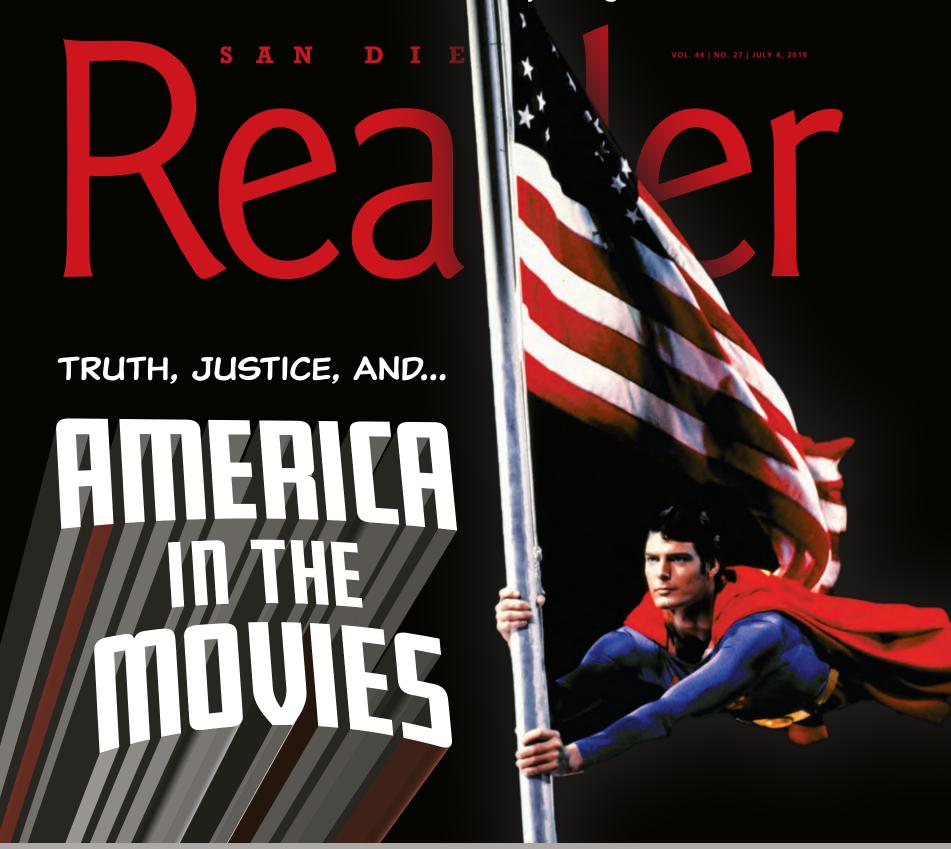
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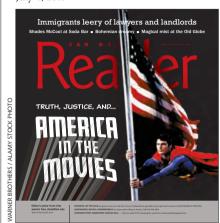
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NEWS TICKER

By Reader staff writers

Maienschein, Sara Jacobs, Sempra push San Diego **Democrats way ahead**

\$220,974 in first half of 2019 compared

to the GOP's \$83,950

An ex-Republican politico, a super-rich heiress with future office in mind, a giant power company, a Beverly Hills outfit seeking to preserve its **lucrative Mission Bay lease**hold, and lots of labor unions have helped keep the local **Democratic Party well ahead** of its traditionally better-monied GOP rival as the end of 2019's first half nears.

Preliminary fundraising disclosure data maintained by the California Secretary of State's office show that as of June 21 local Democrats have so far collected \$220,974 in so-called late and \$5000-plus contributions since January, compared to the GOP's \$83.950.

The Democrats' stash got a boost by the March 20 infusion of \$15,000 from newly-minted Democratic Assemblyman Brian Maien-

schein, reviled by the GOP for deserting Republican ranks in January.

Last November, incumbent Maienschein nearly fell to Democratic challenger Sunday Gover, whose well-funded campaign on Facebook invoked the specter of president **Donald Trump.**

"It's simple: A vote for Republican Brian Majenschein is a vote for Trump," said one Democratic pitch, "Majenschein and Trump are wrong on health care, wrong on the environment and wrong for San Diego."

Added another: "Brian Maienschein isn't serving us — he's scamming us. While San Diego went broke, Maienschein schemed to get himself a taxpayer-funded city pension at age 39."

Before he signed up with the Democrats. Maienschein's 2018 reelection committee gave the San Diego County Republican Party \$22,500 during the second half of 2018, records show.

The most recent filing for the ex-Republican's 2018 campaign fund shows an ending cash balance of \$839,910 as of the end of the year. The fate of that money won't be revealed until the next disclosure deadline at the end of July.

On May 21, Sara Jacobs, the young

heiress to part of the Qualcomm fortune of her grandfather Irwin Jacobs, kicked in \$15,000 for the Democrats. Having lost

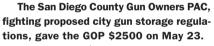
last year's primary campaign to replace

departing GOP House member Darrell Issa, she is said to weighing future political opportunities here.

Sempra Energy, facing a continued battle to keep its local power distribution monopoly intact, gave Democrats \$10,000 on June 5, the disclosures show. Campland, LLC, lobbying hard against environmentalists to preserve its lucrative resort lease on San Diego's Mission Bay, contributed \$5000 on March 15.



ered \$25,000 on May 28.



Sempra gave \$5000 on May 8.

Matt Potter



Slow votes vie with cybersecurity

It's being pitched as the latest voting reform elixir, widely adopted by counties across the country, but a call for proposals to create and operate a so-called electronic voting book system for the San Diego County Registrar of Voters comes amidst rising questions about costs, reliability, and security against Russian hackers.

"The Electronic Poll Book system eliminates manual voter lookup, promoting shorter check-in queues with better and immediate alerts for staff or voter guidance," says the county's June 26 request for proposals, kicking off a solicitation for services from would-be vendors set to close July 25.

"The Electronic Poll Book system will decrease the time it takes to manually

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Leery of lawyers, landlords, reporters

Community Law Project aids immigrant renters

By Thom Senzee

f your apartment's plumbing won't stop backing up, your landlord is abusive, or you're stuck with a troublesome tenant in a modest rental unit you've managed to buy, you may already know Ted Janowsky or Becky Levine.

"We work with the very large East African population in City Heights," says Levine, a supervising attorney at California Western School of Law's Community Law Project. "There's also the Karen community from Burma who we work with, as well as refugees from other areas of Africa - of course the Somali community and Sudanese are also part of our program — and we help people from Guatemala and parts of Central America and Mexico."

Focusing in part by

design on refugee communities, Community Law Project ensures renters have an understanding of lar — within immigrant and refugee communities to find where and what legal issues are hurting newcomers to San Diego. A frequently treacherous rental market even for native-born renters, the local rental arena is a place where landlords are generally believed to rule.

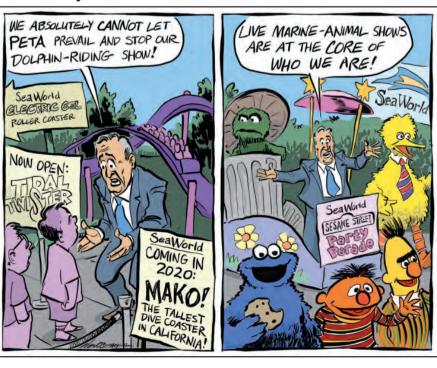
San Diego's Sudanese, Somali, Haitian, Central American and other communities are constantly re-



Becky Levine, a supervising attorney with California Western School of Law's Community Law Project, says recent immigrants and refugees are "the most vulnerable people in the city."

their rights and responsibilities under the law. The work begins by reaching out to organizations — many religious, some secuinfused with fresh arrivals. Says Ted Janowsky, also one of Community Law Project's supervising attorneys, it's only by building trust with

Neal Obermeyer



leaders inside those communities that the Tenants Rights and Responsibilities program can be effective.

"That's not as easy as it may sound, as we're finding out," says Janowsky.

People seeking refuge and new beginnings for their families hear and see the same news as do people who were born in the U.S. They worry that, to some native-born Americans, people like them are less welcome today than they might have been in decades past.

While that news scares them, at the same time it also makes their community leaders fiercely protective of new arrivals — not only in regard to potentially abusive landlords, but lawvers and law students who want to help them, and — as I learned — the media.

Fear of asserting rights

"One of the biggest challenges we face in helping people with their legal rights is not that they don't understand their rights, but that they have a fear of even asserting them," Levine says. "We often hear a about problem a family is having with their landlord, and we'll see the solution. Maybe it's simply a matter of writing a letter on their behalf; but many times we'll hear, 'No, I don't want to do that, because I fear I will be kicked out and I won't be able find another home."

Given the difficulty of helping immigrant and refugee communities, why don't Janowsky, Levine, and their team of California Western law students simply focus on serving non-refugee communities in need? The answer to that question could be filed under, "to the mission be true."

"It sort of happens by default," Janowsky says. "Some of our funders are looking to help the most



The Community Law Project recently held a legal clinic at a local high school which they didn't want identified.

vulnerable people among us. If you go out to help the most vulnerable people in City Heights, it turns out some, a lot, are in fact immigrants or former refugees."

Janowsky and Levine met me at a community center in City Heights recently. (They asked me not to say which one.) The idea was for me to interview some of those vulnerable people. At this particular iteration of the renter's-rights clinic, they were mostly people originally from a country in East Africa. (Again, I was asked not the say which.) After surviving lifetimes in a region ravaged by war, famine, and terrorism, they're now navigating problems with their landlords or prospective landlords.

Community Law Project's new clients gathered on a hot, June day to get legal advice, but they didn't know there would be a reporter there. I looked forward to meeting some of them. Maybe I'd be able to shoot some photos, which given the beautiful, traditional clothing some wore, might have made for a lovely layout. I'd also have a chance to chat with some of the second-year law students Levine and Janowsky oversee as they consult with their refugee and immigrant clients.

But with a couple of texts messages, I found myself facing the same quandary the attorneys of California Western School of Law's Community Law Project say they've been experiencing lately when taking their legal clinics out into the community. Immigrants not only fear landlords, they worry about having their voices amplified by lawyers and in the media.

"I'm sorry you came all this way," Levine, who has come out of the building where tonight's clinic is set to happen, explains. "But I can't have you come in. They don't feel safe having the media here."

So I stand outside. One by one, I interview the attorneys and their interns. First up is a second-year law student named Shyam Patel.

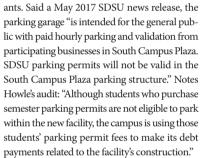
Language barriers

"It's just kind of shocking how some landlords take advantage of people who can't speak, read, or write English and rush them into signing an agreement that binds them," Patel says. "Rental applicants have the right to have a translator present. They've got to bring the translator — they can't ask the landlord to provide one, but they have that right. If they're talking in Spanish, then the landlord is obliged to provide a continued on page 25

UNDER THE RADAR

Qualcomm time bomb As the clock continues to tick on super-secret talks between San Diego mayor Kevin Faulconer and the California University System over turning over the city-owned stadium formerly known as

Qualcomm to San Diego State, a newly-released audit has cast a pall over the university's integrity. "Under a 2015 bond, San Diego State took on nearly \$900,000 in annual debt payments to finance a 300-space parking facility in a housing and retail development," says the June 20 report by California State Auditor Elaine Howle regarding SDSU's highend commercial redevelopment featuring Trader Joe's, Verizon, Eureka! and a bevy of other ten-



The report goes on to blast the school for misrepresenting student parking demand in order to justify the commercial center's parking charges. "San Diego State's transportation management plan indicates that although campuswide student parking was below practical capacity, some facili-

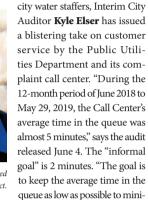
ties were completely full during peak times." In addition, auditors charge that university went out of its way to hide closeddoor development wheeling and dealing from students, the public, and local transit authorities. "Although state law requires alternate transportation committees to consult with students and local government officials, not all campuses required their committees to include representatives from these groups," says

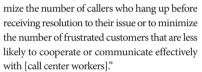
the document. "In practice, San Diego State generally has only parking and administrative staff serving on its committee."

The school also broke the law by failing to consult with city officials about burgeoning traffic and parking loads, per the audit. The secrecy has bled over into the wrangling for a sweetheart deal on the city-owned Mission Valley stadium acreage, with CSU refusing to release details of its lobbying arrangement with the high-dollar

downtown law and influence peddling firm of Sheppard Mullin.

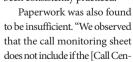
Water billing drips Following a storm of complaints about irregular billing by San Diego





Auditors found that call center employees may be biasing surveys intended to gauge their performance by "disproportionately offering the survey to customers who are more likely to have favorable responses." Says the report, "Our review of customer satisfaction data for one week in October 2018 showed overall favorable customer satisfaction results. However, the Call Center may not capture true customer sentiment, including the opinions of those with less than favorable experiences." The survey "is not offered in multiple languages, thereby limiting participation

from non-English speakers." In addition, "We found that Call Center management inconsistently monitors" those who answer the phones. "We found that while Call Center Supervisors are informally required to review six calls per [employee] on a biweekly basis, this has not been consistently practiced."



to be insufficient. "We observed Terra Lawson-Remer wants Kristin that the call monitoring sheet Gaspar's county supervisor seat. ter Representative] was able to resolve the customer's reason for calling, an important component of first call resolution."...Lobbyist and YIMBY Democrat Rachel Laing is back with another

political fundraiser, joining Democratic County

Supervisor **Nathan Fletcher** for a June 18 bash

to raise cash for Olga Diaz. The Escondido city councilwoman is taking on fellow Democrat Terra Lawson-Remer and Republican Kristin continued on page 25



SDSU's redevelopment project.



LETTERS

We welcome letters pertaining to the contents of the Reader. Submit them at sdreader.com/letters or phone them in at 619-235-3000. Include your name and neighborhood. Letters may be edited for length and clarity.

Mistold taco tale

In the article "Every taco tells a tale" (Taco Town, May 16, 2018), writer Chad Deal has El Borrego Restaurant listed as Deleted (no longer in business) caption next to it. As owner of El Borrego Restaurant we have been in business for over 16 years serving City Heights and frankly I'm hurt, and offended that there hasn't been a redaction. Business is tough enough we don't need the Reader telling San Diego we are out of business. Please make amends of the situation.

> Rondnia Attiq City Hieghts

Editor responds: Our sincere apologies. The error has been corrected.

Bread of seediness I am totally supportive of solving the homeless issue in anyway possible ("How to deal with Oceanside homeless," Neighborhood News, June 14). That said I strongly feel solving it should be shared by everyone, that is all the cities from Oceanside to La Jolla. Each town should have shelters, food banks, and support services, otherwise the one city that is in this case Oceanside will be inundated with homeless, and we have been, which is destroying years of work in improving the reputation of the town. The first time I came to Oceanside was about 1966. I brought a friend here to bail out her boyfriend. While I sat in front of the police station I was propositioned by two hookers and a guy selling pot. When I moved here in '91, most of the hookers were gone, and now the town has become a tourist spot, which I realize upon reading about a man from Rancho Santa Fe buying short-term rentals along the beach here. He is also buying homes for rehab uses. I doubt that there are any homes being used for rehab uses in Rancho Santa Fe, which is my point. Along with the NIMBY attitude about such facilities is also a blatant form of discrimination. In the meantime, Oceanside is backsliding. Some time ago I was forced to stop at Fire Mountain Liquor, speaking of blight, and I looked into the adjoining creek. Homeless have lived there under the adjacent bridge, and their waste, feces, and urine flow down to Buccaneer Beach. I wouldn't swim there anymore. I think its interesting that Bread of Life started in Carlsbad which I don't believe has any homeless facilities at this time. Will it take statewide legislation to require each city to have areas zoned for such uses?

> Robert Foster Oceanside

Festival's gone flat Has the San Diego Interna-

tional Beer festival jumped the shark? I recently attended this year's festival at the Del Mar County Fair, and what a disappointment it has turned out to be ("New generation brewers made noise this craft beer awards season," San Diego Beer News, June 21). There were 50% less beers available this year vs. last year, and it seemed like a lot of no-shows, as many of the table spaces were vacant. There were absolutely no rare beers offered, nor any special keg tappings, and only one international beer that I saw. There was also one hour less than last year, and only a handful of the medalwinning beers that won the competition. Ian Anderson gets to go to the real competition where the competitors submit over several hundred outstanding beers, while John Q Public only gets to sample the usual same beers found at most of the local beer festivals. This is one event that will no longer be on my list annual list of must go-to events. This green-eyed monster (me), truly wants to trade places with Ian Ander-

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By Reader stringers

VALLEY CENTER

Peacock danger on Cool Valley Road

Driver stops, offers help to bird owner

On June 20, at around 3:15 pm, Shirley saw white feathers scattered by the mailbox outside of her Valley Center farm.

"Oh no!" she said herself, "one of my peacocks has been hit."

She then found the bird lying in the middle of Cool Valley Road by Cole Grade Road, southwest of Highway 76.

"I scooped him up," Shirley said on a June 23 interview, "he was extremely dazed; couldn't hold his head up; and was breathing very hard. I didn't think he was going to make it."

As Shirley was loading her injured peacock into her car, she noticed that the driver that hit the peacock remained at the scene.

"She was visibly upset and apologetic," Shirley said.

The two parted ways, and after about 30 minutes, the driver who hit the peacock posted in part on Facebook: "I feel terrible I didn't even see it before I hit it.... I don't know how bad he is. If you are the lady I spoke with that took him to care for him, please let me know if he makes it. I feel so bad



"Where the white peahens at?"

mented under the post and many commended her for stopping and offering to help Shirley with the vet bills.

"His legs are scraped and there is blood under one wing," Shirley responded in part underneath the driver's post. "He is still alive, now walking, and his breathing is back to normal. I don't know about internal injuries but he seems to be okay. Thank you all for your concern and thank you [the driver] for caring."

Shirley has raised a few peacocks since 2009; she has a degree in zoology from UC Davis and has "extensive" exposure to veterinary procedures. "[Although,] my expertise is in raising thoroughbred race horses," she said.

Shirley's white peacock is leucistic, which is a rare condition that causes a reduction in the normally blue-green-brown pigmentation of the feathers on the birds' body.



Shirley has raised a few peacocks since 2009.

and shaken by this. If he needs help or a vet please private message me so I can do what I can for him. I'm terribly sorry."

I reached out to the driver for an interview, but she didn't reply; 65 others com-

Shirley added that hers wasn't the only white peacock in the area. "There was a visiting white peacock from another muster in the area that was hit and killed," she says.

"I think drivers should slow down on

Cool Valley Road," Shirley suggests, "it's not a main street like Cole Grade Road or Valley Center Road, and if one can't see a 5-6 foot peacock, they aren't going to see a child. This is not directed at the driver who hit my peacock; the peacock was in a blind spot on the road and the driver was truly apologetic — it was just an accident."

From spring into early summer, peacocks are said to gather with other peacocks and take part in mating rituals by dancing, displaying their train, and squawking in order to attract the peahens.

MIKE MADRIAGA

not a through route for a tractor with a 53' trailer. I wouldn't take one down there, and I am local and know the road: the corners are much too tight to make it through without going off the side as it happened."

The trailer had a DFS/DanFreight.com company logo on the rear. When I pulled up the trucking company's website, it was in the French language and based out of Quebec, Canada.

I reached out to Augie, the original poster of the stranded DFS truck-and-trailer photos; he agreed to talk but as of presstime wasn't able to respond to my questions. He did caption his photos which read in part: "The signs are apparently too small and need to be written in Spanish as well so there aren't any excuses!!! Someone is gonna get killed."

Another Valley Center resident agreed with Augie that some of the diesel truck drivers "speak Spanish"; another said "the driver was Russian and did not speak English



Thanks, GPS.

VALLEY CENTER

I-15 and CA-76 work-arounds don't always work

Lilac Road turns into a dirt road at the Indian reservation

On June 17, Leslie G. saw photos of a

stranded semi truck and trailer on the opposite side of the road by her Valley Center home.

"The truck got stuck near Pala Loma Drive and Lilac Road," Leslie said to me, "Lilac turns into a dirt road because the land is owned by the reservation on that side going towards the CA-76."

If the I-15 or CA-76 are congested, some drivers are automatically rerouted via GPS to back roads.

Lisa H. is a truck driver and former letter carrier that's well versed with the Valley Center windy roads. "The driver should not have even been there," she said. "That is verv well."

"This is sort if thing is becoming way too common," Augie continued. "The other day I was coming home on the tight "twisties" as we call them and was almost headered by a rig with a trailer. When I put my hand

up like "what are you doing?" he got mad like he does it all the time."

Leslie said that she's "never even noticed the 'No Trucks' or 'No Semis' signs" although "[even] standard box trucks have problems here because the roads are narrow winding roads."

Leslie then linked me to videos of two other stranded semis that couldn't make a turn on West Lilac Road.

Lisa feels bad for her fellow truckers that get stuck in her part of town. "It's really easy to make mistakes in a semi and very hard

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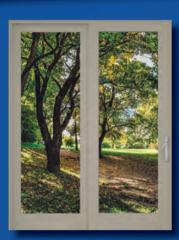






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to correct them a lot of the time."

"If [the stranded semi driver was] following GPS routing on his phone through Google maps or something like that, those routes are mapped for cars, not rigs and trailers. Even a trucking GPS can steer you in the wrong direction. Sometimes when you focus on one part of it, you can miss the ['No Semi Trucks'] signs easily.

Other Valley Center residents commented that if the I-15 or CA-76 are congested, some drivers are automatically rerouted via GPS to their backroads.

"I know we (truck drivers) can use Cole Grade Road, Valley Center Road, and Lake Wohlford Road," Lisa said, "and if you don't know how Lilac Road and Old Castle Road connect, it would be an easy mistake to make."

MIKE MADRIAGA

CARLSBAD

What Vons, Albertsons, Ralph's customers will do So many non-union alternatives

Thousands of retail clerks in Southern California, workers for Albertsons, Vons, Pavilions, and Ralph's grocery stores, overwhelmingly approved their union to organize a strike, if needed, in the near future. Their union's contract with the grocery store chains expired

in March.

The balloting took place by members of Local #135 of the United Food & Commercial Workers

on June 24 and 25, at the union's Mission Valley and San Marcos offices. "The vote was approved," said a union spokesperson on June 26

Local union members joined with 29,000 other grocery workers from 532 stores in Southern California, in support of a strike.

In front of the Ralph's store on Avenida Encinas in South Carlsbad, Seth from Leucadia said, if the labor action is called be would support the

he would support the strikers by going to Sprouts or Trader Joe's. "It does create

a tricky situation, "he said. "I guess we'd be, in essence, crossing the picket line by going to those non-union stores."

Mark from Oceanside, on his lunch break, said a strike would not change his shopping habits. "I'll still shop here," he said, as he quickly grabbed a sandwich.



Conceptual drawing of Encinitas Beach Resort.

Susan from Carlsbad is a retired grocery store union worker. She said she will absolutely support the strikers by not shopping at Ralph's, but at other union grocery chains. Gelson's, Food 4 Less, and Stater Brothers are union stores, but not involved in the current contract negotiations.

The last major SoCal grocery strike was in 2003. It was expected to last a few days. It ended up lasting almost five months.

The general feeling in the industry is

the grocery stores owners won the 2003 strike, with workers able to maintain their income and benefits, but not gaining any.

The grocery industry points out that times have changed dramatically since 2003. Once the leaders in the grocery business, the big three chains must now complete for the consumer's food dollar with Walmart, Target,

Sprouts, Trader Joe's, 99 Cent Only, and Dollar Tree stores.

The Encinitas Vons, at 262 North El

Camino Real, was one of four stores in the 2003 strike where the union would call for large rallies and protests for the TV cameras.

On June 27, just a block down the street, ALDI's Encinitas store will open the sixth ALDI's loca-

tion in San Diego County, one of 200 new ADLI's opening soon in the U.S. By the end of 2020, the German-owned, non-union stores plan to move up to become the third largest grocery chain in the U.S.

KEN HARRISON

LEUCADIA

Bed bugs? Union protest at John Moores' Encinitas Beach Resort

Warning . . . Crime is coming to Leucadia. Robbery. Prostitution. And worse yet . . . an infestation of bed bugs. That's according to a two-week-long protest by a construction union.

Carpenters Local 619 says the current construction of the \$110 million Encinitas Beach Resort on Coast Highway, overlooking South Carlsbad State Beach, is the "Desecration of the American Way of Life." That's according to a union-printed flyer handed out by three protesters, positioned below the job site, to inquisitive passersby.

struction. Of the banners posted by subcontractors, Unique Building Group was not one of them.

Margie Newman, spokesperson for JMI Realty, said the company has a 27-year record of building beautiful hotel projects around the country, using both union and non-union skilled labor. Of the local protest, "We've had no disruption in construction," she said.

Two construction workers on a lunch break, who identified themselves as members of a trade union, concurred. "I have no problem with working here," one said. "I have no idea what they're [the protesting union] talking about," said the other.

The flyer's backside shared three, one star YELP reviews of other supposedly JMI



Carpenters Local 619 banner.

The flyer, and the group's large banner, attempts to shame JMI Reality, the project's developer. JMI is owned by John Moores, former Padres owner and force behind SDSU's stadium in Mission Valley. The union flyer advises that a contractor, Unique Building Group, "does not meet area labor standards for all carpenter craft workers, including paying for family health benefits and pension."

However, on the job site, the main contractor is clearly identified as Suffolk Con-

properties, but without identifying a hotel location. The flyer urged one to call the CEO of JMI and "tell him the you want him do all he can to change to situation."

After 30 years of planning, hearings, community and Coastal Commission opposition, delays and property ownership changes, the 4.3-acre bluff top property will house a 130-room, ocean-view hotel, scheduled to open in November 2020.

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Dear Hipster:

I'm no economist, but I think I have learned a thing or two about markets merely by watching the world around me. For instance, I was not surprised to hear housing prices have fallen for the first time in something like a decade. I could have hazarded a guess that was the case based on nothing more than the aggressive selling and house flipping I have watched in my neighborhood in the recent past. A couple of years ago, houses would go up for sale and they would sell the very same

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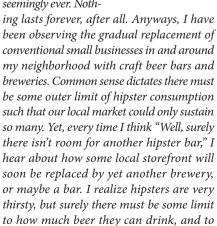
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day. Everybody was moving out of the neighborhood left and right, "trading up," if you will, and the house flippers were at it like crazy! Then, all of a sudden, houses started taking a few more days to sell; then a week; then a little longer, and a little longer; then, next thing you know, the news announces a dip in housing prices for the first time since seemingly ever. Noth-



how many different venues could divide up the local market of thirty hipsters before there weren't enough hipster dollars to go around. Is there no outer limit?

— JOHN, NORMAL HEIGHTS

Perhaps most importantly, the market for hipster hangouts is not bounded by demand for any static good. Sure, hipsters love overproof beers, but they really love being the first person to try a new thing. In reality, the demand for any given hipster joint actually peaks before the place even opens

up. At that point, the hype machine is in full force, and local hipsters will be girding their loins for the opportunity to be the first person through the door, thus poised to issue definitive edicts to the unfortunate hipsters who boarded the hype train too late and thus had to settle for a secondhand account.

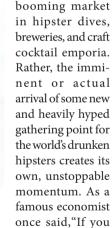
As a corollary to this first point, the objective imbibing ability of the hipster

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community is not the primary driver for the perpetually booming market book them, they



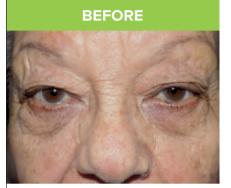
will come." Even if they don't want a beer, they will be unable to stay away.

Thus, there is no point of market saturation for hipster social anything. For example, the market can effectively support n+1 craft beer breweries, where n is the number of craft breweries currently in existence at the time any given group of hipsters debates where to spend their tax refunds, quarterly bonuses, and the proceeds from selling the third-hand Lexuses their parents grudgingly gifted them as graduation presents.

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UNREAL **E**STATE

by Dave Rice

Just west of the UC San Diego campus, perched on the bluffs above Black's Beach lies a newly-constructed 7777-square-foot estate occupying more than three quarters of an acre at 9811 Blackgold Road.

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Those luxury materials include "monumental custom slabs of book-matched onyx and marble," so selected because the natural markings from one piece flow into another, creating the appearance of an even larger single slab of stone. The cabinetry in the home was imported from Italy, German oak and limestone slabs line the floors. Exterior walls made of Ipe (pronounced ee-pay, it's a Brazilian walnut that can stand up to punishing coastal weather) and smooth Santa Barbarastyle stucco "are used to dazzling effect in creating this seductive residence."

The heavy use of custom stone is on display in the open kitchen, where solid backsplashes line the walls and an oversized center island with bar seating for six features stone sides to match the top. A second "messy" galley-style kitchen lies behind with a second range, sink, and prep area. By the dining area, a glasswalled walk-in wine room displays hundreds of bot-

tles against an illuminated back wall of swirling gold.

Disappearing glass walls are used throughout the house to create seamless indoor/outdoor living spaces, including in the 350-square-foot second floor master suite that's also outfitted with a fireplace, a master bath with walk-in rain shower and makeup station, and an oversized closet lined with dark wood built-ins.

"Designed to maximize pleasure, full home automation eases management of ambience with present control settings for audio, climate and electronic systems," the listing continues to boast about the estate's advanced technology.

Outside, "lush tropical specimen plantings surround a cascading spring-like waterfall continued on page 16





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BY SAMANTHA ST. PIERRE

Bohemian dreamy at Quartyard

My friend recently invited me to Sunday brunch at Quartyard, which was hosting a vinyl pop up shop. Her husband was DJing the event to promote their record store, Normal Records. I'm not one to pass up a good brunch, so I didn't hesitate to RSVP yes.

While digging into my chicken and waffles, I started taking in the scene. My eyes wandered to the DJ stand, where a



ANSLEY (LEFT) AND GABY (RIGHT) ACCESSORIZE THEIR BOHEMIAN BRUNCH STYLE WITH SANGRIA

couple of girls browsing records were adorned in free flowing dresses. They were the absolute accessory to flowing mimosas, I thought, so I struck up a conversation about their dressy yet casual brunch-wear.

Twenty-seven-year-old Ansley, an email marketing coordinator from Encinitas, wore a crisp white cotton maxi dress from Abercrombie & Fitch (around \$45). She expressed her own surprise at the shopping find, "They kind of upped their game, and they always have sales."

To go with her day in downtown, she added a vintage long strap purse (a handme-down from a friend's grandmother) and brown wide strap leather sandals she bought years ago from Kork-Ease (around \$100). "They're still holding up — they've been through water and dirt, and all kinds of things."

Ansley's fellow vinyl enthusiast and good friend, Gaby (also 27) was visiting

from Orange County where she works as a social media consultant. Her multi-patterned bell sleeve tunic dress was a purchase from Billabong (around \$30), while her sandals were thrifted from Buffalo Exchange (around \$20-30).

Gaby styled her outfit with gold dangling seas shell earrings and pink oversized cat eye sunglasses from MVMT. "I got them since I'm a brand ambassador."

I asked the ladies to share their style gurus with me. Gaby answered with ease, "Mary-Kate Olsen and Nicole Richie — kind of like that vibe. Boho chic, when I want to be chic."

Ansley took a few moments, "I don't really have a style icon I don't think..." She pondered. Gaby interjected on her behalf, and offered "Stevie Nicks." To which Ansley nodded in agreement, "I do love Stevie Nicks."

As if reminded of a Fleetwood Mac song, Ansley recalled another favorite fashion muse. "I really love this company called Spell & The Gypsy Collective," she gushed, "They're in Australia but they're so bohemian dreamy!"

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an expensive 10/10 haircut you get sporadically.

Here's my regimen: run clippers over my head with the longest attachment. Separate the hair on top from the sides with a comb. Run the clippers up the sides in decreasing size increments. Clean up the neck and the ears. Yell four-letter words at my cowlick until it obeys. Shower. Apply styling paste and blow dry. Takes about 20 minutes.

It's like mowing the lawn or cleaning your toilet. Just another chore. As it should be. I love the autonomy, it feels like cheating. Don't fear the learning curve. It took me around three cuts before it looked polished, but the first couple weren't bad.

Some people will think you're weird. That's worth \$480+ a year.

The video I learned from is "How to Cut Your Own Hair," on the Tips for Clips YouTube channel.

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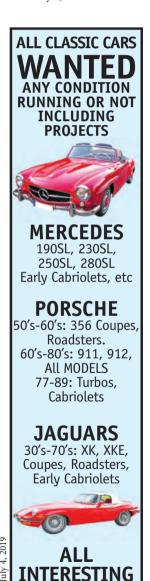
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son, so I could get up to his level, and attend all the best places that he gets access to. Ken Drew Spring Valley

Scooters Über alles

What happened to the SD City Code that says NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES ON THE BOARDWALK? Why are we talking about regulating scooters when the city should be enforcing their own code? Streets are for motorized vehicles, not pedestrian used sidewalks ("South Park woman's antiscooter crusade," City Lights, February 6). It is Ocean Front



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WALK and Bayside WALK. These and courts are for walking not for motorized scooters, cycles, motorcycles or cars. What good is an 8 mph speed limit to someone out joyriding for the sake of how fast they can go? What good is an 8 mph speed limit to someone who's inebriated and unable to control their electric scooter or for a child who has no idea what 8 mph is because they've never driven anything with a speedometer? Why doesn't the city shut down all the operations involving these things until they get control of the situation by setting the boundaries and consequences that should have been set for these rental companies in the first place? San Francisco did by requiring permits and then shutting down all scooter rentals until regulations for a permit were created. Who is in charge of San Diego - Uber that owns Bird and is worth 132 billion dollars, Lyft that owns Lime and is worth \$126 billion dollars - or our mayor and elected city council members who are supposed to be qualified to operate a city the size of San Diego? I find it incredible that we are not

down at City Hall demand-

ing that our mayor and city

council stop sitting around

month after month displaying a total disrespect for us the people they represent and for the municipal codes they are supposed to uphold. Instead they continue to present us with a do-nothing situation that 1. Should never have been allowed since there was enough information on the internet showing the problems other cities had experienced when scooters invaded their cities

2. Shut down these companies the moment their product was used illegally by their clients. June 23rd in Mission Beach at Ocean Front Walk and Santa Barbara Place a death occurred that involved a pedestrian and two scooter riders. It isn't rocket science to see that allowing pedestrians to have to share their sidewalks with motorized vehicles was a disaster waiting to happen. Yes, people injured or killed by improperly using these vehicles have a responsibility for what happens to them. But so do companies that knowingly allow their products to be used illegally and so does the city of San Diego's mayor and city council for failing to do their job. And so will we if we continue to act as though we have no power to force our elected officials to do their job and shut these companies down until the necessary regulations, boundaries and consequences are created and able to be enforced. If codes can't be enforced, then these motorized vehicles don't have a place in San Diego.

> Mary Willmont Mission Beach

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are colluding and doing their

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of every aspect of public and

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bees. What's so alarming is

they are being allowed to

continued from page 12 Isn't it telling that the progressive left has colluded with the Trump Administration to forcefully direct the suspension of established law and precedent, overriding federal, state and local rules in regards to the environment, property rights, zoning, permitting etc. by executive fiat. The California progressive alliance with big business, developers and Wall Street is no longer even attempting to hide their agenda. They have tried at the master. both the local level and The fully-fenced state level to force their prodeveloper agenda down the

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here 12 years from now but the damage from the progressive agenda will be permanent. The local progressives know their agenda is a losing proposition among a growing number of the fedup populace who are paying ever more for less and less in return. The citizens eventually catch onto the tricks and lies and will respond in kind. The progressives will then blame Trump. Ha! CA progressives + Trump: that's the 2020 ticket!

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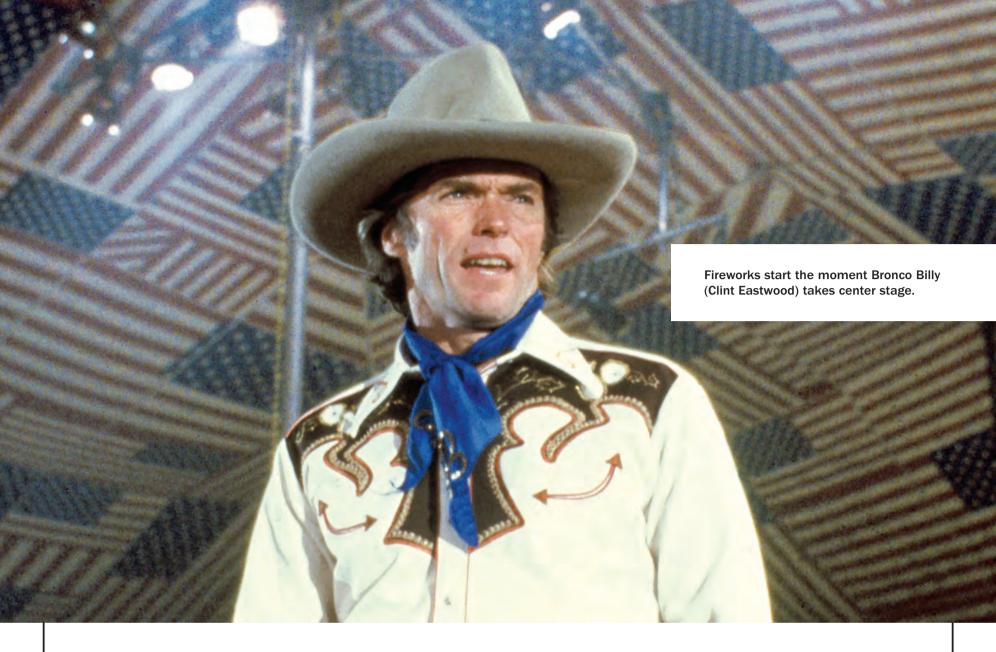


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THE OLD MAN WAS NEVER ONE FOR FIREWORKS.

It had something to do with his surviving the Invasion of Normandy. Friends and relatives would take me to see displays of fire-flowers (as my maternal grandpa Zadie Aaronson called them) on the 4th while Dad stayed home. In time, I came to learn that the "bombs bursting in air" that we celebrated in song before baseball games weren't glittery man-made pyrotechnic displays; they were the same bombs that snuffed out the majority of Dad's platoon. Later in life, I made a good friend who returned from Iraq with a case of PTSD so bad he was thrilled when SeaWorld put an end to their nightly explosion show. Is it any wonder that I chose to spend so many Independence Days in a dark room?

It was a Saturday matinee at the second-run Pickwick Theatre in Park Ridge, Illinois. Readers may recognize the name from its vast marquee used as the backdrop for the title sequence of *Siskel and Ebert's At the Movies*. The Pickwick was a spacious old neighborhood single-screen (constructed in 1928 with 1500 seats), and per usual, I was parked fourth row center.

The afternoon fare consisted of visit #2 to Clint Eastwood's principled screwball comedy western, *Bronco Billy*. The

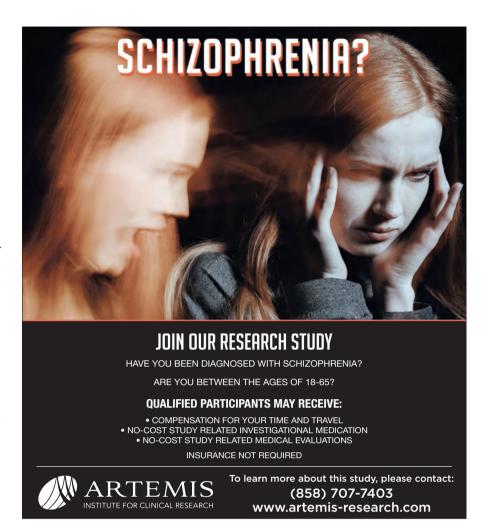
film opened with Billy's traveling wild west tent show — on the road and about to commence. Scatman Crothers took center frame to announce Billy's entrance, and as if timed to the second, a teenage kid emerged from behind the Pickwick's curtains (stage left), and began walking towards the center of the platform.

Did I mention it was July 5, 1980, the day after America celebrated Independence Day? That might explain why the sight of a giant tin can with a sparkling fuse, swinging loosely in the left hand of the unbilled live-action co-star, didn't seem all that out of place. Without once looking out at the projector's white glare, the scraggly teen methodically hit his mark and paused before depositing the pint-sized torpedo in the footlights. As if to indicate a job well done,

our hero then brushed his hands together before slowly making his exit (stage right).

Twenty-seconds later, the room was aglow with fireworks. I was in the middle of what felt like the "Step In Time" number from Mary Poppins meets Comiskey Park after someone hit a grand slam. Was this part of the show? If so, I wondered, why squander the display on a low-attended matinee when you're sure to get more bang for your buck at the evening performance? I ducked in time to avoid a whizz-bang hurtling toward my head. Fireballs and spangled meteorites ricocheted off the ceiling, some actually tapping on the projection booth glass. All that was visible as I looked back in the booth's direction were the tops of heads bobbing up from behind seatbacks. My wide-eyed inner-child deemed it a magnanimous way to celebrate American independence, but I couldn't help wondering: isn't this indoor display of pyrotechnics a bit dangerous?

The show-withinthe-show lasted no more than 90 seconds, but it left the cavernous auditorium filled with smoke. Even at close range, one could barely make out the screen, but the thought of running out to the lobby never once crossed my mind. My maiden screening of Bronco Billy — on an almost equally foggedin opening night at the Sheridan Drive-In — was far from optimal. Apart from the pea soup, the evening's one everlasting memory was a scratchy print of The Gauntlet, complete with Spanish subtitles, that rounded out the double-bill. Bronco Billy demanded the hardtop treatment and dam-





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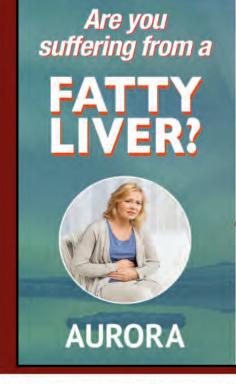
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And you thought that Mel Brooks was the only Super-Jew.

mit, I was going to get it!

A reel passed before a hand tugged at my shoulder. "Would you please accompany me to the lobby, sir?" asked a voice from the fog. Who in the hell do you think you are,

interrupting my viewing pleasure? "Look, buddy, can't it wait until the picture is over...?" A flashlight on the officer's badge cut me short.

Inside the cramped manager's office, the bull perched atop the desk, fired up a butt, and began grilling me as to the identity of the alleged pyroassailant. "We brought you here because you were the one seated closest to the screen," he began.



The Richard Lester-touch on full display in Superman II.

Habitual behavior does have its disadvantages.

"You don't seem surprised," he said, motioning for me to take a chair. I stupidly confided that I thought the fireworks display might have been a part of the show, sort of a post-4th perk. That's all it took for him to go full Jack Webb on me. "Do you know how dangerous this could have been, Mr." — glance down at my driver's license — "Marks? Do you want to see this theatre burned to the ground?"

You bet! Get your red hots on your sticks. I'm the first one to encourage arson, particularly when

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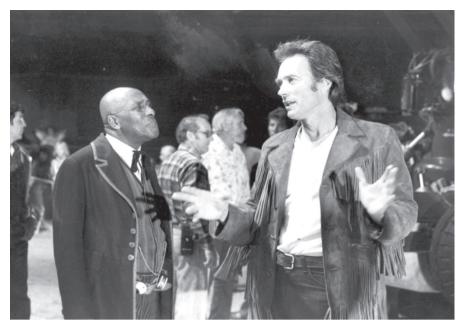
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a vintage movie theatre is targeted. Can't this gumshoe spot a movie lover when he's sitting right in front of him?

"Would it be okay if I went back and watched the rest of the movie?" I asked. "It's my second time." Again with the TMI. "You've already seen it?" he challenged, shooting the manager a look as if to say, "What kind of mental patient would waste their time watching the same show twice?" He smiled, pulled out a notepad, and sighed, "Well then, you know what happens. There should be no problem if you miss a few more minutes."

In my mind, *The Gauntlet*'s Ben Shockley is growling "Aaaaaaasshole!" through gritted teeth.

Officer Friendly continued his line of questioning (height, shoe



Scatman Crothers and Clint Eastwood between takes on Bronco Billy.

color, complexion, etc.) for another five minutes before letting me go. It turned out the little rascal was a disgruntled former employee with a score to settle. But all that mattered to me was that he had just

masterminded one of the most memorable times I'd ever had in a movie theatre. I wasn't about to squeal to no copper, see.

When giant toys fight
The action quickly went

from scud to dud on July 4, 2007 when a different kind of incendiary device detonated in the late lamented UA Horton Plaza. Transformers was Hasbro's first foray into feature film production. (Strange to think of it, especially when one considers how every summer blockbuster produced over the past 40 years has felt as though it was released by a toy company.) For those eager to mine the depths of Michael Bay's ineptitude, look no further than the opening action sequence. In the 30 seconds it takes the Deceptioon helicopter to land at a military base in the desert of Qatar, the lighting changes more times than Cher's costumes during a prime time special.

There is no reason why a film with so little imagination should run almost two-and-a-half hours. A possessed auto taking control of its driver's destiny is nothing new, and fans of John Carpenter's *Christine* are sure to leave feeling shortchanged. When Christine's radio magically turned on, the oldies added attitude and swagger. By way of contrast, Bumblebee's

tuner underscores the obvious: time spent watching Shia LeBeouf winning the car and winning over the empty-noggined hottie of his dreams (Megan Fox) amounts to sand piled high on the tracks. We're here for robot wars, not mush. Those in need of juvenile teen romance served lukewarm should revisit *Star Wars: Episode 4 - A New Hope*.

Initially, the automatons come at us in small doses — an adorable animated erector set, reminiscent of Short Circuit's cloying Number 5, is sent to scout the Pentagon. This is presumably an attempt on Bay's part to build and layer a narrative. And when the giant toys are finally allowed to go at it, and the camera pulls back to capture the battle scenes on the streets of downtown LA in long shot, the results border on absolutely spectacular. So why did the upright Cybertronian junkyards have to speak? Subtitled robot-ese would have been preferable to hearing a race of lantern-jawed cyborgs channeling the vocal inflection of an overcranked James Earl Jones.

Bay gives some fine character actors small roles to lend credibility to his childish vision. Jon Voight plays a decidedly befuddled Secretary of Defense, Anthony Anderson is a rubbery computer geek, and John Turturro provides some desperately needed third-act comic relief. Even Bernie Mac picks up a paycheck and a hot bowl of soup playing a used car salesman. Advance word pegged Transformers as a feature length commercial for General Motors, and with good reason. With all the product plugs, the MPAA should have made this the first film to receive a GM rating.

Porky's pledge

Four constants accompanied me since birth: Jerry Lewis, Groucho Marx, Warner Bros. cartoons, and Superman. The older I get, the better they all look. Let's set the fleshand-blood funnymen aside for the moment, and instead focus on fantasy. Many of the Looney Tunes and Merrie Melodies released during the war years were flagwaving celebrations of the American spirit, aimed at supporting and boosting morale on the home front. (Warner Bros. also produced a more adult series of shorts featuring the bumbling Private Snafu, geared exclusively for servicemen.) Had Mom informed her little Scooter that what had him doubled-over with laughter was called propaganda, I'd have no doubt interpreted the word to mean "hilarious." We were the last fam-

ily on the block to own a black-and-white television, so I'm not surprised that I made it to age six before WB cartoons first came to me in color. It was July 3, 1963, and Adventure Day Camp had arranged for a day trip to a Coca-Cola bottling plant. Across the globe, people recognized the soft drink as a uniquely American icon. Back home, the goal was to get kids hooked on fizzy, caffeinated sugar water at as young an age as possible. Through giant glass windows that spanned the length of the plant, we followed the clinking bottles on their journey from washer to filler to crowner. Before sending each camper home with parting gifts — a carton of six 10-ounce bottles and a miniature American Flag — we were ushered into a small projection room with a walled-off

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booth, fixed-ratio screen, and 60 or so seats.

The 16mm Technicolor print was scratchy, but the color was embossed, otherworldly, a boldness of hues that, like Lucille Ball's hair, exist nowhere in nature.

Porky Pig was the first cartoon superstar to spring from Termite Terrace, the semi-affectionate nickname given the studio's in-house animation unit. And of all the squash-and-stretch luminaries to emerge from the Warners stable, Porky was by far the most compliant. For his second cartoon (and Tex Avery's first), the pig acted the part of a gold prospector fitted with a coin slot carved in the back of his head. From then on, his range proved boundless: the pig could play a pantsless schoolboy stammering his



Transformers: anything but transformative.

way through Longfellow or a second banana playing Friar Tuck opposite Daffy's Robin. When the story called for it, he could manage a stubby flatfoot in blue serge threads, his bulbous head topped by

a wide-brimmed fedora. or a harried suburbanite looking to give his dog a much-needed flea bath.

Old Glory, which made its debut on July 1, 1939, was Chuck Jones's first pairing with America's favorite cob-roller. Porky stars as a wide-eyed, apple-cheeked schoolboy whose refusal to memorize the Pledge of Allegiance summons the spirit of a rotoscoped Uncle Sam who parks the little porker on his knee and administers a civics lesson. Of the hundreds of toons the studio released throughout the years, this is the least loony, most uncharacteristically Disneyesque of the bunch. No wonder the folks at Coke went with it. Spoiler alert: ironically, when P-P-P-Porky eventually gets around to reciting the Pledge, he does so without so much as one stumble.

Dad, Superman, and me Batman v Superman should have had the same running time as Bambi Meets Godzilla. In under two minutes, the Man of Steel would reduce Gotham City's Dark Knight and his rogue's gallery of rough trade Romeos to dust. Superman can outpace the Flash, hold his breath longer than Aquaman, punch the Hulk into the new year, reduce Captain America's indestructible shield to guitar pics, and use Wolverine's retractable adamantium-plated bone claws to dislodge food stuck between his teeth.

The notion of dying prickled my consciousness at a very early age. First to check out: Grandma Eva Marks, followed by George Reeves, the actor who for many served as the first coming of Kal-El. If facial expressions easily translated into words, Eva Marks' clenched physiognomy would have been forever asking, "What smells"? I do not recall her ever paying a call on Larry and Babe's (and Scooter's) apartment on Chicago's North side. The only time Eva ventured outside of her roomy Oak Park two-flat was in

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a casket. She died within months of Superman, who, unlike Grandma Eva, visited our living room on a weekly basis.

I was not yet four and unable to cipher a headline, so the sight of Clark Kent splattered across the front page of the Chicago American signaled no more than a mere career move for the mild-mannered reporter. But word on the sandbox painted a picture of a disillusioned Reeves, so drunk that he jumped out a window to prove to partygoers that he could indeed fly. More than likely, it was a selfinflicted gunshot wound, administered by an onthe-skids character actor forever joined at the hip

to one particular role. No screening of Gone with the Wind would be complete without at least one patron gasping, "Hey! It's Superman!" the moment Tarleton-twin Reeves takes to the screen.

After the show ceased production, Superman was brought to me by my dad, in comic book form, coiled amid the accordion folds of the once-hefty Sunday papers. Saturday night on his way home from closing Larry's Grill, Dad would stop at Blind Jimmy Arnold's newsstand, located under the Thorndale elevated train stop, and pick up that week's reading material for the family. The hours after dinner found us sprawled across the drab olive green sofa. With the comic book propped against his knees, Dad would go full Mel Blanc, boisterously voicing all the players in Superman's latest adventure, pumping added life into each dialogue bubble.

Years pass, and we're in the front seat of the family Rambler en route to somewhere. I remind Larry of our Saturday nights spent rummaging through the funny pages and his vocal interpretation of the Metropolis menagerie, and together we laugh. Larry didn't know popular culture from a throat culture, but nothing got past his JPS (Jewish Perceiving



Uncle Sam serves up a civics lesson for Porky to ponder in Old Glory.

System). Out of nowhere comes, "Did you know that Superman was Jewish?"

"Sure" I jumped in, hoping to beat him to the punch line. "No earthling could stretch a penny like Superman."

"Are you going to be an asshole for the rest of your life?" he groused. "Come on. Be serious for a minute. The two guys who created Superman were Jews... Joe and Somebody Somebody. You should know. You read the stuff."

Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster were Superman's proud papas, with animators Max and Dave Fleischer — creators of a series of breathtakingly rotoscoped propaganda shorts released during the war — earning honorable mention as the Man of Steel's paternal grandparents. It was Kent's gentile spitcurl that helped him to assimilate.

It's impossible for me to watch Richard Lester's Superman II without thinking of Larry. Listen carefully during the Niagara Falls sequence, just after Superman saves the boy from a potentially watery grave. A background spectator can be heard saying, "He must be Jewish!" It was one of the last movies I saw with my dad in a theatre, and don't think the line wasn't followed by an elbow to my ribs.

Superman II was the one picture that forever ruined comic book movies for me. It has everything that the Marvel and DC movies lack: humor that's organically grown rather than being grafted with the one-upmanship exchange of one-liners, plus adventure and spectacle designed to enhance the storytelling process, not supplant it. There are stretches during which neither Kent nor Superman appear. Let's see Iron Man or Aquaman give over that much screen time to secondary characters. And add to that the one subplot that for years has perplexed fanboys and fangirls alike: romance.

The story behind the making of Superman II is almost as fantastic as the finished product. In a nutshell, the producers, looking to save money by filming Parts I and II back to back, weren't happy with director Richard Donner's work. With much of Part 2 already in the can, Richard Lester (A Hard Day's Night, Petulia) was brought in to finish the job, which included refilming 75 percent of what Donner had already completed. Some sided with Donner: Gene Hackman refused to participate in the reshoot, forcing Lester to resort to a voice-impersonated stand-in shot from behind. But Lester brought something to the spandex party: watch the final confrontation in the so-called Donner cut between Superman and a trio of Kryptonian bad guys (well, one of them's a woman) on the streets of Metropolis. Lester transforms Donner's campy, effects-driven boxing match into a final showdown that plays like a reel of expertly constructed and paced sight gags.

My third and final 70mm viewing took place in a packed Carnegie Theatre on July 4, 1980. The film concludes with Superman sweeping across the screen, a giant Betsy Ross original in tow. The five times I saw the film in a theater all concluded with the audience erupting in cheers as it rose in unison to give the film a standing ovation. Even Dad.

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copy of the same agreement they've signed or will sign in Spanish."

Asked if or how the current tone of public discourse impacts his ability to advise and advocate for clients at pop-up legal clinics like tonight's, the future lawyer declines to comment.

"That's a political issue, and I don't want to go into that — respectfully," Patel says. But he points out that his internship and the free legal services he, his supervising attorneys, and fellow law students provide fall under the description of advice rather than representation. "If we have a client who might need representation in court, if they're being discriminated against, for instance, we might refer them to an attorney who might represent them pro bono. But as far as the Community Law Project, we're just advising them, not representing them."

Cameron Bell is also a second-year student. A hot wind blows as we chat standing outside a nondescript building near Fairmount and University Avenues. I'm told that inside, Bell's and Patel's fellow students are watching, listening, and learning as Ted Janowsky presents to community members, a slide show and talk about tenants' rights and responsibilities.

"I've been to about eight of these clinics since May," Bell says. "It's my first internship since coming out of my first year as a law student. I'm seeing a lot of housing issues and immigration issues in the consultations we do with the community members after the presentations."

Though he hasn't decided exactly what practice field he'll specialize in once he graduates, the experience Bell is gaining has piqued his interest in housing law.

"Landlord-tenant law is very complicated, especially [if you're] coming to the United States for the first time," Bell says. "We try to provide the best advice we can. I think a lot of the people come out of the clinic feeling a lot better than they came in. It's reassuring to know that we're here for them."

So sensitive are the their clients to perceived public animus toward immigrants, program attorneys asked that we don't even identify from which East African country attendees of tonight's clinic hail. Community Law Project's relationship with the organization that helped organize the event is new.

"Even saying who our partner organization is would identify the name of the country and we're trying establish trust," one attorney said. "I think they feel a little surprised that we invited you here. That was an oversight; and we're learning."

Massive confusion'

Janowsky recalls a recent clinic to which came a frantic young Haitian couple with a brood of youngsters ranging in age from infancy to middle school. When he sat down with the family after a presentation, which was held at Hoover High School, it was clear overcoming the communication barrier would first happen through conversations among himself, the couple, and their Englishspeaking children.

"The parents spoke Creole," Janowsky recalls. "They were distressed because they had received from their landlord a threeday notice to vacate. But they had literally just moved in days earlier after paying all of the move-in costs."

After listening to the parents and their untrained interpreters (again, the couple's children) Janowsky was eventually able to piece together the problem.

"There was just massive confusion," he says. "They hadn't been able to effectively communicate with the property management company. At first I couldn't quite figure out what was going on. It was clear they'd paid the rent and the move-in costs, but yet they had this eviction notice for non-payment and a late fee."

Finally, Janowsky found the missing piece of the puzzle. The family, having been given the keys and understanding the apartment was clean, unoccupied and ready for movein. They thought they were simply taking care of business by moving in early — five days early.

The property management company, acting well within its rights, had simply billed the family on a pro-rata basis a charge for the additional time during which they had occupied the rental unit. When the family hadn't paid that additional amount, the company tacked on an additional \$100 late fee.

"I thought that was a little aggressive, but I don't think the landlord was being nefarious," Janowsky says. "Regardless, the family had no idea what was going on because of a language and perhaps a cultural barrier. It was just incredibly confusing to them. But when we finally sorted it all out, they understood; and they were fine with paying the additional rent."

And, the landlord was willing to rescind the late fee, Janowsky says.

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complete the election canvass while using fewer resources," per the document. "As the voter roster increases, the Electronic Poll Book system shall scale up. This allows the County to meet a growing base without impacting the voting experience."

But as with all such outsourcing, the devil is in the details, heavily dependent on the good faith and integrity of vendors, and experiences elsewhere have flashed repeated warnings about the cuttingedge systems.

Among the flurry of concerns have been reports that in November 2016 Russian agents may have tried to hack Durham County North Carolina poll books provided by Floridabased voting technology company VR Systems

"It would be great to know what vulnerabilities exist that we need to be preventing," Josh Lawson, former general counsel for the North Carolina State Board of Elections, told the Washington Post earlier this month.

"It'd be nice to know how [poll books] can be gotten to, and if they're gotten to, what that can look like."

Word of the potential hacking came in the April report by special counsel Robert S. Mueller III regarding alleged Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election.

In a June 16 editorial, the Post asserted that the Department of Homeland Security has been slow to respond to the charges.

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Behind the scenes at San Diego registrar of voters

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407 W. Madison Ave. • El Cajon, CA 92020 • drsawa@sbcglobal.net www.immediatetoothreplacement.com which Durham County got its polling book software, VR Systems, claims that it did not hear from DHS until September 2017, months after a news report revealed that the Russians had targeted an election services firm matching its description, and that, when it did hear, word came in the form of a strange 2 a.m. phone call," said the paper.

"Following the report, North Carolina officials investigated Durham County's polling book laptops but concluded they needed technical help. The state asked DHS to conduct a forensic examination. But Homeland Security has only just agreed to do so — a year and a half after North Carolina requested help."

Noted the account, "Maryland officials learned last year that a company maintaining their election infrastructure did not disclose that it was being financed for more than two years by a venture fund whose largest investor is a Russian oligarch."

San Diego county's latest call for poll book proposals is part of a radical high-tech makeover revealed here in February intended to fix San Diego's county glitch-prone and plodding vote-counting effort.

After delayed results of November's 2018 election, Registrar of Voters Michael Vu explained to Washington's *The Hill* that burgeoning ballots were

swamping the legacy system and responsible for making San Diego's vote count the slowest of the state's 58 counties.

"In San Diego County, there are 594 different ballot combinations," said The Hill in a November 10 report headlined, "Why California Counts its Ballots so Slowly."

"The longest, a multicard ballot, is four and a half feet long when laid out end to end. When a voter goes to the wrong precinct or casts a provisional ballot, the county determines which races that voter is eligible to vote on and counts those votes, rather than throwing out the entire ballot."

Matt Potter





Calendar

AND WELCOME TO IT

Thursday | 4

4TH OF JULY IN THE 1800S

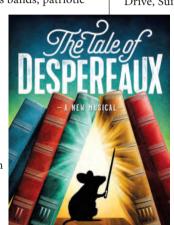
Recreate an Independence Day celebrated on the frontier. The day includes parades around the plaza, wagon rides, period clothing, brass bands, patriotic

speeches, flag raising, square dances, egg tosses, cow chip throwing, cherry pit spitting, and pieeating contest for all ages.

WHEN: Thursday, July 4, 11 am to 4 pm WHERE: Old

Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street, Old Town.

oldtownsandiegoguide.com



DESPEREAUX

In a mouse village in the storage room, a baby is born to the Tilling family. They name him

not like other mice: he isn't meek and timid, but brave and curious, unnerving other mice around him. Despereaux dreams of becoming a knight. He sets off on a noble quest.

WHEN: Saturdays and Sundays 7 pm, Tuesdays through Fridays 7 pm.

> Through Sunday, August 11. WHERE: The Old Globe Theatre, 1363 Old Globe Way, Balboa Park. theoldglobe.org

Friday | 5

THE CADO: AVOCADO POP-UP **MUSEUM**

The CADO is meant to be an interactive and Instagram-worthy experience with six large-scale art installations. Walls will be lined with bumpy avo-



cado skin, teaching visitors how to determine when an avocado is at peak ripeness. In another room, musician and local farmer, Jason Mraz, will take guests through the avocado growing process. Guests will pass through the "ombre enclave" where shades of green will lead them to a dramatic art installation at the museum's "pit."

WHEN: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays 10 am to 9 pm, Sundays 11 am to 7:30 pm. Through Sunday, September 22.

WHERE: North City, 250 North City Drive, Suite 9, San Marcos. thecado.co

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THE TALE OF

castle's abandoned kitchen

Despereaux. As he grows up, it

becomes clear Despereaux's

Sunday | 7

LADY BRAIN FEST

Akin to Lilith Fair, the debut Lady Brain Fest features 20 musical acts, along with vendors and interactive art. One stage offers songwriter duos performing in the round such as Astra Kelly & Heather Marie and Jessica Lerner & Marie Haddad. The larger mainstage features headliners Lindsay White (who organized the



event), Corina Rose, Gaby Aparicio, the Becca Jay Band, and Tori Roze & the Hot Mess.



LINDSAY WHITE

WHEN: Sunday, July 7, 12 pm WHERE: San Dieguito Heritage Museum, 450 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas. ladybrainpresents.com

TANABATA FESTIVAL

This Japanese festival celebrates the meeting of the deities Orihime and

> Hikoboshi. According to legend, the Milky Way separates these lovers, and they are allowed to meet only once a year on the seventh day of the seventh lunar month. Festival foods, carnival games, cultural performances and a chance to create kazari (decorations) and tanzaku (wishes that may be granted).

WHEN: Sunday, July 7, 12 pm

to 6 pm

WHERE: Japanese Friendship Garden, 2215 Pan American Road, Balboa Park. niwa.org/tanabata

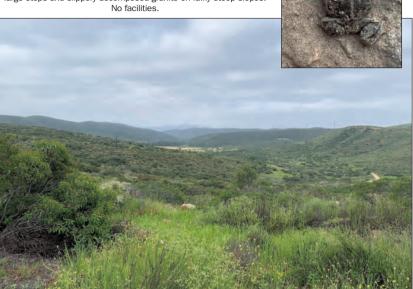


San Diego Outdoors with the Museum Canyoneers

MARTHA'S GROVE LOOP (SYCAMORE CANYON PRESERVE)

Enjoy great views in diverse landscapes and habitats.

Driving directions: (Poway/Santee) From I-15 exit east on Poway Road. After 5 miles, turn right on Garden Road. Turn right on Sycamore Canyon Road and continue for 2.3 miles until you reach the parking lot at the end of the road. Hiking length: 2.8-mile loop. **Difficulty**: Moderately strenuous. Trekking poles can be useful. Elevation gain/loss of 325 feet. Bicycles, horses, and hikers allowed. although some places are challenging for bikes. There are numerous large steps and slippery decomposed granite on fairly steep slopes.



A view from the beginning of the trail; Above: If there is water, look for red-spotted toads

artha's Grove Trail is designated for one-way hiking only, so once you leave the parking lot, you are almost immediately climbing up a well-maintained trail. You get an expansive view of the Goodan Ranch in the valley below in this first section, which is predominated by coastal sage

scrub. Make sure that you have plenty of water and sunscreen: there's very little shade on the trail.

As you start up the trail, you are met with the sounds of many birds happily singing alongside the trail. California quail are common here, along with wrentits, California thrashers, and California

> towhees. In a wet year, such as 2019, the wildflowers are abundant and every turn in the trail brings an even more colorful display. On a spring day, the hiker is most likely to see yellow and white pincushions, copperleaf (more commonly seen in the Anza Borrego desert), sun cups, several species of phacelia, snapdragons, and many more.

> After a brief rise, the trail becomes more variable with short sections of rises and drops. After passing over a saddle, the view switches to the east where you can see wide open hillsides which appear relatively undisturbed. Now the trail starts a fairly steep drop down to Martha's Grove. This section of the trail, while well-maintained. is comprised of "tall" steps and decomposed granite. which can be quite slippery on slopes when it is dry. The slope levels out as you approach the bottom of the continued on page 33



Find maps for the hikes and more Roam-O-Rama columns online at SDReader.com/roam

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want it! Festivals, lectures, sporting events (including surfing, kayaking, and sailing), Meetups, conventions, book signings, art gallery openings, conferences, dance performances, expos, poetry readings, classes & workshops — all are welcome. You can submit an event at sdreader.com/events/submit.

ANIMAL **FRIENDS**

Summer Break Critter Camp Summer Critter Camp is for kids in Preschool through 8th Grade. Children will experience amazing animal interactions and summer camp activities, including games, crafts, songs and more. Lunch options, extended care hours, scholarships, and various discounts are available. Admission: PreK. Thursdays, 9am; Fridays, 9am; through Monday, August 26, \$58-\$77. Helen Woodward Animal Center, 6461 El Apajo Road. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

ART

Athenaeum May-June Art Exhibitions we present the works of winners of the San Diego Art Prize, a project of San Diego Visual Arts Network. In the Rotunda Gallery the Athenaeum presents an exhibition of artwork by scholarship winners of the San Diego State University School of Art, Design, and Art History. Thursday-Saturday, 10am; through July 6, free. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

California Tapestry On view is an exhibition by Los Angeles-based artist and illustrator Lesley Goren, whose lively and colorful images of plants and flowers are a selfdescribed "love note" to the native vegetation of Southern California. Saturdays-Sundays, 9am; through August 3, free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Catnip Capers Ms. Rubin's studio will be filled with her original whimsical cat artworks: Artworks priced from \$40. and up. Meet the artist in her studio, enjoy light refreshments. Friday, July 5, 5pm; free. June Rubin Studio/Gallery. 2690 Historic Decatur Road #214. (LIBERTY STATION)

DIY Fridays Unleash your inner artist. Come play with us on Fridays in the Spanish Village Art Center Courtyard. Fridays, 5pm; through Friday, September 27, free. Spanish Village Art Center, 1770 Village Place. (BALBOA PARK)

First Friday Art Walk More than 50 local artists, food vendors and musicians will be on hand this month in celebration of our nations' birthday during the July 4th holiday. Free admission, cash bar and the Mexican City Cuisine food truck will be on hand serving up authentic Mexico City-style cuisine and Santa Maria

BBO. www.oceansideartwalk.org Friday, July 5, 5pm; free. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

Free First Sunday Embrace creativity and visit OMA. Sundays, 10am; through Sunday, December 1, free. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

Heads Up Opening St. Madeleine Sophie's Center will present Heads Up showcasing recent work by two iconic local artists Dan Adams and Anna Zappoli and a series of dog paintings on paper by the artists of Sophie's Gallery. Saturday, July 6, 12pm; free, Sophie's Gallery Kensington, 4168 Adams Avenue. (KENSINGTON)

Lung Hsiang Exhibit & Sale Enjoy original Chinese Brush Paintings on display by members of the Lung Hsiang chapter of the American Artists of Chinese Brush Painting. This show is open daily from 9 am - 5 pm in the Ecke Building at the Garden. Saturdays, 9am; through Monday, July 8, San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

PROUD+ National Art **Exhibition Opening** runs through July 27. LGBTQIA artists present contemporary works that celebrate the unique sense of pride that this diverse community has. All artwork for sale. Saturday, July 6, 12pm; free. Studio Door, 3867 Fourth Avenue, (HILLCREST)

Sue Zinngrabe Gold: Paintings & Woodcut Prints Paintings and woodcut prints by Sue Zinngrabe Gold on display June 1 through August 23 Community Room. Saturdays, 12:30pm; through Friday, August 23, free. Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, 9005 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

BEER

Buckets & Brews Buckets & Brews on the driving range: \$12 for a bucket of balls and two beers, with a bar on the driving range. The grill will be serving burgers, bbq and brats ranging from \$6-10. Thursdays, 4pm; through Thursday, October 31, \$12. Crossings at Carlsbad, 5800 The Crossings Drive. (CARLSBAD)

Celebrate America with Beer and BBQ Celebrate America at Veteran owned and operated Jacked Up Brewery in Escondido. Tickets at the door buy you all you can eat BBQ and your first beer. Saturday, July 6, 12pm; free-\$25. Jacked Up Brewery, 800 W. Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

Hands On Pickle Workshop & Beer Pairing We'll show you how easy it is to start making fermented foods yourself at home! Includes take-home jar of pickles and flight of beer tasters. Sunday, July 7, 12pm; \$50. Second Chance Beer Co., 15378 Avenue of Science #222. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Pine Hollows IPA Limited Release Put on your hiking boots and don't forget your sunblock; we're going on a camping adventure! Join us for

the release of our newest collab. Pine Hollows IPA. Saturday, July 6, 12pm; Sunday, July 7, 12pm; free. Thorn Brewing Co., 1745 National Avenue. (BARRIO LOGAN)

Santee Salutes This free event features live 80s music by the 80z All Stars, a Kid's Fun Zone and a Fireworks Display, food & beverage vendors, and more. Thursday, July 4, 2:30pm; free. Town Center Community Park, 550 Park Center Drive. (SANTEF)

Third Anniversary Party Longship Brewery is turning 3 and we want you to be there for the celebration! Join us on Saturday, July 6th for a day filled with great beer, good people and memorable times. Grown-ups only. No kids or pets. Saturday, July 6, 1pm; free-\$50. 21 and up. Longship Brewery, 10320 Camino Santa Fe. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Trivia & Beer with Geeks Who Drink Join us for eight rounds of audio, visual and live hosted trivia. Thursdays, 7pm; through Thursday, December 26, free. Indian Joe Brewing, 2123 Industrial Court. (VISTA)

Trivia Night Flights Music, interspace, love, war, history, and cartoons. He's got questions, maybe vou've got answers. Come on down with your best team. Thursdays, 6pm; through Thursday, December 5, free. Ebullition Brew Works, 2449 Cades Way, Suite D. (VISTA)

Yoga, Brunch & Booch Start with an hour of guided yoga and finish with a 16 ounce glass of kombucha. Food Made Fresh will provide brunch options at an additional cost. Sundays, 11am; through Sunday, September 29, \$10. Local Roots Kombucha, 1495 Poinsettia Ave Unit 148, (VISTA)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Open Mic Poetry Currently on a national tour in promotion of her new collection of poems LIZZIE WANN drives down from Los Angeles to pour her art onto us, and manifest up some group wanderlust with her unique road stories. Sunday, July 7, 1pm; free, Escondido Arts Partnership Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 E. Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Acrylic Paint Pouring Class: Swipe Technique Explore the fun and fascinating world of acrylic paint pouring. You bring the paint and painting clothes, I'll provide the rest. Create two beautiful paintings you'll be proud of. Friday, July 5, 4pm; Saturday, July 6, 4pm; Sunday, July 7, 12pm; \$40. 18 and up. Michaels - Carmel Mountain, 12060 Carmel Mountain Road. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Anu Yoga Class Learn authentic tantric yoga practices that work with the body energy and channels through the coordination of ancient breathing and movement techniques. Learn to rejuvenate and control your life energy through breathing. Sundays, 9am; through Sunday, July 28, free. 18 and up. WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

Beaded Woven Bracelet

Peyote Stitch is one of the most popular and easy to learn bead weaving stitches. Once you learn this stitch you can make rings and bracelets in a variety of fun designs. All supplies are provided. Beginners welcome. Please register in advance. Sunday, July 7, 10am; \$58-\$67. Bravo School of Art South Park, 2963 Beech Street.

Crafting a Scene Using a Storyboard A storyboard can help prepare the writer to draft the scene by pre-visualizing the setting and characters. We'll brainstorm storyboards and write scenes in class. Sunday, July 7, 2pm; \$45-\$54. Ink Spot, 2730 Historic Decatur Rd., Barracks 16 #202. (LIBERTY STATION)

Decorative Paste Paper Create patterned and textured paper in different colors by scraping, dripping and stamping found and altered objects such as combs, old credit cards and more. Saturday, July 6, 2pm; \$60-\$69. Bravo School of Art South Park, 2963 Beech Street. (SOUTH PARK)

Drop In & Write Bring your pen and a notebook to an hour of

writerly fun. Includes prompt(s), time to write, and time to share. Open to all levels of writers, ages 18 and up. First and third Saturdays from noon to 1pm Saturday, July 6, 12pm; free. 18 and up. La Jolla Riford Library, 7555 Draper Ayenue. (IA JOLLA)

Exploring the Spiritual Path

This class meets regularly on Saturday mornings, and consists of seated meditation and a Dharma talk that speaks to integrating ancient Buddhist teachings into our 21st Century daily lives. Saturday, July 6, 11am; free. 18 and up. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

Lip Balm Making Class focuses on simple lip balm making procedures for consistent and effective lip products, including lip tubes and balms in pot style jars. Register @ http://soapmakingstudio.com/registration/lip-balmmaking-class.html Sunday, July 7, 1pm; \$57. Soapmaking Studio, 7301 Mount Vernon Street. (LEMON GROVE)

Make it Yourself Community Art Classes Make it Yourself is a drop-in community art class led by professional artists and educators. All ages and and abilities welcome, \$5 suggested donation to help cover the cost of supplies. Saturdays, 12pm; through Saturday, August 31, free-\$5. Art Produce Gallery, 3139 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Memoir IV: Voice, Transitions, Symbolism Agents often

share that what makes a memoir stand out in the marketplace is a strong author's voice. In this workshop we will uncover the soul of the writing with fun and interactive voice techniques to make the storytelling as dynamic as possible. Saturday, July 6, 12:15pm; \$180-\$216. Ink Spot, 2730 Historic Decatur Rd., Barracks 16 #202. (LIB-ERTY STATION)

Mosaic Glass on Glass In this exciting 2-part workshop, learn how to cut stained glass and combine it with mosaic techniques to produce fabulous light gathering objects of art. Please register in advance. Sunday, July 7, 2pm; \$110-\$128. Bravo School of Art South Park, 2963 Beech Street.

Natural Wellness Class will consist of 6 sessions and will teach you how to create a healthier life-style through detoxifying the body and the mind as well as showing you how to create a daily wellness plan. For more information please email Merv Jensen @ mervin.jensen@nationalcitylibrary.org or call (619) 470-5830. Sunday, July 7, 2pm; free. National City Library, 1401 National City Boulevard.

Paint Nite Create a one-of-a-kind painting along with the memory of a unique nite out. Saturdays, 6:30pm; through Wednesday, October 30, \$28-\$45. 21 and up. Stella Italianfare, 8008 Girard Avenue #220. (LA JOLLA)



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Painted Furniture Learn how easy it is to create your own piece of decorative functional art by painting images, textures or patterns on furniture! Please bring an old or new chair, small table, stool or bench. Wooden, upholstered or plastic are fine. For inspiration, bring pictures, cards, gift wrap or art books of your favorite artist. Ideas, brushes, paint will be provided. Please register in advance. Friday, July 5, 10am; \$108-\$126. Bravo School of Art South Park, 2963 Beech Street. (SOUTH PARK)

Paper Flower Workshop Learn tips and tricks to create 2 beautiful paper flowers for any occasion or just to decorate a room. All materials are included. Reserve your spot by texting (760) 897-6201 or email: chicanalillystudio@yahoo. com. Sunday, July 7, 1pm; \$30. Marleez Koffee, 7281 El Cajon Boulevard. (LA MESA)

Retro Tapestry Weaving Using a frame loom, explore basic weaving techniques or, tighten up your skills with more advanced work. Please bring a heavy dinner fork, scissors and wear your love beads. Please register in advance. Saturday, July 6, 10am; \$185-\$209. Bravo School of Art South Park, 2963 Beech Street. (SOUTH PARK)

Sip & Paint Night Create, socialize and have a blast while sipping on your favorite drink. Just BYOB and we will provide all art supplies, art instructions, and light refreshments. Saturdays, 5pm; through Saturday, December 14, \$35. 21 and up. Cynthia's Artistic Expressions, 713 Mission Avenue Ste. C. (OCEANSIDE)

Summer Jazz Workshop The 9th Annual Parker Summer Jazz Workshop, in partnership with

San Diego's Music Box and Jazz 88.3, offers middle and high school students an opportunity to study and play music with professional jazz musicians while learning performance skills, improvisation, jazz theory and history. Thursdays, 9am; Fridays, 9am; through Monday, July 15, Francis Parker Middle-Upper School, 6501 Linda Vista Road. (LINDA VISTA)

COMEDY

Book Club The members of Book Club improvise a complete novel, live on stage. Each month, this veteran team honors a different literary genre. Saturday, July 6, 9pm; \$14-\$17. Old Town Improv Co., 2415 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

Brad Upton Thursday, July 4, 7:30pm; Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

Dr. Otic's Miraculous & Audience-Powered Showdown Similar to Whose Line is it Anyway?.

Dr. Otic's Miraculous & Audience-Powered Old Town Showdown is a hilariously fun, interactive, and family-friendly show based entirely on audience suggestions. Fridays & Saturdays, 7:15pm; through Monday, December 30, \$14-\$17. Old Town Improv Co., 2415 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

Improv V5 Standup Each show features three local stand-up comedians. After each comedian takes a turn to lay down their best jokes, our improvisers spin and weave those jokes into jokes on jokes on jokes. Friday, July 5, 9pm; \$14-\$17. Old Town Improv Co., 2415 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

Rhyme & Verse

Three poems for the Fourth of July by Walt Whitman

I Hear America Singing

I hear America singing, the varied carols I hear, Those of mechanics, each one singing his as it should be blithe and strong,

The carpenter singing his as he measures his plank or beam, The mason singing his as he makes ready for work, or leaves off work,

The boatman singing what belongs to him in his boat, the deckhand singing on the steamboat deck.

The shoemaker singing as he sits on his bench, the hatter singing as he stands,

The wood-cutter's song, the ploughboy's on his way in the morning, or at noon

intermission or at sundown,

The delicious singing of the mother, or of the young wife at work, or of the girl sewing or washing,

Each singing what belongs to him or her and to none else, The day what belongs to the day — at night the party of young fellows, robust, friendly,

Singing with open mouths their strong melodious songs.

America

Centre of equal daughters, equal sons, All, all alike endear'd, grown, ungrown, young or old, Strong, ample, fair, enduring, capable, rich, Perennial with the Earth, with Freedom, Law and Love, A grand, sane, towering, seated Mother, Chair'd in the adamant of Time. For You, O Democracy

Come, I will make the continent indissoluble, I will make the most splendid race the sun ever shone upon, I will make divine magnetic lands,

> With the love of comrades, With the life-long love of comrades.

I will plant companionship thick as trees along all the rivers of America, and along the shores of the great lakes, and all over the prairies,

I will make inseparable cities with their arms about each other's necks,

By the love of comrades, By the manly love of comrades.

For you these from me, O Democracy, to serve you ma femme!

For you, for you I am trilling these songs.



Walt Whitman (1819-1892) was one of the premier poets of American verse, and one of the most influential poets in both American and world literature. One of the first poets to utilize free verse – poetry that employs neither a strict rhyme scheme nor a strict metrical or stanza pattern – Whitman serves as a prelude to modernist poets such as Ezra Pound and T.S. Eliot.

Whitman collected his poems in a single volume, *Leaves of Grass*, which celebrates humanity in all its forms and occupations, and also sang the praises of the unique contributions which American democracy and republicanism have made to human freedom and human dignity.

Find more poetry online at SDreader.com/poetry

Tony Rock Tony was born laughing and it was quickly apparent that his big brother wasn't going to be the only famous comedian in the family. Friday, July 5, 7:30pm and

9:30pm; Saturday, July 6, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Sunday, July 7, 7pm; \$18. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWN-TOWN SAN DIEGO)

DANCE

San Diego Contra Dance Come join us for modern Ameri-

can folk dancing to live music. No partner necessary, no experience necessary. Live music by More the Merrier and calling by Chris Page. Friday, July 5, 7:30pm; \$15. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

TapRoots This concert features iconic pieces by tap dance pioneers and is a celebration of the legacy left to us by those groundbreaking dancers. Saturday, July 6, 7pm; Sunday, July 7, 2pm and 4:30pm; \$8-\$16. Bernardo Winery, 13330 Paseo del Verano Norte. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Men's Emotional Fitness Circle We offer a space where men can meet in circle and just be together, talking about the mundane and the sacred, while seeking shelter in the comforting arms of their brothers so that we may all grow and evolve together. Thursdays, 7pm; through Monday, December 30, free-\$25. 18 and up. San Diego Creative Arts Project Healing Touch Lounge, 4535 30th Street Suite 117. (NOR-MAL HEIGHTS)

FARMERS' MARKETS

Lane Field Park Markets The street food market showcases 20+ local artisanal food vendors, with coffee, live music, craft stalls, and outdoor games. Sundays, 10am; through Monday, December 30, free. Lane Field Park, 1009 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Ruocco Park Market Enjoy street food from 15+ vendors and browse crafts from local San Diego markets. Saturdays, 10am; through Monday, December 30, free. Ruocco Park, 585 Harbor Lane. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

FILM

Rooftop Cinema Club revolutionizing the outdoor movie-going experience as a place where friends and loved ones gather to enjoy amazing films, fantastic food, and top-shelf drinks, all while lounging in the moonlit shadow of the Downtown San Diego skyline. Guests are treated to state-of-theart HD video, studio-quality wireless headphones, soft lounge-style deck chairs and cozy blankets for cool nights. NAPOLEON DYNAMITE -JULY 3, PRETTY WOMAN - JULY 5, THE BIG LEBOWSKI - IULY 6, MEAN GIRLS - JULY 7, BOHE-MIAN RHAPSODY - JULY 8. Visit https://rooftopcinemaclub.com/sandiego. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)



FOR KIDS

4th of July Parade & Festival

The parade will be stepping off from West Victoria at 10 am and proceed down Alpine Boulevard to Tavern Road. The festival will be held right after the parade in the Alpine Community Center Park, Food, Vendors, Dunk Tank, Live Music, Entertainment, and Fun & Games for the whole family. Thursday, July 4, 10am; free. Alpine Community Center, 1830 Alpine Boulevard. (ALPINE)

Dance Pants Party Recommended for toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary-school age kids, this simple dance program will feature the Hokey Pokey, the Chicken Dance, and more. Families, it's time to get your groove on Thursday, July 4, 10:30am: free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Open Cockpit Days Cockpits of several aircraft will be open so kids and adults can experience U.S. Marine Corps aviation from a pilot's perspective. Open Cockpit Days are a family friendly activity that will be hosted every other weekend during the summer from May 25th to September 1st. Saturday, June 22, 9am; Sunday, July 7, 9am; free. Flying Leatherneck Aviation Museum, 4203 Anderson Avenue, (MIRAMAR)

Pippi Longstocking Pippi is the high-spirited, warm-hearted incarnation of every child's dream of freedom and power. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 2pm; Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, July 14, \$14-\$16. San Diego Junior Theatre, 1650 El Prado #208. (BALBOA PARK)

Play & Create at the Backyard Happening weekly from June 20-August 15, let kids' creativity soar with an interactive art workshop, Play and Create at the Backyard, hosted by talented artists. Thursdays, 5pm; through Thursday, August 15, \$5. Westfield Plaza Bonita, 3030 Plaza Bonita Road. (NATIONAL CITY)

Puzzling Drive Scavenger Hunt This self-guided driving adventure guides you to some fascinating and beautiful locations around the city. A Puzzling Drive is best described a cross between a scavenger hunt, an informative self-guided driving tour, and a road rally. This activity is selfguided using any mobile device with web access so you can play any time on any day at your convenience. Enter the READERDRIVE to receive \$10 of one team entry. Thursdays-Sundays, 7am; through December 31, \$39-\$49. Balboa Park Activity Center, 2145 Park Boulevard, (BALBOA PARK)

Ruth & Emilia and Hullabaloo Enjoy the second concert of the summer at San Diego Children's Discovery Museum in the Discovery Garden. The event includes special crafts for kids, face painting, food truck, gelato by EscoGelato, wine and Jacked Up beer for adults, and full access to the Museum's hands-on exhibits. Saturday, July 6, 5pm; free-\$8. San Diego Children's Discovery Museum, 320 N. Broadway. (ESCONDIDO)

Scenic Old-Time Train Ride Take a leisurely vintage train ride through San Diego's east-county mountains, and tour of 100-acre museum. Rides on the locomotive available. Saturdays, 11am; Sundays, 11am; through Sunday, September 29, Campo Railroad Park & Museum, 750 Depot Street. (CAMPO)

Seussical Kids This 2-week Musical Theatre camp will entertain and inspire using select songs and scenes from Seussical, The Musical. The upbeat music will keep your children moving and learning as we explore the world of acting and music together! Dates: June 24 - July 5, M-F 9:00 AM -12:00 PM, Ages: 7-12, Cost: \$240, There is a \$50 sibling discount available. Enrollment is limited to 40 children. Friday, July 5, 9am; Saturday, July 6, 9am; \$240. Star Theatre, 402 N. Coast Highway. (OCEANSIDE)

Summer Family Camp Out A 2 night camping experience. You bring you tents and grub, we bring the fun and adventure. \$55/adult; \$45/kids aged 4+; kids 3 and under are free to attend. Friday, July 5, 4pm; Saturday, July 6, 10am; Sunday, July 7, 10am; \$45-\$55. Fort Cross Old Timey Adventures, 4425 Highway 78. (SANTA YSABEL)

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Age: 58

Born: St. Cloud, MN

Formation: University of Minnesota, Morehead State University, KY; Lutheran Northwestern (Lutheran-St. Paul) Seminary, St. Paul, MN

Years Ordained: 27

San Diego Reader: What's your favorite subject on which to preach?

Pastor Tim Mason: Because God's grace encompasses everything and God's love is already here, I like to preach in a way that opens ears to the truth and joy that is all around us all the time. That's the main thing. The joy, the grace, the love is here, even in the midst of all the terror and sadness we read about.

SDR: Why did you become

PM: One of my first memories, a missionary named Katie Clark visited our vacation Bible school to talk to us about working with children in Papua-New Guinea. I never forgot that. Growing up, I wanted to be a doctor, a pilot, that sort of thing — and I even finished my pre-med studies in college. But I could never get that memory of Katie Clark out of my head — and so I knew deep in my heart I wanted to be a missionary. In the end, I had to be truthful to that feeling. I could have

done anything, but my heart said I have to be a missionary. That's what I was born to do — whether I understood it or not. I would have rather been a seminary professor or international college professor; but when I was sent to Japan as a missionary, I realized I was an evangelist. I saw that in this way I could affect the world more, by being one who says to others, "God loves you."

SDR: What is the mission of your church?

PM: [Incarnation Lutheran's Senior] Pastor Luther Symonds is very driven by mission-centered thinking — he thinks globally as well as locally. Globally, we're helping street girls in Cameroon have a safe place to go so they're

not taken advantage of and abused, and we're making real progress there. Locally, too, we do what we can with interfaith community services and caregiving ministries.... When you're a caregiver, your faith comes alive and becomes real. If you don't love someone, you won't understand what love is, and if you don't walk with someone through that valley, you're not going to understand the depths of God's grace.

SDR: What book has had the greatest impact on your min-

PM: Anything by Henri Nouwen, but especially Wounded Healers. That's who we are all of us have been broken by something, but God puts us

Tim Mason's heart told him to be a missionary.

back together with the cross, and we understand that fact by sharing love and suffering together. By doing that, serving others, we heal each other. SDR: Where do you go when vou die?

PM: Jesus says, "I have a place for you," and we don't know whether there is going to be a bright light or whatever. But

when we die, we're going to be recreated, made healthy, and welcomed, no matter who we are. Iesus has a place for us. We have enough hell right now — loneliness, despair, apathy. If Jesus can say to a criminal, "Today you will be with me in paradise," and if Jesus can heal an enemy of his people, the centurion's servant, then hell's been dealt with. Those who reject Jesus make their own decisions, but that has nothing to do with what Jesus did on the cross... I think some people are going to be in for a very pleasant surprise.

- Joseph O'Brien

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drinks, entertainment, a costume contest, access to the Museum's art installations, superhero-themed activities and fun the entire family will enjoy! Limited parking available for \$10. Saturday, July 6, 5:30pm; \$15-\$35. New Children's Museum, 200 W. Island Avenue. (EAST VILLAGE

The Great Smelly, Slobbery Small-Tooth Dog New Village Arts Theater and Kids Act are excited to announce their upcoming performance of "The Great Smelly, Slobbery, Small-Tooth Dog" on July 6 and 7 with a fully-integrated, inclusive cast. Saturday, July 6, 7pm; Sunday, July 7, 2pm; \$1-\$5. Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

LECTURES

Bloody Battles & a Country in Crisis Ioin us as Gordon Gidlund, amateur historian, provides a survey of the Shakespearean influences during this critical period in our history. During the Civil War, familiarity with Shakespeare's works was considered essential to an educated person's cultural literacy, both North and South. Sunday, July 7, 2pm; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Sierra Club Sierra Talks July 5: San Diego Canyons: Grassroots Success Story San Diego Canyon Lands promotes, protects and restores the natural habitats in San Diego County's canyons and creeks. Friday, July 5, 6:30pm; free. Joyce Beers Uptown Community Center, 3900 Vermont Street.

NATURE

Adapting Winter rains and a cool spring have been a gift to the plants and animals of Mission Trails Regional Park this year. Join a MTRP Trail Guide and see how the plants and animals are adapting to the hotter days of summer. Meet inside the Visitor Center. Saturday, July 6, 9:30am; Sunday, July 7, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Green Living Tour Come see our home base in Encinitas as we walk you through some easy steps to address issues around water, waste, soil health and more with practical solutions you can incorporate into your life and home starting now! Saturday, July 6, 10am; free. Solana Center for Environmental Innovation, 137 North El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

Morning After Mess: River Cleanup In partnership with the Surfrider Foundation, the San Diego River Park Foundation is hosting a cleanup site as part of the annual Morning After Mess Cleanup! Each year, 4th of July festivities leave our local beaches and parks trashed. The Morning After Mess cleanup is the perfect opportunity for San Diegans to get that trash out of our environment before it causes serious damage to our local ecosystems. The San Diego River Park Foundation is excited to host a cleanup site at the San Diego River Mouth at Dog Beach in Ocean Beach! Volunteers can use pickers and gloves to pack

trash into garbage bags, then haul it to a dumpster. The meeting location is at Dog Beach in Ocean Beach at the western end of Voltaire St. San Diego, CA 92107. Closed-toed shoes are required. Sun protection, water and a snack are highly recommended. To RSVP or learn more, please email volunteer@sandiegoriver.org or call (619) 297-7380. Friday, July 5, 9am; free. Dog Beach Ocean Beach, West Point Loma Boulevard and Voltaire Street, (OCEAN BEACH)

Wildlife Tracking Walk Join MTRP Tracking Team members for an adventure in wildlife tracking. Learn the art of discovering and identifying tracks and other signs left behind by the park's seldomseen wildlife. These easy walks are suitable for the whole family. Meet in fron of the Visitor Center. Saturday, July 6, 8:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

SPECIAL EVENTS

An 1800s Independence Day Celebration Come and celebrate a historic Independence Day with staff and volunteers in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park. The day includes a parade around the plaza, an old fashion square dance, 19th Century crafts and games. The day culminates with a visually stunning pie-eating contest for all ages. Thursday, July 4, 11am; free. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

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Cruisin' Grand Cruisin' Grand Escondido runs for six months every Friday night in historic downtown Escondido on Grand Avenue from April to September. Fridays, 5pm; through Monday, September 30, Maple Street Plaza, On Maple Street between Grand Avenue and Valley Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

Kobey's Swap Meet Fridays, 11am; Saturdays, 11am; Sundays, 11am; through Monday, December 30, Kobey's Swap Meet, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (OLD TOWN)

Lake Murray Fireworks Enjoy this July 4th celebration to include a day of food, fun, bands, and fireworks. Thursday, July 4, 6pm; Lake Murray Community Park, 7001 Murray Park Drive. (SAN CARLOS)

Tanabata Festival Originating from Chinese folklore, Tanabata is a holiday that celebrates the meeting of 2 stars! The stars Orihime and Hikoboshi are able to meet once per year on the seventh day of the seventh month. Guests of all ages are invited to enjoy the summer sun with festival foods, carnival games, cultural performances and demonstrations. Sunday, July 7,

12pm; \$10-\$16. Japanese Friendship Garden, 2215 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

SPORTS & FITNESS

Beginner Tennis 1 Tennis is a great way to meet new people, have fun, stay healthy and live longer. Learn forehand, backhand, ground strokes, volleys, lobs, overheads and serves. Website: http://www.powayadultschool.com Instructor: Andrew Cretella (email: andrew@cretella.com) Saturdays, 8am; through Saturday, August 17, \$109. Westview High School, 13500 Camino del Sur. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

Box Lacrosse Pick-Up Games Play Box Lacrosse Pick-Up Games Every Sunday. Everyone 18+ welcome, or high school Varsity players. Come join us for fun, fast box lacrosse, and get a great workout. Sundays, 4pm; through Monday, December 30, \$10. 18 and up. Sportsplex USA, 12349 McIvers Court. (POWAY)

Competitive Tennis 3 This class is for those who play tennis, but want to learn to hit better and move faster. Designed to be more effective and more fun than just playing tennis, the class includes some instruction of traditional tennis plus special games designed to accelerate learning skills and techniques. Courtesy of Poway Adult School (Call 858.668.4000) Website: http://www.powayadultschool. com Instructor: Andrew Cretella (email: andrew@cretella.com) Thursdays, 5:45pm; through Thursday, August 15, \$129. Westview High School, 13500 Camino del Sur. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

FIFA Women's World Cup Watch the final games on the big screen. Sunday, July 7, 8am; \$7-\$11.

Digital Gym Cinema, 2921 El Cajon Boulevard, (NORTH PARK)

Meet the Doulas Get your questions answered and meet the doulas to find a potential match. A Doula is a trained professional who guides and supports families during pregnancy, labor, birth, and postpartum care of the newborn and mother. Friday, July 5, 6:45pm; free. Rebirth Pregnancy Massage, 4411 30th Street #103. (NORTH PARK)

San Diego Sneaks Summer Classic The Summer Classic as a summer-time staple for the San Diego basketball community. Featuring a competitive 16-team hoops tournament, local media outlets, art, entertainment, food, vendors, and music just a block away from the beach. Saturday, July 6, 10am; free-\$160. La Jolla Recreation Center, 615 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

Tennis 2 Experienced This class is about developing more control, for those who have already taken Beginner tennis class. We'll include instruction, traditional tennis plus special games designed to accelerate learning skills and techniques. Courtesy of Poway Adult School (Call 858.668.4000) Website: http://www.powayadultschool.com Instructor: Andrew Cretella (email: andrew@cretella.com) Saturdays, 9:30am; through Saturday, August 17, \$109. Westview High School, 13500 Camino del Sur. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

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ROAM-O-RAMA

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hill. Here you will find deer weed, black sage, laurel sumac, golden yarrow, checkerbloom, and chaparral yucca, among many others.

As you approach the grove of trees, you will see a nice green oasis. Some of the oaks are survivors of the Cedar Fire in 2003. Unfortunately, many of the coast live oaks in this area have been killed by the golden spotted oak borer. In spite of the oak skeletons, there is abundant shade along the trail here provided by the willows. There may be the faint trickle of a stream in wetter years such as this. The wild roses are in abundance as well as red spotted toads hopping across the trail, so watch your step.

This grove of trees was named after a park ranger, Martha Harville, whose promising career was cut short by melanoma in 1988. Visitors can read a memorial to her here. As you leave the grove, the vegetation along the trail thins out, but still more flowers are there to greet you, including wide-throat monkeyflowers, splendid mariposa lilies, and canchalagua. Nearby, you can see morteros where native people ground acorns into flour.

Continuing down the trail, the hillsides start falling away to an open meadow where the trail comes to a crossroad. You have three options here. To the

left is Cardiac Hill, straight across the trail leads down to the central part of Goodan Ranch and the ranger station. The hike described here takes a right turn and after a short distance, another right turn puts you on the main entry road, which will take you back to the parking lot in 1.1 miles. This area is mostly grasslands that are dominated by invasive non-natives such as filaree and brome grass as is common in areas that were once grazed by cattle. A few natives are still visible such as buckwheat and laurel sumac.

As you make your way towards the parking lot, the trail becomes steeper. In spite of the short length of this trail, you can get a good aerobic workout if you set and maintain a good pace going up the hill.

See the Roam-O-Rama column for June 6, 2012, on the Sycamore Canyon/Goodan Ranch (https://www.sandiegoreader.com/news/2012/jun/06/roam-sycamore-canyongoodan-ranch/) to learn more about this area

Canyoneers are San Diego Natural History Museum volunteers trained to lead interpretive nature walks that teach appreciation for the great outdoors. For a schedule of free public hikes, refer to the San Diego Natural History Museum website.



Magnificent sleaziness

The tenderness gets me first, then the flavor.

ceanside's jamming tonight. Everybody's out and about. This is Friday, around eight. "Jesus saves!" yells this kid. He's not alone. A whole bunch of them are making a hullabaloo in the plaza outside the Regal Cinemas on Mission Avenue.

"Come, man. Come to Jesus. He saved my life," says the kid. He hands me a flier. "Victory Outreach Oceanside. Bible Study. Join us every Tuesday evening."

Right now, I just have time to catch a bite somewhere before the

last Coaster train of the night heads back to Diego.

I start up Mission and turn off onto North Coast Highway. I've spotted a sign outside a yellow and brown stucco frontage. "Miss Kim's." Looks like a great old dive bar. Actually it says in small print, "Miss Kim's by That Boy Good." Elsewhere it says just TBG. It also says, "Juke Joint." And "Southern BBQ Joint." Confusing blizzard of names. But the main one, painted in big letters on the stucco, gives it to you straight. "BBQ and Cold Beer."

Good enough. I head in through the saloonstyle flap doors. Yuppy-looking group ahead spend a moment glancing around at the two lowlight bars, the juke box, the magnificent sleaziness, and turn round. "Maybe not," says one of the girls.

Wow. Badge of honor.

The gal at the welcome desk leads me through to the back bar. So many jokes and posters to read on the walls. "Beer. The main reason I wake up every afternoon." "Wine. How classy people get wasted." 'I like my fries dirty and my tea sweet." "Where there's smoke there's food." And a whole lot more Southern BBQ bon mots. I swing onto a stool and look around. The varnished timber bar is beautiful in itself. "It's beetle-kill pinewood. From trees that the beetles killed," says the barkeep, Matt. General Manager, too. And yes, there is a real Miss Kim, and That Boy Good is Mark, the chef, and her husband. They're characters. Made this what it is. "That Boy Good" is southern for good food and good music.

I look around. It's woody and unpainted. Feels kinda Wild West. The ceiling's loaded with

logos. Seems businesses pay for a ceiling tile for good causes.

The brightest logo's on the left wall, gold on black. The fleur de lis of the New Orleans Saints. On top, it says "Who Dat?" And not far from

it, a bumper sticker. "Cheated, not defeated." Oh. Right. The Rams game.

"There're two names nobody mentions in here," says Matt. "Rams and Falcons."

I order a Lost Abbey sour beer (\$6), and check out the

menu. First thing you realize is we're definitely talking Deep South. Gumbo, catfish, pulled pork, cornbread, the whole shamazz. Just the "TBG Favorites" give you an idea. Chicken thighs and waffles, plus fries, go for \$15. Cornmeal-crusted delta catfish with fries and cole slaw is also \$15. Dirty Fries, with mac and cheese sauce, BBQ sauce and fresh jalapeños costs \$11.50 with pulled pork, \$12.50 with beef links, and \$13.50 with brisket.

If you have the cash and want to go the full monty, the BBQ combo platter tops the charts with beef links, pulled pork, and half a rack of ribs, for \$30. This includes "Miss Lequita's cornbread" and one large, or two small sides, things such as collard greens, smoked beans, house salad.

So I'm relieved to see there are deals. Stick with the starters and you won't go broke. The shrimp and sausage gumbo bowl goes for \$7 (or \$12 large). "Beanies and Weanies" are \$8, and popcorn shrimp, catfish strips, or country fried chicken thigh and waffle, each go for \$7. And this looks really wicked delicious: Crossroads Cup, smoked beans, mac'n cheese, a choice of meat, and slaw. With pulled pork, this is \$9.50; with beef links, \$10.50, and brisket, a buck more.

Guy on the stool next to me's ordering dirty fries with pulled pork.

"Our most popular item," says Matt.

The prize for best bang for the buck has to go to the last starter: BBQ ribs by the bone, two pork ribs sitting on top of a slab of cornbread. Cost, \$5. Five buckeroos!

Natch, I have to order that, plus I get the small



Two juicy ribs and Miss Lequita's cornbread too, all for five bucks

gumbo bowl too.

Matt brings them all out lickety-split. I suddenly realize, we're getting near to nine, closing time. The gumbo is great, with a pile of white rice and green onions on top. And you get bits of shrimp and sausage popping up. Almost enough for a meal. My only problem: it's a little salty for my tastes.

But the ribs and cornbread hit the spot. Totally tasty, and the beautiful, crunchy cornbread adds sass. The pork is fall-off-the-bone tender, with a nice gentle savory flavor. "We BBQ it out back on mesquite and applewood, for four hours at 225 degrees," Matt says, "then put it in a steam vat to keep it moist. We do maybe 100 racks a day."

The tenderness gets me first, then the flavor, and then, well, the cost. These are filling and they cost \$5. Go figure.

"You should come Sundays," Lenae the hostess says. "We have a BBQ Bloody Mary. That's a big Bloody Mary with ribs lying across the glass's rim. Nine dollars."

Oops. Have to fly. That last Coaster. Pulls out at 9:56. I run all the way, haul aboard heaving. But was it worth it? Oh yes. As they say, that boy good.



Matt and Lenae



Shrimp and sausage gumbo, \$7.

The Place: Miss Kim's by That Boy Good, 207 North Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-433-4880, or 760-433-4227 **Hours:** 11am-9pm daily

Prices: Chicken thighs, waffles, fries, \$15; cornmeal-crusted catfish, fries, cole slaw, \$15; dirty fries, mac'n cheese sauce, pulled pork, BBQ sauce, \$11.50; with beef links, \$12.50; with brisket, \$13.50; BBQ combo platter (beef links, pulled pork, ribs, cornbread, two small sides, \$30; shrimp and sausage gumbo bowl, \$7 (\$12 large); Beanies and Weanies, \$8; popcorn shrimp, \$7; catfish strips, \$7; chicken thigh and waffle, \$7; Crossroads Cup (smoked beans, mac'n cheese, choice of meat, slaw, \$9.50-\$11.50 depending on meat choice; dirty fries (with mac and cheese sauce, meat, BBQ sauce, jalapeño, \$11.50 to \$13.50, depending on the meat; two pork ribs, cornbread, \$5.



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Vegan noodle soup worth going back for

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Dreamy vegan noodles at HiroNori Craft Ramen

HiroNori Craft Ramen, 3803 Fifth Ave, Hillcrest. I've paid lip service to vegan ramens before. Interesting, I've said.

Oh, that is good," I've agreed. But I haven't meant it. Not to the extent that I would choose to order one over a milky, rich tonkotsu ramen Tonkotsu is the bone broth that made ramen special, elevated it above the other noodle soups. Forget chicken noodle, tonkotsu is the only broth to ever cure me of a cold. I might pander to vegan friends, join them in

a lesser ramen, and try not to let on just how much they're missing out. But I've never gone home thinking, I should go back for that vegan noodle soup

Until HiroNori Craft Ramen turned up in Hillcrest.

There are actually two shocking twists to this ramen adventure, and the first is that the HiroNori brand I'm about to recommend started in Orange

County. Worse than that: it started in Irvine. I am smitten with a vegan ramen from Irvine. Is there

a support group for that?

Kidding aside, misters Hiro and Nori, the namesake partners behind the fledgling restaurant chain, each cut their teeth in the ramen kitchens of their native Japan. And the resulting centerpiece of their restaurant is a true, 24-hour steeped tonkotsu that tastes indulgently rich and deep as the Mariana Trench.

HiroNori wasn't one

of the eight San Diego

restaurants given a Bib Gourmand nod by the recent *Michelin Guide California*, but it did earn one serving the same food in Irvine, and this pork broth alone proves



HiroNori seems poised to change the fortunes of this otherwise cursed restaurant space.

it's deserving.

But do not sleep on the vegan ramen. It starts with a miso base, no big deal, but wooed me with the thick addition of sesame paste and a touch of chili oil. It sounds so simple, and I'm sure it is for someone who knows what they're doing. And yet, it succeeds where other vegan broths fail.

The toppings even do it for me, and they include both tofu and "soy meat." The setup here is based on a tantan style ramen, so the soy meat replaces ground pork or chicken. I guess the tofu is just there to remind you there's no meat involved in the making of this soup. There's also baby kale, corn, and bean sprouts, but the best topping was

the still crispy roasted broccolini. I'd almost come to this restaurant just to order a side of broccolini. Like the noodles are the bonus here. And these wide, toothsome noodles are a heck of a bonus.

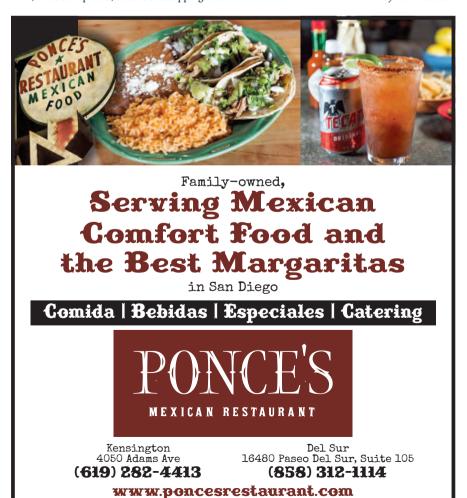
I don't know whether Hiro and Nori realize it, but they opened this little spot on a section of 5th Avenue that has been nothing short of murder on restaurants over the past few years. I've seen three different restaurants close at this very address in as many years. Maybe it took a couple of Orange County guys to set the place aright. Even in a city oversaturated with ramen spots, this one should last.

by Ian Anderson



Based on a Tantan style ramen, the soy

meat replaces ground pork or chicken.



Chung Chun Rice Dog makes corn dogs look old fashioned

Chung Chun Rice, 4619 Convoy St Ste A-3, Kearny Mesa. We can argue all day whether the American carnival classic corn dog was worth riffing on, but

a Korean reinterpretation of hot dog on a stick has already arrived in Kearny Mesa with a world of success behind it. Chung Chun Rice Dog is said to be the first American location of the chain better known in 300 global locations as Chungchun Ssal. Rather than cornbread batter, its hot dogs

are deep fried in rice flour batter and a panko bread crumb crust, resulting in something not so corny yet decidedly

Were that the end of it, these would come off like corn dogs sprung from the alternate timeline of a sci-fi story where hot dogs on a stick had



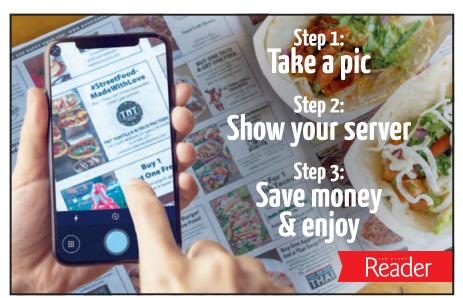


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combination didn't thrill me, but I have to admit the sweetness in contrast with the basic breaded hot dog works a lot better than I'd imagined. Even adding a drizzle of mustard, the sugar made the thing better, not worse. I would resist calling it amazing, and yet I did find myself amazed.

Alongside mustard squeeze bottles to dress your rice dog are ketchup, honey mustard, was-

> abi mayo, and a mango habanero sauce. And if you don't dig that sugar, alternate dusting options include ranch seasoning "pow-

But regardless how you dress them, the rice dogs themselves get crazier still, beginning with the \$3.99 squid ink dog. The squid ink itself is used to dye the rice batter, giving the dog a blackish-purple

der" and parmesan.



A cheesy cheddar rice dog.

hue beneath the crispy panko. The actual frank here is pushed down the stick, where its end is split into four curling "tentacles" poking out from the bottom of the rice dog. The top end of the dog is capped with mozzarella, ensuring a first couple bites of goopy melted cheese.

Less sea monster-like yet

visually engaging is the \$4.49 potato-wrapped dog. This one packs small chunks of deep fried potato into the crust, so when you bite into it, it's like eating a hot dog and French fries at the same time.

Judging by the line of no fewer than a dozen teenagers that formed while I ate my dogs, the street food's entre



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by Ian Anderson

How to drink (and pronounce) yerba mate

Yerba Mate Bar, 956 Garnet Ave, Pacific Beach. Fans of tea and coffee have an intriguing new flavor to explore in Pacific Beach. Yerba Mate Bar opened last month, San Diego's first café dedicated to the caffeinated beverage of choice for the southern half of South America, including Paraguay, Brazil, and Argentina. The region's native yerba plant, a relative



Dry yerba leaves float to the top of a mate freshly filled with hot water, and ready to sip through the bombilla.

of holly, has been brewed into tea there for centuries, first by indigenous peoples, and later European colonials who discovered they too adored it. The Argentinian family behind the new café are the same folks behind Paraná Empanadas, known to attract long lines in Liberty Public

The back patio at Yerba Mate Bar lets customers sit outside, away from the street life on Garnet Avenue.

Market and Westfield UTC mall. The good news for Paraná fans is empanadas are served here too, along with other Argentinian snacks such as *chipas* (cheesy, gluten free

tapioca bread treats) and *alfa-jores*, short bread cookie sandwiches made with either dulce de leche or chocolate centers.

But it's the chance to experience the complex flavors of

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va mah-tay.

Yerba is so beloved, an entire culture has evolved around its preparation and consumption. The yerba is brewed in gourds or gourd shaped mugs (a.k.a. mates), and sipped through a curved straw called a bombilla (bom-beeva if you took high school Spanish, bom-beesha if you want to be hip to the yerba lingo). Made from metal or wood, bombillas won't be affected by our recent plastic straw ban. They're filtered, to keep yerba matter from sucking through.

The leaves remain in the gourd as you drink. In fact, yerba is served as a gourd full of dry leaves, alongside a thermos of hot water. The idea is

continually to add water as you drink. Traditionally, a small group of friends will sit around sharing a single *mate* and *bombilla*, passing the gourd with each refill of water.

We don't share so well here in the U.S. of A., and the operators of Yerba Mate Bar fully expect we will want our own. They've even innovated a few cold brew and latte variations for us to order in a single-use cup. Some of the nontraditional brews incorporate flavor adds such as chocolate milk, rose or lavender petals, or chai tea. The cold brews are based on tererés, the refreshing summertime drinks Argentinians make by adding orange juice to cold yerba.

I got a kick out of the bar's so-called cooler (\$4.25), an iced green concoction featuring lemonade and mint. But first I had to get my head around the flavors within a gourd of traditional, unadulterated yerba mate (\$5.75). The order involves a 16-ounce thermos of hot water and a small gourd-shaped mug of dried yerba. The folks behind the counter will happily get the first pour started for you, but if you'd like to nail the process yourself, here's what you do.

Ensure the bombilla maintains contact with the bottom of the mug, and resist the urge to stir as you drink. However, when getting started, use it to push dry leaves to one side

of the gourd, creating space to add the first round of hot water. As you add water to this space, let the leaves at the top remain dry — these will add flavor in future rounds as you continue the drinking and brewing process.

The first round may come off a little bitter from the leaves' tannins. I was instantly reminded of green tea, or more precisely green tea matcha, with a slightly vegetal umami richness. After a few sips, my palate started acclimating to its earthiness, and the beverage continued to evolve as I continued to pour and sip. I found hints of chocolate, mint, and nut, and — just like that, I'm a yerba fan.

by Ian Anderson

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Goodbye Gordon Biersch

"Believe it or not," said Douglas Hasker, "Once upon a time this was the hot shit brewery in town."

Hasker was speaking to a crowd assembled at the Gordon Biersch brewpub in Mission Valley, where he's been head brewer for more than 20 years, since moving to San Diego to help open the restaurant in 1998. Ostensibly, the friends, fellow brewers, and former employees had gathered to celebrate the release of the brewpub's seasonal Sommerbrau Kolsch. But really, they'd come to say goodbye and pay tribute: earlier this month. Gordon Biersch announced the restaurant would be closing at the end of business on July 14.

"We try to tell stories about what it was like here 20 years

ago," Hasker told the gathering, "From the host stand to the bar was about a 30-minute walk, through all the people. No kidding!" He went on to recall that demand for brewed on-site beers was such that, "We could stand in the back on a Friday night and watch the levels of the tanks go down."

Two decades later, a heavily saturated local beer market is credited with the shuttering of the mainstay brewpub, part of a national chain that has closed several Gordon Biersch restaurants in recent years. As the number of breweries and brewery taprooms within San Diego has surged past 200, newer generations of beer drinkers have favored newer, younger brands, seeking out trendy new beer styles over the traditional German-style brews that are Biersch's — and Hasker's - specialty.

Speaking with me in a corner booth, Hasker discussed the difficulty established beer brands face in attracting a new generation of beer drinkers. "We've become the beer their parents drank," he said, "It's a tough marketing hurdle to get over, especially if there's a new brewery every week."

The announcement Gordon Biersch would close came as a shock to beer enthusiasts, one drenched with the particular irony that lagers have been enjoying a local resurgence. And that, during the last 20 years, when San Diego

brewers have always had Hasker to turn to for guidance in producing a beer style known to be especially unforgiving of mistakes. Some call him the godfather of lagers, and many follow



The taps at Gordon Biersch will stop flowing after July 14.

the lead of Societe Brewing Company, which named its smoked helles lager in Hasker's honor, dubbing it The Mentor.

"I don't think anybody put it better than Societe," said Thr3e Punk Ales head brewer Ivan Maldonado, one of dozens of local brewers and industry professionals attending the Sommerbrau party. "He's our mentor."

Rock Bottom La Jolla head brewer Dan Anderson worked with Hasker as a brewer for five years. "I took a lot of influence from this place," he said, "in terms of recipe development, the way things are done. And I owe most of them to Doug."

Owned by the same parent company as Biersch, the transition to Rock Bottom was a

natural move for Anderson, and some members of the Gordon Biersch staff may follow suit once the restaurant closes in July. Others may have an opportunity with the brewpub's new owner: Puesto. The Mexican restaurant brand will take possession of the building and its brewhouse, which it intends to operate by the end of the year as Puesto Mexican Artisan Kitchen and Bar. Puesto management has

posted job opportunities for Biersch employees, both front of house and kitchen staff.

They've asked Hasker to produce beer for Puesto Cerveceria. The mentor now finds himself tapping the knowledge of Maldonado and other brewers about best practices in brewing Mexican lagers, which figure to be a big factor in pairing with Puesto's taco-centric menu.

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Tidal: *Daily*, 4-6pm: \$6 draft craft beers, \$8 glass of wine, cocktails.

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Royale: *Monday-Thursday*, 4-6pm & after 9pm: \$2 off all drafts, wine, and cocktails.

POWAY

Kaminski's BBQ & Sports Bar: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$1 off wells, beers, and wine by the glass. \$6 cocktails, \$7.00 shaker margaritas. \$7 appetizers, \$10 baby back sampler.

RANCHO BERNARDO

Phil's BBQ Rancho Bernardo: Monday-Friday, 3pm – 6pm: \$5 all draft beer, all wine, all signature cocktails and preferred spirit brands. Also available are food specials featuring a new BBQ wings recipe.

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

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RANCHO SANTA FE

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SAN MARCOS

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Phil's BBQ San Marcos: Monday-Friday, 3pm – 6pm: \$5 all draft beer, all wine, all signature cocktails and preferred spirit brands. Also available are food specials featuring a new BBQ wings recipe.

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Eclipse Chocolate Bar & Bistro: Monday, Wednesday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$5 beers and wine by the glass. Tuesday, 3-close: \$5 beers and wine by the glass.

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draft beers, \$5 wines, \$5 appetizers. SPRING VALLEY

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De Oro Mine Co: *Daily*, Noon-7pm: \$3.50 domestic beers and well cocktails, beer of the month \$3.

TALMADGE

Romeo and Julieta's Wine Cafe: Tuesday-Saturday, 4-6pm: \$5.50 select drafts and bottles, \$6 house wine. \$9.50 appetizers. Sunday, 3-6pm: \$5.50 select drafts and bottles, \$6 house wine. \$9.50

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appetizers.

Apollonia Greek Bistro: *Daily*, 3-6pm: All bottled beer \$3.75 or \$4.25, \$5-\$5.50 select wines by the glass. \$3.50-\$11 appetizers.

Draft Republic: *Daily*, 2-6pm, 10pm-close: \$2 off drafts, \$6 select wines, well cocktails. \$7 snacks. \$17.95 any burger or sandwich with a beer, fries, house salad.

Drift: *Daily*, 4-7pm: \$5 for 16 oz drafts, \$10 craft cocktail of the day, \$4 off wine carafes, \$10 shares and flatbreads.

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Cafe 21: *Daily*, 3-6pm: Half off craft beer, mimosas, and sangria pitchers.

Cueva Bar: *Tuesday-Sunday*, 4-6pm: \$5 tapas and select beer and

Et Voilà French Bistro: Daily, 4:30-7pm: \$7 cocktails, glass of house made sangria (\$14 pitcher), draft Iron Fist Counter Strike IPA, and draft 1664, \$5-\$9 wines by the glass. Discounted food menu.

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Madison: *Tuesday-Friday*, 4-7pm: \$7 signature cocktails, red or white wine by the glass. Appetizers \$6-\$10

Park & Rec: Monday-Thursday, 4-6pm, 10pm-2am: \$4 PBR or Tecate, \$6 margarita, oldie, mules, uh escape, all wines, \$7 dealer's choice.

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the inside track

"We've had some great and very funny times playing in San Diego," recalls Lawrence, who brings her brother Clyde and the rest of the posse to the Cal Coast Credit Union Amphitheater on July 10 in support of their



Clyde and Gracie Lawrence play the Cal Coast amphitheater on July 10.

Baby Gracie no longer

Most acts with a few tours under their belt have San Diego stories they like to share. But Gracie Lawrence, one of a pair of siblings spearheading the band Lawrence, found she had to gather her early stories from the sidewalk.

new album Breakfast. "Some of the strangest times were when I was under 21, and I was allowed to play the show, but not be in the venue



until showtime.

"So I used to have to wait outside the venue before we played, and people would be waiting to get into the show and would be like, 'Um, we're coming to see you play...' as I was awkwardly doing my makeup, using my iPhone camera as a mirror, while sitting on the sidewalk."

Seasoned, conditioned, and at last old enough to take a table inside, Ms. Lawrence enthuses, "I'm excited for West Coast vibes in general. Being a native New Yorker, the pace of the West Coast and the non-mugginess of the weather makes me feel so instantly relaxed and like I'm on a vacation. I'm looking

forward to just chilling by the water and maybe eating some good seafood."

The Lawrence siblings grew up on a diet of Aretha Franklin, Randy Newman, and Stevie Wonder, courtesy of their parents' record collection. "I learned," muses Gracie, "nobody is going to care if you articulate your T's if you have no soul."

Following in the footsteps of big brother, who turned out professional-grade songs in grade school and placed songs in soundtracks by his early teens, hasn't been easy. But Gracie Lawrence starting singing and acting as a middle schooler, so she felt pretty confident writing tunes.

Her first efforts turned out "Much more singer/ songwriter genre," she recalls, "melancholy pop," almost like a baby Gracie's version of Adele.

"The best thing about Clyde is that even though I was 11 years old, totally inexperienced, he took what I was doing completely seriously and he gave time and energy to helping me craft and hone the songs I wrote about whatever crush I had at the time. And nowadays we're both practiced enough to give each other input mutually on songwriting and performing."

— Andrew Hamlin (continued on page 48)

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San Diego, hip-hop, and basketball When

Lincoln High alumnus Norman Powell and SDSU alumnus Kawhi Leonard helped bring the Toronto Raptors the 4-2 "W" over the Golden State Warriors in the NBA Finals (May 30 through June 13), San Diego sports fans and hip-hoppers rejoiced.

Lemon Grove rapartist Rob Stone posted on his Instagram: "NBA CHAMPION !!! DAYGO PROUD OF YOU BRO @ normanpowell4."

"Congrats Kawhi! Awesome seeing your game continue to grow through the years!" posted hip-hop head Dante Rowley from his Rosewood San Diego Instagram account.

Hip-hop purveyor and journalist Gabe Rivera out of Ocean Beach remembers when small-forward Powell played at UCLA. "He was a constant threat to score and his athleticism stood out above all else to me," he said. "Having players from San Diego make it big in the pros is not something new to us, though. America's finest city has produced some of the finest athletes the world has seen."

Even Drake, the Grammy

award winning rapper hollered at Powell via Facetime after their 114-110 Game

"He (Drake) was just saying 'congratulations', man," said Powell, according to mainstream sports-news outlets. "He said the city is going nuts, they turned the CN (Canadian National) Tower gold for us. I know the city is shut down for us, and you can't move or do anything in Toronto right now."

"Drake might be the most annoying celebrity sports fan of all time, but it's all for show," Rivera said, "He's like a clown dancing around on the sidelines. I'm just waiting for him to get smacked up by one of the players

he antagonizes."

In Game 1 of the finals, Drake and noted hot head Draymond Green from the Warriors, were seen 'going at it' at the end of the game.

Former SDSU Aztec Leonard. who scored 22 points against the Warriors in Game 6 and was named NBA Finals MVP, adores Drake In 2018, he chose Drake's Scorpion album as his top hip-hop album for the summer.

In 2017 Powell created a pianoand-rap song and "satirical" matching music video titled "No Problem" in collaboration with GoDaddy. "I'm a huge fan of athletes pursuing other avenues during their playing careers," Riviera says, "but Powell should probably stick to basketball — he's no Vic

Lincoln High along Norman Powell probably ought to stick to basketball.

tor Oladipo."

Since then, Powell's music video has disappeared online but the Soundcloud track is still live.

Powell will be at Lincoln High School on August 3 to teach the Lincoln Heights and surrounding neighbor-

hood kids how to shoot hoops and "understand the grind."

— Mike Madriaga

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MICKY DOLENZ at Del Mar Fairgounds

JULY 4

Occasional Monkee Micky Dolenz has a history in San Diego dating back to mid-November 1965, when the prefab foursome shot scenes for their TV pilot *Royal Flush* at the Hotel Del Coronado, including the country club and bar sequences. Exterior scenes were filmed on the beach near the Hotel; this footage would also turn up in the series original title sequence, as well as throughout the episode "Here Come the Monkees." The shoot marked the first time the Monkees ever played musical instruments all in one room together, as they plugged into the prop amps between setups and jammed a few old Chuck

Berry and folk numbers. The band returned to town on September 11, 1966, just before the TV show debuted, to play their first concert in Del Mar, which was renamed Clarkesville for the day. The Monkees single "Last Train to Clarksville" was at #61 on Billboard's Hot 100 chart, though it would shortly hit number one. The mayor of Del Mar handed the quartet the keys to the city (or at least the neighborhood), and the group's first public performance included two songs: "Papa Gene's Blues," written by Mike Nesmith, and a cover of "She's So Far Out, She's In" by Baker Knight.



SHADES MCCOOL at Soda Bar

JULY 5

Shades McCool is the comedic alter ego of Tony Gidlund, of Fever Sleeves and Rob Crow's Gloomy Place. His act sometimes involves hard rock versions of localcentric TV theme songs for merchants like Bob Baker's Auto Group, Mossy Nissan, Drew Ford, and Toyota of Escondido. Gidlund has been backed at various times by drummer Brian Garbark (Modern Rifles), bassist Daryl Thompson (Modern Rifles), and keyboardist Taylor Semingson. A debut EP collects *The First Four Demos*,

recorded with Rob Crow and featuring guests Ben Johnson and Adam Gimbel. The Shades McCool single "The San Diegan National Anthem" was produced with Ben Moore and Nick Reinhart. Shades McCool just dropped a new full-length, *Pretty Good Guy*. The all-local bill includes Vista-based Amerikan Bear (1960s-inspired underground garage rock) and Band Argument whose *Patchwork* EP was released earlier this year.



CASEY HENSLEY at Music Box

JULY 6

Six String Society presents "I Believe" featuring Mimi Zulu, Kendrick Dial, and singer Casey Hensley, who fronted Chasing Norman before embarking on a solo career and fronting her own band (drummer/life partner Evan Caleb aka Evan Yearsley, is the son of the late blues diva Candye Kane, who died in 2016). The busy singer has headlined the Ojai Blues Festival, appeared at Gator By the Bay, and played the Doheny Blues Fest, as well as appearing in Las Vegas for the Big Blues Bender at the Plaza Hotel. Vizztone Records released

her album, Casey Hensley Live Featuring Laura Chavez. The Vizztone connection stems from Evan Yearsley knowing Vizztone co-owner "Steady Rollin'" Bob Margolin, a bluesy guitarist long connected with Candye Kane. Guitarist Laura Chavez, who played on Kane's last studio album, recorded her contributions live in one take at Thomas Yearsley's Thunderbird Analog Recording Studios in Oceanside (Thomas is Evan's dad and Kane's ex). Casey Hensley Live was mixed and mastered by Black Market III guitarist-singer Scottie Blinn.

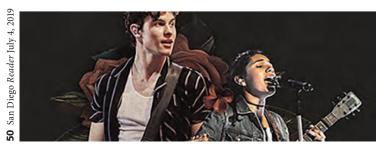


IAN ANDERSON at San Diego Civic Theatre

JULY 7

"I first visited San Diego in 1969 but they were rushed visits," says Jethro Tull frontman Ian Anderson. "I began to enjoy the experience in 1971 when we had a couple of days off and some time to relax and do some photo shoots for the *Living in the Past* album artwork. The balmy weather, the relative calm after other U.S. cities on the tour, all offered a welcome respite. Later trips to a wild cat refuge, zoo, and restaurants downtown have made for a few hours of pleasure. Normally, there is little or no time for seeing much of a city when you are there to work... grab some lunch, check into a hotel, go to soundcheck, and do the show. Then a flight next

morning to Northern California for another show. But at least I get to smell the Pacific, if filtered through petrol, diesel and aviation fumes. I recall a concert in the early '70s where there were big problems reported in the press between local police and fans. I think we had the record briefly — wrested from the Rolling Stones — of the most drug busts and violence at a concert in San Diego. Nothing for anyone to be proud of, of course. Symptomatic of the times. Much worse happened at our shows elsewhere in the U.S. during the '70s. These days, everyone is a pussycat. Or just plain old."



SHAWN MENDES at Pechanga Arena

JULY 8

Remember when people were posting video snippets on Vine that briefly made them famous? Vine may no longer be a thing, but at least one site star went on to become an actual pop star. Canadian folk-pop singer-songwriter Shawn Mendes used his online exposure to land a major label record deal that soon resulted in "Stitches," a top ten hit in the U.S., England, and Canada that was only the first of many chart visits. The

20-year-old's self-titled third album from last year found him working with top-shelf talents like Ed Sheeran, John Mayer, and Khalid. It topped the charts in Canada, and surprised many by becoming his third number one album in America as well. That makes him the third youngest artist to hit number one in the U.S. with three albums, topped only by Miley Cyrus and Justin Bieber.







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Friday, 8pm — TEED.

Bar Pink:

Monday, 7:30pm — Julia Sage & the Bad Hombres.

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday & Friday, 8pm — The English Beat. \$25-\$44. Saturday, 8pm — Tainted Love Sunday, 8pm - Chuck Ragan. \$22-\$39 Wednesday, 8pm — Bob Schneider and Carolina Story.

Black Plague Brewing:

Saturday, 8pm — Lost Monarchs.

Brick by Brick:

Saturday, 8pm — The Convalescence.

Casbah:

Thursday, 8pm — High Tide Society. Free. Friday, 8pm — Drug Hunt and

Wild Wild Wets. \$10. Saturday, 8pm — Earthless, Crypt Trip, Warish. \$23-\$25. Sunday, 8pm — Earthless, Salt Lick, Crypt Trip. \$23-\$25. Tuesday, 8pm — Secret Fun Club and Tap & Die. Wednesday, 8pm — Vaya Futuro

and Le Ra. \$10-\$12. Central Library:

Sunday, 2:30pm — Matt Smith Jazz Trio. Free.

Cheers Bar & Grill:

Saturday, 9pm — Equipox, Free.

Ché Café:

Wednesday, 7pm — Glitterer. \$10-\$12.

Del Mar Fairgrounds:

Thursday, 8pm — Liquid Blue. Thursday, 8pm — Micky Dolenz.

Ebullition Brew Works:

Saturday, 5pm — The Ginger Cowgirl Band. Free.

Embarcadero Marina Park North:

Saturday, 12pm — Horizon Music Festival. \$25-\$80.

Embarcadero Marina Park South:

Thursday, 7pm — Lyle Lovett & His Large Band. \$17-\$108. Friday, 7:30pm — The Doo Wop Project. \$17-\$108. Saturday, 7:30pm — The Midtown Men. \$17-\$108.

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Friday, 9pm — Kevin Begin.

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Hornblower Dinner Cruises:

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Moonlight Beach:

Sunday, 3pm — Cold Duck.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:

Thursday, 8:30pm — Sickstring Outlaws.

Music Box:

Friday, 9pm — Fuerza De Tijuana. \$25-\$35. Saturday, 9pm — Six String Society. Wednesday, 7:30pm -Nightmares on Wax DJ Set. \$20-\$25.

Omnia San Diego:

Friday, 9pm — Coast Club.

Open Air Theatre:

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Jon Bellion

Pala Mesa Resort:

Friday, 6:30pm - West of 5. Free.

Panama 66:

Sunday, 6pm — Uptown Rhythm Makers. Free.

Pechanga Arena San Diego: Monday, 7:30pm — Shawn Mendes.

Proud Mary's Southern Bar & Grill at the Ramada:

Friday, 7pm — LadyStar Blues. Saturday, 7pm — The Fremonts.

San Diego Children's

Discovery Museum: Saturday, 5pm — Ruth & Emilia and Hullabaloo. Free.

San Diego Civic Theatre:

Sunday, 8pm — Ian Anderson: Jethro Tull 50th Anniversary

San Dieguito Heritage Museum:

Sunday, 12pm — Lady Brain Fest. \$10-\$15.

Saturday, 7pm — Adrienne Nims & Spirit Wind. Free.

Thursday, 8pm — Beekeeper and Gravespell. \$8.

Friday, 8pm — Amerikan Bear and Shades McCool. \$8. Sunday, 8pm — MY MYND and Jonny Tarr. \$6.

Monday, 8pm — Amyl & the Sniffers. \$15.

Tuesday, 8pm — The Chats. \$10-\$12.

Wednesday, 8pm — King Whisker and Violet Dyes. \$6.

Soma:

Sunday, 6:30pm — Hate Drugs and Jet Black Alleycat. \$10.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion: Monday, 7:30pm — Dave

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Recreation Center: Thursday, 11am — University

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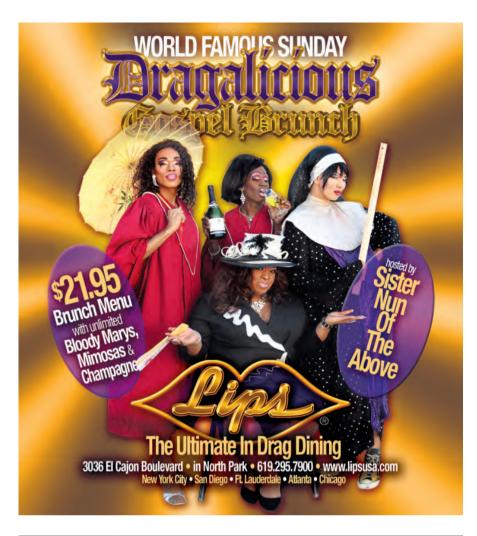
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Gustavo Romero The Athenaeum Music & Arts Library's Summer Festival with pianist Gustavo Romero has become a cherished tradition in San Diego. The 2019 Athenaeum Summer Festival, a four-part series of concerts, will feature the first part of Beethoven's 32 sonatas. (The second part will follow in 2020.) The festival will be set in the intimate Ioan & Irwin Jacobs Music Room of the Athenaeum, Romero, a native San Diegan, first performed at the Athenaeum Music & Arts Library as a young boy, and it was with him that the Athenaeum planned its first Summer Festival in 1999, the organization's 100th anniversary. Each year, Romero chooses composers to study in depth, sharing the full range of their artistry. Please visit the Athenaeum's site to see the planned program for each concert. Also see our site for prices if you are interested in attending a dinner with Romero following the concert. Sunday, July 7, 4pm; \$40-\$172. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street.

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

Mozart, Beethoven, benediction

The sun was setting in Beethoven's Symphony No.6 out beyond the reaches of the Vienna Woods, which extend to the north and southwest of the "city of music." The final glow of the music disappeared, and the 2019 Mainly Mozart Festival came to an end. As an employee of the festival, I felt a sense of accomplishment for my small part in such a grand conclusion.

The final stretch of the festival started on Thursday, June 20, with an orchestral concert featuring local giant of the classical guitar Pepe Romero, Romero performed Joaquín Rodrigo's Concierto de Aranjuez.

There is no one closer to the music of Rodrigo than Pepe Romero, given his 50-year friendship with the composer. The audience sat in reverence at the feet of the master as he narrated

the story of Rodrigo's grief and subsequent hope after the loss of a child. The title of the concert was "Love, Life, and Loss."

The repertoire for the evening included Ravel's Mother Goose Suite, Mozart's Symphony No. 36, and Wagner's Siegfried Idyll. The concluding piece was unlisted on the program.

Music Director Michael Francis announced Ravel's Pour une Infante Defunte as something of an encore. After the concert the orchestra members were abuzz about the horn solo which opens the piece and its masterful execution by Andrew Bain, principal horn of the LA Philharmonic.

On Friday, June 21, I heard a piece of music I've been waiting to hear performed since I was 16 years old and first saw the movie Amadeus. The piece in question was Mozart's Gran Partita Serenade. This 50-minute wind marathon was performed by 13 members of the Mainly Mozart Festival Orchestra at the acoustically superior Scripps Research Auditorium, formerly the Auditorium at TSRI, formerly the Neuroscience Institute.

BY GARRETT HARRIS

The movie makes use of the third movement of the Gran Partita. As Salieri peruses Mozart's score he soliloquizes about hearing "the voice of God." In a festival full of musical delights, none exceeded this concert. After a threedecade wait, my experience of the Gran Partita was indeed godly.

Now for Saturday, June 22. As coincidence would have it, two of my all-time favorite pieces were on the program. Those pieces were



Conrad Tao plays Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 20.

Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 20 and Beethoven's Symphony No. 6. Preceding them was Mozart's Svmphony No. 38 and it damn near stole the show.

Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 20 proved to be an ideal transition to Beethoven's sixth. The 20th was Beethoven's favorite concerto, and pianist Conrad Tao played Beethoven's explosive cadenzas. Tao emphasized the stylistic idiosyncrasies of Beethoven during these cadenzas.

I'll remember the string playing during the storm in Beethoven's sixth for a long, long time. The visual and aural effect electrified the Balboa Theatre with a storm of lightning leaping out of the flurry of fingers and bows upon the stage.

As the storm subsided, a prayer of thanksgiving filled the hall bestowing a fitting benediction upon the audience, the festival, and San Diego.

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as one of Rolling Stone's Top 10 Country Artists to Watch in 2018. Opening act is Temecula's own country high-energy group Kanan Road. The concert will benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Southwest County. Tickets start at \$40 for Courtyard Orchestra Seating & Preferred Terrace Seating, \$80 for Veranda Dining Seating and Standing General

Admission is \$15 per person. Food trucks and beverage service available. Advanced tickets can be purchased at http://www. southcoastwinery.com/july4th or on the day of in the Vintner's Garden. Thursday, July 4, 6pm; \$15-\$80. South Coast Winery Resort & Spa, 34843 Rancho California Road, (TEMECULA)

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Thursday, July 18 — The Paragraphs and Drug Hunt.

Friday, July 19 - Black Pistol Fire and Thunderpussy. Sunday, July 21 — Infinite Floyd.

Birch Aquarium at Scripps:

Wednesday, July 17 — Green Flash: Pine Mountain Logs & Venice

Black Cat Bar:

Saturday, July 27 — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival. Free.

Brick by Brick:

Friday, July 26 — She Past Away.

California Center for the Arts. Escondido:

Friday, July 26 — Música En La Plaza, Free

Camel's Breath Inn:

Saturday, July 13 — Fleetwood Bigmak. Free.

Casbah:

Friday, July 12 — The Silent Comedy and Dead Feather

Saturday, July 13 — Spice Pistols and Skid Marks. Free. Sunday, July 14 — Havnauts and

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Coronado Library: Friday, July 19 — The Peter Sprague Trio. Free.

Del Mar Thoroughbred Club: Friday, July 19 — All-American Rejects Free

Saturday, July 20 — Ziggy Marley.

Dizzy's/Musicians Union Hall:

Sunday, July 21 — Allison Adams Tucker & Danny Green. \$20.

Doubletree Hotel San Diego:

Saturday, July 20 - Summer Feels Pool Party. \$15-\$25.

Embarcadero Marina Park

Friday, July 12 — Cynthia Erivo. \$17-\$108. Saturday, July 13 — Harry Potter

& the Half-Blood Prince. \$17-\$108.

Sunday, July 14 — Harry Potter & the Half-Blood Prince. \$17-

Encinitas Community and Senior Center:

Saturday, July 13 — North Coast Symphony: Americana Extravaganza. \$8-\$10.

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Fallbrook Library:

Thursday, July 18 — Cowboy Jack Band, Free.

Fast Times:

Wednesday, July 17 — Sneaky Tiki Ukulele Jam & Social Club.

Fred's Mexican Cafe Old Town:

Saturday, July 20 — Tim Yancey. Free.

Goodbar:

Saturday, July 13 — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival. Free

Hacienda de Vega Carlsbad: Saturday, July 20 — Shane Hall

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Hotel Indigo Del Mar:

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House of Blues:

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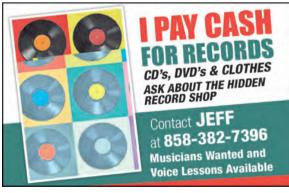
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Saturday, July 20 — The Mad Hat Hucksters. Sunday, July 21 — Uptown Rhythm Makers. Free.

Parc Bistro Brasserie:

Sunday, July 14 — Pride Brunch: Don LeMaster.

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Saturday, July 13 — Social Justice Benefit Concert, \$18-\$20.

Proud Mary's Southern Bar & Grill at the Ramada:

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Friday, July 19 — Cadillac

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Saturday, July 13 — Gethen Ienkins.

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Friday, July 12 — Joe Cardillo. Saturday, July 13 — Jim Allen Trio.

Friday, July 19 — Jim Allen Trio. Saturday, July 20 — Nitro Express.

Rosie O'Grady's:

Thursday, July 11 — Brothers Burns. Free.

Roxv Encinitas:

Sunday, July 14 — Serena Geroe & Jotham Patton. Free.

San Diego Children's Discovery Museum:

Saturday, July 20 — Hullabaloo and Israel Maldonado. Free.

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Friday, July 12 — Crew d'Etat Brass Band.

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Wednesday, July 17 - Sacred Sound Community Acupuncture.

Soda Bar:

Thursday, July 11 — Horse Jumper of Love. Friday, July 12 — Davila 666.

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Saturday, July 20 — Brian McKnight 4. \$95-\$180.

Thumbprint Gallery:

Saturday, July 13 - Anna Zinova

Til-Two:

Thursday, July 11 — Monochromacy and the Sorcerer Family.

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Saturday, July 20 - Nobody's

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Saturday, July 13 — San Diego Contra Dance. \$10. Friday, July 19 — San Diego Contra Dance. \$10. Saturday, July 27 - San Diego Contra Dance. \$10.

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Sunday, July 28 — Mindy Dillard. Free.

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Saturday, July 20 — Robin Henkel & Whitney Shay.

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Thursday, July 11 — Matt Hall Quartet. \$25-\$35. Thursday, July 25 — Sunset Poolside Jazz Series: Steph Johnson Band, \$25-\$35.

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Friday, July 26 — Jay Aston's Gene Loves Jezebel.

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The gargoyle doth text

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ura Culpa! Mr. Lickona took a vacation and this reporter missed the screening of the much-anticipated Midsommar. Once I ran to advance screenings; now I run from them. Why? Because I would much rather try my luck on an opening day mid-morning matinee than deal

with the parade of texting, talking, drinking, seat-back-kicking, pass

whores who frequent preview showings. After reading these two true life tales from the front lines of cinema, I think you'll agree.

The five of us settle in the Mission Valley 7, first row, center behind the break — we like using the guardrails as footrests — waiting to see Penguins. Today's "plus one" are four people, all under the age of 10. (The publicist was nice enough to let me schnor.)

Without warning, she appears like a goblin from the center aisle, a sullen face blocking my field-of-vision with nothing more to share than, "You're in my seat."

A quick over-the-shoulder glance confirms that she's not addressing any patron seated behind us. I turn and bid, "May I help you?"

"These seats are reserved for the press," she demands while eveing my companions with great disdain. I point to Winnie Lickona and quip, "I'm her

guest. She writes for the Reader."

Nothing. Not even a curl of the lip. "I'm waiting for my daughter..." she breaks it off. Why waste precious oxygen speaking to an idler such as I? Moving to her right, the disobliged chupacabra heads to the stairs, loops around, squats a few seats down the row, and begins to fumfke

with her phone.

The pail of soda is splashed into courtesy cups, the silo of popcorn parcelled out into smaller cardboard boxes and both are divvied up among my guests. Setting the half-filled bucket on the floor, the kids and I engage in a little pre-show kibitzing. A moment later, I reach down for some corn and,



"Dude, Imma shove that cellphone right up your...."

what's this? Looks like Fido hasn't been fed. The service dog across the aisle is about at the end of its retractable tape leash, its snout within inches of the surplus ketch of corn. Scooping up the tub, I fire off a playful, "Hey lady! Reel in your dog!" She laughs, the kids laugh, and for a moment, all is at peace

with the auditorium.

But. About an hour into the picture, the presence of a blue light begins to tug at the corner of my left eye. The gargoyle doth text. The last thing on my agenda is to mix it up with what's known in the business as a "mommy blogger." She was a mother, alright.

The biggest mother of 'em all!

"Excuse me," I whisper, "Would you please turn your phone off. Thank you." Two words — "I'm sorry" - would have put an end to it. Instead, Lady Fusspot leans forward and hisses, "You are a very rude person." What follows is a searing slow-



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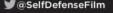
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The show's over and I lead the pack of early exiters. No sooner do I finish bringing the publicist up to speed with, "And she tells me that I'm rude" than Princess Dragon Mommy exits the theatre. Embers blast through her nostrils as she echoes, "You are rude." Turning to the publicist, she proceeds to justify her shamelessness with, "I was expecting a text from my son." D'oh! Now you tell me. Had I known, I'd have run up to the booth and demanded that the projectionist stop the show. A light dust-up ensues. Let it go.

Still, it's one thing for a patron to disrupt a movie, another for a member of the working press, and still another for a security guard. What follows is a terrifying tale of what happens when one such fellow - a man equipped with night vision goggles whose sworn duty it is to ensure that all phones are powered down — becomes part of the problem.

I am resigned to the fact that the three children behind me are going to talk and kick the back of my seat throughout the entire movie. What kind of monsters bring children to see Annabelle Comes Home? The same parents too strapped to afford a babysitter, or even to up a theater's per capita with a trip to the concession stand. A preshow visit to the dollar store fortifies the family with what sounds like \$100 worth of Corn Nuts. The packaging is not movie theatre friendly; for 90 minutes it sounds like kids unwrapping birthday presents. (Mom kicking over her empty beer bottle was a heartwarming touch of dipsomania.)

None of this would have mattered were it not for one overly accommodating watchperson. Correct me if I'm wrong, but I thought security guards were hired to prevent disturbances, not create them. For the entire movie, anytime someone got up to take a pee — and this boozed-up crowd had bladders the size of raisins — he would hit the LED flash to help light their path. This germoke was hired to prevent possible piracy, not play usher. Attention moviegoers: hit the head before the picture, lest the concession stand add Depends to the menu board. As it was, 95 percent of the film takes place in darkness, making his torch stand out all the more.

"Huh?" was his response when I got up and asked that he stop playing lighthouse. When asked whether or not he knew how effing disturbing it was, he replied, "Shhhhh!" In the future, I ask that you please tell the person hired by the studio to tell audiences to silence their phones during a movie to do the same.

- Scott Marks

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Aladdin - Gosh, maybe CGI really can do everything. I mean, if it can smother Will Smith's energy and charisma under a lumpen shell of magical blue muscle and turn the mighty morphin' Genie of the Lamp into a clumsy counselor who just wants to be human - er, free - then perhaps it's also powerful enough to turn this live-action do-over into something fresh and worthwhile in its own right? No? Pity. There are efforts made, whether through good faith or just market savvy, to update Princess Jasmine (Naomi Scott) into a people's champion who might prefer ruling to romance. She gets a few impassioned scenes, and a song of her own about not being silenced that sounds a bit like reheated Frozen material, but it's enough to make you wish the Disney people had gone whole hog and just called it *lasmine*. The story of a young woman's struggle to navigate the perils of palace intrigue, her father's simultaneously overprotective and bullying love, and a culture that wants her seen and not heard, aided only by her faithful handmaiden and a mysterious thief from the city streets... As it is, we're stuck with Aladdin (Mena Massoud), a handsome but mopey orphan who just wants to be thought of as more than what he's been his whole life. (Talk about fairy tales!) At least the baddie's parrot sidekick gets a nicely nasty makeover. Directed and cowritten by Guy Ritchie, who used to have a sharper touch with this sort of class struggle drama. 2019. — M.L. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Anna — It really is what everyone has said it is the role of a lifetime for Sally Kirkland — especially if she wanted a feature-length screen test for a second career in Eastern Europe. She plays a once famous film star in Czechoslovakia, who's now a nobody in New York; a peasant fan of hers (fashion model Paulina Porizkova), with no English and bad teeth, comes to meet her, learns some English, gets new teeth, and is soon on the road to Hollywood. Pretty maudlin stuff. And hideously maudlin when the heroine goes to one of her old films in a Manhattan art house, and her big closeup burns up in the projector gate - again and again and again. Written by Agnieszka Holland; directed by Yurek Bogayevicz. 1987. — D.S. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Annabelle Comes Home — The sight of Annabelle belted in the back seat of the Warren's car as she's chauffeured home to the relative safety of the family's prized collection of demon memorabilia opened the show with a grin. In no time, the smile turned upside down. Here's a horror sequel that wants to be anything other than what it is: a picture about an evil doll. For what feels like an hour, an unseen boogey-person chases three girls around a house. Isn't this essentially Halloween with a dirty doll standing in for Jason? At least Jason did more than simply sit in a glass case. And who ordered a werewolf?! Why not give Annabelle the power to fly or pilot a speedboat? Vera Farmiga and Patrick Wilson are smart enough to phone in their performances; as soon as a babysitter is hired to look after their daughter, the two actors pick up their checks and exit the picture until a plot hiccup demands they return for the climax. Screenwriter and first time director Gary Dauberman (It, The Nun) shows a capacity to direct as poorly as he writes. 2019. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Avengers: Endgame — A triumph of sorts. Not of acting: with some notable exceptions - a beer-bellied, tragicomic Chris Hemsworth as Thor among them a feeling of exhaustion has crept in with a number of the principals over the 10 or so years since Iron Man set this gargantuan, quippy super-opera in motion. Nor of dialogue: not even Don Cheadle can deliver a line like "We are all about that superhero life," and the little speeches tend to fall flat, to the point where the film gets self-conscious about them. Nor

of direction: for the first hour or so, the Russo brothers rely heavily on your good will toward the superfolk who remain in the wake of "blue meanie" Thanos halving of the universe's population, and the relentless stream of fan service in the two hours that follow may leave even the truest believer feeling milked. But a triumph of feeling: of itches scratched, of sorrows and angers eased, even of longings fulfilled. A triumph of theme: the team's [SPOILER ALERT?] time-travel gambit hammers home the Why We Fight virtues of home and hearth, of Mom and Dad and the kids. And above all, a triumph of plotting: thread after narrative thread tied off in neat and sometimes unexpected (and unexpectedly satisfying) fashion. The MCU will go on and on, but this chapter - and the American pragmatism vs. American ideals bromance that drove it - have well and truly come to their "Excelsior! Nuff said!" moment, 2019, 2019. — M.L. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Biggest Little Farm — A splendid commercial - as opposed to argument - for small-scale biodiversity as an effective operative principle for a family farm in Southern California. (Translation: although farming necessarily involves imposition on the natural world, the closer you get to being just one more strand in the ecological web, the better.) It's great to look at: director John Chester (who co-stars with his wife Molly) is a nature photographer from way back, and it shows. And there are moments both thrilling (the approach of the fires, the war on the snails) and heartwarming (the unlikely friendship between an ugly pig and an uglier rooster, et alia). But what there isn't is any sense of risk to go along with all the rewards that come from rejecting modern industrial agriculture. No sense of the cost that comes when the birds eat your fruit and the gophers eat your roots and the snails eat your leaves and the covotes eat your chickens while you search for sustainable solutions. The Chesters have investors, you see, and so what they're doing seems more experiment than exemplar: a chance to see what's possible when you don't have to be entirely practical. A chance to seek meaning as well as money. And as far as that goes, it works, as both farm and film. 2018. - M.L. ★★ (LAND-MARK HILLCREST)

Blade Runner: The Final Cut —

Two of the more socially conscious of cinematic genres - science fiction and the detective story - have been mated to produce a future-generation Los Angeles (A.D. 2019) that looks like Tokyo or Hong Kong gone to seed. The detective work is somewhat scamped, except for a good scene (echoing Antonioni's Blow-Up) involving a computerized photo scanner and enlarger. And several nostalgic throwbacks to Bogart's heyday simply misfire: the hard-boiled, first-person narration (eliminated in the re-released "director's cut"); the Venetian-blind shadows; the Joan Crawford hairdo and fashions on the female lead. The sci-fi elements are more fully elaborated, but aren't always sure-fire either: the topography of the cityscapes often seems as flat and jumbled as a Cubist painting, and even the tightest of shots is apt to be busied up with reflections, moving lights, colored mist, With Harrison Ford, Rutger Hauer, and Sean Young; directed by Ridley Scott. [This review refers to the 1982 theatrical cut. The final cut, of course, contains the full-length unicorn dream.] 2007. — D.S. ★ (CINÉPOLIS DEL MAR; CINÉPOLIS LA COSTA)

Do The Right Thing — Spike Lee voiced displeasure at being branded after his first film "the black Woody Allen," and in truth his ambitions, though no less large, run in a quite different direction (and at even a faster clip) than those of the maker of Interiors and September and such. Lee's third feature - a fragmented street comedy that intermittently, and at last completely, loses its sense of humor anatomizes an incident of racial violence in Bedford-Stuyvesant on a hot summer day. The ostensible catalyst scarcely seems earth-shaking: whether or not Sal's Famous Pizzeria ought to include some photos of "brothers" - Malcolm X, Nelson Mandela, Michael Jordan — among those of Sinatra, Loren, De Niro, et al., on the restaurant's Wall of Fame. The movie, in consequence, seems most truly (most artistically) serious in exploring the particular, petty circumstantiality of the case: a combustible mix of individual people, extreme temperature, and unfortunate happenstance. And a feeling of genuine despair lingers well past movie's end. Some didactic expediencies (a fantasy forum of Melting-Pot Bigots) are less seriously serious, and some stylistic uncertainties (tilted cameras, fish-eye

FILM FESTIVALS

Mean Girls

Let's open with a laugh: Lindsay Lohan opted to play a "good girl" fearing that the role of a "mean girl" might sully her reputation. (Tell it to Paris Hilton!) It turned out to be a good choice, seeing as this delicious postmortem on the pecking order among modern American high schools became an instant cult classic. Hit (Ghosts of Girlfriends Past) and miss (Vampire Academy) director Mark Waters gets wood on the ball thanks in large part to an energetic cast coupled with first-time screenwriter Tina Fey's amusing jumble of satirical skits. And when was the last time you heard of a sitting President tweeting about a movie? No, not Trump plugging Sean Hannity's star-making turn as himself in the faithbased chazarai, Let There Be Light. Barack Obama was so taken by Mean Girls that he tweeted a photo of family dog, Bo, with a tennis ball in his mouth. The caption, "Bo, stop trying to make fetch happen," was a reference to the film's famous tag-line. **ROOFTOP CINEMA CLUB, JULY 7** AT 6:30pm.

Midnight in Paris (2011)

An author's (Owen Wilson) dream of writing the great American novel is eventually quashed by the easy, breezy allure of Hollywood gold. While joining his bride-to-be (Rachel McAdams) and her disapproving parents (Kurt Fuller and Mimi Kennedy) on a trip to Paris, our hero takes a midnight stroll only to discover a portal to the past, a magic carriage ready to transport him back to the jazz age, where he rubs elbows with the high-browed likes of Fitzgerald, Hemingway, Gertrude Stein, Picasso, Bunuel and Dali. The film opens with a return of sorts to Woody's glory days of Manhattan, a similar picture postcard tour of the city, this time in color and without the hilarious opening narration. But there is magic afoot, as Allen (and production designer Anne Seibel) take us on a charming and thoroughly captivating tour of a fantasy Paris that only the filmmaker could envision. The cast, with the exception of McAdams, whose neurotic contortions play like a spastic variation on Annie Hall, never fails to impress. The generally cuddly dollop of mayo Wilson does surprisingly well assuming the role that Rabbi Woody's become too old to convincingly pull off. CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, JULY 13 AND 14 AT 8:00pm.

Rebel Without A Cause (1955)

Landmark "troubled teen" drama, the first situated in suburbia, not a Blackboard Jungle, and the first to offer the youth of America a message that amounted to something more than an extended classroom harangue. Nicholas Ray directs his cast of relative unknowns with a then unheard of degree of care and compassion. Was Dean as good as critics and historians say or was accidentally introducing his Porsche Spyder to an oncoming Ford Tudor a brilliant career move? In just three performances - two of which were released posthumously — Dean joined Montgomery Clift and Marlon Brando in forever changing the face of screen acting. It was also one of the first pictures to be photographed in the wonder on CinemaScope. If ever a film justified the advent of the anamorphic lens, it's this. You can tell which character controls the shot, his or her relation to others, even



James Dean and Natalie Wood: Causeless rebels pause between takes.

what they're thinking simply by observing the manner in which Ray meticulously arranges his frames. With: Natalie Wood, Sal Mineo, Ed Platt, and for a few fleeting seconds, the sounds of Mr. Magoo ANGELIKA FILM CENTER, JULY 15 AT 2:00pm and 7:00pm.

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lenses) are no more than capricious. With Danny Aiello, John Turturro, Richard Edson, Ossie Davis, Ruby Dee, Rosie Perez, and Lee. 1989. — D.S. ★★ (AMC MISSION VALLEY)

Echo in the Canyon — NewcomerAndrew Slater is credited with directing and co-writing what is ostensibly a documentary tribute to the influential Laurel Canyon music scene of the '60s. Alas, this is as much a Jakob Dylan vanity project as it is a documentary. Jakob hosts! Jakob sings! Jakob produces! Be it a soft focus reverse angle elbow poking in frame right, the back of his head, or one of the multitudinous cutaways to our non-emotive emcee nodding in agreement — the first hundred patrons should receive a commemorative Jakob Dylan bobblehead - the singer hogs more screen time than Milton Berle in It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World. (At least Bob had the perspicacity to hire Scorsese.) Never at a loss for words, sublime self-proclaimed a'hole David Crosby has insight to spare, and damn if John Sebastian still doesn't come across as the happiest guy on earth. The curious can learn more from watching YouTube accounts of the era than from sitting through this. 2019. — S.M. ★ (ARCLIGHT LA JOLLA; LA PALOMA; LANDMARK HILLCREST)

Godzilla: King of the Monsters -

There are reports that director Michael Dougherty's sequel to Gareth Edwards' 2014 reboot had a budget of \$200 million dollars. That's not normally the sort of thing you would mention in a review. but when you see a film that is almost entirely driven by spectacle and you keep marveling at how slapdash and/or unreal everything looks and sounds, you do start to wonder where all the money went. (I hope a fair chunk went to the cast, which includes Vera Farmiga, Sally Hawkins, Kyle Chandler, and Ken Watanabe - each slumming in his or her own way — because otherwise, this is just an embarrassing glitch in the old filmography for the lot of them.) That unreality extends to the action: gravity still exists in the Monsterverse, but other physical and natural laws would just get in the way of the show. And it is a Monsterverse, with all the earmarks of an attempted franchise a la Universal's Dark Universe. Talking of which, it shares this problem with that doomed attempt to make episodic heroes out of monsters: why should folks care about them, again? I mean, yes, they look cool, it's nice when they save our skins (viz. Godzilla, Kong: Skull Island), but that doesn't quite make us invested in them as characters. They're not even problems to be solved, just gargantuan forces to be accepted, like the weather. Or maybe our new masters; here to somehow help us restore balance to the planet. It's hard to say. Anyway, the lesson here is that humanity sucks, but family is still super important. And the payoff is about five minutes of kaiju combat that doesn't come close to justifying the other 127. 2019. — M.L. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

 $\frac{61}{2}$ The Iron Giant — ${\rm Animated\ sci-fi}$ fable, set in the Fifties and drawn in a retro comic-book style, though the anti-violence message (specifically anti-nuke message) is hardly dated at all. The saccharine relationship between an overimaginative boy and a humongous overmag....

metal-eating robot from outer space
in the Spielberg vein (specifically E.T.

is the smug anti-government sentiment; as is the frantic backpedalling from a halfway unhappy ending. Christopher McDonald, who has made a career as a horse's ass in live action. is still typecast as a horse's ass in voice only; and his attempts to chum up to the little hero through such forms of address as "skipper," "slugger," "champ," "chief," and "buckaroo," elicit the best laughs, or the closest things to laughs. Based (very loosely) on a children's book by Britain's former Poet Laureate, Ted Hughes; with the voices of Harry Connick, Jr., and Jennifer Aniston; directed by Brad Bird. 1999. — D.S. ★ (CINÉPOLIS DEL MAR; CINÉPOLIS LA COSTA; CINÉPOLIS VISTA)

Jaws — How to cope with a rogue shark, who's choosing his meals among the summertime beachgoers on a New England vacation isle, is a possibly plausible crisis, puffed up however to the proportions of a whopping fish story. The plot appears to be fooling with some fairly advanced chemistry (the hunting party brings together a brash rationalist from the Oceanography Institute, a mystical mariner out of Melville, and a befuddled hydrophobe uprooted from the big city), but the questions sounded in this streamlined thriller are no deeper than "What's next?" or "Who's next?" on the agenda of the inscrutable Great White maneater. Director Steven Spielberg shapes the Peter Benchley book into a cautionary nag at human unpreparedness, and he stirs up considerable amusement around people's inadequacy to the threat - their initial hem-haw dubiousness and ha-ha frivolity, and their eventual holy-cow awe when they come face to face with the beast (an impressive mechanical contraption usually photographed from a dentist's point of view). Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw, Richard Dreyfuss. 1975. — D.S. ★★★ (LANDMARK KEN)

John Wick: Chapter 3 - Parabel-

lum - By this point, director Chad Stahelski's franchise about Keanu Reeves' hitman with a heart of gold (Wick's reasons for killing the hundreds of assassins after his head this time 'round are entirely romantic) is completely besotted with itself and the world it's created. Its hefty borrowing from Catholic bureaucracy: disgraced members of its simultaneously decadent and decaying world are excommunicado, decommissioned sanctuaries are deconsecrated, a High Table curia sends adjudicators to keep order in the outposts by assigning penance for sins committed. Its loving attention to firearms, bullets, and the near-incessant necessity of transferring the latter into the former. Its even more loving attention to brutal, impressive, but ultimately exhausting hand-to-hand combat. (Exhausting for the viewer, anyway: Wick hardly ever stops to catch his breath.) And by this point, it's counting on you to be similarly besotted, so that you're happy to play along with the silly bits (there are a number of them here, several involving a superassassin who's also a total fanboy), the unlikely bits (why don't these guys shoot him when they have the chance instead of relying on knives?), and the kind-of-pointless bits (Halle Berry and her crack coterie of combat canines). Etc. etc. It's rather like when Bond films went from Sean Connery to Roger Moore: you know and love the brand, so now we can goof around with it. Plenty of people will find this copacetic. A few will grouse about what's been lost in the process: a touch of the real amid the merely fantastic. 2019. — M.L. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Last Black Man in San Francisco — Joe Talbot makes his directorial debut with a story of a young man searching for his home in a city that seems to have left him behind. 2019. (AMC FASHION VALLEY: AMC LA IOLLA: ANGELIKA FILM CENTER & CAFÉ)

The LEGO Movie 2: The Second Part — The sequel begins right where

the first part left off: with Dad's casual bombshell that if his son can play in the basement LEGO paradise, then so can the son's younger sister. Cue the arrival of the adorable Duplo destructors, and hello, new central conflict! You might even say that The Second Part connects to the first as snugly as, oh I don't know, a LEGO brick! Ha ha? But the conflict here - play with your sister, son, lest all the LEGOs suffer Armomageddon and disappear into the Bin of Storage (pronounced store-AJ) — just isn't that compelling. There's a lot of talk about how growing up can interfere with the essential sweetness that makes such sibling cooperation possible - at one point, a character actually goes so far as to say that the action is just an expression of the death of the imagination in the subconscious of an adolescent - but the fact remains that the kid in question is still imaginative enough to play with LEGOs, so...what's the problem, exactly? Never mind, here's a half-baked song about Batman and romance to take the kids' mind off things! And for the adults in the room, we've got time travel as a major plot point, so let's throw in a Back to the Future reference! It won't matter if the kids don't get it, as long as we make explicit acknowledgment that the kids don't get it in the film itself! Because you can never get too meta! Oh, wait. Exhausting, and exhausted. 2019. — M.L. ★ (AMC CLASSIC RIVER VILLAGE 6; REGAL ESCONDIDO; REGAL SAN MARCOS)

Midsommar — Those who have seen Midsommar are calling it a midsummer night's nightmare, one of the scariest movies ever made. We shall see. 2019. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Paris Is Burning — Jennie Livingston's documentary cameras take you behind a door you might otherwise never have cracked open, or even known existed: the competitive gay costume balls of Harlem, or just "balls" for short. There's more to it than you might imagine: more categories of competition, for one thing (Fashion Model, Executive, Military, School, etc.). And then there's the matter of "houses" (defined as gay street gangs), "vogueing" (a combative form of dance), among other new vocabulary words. The presentation is messy, and — to the extent that it is arranged at all - calculated to sadden and depress. But your interest has plenty of room to roam on its own, 1991. - D.S. ★ (DIGITAL GYM CINEMA)

Rocketman — Executive producer Dexter Fletcher stepped in to complete Bohemian Rhapsody after Fox relieved chronic no-show Bryan Singer of his directorial duties. Next up on Fletcher's rhapsodical Bohemian biopic docket: Sir Elton John (played with assurance by Taron Egerton). What with our subject still alive and kicking, the AA meeting that opened the picture gave rise to fears that a two hour PSA lay ahead. Good news: sanitized though it may be, Fletcher was more interested in fashioning a structured musical fantasy than a biopic interposed with simulated concert footage. John's appearance in Tommy is never cited, but the bravado Fletcher brings to the Saturday Night's Alright for Fighting number echos Ken Russell's sweep and swagger. Familiar family tropes - stony dad (he sweats hailstones), venting mom, loving granny - play out with one-note predictability. And the fantasy AA meeting that

bookends the production is forced, like a Charlie Chan programmer in which all of the major players assemble in one room to resolve the mystery of John's flambovance. But somewhere between the two meetings lurks 40 minutes of solid musical splendor. 2019. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Selena — Insipid "biopic" — familyauthorized to make sure that nothing too tangy intrudes — about the tejano singing star and Grammy winner, a rags-toriches success story ("We think she's the next Gloria Estefan!") abruptly halted by homicide. Jennifer Lopez, lip-synching to original recordings, rises well above exhilaration and to within a step stool of ecstasy. For brief moments, she elevates the entire (admittedly lightweight) puff piece. With Edward James Olmos and Jon Seda; directed by Gregory Nava. 1997. — D.S. ★ (CINÉPOLIS VISTA)

Smallfoot — An animated musical morality play for kids about a band of merry Sasquatches who learn to question authority (and the meaning of tolerance) after an abominable human comes to town. Wanting to follow his father's formidable footsteps into the bregma-bashing profession, Migo longs for the day when he can use his head to gong in each new dawn. Set in a frigid village where the Yetis have no noses, the film raises the question: how do they smell? Pretty good from where I was seated, thanks to the roving camerawork that directors Karev Kirkpatrick and Iason Reisig use to manipulate their characters through the glacial amusement park they call home. (Think Max Ophuls for toddlers.) And where better than this icy locale to insert a couple of literal (and superbly executed) avalanche gags? Musical numbers in contemporary animation generally act as narrative logjams. In this case, the Broadway pizzazz kept my feet a-tapping. With the voices of Channing Tatum, James Corden, and Zendava. 2018. — S.M. ★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Spider-Man: Far from Home —

There's a lot of empty space floating around in the MCU. 2019. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Spirited Away (Sen to Chihiro no Kamikakushi) — Cancellation of the retirement of Japanese animator Hayao Miyazaki, whose Princess Mononoke was a worthy valedictory to the traditional hand-drawn method. For this addendum to his career, he has made liberal, corner-cutting use of computergenerated backgrounds; and the clash of styles creates perhaps the most overt conflict in the entire film, together with an unwanted undercurrent of sadness and resignation. A contemporary fairy tale about a timid little girl (of indistinct race) who learns to cope - or in other words a textbook metaphor of growth - it lacks something of the drama and the narrative drive of Mononoke, though it lacks nothing in visual imagination (a fully realized spirit world where anything goes) and nothing, either, in audacity. No home-grown animated film from Disney, the U.S. distributor, would dare dish up such dreamy inscrutability. Nor would it dare drag on for more than two hours, a bit long by any measure, even though individual episodes have the fascination of a Sunday installment of Little Nemo in Slumberland. Much of the strength of its grip comes from Miyazaki's meticulous simulation of the classical camerawork and cutting of live-action filmmaking. The scene construction remains reliably solid, however vaporous the content. 2002. — D.S. ★★ (ANGELIKA FILM CENTER & CAFÉ)

The Spy Behind Home Plate —

Normally, it's only when a celebrity documentary garners enough attention that it becomes fodder for a Hollywood biopic. Released this time last year, The Catcher Was a Spy starred Paul Rudd as Moe Berg, the inscrutable Jewish baseball veteran whose contribution to the war effort included spying on the Nazis for the OSS. The film died a quiet death at the box office. With a trio of broadening documentary portraits of little-known Jewish folk heroes behind her, director Aviva Kempner choose to take it easy. Passing off file footage or clips from fictional movies as the emmes is a major cheat. Then there's all the unfateful name-dropping. Moe hit on Babe Ruth's daughter. So? Chico Marx took Moe and his brother out to dinner. Who cares? Reaching too hard for nostalgia, the distracting wall-to-wall soundtrack plays like a K-Tel collection of wartime hits. And for every talking head author, there's a copy of their book hogging the frame. A fascinating story nonetheless, distractions and all. 2019. — S.M. ★★ (LAND-MARK KEN)

Spy Kids — Cartoonish espionage caper, aimed at a younger age group than usual for Robert Rodriguez (From Dusk Till Dawn, Desperado: cartoons themselves). Slick, sometimes eve-catching, but nothing to hold on to. With Antonio Banderas, Carla Gugino, Alexa Vega, Daryl Sabara, Alan Cumming. 2001. — D.S. (ANGELIKA FILM CENTER & CAFÉ)

Toy Story 4 — The first half-hour plays like a reel of Pixar stand-alone shorts: Woody Goes to School, Woody Saves Forky, etc. It isn't until the arrival at Granny's antique store that the film finds its bearings. The voice box tracheotomy was an errant touch of genius. Too bad Disney couldn't have secured the rights to Jerry Mahoney, no doubt the inspiration behind the mini-army of evil ventriloquist dolls with dropped head syndrome. And since when did Woody become Jiminy Cricket on crank? Can the moralizing, STFU, and let's have some fun! (If you're not crying, it isn't because they're not trying; the filmmakers stop just short of pumping tear gas into the auditorium to make kids wail.) Why the need for Part 4? There are new characters to merchandise! Kudos to the genius behind Forky. A plastic spork, pipe cleaner, and popsicle stick that set the studio back 13 cents for parts, assembly, and blister packaging can soon be yours for \$24.95, S included, 2019. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Wizard of Oz - If the screen version of Frank L. Baum's sanitary children's story is indelibly stamped, scene by scene, in more Americans' memories than any other movie, it's just because of the pounding into our brains that this movie has been allowed year after year on TV, and not because, because, because, because of the wonderful things it does. The trip from Kansas to Oz, from Dust Bowl to Dreamland, from black-and-white to somewhere over the rainbow, doesn't really get off the ground on imagination's wings, but is held down on the MGM backlot. beneath tons of costumes and cosmetics and paint. Judy Garland, Bert Lahr, Ray Bolger, Frank Morgan; directed by Victor Fleming. 1939. — D.S. ★ (CINÉPOLIS DEL MAR: CINÉPOLIS LA COSTA: CINÉPOLIS VISTA)

Yesterday — A singer awakens to find himself in an alternate universe where the Beatles never existed. Voila! Instant success. No doubt another feel-good charmer from director Danny Boyle (Slumdog Millionaire), 2019, (IN WIDE RELEASE)

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith unless otherwise noted. Information is accurate according to material given us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.

Another Roll of the Dice

This musical reunites songwriter Frank Loesser and author Damon Runyon, the creators of Guvs and Dolls In "Dice" three classic Runvon stories are intertwined with hits from the Frank Loesser songbook, including "Heart and Soul," "Two Sleepy People," and "Let's Get Lost," performed by Runyonesque characters.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THE-ATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM WEDNESDAYS.

As You Like It

Rosalind flees persecution in her uncle's court, accompanied by her cousin Celia to find safety and, eventually, love, in the Forest of Arden. In the forest, they encounter a variety of memorable characters, notably the melancholy traveller Jaques who speaks many of Shakespeare's most famous speeches (such as "All the world's a stage", "too much of a good thing" and "A fool! A fool! I met a fool in the forest"). Jaques provides ANTI-REVIEW

MICHA BARNES

Magical mist becomes ruinous rain

THE OLD GLOBE THEATRE should probably be called the Old Globe Theatres. Three different venues make up the complex, two of them indoor. It's the outdoor stage, the Lowell Davies Festival Theatre, that hosts the Globe's annual Shakespeare Festival, which goes back 70 years now. This season's first bard production is the comedy, As You Like It.

These summer Shakespeare productions can usually bet against poor weather. But this year, on the solstice itself, the typical mostly cloudy June gloom forecast delivered more than promised, giving those in attendance the answer to a question most of us never thought to ask: what happens during one of these outdoor Shakespeare productions when it rains?

Early in the first act, a light mist floated more than fell across the path of stage lights, mere droplets twinkling above audience and actors' heads like glittering confetti. It was magical, really, and might have been more so had it held in this manner long enough to coincide with the escapes of our lead characters, Rosalind and Orlando, into the Ardenne forest

Even our rainless summer nights do chill, so they check out blankets at the Lowell Davies theater. As the mist gained a little weight, the blankets came out, and audience members huddled beneath them hoping to stav warm if not entirely dry. The actors had no such place to hide. Dressed in 16thcentury French period costumes, complete with stiff corsets and exaggerated farthingale hips, they trod onward. True thespians, they delivered their iambic lines in rhythm, betraying little notice of the dew gathering on their cheeks, or the increasingly slippery boards under their feet, as the droplets in the spotlight beams blurred into a loose, linear drizzle.

It was the audience who broke first. groups of two and four quietly ducking out of their seats and hurrying up to the lobby under cover of blankets and jackets. A few stragglers immediately followed. The rest of us turned envious heads to follow their movement, made mental calculations how stiff the rain would have to get before we too fled.

But before we could decide, a voice cut in through the loudspeaker, declaring the play



As You Like It, by William Shakespeare, directed by Jessica Stone at The Old Globe.

was to "pause," due to weather. A collective sigh of relief rose from all of us in answer to the damp sky. The actors, mid-scene when it happened, suddenly snapped out of character with great gasps of their own, their bodies going slack like untangling marionettes. The applause appreciating their effort was heartfelt

We crowded under the eaves at the front

of the theater while honest rain ensued, and within ten minutes a voice over the speaker announced the show had been canceled. We would be reticketed with comparable seats to future shows, we only needed to contact the box office later to rebook. Fortunately, it's early in the season: the show will go on

a sharp contrast to the other characters in the play, always observing and disputing the hardships of life in the country.

LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY BALBOA PARK 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS THESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

The Great Smelly, Slobbery Small-Tooth Dog

New Village Arts Theater and Kids Act are excited to announce their upcoming performance of "The Great Smelly, Slobbery, Small-Tooth Dog" on July 6 and 7 with a fully-integrated, inclusive cast. The performance is a part of "Project Fairytale!" a summer theater workshop where young adults with special needs, like autism and Down syndrome, pursue acting with professional teaching artists and typical peers.

SCHULMAN AUDITORIUM AT CARL SRAD CITY LIBRARY 1775 DOVE LANE CARLS-BAD. 760-602-2049, 7PM SATURDAY. 2PM SUNDAY

Little Shop of Horrors

Seymour Krelborn finds a strange plant during an eclipse and believes

it to be his opportunity to escape his unhappy life on Skid Row. His co-worker, Audrey, is dealing with her own problems, and dreams of going "somewhere that's green." What neither of them realize, however, is that this strange and unusual plant is actually a smooth-talking, man-eating monster bent on world domination. Directed by AJ Knox.

NEW VILLAGE ARTS THEATRE, 2787 B STATE ST., CARLSBAD, 760-433-3245. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS &

The Luckiest

Lissette is a vibrant and fiercely independent young woman. But when a sudden diagnosis shatters her world into pieces, she finds herself at odds with her mother and her best friend.





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who each come bearing strong opinions wrapped in good intentions. With an overwhelming amount of choices to make in a very short amount of time, Lissette is forced to navigate between the two while unflinchingly forging her own path for her future.

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.

Mixtape: The Greatest Hits of the 80s

A cast of singers, dancers, actors, and musicians take you through the songs and events of the 1980s. Features the music of U2, the B52s, and Madonna.

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS.

The One, a One-Man Musical Drama

He was born of God and a mortal woman, groomed by both to deliver his enslaved nation from the suffocating grip of an evil empire. By the first Friday of April, 33 AD, he had gained all the power and backing he needed to face his ruthless enemy. Two days later he was executed by his own people. This is the story of Jesus The Messiah, told like never before.

LA MESA COMMUNITY CENTER, 4975 MEMORIAL DR., LA MESA. 7PM SATURDAY.

Pippi Longstocking

Pippi is the high-spirited, warmhearted incarnation of every child's dream of freedom and power. Dressed in strange clothes and living with her horse and pet monkey Mr Nilsson, she possesses supernatural strength and untold wealth. SAN DIEGO JUNIOR THEATRE, 1650 EL PRADO #208, BALBOA PARK. 619-239-8355. 7PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS.

Puffs, Or: Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic

Some people are born to do great things. Some people change the world. Some people rise from humble beginnings to beat back the forces of darkness in the face of insurmountable odds. *Puffs* is the story of the people who sit in class next to those people. And badgers. Badgers are Great.

POWPAC, 13250 POWAY RD., POWAY. 858-679-8085. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRI-DAYS, & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Rock of Ages

Journey back to the 1980s, era of big big bands, big egos, big guitar solos and big hair. Aqua Net, Lycra and liquor flow freely on the legendary Sunset Strip rock music scene. Amidst the madness, aspiring rock star Drew longs to become the next big thing in music, and longs for fresh-off-the-bus newcomer Sherrie, a Kansas kid with stars in her eyes. This musical-comedy features rock hits with music from Styx, Journey, Bon Jovi, and Whitesnake. CYGNET THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 3PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS

Space Force Fringe Encore

Come see a live studio taping inspired by true-to-life events surrounding the creation of Donald Trump's Space Force. Set in the not-too-distant future, a group of resistance fighters broadcast a story about the trials and tribulations of "the sixth branch of the armed forces safeguarding American dominance in space." (The White House) Written, directed by and starring Michael Shantz with Tom Steward. Also starring Jeff Hillman, Julia Giolzetti and Floyd Strayer.

ART ON 3RD, 269 THIRD ST., CHULA VISTA, 8PM SATURDAY.

The Sunshine Boys

A young theatrical agent attempts to re-unite his elderly uncle, a former vaudevillian great, with his long-time stage partner for a TV reunion. Despite their celebrated reputation, the old men have not spoken in twelve years. Besides remastering their sketch, the two men have other issues to work out before they are ready to return to the public eye. LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 5915 SEVERIN DR., LA MESA. 619-303-5092. 8PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS,

The Tale of Despereaux

Despereaux is a courageous mouse who dreams of becoming a knight. He sets off on a noble quest that will take him down into dungeons and up to the heights of a castle tower to rescue a beautiful human princess—but the dark-hearted rat Roscuro has other ideas.

DONALD AND DARLENE SHILEY STAGE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 7PM SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS, & WEDNESDAYS.

UPCOMING SHOWS

13 the Musical

Following a move from New York City to small-town Indiana, young Evan Goldman grapples with his parents' divorce, prepares for his impending Bar Mitzvah, and navigates the complicated social circles of a new school.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BL., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-728-7820. JULY 26 THROUGH AUG. 4.

All Shook Up

It's 1955, and into town rides a guitar-playing young man who changes everything and everyone he meets. Musical fantasy with classics like "Heartbreak Hotel," "Jailhouse Rock," and "Don't Be Cruel." HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-234-9583, AUG. 2 THROUGH SEP 1.

And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little

Their father having deserted them in their childhood, the three Reardon sisters have grown up in a house of women, dominated by their recently deceased mother. But time has erased the tender closeness of girlhood; one sister has married and cut herself off; another has begun to drink more than she should; and the third, after a scandalous incident at the school where she teaches, is on the brink of madness. When the married sister comes to dinner to press the need for committing her sibling to an institution, all the pathos, humor and honesty of the play are combined. LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE. 5915 SEVERIN DR. LA MESA, 619-303-5092, AUG. 23 THROUGH SEP 22.

Dance Nation

Somewhere in America, an army of pre-teen competitive dancers plots to take over the world. If their dance is good enough, they will claw their way to the top at the Boogie Down



[Title of Show], yes that's the name, is a musical comedy about two friends, Hunter and Jeff, who are writing a musical about two guys who are writing a musical. With a little help of their friends, Susan and Heidi, this rag tag group work together to produce a show that has the potential to be Nine People's Favorite Thing rather than fall into the derivative of a Hundred People's Ninth Favorite Thing.

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MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL.,
SUITE N, ROLANDO. 858-598-7620.

AUG. 17 THROUGH SEP 15.

Disney's The Little Mermaid

Ariel, King Triton's youngest daughter, wishes to pursue the human Prince Eric in the world above, and bargains with the evil sea witch, Ursula, to trade her tail for legs. But the bargain is not what it seems, and Ariel needs the help of her colorful friends, Flounder the fish, Scuttle the seagull and Sebastian the crab to restore order under the sea.

GROSSMONT COLLEGE, 8800 GROSSMONT COLLEGE DR., EL CAJON. 619-644-7000. JULY 25 THROUGH AUG. 3.

Dogfight

Coronado Playhouse stages the musical, music and lyrics by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, book by Peter Duchan, based on the Warner Brothers film. On the eve of their deployment to a small but growing conflict in Southeast Asia, three young Marines set out for one final boys' night of debauchery, partying, and maybe a little trouble. The men must compete in the "proud" Marine tradition of the "dogfight," a highstakes contest to see who can pick up the ugliest date.

CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO. 619-435-4856. JULY 26 THROUGH AUG. 25.

Footloose

Award-winning, Encinitas-based Ovation Theatre is thrilled to present "Footloose," a musical based on the 1984 film starring Kevin Bacon, about a city boy who moves to a rural backwater where dancing is banned, but soon has the town on its feet! Featuring such classic '80s hits as "Holding Out for a Hero," "Almost Paradise," "Let's Hear It for the Boy" and the unforgettable title track. Tickets go on sale July 16. For more information, visit, HOWARD BRUBECK THEATRE AT PALO-MAR COLLEGE, 1140 W. MISSION RD., PALOMAR COLLEGE. 760-744-1150. AUG. 2 THROUGH AUG. 11.

Ideation

Play reading: a psychological suspense thriller, in which a group of corporate consultants work together on a mysterious and ethically ambiguous project. As the lines between right and wrong are blurred, these characters must navigate the cognitive dissonances and moral dilemmas to decide for themselves if everything is, as it really seems. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. JULY 22.

Little Women, the Musical

The adventures of Jo, Meg, Beth, and Amy March as they grow up in Civil War America. Jo longs to publish a novel. Meg longs for a fiancé. Beth longs for a piano. Amy longs to be admired.

KIT CARSON PARK, 3333 BEAR VAL-LEY PARKWAY, ESCONDIDO. AUG. 16 THROUGH AUG. 31.

Othello (Part Two)

The story of a noble military general who has enjoyed many successes on the battlefield, but because of mistakes of judgment and his outsider status in his society, sabotages his most intimate relationship and himself. Join for a night of open reading. You are welcome to show up and just watch. Free and open to the public. VETERANS MUSEUM AND MEMORIAL CENTER, 2115 PARK BL., BALBOA PARK. 619-239-2300. AUG. 6.

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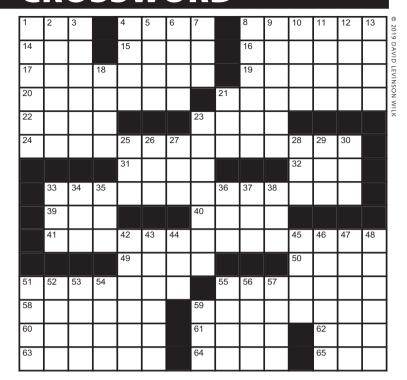
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- 1. Wenders who directed "Buena Vista Social Club"
- **4.** Growing business?
- 8. 7ero chance
- **14.** Miley Cyrus'"Party in the
- 15. "Night" author Wiesel
- **16.** "Sure, I guess"
- 17.59-Across actress?
- **19.** Tony award-winning musical "Thoroughly Modern _
- **20.** "Go jump in the lake!"
- 21. It's a tight fit
- 22. Bring home
- 23. General vibe
- 24. 59-Across NBA legend?
- **31.** Particular in a design
- **32.** Like 2019
- **33.** 59-Across singer?
- **39.** Its national anthem is "Hatikvah": Abbr.
- **40.** Bring on board
- 41.59-Across TV host?
- 49. Asian territory in Risk
- **50.** Meaty lobster part
- **51.** Treats in husks
- 55. "Vitruvian Man" artist
- **58.** Alexandria -Cortez who. in 2018, became the youngest woman ever elected to Congress

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59. Designated, perhaps incorrectly ... or a correct way to designate four of the this puzzle's answers

- **60.** Selena's music style
- **61.** Poor box contents
- 62. Unified
- **63.** Chimp relatives
- **64.** TV show set in William McKinley High School
- **65.** Enter an altared state?

Down

- 1. Gets cold feet, with "out"
- **2.** Book after Song of Solomon
- **3.** "No pain, no gain," to many a bodybuilder
- 4. Office plant
- **5.** Jai _
- **6.** Hilarious person
- 7. "It doesn't excite me"
- **8.** Dos, e.g.
- **9.** LeBron James, by birth
- **10.** News anchor Lester
- 11. Locale of Ada and Fnid:
- **12.** Part of a full house
- **13.** Sized up
- **18.** Rum named for a Spanish literary hero
- 21. Tyronn who has won NBA championships as a player (2000, 2001) and as a coach (2016)

- 23. "The cause of -- and solution to -- all of life's problems," per Homer Simpson
- 25. Put into service
- **26.** Many a craft brew
- **27.** Headed up
- **28.** Really, really long time
- **29.** Fuss
- **30.** King or emir: Abbr.
- 33. Palindromic relative
- 34. "Sorta" suffix
- **35.** Grp. opposed by the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence
- **36.** Modern prefix with gender
- **37.** Heavenly body
- 38. Prefix with natal
- **42.** Supreme Court action
- **43.** Chocolaty breakfast cereal
- **44.** Lil ____ X, rapper with the 2019 #1 hit "Old Town Road"
- 45. Elec. or gas. e.g.
- **46.** Became depleted
- **47.** Creed (Christian statement of faith)
- 48. Said "o'er" for "over," e.g.
- **51.** Yellow Brick Road dog
- **52.** Maker of Aspire laptops
- **53.** Gova's "The Naked **54.** Slippery ____ eel
- **55.** Kid's tea party attendee
- **56.** Pinnacle
- **57.** Bouguet holder
- **59.** Yield to gravity

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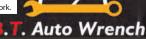
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- If you're over 12 years old in certain parts of Virginia, you'd better hustle up your own fun for Halloween night. In several communities surrounding Chesapeake and Newport News, KUTV reported, city codes make it a misdemeanor for anyone over 12 to wear a costume and troll the neighborhood for candy. Penalties include fines (\$25 to \$100) and up to six months in jail. Even lawful trick-or-treaters must be done by 8 pm, and in Newport News, parents accompanying children may not wear masks.

What a Difference an Apostrophe Makes

Genevieve Snow, 29, hired a Brooklyn company, Joanna's Cleaning Service, to spruce up her apartment on Aug. 27. It wasn't her first transaction with the company, and she let two women in before leaving for work that day. But when one of Snow's roommates woke up, she found one of the cleaning ladies sitting on the couch, eating. "You know when you're not supposed to be doing something, people jerk up really quickly? They did that," the roommate, Kristen Nepomuceno, 28, told the New York Post. Nepomuceno left for work, but when she returned around 5:30 pm., the apartment was trashed, one of the ladies was gone, and the other was passed out on the kitchen floor next to a smashed spice rack. She quickly left and called police, who arrived to find the cleaning lady was sitting

on the couch, eating ice cream. "She is ... hammered, beyond hammered," Nepomuceno said. New York police refused to file a report, so Snow gave the cleaning service a bad review on Yelp. That's when the owner of the company Snow had previously used, Joanna Cleaning Service, got in touch to say a former (fired) employee had started Joanna's Cleaning Service and had taken Snow for a ride. Now Snow can't get in touch with either Joanna and just wants to find out who's responsible for the damage so she can sue them.

People With Too Much Time on Their Hands

— Producers and sellers of senbei, a type of rice cracker, joined together in Soka, Japan, on Oct. 3 to break the Guinness World Record for ... wait for it ... creating the largest rice cracker mosaic. About 200 people constructed a rendering of Leonardo da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" using seven different colors of rice cracker. The mosaic, according to United Press International, measured 1250 square feet and required more than 23,000 crackers.

Recurring Themes

Frontier Airlines removed a passenger before takeoff from a flight from Orlando, Florida, to Cleveland on Oct. 9 because of her non-allowed "emotional support animal," a squirrel. Passengers were alerted to a "situation" and told they needed to exit the airplane, according to 24-year-old flyer Brandon Nixon of Ashland, Ohio. "You

expect the worst when they say something like that," Nixon told the Associated Press. When he asked a flight attendant for more information, "All she said was 'a squirrel." Police were called when the woman and her squirrel refused to deplane, and she was escorted through the terminal, pumping her fist in the air as she held the squirrel on her lap.

Family Values

■ On the day Ester Price, 95, of Pamplin, Virginia, was admitted to the hospital with an unexplained illness, her son-in-law, Jack David Price, 56, kindly brought her a coffee — "not an ordinary event," according to an investigator. Doctors found signs of meth in her system, reported *The News & Advance*. Jack Price's step-daughter told the Appomattox County Sheriff's Office she suspected he was trying to kill his mother-in-law, and a neighbor said Price had once told him he should "put some meth in her drink," then claimed to be only kidding. On Oct. 4, Price was sentenced to six years in prison after pleading guilty to two felonies.

Police Report

- Police officers in Richardson Forest Preserve, near Cincinnati, thought they had come across a body in a plastic trash bag dumped in the woods on Oct. 4. Instead, they found "Mandi," a life-size female sex doll, according to Metro News. Residents from the area have erected a shrine in the doll's memory, leaving flowers and candles along with messages, such as, "Mandi, you

were taken too soon. We will remember you fondly. RIP." The doll is thought to be an expensive, high-end model, which makes the mystery of its disposal even more perplexing.

Least Competent Criminal

- A Springfield, Missouri, man took to Facebook in July to proudly demonstrate how to remove an ankle monitor. Dustin W. Burns, 33, had pleaded guilty earlier this year to violating a restraining order and was placed on probation. Authorities believe it is Burns using a butter knife and a screwdriver in the video, saying, "This is how you take an ankle bracelet off without breaking the circuit," according to the Springfield News-Leader. The narrator advises against damaging the electronic equipment so as to avoid thousands of dollars in fines. Subsequent Facebook posts reference trips to Utah, Idaho, and Oregon, and a video shows a man resembling Burns walking through a large marijuana farm with the caption "Dream come true." He has been in the Greene County jail since Aug. 28 and was charged in early October with tampering with electronic monitoring equipment, a felony.

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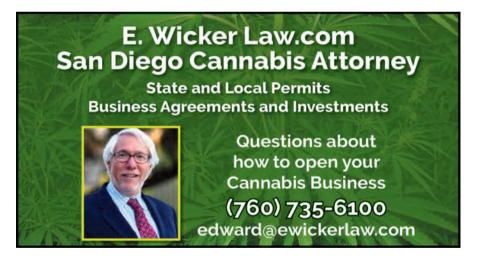
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