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### Dogged by gratitude

I just finished reading that story "Border Dogs are our Kryptonite" (Cover Stories, April 15) and let me tell you I've never had a better cry to get me over some personal things that I'm going through right now than I did after reading this. I don't think I've ever cried reading a story before in the Reader, but it really did hit my heart, and the writer put me right there, you know, with Biggie and her pups, and it just showed the kindness and the caring that we should all have towards animals. And I'm not crying for them sad, I'm crying for them happy. I lost my parents a year and a year and a half ago and the only thing I have left is the dog that they cared so much for. So that's why this dog story touched my heart, because every time I

hold him I hold my mother one more time and I hold my father one more time. And once again this story was a beautiful story, and I want to thank the writer. My neighborhood is right down here along the border, south San Diego, Otay Mesa, San Ysidro. For all the bad things that happen along the border, this sure is something totally opposite, one of love and joy. Thank you once again.

Samuel Quintana  
San Diego

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**"Encinitas surfers' protest reveals other fault lines"**  
Neighborhood News  
April 21

Wrap your arrogance with an American flag and show us how brave you are. Whining about the fact that you can't go surfing while others can ride a bike. You think the virus can not get you because you are righteous in your righteous indignation over being asked to do your part to stem the spread of the virus. You should be proud of your protest to place your rights above

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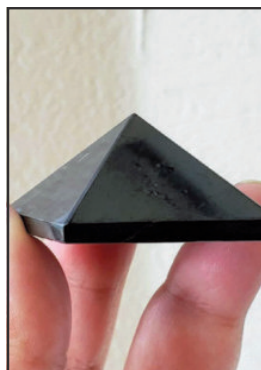
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# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Reader stringers

## ENCINITAS Dis-Curtis-y Protest leader pilloried

"I've been crucified," said Cardiff-by-the-Sea resident Crista Curtis as she surveyed the public protest she helped create on April 19. "I've had death threats. I've had weird men telling me they were going to do horrible things to me. Curtis' April 16 posts on Facebook and Nextdoor brought out hundreds to join her in voicing opposition

to the closure of Encinitas' beaches, sidewalks, and Coastal Rail Trail. (Another hundred or so watched from the hillside above.) She has since deleted all posts relating to the event, and has been accused of "killing future COVID-19 patients" on social media. After I posted some photos on Facebook, I too was vilified by many of my Facebook friends: 117 comments naming me "selfish," "immature," or "stupid."

Cars decorated with American flags and surfboards passed by. Many motorists honked their approval. But not everyone was so supportive. Several passing cyclists yelled at the protesters, "Get out of my way," or "Go



Resistance among convertible-driving surfers is mounting.

home" as the crowd massed off the sidewalk and into the bike lane. (The sidewalk along Coast Highway was officially closed to pedestrians a week before.) "What gives them [bicyclists] the right to be outside and not us?" asked one protester. It was mostly



The masked face of a killer?

an under-40 crowd, many with children. Masks were passed out, and protesters were encouraged to set the example by wearing them. For the most part, attendees stayed clear of national politics, but the *San Diego Union Tribune's* Facebook post on the event showed the sole Trump 2020 flag on display at the protest.

About one hour into the event, a sheriff's deputy asked Curtis to not to take the group down Coast Highway. "These guys are cool. I know them. They're trying to help," said Curtis of the deputy's request. So the group decided to head up Santa Fe Drive, three blocks into Cardiff, and to gather in front of Mayor Catherine



Pandemic panic protest parade: Curtis talks to police about the route.

Blakespear's house. Mayor Blakespear's most recent weekly e-blast stated, "I've been speaking with the leaders of other coastal cities about what we could do to influence the county to get the ocean back open." She added that she believes city residents would

"Surfers have been practicing social distancing forever."  
"Especially from kooks, groms, and hodads."

practice social distancing and hold no large gatherings on the beach if they were opened. One protestor's sign read, "Surfers have been practicing social distancing forever." He told me, "Especially from kooks, groms, and hodads."

KEN HARRISON

## OCEANSIDE Lockdown like lockup Coronavirus tests ex-gang members' resilience

For Sandra Mora, the Covid shutdown provides a unique opportunity to bring hot meals, seven days a week, to the families of the teens she is mentoring out of the gang lifestyle she once shared. "It's usually salad, barbecued chicken or pulled pork, and potato salad," says Mora, 45. "It's a balanced meal for our kids and their families."

The meals are prepared by the Oceanside Collaborative Kitchen, a public/private venture that cooks and donates meals for the area needy. Sandra and her co-worker Joseph Lopez, 36, were once part of rival Oceanside gangs. The two have been delivering the meals to 12 to 15 households since the pandemic started. Each family they serve has five to seven members. "Some live in

a two-bedroom apartment," says Lopez. "Unfortunately, some of these parents aren't eligible for food stamps because they're undocumented," says Mora.

Mora, Lopez, and four other "two-strike" ex-felons make up a team of community mentors who each oversee three or four teens under the Vista-based Resilience program. The idea behind Resilience is that the mentors' past gang activity makes them uniquely qualified to connect with gang-documented youth on probation following charges including robbery, assault, burglary, and substance abuse. It is funded and overseen by the San Diego County probation department, which was looking to replicate New York City's Credible Messengers restorative practices program. The Coronavirus shutdown means that these Resilience teenage mentees do not get the lunches which are usually provided at their continuation school. So Mora and Lopez are using the program's vans to reach the kids at home. "To me, the beauty of it is that with

all this chaos, the meal delivery has brought us even closer to our kids," says Mora.

But Timothy Jackson, one of Resilience's founding counselors, is seeing signs of strain. Because his face-to-face sessions can't happen now, he's counseling kids via the internet. And he says the new isolation is causing a stir-crazy unease in some of them. (Ordinarily, each member of the six-month program must to participate in at least 30 group meetings and a weekly one-on-one mentor meeting. The kids also go on field trips to Lake



The ex-gang's all here — Jimmy Figueroa (upper right) and his team of gang members-turned-mentors.

Cuyamaca or fishing in Orange County.) "The majority of kids are fighting depression. Before, it was like they had the challenge of going to school, and maybe dealing with a couple [gang] rivals on their way to school. But they still had a cause. Now they have to

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First, you have to believe in yourself. Then, you have to give yourself millions of dollars.

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Sara Jacobs is her own biggest donor. The battle to succeed Democratic House member Susan Davis in California's 53rd Congressional district has taken a back seat to the COVID-19 pandemic. But already there is an emerging winner, at least when it comes to fundraising. Sara Jacobs, the granddaughter of billionaire Qualcomm co-founder Irwin Jacobs, has collected a total of \$5,057,486 since last October 1. Her opponent, fellow Democrat and San Diego city council president Georgette Gomez, lags with \$1,324,616, according to raw campaign finance data posted online by the Federal Elections Commission. The results cover the period from October 1 of last year through this March 31.

The difference comes from Jacobs' ability to self-fund her campaign. Since entering the contest last fall, she has personally contributed a total of \$4.3 million, according to the FEC's online data. She made \$1 million contributions on December 10 of last year, January 24, and February 4, as well as coming up with \$500,067 on February 24, and \$690,00 on March 2. Other millionaire donations to the Jacobs

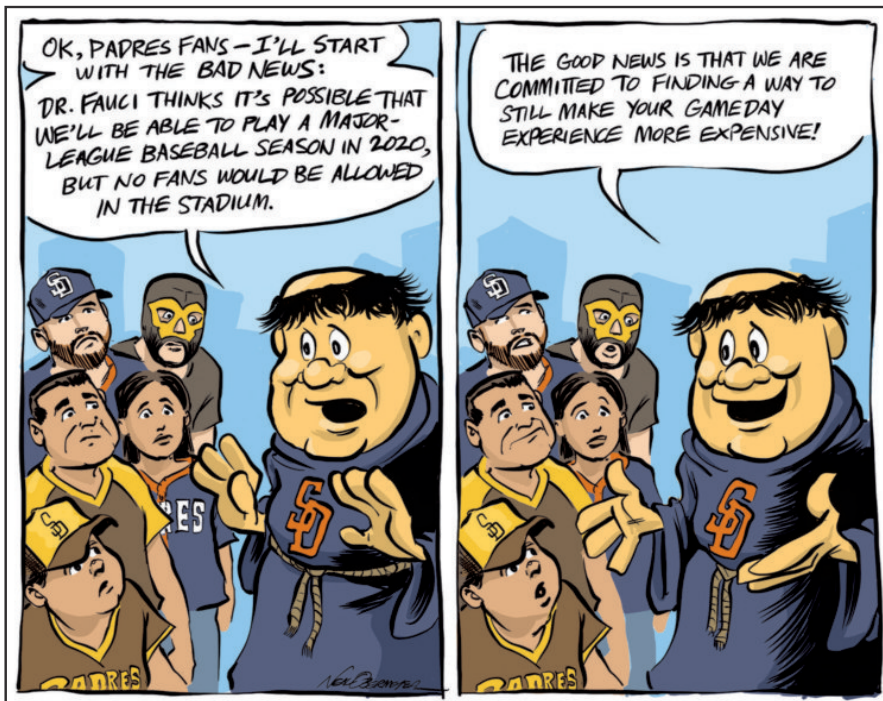
cause included a total of \$16,800 from Rebecca Moores, former wife of former Padres owner John Moores, and their daughter Jennifer.

Gomez's campaign kitty booked just \$20 from the candidate. Sources of significant Gomez money included \$5,000 each from the California Federation of Teachers COPE and the Laborers' International of North America on December 31. John Michael of the law firm Peck Madigan Jones gave \$1800 the same day, as did James Silverwood of Affirmed Housing. (Affirmed hired Southwest Strategies & Advocacy, LLC last year, to lobby the city council for "design review approval by Civic San Diego for project at the southeast corner of Front and Beech Streets in downtown San Diego," says an April 29, 2019 disclosure filing.)

Rapid growth of the coronavirus pandemic in early March brought an end to live fundraising events, ostensibly disadvantaging candidates who hadn't already put money in the bank or, like Jacobs, are mainly self-funded. But between March 9 and March 31, the end of the latest reporting period, Gomez outraised her wealthy opponent, posting \$43,175 compared to \$6748 for Jacobs. Gomez donations included \$2800 on March 30 from Breton Peace, son of former Democratic state senator Steve Peace, and \$5000 on March 27 from the labor's Sheet Metal, Air, Rail & Transportation Political Action League. Jacobs's largest donation during March was \$2800 from longtime Democratic donor Suzanne Hess, whose occupation was listed as "not employed."

Matt Potter

**Neal Obermeyer**



**UNDER THE RADAR**

**Buy low, sell high** The ostensibly humanitarian work of finding places for the city's homeless legions to live during the COVID-19 onslaught may also be lining the pockets of some of San Diego's wealthiest real estate owners. "There's never been this much of an opportunity, and there's never been this much of a need," said San Diego Mayor **Kevin Faulconer** in an April 15 announcement of a plan by the San Diego Housing Commission to buy up a bevy of motels and small hotels to host homeless guests. "All of the things that we're doing, what we need is capacity, is a place for people to transition. Done right, it can be a real game-changer."



Ashok Israni smells opportunity in crisis.

Cash would come mainly from federal and state grants, but so far, the wall of secrecy surrounding the putative deals is high. The agenda for the San Diego Housing Commission's April 17 special closed session, held by teleconference, contained a list of 10 motels under discussion for purchase by the commission. Following the closed-door meeting, the board announced it had voted 6-0 to instruct its negotiators regarding the potential deals. But it furnished no other details.

Two of the 1980s-vintage properties, the Days Inn & Suites at 3350 Rosecrans Street and a nearby hotel/motel at 3330 Gaines Street in the Midway District, are owned by Pacifica Rosecrans LP, closely tied to **Ashok Israni**, chairman of San Diego-based Pacifica Companies. The general partner of Pacifica Rosecrans, according to a September 1998 amended filing with the California secretary of state's office, is Rosecrans Hospitality, Inc., whose president is listed as Israni. A February 2007 news release announcing Israni's appointment to the board of the L.A.'s City National Bank, said Pacifica owned "hotels, office and industrial buildings, retail shopping centers, apartment projects, and single-family communities throughout the United States." At that time, the firm had "about \$2 billion in assets and employed more than 2,300 people."

Formidable givers to city politicians, Israni and Pacifica employees have since 2006 come up with a total of \$16,985, per online campaign finance disclosure data. The top recipient was Republican Faulconer, whose campaigns for city council and mayor took in a total of \$3350. Council president **Georgette Gomez** received \$2125, and councilwoman **Vivian Moreno** got \$1100. In April of last year, the council defeated on a 6-3 vote — with Gomez voting with the majority — a controversial plan by Pacifica Companies to demolish Linda Vista's Skate World for

a shopping mall.

Closely held Pacifica has turned into something of a bottom-fisher during the coronavirus meltdown, paying just \$12.35 million for a 172-unit senior living facility in Lantana, Florida. In July 2006, the 5.3-acre complex sold for \$31.5 million, *TheRealDeal.com* of South Florida reported April 22. In September 2011, the *San Diego Daily Transcript* carried word that Israni and company had acquired La Jolla's posh La Valencia Hotel, completed in 1926, for \$41 million. Currently closed by the coronavirus shutdown, the hostelry's famous Whaling Bar was eliminated by Pacifica in 2013.

**Down the low-wage hole** San Diego, Chula Vista, and Carlsbad are the target of some harsh findings by a new nationwide survey of the impact of COVID-19 on the local workforce. "The crisis disproportionately affects the 21.3 percent of American workers in retail, leisure, and hospitality who not only face lack of work, but also suffer from long-standing, below-average wages," says the report by Volusion, an Austin, Texas-based online sales and marketing outfit.

Placing ninth among the survey's top-15 worst largest metros, the segment of San Diego area workers in retail, leisure, and hospitality is said to be a hefty 23.1 percent. Facing a cost of living 16 percent above the national average, 11.4 percent of employees are below the poverty level. The number one city in the survey, Las Vegas, was even worse, with 39 percent working in retail, leisure, and hospitality, and 13.9 percent living below the poverty line. One small consolation: the cost of living in the Nevada city is 2.5 percent below average.



Georgette Gomez loves that sweet cash.

Volusion has run into a rough spot of its own of late. Hackers stole thousands of credit card numbers from the company's servers back in October of last year and put them up for sale on the so-called dark web, an underground network of nefarious activities. "Notifications are being sent directly to the potentially impacted individuals identified providing information about the incident and steps they can take to monitor and protect their personal information," says an April 20 Volusion news release.

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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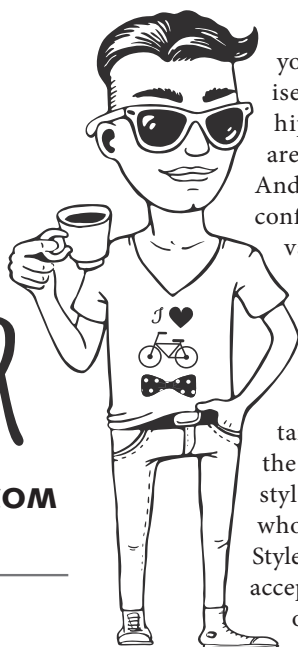
## Dear Hipster:

You wrote recently about how it's very hipster to be suspicious of anything that too many people like, and therefore definitely "not into" such popular things. People who enjoy logic might express this as a conditional statement such as if Everyone Likes Something then Hipster Dislikes Something (which can be expressed as Everyone Likes ► Hipster Dislikes). Poor logicians might assume the truth of the inverse and conclude Everyone Dislikes ► Hipster Likes, but this rule does not in fact logically follow from your conditional statement. The best we can do as a matter of logic is the contrapositive (Hipster Likes ► Not Everyone Likes), which is weak. So, I put it to you, can you prove the inverse theorem here? Further, if the inverse proves correct, and the two rules come into conflict, which rule prevails, i.e. which is the hipper option?

— A BORED, RETIRED LAW PROFESSOR WHO  
GOOGLED TIGER KING AND GOT YOU INSTEAD

When I was in college, I took an Intro to Logic class that was meant to be a kind of "math for hipsters" who needed to satisfy core curriculum requirements, but who never learned algebra because they were too busy trying to start bands. Unfortunately, I remember nothing.

However, I answer your Logic Style with my Wu Tang Style, which anticipates every move. Instead of flying fists and savage kung fu kicks, we match wits as the infallible power of logic meets the cheeky power of irony. I put it to



you, sir, that both premises are essential to the hipster, but their skills are not equally matched. And, when they come into conflict, only one can prevail. Although disliking the popular and liking the unpopular are two sides of the hipster coin, it is always more important to be out ahead of the curve. When hipster styles collide, the hipster who (using his Wu Tang Style) foresees the eventual acceptance of the presently obscure seems like the wiser hipster.

## Dear Hipster,

I am in a long-distance relationship that has lasted over two years with a woman who lives in Florida. I am unable to visit her since this chaos surrounding our world has been going on. We are planning on getting married, and how should I approach this situation since we can't not seem to see each other. Should I dump her, or love her for who she is? Thanks.

— ANDREW



Irony v Logic: LET THEM FIGHT.

You may not have noticed, but I am not in the habit of dispensing advice that anyone would call "practical" or "useful." You might even say I tend towards the (gasp) sarcastic end of the spectrum. Nevertheless,

as a means of pushing myself both creatively and professionally, I will try to respond to your heartfelt query.

FOR GOD'S SAKE, MAN!  
DON'T BREAK UP AN OTHERWISE  
FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIP  
BECAUSE OF A TEMPORARY AIR  
TRAVEL SHUTDOWN!

Or, if I may put it more hiply, if you belatedly discovered that geometric tattoos were, like, waaaayyyy overdone, would you break out a scalpel and debride your own arm to rid yourself of that mysterious geode shape you got after Coachella 2002 to celebrate the meaningfulness of the experience?

I rest my case.

— DJ Stevens

## LETTERS

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those of your community. Your selfishness is proof of your stupidity.

—AlexClarke

The pandemic is separating the selfish from the unselfish and the ignorant from the intelligent. Shelter in place is hard for all of us, but those of us who care about the well-being of others and our own health will take shelter in place very seriously. This saddens me, and it's happening everywhere.

—Socks3742

Where's the news story? For ongoing years, Ken Harrison had credible pieces on the SDR website. But: for such a high-attention public-access event, This SDR article is extremely undersized. I expected that who-was-to-be-seen-to-have-written-this ----- to have more new-related features within it. Rather, it was only the local media that had the closest to it, via the TV documentation, and the interviewing of individuals. KUSI be the overall winner in this; as FOX5 came next. But KUSI had what FOX5 missed. So I was awaiting to see what was SDR to bring. Big disappointment. What would SDR legend Don Bauer possible have found to perceive/add, if Don was still around?

—ised

When will the media wise up? Be honest and informative, and report that these fake protests are organized by right-wing political operatives, and that their

supporters are tiny in number compared to the overwhelming majority who don't want people running around infecting everyone else with the coronavirus.

—WolfM

## "Bolt Brewery rebirth"

### Tin Fork

April 23

One bourbon, one scotch and one beer!

—Socks3742

Molly is much more than "Wife of the owner." They are a couple and they co-own Bolt. Clint is amazing at brewing, and Molly is equally so at running the business. Good article, great people, great place to go for a beer and some eats.

—Rick Day

## "Florida Canyon, Mission Trails bike paths re-opened"

### Neighborhood News

April 21

Just keep out those Florida car drivers. They are a big problem for cyclists.

—ised

## "Burger (and pizza) cravings lead back to Lefty's" Feast! Restaurant Reviews

April 24

I would like to try that food; but the luxury for other customers – that not interest my throat senses/tastes – the beer. That not interest my taste. Such unrelated products on the menu, will only add more cost. To the food of the main menu. Making eating here more costly. You know how many places have beer; it being the food products that are different.

—ised



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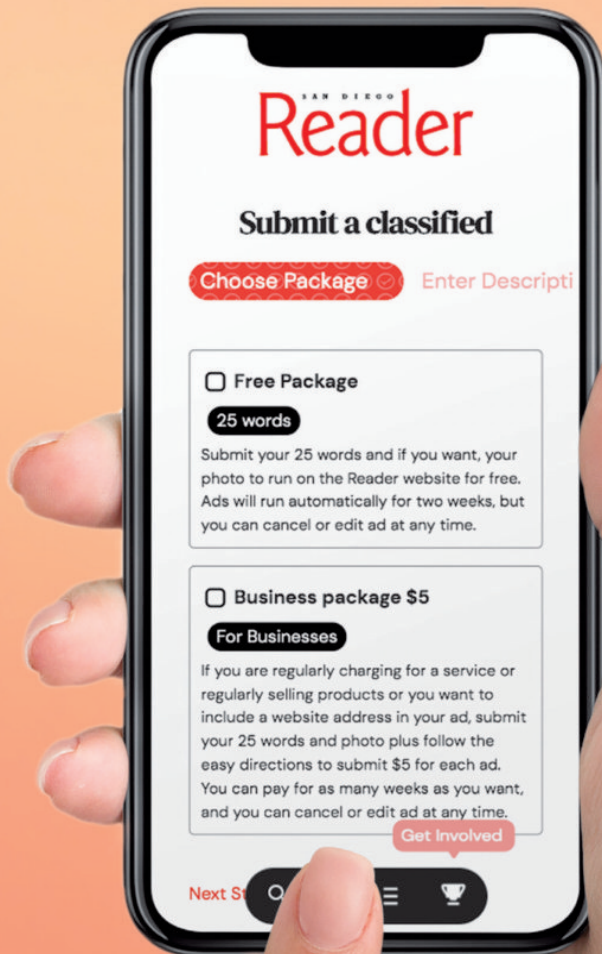
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stay home 24/7. They can't meet with us in person. One of them told me, 'Man, this is like being locked up. All I do is lie in bed. This is like being in jail.' The way they describe it, it's like being paralyzed. One of them told me he felt like his new purposes have evaporated. They've told me it was all they could do to not get in trouble."

Jackson, who has spent 14 of his 38 years incarcerated, says the idea that the system would extend a hand to a bad-direction kid was unheard of in his youth. "I can think of only one officer who offered to take me home when I was 15 and getting into trouble. And he went to school with my mom. We have all survived the wrath of the probation system, and now we are trying to help redirect these kids away from it." Jackson says initial resistance has worn down; now, Resilience mentors get access to juvenile hall and probation hearings. He says when a kid on probation gets pulled over, "instead of locking him up, they sometimes let him call his mentor."

Lopez says the natural skepticism that local law enforcement had for the notion of convicted felons helping with the restorative process is starting to melt. "My ex-PO [probation officer] came to my daughter's baby shower. This time, instead of kicking the door down, he came with a present."

The six mentors work 30 to 40 hours a week. "I took a \$15-hour pay cut to come work here," says Lopez, who used to work in construction for \$30 an hour. "I've had money — selling drugs. Money doesn't mean nothing. To be able to serve my community and these kids is my paycheck."

Resilience co-founder Jimmy Figueroa grew up surrounded by Oceanside's gang environment, but eventually got a BA in political science from UC Berkeley and a law degree. His street smarts helped him find his staff. "I knew all the mentors before I started this," he says, noting that the county probation department wanted to launch Resilience in Oceanside because of its gang activity and lack of services in that department. He says the Vista Community Clinic agreed to take Resilience under its wing in August 2018. "The Vista Community Clinic really went out on a limb to do this. I kind of already had a team in place. These guys had already been doing this work through faith-based programs or other non-profit groups. But first, they had to become employees of VCC." The clinic was flexible enough to change its no-tattoo policy for the mentors, but there was still resistance. "I heard people from other nonprofits say this model would never work, that having a former gang member work with current gang members was too much of a risk. That kids would think it was a 'get

out of jail free' card. We even heard that law enforcement people were saying 'How can we trust them?' But people got to know us."

Figueroa says 61 kids have gone through or are currently involved with Resilience. "We got 23 off probation, and only one went back on."

KEN LEIGHTON

## ON MY BICYCLE

### Happy trails

#### Cyclists rejoice at getting off road

As roads have emptied under the coronavirus shutdown, new turf has opened up for bicyclists. More people are turning to bikes to get outdoors — or just to get around. "We have increased in business since the beginning of the outbreak," says Chris Garcia, general manager of SD Wheel Works. "More bicycle repair labor hours, children's bike sales, and electric bike sales."

But while the bike shops were allowed to stay open as essential businesses, the city was busy shutting down trails: Florida Canyon Trails, Mission Trails Regional Park, and many more.

On April 20, Mayor Faulconer an-



Mr. Faulconer: tear down this sign!

nounced that a limited reopening of some city parks will begin on Tuesday. Group activities won't be allowed, parking lots will remain closed, and social distancing continues. But open trails within open space parks will be accessible, except for Cowles Mountain and Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Trail. Bike advocates are still sorting out the details, but say the announcement appears to open up areas such as Florida Canyon in Balboa Park, Mission Trails Regional Park, Otay Valley Regional Park, Black Mountain Open Space park, Marion Bear Park, and many canyons.

The approach to the closures was too



Looks pretty socially distanced to me but this trail through Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve will remain closed.

sweeping to begin with, says Susie Murphy, the executive director of the San Diego Mountain Biking Association. For one thing, she says the park closures impact people who use those trails for commuting. Many use Peñasquitos Canyon as an east-west dirt commute alternative between Poway and businesses around UCSD, Torrey Pines, and Carmel Valley, she says. And Balboa Park is a major cycling artery for people who commute all over downtown. "Parks, open spaces, and trails are all different, even within one agency or jurisdiction." Dirt trails are unlike bike lanes in roads, concrete bike paths, or wide community

the few areas still open, which has caused overcrowding," Murphy says. Frustrated cyclists have vented on forums about the closures and how they've squeezed people onto previously uncrowded paths. One in particular that has upset riders is along State Route 56. It's a 9.1 mile, moderately trafficked trail running from Carmel Valley to I-15. "My bike riding is completely destroyed. All the trails are closed, my one road route (SR-56 path) is closed," said one rider. "I'm so ready for this to be over."

In North County, where the coastal terrain may seem more spacious, there are fewer cars "but more pedestrians and run-

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sidewalks. Many people, she says, including government employees and elected officials, "want to lump these very different amenities into one bucket."

Murphy sent a letter to the city on behalf of the group, asking for a "soft opening of some trails, parks, and open spaces" as the Covid-19 crisis wears on. The letter sought an approach more aligned with the county's, which involved closing parking and other facilities to encourage hiking and biking, but not congregating.

According to the county parks website, each jurisdiction makes its own decision to open or close its parks, based on ability to maintain safe public spaces and social distancing by users. But social distancing hasn't been easy to maintain, as people flock to whatever outdoor spaces they can use. "The closure of many trails, particularly the complete closures by the city of San Diego, has caused trail users to disperse to

ners in the cycle paths and using crossing lights," says Norval Lyon, president of the North County Cycling Club. And while the restrictions have been fewer in the north, a favorite bike route through Camp Pendleton has been closed by the military, and State Park San Onofre/Trestles is closed — effectively blocking the route through to Orange County. "It would be nice to be able to use the SR-56 path but there are other routes for road cyclists via Del Mar Heights and Carmel Valley Road."

The club has had to suspend group rides. How will they decide when to reopen? "A key signal will be the relaxation or removal of social distancing," he says, which he expects will be done in stages, such as allowing restaurants or theaters to re-open provided only half the seats are used. "We will review the situation when the first state and county relaxations are announced."

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Lois Hofmann in her RV, singing Loretta Lynn's "You Ain't Woman Enough."

### Saved by singing

Gather 'round, my children. I want you to hear what a success story sounds like. It begins with a challenge; sometimes, that challenge is a crisis. "It was supposed to be a simple gall bladder removal," says Clairemont resident Lois Hofmann. "The doctor lacerated my aorta in two spots. I developed PTSD. I went from 189 pounds to 89. I became very depressed, very confused. I almost died." But she didn't. "I started walking around the block. About a year later, I decided, 'I've got to do *something*.' I started singing online, because this app came up on my phone out of the blue."

It was not an obvious choice, but she paid attention to her leanings. "I come from a family where everyone is tone deaf. I had to teach myself, and I never stick with anything, because I get bored. But I stuck with this." Community was crucial. "I made friends on the Red Karaoke app. I didn't have any followers, but I'd post my songs, and eventually, people started telling me what I needed to work on — constructive criticism. I'd practice, and when I posted it again, they'd be like, 'Yeah!'" Still, every beginning is poor. "I was horrible. I used to float in the pool in the backyard and just sing and sing and sing. My husband and my stepson and his friend would be like, 'Oh, no...'" But I started singing better, and I started feeling better. My lungs got stronger, my confidence went up. I asked for a mic for my birthday, and a speaker for Christmas."

Success starts small. Confidence or no confidence, "I swore I'd never get up on front of people. But my husband and a friend convinced me to sign up for a karaoke contest at Peter D's on Clairemont Mesa." She performed Patsy Cline's "Crazy" too quietly and Linda Ronstadt's "Different Drum" just right. "The response was very good." Until it wasn't, and she had to push through pain. "For one contest, I dressed up in a homemade Little Mermaid costume and sang 'Part Of Your World,' and I

had a heckler. He kept yelling, 'You got nothing!' I was the only one he heckled; it must have been the costume. I wanted to melt, but I didn't. I figured, 'He's probably drunk, and you're wearing a homemade Little Mermaid costume. Someone was bound to say something.' I just kept going, and it got me over my fear of people."

That led to her first paying gig. "I saw some people have a party in the park, and I said, 'Do you want me to do some kids' karaoke?' I got a pizza. Another time, the people paid me \$20 for the hour. Then, out of the blue, I got this red dress that looked like a Mrs. Claus dress, and I went to a tree lot, but they wouldn't hire me. Then I went to the one on Clairemont Drive, and they said, 'You need to go out to La Jolla. They would get a kick out of this.' So I did. The guy hired me for an hour, and I got a tree I could give somebody."

Success, however small, gave rise to an urge to help others share in it — even then, she looked down as well as up. "I wanted to volunteer my time. I figured, 'I'm sure the elderly

would love to sing.'" The audience played to her strengths. "I grew up listening to my parents' albums; my father was afraid that if I listened to my brother's albums, I'd go astray like he did. I got into Judy Garland and Frank Sinatra when I should have been into Ozzy Osbourne. So I hooked up with Brookdale in Carmel Valley, and they took me on a voluntary basis. Then

made me an auxiliary member."

And then, after triumph... more challenges, because that's how it goes. "I have PTSD from a medical experience, so this whole COVID thing kind of shut me down." Singing "was my one thing, and I wasn't singing, because I felt like I couldn't focus. I had a migraine for two weeks; my blood pressure was 240 over 160.

"I figured, '[The heckler] is probably drunk, and you're wearing a Little Mermaid costume.'"

they started paying me for it. I loved it there; I had a class of maybe seven twice a week, and we had a great time. We'd go back as far as the 1920s, 'Red Sails in the Sunset,' all that kind of stuff. We started with "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" and ended with "Happy Trails." One resident had given up speaking due to his health. But he used to love karaoke, and when I started there, he sang for the first time in over nine months. He came to every class for a year; his speech improved and his voice got stronger. I was told he even smiled more often."

Eventually, the big time: VFW Post 7907 in Poway. "They were just starting to have karaoke, and Danielle, who ran it at Peter D's, told me I should show up. Their sound system was the best, Bose speakers. It sounded *good*. I entered, and I made it to the finals with Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the USA" and The Dixie Chicks' "Traveling Soldier." I'd think about when my dad was in Korea, and what if he didn't come home, and that little girl that's crying under the stands in the song, and I'd almost start crying. They've been so supportive — they let me come and practice, and they

They were afraid I was going to have a cerebral hemorrhage. They gave me blood pressure medication and Klonopin as needed for the panic, and I was able to sing" — though not in front of people, of course. So she sets up in the RV out in front of her house — the one her family lived in after their place flooded — and she sings to herself. That's where I find her, still taking Ariel's part as she waits for the VFW to re-open: *Wanderin' free/ Wish I could be/ Part of that world.* ■



The day after Hofmann's Little Mermaid performance, someone placed a mermaid on a rock off Ocean Beach. She took it as a sign.



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Almost factual news

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"They've been gone for months now. We've won! Even if they came back, they wouldn't dare dislodge us!"

## Que Seurat Seurat

Art Institute of Chicago alters pointillist painting,  
lends it to San Diego in anticipation of parks opening

"Art is a living thing," said Mayor Faulconer as he unveiled the revised masterwork, edited to illustrate the proper mode of social distancing as determined by the City in the wake of the coronavirus outbreak. "Even if a work seeks to capture a particular moment in time, it is not static, because its meaning and appeal change with every generation of new eyes that look upon it. It's not unfair to say that art responds to the times in which it is viewed. There's a reason why Ronald Reagan thought *High Noon* was a tribute to the rugged spirit of the American individual, while others regarded it as a serious indictment of American selfishness. Given that, we should not be troubled by the Art Institute of Chicago's brave decision to make George Seurat's



A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte, before and after coronavirus.

masterpiece respond to this time, this awful moment in history, by eliminating multiple figures — plus the boats, of course. As we begin to relax the City's stay-at-home order and allow citizens to venture out into our fine parks to enjoy San Diego's unparalleled natural splendor, it's important that we have powerful reminders like this one to keep us from losing our heads."

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## Mama's Mad

Mother Nature lays waste to Balboa Park after learning of canceled 2020 Earth Day celebration

Speaking from a crack in the earth's crust so deep that it revealed the seething magma that forever threatens to burst forth and consume all life, human and otherwise, on the face of the planet (with the possible exception of certain primitive sea creatures so that the cycle of evolution might begin anew), Mother Nature today explained her decision to unleash a highly localized earthquake on April 23 directly beneath the heart of Balboa Park, leveling many of its structures and taking the life of several joggers. "It's not complicated. I am the Foundation. If I am not cared for, the entire structure crumbles. In this case, the structure is human civilization, and the care I required was my annual Earth Day gathering in Balboa Park on April 22. But it seems that your fear



The Museum of Man's California Tower sends up a thick column of inky smoke as it burns, a sobering reminder of mankind's fragility and helplessness in the face of Mother's awesome power. Beyond it can be seen the ruins of The Prado's Museum Row: a century's worth of architectural and cultural legacy, gone in seconds because of our failure to honor She Who Gives Us Life. The Organ Pavilion, however, was spared, presumably so that the city might offer dirges and other songs of repentance and woe in an attempt to make some reparation for our crimes.

for your own safety in the face of one of my cleansing viruses was greater than your love for me, who made both you and the coronavirus. This quake is nothing more than a gentle

reminder of the folly in such a decision. If self-preservation is really what you're after, you'll be here next year, no matter what little test of your love I should send along."

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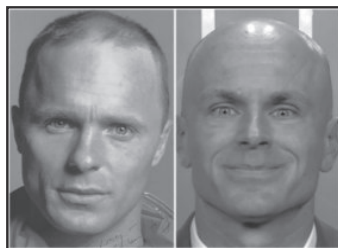
Covid Cinema Presents:



Once, all we had to fear from the Youngs was Reefer Madness, Biker Gangs, and Gangsta Rap. Those were the Good Old Days! Can anything save us from these Terrifying Teens for whom Surfing is Not a Crime and Any Social Distance is Too Great? Not for the faint of heart — or weak of lung!

## WHO PLAYS WHO

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In the special edition of *The Abyss*, **Ed Harris** learned a powerful lesson about humanity's relationship with the ocean.

Coronado mayor **Richard Bailey** has asked, "Can we agree that surfing should not be a crime?"



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Carmel Valley's **Dr. Jennings Ryan Staley** has been accused of peddling a fake coronavirus cure.



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# We need to work!

**Nobody wants people to die, but get realistic here.**

**S**awaya Carpet Care has been in business for 29 years. Recently, owner Steve Sawaya (pronounced Sa-why-a) approached the owner of “a fancy restaurant in La Jolla” about getting paid for a job he’d completed. “Before the bill could be processed,” he tells me, “they shut down. ‘We’re sorry, Steve,’ the owners told

me, ‘you ain’t gettin’ paid. We don’t even know if we’re going to be in business in a month.’ So they’re gone.”

Others were going, too. “I should be doing the Model Railroad Museum in Balboa Park next week,” says Steve,

“but they’re closed.” He’s been cleaning 40 units of an Airbnb and property development company in central San Diego off and on, and they stiffed him on work he’s already done. “But the owner had me clean his carpet at home for \$150,” he says. “It was the first money I’d made in over a week. It will have to pay the phone bill.”

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**Chris Sawaya (right) believes the coronavirus may have already “blown through” his office. He and his brother Steve (left) are ready for life to go on.**

Steve speaks to me fast and intensely and, seemingly, with great anxiety. Fortunately, he has received his tax refund and expects a government stimulus check soon. "But I have to pay for my vehicle and business insurance and have a place to live. Somebody told me not to pay my rent. But my landlord's got taxes and a mortgage to pay, and he and I have a great relationship."

Steve has already paid \$8400 in tuition for his two boys' education in Catholic school. But his parish priest wants more. "With no congregation at Mass on Sundays, the hat isn't being passed, and the church needs money, too. But I said, 'Father, you're at the bottom of the list.'

"The Swap Meet and the Giant Used Car Tent Sale are shut down. People have no savings left and can't afford to buy anything. For a while, I was paying \$4 for a bean and cheese burritos at my favorite taco shop on University Avenue. Now I eat mac and cheese to save even more money. All the while the taco shop needs my money."

The picture Steve paints an exact reversal of the way in which, during flush times, money flows through all sorts of networks of sellers and buyers. Now those networks are being sucked dry. "People have no idea how bad this is," Steve tells me. "It's way more far reaching than even smart people seem to realize. The guy who digs a ditch knows how the world works better than one coming out of college. The world is in his face every day.

"We need to work! Nobody wants people to die, but get realistic here.



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUAREZ

**Nick Kacha, whose family own Rudford's Restaurant, questions the necessity of the government's decision to force him to restrict his business from being open in full. "It strikes me that they're dabbling in martial law right now. The initial estimated numbers of COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths were 'skewed.'"**

We didn't want people to die in World War II either, and we knew they would, but at some point you've got to man up and do what we've got to do. Go out and kill the mammoth. We can't just hide in the cave all the time. We might get our guts stomped out, but go out and attack the mammoth.

"Wait until people start killing people. We won't have a country in a month if people don't go back to work."

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When orders came down from Sacramento on March 16 for citizens to stay in their homes until the end of the month, Chris Sawaya, Steve's brother, thought it was a good idea. It's his understanding that the purpose of the lockdown was "to slow things down" and assess where we stood. Then officials changed the target, he tells me. The new goal? To eliminate the coronavirus. "We went from managing the pandemic to wiping it out," says Chris. "Now

that's not going to happen, and meanwhile, life must go on."

As evidence for this "common sense," Chris cites the growing awareness that eventually dawned on researchers: that many more people than those who show symptoms are infected with the coronavirus. This means that the risk of getting sick is less than first estimated, and medical professionals have admitted as much.

There is also a conviction among researchers that the virus has been present in communities across the world, including San Diego County, far longer than first thought. In fact, Chris believes it may have already "blown through" his office.

Chris Sawaya is the owner of Sully-Jones Roofing Company in El Cajon. "What we do is firmly in the 'essential workers' category, because the integrity of commercial buildings must be maintained. After the rains, we got a lot of business. So, unlike my brother, who

is flat broke, our company is doing well"

Twenty of the Sully-Jones employees work in "the field" and 10 in

a small office. I visited Chris and, during my stay, I noticed a confidence that the office was a safe place. I soon discovered its source.

Chris tells me that in mid-January, he and several of the others came down with what they figured was a severe flu, the worst he'd ever experienced. One Monday about noon he "knew something was going on," so he went home and stayed in bed until Thursday. The symptoms he describes having were chills, "a jackhammering fever" and abnormally intense joint pains, but only a mild cough, "like a tickle." He was able to work the following week, but then felt very weak for several more days.

Chris's wife and every one of his eight

children also came down with the illness and described symptoms similar to his, growing in intensity the older they were. And by the end of January, every worker in his office had become ill.

"In February, as we began paying attention to news coming from across the world," says Chris, "the possibility occurred to us that we had gotten the coronavirus too. The symptoms sounded so familiar. And now we wonder: have we acquired an immunity? Are we part of a developing 'herd immunity' locally? I would love to get the antibody test."

Chris does not make light of a COVID-19 diagnosis. Some people are in danger, he readily admits, so protect them.

"Always in human his-

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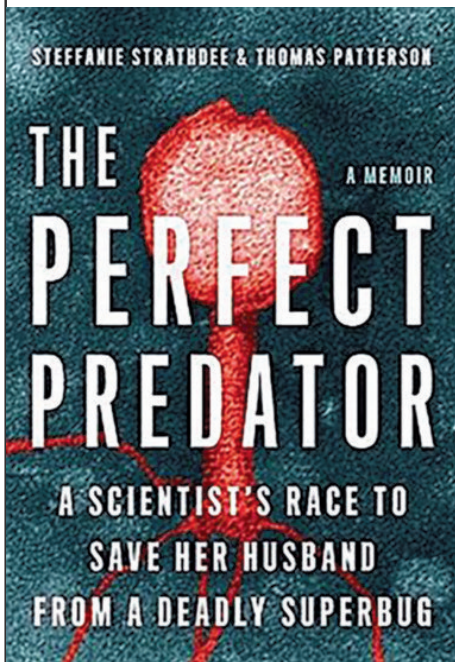
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# Your Week

AND WELCOME TO IT

## Thursday | 30

### VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB: *THE PERFECT PREDATOR*



Steffanie Strathdee: epidemiologist, professor, global health solution-seeker, TEDx speaker, and author of *The Perfect Predator*.

A San Diego local, Strathdee wrote this mystery, based on a true story, after visiting Egypt with her husband in November 2015. While there, her husband contracted a stomach bug and learned it was a drug-

resistant bacterial infection. Learn how Strathdee found allies at the FDA, researchers from Texas A&M, and a clandestine Navy biomedical center – and how together, they resurrected a forgotten cure: phage therapy.

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 30, 7 pm to 8:30 pm

**WHERE:** [womeninbio.org/events](http://womeninbio.org/events)

### COUCHELLA

Tayla Parx was the first female songwriter since 2014 to have three simultaneous top 10 songs in the Billboard Hot 100: Ariana Grande's "7 Rings" and "Thank U, Next," and Panic! At The Disco's "High Hopes." She's a Grammy nominee for her work on "7 Rings," as well as for *Hairspray*, Janelle Monáe's *Dirty Computer*, Grande's "Thank U, Next," Christina Aguilera's "Like I Do," and The Internet's "Ego Death." Parx will perform a series of Thursday concerts from her couch.

**WHEN:** Thursdays, 12 pm. Through May 21.

**WHERE:** [donyc.com](http://donyc.com)

## Friday | 1

### HAPPY HOUR LIVE FRIDAYS

Grab a glass of your favorite adult beverage and join San Diego Beer and Wine Tours virtually as they play host to local wine, beer, and spirits experts and small business owners. Learn about



San Diego's craft beverage scene, enjoy a drinking game, and take part in an audience Q&A. Invite your friends for a virtual hang out.

**WHEN:** Fridays, 4 pm. Through Friday, May 29.

**WHERE:** [facebook.com/SanDiegoBeerandWineTours](http://facebook.com/SanDiegoBeerandWineTours)



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## Saturday | 2

### ONLINE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

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into the world of manual settings. Get the most out of your camera and start capturing frame-worthy shots. All sessions will be held via Zoom. You will need access to a computer, a webcam, and a DSLR camera.

**WHEN:** Saturday, May 2, 10 am

**WHERE:** [outsidethelens.org](http://outsidethelens.org)

tumes (Shelly Williams and Charlotte Devaux), sets (Joe Powell), sound (Paul Peterson), props (Dave Buess), hair and makeup (Ali Reyes), and cast-

ing and directing (Lamar Perry) — all of whom will lead activities teaching the principles of design. Join live on The Old Globe Arts Engagement's Facebook page.

**WHEN:** Mondays,

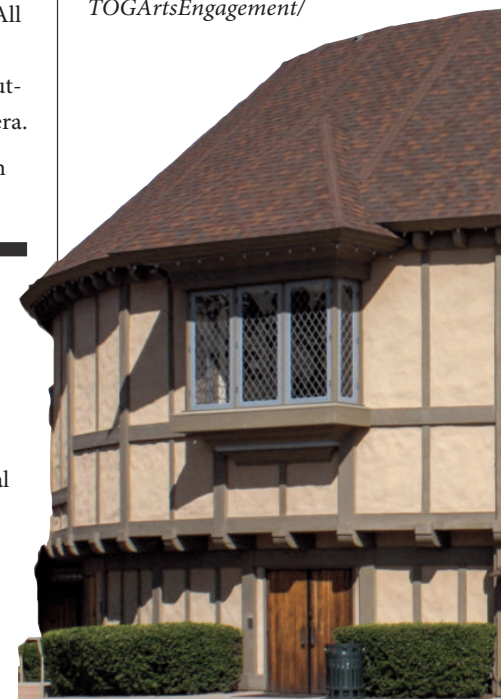
3 pm. Through May 25.

**WHERE:** [facebook.com/TOGArtsEngagement/](http://facebook.com/TOGArtsEngagement/)

## Monday | 4

### OLD GLOBE THEATRE: *BEHIND THE CURTAIN*

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## ART

**Art Auction** This fundraising event features live and silent auctions of approximately 100 works by early career and internationally recognized artist. Bid on painting, sculpture, and works on paper at this special evening in support of MCASD exhibitions and programs. Saturday, May 2, 6pm; \$150-\$275. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, 1100 and 1001 Kettner Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Arts District Liberty Station Virtual First Friday** Check out the lineup of talented arts and culture groups who are bringing the arts to the comfort of your home. Learn more about Installations at the Station, explore virtual art galleries, exhibits, and more. Friday, May 1, 12pm; free. Arts District Liberty Station, 2640 Historic Decatur Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

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**The Studio Door Art & Culture Art Auction** The Studio Door and noted American Artist Hyacinthe Baron announce a special Art + Culture Art Auction to assist local efforts to keep local Creatives working! Friday, May 1, 12pm; free. 18 and up. Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Visions Art Museum Virtual Gallery** Online classes and a virtual gallery docent tour throughout the month on Facebook and Instagram pages. Visit the website for activities, online challenges, coloring pages, and more. Thursdays, 11am; through Thursday, April 30, Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

## BOOK SIGNINGS

**WIB Book Club: Steffanie Strathdee – The Perfect Predator** Join WIB-Southern California for a virtual book discussion with Steffanie Strathdee: Epidemiologist, Professor. Author: The Perfect Predator. A San Diego local, Steffanie wrote this mystery based on a true story after visiting Egypt with her husband in November 2015. While visiting, her husband came down with a stomach bug only to learn it was tragically a drug-resistant bacterial infection that put

## BOOZE NEWS

BY IAN ANDERSON

### Coronavirus slows, but doesn't stop, San Diego's mead and cider momentum

At just about the point where North Park becomes University Heights, the new taproom for **Serpentine Cider** was originally slated to open this weekend at 2311 El Cajon Boulevard. The coronavirus had other ideas. So instead of hiring a crew to quickly build out the space and open, owner and cidemaker Sean Harris has the time to gather his tools, and finish the place himself, just as he did at his Miramar brewery.

"Now I can do almost everything myself," Harris says. "Save some money, be able to put my heart into this one also."

However, even as he works, the new location is helping business as a pick-up point for customers. A satellite taproom has been in Harris's plans since Serpentine launched in fall 2017, the point being to bring its cider closer to where people live. The pandemic hasn't stopped that

from happening.

Harris brings pre-filled crowslers with him to North Park, ordered through Serpentine's web site by locals who no longer have to drive to Miramar to restock on the brand's popular guava cider. Harris is even following through with his seasonal new releases, including pomegranate mint and juniper sage with lime zest.

Serpentine wasn't the only one planning a big opening when American life changed in mid-March. In fact, its Miramar suitemate, **Lost Cause Meadery**, had just spent the winter moving production from their shared brewing space into its own new location at 5328 Banks Street in Bay Park. A grand opening had been scheduled for March 28.

"It couldn't have been worse timing for us," says meadmaker Billy Beltz, "We put every cent into this space."

Lost Cause spent most of 2019 preparing for this moment, and has had to quickly switch gears to recapture some of the business it's losing during this shutdown. And its sitting on plenty of mead, as Beltz explains: "We had built up inventory to be ready for this huge raging party."

Most of his meads age well, so the new location now has thirty barrels filled with mead — at

least ten more than he'd anticipated at this point. But for the moment, Lost Cause has updated its web site to accept mead orders, including assorted bottles bundled into "self-quarantine

new brewery and distillery.

A standalone Good Omen property was due to arrive this spring: an ambitious, 14,000 square foot property at 141 East Grand Avenue in the center of Escondido's historic downtown, licensed to host live music, comedy, dancing, and an on-site card room.

LaMere points out that his wife is a virologist at UCSD, so as early as January, his family was taking the COVID crisis seriously, planting a home garden and bracing for yet another delay to the mead business.

Good Omen has 16,000 liters of mead ready to go into bottles, including plenty of the sherry-like mead LaMere is known for, plus session and sour meads made by gold-medal winning mead-maker Chris Herr, who recently joined Good Omen after several years of innovative brewing at Oceanside's **Golden Coast Mead**.

Good Omen may not be able to bring its Escondido vision to life just yet, but that won't stop LaMere from bringing its product to market. Beginning in May, for the first time, bottles will be available to order and ship through its website.

For more craft booze news, see [sandiegoreader.com/news/booze-news](http://sandiegoreader.com/news/booze-news)



A crowler of Serpentine Cider being passed through window of new North Park location



A new cider tasting room would have opened in North Park this week, if not for the pandemic

packs," available for pick up at the new location. Those orders may also be shipped, nationwide. In that regard, Beltz ultimately finds a silver lining that keeps him feeling optimistic about making it through this shutdown: The Lost Cause brand has had more than two years to make a name for itself, and has found plenty of fans out of state.

**Good Omen Mead** hasn't yet had that chance. A mead homebrewer going back more than a decade, founder Brian LaMere originally planned to launch Good Omen six years ago. Delays have come in many forms, including a motorcycle accident, the unexpected arrival of two foster children in need, and the false start of an Escondido booze cooperative in conjunction with a

his life in the balance. Learn how Steffanie combed through research old and new and came across phage therapy. Thursday, April 30, 7pm; free-\$30. Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**Adventures in Sustainability Virtual Workshop** Join I Love A Clean San Diego and the City of Encinitas for our free Adventures in Sustainability Virtual Workshop, focusing on how to put your passion for sustainability into action from the comfort of your own home. Register with your working email address to receive the Zoom invitation. Saturday, May 2, 10am; Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**And Something Different Studio: Art Classes** Online art classes with Leslie Pierce/ And Something Different Studio. Thursdays, 12pm; Fridays, 12pm; Saturdays, 12pm; through Saturday, May 30, free. Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Consciousness Expansion with Sound & Meditation** Teresa's joyful presence is a Blessing. Take time out of your busy life to sit with her in the bliss of Meditation and explore the expansion of consciousness through the power of sound. This Dharma Center class is online. Thursday, April 30, 7pm; free. 18 and up. Online Internet Events, All

over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Theatre Arts School of San Diego Online Classes** Free and low cost online classes available for young theatre artists to feel inspired, supported, and engaged. Participate in classes remotely from home using ZOOM. Thursdays, 10am; through Thursday, April 30, Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Women's Financial Fitness: Rent VS Own** In an effort to promote public health and safety, we have postponed our in-person sessions of Women's Financial Fitness. This online session of Women's Financial Fitness is "Rent vs. Own: Is homeownership right for you?" Creating an action plan so you can stop paying your landlord's mortgage for them. Thursday, April 30, 5pm; free. Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

## DISCUSSION GROUPS

**Third World Manager: Angelo Madson & Mateus Guzzo** Third World Manager is a creative non-fiction film by UCSD Visual Arts MFA candidate Mateus Guzzo. The film considers the emerging entrepreneurial culture in Brazil through the story of Angelo Madson, community organizer in Belém do Pará who coordinates a web-based radio station called "Idade Mídia." The panel will host Angelo in conversation with Mateus Guzzo, director

and producer of the film, followed by Q&A and a live DJ set by Professor Brian Cross (aka B+). The conversation will be in Brazilian Portuguese and English, with asynchronous translation. Thursday, April 30, 5pm; free. Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Wizard World: Meet the Cast of Gotham** Gotham cast members David Mazouz, Sean Pertwee, Robin Lord Taylor, Erin Richards, Drew Powell, and Peter Scolaris will participate in a free live moderated video Q&A, followed by one-on-one video chats, recorded videos and autographs. Sessions are accessible to virtual attendees on their computer and mobile devices. Saturday, May 2, 10am; Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

## FOR KIDS

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## FUNDRAISERS

**Cinco De Mayo Trail Run** The Cinco De Mayo Trail Run brings together athletes, runners, families and friends to support Valley Elementary's disadvantaged students. The annual Cinco De Mayo Trail Run/Walk features grueling 10K, family-friendly 5K and a fun 1k kids' race, the Cinco DeMayo Trail Run is a race for everyone. This year's run is expected to draw over 1,200 participants on the beautiful trails of Lake Poway and the surrounding foothills of the Blue Sky Ecological Reserve. All participants will receive a race shirt and virtual goodie bag. Saturday, May 2, 6:30am; \$10-\$50. Lake Poway Recreation Area, 14644 Lake Poway Road. (POWAY)

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# An actual sidewalk cafe

“A meal without wine is like a day without sunshine.”

**N**inth, Ninth. Walk sign is on to cross Ninth, Ninth.”

Listening to this every minute or so is the one downside to my surprise discovery here on Market. An actual sidewalk cafe where you can sit down outside, and, I swear, sip away at a glass of wine. Even now.

It's called “Rovino. The Foodery.” I came here figuring on a sandwich place. It had the big plus of being open. Okay, street's a little unsleek, but not this place. Go in and the first thing you notice is: busy! People are constantly coming up and buying hot or prepackaged food to go.

Also: a big crew in bib aprons hustles back and forth with steaming, aromatic roasted chickens, cheeses, straw-skirted bottles of Chianti, pans of large sausages, cheesy scalloped potatoes, boxes of to-go salads, spaghetti and meatballs, on and on.

I wander up to the counter in front of this busy-busy kitchen. “Can I help?” says this masked gal Rose, behind some steaming trays of dishes like “sweet and spicy” sausages, meatballs, and that pan of scalloped spuds, all selling by weight.

And above, they have a menu board with ten sandwiches and eight pizzas. Sandwiches range from \$8 to \$12. The *Piccante Siciliano* looks interesting. It's got hot capicola, calabrese salami, pepperoni and pepper jack in there, and only eight bucks. Pizzas are either \$15 or \$16. *Tutti Carne* (“all meat”) has the lot: capicola, prosciutto, pepperoni, meatball, and sausage. Goes for \$16.

I almost ask Rose for a couple of meatballs, but then there's the rest of the store to explore. I beg off and head towards a large deli area where a guy's squeezing sour cream, looks like, out of a big cone-shaped bag. All around him, they have displays of prepared meals you heat at home: spaghetti (\$7.99) or meatloaf dinner (\$8.99). A short rib dinner with rice and veggies goes for \$10.99. Double-sized dishes such as shepherd's pie, pork osso buco, pasta with meatballs, or braised beef dinner go for \$18.99. Best deal: veggie fried rice for two for \$12.99.

I have a question. I noticed a couple of people actually sitting at the tables outside when I was coming in. And they were eating. “Can I get hot food here and eat it out there?” I ask Rose. “Not a problem,” she says. “Any of this hot food, or desserts.”

“You can take a glass of wine while you're waiting, if you like,” says this guy carrying in more meatballs.

“You mean to take out and drink?”

“As long as you have food coming,” he says.

Wow. So I choose a spicy Italian sausage with roasted peppers and some scalloped potatoes. And wow again, it only costs \$4.70 for the sausage dish and \$4.51 for the potatoes. Now I follow Rose over to the bar. “It's closed, but we can sell by the glass or bottle,” she says. “Red or white?” She brings out a couple of already opened bottles. I like the look of the first, a white, Citra: Trebbiano d'Abruzzo. Not totally sure what that is, but I'll take it, even though it's \$9. Decent-size glass, though, and generous pour. And hey, who knew this was going to happen here at a deli on Market, a couple of blocks from the trolley?

So now I'm sitting at a white table on the narrow patio, looking across to the Tavern bowling pub — and beyond, the Grocery Outlet, with a line of people social distancing outside.

The social distancing here? There's only that one couple about 20 feet away, and sparse traffic. Biggest noise: seagulls, laughing away from the rooftops.

The sausage is big and really zippy, pepper-wise. Ironically, it's the roasted peppers that tone it down and give it a lushness. The cheesy potatoes are a garlicky creamy dream.

Of course, you're eating out of black plastic take-out boxes with plastic knife and fork.

“For proper dining, you need to go to our main place,” says this lady, Antonia, who turns out to be one of the three owners, “Rovino, in Little Italy. We set this up as a specialty market extension seven months ago.”

“Boy, the timing must be difficult, with the



Rose tongs out my spicy Italian sausage. With roasted peppers, it's a deal at \$4.70



Antonia: living her dream from a childhood in Florence



My Italian spicy sausage with roasted peppers



Scalloped potatoes: garlic heaven

pandemic shut-down and all,” I say.

“Not at all,” Antonia says. “We haven't suffered. We are cooking all day long. Our prepared meals and sandwiches, and our rotisserie chicken that we're famous for, keep us busy nonstop. So many people who live in East Village condos come to us for their food, because we make everything. Our own pastas, desserts. This has been a dream, ever since I was a child in Florence. I started this with my business partners, Tom and Vincenzo.”

“Uh, is ‘Rovino’ your name?”

“No, no. Our specialties are rotisserie chicken and wines. So we became ‘Ro-vino.’”

**The Place:** *Rovino the Foodery*, 969 Market Street, East Village, 619-972-6286

**Hours:** 10am-9pm, daily

**Prices:** *Piccante Siciliano* sandwich (hot capicola, calabrese salami, pepperoni, pepperjack, \$8; *Tutti Carne* pizza (capicola, prosciutto, pepperoni, meatball, sausage), \$16; hot chafing dish food daily eg. Sweet and spicy sausages with peppers, sautéed veggies (\$9.99lb); Prepared meals to heat: short rib dinner, rice, veggies, \$10.99; Alfredo and pea pasta, \$7.99; shepherd's pie (for two), \$18.99; pork osso buco (for two) \$18.99; pasta meatballs, braised beef dinner, same prices; veggie fried rice (for two), \$12.99

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# Shoyu something good

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## Japanese goes plant-based at The Yasai

The Yasai; 2254 India Street, Little Italy. This spring was supposed to be sort of a moment for vegan sushi in San Diego, a reminder that — minus the fish — rice, rice vinegar, and seaweed fit well within the plant-based ethos.

The trend's emergence may be best exemplified by chef Junya Watanabe's RakiRaki family of restaurants. Four years ago, the local ramen brand began opening Pokirrito locations, to meet the trending demand for poke bowls and sushi burritos. This year, those Pokirritos have been replaced with RakiRaki's new, dedicated vegan restaurants, The Yasai.

The word *yasai* is Japanese for *vegetables*,

and it doesn't only refer to plant-based sushi: ramen too is on the menu. In the case of the Little Italy location that was half Pokirrito and half RakiRaki, the entire venue has been taken over by the vegan concept.

RakiRaki had long been serving vegan ramen options alongside those with pork and chicken broths. However, at Yasai, RakiRaki favorites including the red edition (with fermented chilis), black edition (with fermented garlic), and curry ramens are served with a six-vegetable broth rather than *tonkotsu*. There's also a *tantan*-style ramen with spicy sesame, and a tomato ramen combining pureed tomatoes and *dashi*, seaweed stock.

For my vegan take-out order, I went for the \$15 Kyoto Shoyu ramen, flavored with Raki-

Raki's house-fermented *shoyu*, better known as soy sauce. The relatively simple broth features RakiRaki's "triple thick" noodles (beet, kale, or gluten-free noodles are available for a small fee), and vegetables including steamed bok choy, *wakame* seaweed, sauteed bean sprouts, green onions, and garlic chips. The highlights were pan-crisped slices of *kabocha* squash (a.k.a. Japanese pumpkin), and thin strips of seared tofu, seasoned



The "neon gravestones" roll, made with black rice, vegan "shrimp" and "tuna", and cucumber, topped with scorched peppers and eggplant.

to mimic *char-siu* pork. This omnivore did not for one moment miss the pork.

However, more surprising was how much I enjoyed the sushi. I shouldn't still be surprised how much I like vegan sushi, but in this instance, Yasai's \$15 Neon Gravestones roll found a way. To begin with, I opened the take-out container to see it was rolled with black rice. With faux tuna, faux shrimp, and cucumber inside, the eight-piece roll has vegetable toppings in four different colors: both red and yellow scorched bell peppers, scorched jalapeño, and strips of marinated eggplant.

The gray brown eggplant may show the least visual appeal, but



A Bay Ho restaurant location turned sushi spot. Once a RakiRaki and Pokirrito, now serving entirely plant-based Japanese cuisine under the same ownership.



Vegan ramen with house fermented shoyu and vegetables, from The Yasai.



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even compared to the contrasting sweetness and spice of the peppers, its flavor won the day. The two bites of roll with eggplant sent me down an umami rabbit hole, almost as though the center of my tongue were waking from a long sleep.

Which may be the case after five weeks of isolation.

by Ian Anderson

## Burger (and pizza) cravings lead back to Lefty's

*Lefty's Chicago Pizzeria; 3448 30th Street, North Park.* Whether for work, fun, or plain hunger, I reckon I've tried a good six or seven hundred San Diego restaurants over the years. But at remarkably few can I claim to know the whole menu.

The one menu I know by heart is Lefty's Chicago Pizzeria. Back in 2007, before I was writing about San Diego restaurants, the original North Park location (3448 30th Street) probably fed me more than I fed myself. It was a short five-block walk to affordable lunch or dinner — a slice of pizza or two, a sandwich, a Chicago hot dog



Sixteen years a family-run neighborhood food counter.

and fries — and I took that walk often.

When I claim to know every menu item, it's more that I've tried every ingredient in one form or another. Lefty's offers 30 different toppings on three different styles of Chicago pizza (thin crust, deep dish, and indulgent stuffed pies). Counting every permutation would take more mathematical effort than I'm willing to exert, but I can tell you with

statistical certainty that most of the best combinations start with Italian beef and giardiniera peppers.

Yes, I'm talking about the same Italian beef Lefty's puts on its beef dip sandwiches, but as a pizza topping. A-plus.

Open for 16 years now, Lefty's remains family owned and operated, but it doesn't feel like enough to call Lefty's a family restaurant. It's more like an extended family restau-



A char-cheese burger with grilled onions and cheddar, \$12.50 including fries.

rant. Whether those working behind the counter have been related or longtime employees, there's always been the same spark of friendliness. Not the nicey nicey, sun-baked friendliness common to So Cal, but the snappy, what-you-guys-want kind of banter practiced by Chicagoans.

For instance, most of the crew took to calling my old roommate, a fellow Chicago transplant, "DB" (not his initials). Partly because he always asked for modifications, mostly because he rooted for the Green Bay Packers, not the Bears (a Second City betrayal). My friend didn't even try to shirk the nickname, by the

way. To this day, he lets them know it's for DB when he phones in a pizza order.

Most of my visits, even in the years since I moved out of North Park, I've known the person behind the counter of Lefty's by name: Dave, Shawn, Vita, Karen, Luke. And the same can be said about my latest visit, my first since the coronavirus appears to have put every small business in town in jeopardy. Luke took my phone order — I recognized the mop of hair over his facemask when I picked it up.

I don't think anybody recognized me behind mine. Dining with anonymity is a

part of this writing job I'm good at. Even people I know don't always recognize me. But there was the same jocular welcome, regardless. Lauren, one of the owners, offered to sanitize my credit card, as I paid. I slowed her down only to add a last minute slice of pizza to my order. Deep dish pepperoni. They keep the slices behind glass, right there at the counter. There's really no way to avoid going home with one.

I try a lot of new restaurants, and have even managed to try a few new ones since all the dining rooms closed. But Lefty's epitomizes the kind of place I want to support with my limited spending during this crisis. It's fed me well at times I could barely afford it and dishes up some of my absolute favorite San Diego comfort food.

It's way more than pizza. Sometimes it's Italian beef. Sometimes it's the spot-on turkey and avocado sub. Sometimes it's the Al Capone pasta: linguini with bacon, basil, and artichoke in a tomato-cream sauce. This week, I found myself seriously craving a cheeseburger and French fries. So I went for one of the best in town. Lefty's char-cheddar burger with grilled onions has never failed to fill the burger-shaped hole in my belly.

I took it home, poured myself a glass of local beer, and dug in. It felt great to channel a bit of that good feeling Lefty's provides. This will be a fine weekend.

by Ian Anderson

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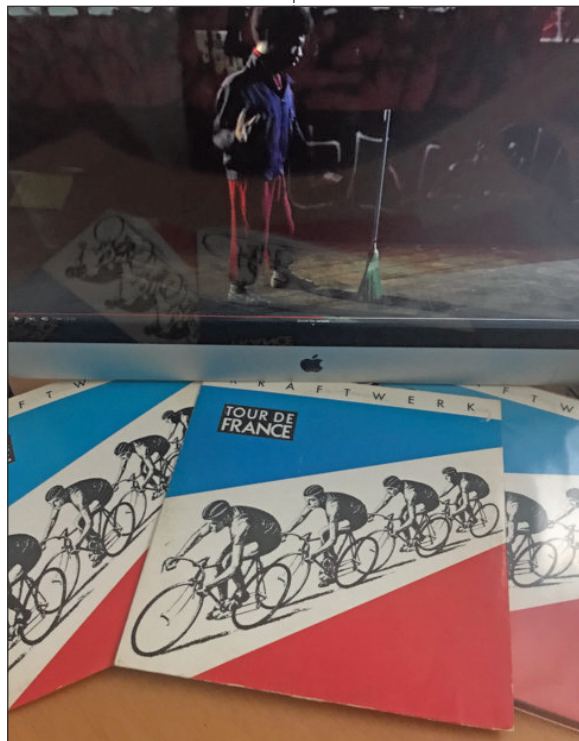
# blurt the inside track

**Tour de France** “It’s April 21, and my broomstick is still standing up on its own — look!” exclaimed Johnny B. from City Heights.

NASA was quick to debunk the #BroomstickChallenge a couple of months ago

“Not,” continued Johnny. “We learned that in the 1980s from Turbo.”

Johnny, a vintage record dealer and old school hip-hop head was referring to the character played by Michael “Boogaloo Shrimp” Chambers



The original broomstick challenge.

when San Diegans took to their TikTok, Twitter, and Instagram accounts to stand up their brooms at improbable angles, as if the broomsticks were held up by invisible anomalies. Folks claimed it was due “to Mother Earth’s gravitational pull.”

“This is another social media hoax that exemplifies how quickly pseudoscience and false claims can go viral,” said Karen Northon at NASA in a statement. “While this hoax was harmless, it also shows why it’s important for all of us to do some fact checking and research... before jumping into the latest viral craze.”

Many assume that the #BroomstickChallenge originated on a February 10, 2020 tweet by @mikaylaaaaa.

in the 1984 *Breakin’* movie.

In the middle of the hip-hop movie based in Los Angeles, “Turbo pulled out his boombox and played “Tour de France” by Kraftwerk, then danced with the broomstick,” Johnny explained. “[It appeared that] Turbo made that shit float in mid air, and after that — that scene went viral.”

“Viral how?” I asked, “we didn’t have America Online until ten years later.”

“Viral via VHS,” he responded, “we made video copies of that scene and looped it so that we could watch the broom scene over and over again, and we made copies of “Tour de France” on cassette, because it didn’t make the *Breakin’* soundtrack.”

Kraftwerk, founded by Ralf

Hütter and Florian Schneider in 1970, released the “Tour de France” single in 1983. The electro song pays homage to the annual French cycling event. Hütter, Schneider, and Kraftwerk’s other half — Karl Bartos and Peter Schmidt — took up cycling when they weren’t producing beats on the electronic drum machine or robotizing their voices on the vocoder machine at the group’s Kling Klang Studio in Düsseldorf, Germany.

The six-minute song begins with human breathing — a popular sound in hip-hop’s electro-funk subgenre that’s also infused on “Space is the Place” by the Jonzun Crew, “Egypt, Egypt” by Egyptian Lover, “Jam the Box” by Pretty Tony, and “Surgery,” a World Class Wreckin’ Cru song about their DJ, young Dr. Dre.

“Those breathing samples were contagious on the dance floor,” Johnny continued, “it helped us dancers find our inner chi.”

The 133-beats-per-minute “Tour de France” features sounds of spinning bicycle chains and shifting gear mechanisms, which worked well with Turbo’s popping, waving, ticking, backsliding, roboting, and liquid animation in *Breakin’*. And no matter which side of the record you played — side A being in German or side B being in French — it was a must-have weapon in the scratch DJ’s arsenal of the time.

“Regarding Kraftwerk’s other songs, “Numbers” (1981) and “Trans Europe Express” (1977) — weren’t they sampled on that ‘Planet Rock’ cut? questioned Johnny.

In 2012, *Rolling Stone* magazine voted Afrika Bambaata and The Soul Sonic Force’s “Planet Rock” as the third greatest hip-hop song ever. The song samples “Tour de France” heavily.

Kraftwerk is slated to perform at Balboa Theatre on June 25. “Bringing together music and performance art, Kraftwerk 3-D concerts are a true *Gesamtkunstwerk* — a total work of art,” says the venue’s website. “

If you’re self-quarantining during those days, *Boogaloo*



*Shrimp Documentary* can be viewed on Amazon’s Prime Video. It explains how the 2020 broomstick challenge might’ve began.”

—Mike Madriaga

## Ditch the expectations

Soft tinkling and clonking sounds, whispered vocals — building with no warning to screaming, ranting, pounding, the vituperation of a mental patient who, left unchecked, might chuck a bottle through a window or soil his own pants before the cops show up. That’s The Garden, from Orange County: A pair of twins, Wyatt and Fletcher Shears. (Sometimes they throw in enough synth

“We have just spent a lot of time together in this life, so we are well acquainted and often times on the same page with one another because of that,” Wyatt says.

“We don’t live together anymore and haven’t for some time, but if you spend that much time with anyone, your connection will naturally run deeper than a basic friend or brother relationship. That goes for anyone.”

The new album is *Kiss My Super Bowl Ring*. But don’t think the brothers weren’t glued to the TV back in February. That album title, according to Wyatt, “Isn’t literal in that sense. It’s a cheeky name, but it’s an

Diego since about 2012 and I feel that most shows we’ve played have generally been solid. Some of my favorite venues have been the Irenic, SOMA, and Til Two Club, just to name a few.”

“Get your mind right before you hit the road,” remains Fletcher’s philosophy. “A lot of people get out there and then have breakdowns, because it’s not what they thought it was going to be. Try and ditch all the expectations and just have fun with it. It’s not always fun, but it’s work and there’s no place for a ‘rockstar’ in the office.

“If you don’t self-destruct, you can become more well-rounded,” Fletcher explains.



The vituperation of a mental patient, that’s Orange County’s The Garden.

to almost sound new wave. Oh, and smooth-jazz sax. And weird muttering.)

The twosome, who May 1st show at the Obersvatory has been postponed, enjoy their twin-ness, but disavow any mystical connection. “I don’t think about that kind of thing very often,” explains.

attitude/mindset. It’s kind of like saying you can ‘kiss my ass.’ In a funny way, it stands for doing what you want to do, regardless of what’s goin’ on around you.”

Wyatt says, “San Diego has always had a unique style of energy when it comes to shows. We’ve been playing San

“Seeing the world in this way gives you a much different perspective than you might have had beforehand.”

— Andrew Hamlin

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## THE ZEROS

Reunited 1970s punk originators the Zeros have a new song called “Don’t Take Any Chances,” now available courtesy of Burger Records, as part of *Quarantunes: Songs From Self-Isolation #2*. The seven-volume series will feature over 140 different artists, with all songs written and recorded over the past three weeks. “*Songs From Self-Isolation* is a DIY music event and an audio time capsule of one of the strangest and scariest periods of modern history,” says the label. “We came up with the idea for the compilation as a way to help artists earn

money with their music while they are unable to play live, and to make the best of a bad situation in difficult times. All funds from sales of individual tracks and compilation volumes will go directly to the artists. Furthermore, Burger Records will be covering all fees associated with posting and selling the music, to maximize the amount artists make.” Individual tracks are available for \$2, with each volume in the series offering around 20 songs for \$20.



## SWITCHFOOT

Christian rock icons Switchfoot have released a new version of their song “Joy Invincible” featuring Christian songwriter and vocalist Jenn Johnson. “It was written as a response to one of the most difficult seasons of my life,” says frontman Jon Foreman, “praying for a family member from a hospital waiting room. Sometimes, a song gains meaning as time progresses. This song means even more to me now, in this season of emergency. Having Jenn join us to sing this song feels appropriate: two very different voices from two very different backgrounds singing one song in harmony. I

hope that this song can bring peace, hope, and even joy in this season of pain.” The band’s recent five-song *Reimagine/Remix* EP features more remakes, with guest players like electronic violinist Lindsey Stirling on the track “Voices,” for which she also co-directed the accompanying music video. Other contributors include Brent Kutzle (One Republic), Will Chapman (Colony House), John Painter (Fleming and John), and Mason Self. A music video recently debuted online for the remixed version of “Wonderful Feeling.”



## ANGELS & AIRWAVES

Former Blink 182 frontman Tom DeLonge is back to working on multiple projects with his alt/post-grunge/progressive rock band Angels & Airwaves, who debuted a new single via Zane Lowe’s Apple Music show, “All That’s Left Is Love,” as part of a fundraising effort for San Diego-based Feeding America. Last year, the band returned from hiatus with their first new song in three years, “Rebel Girl,” and an announcement of their first live dates in seven years, including a two-night stand at downtown’s House of Blues. “Rebel Girl is a space-age love song that combines my enduring obsession for new

wave, pop punk and anthemic rock and roll music,” said DeLonge in a press release. “As some of you might’ve heard, I recently took a brief minute to start up an aerospace company, so you never know: I may play this song from a satellite deep in space, beamed toward everyone’s house viciously on repeat.” A single and video for “Kiss & Tell” was released by their new label Rise Records, home of Mayday Parade and ISSUES. Vinyl reissues are also available, including their albums *We Don’t Need to Whisper* (2006) and *I-Empire* (2007), limited to 1000 copies each on pink-with-black-haze vinyl.

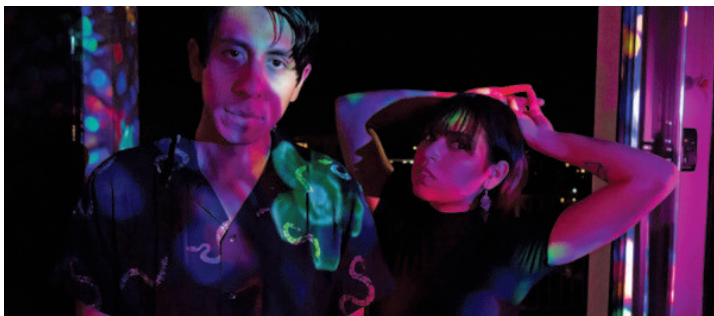


## MRS. HENRY

*The Medicine Show* is the name of Mrs. Henry’s new multimedia three-episode web series featuring live music, puppet shows, guest appearances, sketch comedy, and more. “We wanted to offer something different, something that only Mrs. Henry would do,” says bassist-singer Blake Dean of the series, whose title is inspired by The Band’s song “The W.S. Walcott Medicine Show.” “It’s our live concert meets *Mystery Science Theater*, *The Muppets* and *Beavis and Butthead*, with our music and songs from our *Mrs. Henry Plays the Band* set.” Episode 1 has

guest appearances by Blind Owl label mates and live performances of the Band’s “The W.S. Walcott Medicine Show,” “Look Out Cleveland,” and “Tears of Rage.” Mrs. Henry has been riding a wave of Band-related tribute nostalgia, performing their own versions of that group’s concert album and film *The Last Waltz*. One local all-star *Last Waltz* performance was recorded and released as a three-LP vinyl album, featuring artwork by Roy G Biv and liner notes written by Noac C. Lekas.

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## GLASS SPELLS

“The idea behind ‘Mirrors’ came to me after I wrote the main synth melody and the bass line for it,” says Glass Spells founder Anthony Ramirez of the synth-pop trio’s new single. “I envisioned a scene from a movie, someone walking down an alley, and wrote the lyric ‘I see you through the broken mirror, I see your reflection broken apart, shattered glass on the floor, still nowhere to go.’ I shared my idea with Tania [Costello, singer] and she finished the rest of the lyrics.” The resulting track wouldn’t sound out of place on the soundtrack for TV shows such

as *American Horror Story*. “When Anthony sent me the track for the first time,” says co-writer Costello, “it made me want to write about the event that occurs when you are having a night out, drinking and completely under the influence. The time when suddenly you suddenly catch a glimpse of yourself in the mirror, looking like a total mess, and you’re just trying to convince yourself to act sober, to wake up from your intoxicated state, but unable to reach reality.” The trio, which includes drummer Michael Buehl, will include the single on a full-length due later this year.

You can submit a listing, download mp3s, watch videos, subscribe to event alerts, get directions, and find more information about these shows online at [SDReader.com/music](http://SDReader.com/music).

## THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

### Online Internet Events:

*Thursday, 1pm* — Diet Cig Virtual Listening Party.  
*Thursday, 1pm* — International Jazz Day All-Star Global Concert.  
*Thursday, 12pm* — Tayla Parx: Couchella.  
*Thursday, 1pm* — Virtual Music Lounge.  
*Friday, 7pm* — B-present's Virtual Piano Bar Fundraiser. **Free.**  
*Friday, 12pm* — Casbah Live.  
*Saturday, 12pm* — Devin Townsend: Virtual Fundraiser For Healthcare Workers.  
*Saturday, 1pm* — Escape the Virus with a Lights Out-ing.  
*Saturday, 5:30pm* — Ron Pope Live From Home.  
*Sunday, 6pm* — Shut In & Sing: Cantina Navarro.  
*Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, 1pm* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.  
*Tuesday & Wednesday, 4pm* — Flying Colors Backstage Summit.  
*Wednesday, 10am* — Jason Mraz La La La Livestream.  
*Wednesday, 3pm* — Shut In & Sing: AMA UK Showcase.  
*Wednesday, 5pm* — Whiskey Sour Happy Hour.

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### Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:

*Friday, May 15* — Camarada Presents Over the Rainbow. \$30-\$35.

### Brick by Brick:

*Friday, May 15* — Napalm Death and the Locust.

### Callaway Vineyard & Winery:

*Saturday, May 16* — King Taylor Project. **Free.**

### Casbah:

*Tuesday, May 12* — Overcoats. \$15.

*Thursday, May 14* — Kevin Devine and John K. Samson.

*Friday, May 15* — King Buzzo feat. Trevor Dunn.

*Sunday, May 17* — Anti-Flag and Bad Cop/Bad Cop. \$20.

## IMMORTAL BEAUTY

BY GARRETT HARRIS

### A musical celebration of Home

There's one thing we all have in common at this time. We are all required to spend a lot of time at home. All this seclusion got me to thinking about music, which I associate with home. I've come up with a few pieces and paired them with some quotes about home.

Right off the bat, the "Adagio" from Mahler's *Symphony No. 5* comes to mind as a piece of music that elicits feelings of home. Especially in the context of that ferocious symphony, the "Adagio" appears as a warm and inviting respite from the storm of life.

The quotation I associate with this piece is from the French Renaissance philosopher Michel de Montaigne. "My home... It is my retreat and resting place from wars, I try to keep this corner as a haven against the tem-

pest outside."

The next piece of music for home is Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll*. Wagner wrote the music as a birthday present for his wife Cosima and hired a small orchestra to play it on Christmas morning — her birthday. The music was intensely personal for Wagner, and he intended to keep it out of print and in the family. But circumstances forced him to publish it, and we are forever the beneficiaries.

I'm not sure how Hermann Hesse would feel about being associated with Wagner, since the great author had the character of Mozart ridicule Wagner in his novel *Steppenwolf*. However, I think this fits the music. "A home isn't just a roof over our heads. A home is a place where we feel loved and where we love others. It's a place where we belong.

Love is what makes a home, not the contents inside the house or the number on the door. It's the people waiting for us across the threshold, the people who will take us in their arms after a bad day and kiss us good night and good morning every day for the rest of our lives."

The second movement of Dvorak's *Symphony No. 9* was so compelling in its yearning for home that it was set to a text and named "Going Home." I've selected a quotation from Maya Angelou to accompany Dvorak. "The ache for home lives in all of us, the safe place where we can go as we are and not be questioned."

The final homebound music is "Nimrod" from Edward Elgar's *Enigma Variations*. Elgar based this music on his intimate relationships



Home is where the hearth is.

— such as with his wife Alice and his publisher. Each variation is a recollection of an incident within the relationships, not a musical sketch of the person.

The final quotation comes from Frederick William Robertson, a British cleric from the Victorian Era. "Home is the one place in all this world where hearts are sure of each other. It is the place of confidence. It is the place where

we tear off that mask of guarded and suspicious coldness which the world forces us to wear in self-defense, and where we pour out the unreserved communications of full and confiding hearts. It is the spot where expressions of tenderness gush out without any sensation of awkwardness and without any dread of ridicule."

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### Coomber Craft Wines:

*Friday, May 15* — The Ram.

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*Friday, May 22* — Sonic Tonic.

### Fast Times:

*Sunday, May 17* — West of 5. **Free.**

*Friday, May 22* — Flipside Burners. **Free.**

### House of Blues:

*Thursday, May 21* — Wild Rivers and Harmaleighs.  
*Wednesday, May 27* — Testament and the Black Dahlia Murder.

### Humphreys by the Bay:

*Tuesday, May 12* — Boz Scaggs.  
*Wednesday, May 13* — The Revivalists.  
*Sunday, May 17* — Christopher Cross.

### Magnolia Performing Arts Center:

*Wednesday, May 13* — Lindsey Buckingham.  
*Saturday, May 16* — David Crosby.

### Martinis Above Fourth I Table + Stage:

*Thursday, May 21* — Reina del Cid. \$20.

### Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:

*Saturday, May 16* — Dirty Taxi.  
*Thursday, May 21* — Blame Betty.  
*Saturday, May 23* — Celeste Barbier.  
*Saturday, May 23* — Chicken Wire.

### North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:

*Sunday, May 17* — Brad Paisley and Jordan Davis.  
*Sunday, May 24* — Journey and the Pretenders.  
*Saturday, May 30* — Maroon 5 and Meghan Trainor.

### Observatory North Park:

*Thursday, May 7* — The Glitch Mob.

*Saturday, May 9* — The Buttermilk and Iguana Death Cult.

*Wednesday, May 13* — Durand Jones & The Indications and Daisy. \$28.

### Online Internet Events:

*Thursday, May 7* — Tayla Parx: Couchella.

*Thursday, May 7* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.  
*Thursday, May 7* — Romeo Entertainment Group: Couch Concert Series.

*Thursday, May 7* — Flying Colors Backstage Summit.

*Friday, May 8* — Casbah Live.  
*Friday, May 8* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Friday, May 8* — Flying Colors Backstage Summit.

*Saturday, May 9* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Saturday, May 9* — Escape the Virus with a Lights Out-ing.  
*Saturday, May 9* — Ron Pope Live From Home.

*Saturday, May 9* — Shut In & Sing: Shut In & Pluck (Instrumental).

*Sunday, May 10* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Monday, May 11* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Tuesday, May 12* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Wednesday, May 13* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Wednesday, May 13* — Whiskey Sour Happy Hour.

*Thursday, May 14* — Tayla Parx:

Couchella.

*Thursday, May 14* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Friday, May 15* — Casbah Live.

*Friday, May 15* — Reverend Gary Davis: In Search of the Harlem Street Singer.

*Saturday, May 16* — Ron Pope Live From Home.

*Saturday, May 16* — Escape the Virus with a Lights Out-ing.

### San Diego Civic Theatre:

*Monday, May 11* — Dead Can Dance and Agnes Obel.  
*Saturday, May 16* — Ravi Shankar Centennial Concert.

### Soda Bar:

*Friday, May 15* — Supersuckers and Scott H. Biram.

*Saturday, May 16* — CHOLO GOTH NIGHT feat. Dave Parley.

*Sunday, May 17* — The Dears. \$15-\$18.

### Soma:

*Wednesday, May 13* — Tycho.

### South Coast Winery Resort & Spa:

*Thursday, May 7* — Granger Smith. \$48-\$160.

### Spreckels Theatre:

*Sunday, May 17* — Adam Ant. \$45-\$60.

### Winstons Beach Club:

*Saturday, May 9* — Hot Buttered Rum and MohaviSoul.  
*Sunday, May 24* — Caravan Tour Send Off Show. **Free.**

# Thompson, translated

When a sock to the chin connects in a Jim Thompson novel, it does so with such force that you'll be reaching to condole your jaw. A quick turn of the page, and the stench of the room Thompson describes wafts up to pucker your nostrils. There was no one grittier than Thompson. But despite the many American adaptations to choose from (two versions of *The Getaway*, two versions of *The Killer Inside Me*, *The Grifters*, etc.) it was a pair of French suspense classics — Bertrand Tavernier's *Coup de Torchon* (from the novel *Pop. 1280*) and Alain Corneau's *Série Noire* (from *A Hell of a Woman*) — that best brought to onscreen fruition the seed of Thompson's rot.

The long out-of-print Tavernier DVD maintains spine #106 in the Criterion Collection and, unless I'm mistaken, is not legally downloadable. (A rental copy can be found at Netflix's *DVD.com*.) Happily, Film Movement Classics just made tracking down the Corneau a whole lot easier, thanks to last week's release of a 2K digital restoration available on Blu-Ray for the first time in North America.

We all have favorite sneak getaways, spaces in which our workaday souls formulate opportunities for on-the-job respite and recovery. A deserted lot on the outskirts of town may seem an odd place to begin a sinister character study, but it is here — alone and in mid-downpour — where door-to-door salesman Franck Poupart (Patrick Dewaere, the apotheosis of Thompson's durable neurotic crumblers) outlines the day's events through shadow-boxing. Like all of Thompson's characters, Franck fights a never-ending battle to suppress the killer inside him.

One can't help but admire the unrepentant unlikability of Thompson's characters, and the lengths to which their lies go toward determining a code designed to help circumnavigate the status quo. Franck's first call of the day puts him in touch with a wealthy old conniver eager to prostitute her underage niece Mona (Marie Trintignant, in her sixth film — and first not directed by mother Nadine Trintignant) in exchange for a dressing gown.

The comely young actress's performance consists of two facial expressions — indifferent and slightly-less indifferent — and a willingness to strip down before the camera.

Cinematographer Pierre-William Glenn's muted shades, shot as if through pink pumice stone, gently exfoliate the eyes to reveal an underbelly of decay and corruption readily associated with Thompsonland. In public, Franck adopts an exemplary air of normalcy. But get him alone behind a steering wheel, or in the solitude of his open field, and the viewer quickly becomes apprised of the boundless depths of his derangement.

When it comes to capturing the look and feel of a Thompson dwelling, the shanty that Franck and wife Jeanne (Myriam Boyer) share is a triumph of pippen production design. Corneau doesn't hit you with it all at once; the newspaper-strewn living room gradually (and comically) gives way to weeks' worth of dirty dishes in the kitchen, a refrigerator door that refuses to close, and a bathtub, half-filled with soggy sheets. It's only when a slap to his wife's face lands her in said tub that Jeanne decides to call it quits. When his boss (Bernard Blier) has him arrested for skimming cash, it's Mona and not Jeanne who posts Franck's bail.

If Franck has but one saving grace, it's his refusal to immediately jump into bed with a 16-year-old. But it's harder for him to resist her conciliatory offer to kill her auntie in exchange for a share of the loot. And with two women vying for Franck's vile affections, it's certain that one (both?) must die.

What sets this entry apart from the standard big-screen transcription generally afforded the writer's work? Crucial to Thompson's style are the voices that explode like steeple bells inside the heads of his protagonists. And it's a trait that all comers — save Tavernier and leading man Philippe Noiret — fail to capture. Read *The Killer Inside Me*, Thompson's ultimate statement on decayed souls. Then, for a good laugh, check out Casey Affleck's colorless, mealy-mouthed impersonation of Lou Ford, the most deplorable and combustible of all Thompson's creations. You won't find any of that attitudinizing here.

## MOVIES



If it wasn't for *Série Noire*, Franck would have no luck at all.

Thanks to Corneau and Dewaere, every action, every gesture, every moment of rehearsed spontaneity draws us closer inside Franck's thought patterns. The feeling is infectious. This is one hell of a picture, one that's certain to give your brain a boost. ★★★★★

—Scott Marks

### VOD New Release Roundup *Corona Zombies*

The plague that began at the Scramble's Bat Soup Co. in Wuhan washes up on American shores, instantly turning all who come in contact with the invisible enemy into a horde of flesh-eating ghouls. A little over a month under lockdown, and already a feature-length attempt to novelize the novel coronavirus for small screen consumption? How, you ask? Technically, this exceeds the 60-minute running time needed to call it a feature by 60 seconds. It's also what folks like to call a "Frankenstein picture," tidbits plucked from various sources — one part Italian horror oldie (*Hell of the Living Dead*, 1980), one part instant titty-teaser (*Zombies vs Strippers*, 2012) — and scattered amongst a smattering of newly-shot bridging sequences. All but the extant footage has been redubbed to include a laundry list of newsworthy references (washing hands, social distancing, toilet paper squirrels, etc.) as well as an abundance of never-less-than-topical ogling. Funny and imaginative, you ask? Not in the least bit. Charles Band is the only one of three directors involved to receive screen credit. 2020. —S.M. ●

**Pahokey** — Husband and wife directing team Ivete Lucas and Patrick Bresnan make their feature debut with this fly-on-the-wall, narration-free vid-

eo diary that ostensibly documents the lives of four students — none of whom are interviewed — from the 2017 graduating class of Pahokey High School. (I say "ostensibly" because the surplus of anonymous football footage adds minutes to the running time, if not enlightenment to the viewing experience.) BJ is looking for a career in sports medicine, just in case his dreams of playing football fall through. Jocabed works at her parents' taco shop, longing for the day she gets accepted to college. Junior is a proud father and drum major in the school band, while Na'Kerria learns the hard way that popularity and a good personality are no match for so-so grades. With all the footage expended on capturing the school's senior year, it stands to reason that something of interest will befall this predominantly black and Hispanic agricultural town located in the Florida Everglades. Sure enough, Career Day at the Harvard table scores dirty looks from an old white recruiter. Later, a data error robs the school of its football championship. And it doesn't get more dramatic than a peaceful Easter Sunday interrupted by an active shooter situation. 2020. —S.M. ★★ (Now Playing in the Digital Gym Cinema @ Home Virtual Theatre.)

**The Rhythm Section** — We open on a portrait of a happy family waiting to combust. Three years earlier — before she was forced to groom her locks with a patented K-Tel Hair Magician — finds Stephanie (Blake Lively) skipping out on the ill-fated family vacation flight that claimed the lives of those closest to her. In no time, she's prostituting herself to support a heroin addiction. Cue a crusading journalist, seemingly seeking her services as a hustler, when in truth, he has a story to write. News that the

crash wasn't an accident is enough to sober Stephanie, who, with the help of a former MI-6 agent (Jude Law), trains to track down the bomb-maker. The process of "doing something over and over again until you feel nothing at all" opens new doors, making Stephanie the perfect candidate for a career in contract killing. The same can be said of screenwriter Mark Burnell's "repetition is the key to learning" method of telling a story. This might have worked had Reed Morano's snail-paced direction not taken itself so seriously. 2020. —S.M. ●

**Stray Dolls** — Una (Cynthia Nixon) has a big heart — just ask her. Why else would the Eastern European motel owner hire Riz (Geetanjali Thapa), a seemingly manageable Indian immigrant looking to shake a delinquent past? A single-take walk through of the grounds, led by an irritatingly impersonal Una, offers breathing room before holding its characters captive inside the scurvy motor court. Riz is forced to bunk down with Dallas (Olivia DeJonge), whose motto is, "Steal for me and I'll return what I stole from you." Riz strikes gold the first time out, in the form of a brick of cocaine hidden in a guest's valise. Why would Dallas trust Jimmy (Robert Aramayo), her caricature of a ne'er-do-well boyfriend (and Una's son), with that much dope? And with a kilo of coke valued at over \$20,000 in their possession, why fart around with knocking over a school pharmacy, no matter how stylish the execution? Nixon's muscular performance, along with our two leads' ability to plaster the cracks in a screenplay co-written by newbie director Sonejuhi Sinha, make it worth your time. 2019. —S.M. ★★



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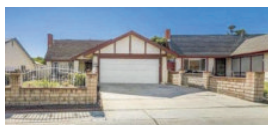
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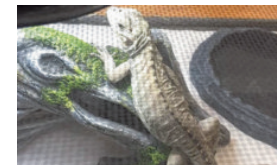
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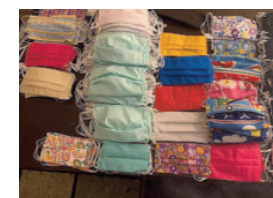
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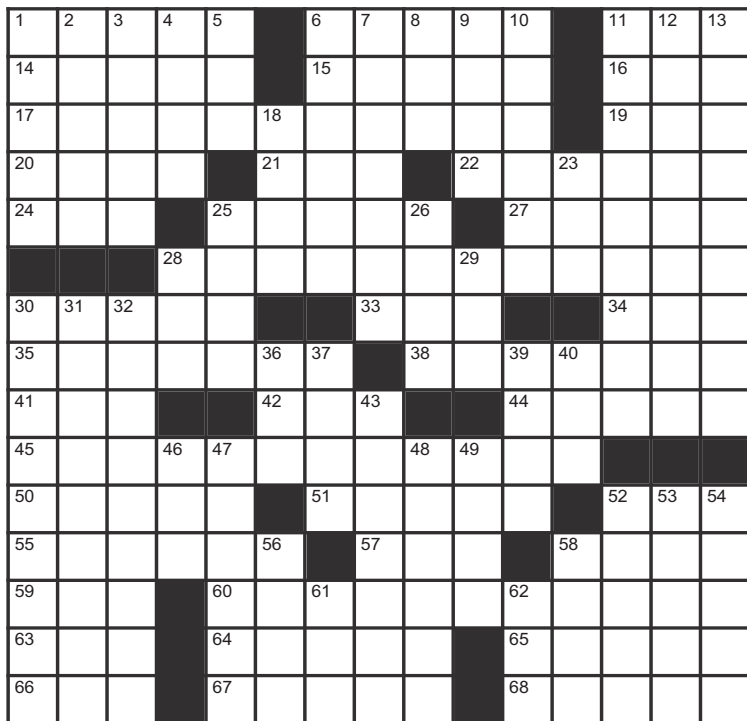
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## Across

1. "One-man army" of the silver screen
6. Sci-fi author's creation
11. Winter follower: Abbr.
14. "Over the Rainbow" composer Harold
15. Sleep clinic subject
16. Suffix with fail
17. Create a seven-letter word in Scrabble with the rack DSERIST
19. Spot on a domino
20. Lunchbox staples, initially
21. "Just as I thought!"
22. Oscar-nominated frontwoman of the Yeah Yeah Yeahs
24. Pre-1991 atlas initials
25. London \_\_\_\_\_
27. Meth lab raiders
28. Create a seven-letter word in Scrabble with the rack IERGBSD
30. Prosecutor's burden
33. Squid's ink holder
34. 4G \_\_\_\_\_
35. Like sleep, ideally
38. OutKast and Mobb Deep
41. "Portlandia" aier
42. Drain
44. Former Israeli minister Moshe
45. Create a seven-letter word in Scrabble with the rack

## Across

50. Google \_\_\_\_\_
51. Spectrum producer
52. Threading target
55. Kind of block
57. \_\_\_\_\_ Fáil (Irish coronation stone)
58. Struck (out)
59. Number one game?
60. Create a seven-letter word in Scrabble with the rack IGNTTFI
63. Danson with the stars?
64. Religion developed in 19th-century Iran
65. "\_\_\_\_\_ mañana!"
66. 1960s campus org.
67. "\_\_\_\_\_ want to talk about it?"
68. Change

## Down

1. Skate park features
2. Kaffiyeh wearers
3. Time's 1963 Man of the Year, informally
4. Honey bunch?
5. Carry-\_\_\_\_\_ (some luggage)
6. "Marilyn Diptych" artist
7. 21st-century health menace
8. Boxing seg.
9. Potato \_\_\_\_\_ soup
10. Aquafina rival
11. What never lets go?

12. Where Einstein taught
13. Take back
18. Famous Amos
23. "Righteous!"
25. Muscular
26. Letter-shaped beam
28. Droid
29. Color TV pioneer
30. Lures for bargain hunters
31. Stopped oneself
32. Showbiz honors
36. Flash drive port
37. Acronym for an outdoor fantasy game
39. Chicken \_\_\_\_\_
40. Help with the dishes
43. Rhea of "Cheers"
46. Co. with a bouquet in its logo
47. It began in 1908 with 34 agts.
48. Game that uses Nintendo's Balance Board
49. "Ozark" actor Morales
52. Be
53. "Fiddler on the Roof" buttinsky
54. Artist Degas
56. Springsteen's "Thunder \_\_\_\_\_"
58. List-ending abbr.
61. Letter after pi
62. "\_\_\_\_\_ Carter V" (Lil Wayne album of 2018)

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:

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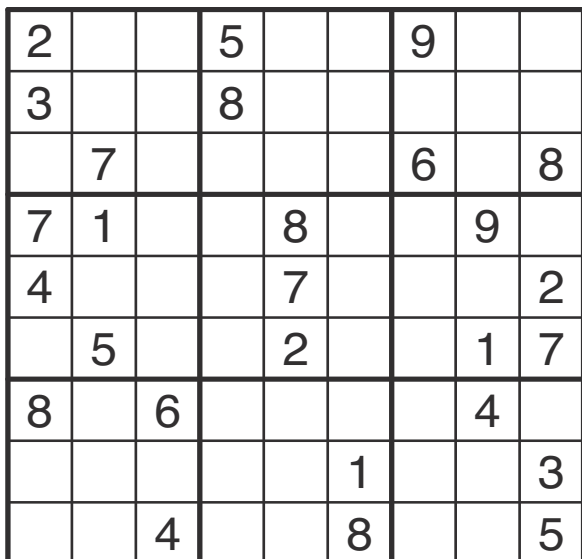
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# SUDOKU

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tory, the strong have taken care of the weak while taking care of their families at the same time. Life goes on, so we've got to get back to work. The blue collar world has more common sense about this than policy makers."

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Rudford's Restaurant in North Park opened in 1949. One night early in its history, the story goes, the key to lock the door couldn't be found come closing time. So they decided to stay open all night. The iconic establishment has been a 24-hour diner ever since.

Nick Kacha, 29, whose father Jeff bought Rudford's in 1994, tells me that when he was required to offer to-go service only, he decided to retain the overnight

tradition. "People closing down bars and others know us for that," he says. "And we were already filling lots of take-home orders, so that made the transition a little easier for us than probably for most other restaurants. Also, on the day before the authorities informed us, I learned that Los Angeles decided to do it, so I knew it was coming our way."

He then laid off all but 10 of his 42 employees, and that gave them a jump on applying for unemployment, he says. Then Kacha, his father, and his girlfriend Adriana Ferreyra took themselves off the payroll. Along with longtime employee Jordan Peterson, they are now doing most of the work needed to keep the restaurant up and running.

One of the first

shocks the business had to endure was a hike in the wholesale price of eggs. They had been used to paying \$180 per pallet; it went up to \$360. "When the supplier came and showed me a \$500 bill, I sent him away. I went right down to Restaurant Depot and got a price of \$240 per pallet. Still high, but I did cut the hike in half. Meat also went way up. And home delivery services like Doordash are now taking a 25 percent charge from customers' bills."

Kacha questions the necessity of the government's decision to force him to restrict his business from being open in full. "It strikes me that they're dabbling in martial law right now. The initial estimated numbers of COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths were 'skewed.' It was

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wrong of the media to run with the scare about a pandemic, especially in giving an impression that California's and San Diego's situation is comparable to Italy's and New York's. Even after things return to 'normal,' it will take

time for people to trust and feel safe in the restaurant. There have been waves in take-out so far. At first, business was good, then came a huge drop. A few people come in every day now. They have nowhere else to go." I ask Kacha what he

thinks of the likelihood that the economy will open up soon. He doesn't believe it will open up much until at least June, although it might start slowly with businesses that can offer heightened protections. He thinks Rudford's could

open now, using disposable wipes on tables and limiting the number of people who can be inside at one time.

"We could put people in every other booth," says Kacha. As he and I look at the empty booths now, it's clear that a good 10 feet of separation could be gained that way.

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Why should bars open full bore again? "Simple," says Frank Burton. "People like to drink." It's a thought that, almost 90 years after the repeal of Prohibition, still mortifies some. But he is right. Alcohol sales are a huge contributor to the national economy.

Burton is the owner of Crickets Cocktails on El Cajon Boulevard, a little over two blocks east of I-805. Currently, he is allowed to sell beer,

wine, and hard liquor to go in plastic cups, but only if accompanied by a food purchase. He offers a modest menu of standard breakfasts, sandwiches, steaks, and chicken. For years, Crickets has had a gentleman's agreement with Venice Pizza next door to stick primarily to alcohol and not compete heavily in food.

Through limited take-home traffic, Burton is hanging on and counting on being open soon. He thinks that might be in May, because if things continue the way they've been going, he will be losing about \$30,000 in business per month. "I heard through the grapevine that hotels, restaurants, and bars will be the first businesses to open," he says. But, for bars at least, that is probably optimistic due to the reputation for

crowded, backslapping atmospheres that some bars have.

"I've been telling drunks that they have to leave for 34 years," says Burton, who first owned Sparky's (now Hamilton's) in South Park for 15 years and then, with a trip to Las Vegas in between, Crickets for 19. "That's the same thing I and my bartenders would do to a customer who's throwing an arm around somebody's neck and getting in their face. I think I have seen it all. But I suppose there is always something new to learn, of course, and the coronavirus certainly seems to be that.

"People would have to wear masks and practice social distancing inside. I'd want a bouncer to work the door. I don't want people to get sick and die."

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— Authorities executed a search warrant relating to a narcotics investigation in the South Texas town of Mercedes on March 25, but what they seized wasn't drugs. Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Sammy Parks told the Associated Press that officers had been warned there were exotic animals on the 5-acre property, and game wardens who joined the search found a white Bengal tiger, bobcat, kinkajou, porcupines, llamas, emus and deer. While no arrests were made, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department had to euthanize three of the animals; the remainder were removed to the Austin Zoo for examination and rehabilitation.

**How the World Has Changed**

— Amy Simonson and Dan Stuglik proceeded with their planned wedding on April 4 in Pokagon, Michigan, but the coronavirus pandemic forced them to get creative. While the original guest list of 150 people had to be pared down repeatedly as restrictions were placed on public gatherings, Stuglik was determined that his bride not walk down the aisle between empty pews in the Old Rugged Cross Church. He hit upon the idea of filling the church with cardboard cutouts of family and friends and stopped by Menasha Packaging Co. to ask for help. Employees Ted Harris and Luke Arendash jumped at the chance. "(Stuglik) was just looking for a general person shape, but I was able to make it a little bit more realistic audience for them," Harris told *The Herald Palladium*.

The company supplied more than 100 cutouts of varying sizes, shapes and hairstyles. The newlyweds moved their reception to October and canceled their honeymoon in Newport, Rhode Island, but Stuglik said they "both have peace now, because it's stripped down to what it should be, which is us and God, getting married."

— Our four-legged friends are taking advantage of the COVID-19 lockdown in multiple cities, United Press International reported: On March 31, 122 Kashmiri goats took over the Welsh town of Llandudno, eating gardens and sleeping in the yards; on April 6, residents of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, reported a large herd of deer casually wandering through neighborhoods; in Gir, Gujarat, India, citizens were warned on April 5 to stay inside not only because of the pandemic but because a large lion was nosing around the city; at a Fast Stop store in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, a bear took the low-traffic opportunity to dumpster dive on April 3; and in the Central Region of Singapore, witnesses captured video of a horse galloping through the empty streets of Bukit Timah on April 6. She had escaped from the Paisano Polo Academy, where the owner said she'd only been loose for about 20 minutes.

— Recent sunny weather in the Czech spa town of Lazne Bohdanec, where sunbathing naked is allowed, brought out more than a hundred eager sunbathers -- nude and not -- but police

were soon on hand to warn they still needed to wear face masks, as ordered by the Czech government, reported the *Daily Mail*. "Citizens can be without clothes in places designated for this purpose, but they must have their mouths covered and must observe the numbers in which they can go out into nature," police spokeswoman Marketa Janovska told local media. "We understand that many people do not have a garden and want to ventilate in the countryside," she added. About half of the 150 people were not wearing masks, but no fines were issued.

**Coronavirus Cosplay**

— Police on horseback and motorcycles in Hyderabad, India, are reminding civilians about the dangers of COVID-19 by wearing large red masks and headdresses in the shape of the virus as they patrol. Police Commissioner Anjani Kumar said the masked officers would be stationed at various city junctions, *Fox News* reported. Ironically, the city organized a rally on April 7 to kick off the awareness campaign, displaying signs reading "Please Avoid Gathering" and "Social Distancing Is Social Responsibility."

**Crowd Control**

— According to his attorney, Rumson, New Jersey, resident John Maldjian, 54, intended for his "Stay at Home" Pink Floyd cover concert to be viewed only on Facebook Live by his friends on April 4. However, at the last minute, Maldjian decided to play his guitar on his front porch, which drew a crowd. What started with a few

neighbors eventually grew to about 30 people in his front yard when police showed up to enforce social distancing orders, *NJ Online* reported. One of the "partiers" allegedly became abusive, according to police, but attorney Mitchell J. Ansell said his client had "absolutely no malicious intentions ... and never wanted this to escalate." Maldjian was charged for violating emergency orders.

**Using the Weapons at Hand**

— Michigan State Police responding to a call in Gibson Township, Michigan, on April 6 seized a muzzleloader pistol from a man involved in a dispute over a camping trailer, authorities said. Trooper David Kaiser said officers discovered a 58-year-old man and a female relative had arrived at the property to pick up the trailer, but the 55-year-old man who lived there questioned its ownership. The resident fired the muzzleloader, hitting no one, said Kaiser, then allegedly used the gun to strike the older man, which prompted the woman to grab a shovel and hit the resident on the head. *MLive* reported police arrested the resident for felonious assault; further charges are pending.

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| Starting at \$15   | <b>GOJANI</b> Joints 2 for \$25                                       | <b>RAKWOODS</b> Starting at \$30                          |
| <b>3 RICE KRISPIE TREATS</b> \$10                              | \$15  | <b>H.H. VAPES</b> \$20                                    |
|  |   | <b>4 JOINTS</b> \$10                                      |

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Lakeside, CA 92040  
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## Now Open 24/7 in El Cajon!

Uplifted Vapes Event! Fri, May 1, 5-7pm

**BUY 1 VAPE, GET 1 FREE!**

Limit 1 per patient. Valid for \$35 Uplifted Vapes.

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| <b>\$9 /G</b> PRIVATE RESERVE<br>Any patient, no limit! | <b>\$7 /G</b> SELECT PRIVATE RESERVE STRAINS | <b>\$85 OZ</b> SPECIAL SHELF                  |
| <b>\$4 /G</b> SPECIAL SHELF<br>Any patient, no limit!   | <b>\$35 /2G</b> BRASS MONKEY SHATTER         | <b>\$18 /G</b> NUG RUN HOUSE SHATTER          |
| <b>\$30</b> Uplifted (1G Vapes)                         | <b>\$10</b> GOLANI ROLLS                     | <b>\$30</b> Twisted Moonrock Pre-Rolls        |
| <b>\$35</b> & Unreal Vapes                              | <b>\$25 /2G</b> JEFF SESSIONS (1G VAPES)     | <b>\$20</b> Punch Chocolates (225mg)          |
|   |  | <b>\$30</b> Babylon's Garden (1000mg Gummies) |

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## El Cajon Kush Society

13739 Highway 8 Business, El Cajon, CA 92021

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**CALL OR TEXT: 619-627-4697 • 8AM-12AM DAILY**

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TEXT **"ADD"** TO **833-349-2722** TO RECEIVE OUR DAILY DEALS!

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| <b>Top-Shelf</b><br><b>\$5/GRAM</b>   | <b>Private Reserve</b><br><b>\$8/GRAM</b>  | <b>Exclusive</b><br><b>\$9/GRAM</b>  | <b>Exotic Shelf</b><br><b>\$12/GRAM</b>   | <b>OZ Specials</b><br>Starting at<br>\$30/\$40/\$60/\$100<br>\$120 (Top Shelf)<br>\$150 (Private Reserve)<br>\$180 (Exclusive)<br>\$200 (Exotic) |
|  <b>\$20</b><br>& H.H. Vapes          | <b>Shatter</b><br><b>\$15/G</b>  | <b>White Fire Budder</b><br><b>\$35</b>  | <b>Exclusive Shake</b><br><b>3 OZ \$100</b>   |  |
| <b>Off White KINGPEN &amp; Clear</b><br><b>5 for \$100 (1G Vapes)</b><br>Mix & Match with many more brands! FTP only. |  |  |   |  |
|  <b>\$40</b><br>(1G Vapes)            | <b>Rove Carts</b><br><b>\$20</b>   | <b>Stoney Patch Candy</b><br><b>\$10</b> (150mg)   | <b>STINZY</b> <b>\$35</b> <small>Real Deal</small>  | <b>1G Pods! All day, every day!</b>  |
| <b>Mystery Baking Black Label Bar</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000mg Edible)  |  <b>6 for \$100</b><br>(100mg Edible) | <b>Babylon's Garden</b><br><b>\$75 Diamonds</b><br><b>\$40 Crumble</b>                               |  <b>6G \$100</b> |  |
| <b>5 Rice Krispie Treats</b><br><b>\$10</b> (100mg each)  | <b>Babylon's Garden Gummies</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000mg)<br><b>\$10</b> (150mg)   |  <b>7 for \$100</b> | <b>Moonrocks</b><br><b>\$20/G</b>   | <b>House Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>4 for \$10</b>  |
| <b>Best CBD Selection in San Diego!</b>   | <b>Free 100mg Edible + Exclusive Pre-Roll!</b><br>with every order for returning patients only. Must mention ad.       |  |   |  |

# Best Deals in East County!

Open 24/7 in El Cajon!

**FREE 2 GRAMS OF TOP SHELF!**  
First time patients with min. \$30 donation. Must mention ad.

**\$9/GRAM • \$120 1/2-OZ • \$230 OZ ANY JAR IN THE STORE!**  
No limit! Must mention the Reader ad.

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| <b>TOP SHELF</b><br><b>\$4/G • 3G \$10</b>  | <b>Private Reserve Shake</b><br><b>\$100 OZ OR 14G \$60</b> | <b>House Shake \$20 oz</b><br><b>Fire Shake \$50 oz</b>   |  <b>Lifted Extracts \$20</b><br>(1G Live Resin) |
| <b>Excellence Sauce</b><br><b>Diamond \$70</b> <b>Butter \$60</b> <b>Sauce \$50</b> | <b>Full Green Nugs</b><br><b>\$65/ \$100 OZ</b>             |  <b>\$25</b><br>(1G VAPES) | <b>West Coast Cure Vape</b><br><b>\$45 /1G</b>   |
| <b>House Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$5</b><br>Private Reserve Shake!                      | <b>STINZY Pods</b><br><b>\$25 (0.5G) \$45 (1G)</b>          | <b>Uplifted Vapes</b><br><b>\$35</b>  | <b>Exotic Carts</b><br><b>\$15</b>   |
| <b>Hurricane Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>   | <b>Twisted Moonrock Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>            | <b>Twisted Vapes</b><br><b>\$20 (1G)</b>  | <b>Presidential Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>   |
| <b>Blackout Brownies</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG)                                    | <b>Wow Rice Krispie Treats</b><br><b>\$10</b> (500MG)       | <b>Chief n Kief Barewood</b><br><b>\$20 \$30</b>  | <b>Golani Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>   |
| <b>House Nug Shatter</b><br><b>\$15/G</b>   | <b>Hash</b><br><b>\$15/G</b>                                | <b>The Syrup</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG)  | <b>Sour Belts</b><br><b>\$10</b> (300MG Gummies)   |
|   |   | <b>Stndrd Gummies</b><br><b>\$10 (200MG) \$20 (400MG)</b>   | <b>Cbd Tincture</b><br><b>\$40</b> (1000MG)  |
|   |   | <b>Babylon Gardens</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG Candy)  | <b>Caviar Candy</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG)  |

**1232 Greenfield Dr.**  
El Cajon, CA 92021  
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**GREENFIELD MEDS** **OPEN 24/7!**

**Winter GARDEN GREENS** **OPEN 24/7 IN LAKESIDE/EL CAJON!**  
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Lakeside, CA 92040 • 619-733-4451

**\$9/GRAM • \$120 1/2-OZ • \$230 OZ ANY JAR IN THE STORE!**  
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| <b>TOP SHELF</b><br><b>\$5/G • \$65 1/2-OZ • \$120 OZ</b>   | <b>Private Reserve Shake</b><br><b>\$100 OZ OR 14G \$60</b>   |
| <b>House Shake \$20 oz</b><br><b>Fire Shake \$50 oz</b>   |  <b>Trim Shatter &amp; Crumble \$15/G</b><br><b>Nug Shatter &amp; Crumble \$25/G</b> |
|  <b>\$25</b> (1G VAPES) | <b>West Coast Cure Vape</b><br><b>\$45/1G</b>   |
| <b>Full Green Nugs</b><br><b>\$50/OZ</b>  | <b>Full Green Nugs</b><br><b>\$100/OZ</b>   |
| <b>STINZY Pods</b><br><b>\$25 (0.5G) \$45 (1G)</b>  | <b>Plug and Play</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1G VAPES)  |
| <b>Dabwood Vapes</b><br><b>\$15</b>   | <b>&amp; H.H. Vapes</b><br><b>\$20 (1G)</b>   |
| <b>Exotic Carts</b><br><b>\$15</b>  | <b>Uplifted Vapes</b><br><b>\$35</b>  |
| <b>Jeff Sessions</b><br><b>\$25</b> (1G Vapes)  | <b>Diamond Sticks</b><br><b>\$20</b>  |
| <b>Twisted Vapes</b><br><b>\$20 (1G)</b>  |   |
| <b>Presidential Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>  | <b>Hurricane Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>   |
| <b>Twisted Moonrock Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>  | <b>Golani Pre-Rolls</b><br><b>\$10</b>  |
| <b>7G Select Strains</b><br><b>\$50</b>   | <b>Diamond Sauce</b><br><b>\$65/G</b>   |
| <b>710 Shatter</b><br><b>\$20/G</b>   |   |
| <b>Wow Rice Krispie Treats</b><br><b>\$10</b> (500MG)   | <b>Blackout Brownies</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG)  |
| <b>Moonrocks</b><br><b>\$10/G</b>   | <b>Hash</b><br><b>\$15/G</b>  |
| <b>House Nug Shatter</b><br><b>\$15/G</b>   | <b>Kief</b><br><b>\$5/G</b>   |
| <b>Wax</b><br><b>\$10/G</b>   |   |
|  <b>\$15</b>            | <b>Stndrd Gummies</b><br><b>\$10 (200MG) \$20 (400MG)</b>   |
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| <b>Caviar Candy</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG)   | <b>The Syrup</b><br><b>\$35</b> (1000MG)  |
| <b>Cbd Tincture</b><br><b>\$40</b> (1000MG)   |   |

**April & May Specials in Eastlake!**

**FREE GRAM** when you bring a friend!  
\$30 min. donation for friend

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| <b>\$10/G EXOTICS</b>  | <b>\$7/G REAL PRIVATE RESERVE</b>        | <b>\$5/G SPECIAL SHELF</b>  |
| <b>BUY 2, GET 1 FREE ON ALL VAPES!</b>   | <b>BUY 2, GET 1 FREE ON ALL EDIBLES!</b> |   |
|  <b>2G \$35</b> | <b>\$9</b>                               | <b>Twisted Moonrock Joints</b>                                    |
| <b>\$15</b><br>1G Eternal, Mario, & Exotic Vapes   | <b>\$20</b><br>2G House Shatter          | <b>\$100 OZ</b><br>2 OZ <b>\$190</b><br>6 strains to choose from! |

**East Palomar Meds** 1750 E. Palomar St., #10  
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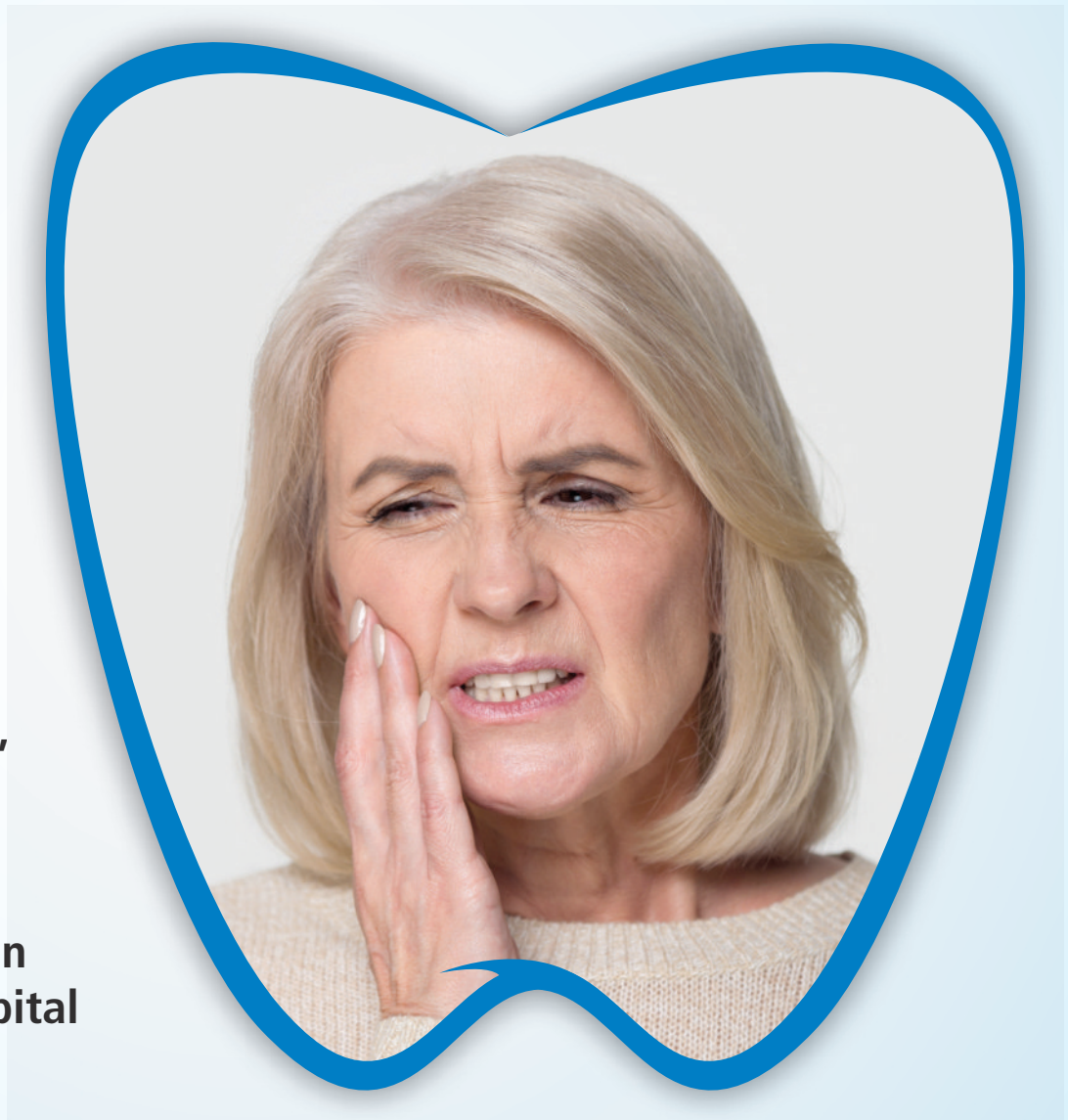
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