side Players** bring the party to Solana Beach bar Belly Up.

Sunday 16

Straight outta Berserktown: art-punk Canada band **Fucked Up** will be missing the **Royal Trux** set at the Observatory because they'll be playing Casbah Sunday night. The post-core six-piece is touring in support of *Glass Boys*, a sanded down and nicely shellacked populist disc. "Get past the audacious concepts, the profanity, and Damian Abraham's boarish grunt, and Fucked Up are essentially pragmatists, driven by a mission to rage within the machine." Guess who published that. Hint: rhymes with *bitchcork*. Listen, they're no Le Savy Fav (yes, I did), but essential, and crushing onstage.



FUCKED UP AT CASBAH

Toronto electro-psych trio **Doomsquad** open the go-to show. Digression alert: speaking of Le Savy Fav, did you know some of those guys are now in the house band on *Late Night with Seth Meyers*? Whaaaaa.... Best of the rest around town Sunday night: SanFran garage-rock band (ca. 1965) the **Chocolate Watchband** will be closing out the weekend's festivities at Tiki Oasis in the Crowne Plaza's concert hall...while that "bipolar folk" band **Kera & the Lesbians** play a freebie at Soda Bar after **Them Howling Bones** and the **Bad Vibes**.

Monday 17

I'm not a big Monday night guy, but I will get it up for **Screaming Females**, who headline sets at Soda Bar after **Vacation** and **Upset**. I bought the Females' latest, *Rose Mountain*, because I couldn't get the single "Hopeless" out of my head. I figured if I immerse myself in Miss Poternaster's grunge guitar, baked-throat tones, and Hester Prynne per-



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SCREAMING FEMALES AT SODA BAR

sona that I'd get over it. *Psst, I didn't. And now I'm the guy in "Hopeless"....* Otherwise: **AJ Froman, Brothers Weiss, and Diamond Lakes** fill a tasty throwback bill at Casbah's Anti-Monday dealio.

Tuesday 18

From Santa Rosa, the Barsuk-y indie-rock trio **Velvet Teen** will take the stage at Seven Grand Tuesday night after our own **Botanico Chango**. The Teens are touring in support of this year's *All Is Illusory* record, Casey Deitz' first in nine years, while Botanico Chango are working on their debut LP. BC's got an EP called *Brit* online, which sounds pop-rock solid, but someone should really take their Real Estate records away.... Up in the Heights, New Orleans hardcore upstarts and new Fat Wreck act **Pears** takes the Tower Bar with like-minded locals **Caskitt** and **Bainbridge**...while Soda Bar sets up Central Florida soft-rock duo **Sales** with **Gloomies** and **Adult Films**.

Wednesday 19

Dave Good breaks down his of-notable show, **Metz**, in this week's issue, so be sure to flip or click there for his take on them. I was way into the power trio's sludge-punk'd *Metz II* came along. It's like the debut and a bag of chips. Challenging but delicious chips, like those Kettle jalapeno chips. Mm. And with **Retox** and **Hot Nerds** opening the show, this is the gig to get to on Wednesday, punky.... But if you prefer cheddar to chips, Rock and Roll Hall of Famers **George Clinton & Parliament Funkadelic** will be funk'n' up House Blues on humpnight. Always a rump bumper.

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Cardiac Kid

“I climbed up onto the stage and sang ‘I Fought the Law’ with Joe Strummer.”

When it comes to pioneers of the local punk scene, only a few still manage to engage, some 30-plus years later. For my money, the city’s most evergreen purveyors have been the Injections, the Zeros, the Penetrators, and Cardiac Kidz. However, the singer/bassist from that latter band, Jim Ryan, is quick to argue whether they were ever really a punk band. “It’s like old-school punk, but with a college degree. New-age punk. It’s high-energy, melodic rock, with enough of an edge to pull it away from the alternative label.”

Formed in the late ’70s, Cardiac Kidz were mainstream enough to appear on the local morning show *Sun Up San Diego*, hosted by one-time Svengoolie Jerry Bishop. “1979 was the year that music as a lifestyle was kicking in for me,” recalls Ryan. “During that year, we performed at all the happening San Diego venues, appeared on television, put out two vinyls, and received a fair amount of media ink. It was before raising a family and growing up into responsibilities, and it was the beginning of the end of my youth.”

The band split after only a few years and a handful of recordings. It was only after the former Kidz noticed old records with their music — es-

pecially bootlegs — going for huge sums on eBay and elsewhere, and after Rave Up Records began reissuing their stuff in 2009, that Ryan warmed up to the notion of rekindling his adolescent aspirations.

The Madison High grad (class of ’75) has since overseen several Cardiac reunions, most often with collaborator Jerry Flack. Post-reunion releases by the band include *Rarities 1979 to 1981: Get Out*, on local Blindspot Records, and a concert album, *Meet With Me: Live at Lestat’s West*.

WHAT’S IN YOUR MUSIC PLAYER?
“The Last Internationale, *Choose Your Killer*. We played a lot of shows with this garage-rock blues group when they hit the West Coast on part of their North American tour. I love these kids, they have heart and talent.”

HOW ABOUT SOMETHING EMBARRASING IN YOUR PLAYER?
“*Buffy the Vampire Slayer* TV series, the musical episode soundtrack. No comment, no excuses.”

BEATLES OR STONES?
“I have quite a Beatles catalog. The Beatles were a

very big influence, as was David Bowie and Pink Floyd. I grew up on these bands as I was developing as an artist. Years later, the Ramones, the Clash, and Gang of Four were the bands the helped in my emergence into the punk-rock scene.”

EVER FALLEN OFF A STAGE?
“I actually fell ‘up’ onstage one time, at the Ramona Mainstage. I use a wireless set up with my bass guitar, so that I can get off the stage and interact with the crowd. When I was running back up onto the stage, while playing the bass, I slipped on the steps, flailed on the stage a bit, and got back up. I suffered a mild ankle strain, complete with a dark bruise.”

BEST FREE HANGOUT?
“I still find Lestat’s a great place to hang out and get together with friends, and they’re always good for free music with open-mic nights. Hiking and riding the Mission Trails is a good day, if it’s not raining.”

YOUR TASTIEST DISH (AND WHAT’S YOUR SECRET)?
“Baked macaroni and cheese. I add the real Mexican cheese mix to the box: now that’s cheesy! I’ll slice up some Hillshire sausage for final flavoring.”

FAVORITE CONCERT?
“The Clash at Golden Hall, I believe in 1980. I jumped out of the mosh pit and climbed up onto the stage and sang ‘I Fought the Law’ with Joe Strummer. I only got to the second line when I had to jump back into the pit, the bouncers were on their way across the stage. By the time I reached outside of the mosh circle, I found that my jacket was literally ripped to shreds. It was a great show!”

LAST BOOK READ?
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“Norm McDonald. I get a lot of ‘you look like him’ from acquaintances.”

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Saturday, 8pm — Bookdock Brothers
Wednesday, 7pm — Open Mic Night

950 Lounge at the Handlery Hotel:
Friday, 5:30pm — Ronnie Eschete Trio

98 Bottles:
Friday, 8pm — Allison Adams Tucker and Jaime Valle
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Air Conditioned Lounge:
Wednesday, 8pm — Culture with DJ Ele

Arcana Brewing:
Saturday, 8pm — Red Wizard and Great Electric Quest

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Sunday, 2pm — Robert Parker Trio

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Friday, 8pm — Nathan & Jesse

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Saturday, 8pm — Breez'n

Bancroft:
Thursday, 8pm — Darkwave Garden
Saturday, 8pm — Club Therapy
Sunday, 8pm — Some Kind of Nightmare
Tuesday, 8pm — Rob Logic's Bday Bash
Wednesday, 8pm — Karaoke with Cici

Bar Pink:
Thursday, 9pm — The Husky Boy All-Stars
Friday, 8pm — Nicky Venus and Fire in the Hamptons
Saturday, 9pm — Neon Beat
Sunday, 9pm — Rat Sabbath with DJ Ratty
Monday, 8pm — Motown Monday

Barleymash:
Thursday, 9pm — DJ Who

Bassmnt:
Friday, 8pm — Flux Pavilion
Saturday, 9pm — Paris Blohm

Beachcomber:
Sunday, 5pm — Ristband

Beaumont's:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Adam Block Duo
Friday, 9pm — Aquile
Saturday, 9pm — The Jones Revival

Bella Vista Social Club and Caffe:
Thursday, 5:30pm — The Moves
Friday, 5:30pm — BayWolf

Belly Up:
Thursday, 8pm — Vonda Shepard
Friday, 8pm — Whitey Morgan and the 78's
Saturday, 8pm — B-Side Players and SM Familia

! NOTE
BY DAVE GOOD

That a fan base committed themselves to Metz post haste is further proof, I think, of the theory that every person has at least one big primitive scream locked up somewhere deep inside them that, for reasons unknown, they just can't turn loose. Enter Metz, and get ready to be punched in the guts and love it. From the band's publicist: "The guitars are titanic, the drums ill-tempered, the vocals chilling, and the volume worrisome." If you're not already hip to Metz, well, that pretty well sums up the experience. The seasoned rocker will hear those queasy little melodic twists pioneered by the Kings of Dark, Black Sabbath, which Metz then puts into the Led Zeppelin oven of grandiloquence and broils

into something resembling that sonic detonation we called grunge.

"We take our noise and our feedback very seriously," front man Alex Edkins told a reporter. This comment alone could also land Metz in the post-hardcore sludge jail, but there's more to the story. Most of sludge is in love with their own gear and the size of their amplifiers. Metz is one step removed from all that and, as such, is in love with how their stuff makes a listener feel. It's a subtle distinction in a music not known for subtlety.

Probably the biggest fiction that this Toronto trio exudes is that any fool can make such noise. Not true. What elevates Metz to something approaching art is their knack for making records that, pound for pound, are as frightening as they are live. The band is Edkins on guitar and vocals, along with bassist Chris Slorach and drummer Hayden Menzies. They've been around for six years and have



METZ

a couple of full-lengths to show for it. Now touring in support of this year's *Metz II*, this leathery music, as probable as it may be, is proof enough that scary fire-breathing dinosaurs can still bring it.

Retox and Dilly Dally also perform.

METZ: Casbah, Sunday, August 9, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$15

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Sunday, 8pm — Led Kaapana
Monday, 8pm — Inner Circle and Gonzo
Tuesday, 8pm — Marc Cohn and Phil Cody
Wednesday, 8pm — Leon Russell

Berry Street Park:
Thursday, 6:30pm — West of 5

Birch Aquarium at Scripps:
Wednesday, 5:30pm — Green Flash: Back to the Garden

Black Cat Bar:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Uptown Rhythm Makers

Brass Rail:
Saturday, 8pm — Sabado en Fuego

Briar Rose Winery:
Saturday, 6pm — 22 Kings

Brick by Brick:
Thursday, 8pm — For the Likes of You and Avoid the Void
Friday, 8pm — Hi-Def Dynamite

Saturday, 8pm — Nekrogoblikon and Crimson Shadow
Wednesday, 8pm — Fear Control

Bushfire Kitchen:
Friday, 5:30pm — Batiquitos Blues Band

Cafe Panini:
Thursday, 8pm — Bob Peace
Friday, 8pm — Small Time Heroes
Saturday, 8pm — FreeMartin
Sunday, 8pm — Lindy Crandall

Calavera Hills Park:
Friday, 7pm — Liquid Blue

California Center for the Arts, Escondido:
Friday, 7pm — Herb Martin & Friends and Society Boys

Carlsbad Community Church:
Sunday, 2pm — CCCBand Summer Pops Concert

Casbah:
Thursday, 8pm — Creature & the Woods
Friday, 8pm — Cash'd Out and Sleepwalkers
Saturday, 8pm — Fu Manchu
Sunday, 8pm — F---ed Up and Doomsquad
Monday, 8pm — Life in Film
Wednesday, 8pm — Metz and Dilly Dally

Cheers Bar & Grill:
Saturday, 9pm — Reflectors

Chico Club:
Saturday, 8pm — Kalamity Wayne and the City Slickers

Cicciotti's Trattoria:
Thursday, 6:30pm — Adrienne Nims and Alan Land

Company Pub and Kitchen:
Thursday, 8pm — 3D Blues Band
Friday, 8pm — Anna Vaus and Martin Coughlin
Saturday, 8pm — The Celebrities

Coyote Bar & Grill:
Thursday, 6pm — Cassie B. Band
Friday, 6pm — Midnight Satellites
Saturday, 6pm — Soundvault
Sunday, 5pm — Jerome Dawson

Croce's Park West:
Thursday, 7pm — Gilbert Castellanos & Park West

Ensemble
Friday, 7pm — Sue Palmer
Saturday, 7pm — Afrojazziaacs
Sunday, 7pm — Louis Valenzuela Trio
Monday, 6pm — Mark Fisher
Tuesday, 6pm — Clay Colton Duo
Wednesday, 6pm — Liz Grace

Crowne Plaza Hotel:
Sunday, 7pm — Chocolate Watchband and the Rosalyns

Deja Vu Showgirls, 2720 Midway Drive:
Thursday, 10pm — Bubba Sparxxx

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club:
Friday, 7pm — Steel Pulse

Dirk's Niteclub:
Friday, 8pm — Teaser
Saturday, 8pm — Dance Party with DJ Alex

Dizzy's:
Thursday, 8pm — Danny Green Trio with Arun Luthra

El Cajon Library:
Sunday, 2pm — Acoustic Showcase: Joe Rathburn

El Dorado Cocktail Lounge:
Thursday, 8pm — The Tighen Up with Kid Wonder
Friday, 8pm — DJ Greyboy
Saturday, 8pm — DJ Adam Salter
Sunday, 8pm — Smile Now Smile Later
Wednesday, 8pm — West Coast Wednesday

Embarcadero Marina Park South:
Friday, 7:30pm, Saturday, 7:30pm — Summer Pops: Sinatra at 100
Sunday, 7:30pm — Summer Pops: Burt Bacharach

F6ix Niteclub:
Friday, 8pm — DeeJay Al
Saturday, 8pm — DJ Damage

Field Irish Pub and Restaurant:
Friday, 9pm — The Fooks

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Friday, 8pm — DJ RM
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Saturday, 8pm — Shamrockers

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Sunday, 8pm — Raekwon and Ghostface Killah
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Wednesday, 8pm — George Clinton & Parliament Funkadelic

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Thursday, 8pm — Nomad Culture
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Drones
Muse
By Andrew Perez

This is the album Muse was built to make. Bombastic, hard-hitting, and pretentious (in a good way), *Drones* takes the trio's brand of paranoid space rock and brings it to an all-new level of science-fiction bravado.

Never ones to shy away from a challenge, Muse's seventh record is a concept album that tells the story of an unnamed protagonist in the near future who, after losing his purpose in life, gets recruited and brain-washed by the army to become a mindless killer and fight their dirty wars.

"Are you a human drone? Are you a killing machine? I'm in control, motherfucker, do you understand? I will break you," yells the Drill Sergeant in the album's first single "Psycho." The song sets the dark and frenetic tone of the rest of the album, which is a welcome return to the band's earlier hard-rock sound.

Songs such as "Psycho," "Handler," and "Reapers" are riff-heavy explorations into the human psyche, brutal in their delivery and relentless in their onslaught of mayhem. There are still little kernels of Muse's more recent tendency for exploration into other musical genres peppered throughout *Drones*. "Dead Inside" sounds like a spiritual successor to *The 2nd Law's* "Madness," with its bass-y electronic heartbeats, and the ghost of Freddie Mercury is summoned on bombastic songs "Revolt" and "Defector."

While their pretentiousness sometimes works against them, *Drones* further solidifies Muse's position as one of the acts at the top of the alternative-music food chain.



Riff-heavy explorations into the human psyche

Music Reviews from Our Readers

The confounding Brian Wilson
By Mark Carpowich

So what if Brian Wilson took the stage 15 minutes earlier than scheduled?

Or if he performed 50-year-old songs in their original key, even though some of the notes are by now a little out of range?

Perhaps the most confounding yet resilient figures ever in rock music, Wilson has earned the right to do whatever he wants. The Beach Boys founder, supporting both a brand-new album and the biopic *Love and Mercy*, brought his summer tour to Humphreys, where

his Hawaiian shirt was the perfect complement to the palm trees swaying around the venue's perimeter.

Wilson let the crowd know from the start that he'd be celebrating his band's hefty legacy, opening with a version of "Heroes and Villains" that, thanks to a sizable backing band that included original Beach Boy Al Jardine, was true to the controlled chaos of the studio take. His nearly two-hour set was heavy on the hits, including "God Only Knows," which he nonchalantly introduced as the best song he ever wrote. Not his favorite, mind you — the best, end of story.

Because no matter how awkward and uncomfortable he seems on stage, Wilson is still going to play — and say — whatever he wants.

Concert: Brian Wilson
Date: June 19
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Wilson said "God Only Knows" is the best song he ever wrote. Not his favorite, mind you, but his best.

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and Michael McNevin
Sunday, 6:30pm — Open Mic Hosted By Isaac Cheong
Tuesday, 6:30pm — Open Mic Hosted By Gaby Aparicio
Wednesday, 8pm — Robin Henkel Band

Kaffee Meister:
Friday, 7pm — The Ben Owens Trio

Kava Lounge:
Thursday, 9pm — Progress Techno
Friday, 8pm — Magical Mistakes
Saturday, 8pm — Dusty Poon Saloon
Sunday, 8pm — Yoga For Your Ears
Wednesday, 8pm — This 'n' That

Kensington Club:
Friday, 8pm — Godofthejellyfish
Saturday, 8pm — Parade of Horribles

Ki's Restaurant:
Friday, 8pm — Robin Henkel, Whitney Shay, Billy Watson

Kraken:
Thursday, 8pm — Wolfpack
Friday, 8pm — I-90
Saturday, 8pm — Custard Pie
Sunday, 8pm — Brokers Band
Wednesday, 8pm — Stone Horse

Lafayette Hotel, Swim Club & Bungalows:
Thursday, 8pm — Sacha's Supper Club

Lestat's Coffee House:
Thursday, 8pm — Sahara Grim
Friday, 8pm — Awakening Magic and Gunakadeit
Saturday, 8pm — Chamber Band and Sophia Bacino
Sunday, 7pm — Robin Henkel Band with Horns

Main Tap Tavern:
Saturday, 8pm — Mud Wolf

Malcolm X Library:
Saturday, 3pm — Opera Exposed

Marina Kitchen:
Friday, 6pm — Dan Ratcliffe and Matt Heinecke
Saturday, 6pm — Joe Guevara and Matt Heinecke

Martinis Above Fourth:
Thursday, 8pm — Spencer Day

Monday, 8pm, Tuesday, 8pm — Singing Sondheim

Maryjane's Coffee Shop:
Friday, 8pm — Buddy Banter and Splavender

Merrow:
Thursday, 8pm — Ruines Ov Abaddon and Mursic
Saturday, 9pm — 22 Kings
Tuesday, 8pm — Hot Mustard and Cardio Kazan
Wednesday, 8pm — Ilya Shatov and Noble War

Molly Malone's:
Friday, 8pm — Parish
Saturday, 9pm — Del Rio

Moonlight Beach:
Sunday, 3pm — Todo Mundo

Moonshine Flats:
Friday, 8pm, Saturday, 8pm — Southern Caliber

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Thursday, 9pm — Ocelot & Friends
Friday, 9pm — Fooz Fighters and Gunner Gunner
Saturday, 4pm — Bill Magee Blues Band
Saturday, 9pm — Grim Slippers

Nate's Garden Grill:
Friday, 6pm — Joel Tuttle
Saturday, 6pm — Don Howell
Sunday, 1pm — Drought Tolerant Bluegrass Band
Tuesday, 6pm — Eric Freeman
Wednesday, 6pm — Allen de la Rosa

Navajo Live:
Friday, 8pm — Copycat Killers
Saturday, 8pm — Hitman Honey
Sunday, 7pm — Cactus 5

Nicky Rottens Bar & Burger Joint:
Thursday, 8pm — Black Market III
Friday, 8pm — Fast Karma
Saturday, 8pm — Serious Guise
Monday, 8pm — PanDiego

Northern Spirits Jazz Club & Restaurant:
Thursday, 7pm — April Doyle
Friday, 7:30pm — Dave Scott & the New Jazz Groove
Saturday, 7:30pm — Ron Eschtete Trio

Office:
Thursday, 9pm — No Limits with DJ Myson King
Friday, 9pm — After Hours
Saturday, 8pm — Strictly Business
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Onyx/Thin:
Friday, 9pm — Agosto de Rumba
Saturday, 9pm — Leo Take Over

Oscar Wilde's Irish Gastropub:
Sunday, 7pm — Traditional Irish Session

Pal Joey's:
Friday, 9pm — Night Shift
Saturday, 9pm — The Creepy Creeps
Tuesday, 8pm — Live Jam Night

Pala Events Center:
Friday, noon, Saturday, 6pm —

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Pala Mesa Resort:
Thursday, 6pm — 22 Kings

Palomar Starlight Theater:
Saturday, 7:30pm — Which One's Pink?

Patricks Gaslamp Pub:
Thursday, 8pm — Bill Magee Blues Band
Friday, 8pm — RedWave
Saturday, 8pm — WG & the G-Men
Sunday, 8pm — Johnny Vernazza
Monday, 8pm — The Groove Squad
Wednesday, 8pm — Upshots

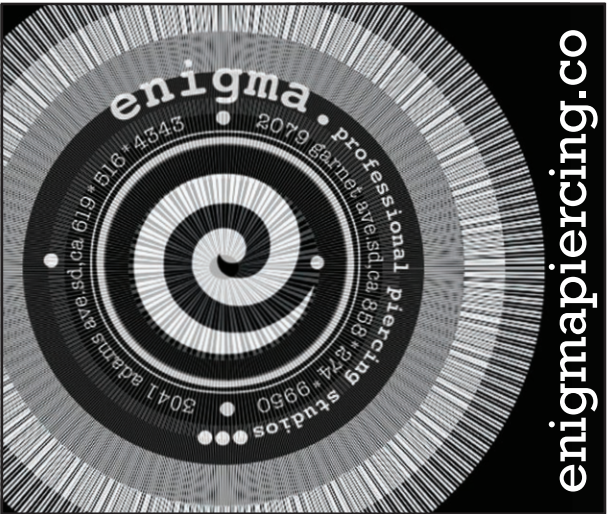
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Thursday, 8pm — Nathan James & the Rhythm Scratchers
Friday, 6pm — Whit Aadland & That's Right
Friday, 8pm — Joe Wood
Saturday, 8pm — Planet X

Proud Mary's Southern Bar & Grill at the Ramada:
Friday, 7pm — Black Market III
Saturday, 8pm — Dennis Herrera

Rebecca's Coffee House:
Friday, 8pm — Jackie Austin Singer
Saturday, 7pm — Tom Baird & Friends Acoustic Showcase
Sunday, 10am — Wild Older Women
Wednesday, 6pm — Now Time Jazz Trio

Red Parrot Lounge at Casino Pauma:
Friday, 8pm, Saturday, 8pm — The Basixs

Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room:
Thursday, 8pm — Israel Maldonado
Friday, 8pm — Rio Peligroso



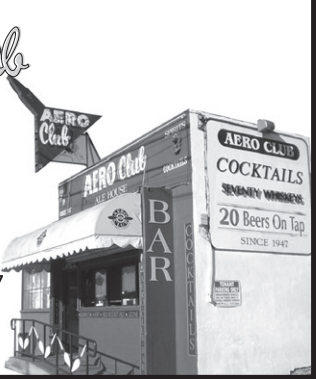
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Friday, 8pm — Le Ra and Mint Field
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Monday, 8pm — Screaming Females
Tuesday, 8pm — Sales
Wednesday, 8pm — Matias Aguayo

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Saturday, 7pm — Messages and Smarter Than Robots
Tuesday, 5pm — Bane and Turnstile

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Wednesday, 6:30pm — Working Cowboy

St. George's Serbian Orthodox Church:

Saturday, 6pm — Trio Balkan Strings

Stone Farms:

Friday, 5pm — Devin Babcock

Swedenborg Hall:

Sunday, 7:30pm — Songwriters Acoustic Nights: Stevie Harris, more

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Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery

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New Fortune Theatre Company presents Harold Pinter's eerie drama about a man "who may be a pianist, and it may or may not be his birthday." Then two sinister strangers appear. Richard Baird directs. MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N, ROLANDO. 858-598-7620. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

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In this juke box musical comedy, based on the songs of Neil Sedaka, six people go to Esther's Paradise Resort in the summer of 1960. Along with Catskills scenery, love blooms. Randall Hickman directs. Songs include "Where the Boys Are," "Sweet Sixteen," and the title number.

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Three marines, last night stateside, November 21, 1963. Tomorrow they're off to be advisors in a "police action" at Vietnam. They enact an old tradition: a dogfight (see who can bring the ugliest woman to a party). In the Benj Pasek, Justin Paul, Peter Duchan musical, Eddie, an Alpha predator, slowly falls for withdrawn Rose and slowly learns to see eye-to-eye. A puzzle; the date is the eve of the Kennedy assassination, yet neither Cygnet nor the musical do anything with it. Without the "Eve of Destruction" subtext, much of the musical plays long and thin. The stronger second act, however, redeems the first. *Worth a try.* CYGNET THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 3PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 23.

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Coronado Playhouse is continuing its new tradition of Community Cabaret events to offer non-paying performance opportunities for San Diego singers and musicians. Executive producer M.G. Perez, producer Debbie David, and musical director Kirk Valles are taking submissions for singers, performers, and musicians. To be considered for the show, submit specific song

titles, acts, or your instrument talents to d_david1@hotmail.com with STRIKE UP THE BAND in the subject line; include name and phone number. The cabaret is on September 13. This cabaret theme honors San Diego's month long Fleet Week festivities. All performances must have a military connection. Be as creative as you want in your selections. Auditions: SEP 13 7PM

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ends up right where they belong." David R. Pearson directs. WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 3598 TALBOT ST., POINT LOMA. 619-223-3193. 8PM THURSDAY, FRIDAY, & SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY.

Into The Woods

The Avo Playhouse presents Stephen Sondheim's classic mix of fairy tales in a musical adventure about love, life, and living "happily ever after." AVO PLAYHOUSE, 303 MAIN ST., VISTA. 760-724-2110. 7PM FRIDAY, 1PM & 7PM SATURDAY, 5PM SUNDAY.

Mixtape: The Greatest Hits of the 80s

Lamb's Players reprises its very popular musical revue. Co-created by Jon Lorenz and Colleen Kollar Smith with Kerry Meads, the piece includes music by Journey, Peter Gabriel, U2, Duran Duran, Dire Straits, The Cure, Amy Grant, the B52s, Madonna, Sting, and Michael Jackson. Meads directs. *Worth a try.* HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-234-9583. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH OCTOBER 4.

Mud Blue Sky

The Carlsbad Playreaders present Marisa Wegrzyn's comedy about flight

attendants on layover in a grungy hotel room. Kristianne Kurner directs. CITY OF CARLSBAD DOVE LIBRARY, 1775 DOVE LANE, CARLSBAD. 760-602-2049. 7:30PM MONDAY.

RED

Trinity Theatre Company presents John Logan's Tony-award-winning drama. Mark Rothko just landed the biggest commission in the history of modern art: a series of murals for New York's famed Four Seasons Restaurant. But "his crowning achievement could become his undoing." John Gray III directs. TENTH AVENUE ARTS CENTER, 930 TENTH AVE., EAST VILLAGE. 619-920-8503. 7PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6.

Rants

Community Actor's Theatre presents local playwright Paul Wm. Taylor Sr.'s story of the Gaines family/ Grandpa Henry is battling Alzheimer's disease. His task is to impart knowledge and love to his family. "But you never know when he speaks if it's the Alzheimer's." COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, 2957 54TH ST., OAK PARK. 619-264-3391.

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Return to the Forbidden Planet

Star Trek meets Robbie the Robot meets Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Everyone talks in iambic pentameter and sings hits from the early Sixties (Miranda, for example, wonders "Why Must I Be a Teenager in Love"). Prospero's a mad scientist. Along with a game, if overly-miked cast, New Village Arts has a set worthy of *Star Trek* (or *Galaxy Quest*), by Natalie Khuen, a blazing performance by Marlene Montes, and best of all, direction by Jon Lorenz, musical direction by Justin Gray, and choreography by Colleen Kollar Smith, whose touches and weavings bring freshness and humor to a meandering script. *Worth a try.* NEW VILLAGE ARTS THEATRE, 2787 B STATE ST., CARLSBAD. 760-433-3245. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6.

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Side by Side by Sondheim

The tribute review features over 30 songs by musical theater icon, Stephen Sondheim. The Narrator ties them together and explains which show they come from with witty comments. Although some numbers were given to the wrong performer or group, and failed to grab the audience's attention, there is standout work by Randall Dodge, who has an exceptional voice and heaps of musical comedy style. Angelina Reaux and Rena Strober offer fine support, both being adept at singing and comedic acting. *Worth a try.* NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 16.

Tartuffe

Coronado Playhouse presents Moliere's great comedy about an imposter invited into the home of a wealthy French family, whom he tries to deceive. Tom Haine directs. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO. 619-435-4856. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 16.

The Supporting Cast

Lamplighters presents George Furth's comedy about Ellen's "sizzling novel. Her friends are thrilled until she invites them to her Malibu beach house and reveals that they are the

characters — warts and all!" LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 5915 SEVERIN DR., LA MESA. 619-286-3685. 8PM FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY.

Up Here

The La Jolla Playhouse presents the world premiere of Robert Lopez and Kristen Anderson-Lopez' musical comedy about Dan, "an introverted, 30-something computer repairman" whose attempts at a relationship are "thwarted by the Technicolor world in his head." Alex Timbers directs. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 8PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6.

West Side Story

In the last few years, Lamb's Players Theatre's become the site of smash summer hit musicals. Their *West Side Story* should continue that trend. It's a blazer. From Colleen Kollar Smith's sweeping (and dangerous) choreography, to Kevin Hafso-Koppman's engaging Tony and Olivia Hernandez' outstanding Maria, to top supporting work (especially from Michelle Alves, Daniel Kermidas, and Patrick J. Duffy), to Patrick Marion's nine-person band and Mike Buckley's chain-link-fence set, this one has all the makings. **Critic's Pick.**

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 30.

Working With Pinter Expert Harry Burton

For one night only, New Fortune

Theatre Company hosts an appearance by Harry Burton. A friend and long time work associate of Harold Pinter, Burton filmed a one-day actors' workshop with Pinter called, "Working with Pinter." Burton will screen the film and give a talk with artistic director Richard Baird. MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N, ROLANDO. 858-598-7620. 7PM SUNDAY.

Write Out Loud's Twainfest

Write Out Loud, the award-winning company that reads works of literature, celebrates Mark Twain and other writers of the 19th Century, including Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Paul Laurence Dunbar, and Edgar Allan Poe. Also part of the fest: a puppet show, literary games designed for kids, voting in the election of 1872 (but you must pass the literacy test first!), and spinning the Wheel of Fiction. Admission is free. The event, produced by Write Out Loud, Fiesta de Reyes, and Old Town State Historic Park, runs from 11am to 5pm. *Worth a try.* OLD TOWN STATE HISTORIC PARK, 4002 WALLACE ST., OLD TOWN. 11AM SATURDAY.

Write Out Loud: Twain and the West

Write Out Loud, the award-winning story- and play-reading group, begins its ninth season with stories from Mark Twain's *Roughing It* and others that give us some of the most detailed and colorful glimpses of our state back when. *Worth a try.* CYGNET THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7PM MONDAY.

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Mod men

What does it say when they set out to make a Cold War caper and they wind up casting a Brit (Henry Cavill) as the American, an American (Armie Hammer) as the Russian, and a Swede (Alicia Vikander) as the...well, not a Swede? Answer: not much, which is okay, since this smirky reheating of the '60s television series *The Man from U.N.C.L.E.* is much less interested in what it says than in how it looks.

And it looks great: the suits, the dresses, the cars, and oh yes, the actors, all in top, mid-century modern form. There has to be a story, of course, and so there has to be a bad guy, and it can't be the Americans or the Russians, so...the Nazis were big only, what, 20 years ago? Great! Except not so much, since the detour into concentration camp atrocities take what mostly feels like a spy vs. spy romp into dark 'n' gritty(TM) territory. It's a weird mis-step, like serving Bordeaux with sole. Ditto the explorations of our Russian's unhappy past. Otherwise, though, it's harmless good fun.

— Matthew Lickona

MOVIES

TALKING KRAMPUS WITH DAVID KOECHNER

Actor and stand-up funnyman David Koechner was in town last weekend and took a moment to chat with me about his upcoming film work and some other stuff. Always a pleasure.

Matthew Lickona: Last time we spoke, you were in town with a bit of a variety show, right around the release of *Anchorman 2*.

David Koechner: That would have been December of 2013. Boy, you and I have grown up since then. That show was mostly characters, plus a couple of friends who played music. But now I'm preparing for a special; this is more about my life, where I am right now. I've got a wife and five kids and two dogs, and I'm dealing with it.

ML: Are you mad at Jim Gaffigan for getting a TV show about a comedian with five kids?

DK: No, God bless him. That's just a harbinger of great things to come. I'm very happy for him.

ML: You bounce back and forth between TV and movies a great deal,



The Man from U.N.C.L.E.: As should be clear from the sunglasses, the dress, the earrings, the bracelet, and the ring (the shoes aren't even pictured), you're seeing this for Alicia Vikander's mod wardrobe.

perhaps more than most actors. Can you comment on how it seems that these days the cultural conversation is all about television?

DK: If the argument is that there's more passion right now about television than movies right now, I think that's a solid argument. But Netflix is making their own movies, and they're going to put one of them, *Beasts of No Nation*, in theaters. It's still a big

deal. We all go to a theater and agree, as a community of that size, for that night, to witness a story together. I think there's something very special about that.

ML: Which do you watch more?

DK: What I love more than anything are documentaries. More nonfiction than fiction. The same goes for my reading habits. But I love to discover movies again with my kids. I just

watched *The Outlaw Josey Wales* with my oldest boy, and it was such a kick to see him be entertained by it the same way I was. If I'm at the store, I'll rifle through the bargain bin to find a DVD that I know I liked.

ML: Do you find that sometimes it's harder to get your kids to like a thing if Dad likes it?

DK: Yes! *Apocalypse Now* is one of my favorite movies of all time. A couple of



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weekends ago, my wife took the three girls to her sister's, and I had the boys. All weekend, we were just doing guy stuff: laser tag, go-carts, movies in the theater. Then at the end, I said, "We're going to watch *Apocalypse Now* and it's going to be amazing." And they were both not into it. I couldn't believe it. Maybe they were tired, maybe they were just in the mood for something else at the time. So I'm going to have to try it at seven in the morning every day for the next couple of months.

ML: They'll love the smell of napalm in the morning. You've got three films coming out before the end of the year: *Hell & Back*, *Scouts Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse*, and *Krampus*. I'm especially curious about *Krampus*. I've always gotten a kick out of the notion that if there's this supernatural good guy, Santa Claus, who will reward you for being good, then of course there has to be this supernatural bad guy, Krampus, who will punish you for being bad.

DK: Apparently, that's a very ingrained notion in Europe, especially in Germany. Come Christmas, you're either going to see Santa Klaus or Krampus. But it's actually a family film. It's going to be PG-13, but it can be something that everybody enjoys. It's horror with humor and heart, and I think it's done really well because the filmmaker, Michael Dougherty, had such passion for the idea. He loves horror, and he loves family movies; one of his favorite things to do growing up was watching Christmas movies with his family. He still does it.

ML: You don't see as many horror comedies these days as you did, say, in the '80s. Do you have any favorites from back then?

DK: I was never a huge fan of horror films. They scare me, they stay with me, and they invade my dreams.

ML: Moving on to *Hell & Back*, in which a guy has to save his friend who's been dragged down into hell, and which looks to be pretty comedic. Do you think a comedy about hell requires at least a lingering belief that there is such a place in order to be funny? Or is it just pure farce?

DK: Both. And I would also say that we could be reminded that it's a concept that for some people is a reality. And as Sartre said, "Hell is other people." I think that's what's envisioned in the film. It's other people. It always is. It's that co-worker, that neighbor.

ML: You play the demon Asmodeus. Tell me about him.

DK: He's incompetent. That's his own hell, and it's the hell of anyone who has to interact with him.

— Matthew Lickona

THE GIFT KEEPS ON GIVING

No need to ask the delivery man from whence the square turquoise package hailed. The wrapping paper was identical to that of a similar-sized box of goodies found resting on every reclining seat at the AMC La Jolla before the press screening of *The Gift*. Besides, the studio rep tipped me to its pending arrival.

The news of its journey came a few hours after my interview with the film's writer, director, and star, Joel Edgerton. Our chat must have been a success. Why else would a same-day shipment of swag be in order?

The Gift chillingly illustrates what happens when fate reunites a class bully (Jason Bateman) with his prize victim, Gordo (Edgerton). A red, hand-written card taped to the package read, "Scott — It's been a while...we should catch up soon. @YourFriend-Gordo," punctuated by the character's trademark smiley face.

Alright. You have me going.

Unlike the screening spoils — three squares of dark Ghirardelli chocolate — the first name to appear while ridding the container of it's wrapping was that of Warner Bros. animation guru Chuck Jones. Inside was a scale replica Acme Anvil, identical to those drawn by both Jones's pen and the gravitational pull of Wile E. Coyote's head.

Was this an attempt at finding a corollary between a first-rate psychological thriller and the delightfully inappropriate antics of a *Road Runner* cartoon? And why would indie production company STX Entertainment be sending me something associated with a rival studio?

None of it made sense, so to help confound matters more, I turned to Fox 5's Josh Board, my row-mate at

the screening, hoping that he could admit me chorus to this anvil mystery. A long pause followed by Board's quiz-zical "Anvil? What anvil?" led to my downing a couple of Advil.

"I give up," began the email to PR rep, Larissa Medina. "Loved the card, but what does a (cartoon) anvil have to do with *The Gift*?"

"We just wanted it to be something personalized to you," came her speedy reply. "As if Gordo has known you for a while... So I was talking to Matthew and he mentioned you liked Looney Tunes. I figured it would be a great personalized gift on behalf of Gordo."

You mean, this wasn't a tschotske occupying space in the Allied Integrated Marketing prize closet, waiting in patient preparation for just such a situation to arise? Surely the studio shipped a half-dozen or so in advance to tickle the bellies of responsive critics. And since when does anyone in the industry put time, thought, and originality into individualizing a camera movement, let alone a gift?

The thought does count, Larissa. Kudos for your puzzlingly idiosyncratic display of thanks. And to you, Lickona, should the question ever again be posed, would you please inform the querier of my fondness for hundred-dollar bills?

— Scott Marks

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Diary of a Teenage Girl — There is a kind of achievement in (graphically)

Bel Powley Alexander Skarsgård Christopher Meloni Kristen Wiig

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depicting a sexual relationship between an adult man (Alexander Skarsgård) and his girlfriend's 15-year-old daughter (Bel Powley) in a way that makes it feel neither predatory nor twisted, just oddly matter-of-fact. Whether it is a thing worth achieving is another question. The matter-of-factness likely has something to do with the fact that the adults — both Mom and boyfriend — are little more than children themselves, all but blind to anything beyond their own immediate needs and sorrows. Hey man, it's San Francisco in the '70s: drugs are plentiful, morals are square, and pleasure is pleasure. He likes having sex with her; she likes having sex with him, what's the harm? She also likes having sex in general — huz-zah for female agency? — at least until love starts making things sticky. Funny how that happens. To keep the proceedings from pure conventionality, we get flashes of animated artistry, sprung from our heroine's imagination and bound for the pages of her underground comic. With Kristen Wiig. 2015 M.L. ★ (LANDMARK HILLCREST)

The End of the Tour — Remember novels? How about tape recorders? Wait, wait - what about famous writers? In 1996, the writer David Lipsky got *Rolling Stone* to let him join David Foster Wallace on the last leg of the author's book tour for his Big Novel, *Infinite Jest*. The article never ran, but Lipsky eventually turned his five-day

running conversation with Wallace into a book. Now, the book serves as the basis for this always talky, often engaging, occasionally fascinating, and sometimes shaggy but never quite boring movie starring Jesse Eisenberg as Lipsky and Jason Segel as Wallace. Interesting mostly for its contrasting Portraits of the Artists as Young Men: Lipsky the arty New York City striver heading into flyover country to write a profile of the genius who just wants to be a regular guy. Their back-and-forth is smart, wide-ranging, and sometimes carefully combative; both men are smart enough to see the danger in dropping their respective guards. The big theme is fame: Lipsky's hunger for its elusive embrace and Wallace's fear of its corrosive power. 2015. — M.L. ★★ (ARCLIGHT LA JOLLA; CINÉPOLIS DEL MAR; LANDMARK HILLCREST)

The Gift — For his directorial debut, Joel Edgerton weaves a subversive edge-of-your-seat suspense that will knot stomachs tighter than a sack of White Castle hamburgers. Jason Bateman (assuredly cast against type as an arrogant Republican) and Rebecca Hall play a presumed happily married couple who are hoping for a baby to make it three, with Edgerton — not content to live his life in soft focus background — emerging as a drip from the past, quietly seeking comeuppance. The ads scream Fatal Attraction, but rest assured

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theirs is not a typically-minted crime of passion. The Gift doesn't stop giving, right up until an indeed disturbing climax – never saw it coming – designed to haunt and resonate for days after. Crackerjack bread crumb-dropper that he is, Edgerton's path is such that a second viewing will be in order to a) marvel at how he did it and b) catch all of the veiled references to other movies. 2015. — S.M. ★★★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Inside Out — Call it kid-friendly psychology: Pixar's latest begins with a lot of bold (and visually appealing) assumptions: first, that our emotions run the show when it comes to our interior landscape; and second, that those emotions are Joy, Sadness, Fear, Disgust, and Anger. (Whither Envy? Hate? Desire? Best not to ask; most of the film's explorations occur inside the head of relatively undamaged tween girl Riley, and the aforementioned five seem to have things well in hand.) Not that Joy is always joyful or Anger always angry; just that they each take the controls at the appropriate time. But what plucky

ringleader Joy (an untrammelled Amy Poehler) doesn't get is why you'd ever want Sadness at the helm — especially when it comes to the formation of core memories, the kind that shape our personalities. So when the family moves from Riley's home in Minnesota to the wilds of San Francisco, Joy kicks into overdrive and tries to put a lockdown on Sadness, who seems to be going haywire. When disaster ensues, Joy and Sadness wind up on a journey through Riley's headspace, trying to sort things out before it's too late. It's not unusual for a film about childhood loss to be this funny while it sets about the work of making you cry; it *is* unusual for it to be this much fun. 2015. — M.L. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Kahlil Gibran's The Prophet — With its opening splash of decidedly Disney water rippling in the wake of an artist's paintbrush, *The Prophet* boldly announces its intentions: director Roger Allers (*The Lion King*) aims to out-Disney Disney on their own turf. Given the animation giant's recent slate of non-Pixar-related big-screen babysitters, this sumptuous, old-school adaptation of Kahlil Gibran's Hallmark Greeting Book has them beat hands down. An assortment of seven acclaimed, stylishly diverse animators are each assigned a chapter, with Allers handling the frame-

work and bridging sequences. Fans of the Gibran pamphlet will no doubt come for the existential gibberish — all 26 sections are read in their entirety — but it's lovers of bold character outline and outlandishly exquisite flights of animated fancy who stand to profit most. Cast off the Disney/Pixar blinders and, for a change, throw your families' support behind an indie sparkler. PS: Back in the '70s this would have been packaged and sold to cultists as a “head film,” wink, wink. 2014. S.M. ★★★★★ (LANDMARK KEN)

Listen to Me Marlon — Marlon Brando left behind hundreds of hours of audio-taped autobiography (and some home movies) for documentary director Stevan Riley to effectively make over as the world's first talking cyber-head documentary. What appears to be an unfledged 3D recreation of Brando's head informs us that before his death, the actor posed for a digital transcription of his noggin, and said head functions as host and pseudo-narrator. Hooley! Instead of uncorking more of Brando's canned brilliance, Riley wastes time with a mock video recreation in what's easily this year's biggest disappointment. So stunned by the spoken word is he that Riley pays zero tribute to the image, presenting the array of accompanying clips – flat or

'Scope – in the same uni-ratio. That's what happens when Showtime produces. Brando's mumbly, seductively poetic insight is well worth listening to. Wait for the CD. 2015. — S.M. ★ (LANDMARK KEN)

The Man from U.N.C.L.E. — Reviewed this issue. 2015 ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Mission: Impossible Rogue Nation — Brad Bird's resolutely buoyant *Mission: Impossible* — *Ghost Protocol* repositioned a series of otherwise contrived money-spinning sequels on top of the summer tentpole, making it easy for an inevitable predecessor to sock out of the park. It's back to business as usual when Cruise Factory gag-writer-turned-contract-director Christopher McQuarrie (*Valkyrie*, *Jack Reacher*, *Edge of Tomorrow*) extends a textbook example of Hollywood's dependency on effects as a means of supplanting storytelling. It's a comedy/espionage demolition derby – think *The Blues Brothers* meets Roger Moore's late-period 007 – with McQuarrie's handling of the dialog scenes serving as a telltale reminder of the franchise's small-screen roots. There's the opening wing-walk, for which our star famously performed his own stunts, and a high-octane motorcycle chase. The rest is swish-pans, comic book background bad-

dies who couldn't hit a fly were it trapped in a gun barrel, airborne debris, and air brakes in the form of cutaways to comic relief Simon Pegg. 2015. — S.M. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Mr. Holmes — The outline for Bill Condon's latest reads, “The Man Behind the Myth.” It might have been better put as, “The Man Behind the Mind.” It's true that the film is driven by an ancient Sherlock Holmes' effort to remember the true story of the case that drove him into retirement over three decades earlier, a case that was rendered as a happy fiction by his literary chronicler Dr. Watson. But it's mind that really serves to obscure The World's Greatest Detective, because it's mind that gave him the title, the reputation, and ultimately, the isolation from the common mass of humanity that leads to his retirement. And cleverly, it's his struggle with mind — the fading, dulling, and decay of his ferocious intellect and memory — that provides occasion for the man to emerge. If that sounds abstract and hifalutin, never fear. Most of the action is occupied with, in the present, procuring nutritional aids to memory, keeping bees, making notes, and managing the help; and in the past, investigating a grieving woman's mysterious activities. A gentle, deliberate exploration of a powerful personality that has to rush a bit at the end, but doesn't quite trip over itself in the process. 2015. — M.L. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Paper Towns — Three geeks and a peach “borrow” mom's car and embark on a cross-country treasure hunt. The prize: the AWOL anew stupid hot girl who lives across the street that our lead dweeb's (Nat Wolff) been overvaluing since birth. Husky-throated tomboy supermodel Cara Delevingne (IRL *everybody* wants to pal around with her!) is the perfect choice for the star vanishing act. After one unintentional nod to absurdity – the gal with the Groucho eyebrows enacts part of her revenge by applying Nair to the ocular fringe of a cheating jock – the romantic teen drama plays it uncommonly straight. No irony, CGI, boogeymen with knives, or ghosts of dead girlfriends to gum things up. There's even a simple message with which we can all abide to ring down the curtain. Not as stylish as director Jake Schreier's *Robot and Frank*, but in this day and age (and genre) there's a lot to be said for restraint. With Halston Sage and Austin Abrams. 2015. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Ricki and the Flash — A family crisis reunites an aged rocker/grocery clerk (the rhapsodical Meryl Streep) with the husband (Kevin Kline) and children she had years ago abandoned in favor of a life on the road. Jonathan Demme, no stranger to rockumentaries (*Stop Making Sense*), weddings (*Rachel Getting Married*), and/or American dreamers (*Melvin and Howard*), lays out his Sunday best – loose framing, vivid background characters and action, colors that pop – but it's hipster scribe Diablo Cody's (*Juno*) inert plotting that sets it on the path to nowhere. Here's a flash: Cody can't write a third act to save her life, but for once, her characters don't all speak with the same voice, and a delicately handled confrontation between Streep and her replacement (Audra McDonald) is a definite step in the right direction. Mamma mia, this Streep can rock, but unless under strict orders from the studio to sell soundtracks, there was no call for the drama to play second fiddle to the music. 2015. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Runner — A seemingly sedated Nicholas Cage returns to the fertile, febrile territory of the Crescent City, but fails to conjure up anything like the lunatic

FILM FESTIVALS

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The Storm Makers Guillaume Suron turns his lens on globalization and Cambodia's human trafficking underworld. This exposé traces modern-day slavery in Cambodia by uncovering the fate of a young woman slave and the parallel stories of two human traffickers. In Khmer with English subtitles. 2014. 66 minutes. PG-13. POV documentary with a discussion after the film. POV (“point of view”) is the longest-running showcase for independent nonfiction films on television, featuring 14-16 innovative documentaries every year on PBS. Padres home game. No free parking in the library parking garage. **Monday, August 17, 6:30pm**

Film Forum: The Heart of the Beholder

Based on a true story of a young couple who opened the first videocassette rental stores in St. Louis in the 1980s. When they offered *The Last Temptation of Christ*, the family was caught in the crosshairs of an extremist religious group, a corrupt prosecutor, and greedy businessmen. 2006. 106 minutes. Rated R. Two hours free parking with validation in the library parking garage. **Monday, August 24, 6:30pm**

CITY OF CARLSBAD DOVE LIBRARY

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Into the Wild Based on a true story. After graduating from Emory University, top student and athlete Christopher McCandless abandoned his possessions, gave his entire savings to charity, and hitchhiked to Alaska to live in the wilderness. Along the way, Christopher encounters a series of characters who shape his life. The Carlsbad Film Series takes place the last three Wednesdays of the month. 2007, R, 148 minutes. **Wednesday, August 19, 6:00pm**

Big Fish A son in attempts to learn more about his dying father pieces together the stories gathered over the years. The son winds up re-creating his father's life in a series of legends and myths inspired by the few facts he knows. Through these tales, he begins to understand his father's great feats and failings. The Carlsbad Film Series takes place the last three Wednesdays of the month. 2003, PG-13, 125 minutes. **Wednesday, August 26, 6:00pm**

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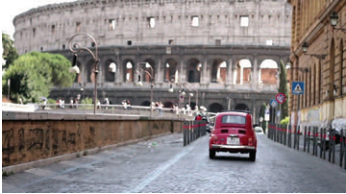
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Julian Film Festival Emmy-nominated documentary *Breaking Point* by award-winning documentary producer Bill Wisneski spotlights a critical water issue and a potential crisis in Southern California with the Salton Sea and the Colorado River Basin. *OR-7, The Journey* by filmmaker Clemens Schenk depicts the

importance of wildlife corridors in Northern California/Oregon and the plight of grey wolves. **Saturday, August 22, 10:30am**

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Italy: Love It or Leave It Luca and Gustav are two young Italians have witnessed the exodus of many of their friends to Berlin, London, or Barcelona — creative, talented people who don't see a future in their country. They're fed up with the high cost of living, no job security, the feudal university system, reactionary attitudes, and indifference to human rights, the clear sense that you don't get anywhere just on merit. Gustav believes the time has come for them to go abroad, too, while Luca wants to convince him that there are many good reasons to stay, that Italy is full of passionate and committed people who every day carry on a silent battle to change things for the better. **Thursday, August 13, 7:00pm**

MARINA VIEW PARK

900 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista

Splash Splash screens for the Port of San Diego's Friday Flix by the Bay series. Music and giveaways from KISS-FM, other activities and concessions begin at 6:30 pm, movie begins at dusk. **Friday, August 21, 6:30pm**

MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM

1439 El Prado, Balboa Park
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Genius Friday Nights: Day with Thornton Dial Sr This summer, kick off your Friday nights at the museum. Enjoy a different award-winning documentary film each week in addition to wine, beer, food, and extended hours in the galleries. Each week's film will focus on a

different self-taught artist, some featured in the museum's current exhibition *Self-Taught Genius* from the American Folk Art Museum in New York City. This week's films: *Day with Thornton Dial Sr.* and *Ralph Fasanella's America*. Thornton Dial, sometimes called Buck Dial, creates sculptural objects and large assemblages using found objects. **Friday, August 14, 5:00pm**

MISSION VALLEY LIBRARY

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Film Forum: Touch of Evil A pair of newlyweds (Charlton Heston and Janet Leigh) become embroiled in a murky maze of corruption in a Mexican border town. Dazzling camerawork and a superb Henry Mancini score highlight Orson Welles's last film as a Hollywood director. 1958. 111 minutes. Discussion after the film.

NORTH UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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La Grande Bouffe (The Big Feast) In this 1973 award-winning French-Italian film with Marcello Mastroianni, four gourmet friends rent a chateau. If you ever thought about how it would be to eat yourself to death, this will amuse and entertain you. Part of the Hemlock Society's Right to Die film series. **Sunday, August 16, 1:00pm**

PACIFIC BEACH LIBRARY

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My Fair Lady Watch a film on the PB Library's big screen that has been adapted from a book. August's selection is *My Fair Lady*, based on George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*. **Friday, August 21, 2:00pm**

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Film Forum: Life Partners Susanna Fogel's breezy directorial debut features Leighton Meester and Gillian Jacobs as Sasha and Paige, two young women at the crossroads. Their close, codependent friendship has kept them out of the dating world, but when Paige becomes serious with Tim (Adam Brody), the nature of their longtime bond dramatically shifts. 2014. 93 minutes. Rated R. Free admission, free parking, free popcorn. **Tuesday, August 18, 6:00pm**

Film Forum: Danny Collins Forty years ago, an undelivered letter from John Lennon could have changed his life, but he just got it today. Dan Fogelman's journey is infused with Lennon's music. An aging rock icon (Al Pacino), wrestling with his demons, decides to change course and rediscover family, his purpose, and begin a second act. 2015. 106 minutes. Rated

R. Free admission, free parking, free popcorn. **Tuesday, August 25, 6:00pm**

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Film Forum: Shadow of a Doubt Hitchcock brings a bumper crop of shivers to this folksy thriller about the dark shadows within the heart of small-town America. A world-wise adventurer (Joseph Cotton) insinuates himself into his sister's family and local community. All is well, until someone mentions the Merry Widow Murders. 1942. 108 minutes. Rated PG. Discussion after the film. **Wednesday, August 19, 7:00pm**

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Silent Movie Night: For Heaven's Sake

Scottish theatre organist Donald MacKenzie of London's Odeon Theatre will perform a live soundtrack for San Diego High School graduate Harold Lloyd in *For Heaven's Sake* (1926).

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WOMEN'S MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA

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Vessel Women Occupy San Diego invites you to view the true adventures of a young doctor who lived by the sea who had an unlikely idea. Rebecca Gomperts, horrified by the realities created by anti-abortion law around the world, felt compelled to challenge this. Her project, Women on Waves, begins as flawed spectacle, a media frenzy faced with governmental, religious, and military blockades. **Wednesday, August 26, 6:30pm**

magic of *Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call New Orleans*. Instead, he tepidly plays a tainted southern politician (is there any other kind?) with a nascent principled streak, a dormant drinking problem, and a rampant...well, you know. In the immediate aftermath of the Deepwater Horizon disaster, he makes a speech that has folks talking about him for the Senate, but his refusal of funding from Big Oil and his own bad habits force him down a longer, harder, more tedious path to the fulfillment of his political promise (if not quite his political promises). It might could have been something dark and delicious (Peter Fonda as grumpy Dad!), but the amateur direction, plodding plot progression, and sappy score doom this one to the crummy side of the awesomely bifurcated Cage Collection. 2015. — M.L. ● (READING GASLAMP)

Southpaw — *Rocky III*'s rebuilding-the-champ drama meets *Cinderella Man*'s Daddy struggles, with a dash of *The Fighter*'s neighborhood grit and some Eminem on the soundtrack for the beefcake training montage. A cut Jake Gyllenhaal (so, so good in last year's *Nightcrawler*) does a lot of quality mush-mouthed mumbling as a punched-up boxer who relies on his wife (Rachel McAdams) to do the brainwork, but it's director Antoine Fuqua who has bitten off more than he can chew with this overstuffed, faintly ludicrous fight pic. See, Billy Hope is the light heavyweight champion of the world — except he's never learned to block a punch. Instead, he takes the hits until they set him off, and then goes nuts and lowers the boom. See also: his life outside the ring. But when tragedy strikes, he'll have to find a new approach. Will it be through his court-mandated anger-management counselor? Or perhaps instead, the half-blind proprietor/sensei of an inner city gym (Forest Whitaker), who spends his time trying to help troubled youth, and who just happened to train the one man who ever beat Hope? Gyllenhaal gives his all, but he can't make this one a winner. 2015. — M.L. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Stanford Prison Experiment — In 1971, Stanford professor Philip Zimbardo decided to investigate “how an institution affects individual behavior” by hiring a bunch of students to portray guards and prisoners in a mock prison. This is the story of that, albeit in well-acted, fictionalized form. The goings-on “inside” are queasily fascinating at first, as the “guards” adjust to their role as protocol-driven overlords. (Nearly every-

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one requested prisoner status, since “no one likes guards,” and roles were assigned by coin flip.) One in particular decides to go full *Cool Hand Luke* and embarks on a master class in petty sadism. (He’s able to get remarkable psyche-warfare mileage from simply having the “prisoners” line up and sound off their ID numbers to his satisfaction.) The film works hard to keep up the suspense: how far will the guards go? How much can the prisoners take? At what point, if any, will Zimbardo and his team intervene? And is his experiment scientific? Objective? Humane? Worthwhile? The answers range from mildly alarming to murky to ambiguous to unsatisfying, which may indicate an admirable regard for both

the historical record and human psychology, but makes for an oddly enervating experience. 2015. — M.L. ★★ (LAND-MARK HILLCREST)

Straight Outta Compton — The story of gangsta rap pioneers NWA. Review forthcoming at *sandiegoreader.com*. 2015 (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Stung — Giant wasps invade a party of huge WASPS. 2015 (DIGITAL GYM)

Terminator Genisys — Sci-fi franchise reset that grafts a new storyline onto the 1984 original tale of a murderous cyborg (Arnold Schwarzenegger) sent back

through time to kill Sarah Connor, eventual mother of the revolution against our future machine overlords. The result looks like, oh I dunno, a 67-year-old skinjacket sagging off the skull-plate of an outdated T-800 Terminator. It strives mightily to make up what it lacks in humanity (leads Jai Courtney and Emilia Clarke are almost as mechanical as the actual robots) with jokes, bad rom-com dynamics, and a great deal of punching and shooting. There’s some nifty time-travel talk, some brief bits about fate vs. freedom, and a half-hearted attempt to connect the danger of anti-human AI to our increased entanglement with technology. But the film knows that what it’s really selling is nostalgia: for

Arnold’s first, gigantic appearance; for the liquid-metal menace of Terminator 2’s T-1000; for the time-loop love of Sarah and Reese. Everything else is talking and explosions. With J.K. Simmons as welcome, underplayed comic relief. 2015. — M.L. ★ (AMC MISSION VALLEY; REGAL MIRA MESA)

Tom at the Farm — Bullies are becoming as prevalent on art-house screens as superheroes are in multiplexes. A felt pen scribbling a jagged suicide farewell across a cocktail napkin sets the perfect note of tension for this homoerotic thriller. Tom (writer-director Xavier Dolan) journeys to the cow farm owned by his late (and closeted) lover’s clueless mother Lise (Lise Roy) and overly protective, homophobic “brother-in-law” Francis (Pierre-Yves Cardinal), there to pay an unexpected condolence call. Initially held captive against his will, Tom gradually begins to take a shine to Francis’s violent sexual advances and assumes a regular seat at the dinner table. Does the blood on Tom’s hands belong to a newborn calf, or did he decide to put a permanent end to this peculiar brand of rough trade? It’s off-kilter moments like this that make Tom’s stay a thrill to watch, until a groggy resolution causes the high Hitchcockian bar it sets to come crashing down. 2013. S.M. ★★ (DIGITAL GYM)

Trainwreck — If you’re a fan of “Oh no she din’t!” sex talk/antics and grade-A deadpanning from basketball superstar LeBron James, you’re in for a treat. Otherwise, this is a deeply lazy and sentimental raunch comedy from director Judd Apatow and writer-star Amy Schumer. Basically, a marshmallow covered with bodily fluids. Lazy: characters who are little more than gag bags, e.g., a barely repressed gay bodybuilder boyfriend who also dreams of marriage and family with our heroically promiscuous heroine, a 16-year-old Mama’s boy intern who’s also deep into S and cross-gender roleplay. Lazier: characters who are pure cliché: dopey bro-in-law, bitchy ladyboss, suburban momster. Sentimental: claiming that the same Dad who incessantly cheated on Mom and so destroyed their marriage was also the greatest Dad, who always made you feel loved and important. More sentimental: the narrative treatment of a damaged party girl dealing with the terrifying gift of true, unconditional, grownup love. 2015. — M.L. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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South Park on August 5, after neighborhood residents used a location-based social media website, *Nextdoor.com*, to raise alerts about the crimes and disseminate a description of the suspect.

Several posts and dozens of responses related to bike theft were shared on the website in July, one including a photograph taken of a suspect while he trespassed a neighbor's fenced backyard.

A Central Division detective sergeant investigating the thefts confirmed that the arrested suspect had been apprehended thanks to a neighbor who was jogging through the neighborhood, spotted the suspect, and reported his whereabouts to police.

While the frequency of bike thefts reported on *NextDoor.com* went up in July, the detective said the overall number bike thefts in the area has actually been consistent. "We get certain arrests, but unfortunately they don't stay in custody very long," citing last year's passage of Proposition 47, which reduced nonviolent property crimes such as bike theft to a misdemeanor.

IAN ANDERSON



Proposed Virginia Avenue Transit Center is scheduled to open in the summer of 2016

SAN YSIDRO

Ready for a TJ walking trip? Border entry to get final touches

On August 6, the General Services Administration gave an update to about 20 community members at The Front art gallery about the ongoing reconfiguration of the San Ysidro Land Port of Entry.

The General Services Administration completed phase one of construction in December 2014, which included an expanded number of northbound vehicle processing lanes. Phase two will include restoration of the Customs

House, a building erected in 1932 and currently on the National Register of Historic Sites. It will accommodate six northbound pedestrian processing booths. A realignment of Interstate 5 will be part of phase three, and both phases should be completed by 2019.

San Ysidro, however, will already receive a Pedestrian West Facility and a Virginia Avenue Transit Center in summer 2016. Located adjacent to the Las Americas Outlet Mall, the General Services Administration unveiled designs for the Pedestrian West Facility back in May 2014. At the time, community mem-



General Services Administration's Land Port of Entry program manager Anthony Kleppe

bers said it looked like a "road stop bathroom." The administration presented the same design at the Front, this time without public comment. The Pedestrian West facility will have ten northbound and two reversible pedestrian inspection booths.

The General Services Administration also unveiled the new transit center artist renderings, which will accommodate four buses, ten taxis, 18 parking-only vehicles, and five pedicabs.

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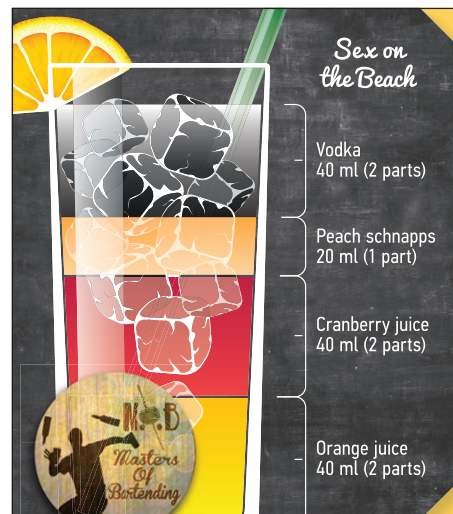
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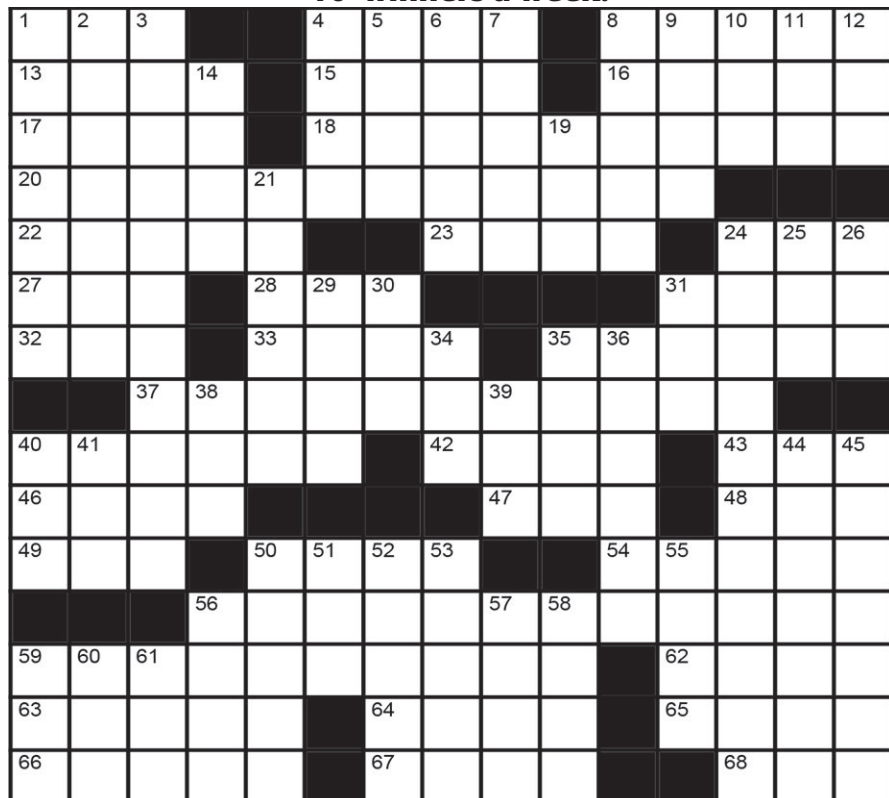
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Across

1. "The Big Bang Theory" character from India
4. 1958 Best Picture winner that becomes 6-Down when a letter is added to its title
8. King or queen
13. Arrow-shooting Greek god
15. Like many Keats poems
16. Replies to an invite
17. Cutting remark
18. "Your Movie Sucks" author
20. In a 1952 novel, he wrote "I am invisible ... simply because people refuse to see me"
22. "You're ____ talk!"
23. Gadget's rank in cartoons: Abbr.
24. Wray of "King Kong"
27. Young ____ (kids)
28. Smash hits: Abbr.
31. Way in or out
32. ____ de deux
33. Home of Waikiki Beach
35. Taxing times?
37. Barack Obama's first White House Chief of Staff
40. Curtain call chorus
42. Woody's odor
43. PC key
46. Running ____
47. Roseanne's husband on "Roseanne"
48. Las Vegas block?
49. Gift shop buy
50. Speed-of-sound name
54. "... and ____ a good-night!"
56. TV journalist who wrote "War Journal: My Five Years in Iraq"

59. Tennis legend who won 12 Grand Slam singles titles in the 1960s
62. "Pleeeeeease?"
63. Cara of "Fame"
64. "____ jungle out there"
65. Morse code taps
66. Still-in-development apps
67. Utters
68. Fanatic

Down

1. Prepare for a fresh start ... or a hint to this puzzle's theme
2. First name in online news
3. Economist's concern
4. Reason for an R rating
5. One with millions of followers
6. 2003 film bomb that becomes 4-Across when a letter is subtracted from its title
7. Trap during winter, perhaps
8. Before surgery, informally
9. 978-0553213119, for "Moby-Dick"
10. New Year's ____
11. Some chest-pounding, briefly
12. Contractor's fig.
14. Back-to-sch. time
19. Online news aggregation inits.
21. Jolly Green Giant's outburst
24. "Curses! I never win!"
25. Owner of Moviefone
26. There are 100 in one cent.
29. Crashes into

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LEAD STORY

— “This will be upsetting,” cautioned Justice Robert Graesser, addressing jurors in February in the Edmonton, Alberta, murder trial of Brad Barton. At issue was the cause of the victim’s having bled to death from her genitals, and the judge, ruling that jurors would benefit by inspecting the actual wound, admitted the vagina itself (not a photograph) into evidence. The organ had been removed for autopsy and preserved, and the chief medical examiner donned rubber gloves and pointed out to jurors how “clean” the wound was (suggesting a sharp object), rather than the rougher, “scraping” wound that would have been created in other ways, such as by impalement. (At press time, the trial was still in progress.)

News You Can Use

— Researchers from Cornell University, inspired by the book *World War Z*, recently computer-simulated the spread of a “zombie apocalypse” — and now advise the anxiety-prone to head for higher ground if infections break out, recommending Glacier National Park in Montana or, even better, Alaska. Using differential equations and “lattice-based” models, the statisticians demonstrated that infections would slow dramatically as fewer people became available to bite (but that, ultimately, we’re all doomed). The state most quickly wiped out? New Jersey.

Legislators’ War on Science

— Nevada assemblywoman Michele Fiore told a radio audience in February that she would soon introduce a bill reforming end-of-life pro-

cedures for terminally ill cancer patients, such as administering baking soda intravenously to “flush out” the cancer “fungus.” Before her election in 2013, she was CEO of Always There Personal Care of Nevada (which she describes as being “in the healthcare industry”). (Bonus: Fiore blames her accountant for the company’s reported \$1 million in IRS tax liens; the accountant is her ex-husband.)

— In February, Idaho state representative Vito Barbieri, at a hearing on a proposed bill to ban doctors from prescribing abortion-inducing medications via remote telecommunication, asked expert witness Dr. Julie Madsen about one alternative he had in mind: Couldn’t a woman just swallow a small camera, he asked, and then have doctors “conduct” a remote gynecological exam on her? Dr. Madsen quickly reminded Rep. Barbieri that “swallowed” things do not end up in that part of a woman’s body.

Breaking Bad

— For Arthur Mondella, 57, a successful marshino cherry supplier in Brooklyn, New York, the inspection by the district attorney’s office in February was to be routine, concerning possible pollution of local waters from discharges of cherry syrup. Mondella was cooperative until the investigator discovered odd shelving “attached” to a wall with magnets, revealing a “secret” room, and then the smell of marijuana — at which point Mondella calmly left the room and shot himself in the head. Ultimately, police found that the 75-year-old company was merely a side business to Mondella’s substantial marijuana-growing operation in the basement.

Our Next Delicate Generation

— Several University of Iowa students requested, and received, special “exceptions from” or “assistance with” classwork, including exams, after complaining of stress and a “loss of focus” caused by the appearance of a Ku Klux Klan statue on campus in December.

— As alleged de-facto policy at Avalon Elementary School in Orlando, Florida, officials last year prohibited toilet-flushing during the statewide Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test. It was thought, an official said, that the whooshing water sounds from nearby bathrooms would disturb the students (and send their scores, according to an *Orlando Sentinel* reporter, “spiraling down the drain”).

Cavalcade of Rednecks

— A 37-year-old man and two female companions were charged in February with stealing tailgates from nine trucks in the Orlando area. (Their spree ended when, noticing that a club owner had offered a reward on Facebook for his branded tailgate, the three tried to sell it back to him but botched the transaction.)

— The driver of an empty car-carrying truck pulled off the Bishop Ford Freeway near Calumet City, Illinois, in February after he heard a calamitous sound and felt the trailer shaking violently. It turns out Asa Cole, 23, speeding and following too closely, had inadvertently driven his pickup truck up the low-hanging tracks of the trailer and come to a stop only inches away from the cab. Said the carrier driver, “Is this *Dukes of Hazzard* or something?” Cole was cited for several violations.

Least Competent Criminals

— Aleksander Tomaszewski, 33, was convicted of filing a false police report after a January incident in Lane County, Oregon, when he claimed police had beaten him up in his cell after his arrest for stalking and sexual abuse. Tomaszewski’s face evidenced a beating, but he was obviously unaware of the surveillance camera, which revealed that, over a four-minute period, Tomaszewski (alone in his cell) had punched himself in the face 45 times to create the “police” attack.

Armed & Clumsy

— More Americans who were unable to keep from accidentally shooting themselves: A Macon, Georgia, man checked into a hospital with a gunshot wound to his genitals (June). Another man wounded himself and another person with the same bullet; the round went through his hand and both legs of his female companion (Elkhart, Indiana, July). Peter Bonfiglio, 27, shot himself in the foot but blamed a “robber” — the second time he had shot himself and then blamed a “robber” (Port Charlotte, Florida, June). And then there are those who will never shoot themselves again: a 79-year-old hunter in Indiana, Pennsylvania (December); the son, 49, of a former sheriff in Chattanooga, Tennessee (June); and a St. Joseph, Michigan, woman, 55 (who shot herself in the face in February while adjusting her bra holster).

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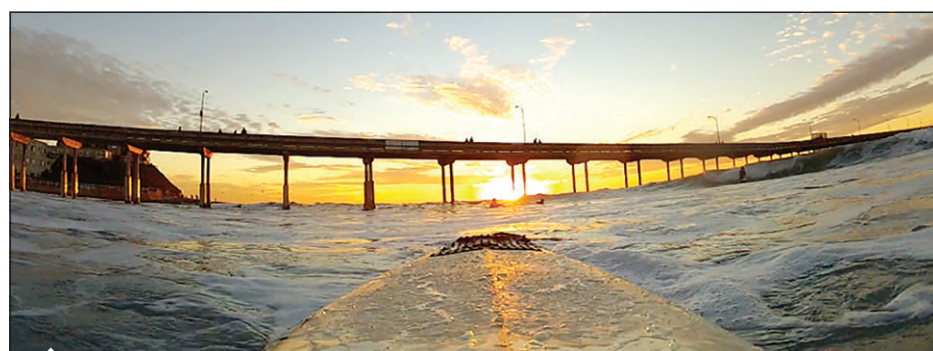


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in that crime. Chuck is actually talking about a watch list of people who they think may be *capable* of a crime.

So, what Chuck is saying is that anyone capable of crime should be stripped of their constitutional rights without due process until they can prove their innocence — of a crime that has not been committed.

This is the type of thing I would expect to read living under Stalin or Mao.

Leon Lamb
East Village

Puzzling

Re: Letters: "Getting Thinner," August 6

I know the reason the paper's getting thinner. A lot of people can't read it! The print is so little that, if you're over 50, you won't be able to read the puzzles, for instance.

Name Withheld
Clairemont

Not Legal in the UK

I was breastfeeding my daughter in the early hours of the morning when I came across your article on pit bulls. By the title, I assumed it would be an article about irresponsible owners who buy (not adopt) pit bull puppies thinking they're cute, and then get rid of them as they get bigger because they didn't realize the responsibility that comes with owning such a large dog.

Imagine my surprise

when I learned that, in fact, it was a ludicrously outdated pit bull-hate piece, akin to something found on *dogs-bite.org*, the most biased anti-pit bull (and large dogs in general) website I have seen. In fact, the author even used this website as a scientific source, when a fair bit of research would have given him genuine facts. Although, why would he do that, when the facts wouldn't back him up quite as well?

I could sit here, a proud "pit bull" owner (pit bulls are not legal in the UK, and the term pit bull — whilst still encompassing a type, as in the States — is a lot more specific and regards dogs which resemble American pit bull terriers, not my Staffordshire bull terrier or Rottweiler/American bulldog mix, which are therefore legal to have), breastfeeding my child and quote statistics at you, but I get the feeling statistics aren't going to matter here.

I could tell you about the time my Staffy was attacked by a Labrador, but that won't persuade you of anything. I could tell you about the amount of times my "bulldog" has been attacked and growled at by Jack Russells, Chihuahuas, and various small breeds, resulting in fear aggression. I could explain dog behavior, but I won't because the quality of journalism in your published article is nonexistent, and why would an editor who chooses to publish such an article, have any regard

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LETTERS

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for fact and journalistic research?

Had your article actually been, as I first assumed, about bad dog owners and their mistreatment of pit bulls, a much maligned and misunderstood "breed" or type, you would have had a new reader. Bad owners really are a big issue in the dog world, as evidenced by your anecdote in which the dog was attacked on the beach. I would be livid and devastated if the same happened to my dogs, and I would've probably sued, and violence may have occurred (wrongly, of course) if I would've had to tell the ter-

rible owner to put her dog on a lead. People like her, with her cropped-ear dogs, set back the movement to disprove daft myths every day. I apologize to the dog owner on behalf of all pit bull owners.

However, I would tell her, and your author, to spend time with some pit bulls. Mine are currently in the bed as I feed my daughter. I am teaching them the command "watch the baby" so they continue to feel loved, wanted and useful. Any dog can be good or bad. My Staffy is the most social dog I have ever seen, even after he was attacked by a Labrador at a young age. Their doggy best friends are a mastiff and a boxer. By the tone of the article, those dogs, too, wouldn't be trusted.

The vitriol in a poorly researched article is aimed in the wrong place. Aim it

at the bad owners, at the people who buy a powerful dog without realizing the training involved (whether that dog be a pit bull or a St. Bernard).

I am truly sorry about the author's cat, but that could have happened with any dog. The author should aim his hatred at dogs in general. Would he have written a hate-piece if the cat had been killed by a Spaniel?

I would urge your editors to proofread the pieces your journalists submit to check that their sources are credible. I would urge the author to widen his spectrum of research other than an opinionated site which supports his views. I don't expect to see such bad journalism these days and, if I were you, I would be disappointed and ashamed. I expect my letter won't be the only one you receive on this subject. I hope that the

letters from the intelligent owners actually make your attention.

What is better in life, especially as a news editor, then to educate ourselves? That is, with science and not just anecdotal evidence.

Sophie Bolton (Holmes)
United Kingdom

Let the Dialogue Continue

I write this letter as someone who had the most dramatically intimate experience of my life with a pit bull named Jesse. In the mid-'80s I moved into a building in Oakland. My window opened to a large roof where Jesse lived for ten years. His deceased owner had lived across the roof; the family still took care of Jesse. Jesse gravitated to my window, and we got to know each other very well. Jesse was old, mellow, very lovable, and very big. I was told that people in the neighborhood were scared of him, so he had not left his roof domain since his original owner died. He was well cared for,

and seemed content.

One day a fellow who was visiting a neighbor decided that Jesse needed to have a walk in the neighborhood. He took Jesse out with a leash. The first dog Jesse saw was an elderly mongrel who was the lifelong pet of a minister around the corner. Jesse lost no time in pulling free of his leash, running across the street, and clamping his jaws into the chest of the minister's dog. A crowd gathered and tried to pull Jesse off. The minister grabbed a rifle from his house and shot Jesse several times. Jesse held on. (It had been a rough neighborhood; that's why Jesse's owner original bought him, and that's why the old minister had a rifle.)

Someone came running to get me, because they knew I was close to him. I took a handgun with me when I heard what was going on. When I got to the scene, the crowd was literally speaking in tongues. The minister still had the rifle aimed at Jesse. I called to Jesse, and he came

to me right away. I sat down and Jesse sat in my lap. He would not take his eyes off the terrified minister, who was still aiming the gun at us.

If this sounds like a dream, or a nightmare, that's how it felt, but it was real. Jesse was gushing blood everywhere, but he still faced the minister with his sad eyes wide open. It was very clear that Jesse was going to die. I hugged him close, said goodbye, put the revolver to his head, and pulled the trigger. Jesse died looking right in my eyes, and I cried. I loved that dog. I told the minister that Jesse couldn't hurt anyone any more, and he finally lowered his rifle.

I'm no dog expert. I had a wonderful black lab back in the early '70s. A friend once asked me to take care of his pit bull puppy years ago, and I did, from when he was young enough to fit in my shoe until he was six months old. What a sweetheart that puppy was. My experience with Jesse gave me pause. I loved him. I knew the depth of his intelligence and his strength was inspiring. The guy who took him for a walk was a jerk. But Jesse flipped in an instant when he was taken out of his routine. He was deadly. He ripped that dog's chest in half. Yet he died with tender resignation in his eyes. I remember him with love, although people were not wrong to be terrified of him.

I understand the devotion that pit bull owners have to their pets, but I was sorry to see so many nasty posts by pit bull owners regarding the original *Reader* article. I understand why they object to pit bulls being singled out, or profiled. I also understand why people want to discuss what our society should do to regulate powerful, potentially deadly dogs whose owners may not know how to handle them. It's not an easy issue. I say let the dialogue continue, and I'm glad the *Reader* published the story.

Richard
Mira Mesa

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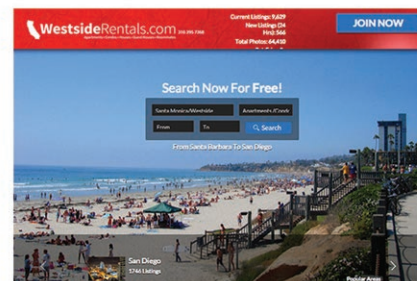
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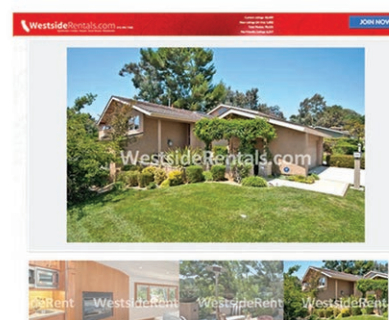
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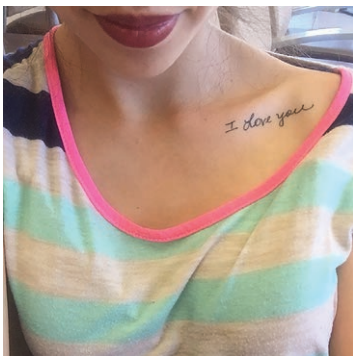
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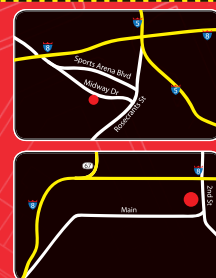
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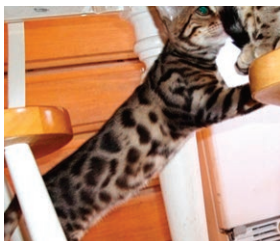
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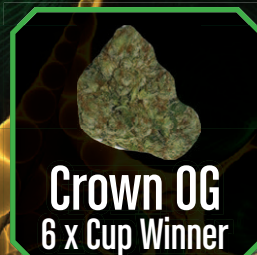
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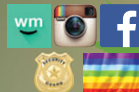
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