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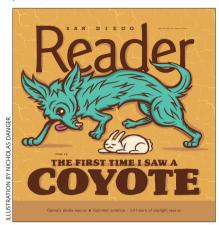
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LA JOLLA

Pinnipeds proddedLooky-loos loath to let lions lie

As the pandemic lockdown lifts, beach-goers have headed to La Jolla Cove en masse - just in time for the start of sea lion pupping season. And neither the signs warning people to stay away from the animals nor the last week's calls by city officials for people to act responsibly have stopped the mayhem. According to the Sierra Club Seal Society, park rangers, who are present only on the weekends, log about 92 harassment incidents per month. And on June 5, beach visitors were back at it, "petting and frightening the sea lions," said Ellen Shively, a volunteer docent who reminds people that it's not a petting zoo.

deliberately hurting the sea lions."



Pokey people put pups in peril.

lions," she said. "You left feeling appalled by what you saw," and suggested more signage and better management by Parks and Recreation. At last week's press conference at the cove, San Diego city councilman Joe LaCava announced that more signs would be posted. The signs that are already there have long advised visitors that it's illegal to touch feed

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Trouble began brewing the previous weekend, just before Memorial Day. A crowd of people "poked, prodded, and cornered a yearling, so that he repeatedly hit a wall or the cliff and probably broke his spine," Shively said. He was later found dead. A pregnant female was "presumably" kicked in the head; blood and bruising were apparent, she added. As the colony moved up the hill for warmer air that night, the injured mother-to-be never moved. Two other pregnant females were found in distress; one with a fishing line around her neck, another with a broken flipper. "It appears that people are intentionally harassing and deliberately hurting the sea lions, though some of this may be unintentional because of the large crowds," concluded Shively. Those crowds mean the docents are far outnumbered. "We estimate 400 plus people every hour in this small area." Adding to the chaos are barking dogs, which are allowed (on leash) before 9 am and after 6 pm from April 1 through Oct. 31. Much of the harassment occurs at sunset.

At San Diego's May 28 environmental committee meeting, advocates again rallied for meaningful changes. Robyn Davidoff, Sierra Club Seal Society docent, requested immediate support to budget for a full-time ranger at Point La Jolla sea lion rookery. "Most of you or your staff have joined us for a tour and witnessed tourists within feet of the sea

or harass sea lions, which are protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Disturbing them can lead to the separation of mothers and babies — a problem Shively mentioned at the environmental committee meeting. Two new pups, born the day before, were at the bottom of the stairs that people use to get to Boomer Beach and Pt La Jolla. The pups were in danger of being trampled and separated from their mothers, leading to starvation and inability to bond.

Davidoff said the weekend park rangers, there on an overtime basis as part of a trial run, have been successful at reducing the harassment. But more are needed. Sea lions are a top tourist attraction in San Diego, bringing a lot of revenue to the city, she said. A full-time park ranger "would be funded by tourists."

SHEILA PELL

VALLEY CENTER

Maybe don't hug it out? Sometimes the squeezing leads to stabbing

Just after 4 pm on November 2 of last year, San Diego County sheriff's deputies responded to reports of a fight on the 19300 block of Sierra Verde Road in Valley Center. Deputies drove up a long driveway to the main home; there, they found multiple trailers and other shelters, all being used as homes for relatives of

a woman named Alma, who lived there with her parents and her four brothers and their children. Nieces and nephews and cousins all lived there, according to witnesses.

Deputy William Clem spoke to the matriarch, Alma. She said she had observed two men that day, one named Eduardo and the



Hug or headlock? Either way, Eduardo says that Nunez was too drunk for words.

other Fabian Nunez. She said the men interacted a lot, and they used bad Spanish words toward each other. Alma said she was not aware until later that there was a fight and a knife was used. Deputies also spoke to Jose, Alma's husband. Jose was reluctant to give a

statement to deputy Jeffrey Chu; he said that he did not want to put himself in between all his wife's relatives and his worker, Fabian Nunez. It had been Jose who got permission for Nunez to live on the property, because he and Nunez worked together.

But Jose had seen what happened. He said he and Nunez were seated in the courtyard together outside the main house. They were there drinking beers for a couple hours before Eduardo approached them. Eduardo was one of Alma's nephews who lived on the property. He came out of his room, which was inside a garage nearby. Eduardo, 19 and 198 pounds, and Nunez, 26 and 120 pounds, began to exchange words. Jose told the deputy, "They basically do not get along, and are always arguing." Jose

said the men began to fight, and Eduardo got Nunez in a headlock. Jose demonstrated for the deputy. (When the deputy testified about the event seven months later, he said he was sure it was not a bear hug.) Jose told the deputy that while Eduardo was holding the smaller man, Nunez pulled out a pocket knife and stabbed Eduardo. Then the two parted and ran separate ways. Nunez remained on the property, and when deputies arrived, he spoke to them and gave up his pocket knife to them. He told them he had lived there approximately six months, and that he was invited to live there by Jose, with whom he worked. He knew that Jose was married to the matriarch of the residence, Alma, and that she was related to every other person who lived there. Nunez reportedly told deputies that he became desperate after the larger man got him in a headlock, and that he was struck repeatedly on his head. When he could no longer breathe, he reached for the knife in his pocket. He asked the deputies to collect video from the many surveillance cameras around the courtyard where the alleged confrontation occurred. He was sure those recordings would

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Spanish speaking interpreter, alleged victim Eduardo, prosecutor Justin Stanek. The courtroom has plastic barriers for COVID scare.

San Diego website meltdown preceded by vendor spat, email shows

The intrigue surrounding the City of San Diego's abrupt switch to a new campaign finance disclosure website has deepened with the partial rejection by city officials of a request for public records that might shed further light on the controversial matter.

The bumpy changeover of the site's operator, from the veteran contractor Netfile to a new vendor calling itself Pasadena Consulting, was undertaken two months ago by the city clerk's office without public announcement or official word to the site's operator or official word to the media.

A spokeswoman for the clerk's office who requested anonymity maintained that allegations regarding multiple problems with the site have been overblown.

But when asked in a public records act request to provide documents containing details of the changeover, including emails and memos, the city balked.

"All responsive documents have been released except those that have been withheld pursuant to Attorney-Client Privilege," says a June 4 response by public records official Mailei Oliva.

In a subsequent email, dated June 9, a clerk's office employee who asked not to be named wrote: "The determination of atty-client privilege was not made by the Office of the City Clerk."

Documents that were released by the city in response to the request include email from Netfile executive Tom Diebert, confirming his previously reported explanation regarding why the firm ended up not bidding on the contract that was ultimately awarded to Pasadena Consulting.



Liz Maland, City Clerk

"One-off custom systems such as the lobbyist platform we built for San Diego cannot be shared with other agencies to cover development or maintenance costs," wrote Diebert in an August 25, 2020, email to the city.

"We discovered that we have invested almost \$500k in the current lobbyist platform since 2014 and have recouped less than 20% of that investment since then."

"As you can see, continuing forward with such a system is bad business (significantly worse than I actually was aware of prior to starting this process).

"As an officer and shareholder of NetFile, I cannot in good faith to our company agree to continue providing the lobbyist system under the current conditions.

"We are amenable to amending the current agreement where you will see considerable cost savings on both the currently supported Campaign and Form 700 systems, but would have to take a considerable increase in price for us to maintain the current lobbyist platform in maintenance mode only (meaning no additional features or forms being added) for the next 12 months."

But, based on the email provided, the city would not unbundle the lobbying system from

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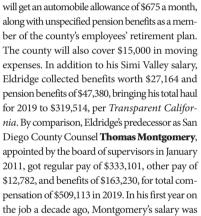


UNDER THE RADAR

Lonnie, not Ronnie, from

Simi The city attorney of Simi Valley, home to the Ronald Reagan presidential library, is making a shift to distinctly more left-leaning terrain via his appointment by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors last month as County Counsel. **Lonnie Eldridge**, whose total pay in Simi Valley was \$244,969 in 2019, according to the website *TransparentCalifornia.com*, will get a starting

annual base salary of \$286,850 when he begins work here on June 30, according to an employment contract approved by the San Diego supervisors May 4. "The Board will consider adjusting Employee's salary range and base pay for the County Counsel job class in accordance with cost-of-living or other across the board adjustments, if any, provided to other executive management of the County," the document says. In addition, Eldridge



\$222,081, along with \$78,877 in benefits, for total compensation of \$300,958. Eldridge encountered controversy in April 2018 over an alleged secret meeting during which Simi Valley's city council voted to endorse thenpresident **Donald Trump's** lawsuit against the state's immigration sanctuary policies. "The action taken was not in compliance with the Brown Act and Article 1, Section 3 of the California Constitution because

it occurred as the culmination of a discussion in closed session of a matter which the act does not permit to be discussed in closed session," asserted **Zakia Kator**, a deputy Los Angeles city attorney and Simi Valley resident. Kator added, "The Brown Act is meant to have our public agencies discuss political issues in public, open session and give the public an opportunity to come in and voice their opinions and to have a robust debate on a political decision that they are about to undertake. And they shouldn't hide behind the Brown Act exemption in order to make a decision that should have been made in open session."

Responded Eldridge, "The city believes it has fully complied with the Brown Act, is carefully reviewing the letter at this time." A month later, the council reversed itself and, without admitting it had broken the open meeting law, held a public session with 121 speakers in which the vote was 4-0 to reaffirm its endorsement of Trump's antisanctuary lawsuit. "The council voted to rescind the prior action of April 23 in closed session and

then to re-authorize the filing of an amicus letter at the next available opportunity," Eldridge told the *VC Star*. "Because the (trial) court said on June 11 that it's not taking any more amicus letters, it will have to be on appeal."



Lonnie Eldridge may be headed south, but his career definitely isn't.

Kevin's costly lifeguard law firm Republican ex San Diego mayor Kevin

lican ex-San Diego mayor **Kevin Faulconer** has set up two funds to collect campaign cash, one each for his gubernatorial cam-

paign efforts linked to this year's **Gavin Newsom** recall and next year's regular race for the job. The latest giver to the 2022 stash is **Daniel Mani**. The West Hollywood developer has long been a patron of Los Angeles politicos; he kicked in \$32,400 on June 1. **Jacquie Mani Aiche** gave \$5000 the same day. In February 2007, Mani Brothers, a development outfit Daniel Mani owns with brother **Simon**, was the subject of a *Los Angeles Times* expose regarding cash collected by then-L.A. Democratic mayor **Antonio Villaraigosa** for an education reform fund he set up. Called the Mayor's Committee for Government Excellence and Accountability, the effort bagged \$50,000 from Mani Brothers, part of the more than \$761,000

collected, "some of it from companies and individuals who have had business before the city but no direct link to education," the *Times* story noted. "Most of the money received during the last six months — more than \$611,000 — flowed into a committee established by the mayor to promote his campaign to gain substantial control of the Los Angeles Unified School District and to pay legal fees defending against a district lawsuit chal-



Antonio Villaraigosa: a broader definition of education than some.

lenging his involvement." Other big real estate interests giving to Faulconer include **Jason Marcil** of Palos Verdes Investments (\$32,400, May 20) and \$12,500 on May 12 from San Diego's Finch, Thornton & Baird. The law firm brags on its website that it beat City Hall in a contracting battle. "The firm's client was the general contractor for the construction of a City of San Diego lifeguard tower," per the account. "The general contractor contended the project was delayed and disrupted by City's management of the Project and the project plans." Says the web entry: "As *continued on page 39*

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Dear Hipster:

Around this time of year I always feel like the world's attention is divided, at least a little bit, between hockey and basketball. Of course, by "the world" I mean "popular televised American sporting events," but I'm sure you get the picture. You have local pubs that choose to focus on Stanley Cup playoffs, and you have those which instead opt for the NBA playoffs. But even though the two sports occur more or less simultaneously — crowning their respective champions in the early summer — they certainly differ in many material respects, not the least of which being the fanbases. Based

on my observations. basketball tends to draw in more traditional sports fans, whereas hockey fans tend to be a more eclectic bunch, and I see a lot more hockey fans who seem to be more hipster. Given the contemporaneous slots they occupy on the sporting calendar, is hockey basketball for hipsters?



Wilt Chamberlain, spiked-baller.

— TONY

Basketball certainly has its hipster moments. Although many of basketball's hipster highlights happened off the court, you have to give it up for the short shorts of the 1970s. Wilt Chamberlain appearing in Conan the Destroyer comes to mind, as does Kareem Abdul-Jabbar breaking character to deliver the line "Tell your dad to drag Walton and Lanier up and down the court for 48 minutes!" in the movie Airmany years featuring pictures of Michael

Jordan wearing question 11 இ*plane*. There was that Tumblr that ran for

simple existence of the Shaq Fu video game is hipster because you couldn't come up with a weirder, more ironic joke if you tried. Sneakers with little pumps

on them are hipster as hell, at least in hindsight, and basically everything about Dennis Rodman generally (seriously, the dude has decided to become friends with Kim Jong Un) and Dennis Rodman's hair in particular just doesn't make any sense unless you see it as some sort of ironic joke.

> Hockey, on the other hand, has deep

hipster roots. From its ties to Canada (beloved by hipsters who threaten to move there when their disenchantment with the US rises) to its long relationship with mustaches and the mullet (sometimes called "hockey hair"), ice hockey has always worn the metaphorical skinny jeans of the sporting world. Hockey has a weirdly hipster heritage as a fixture of American culture, too.

In the 1980s, basketball culture was so racist that it didn't seem at all weird to call Larry Bird "the Great White Hope" (ugh),

while hockey was engaged in a protracted battle with the Soviet Union for the soul of the sporting world following the "Miracle on Ice." I'm pretty sure anyone who had to pick between those competing 1980s legacies would take smashing communism

over a simmering race war. Even if the (dark) cultural legacy of 1980s basketball is probably more culturally relevant in terms of what it says about us as a nation, both as to where we come from and where we're going (hopefully, as far away from the culture of the Lakers-Celtics rivalry as possible), the Cold War aspect of ice hockey sounds a quirkier, more hipster note. Thus, your assessment is probably correct, notwithstanding numerous exceptions to the rule. Now, I don't mean to say one sport is better than the other. But on balance, hockey is probably the more hipster sport, so make of that what you will.

DJ Stevens

LETTERS

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

Foodies' legacy

Just wanted to say "thank you" for the truly great article vou wrote about our family's business ("F-HOP, not IHOP", Tin Fork, May 20). We are fortunate that our parents' legacy has brought us so far - we regret that they didn't live to enjoy the positive remarks and continuous patronage of our customers. I have seen 3 generations of some of our regulars - it's affirming and heartwarming. Marilyn(the server) I've known since she was 5 - another positive asset in a business where our employees have stayed for countless years with us.

Linda (Spezzano) Parra

Premature death notice

The only reason why he was never charged is because he married the then-17 year old girl ("Woody Allen's PBS Mockumentary", Movies@Home, June 4). So he married her, which means that they could not charge him with child molestation, because he was married to the victim and also because the victim did not press charges. He is a child molester. He was just never charged. Everyone thought of him as a child molester, but he just got away with it, and he was her husband until the day he died. Besides that Woody Allen has died two years ago and left his victim wife behind.

> Anonymous Carlsbad

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"Third aircraft carrier not wonderful for everyone in San Diego" News Under the Radar **June 9**

San Diego had for too long relied on the Navy/USMC and defense contracting to keep the economy healthy, if you could call it that. I've lost track of the number of times that Navy "billets" were regarded as a local economic mainstay. But now we have a housing crunch, and all those squids/swabbies/whateveryou-care-to-call them are straining the housing market. Well, guess what? That has been true for years and years, but only now has it reached crisis stage.

The real stress comes from decisions made far from here. There was a time not so long ago when the Navy had multiple home port facilities along the West Coast. But then all of the capabilities in the SF Bay area were closed down, and then Long Beach closed too. The Navy now has only two places to home port its large ships on the west coast. One is here and the other in Puget Sound. While the ship count isn't anything that seems that large, when there are only two homeport spots, things get strained.

San Diego is now paying the price, or should I say the Navy personnel are paying the price of short-sighted decisions made in regard to having necessary places to home port the Navy vessels.

—Visduh

Americans like to complain a lot about how rough they have it. In comparison to most of the rest of the World, we live in a much better situation. We are not nearly as over crowded and over priced (relative to income). The US Navy and Marine Bases are not the problem here. Our problem is our own individual expectations and desires going unsatisfied.

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support his claims of self-defense. But when investigators asked about recordings from those cameras, they were told the cameras were not working.

When deputies arrived on scene, alleged victim Eduardo was already gone. He had been taken to Palomar hospital by one of his many cousins. Deputy Ricardo Carlon went to interview Eduardo in the hospital. Eduardo said he came home from work that Monday about 4 pm and saw Fabian Nunez sitting in the courtyard with Jose. "They were drinking. He [Nunez] started telling me things. He was very drunk. All of a sudden, I don't know what happened, he just hit me." Eduardo said he grabbed Nunez in a bear hug "because he came at me and he was drunk, it didn't matter what I said to him. I just wanted him to calm down." Eduardo said he "hugged" Nunez in a face-to-face bear-hug for a minute or so. He said he released Nunez and was walking away when Nunez ran up and stabbed him from behind. Eduardo heard his cousins saying, "NO NO NO NO." (During the pre-trial hearing, defense attorney Alejandro Morales pointed out that Fabian Nunez is right-handed and Eduardo suffered a cut on his left side.) Eduardo denied ever putting Nunez in a headlock at any time when he testified in court seven months later, on June 3, 2021.

Eduardo was reportedly in the hospital for a few hours the day of the fight. Prosecutor Justin Stanek had evidence photos of Eduardo's wound. Defense attorney Alejandro Morales characterized the wound as "superficial" and said the medical report declared it a "laceration on skin." Morales also pointed out that defendant Nunez has no criminal record, and that he was held in custody for two months after the incident and then released on his own recognizance. Since then, said Morales, Nunez has been at liberty, is working, and has come to court for each of his scheduled hearings. And although he admitted to using a knife during the fight, after Judge Amalia Meza heard three hours of evidence, she reduced his felony assault charge to a misdemeanor. She also spoke directly to Nunez, who was seated at the defense table. and warned him, "Mister Nunez, never do that again! If you ever do that again, no other judge will exercise discretion."

EVA KNOTT

OCEANSIDE

Jensen jilted Fellow councilmen not swayed by D.A.'s demurral

On June 4, the District Attorney's office announced it was not pursuing criminal charges against Oceanside councilwoman Kori Jensen regarding her residency. There had



Home is where the sweet political appointment is!

been enough questions over Jensen's primary residence that the city attorney referred the matter to the D.A. shortly after her appointment in January. Jensen seemed relieved over the good news, writing in a statement, "I'm grateful that we can finally put this to bed and move forward with the business of Oceanside."

But days after the announcement, two of the three councilmen who made the appointment in the first place said they have lost faith in Kori Jensen. "Although the District Attorney's office has chosen not to prosecute Ms. Jensen, the inconsistencies surrounding her primary residence have not been clarified," councilmember Ryan Keim said via email on June 7. "The lack of transparency regarding Ms. Jensen's residence is very concerning and has become a distraction from the critical issues facing our city. In the best interest of the residents of Oceanside, I strongly urge Ms. Jensen to reconsider her future on the City Council." One person who spoke with



Oceanside councilwoman Kori Jensen

Keim on Monday said that Keim told him he no longer could trust Jensen.

Oceanside mayor-turned-councilman Peter Weiss articulated a sort of buyer's remorse over Jensen. "If you are aware of how you go about changing past decisions, please let me know. I made a decision based on the information at that time. Unfortunately, concerns and allegations were raised after that decision was made. Those issues are a distraction to the important issues the city faces, as is the recall effort."

Some 22,000 voters live in District 1's northwest quadrant of the city, which is bordered by Camp Pendleton, the coast, and Oceanside Boulevard. Oceanside locals who

are unhappy with Jensen have been walking door to door there, collecting recall petition signatures from residents. They have also been seen collecting petition signatures at the weekly farmers market, at Buddy Todd Park, and in front of Walmart and Frazier Farms. They need

\$51,000 in delinquent property taxes on her North Pacific house.

News that Weiss and Keim have abandoned Jensen was met with skepticism by two people who support the recall. They fear that if she were to step down, the council would simply appoint another person who might not represent the voters of District 1. They say that the only right thing to do is what should have happened last January, which is to hold an election or leave the seat vacant until November 2022. Christopher Rodriguez voted for Jensen's appointment. Mayor Esther Sanchez was hoping for a special election to fill the empty seat, which was created when she became mayor.

One citizen who spoke before a city council meeting in March said that if Jensen would simply show a photo ID at that meeting to either the city attorney or the city clerk proving that she lived at 815 North Pacific Street,

"I've proven where I live. The D.A. has a timeline of my life for the last 20 years."

to get 4844 signatures, or 20 percent of all the registered voters in District 1, to get the recall on the ballot. They have until September 10.

Councilman Weiss said via email the D.A. announcement does not clear Jensen from misrepresentations she made to both the public and to him personally. "Just because there is insufficient evidence to prosecute, [that] does not determine innocence. My main concern though, is the inconsistency in statements that have been made publicly and to me privately by Ms. Jensen."

"It's surprising to me that Peter Weiss would say that, since we never speak to each other in public or private," Jensen said by phone on the evening of June 7. "I've proven where I live. The D.A. has a timeline of my life for the last 20 years, and if Mr. Keim isn't satisfied with that evidence, then I don't what to say to him." Jensen says she will remain on the city council. "I have no intention of stepping down. I have a ton of support and I'm very confident going forward that I can make good decisions for District 1 and I look forward to working for my community."

The controversy began over the home Jensen owns at 815 North Pacific Street, which she claimed was her primary residence, while County records show that she listed a Carlsbad address as her primary address: in personal bankruptcy proceedings from May 4, 2020, Jensen said in court that her Carlsbad property was her primary address. She maintained a license with the city of Oceanside which showed 815 North Pacific Street was an unhosted short-term rental. Jensen subsequently listed that address as her personal residence on her application for city council appointment. Some of those collecting signatures have also noted that Jensen, a real estate agent and drug and alcohol counselor, owes more than the whole recall affair would evaporate. Jensen did not. After the meeting, she did tell the city clerk that the city's human resource department had proof of her residency at 815 North Pacific Street. After a public records request, that department provided no evidence that Jensen had provided photo ID as proof that 815 North Pacific Street was her personal residence.

KEN LEIGHTON

ABOVE IT ALL

Firefighters play freebirdThis is why they train at Sea World

On Saturday morning of Memorial Day weekend, the San Diego Humane Society called the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department to rescue a bird in distress in South Park. The first responders drove Truck 1, a red tractor-trailer rig, and parked it



"It was crazy; that's the first time I saw a bird stuck like that, here."

underneath a tree on 32nd Street by Grape Street. The firefighters then extended their telescopic ladder, and a firefighter ascended toward a bird hanging by its feet from a tree

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UNREAL **E**STATE

by Dave Rice

Is a 19th-century historical landmark in Carlsbad in danger of demolition?

Designated Landmark No. 4 by the city in 1986, the Culver-Myers-Capp house at 3140 Highland Drive was built by Alonzo Culver in 1888 "with the charm of a more genteel era," according to its Zillow listing. Culver also built Carlsbad's famous Twin Inns, a pair of Queen Anne Victorians on what's now Carlsbad Boulevard, "borrowing" lumber hauled from Julian for that job to complete his own home.



The window-rich widow walk wends its winding way.

One of the twins was demolished in 1950; the other is still standing and incorporated into the Village Faire shopping mall.

"Thoughtfully positioned atop the highest

elevation on this 1.27-acre ocean view lot, artfully accentuating its architectural detail," the Culver mansion was originally part of a sprawling 30-acre parcel that incorporated

several outbuildings, including a well house and blacksmith shop. In its early history, the house had a bit of a sordid reputation – Culver's son Clinton was long rumored to have

helped Chinese immigrants enter the country from Mexico illegally to work building California's railroads, using the attic as a waystation en route to the grueling jobs. Clinton eventually served five years in prison on human smuggling charges.

David Harrington bought the estate in 1914, and his granddaughter Gertrude Myers, an artist known as the "Grandma Moses of Carlsbad," lived there until 1965. After sitting vacant for several years, the house was purchased in 1969 by Kay and Gerald Capp, who undertook extensive renovations, restoring the original craftsmanship of the interior and (finally) installing an electrical system and indoor plumbing to replace the property's outhouse.

Now, according to a March article in the *Los*

Angeles Times, the home has once again fallen into disrepair. The family is reaching out to the city in hopes they'll purchase and once again restore the home, but Carlsbad Historic Preservation Commission member Anne Estes said a recent visit showed "just squalid" conditions, and questioned the value of saving the house.

The home's recent sale advertisement, however, paints a different picture entirely. "Upon entering, you're taken back to a time where detail and quality materials mattered," the listing gushes. "You'll enjoy elaborate woodwork, dramatic stained glass, and a romantic widow's walk with beautiful ocean views." At first glance, the outside of the home does look a little drab, to be honest. Paint is

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Drinks All Around

BY AMANDA TASCHER

ALEC RANDALL Cloak & Petal 1953 India Street Little Italy



Underneath an indoor cherry blossom tree, bartender Alec Randall serves up one of Cloak & Petal's most popular drinks, Nobunaga's Demise.

He tells me it's named after Japanese warrior and conqueror Oda Nobunaga. "It's a fun and eye-catching cocktail that gives a nod to Japanese history, and something we have fun in putting together for guests."

"Nobunaga's Demise is comprised of two types of gin," says Randall, breaking down components of the tropical cocktail. "Broker's London dry gin, and Plymouth Navy Strength — gives it more of a boost. It will have lemon, pineapple, a cream of coconut and banana that we make in-house, and we also have a Midori float." He then garnishes it with an orchid, a Luxardo cherry speared by a paper parasol, and a silly straw, "just to make it more festive. It gives it a little kitsch."

Randall says the visually stunning cocktail "was created by Faisal Asseri, with the thought to get people out of their comfort zone and give gin a try in an otherwise vodka-dominated bar. A lot of people, when they hear 'gin,' they get a little afraid of it. So the color captures the eye. And then

a lot of the tropical fruit notes, the creaminess of it, just makes it a really well-balanced drink. It trends a bit on the sweet side," he notes, "but I think that sweetness helps round out the assertive boldness of the gin."

The floater creates electric green streaks that begin to seep downward. "Midori is a liqueur infused with Japanese melons. So it is a Japanese product and it's also a nice nod to the aesthetic." An advocate for adapting vintage recipes, Randall also feels the muskmelon-flavored liqueur is coming back into vogue. "[We're] taking something that was kind of frowned upon maybe 10 or 15 years ago, and now it's back, because it's fun. And drinking should be fun."

Blue Curaçao is what makes the creamy cocktail so vibrant. "It has a nice blue color, but it also has orange notes to it, which help bolster the cocktail. I think [that's] what really makes the drink," he says, citing "The Blue Drink" as another moniker for Nobunaga's Demise. "Come down and try one — it's hard to miss!"

CLOAK & PETAL'S NOBUNAGA'S DEMISE



- 1 ½ oz. Brokers Gin
- ½ oz. Navy Strength Gin
- 1/4 oz Blue Curação
- 1 oz coconut / banana blend
- 3/4 oz fresh lemon juice
- ¾ oz pineapple juice

Whip shake, pour into 14 oz glass and add fresh pebble ice. Top with Midori float, garnish with an orchid, Luxardo cherry, and an umbrella.



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Almost factual news



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Wooten = Wodan?

Public Health Officer/Science God thunders declaration from mountaintop: "THE PANDEMIC IS NOT OVER."

Experts wonder: how will mortals respond?

As coronavirus cases continued to drop and California lifted its manifold restrictions on the life of its citizens, San Diego Public Health Officer Wilma Wooten took the opportunity to remind her people that "Governor Newsom has declared California re-opened as of June 15, but Newsom is only a man. He deals in the laws made by men. He does not control The Science; The Science is my domain. And The Science says the pandemic is not over. For it if were over, then mortals might cease to live in fear. And if they ceased to live in fear, they might cease their obeisance to the Science Gods. And woe unto them if that fell doom ever came to pass. Have they forgotten so quickly the great plague that ravaged this state, and how they were delivered from that plague by careful attendance to

that even now, the unclean unbelievers walk among them, ignoring our commands and spreading their foul contagion throughout the land? Harken unto Wooten when she tells you that you are not yet delivered from your affliction, no matter what the smiling Gavin declares. For he is a follower of Woki, the god of mischief, and seeks only his own benefit, setting you free to gambol and play so that you will not Recall his past misdeeds. Wear a mask at mega-events, even if you are vaccinated. For by this pious act you will show that you are a follower of The Science, and not one of the wicked who reject our counsel. And wear one at the grocery store, if it makes you comfortable, for by such holy habits you have honored The Science and pleased me lo these many months, and so should not too readily put them aside. I have spoken."

Hesitation Nation

City expands outreach to vaccine-hesitant communities

"When we first started offering San Diegans the Covid-19 vaccine," says Connie Spiracy, deputy director of media for the city's Public Health office, "we found that there were two demographics where vaccinehesitancy was dispiritingly high: Black people and White Republicans. Naturally, we focused our initial efforts on Black people; the Mayor is a lifelong Democrat, and there's no sense in shoring up the opposition. Besides, if they're dumb enough to be Republicans, who are we to imagine that they'd be smart enough to listen to our arguments, no matter how persuasive? It's like my Black housekeeper always says: 'You can't fix stupid.' And I'm pleased to report that our efforts proved successful, so much so that we reached all our critical milestones within the Black community before we'd even finished our ad spend. And it's like my Black housekeeper always says: 'Waste not, want not.' So we thought about how best to use our excess funds, and decided that an outreach to White Republicans wasn't such a bad idea after all. We spent some time researching their concerns about the vaccine, and came up with a program that is carefully tailored to the White Republican mindset. It is our sincere hope that soon there will be very few unvaccinated Republicans out there, and we're going to do everything we can to help make sure that happens."





Above, just one of the many hillhoards placed around San Diego in an effort to reach the vaccine-hesitant African-American community. Below, one of several followup billboards designed to reach a...different vaccine-hesitant demographic. "We're not telling them anything they don't already believe," says Spiracy.

ACAB at UCSD?

Perps and victims unite in call to remove law enforcement from campus

Last week, both students and faculty members from UCSD gathered with local social justice organizations to advocate for the removal of the UCPD, the branch of the police department that patrols the the university's campus. Protestors cited racial profiling incidents, and the school was quick to respond with promises of a plan that will help students feel more "welcomed, respected, and protected" in the future.

"I don't know about that last



Don't let the costumes fool you - they're really much worse than that underneath.

part, but I'm totally on board with the whole Cops Off Campus thing," said Gore de Sade, spokesman for the perfectly horrible UCSD student group The Grim Rapers. "In recent years, the school has really stepped up the whole 'prevent sexual assault' thing, and the campus police have been a depressingly effective part of that effort. It's our hope that once this campus is free of racist, thuggish cops, it will once again be the domain of racist, thuggish students. Because besides being sexually aberrant, our group is pretty racist, too, and we're sure looking forward to getting away with more hate crimes once the po-po are no mo."

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The Forgotten War

Not every veteran I approached agreed to be interviewed. "I'm just not going to talk about that," said one man gruffly, turning away. Numerous telephone messages were not returned; I accepted this as a statement to be respected. Without exception every person I interviewed was surprised that someone was actually asking about the "forgotten" Korean War and their participation in it. Almost none had been questioned previously on the subject. **JUNE 20, 1996**

Riffraff Revolution

MacRenato found some of his best efforts rejected. "I was there to fight a revolution and use my military knowledge, but I also had a Peace Corps mentality. I even tried to get the Peace Corps to come back, but the *comandantes* were not interested. The Sandinistas wanted the Cubans. I also brought an offer of \$9 million, and all they had to do was ask for it. They wouldn't have anything to do with that, either. **SEPT 4, 1992**

Flight Log

All there was to do until the atomic raids started was study targets. We came to know the four targets (Hiroshima. Niigata, Kokura. and Nagasaki) so well that we could close our eyes and see any one of them. We memorized the routes

we were to follow, from landfall on the coast of Japan to the target and back out to sea again. We knew the cities, bays, rivers, and mountains that lay on those routes. JULY. 31, 1980

Never Say Retreat

"Almond ordered the Marines north behind Faith to the Chosin Reservoir. Winter had now arrived, and things were getting weirder and weirder — irrational. It was on November 15 that General Oliver P. Smith wrote the commandant of the Marine Corps, General Cates. He told General Cates he did not believe a 15,000-man Marine division should be strung out over a hundred miles of mountain road in hostile territory in winter...." JAN 25, 2001



"When I came back, I didn't talk about it much. I don't recall people being that interested."

That's it. They just weren't interested."

For Whom the Bell Tolled

On his second day at the Ebro River, he was sent out to repair some lines. He was strafed by enemy aircraft. "I jumped into a *barranco*, a ditch, when stray bullet hits me in the arm. When the bombing

stopped, I sought refuge in a nearby cave, where I stayed for three or four days. It was dark and eerie and it stank and there was no food — just me and a lot of dead bodies." JULY 17, 1980

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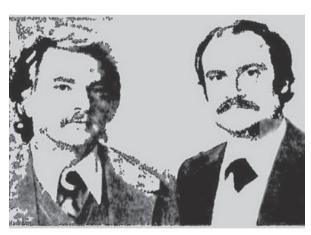
Death Bite

WRIGHTSON DROVE OUT OF THE AIRPORT

and nosed the car right at a stop sign. "The marina is close. We go down Harbor Drive, make a right on Nimitz, a right on Sunset Cliffs, and voila, we're there. I'll show you the city tomorrow, after we pack Miller's precious snake onto that cargo plane." Ioka nodded, looking out her window....

"This is Mission Bay.

Over there is the famous Sea World Park," Wrightson announced, pointing first straight ahead, then to his right as they drove over the floodway of the San Diego River. "Now, if I can only figure out how to get off this concrete maze and over in that direction." While he



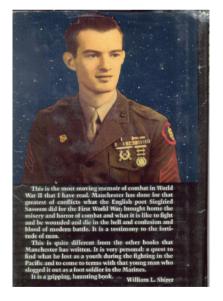
Michael Maryk (left) and Brent Monahan (right); photo *Milwaukee Sentinel*, Nov. 14th, 1979

maneuvered the station wagon, Ioka looked past his handsome profile to the west, where boats of every size, shape, and description were moving out of the bay entrance channel and into the sparkling ocean.

Goodbye, Darkness:

A Memoir of the Pacific War

LIKE LENIN IN HIS SEALED TRAIN we rolled swiftly and unheralded across the Deep South, Arkansas, Oklahoma, the Texas panhandle, New Mexico, Arizona, and, finally, California, where we bivouacked under canvas in Linda Vista, a few miles north of San Diego. The First Marine Division had sailed for Guadalcanal from San Francisco, Norfolk, and New Orleans, but our port of embarkation would be Dago Most evenings we had liberty in Dago. Nights we slept beneath blankets. Recently - some thirty-five summers later - I returned to San Diego. Everyone had told me I wouldn't recognize it, but I did. The smog was new, and Linda Vista had vanished beneath weeds and new construction, but the part of the city I knew best was still familiar. The Grant Hotel, though seedy and dwarfed by the gleaming Little

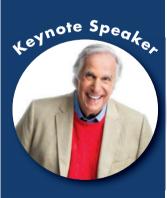


Americana Westgate Hotel across the street, looks as it did from the outside, which is mostly how I saw it then. The uniform store still stands on continued on page 20

"The gaping docks at the foot of Broadway are unused, but if you close your eyes you can recall boarding an APA [troop transport] wearing a field marching pack, your seabag on your shoulder, saluting the ensign..."



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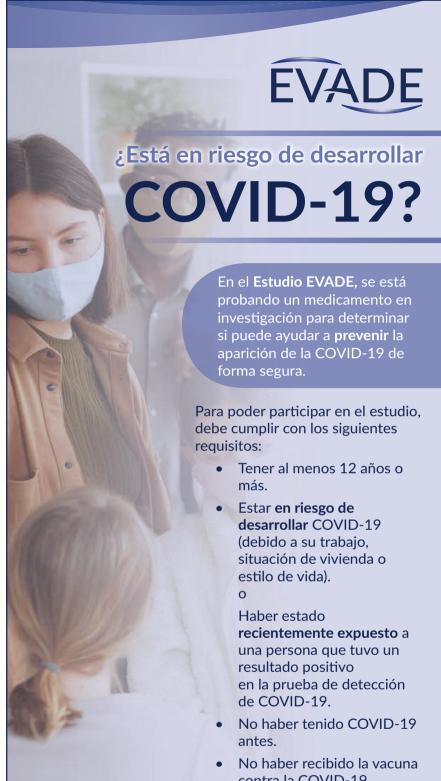
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THE FIRST TIME I SAW A CONTONIE CO

ecember 1st 2020, around 6 in the morning; that was the first time I saw a coyote. I didn't see it in person, just on camera. I saw the upper half of its face as it moved through the bottom of the frame. Dew had covered most of the lens of the motion-activated camera in water droplets, giving me a fleeting and blurry glimpse of the evasive creature. It wasn't much, just a few seconds of the barely distinguishable animal, padding its way across the brown, flat earth on an overcast morning. It was still thrilling.

I remember my giddy wonder and excitement the morning I biked to retrieve the camera, hearing the soft crunch of gravel under the wheels until I reached the canyons just south of Mount Soledad and the shrub to which I had haphazardly fixed the device. It was only \$40 on Amazon, but to me, looking through the pictures it took was

like opening a wrapped present, a glimpse into the lives of animals that moved throughout the canyon at dawn and dusk. And the most common animal was the coyote. Each time I retrieved the SD card, more and more sightings rolled in. January 13, I



caught one gliding across the hard packed clay, its eyes shining like two bright miniature suns as it looked directly at the camera. January 11, I saw two of them — one during the morning and one at night. January 22, I filmed one that had a reddish tint in the thick fur on its shoulders. January 23, another at two in the morning. I'd always known they were present, as occasionally their thin veil of secrecy was punctured by their loud yipping, advertising their presence near Kate Sessions. I'd heard them but never seen them before, and I had absolutely no idea just how abundant the population was.

It seems that most of San Diego is like this. The local social network Nextdoor has become a veritable coyote sighting billboard. Perhaps the thing that makes people devote so much of their attention to keeping track of covote sightings is the animal's potential to eat meat. Specifically, to wreak bloody havoc on people's dogs, cats, chickens, and livestock. Michelle Fortin recalled a time when she was living in Carmel Valley and her dog was attacked at night by a coyote that had jumped over her six-foot fence. "I ran to them when I heard him cry out, and was able to scare the coyote into letting go of him so he could escape to the house. We left the gate open for the coyote to leave and never saw one in our vard again." Despite the attack, she was not eager to see the covote destroyed, a seemingly common sen-



Michael Soulé, a UC Santa Cruz conservation biologist, says, "When we studied coyotes in the canyons of San Diego in the 1980s, we discovered that the canyons the coyotes still visited were healthier. There were more species of native birds than in canyons that coyotes couldn't access because they were isolated from the surrounding rural areas."

timent among locals. "It was frightening, and a tough road to recovery for the dog, but I still would oppose any efforts

to get rid of the coyotes," she said.

The California Department of Fish and Game estimates the Califor-

nia coyote population at 250,000. San Diego is likely home to tens of thousands. Nationwide, they inhabit the entire US except for Hawaii, with a population numbering in the millions. Native to the Rocky mountains, the great plains, and the deserts of the southwest, covotes had begun expanding into northern California, Oregon, and Washington by the late 19th century. In the early 1900s, they pushed into the great lakes region and the northeast, and by 1990, they had populated the south and the east coast, completing their conquest of the United States. But they didn't stop there. They pushed north into Canada and Alaska, and south into the rainforests of Central America. Now, they are on the cusp of colonizing South America.

In San Diego, and in the rest of North America, the coyote owes its

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tremendous success to a few key factors, the first of which is the elimination of its predators. Animals such as coyotes, raccoons, and foxes are known as mesopredators. This means that they prey on smaller animals, while they themselves are also prey for larger carnivores. San Diegan coyotes used to live under the shadow of the California grizzly bear and the mountain lion, but the former is now extinct and the latter has been greatly reduced in number. The near-elimination of these apex predators has likely made coyotes more bold, and allowed their populations to reach historic highs. The second factor is the coyote's own wily versatility. A study on coyote populations near Camp Elliott in





A couple of shots from the author's motion-activated camera, fixed to a shrub on Mount Soledad. "I'd heard them but never seen them before, and I had absolutely no idea just how abundant the population was."

San Diego county was conducted in 1971, and concluded that "any reduction in the density of this species can be regained after one breeding season." The same study subtly critiqued the coyote control program at the time, stating, "Preliminary investiga-

tions have shown the coyote population in this area to be essentially the same during the removal trapping program". Killing 75% of a given coyote population every year for five decades would still not exterminate the population, according to another study.

Coyotes are also omnivorous, eating rodents, rabbits, fruit, vegetables, carrion, mice, and other food items. They have a varied social structure, living as solitary individuals, in pairs, or in small family groups, depending on external metrics. When persecuted, they tend to scatter across the landscape in singles and pairs, forming packs when conditions are favorable. They howl and yip to each other as a kind of census. If their calls are not answered by other coyotes (a sign of low population density), they have litters up to three times as large as normal. This behavior can be attributed to their pre-urbanization lifestyle, wherein populations were under constant stress from wolves, grizzlies, and other apex predators. Coyotes have struck the perfect balance between being bold enough to hunt and kill prey while being evasive and savvy enough to avoid being killed themselves (for the most part). Their ability to adjust and adapt to new conditions are unparalleled for an animal of their size, and this flexibility has allowed them to capitalize on deforestation and the expansion of urban environments — a habitat free from hunting and poisoning. The life expectancy of a city coyote is 12-13 years, while rural covotes live a mere 3.5 years.

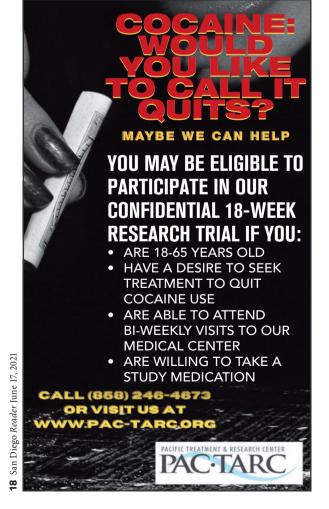
San Diego county is inhabited by some 3.4 million people. Put them alongside tens of thoua surefire recipe for conflict, which sometimes is enough to provide motivation for hunting and eradification efforts. Actually, you don't even need 3.4 million; whether led by the government or adventurous frontiersmen, ambitious efforts to curb coyote populations have been undertaken across the west for more than a century. In 1891, Miguel Estudillo became San Diego county's coyote agent. He was tasked with paying a \$5 bounty per coyote killed, an act which would serve as the catalyst for a succession of eradication programs. In his first month on the job, Estudillo paid bounties on 224 coyotes, but the system failed to put a dent in the county's covote population. And Estudillo wasn't the only one who tried. Between 1947 and 1956, some 6.5 million of the canines were killed in the American west, a feat made possible through 10 million dollars of federal funding and truckloads of poisoned baits. But just as they had in San Diego, the coyote populations recovered rapidly. In the most recent fiscal year, the USDA's Wildlife Services division euthanized 34 coyotes in SD "due to predation and damage threats," and nationwide, around 500,000 coyotes per year are killed. Still, populations have continued to thrive, even tough there is little to no regulation governing coyote hunting in San Diego — or the rest of the country, for that matter.

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Aside from livestock predation, the most frequent threat that coyotes pose nowadays is to dogs and cats in residential areas, "They've become so

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adaptable, they are used to being around people," explained Scott Tremor, a mammalogist with the San Diego Natural History Museum. "So they are in people's backyards, eating neighborhood cats. They will go after small kids, although I don't know of any being dragged away." This situation is rather ironic: through urbanization, we have paved the way for the coyote's success, only to have it eat our own pets.

"Just a few weeks into the lockdown when there was no traffic and nights were super quiet, I caught a big sized coyote on my camera system," recalled La Jollan Mark Bowles. "It only hung around for a few minutes and left without eating any of my pets. It was awesome to see.

I would like them to stay, as I think they are indicative of a healthy ecosystem, and I think risk is minimal and manageable." Longtime University City resident Brian Engleman agreed. "Hearing the coyotes in the canyon was often a nightly event; I always found it cool rather than scary. They are part of our ecosystem and help keep rodent numbers in check. True, they will go after cats and dogs, but that's always one of the balances when humans encroach on natural habitats. I'm not antigrowth by any means, but finding ways to balance wildlife with urban life is always a good thing in my mind. We need to be diligent about not providing easy food

garbage, which will also exacerbate the problem."

John, a mountain biker who encounters coyotes in local canyons, proposes a partial solution. "Many times, the coyotes are not particularly bothered by me, but I always go out of my way to yell at them, chase them, or throw rocks. The proper response to covote encounters is to 'haze' them, to make them more afraid of humans, and therefore less willing to encounter humans to get a meal. If we all did this consistently, we would have much less of a covote problem. People also simply need to manage their pets better — don't let your cat out at night, don't let your little dog out at night. That would prevent a large majority of the pet killings. For





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However troublesome the coyote's presence may be, it has played an influential role in local ecosystems. Michael Soulé, a UC Santa Cruz conservation biologist, says, "When we studied coyotes in the canyons of San Diego in the 1980s, we discovered that the canyons the coyotes still visited were healthier. There were more species of native birds than in canyons that coyotes couldn't access because they were isolated from



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the surrounding rural areas." In the presence of covotes, feral cats, possums, skunks, and raccoons are less active and hunt less frequently, out of fear of covote predation. "In this sense, it turns out that coyotes are good for native birds and ground nesting birds," Soulé continued. "These processes are called trophic cascades. You remove one part of the ecosystem, and it causes a ripple effect through other parts of the ecosystem that depended on the absent part. This can affect both flora and fauna."

The coyote is no wolf, but its presence as a top predator has had a generally positive influence on the surrounding biodiversity. An evolutionary epic is unfolding before our own eyes, as we are seeing ecosystems ebb and flow in response to human impacts. We have spent centuries altering the local environment, yet a thriving coyote population still remains in this region. I think there's something resilient and perhaps inspiring about that.

— Matthew Bian

Goodbye, Darkness

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Broadway, four blocks from the waterfront, though it now provides uniforms for nurses, chauffeurs, doormen, orderlies, elevator operators, and policemen. Balboa Park is largely unchanged. A short walk from there takes you to the enormous Marine Corps parade ground, where with a little tug you watch field-hatted DIs chewing out trembling boots. Across the water an immense aircraft carrier looms grayly. The gaping docks at the foot of Broadway are unused, but if you close your eyes you can recall boarding an APA [troop transport] wearing a field marching pack, your seabag on your shoulder, saluting the ensign on the fantail even though you couldn't see him. And a brief stroll from the transport bays takes you to the railroad station....

[A] girl named Taffy Meredith, from [Bareass's] Midwest hometown, was working for the government in a town south of Dago.... Bareass had told her he'd try to find someone suitable for her here. "Lovely tail, more your type than mine," he said. He'd phone her, tell her I was collegiate, and set up a tryst.

We met in the San Diego Zoo. The lioness was pissing at the time. There I was, as agreed, and just as I heard a feminine rustle approach, this coarse beast ejected a stream of urine like water from a garden hose.

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"Kori Jensen cleared by D.A. on house in North Oceanside" Neighborhood News June 7

The city attorney did the right thing by referring this to the D.A's office, but nobody should be surprised that the D.A isn't prosecuting. They have bigger fish to fry. If it was up to me all crimes would be prosecuted but that's not the way it works. Whether they think it's a waste of taxpaver money, they're short staffed or they fear they can't get a conviction -- who knows. This happens all the time, and I feel bad for the residents of Oceanside. They deserve better.

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Local Pink Floyd tribute band Pink Froyd provides the club-sized version of the Pink Floyd experience, offering scaled-down versions of the multimedia prop-heavy stage productions that play to arenas around the world. Local

pop stars The Monroes scored their biggest hit "What Do All the People Know" in 1982; it scored them national tours and mainstream TV appearances.

WHEN: Thursday, June 17, 8 pm

WHERE: Music Box, 1337 India Street, Little Italy. *musicboxsd.com*

CALIFORNIA THROUGH MONET'S EYES

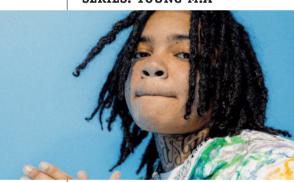
Picture an image of Southern
California translated onto canvas by
Claude Monet. The Impressionist
spent time in the south of France, and
his ability to create coastal landscapes
there would have made him a natural
for painting Oceanside. In anticipation of Oceanside Museum of Art's
upcoming Plein Air Festival, join
Robin Douglas for a short presentation
focused on Monet and create your own
masterpiece using provided supplies.

WHEN: Thursday, June 17, 6 pm to 8 pm

WHERE: Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way, Oceanside. *oma-online.org*

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WILTERN LIVESTREAM SERIES: YOUNG M.A



YOUNG M.A

Katorah Kasanova Marrero, better known as Young M.A, is an American

rapper and entrepreneur. (Her stage name, "M.A" stands for "Me. Always," and her official debut single "Ooouuu" was certified quadruple platinum. In addition to her musical abilities, she was named in the *Forbes* "30 under 30" list after creating the KWEENZ Foundation, She will take the stage at the Wiltern in Los Angeles.

WHEN: Friday, June 18, 6 pm **WHERE:** *youngma.veeps.com*



SUMMER IN BLOOM AT SAN DIEGO MADE MARKET

Dozens of curated makers and entrepreneurs will be showcasing their items for sale on Saturday, June 19. At 10:30 am, there will be a runway fashion show with free grab bags for the first 200 guests, a DJ, and prizes. Come visit throughout the week to see a live butterfly encounter and summer garden, plus other displays.

WHEN: Saturday, June 19, 10 am to 5 pm through Sunday, June 27, 11 am to 5 pm

WHERE: Forum Shopping Center, 1923 Calle Barcelona, Carlsbad. sandiegomade.org



MINER'S LOOP TRAIL

Explore the history of Black Mountain, led by native plant enthusiast Beth

JUNE 17: CALIFORNIA THROUGH MONET'S EYES



Mather. Enjoy the flowers, native habitats, plants, and animals. Learn about the history of gliding and hanggliding off the mountain. Meet in the park-

ing lot. The hard-tofind entrance is on the south side of Carmel Valley Road.

WHEN: Sunday, June 20, 9 am to 11 am WHERE: Black Mountain Open Space, 2115A Black Mountain Road, Rancho Penasquitos. penasquitos.org



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ART

Art Alive The San Diego Museum of Art is in full bloom for this signature fundraiser and annual exhibition with nearly 100 floral interpretations of works of art on view throughout the Museum. See the Museum rotunda transform into a large, all-encompassing floral installation by 2021 Rotunda Designer Beth O'Reilly and enjoy first looks at two new exhibitions, imcluding contemporary works from Spanish artist Ana de Alvear and masterpieces from the worldrenowned Bemberg Foundation. Friday, June 18, 10am; Saturday, June 19, 10am; Sunday, June 20, 9am; \$25-\$40. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Art making classes for adults and mature adults. Small groups, minimum 3 to maximum 6 participants. Everything needed for the class is provided. Beginners welcome. Fridays, 2pm; through Friday, December 31, \$30-\$60. 18 and up. Golden Moth Creative Lounge, 439

Art Making Classes for Adults

South Cedros Avenue Suite 201. (SOLANA BEACH)

San Diego Made Market The Summer in Bloom Market weeklong event will feature dozens of curated makers and entrepreneurs showcasing their items for sale each day. On Saturday, June 19 at 10:30am there will be a runway Fashion Show with free grab bags for the first 200 guests, DJ, prizes, and the season's hottest looks! Saturday, June 19, 10am; Sunday, June 20, 11am; free. Forum Shopping Center, 1923 Calle Barcelona. (CARLSBAD)

San Dieguito Art Guild Reception The public is invited to an artists' reception celebrating hand-crafted artworks by the members of the San Dieguito Art Guild. A cash scholarship award for a promising photography student will be presented in memory of Jeffrey R. Brosbe, an SDAG board member who passed away from cancer in April. Saturday, June 19, 5pm; Off Track Gallery, 937 S. Coast Hwy. 101, suite C-103. (ENCINITAS)

Taste of Art: California through Monet's Eyes Picture a vivid image of Southern California translated onto canvas by Claude Monet. Having spent a good deal of time in the south of France, his ability to create serene coastal landscapes would have been the perfect fit for painting Oceanside in all its natural beauty. This event will be held onsite at OMA in compliance with CDC, state, and county guidelines. Sanctioned social distancing will be followed and masks that cover both the nose

OUTDOORS

Summer opens with 14 hours of daylight

Crape Myrtles are in bloom around San Diego this month through the end of summer. This smallish, vase-shaped tree blossoms in colors ranging from white or pale pink to lavender, red, and blue. "Lilac of the South" is one of the nicknames given to this native tree of China because of its popularity in the warmer parts of the U.S.

Summer Solstice, the time when the sun reaches its northern-most point in the sky, occurs this year at 8:32 p.m. on Sunday, June 20. The summer solstice not only marks the beginning of summer for the Northern Hemisphere; it also means that the daylight hours are maximized. San Diegans now enjoy approximately 14 hours of daylight, in contrast to the meager 10 hours or so we experience in December. Anytime this week, try checking your shadow at 12:50 p.m. (the local daylight time in San Diego currently equivalent to astronomical noon). The sun is then only 10 degrees south of the straight-up direction and casts near-vertical shadows. A lesser-known consequence of the summer solstice is that our twilight periods are longer than usual. Evening and morning twilight periods are now lasting more than 90 minutes.

June's Full Moon occurs Thursday, the 24th. Watch as it arcs upward into the darkening eastern sky, starting some 15 minutes after the time of sunset. June's full moon has been called the "rose moon," "strawberry moon" or "honey moon" because of its tinted color. When seen from a northern latitude such as our own, the June full moon traces a low-lying nightly path across the sky, very similar to the sun's daytime, low-lying path at the winter solstice. At such low positions the moon's light tends to be filtered and reddened by its passage through the atmosphere, producing a warm-tinted color.

June's Lowest Tides are for early risers only! Check out the local tidepool life without hordes of other people around. Friday, June 25, features a -1.96-foot tide at 4:56 a.m. Thursday, June 24,



GRUNION RUN ON WIDE, GENTLY SLOPING BEACHES SUCH AS SILVER STRAND, MISSION BEACH, PACIFIC BEACH, LA JOLLA SHORES, AND DEL MAR.

brings a -1.91-foot tide at 4:09 a.m., with early dawn light in the sky.

Grunion Runs are most likely to occur near midnight on June

Grunion Runs are most likely to occur near midnight on June 23 & 24. This corresponds to one to two hours after highest nocturnal tide, two to four days after the date of full moon. The small, silvery grunion tend to spawn on wide, gently sloping beaches such as Silver Strand, Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, La Jolla Shores, and Del Mar. California law allows the taking of grunion in summer by those possessing a state fishing license. The grunion must be caught by the hands only and should be eaten (not wasted).

Look for the Big Dipper hanging straight down in the northwest. Its bottom two stars, the Pointers, point lower right toward modest Polaris, the end of the Little Dipper's handle.

This is the time of year when, at the end of twilight, the Little Dipper floats straight up from Polaris — perhaps like a helium balloon escaped from some June evening party. Through light pollution or moonlight, all you may see of the Little Dipper are Polaris at its bottom and Kochab, the lip of the Little Dipper's bowl, at the top. The rest of its stars are fairly dim at 3rd to 5th magnitude.

The above comes from the Outdoors listings in the Reader compiled by Jerry Schad, author of Afoot & Afield in San Diego County. Schad died in 2011. Planet information from SkyandTelescope.org.

and mouth are required to be worn at all times. Members \$40, Visitors \$50 Thursday, June 17, 6pm; \$40-\$50. Oceanside Museum of Art, 704 Pier View Way. (OCEANSIDE)

Virtual Tour: Rembrandt & his Colleagues The 17th century in the Northern Netherlands was a unique era of political, economic, and cultural greatness during which the newly minted country of Holland ranked among the most powerful and influential in Europe and the world, erupting with artists of such skill and inventiveness, they continue to enthrall to this day. Thursday, June 17, 11am; free. timkenmuseum.org/calendar/event/virtual-tour-highlights-of-the-collection-4/. (ONLINE)

BEER

Second Chance Saturdays Live music and jazz every Saturday. Saturdays, 6:30pm; through Saturday, August 28, free. Second Chance Beer Co., 15378 Avenue of Science #222. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN) Sundays at Quartyard Sundays at Quartyard will feature live music from 1-3pm and a local DJ from 3-7pm playing a wide range of genres for the neighborhood. Sundays, 1pm; through Sunday, August 29, Quartyard, 1301 Market Street. (EAST WILLAGE)

Trivia Night Enjoy team sports and social distancing. Thursdays, 7pm; through Thursday, July 29, free-\$9. Duck Foot East Village Taproom & Kitchen, 550 Park Bl., Ste 2104. (EAST VILLAGE)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Warwick's Author Livestream: Hannah McKinnon This Couch Surfing Book Tour event features Hannah McKinnon as she discusses her new book, *Message in the Sand*, in conversation with Liz Fenton and Lisa Steinke. Thursday, June 17, 5:30pm; free. warwicks.com/ event/mckinnon-2021. (ONLINE)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Laurie Frankel Warwick's will host Laurie Frankel as she discusses her new book, *One Two Three*, in conversation with Susan Straight. Thursday, June 17, 4pm; **free**. warwicks.com/event/frankel-2021. (ONLINE)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Body-Heart-Mind Meditation Enlighten the Body-Mind through Heart practices rooted in meditation, mindfulness, and martial arts. Learn how to recognize your heart's capacity to offer clarity and discernment to living your highest and brightest in the world today. With Hathor from Dharma Center. Sunday, June 20, 11am; free. 18 and up. dharmacenter.com. (ONLINE)

Fused Glass Workshop: Ghost Fossil Suncatcher Fused Glass Workshop - Ghost Fossil suncatcher/curved light display and bubble/stringer plate: This is a 2 day class where you will be using plant material to fuse into glass. The plant material burns up in the kiln leaving an ash ghost image of the foliage. All materials (plants/ glass/alcohol ink/gloves) are provided. Saturday, June 19, 4pm; \$75. 18 and up. San Diego Craft Collective, 2590 Truxtun Rd., Studio 106.

Indie Week 2021 Macreme Wall Hanging Enjoy an outdoor DIY macramé wall hanging class. Materials are provided in the class fee. Age 11 and up is recommended or 8+ if accompanied by an adult. Saturday, June 19, 1pm; \$50. San Diego Craft Collective, 2590 Truxtun Rd., Studio 106. (LIBERTY STATION)

Meditation & Magical Stories Enjoy an evening of true magical stories, and travel along with Roger on his journey toward Enlightenment. The Dharma Center class will start with a brief Meditation, followed by the lecture, 15 minutes of meditation, and a Q&A session. Roger uses storytelling as a way to bring advanced spiritual teachings to light. Friday, June 18, 7pm; free. 18 and up. dharmacenter.com. (ONLINE)

Meditation, Awareness & Awakening This class consists of seated meditation and a Dharma Center talk that speaks to integrating ancient Buddhist teachings into

our 21st Century daily lives. Turiya leads this class. Saturdays, 11am; through Saturday, June 26, **free**. 18 and up. dharmacenter.com. (ONLINE)

San Diego Yoga Festival Come to the fourth annual event as we celebrate humanity and health offering nonstop yoga, meditation and healing classes open to all people, of all ages and all levels of yogic understanding. There is something for people who have never done yoga before, those just beginning, those with a regular practice, and voga teachers and healers. You can purchase a ticket for 1 class, 1-day, the entire weekend or all 4-days. Friday, June 18, 9am; Saturday, June 19, 9am; Sunday, June 20, 9am; free-\$108. Imperial Beach Pier Plaza, 10 Evergreen Avenue. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Vermicomposting 4-Part Webinar Series Vermicomposting (worm composting) is an environmentally-friendly way to turn your food waste into nutrient-rich castings for your plants or garden beds. This method is great for those who don't have a lot of time to devote to building a compost pile or are home or

apartment dwellers without much outdoor space. You can even keep your worm bin inside. Thursday, June 17, 6pm; **free**. https://bit.ly/3p2MnkE. (ONLINE)

COMEDY

T.J. Miller As seen on: HBO's Silicon Valley, Deadpool, Big Hero 6, The Emoji Movie, Ready Player One, Office Christmas Party, Conan, Comedy Central, and more. Thursday, June 17, 8pm; Friday, June 18, 8pm; Saturday, June 19, 8pm; Sunday, June 20, 8pm; \$30. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

ECS Annual Meeting Episcopal Community Services (ECS) will be holding its 2021 Annual Meeting. This free event will be held virtually and is open for community members to attend. This event will provide the community an opportunity to renew and deepen their connections as we all begin returning to in-person school, work, and socializing. Thursday, June 17, 5pm; free. https://bit.ly/2Ss9gCw. (ONLINE)

Using Movement & Motion for Quality of Life Alzheimer's San Diego: Skills Clinics provide family care partners with the same handson training as professional caregivers. In this special workshop, you will learn ideas and techniques for incorporating movement and physical activity into daily care, to promote health, well-being, and connection. This event is specifically for care partners, and preregistration is required. Thursday, June 17, 10am; free. alzsd.org/services/education/. (ONLINE)

LECTURES

Wining & Dining in Renaissance Europe Culinary Historians of San Diego will present "Wining and Dining in Renaissance Europe," by Barbara Baxter, via Zoom. The Renaissance shed new light on many aspects of life including wining and dining, and banquet manners. Join us for this hour-long culinary and artistic journey from the Medieval Period to the Modern Age. This event is free, please register online. Saturday, June 19, 10:30am; free. chsandiego.org/. (ONLINE)

NATURE

Birding with all Your Senses Join Ornithologist Jeanie Anderson for an easy stroll on a path in the canyon with many birds both visible and calling. Bring sturdy shoes, binoculars and cover-ups. Handouts and checklists will be provided. Meet at the west end of Canyonside Park Driveway, 1 block west of Black Mtn. Rd. at the Preserve sign at the beginning of the white ranch house fence. Saturday, June 19, 7:45am; free. Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, 12020 Black Mountain Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

Miner's Loop Trail Explore the history of Black Mountain with native plant enthusiast Beth Mather. Enjoy the flowers and learn about the native habitats, plants, and animals. Learn a bit about the history of gliding and hanggliding off the mountain. Bring water and sun protection and sturdy hiking shoes. Meet in the parking lot at the north staging area. Rancho Peñasquitos 92129. Sunday, June 20, 9an; free. Black Mountain Open Space Park, 12115A Black Mountain Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

Phoenix Rising 2021 Celebrate summer solstice with a sacred community in nature's sanctuary to uplift your spirit and magnify your creative expression. For 4 days and 3 nights, immerse yourself in the elements to deepen your connection to breath, voice, rhythm, music, dance, magick and community. Thursday, June 17, 1pm; Friday, June 18, Saturday, June 19, Sunday, June 20; \$50-\$20. Madre Grande Monastery, 2260 Lucky Six Truck Trail. Dulzura. CA

SPECIAL EVENTS

Juneteenth Healing the Community Festival Featuring booths and stages that serve to assist, inspire, educate, and empower the community with free health services such as COVID testing and vaccinations, mental health services and information about diabetes, voter registration and information on local issues, displays of local artists, educational spotlights on African American history, and dance performances ranging from gospel singers to African drummers. Saturday, June 19, 11am; free. Memorial Park, 2901 Ocean View Boulevard. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

SPOKEN WORD

San Diego Poetry Annual Open Readings The second round of SDPA 2020-21 virtual anthology readings will take place on Zoom. Poets can choose to read at one or both events. Friday, June 18, 6pm; free. https://bit.ly/3iHIwIQ. (ONLINE)

Tales & Legends of Scotland Bogles haunt, the sidh shriek, and the clans rise and fall in Tales and Legends of Scotland, told by Storytellers of San Diego with Rachel Amov, fiddler. Tune in, click your heels, and indulge in some shortbread. This online streamed show is in association with the San Diego Highland Games, returning next year to Vista. Ages 12 and up. Register to receive event link. Thursday, June 17, 6:30pm; free. 18 and up. storytellersofsandiego.

Rhyme & Verse

Two poems by Walter de la Mare

The Listeners

"Is there anybody there?" said the Traveller. Knocking on the moonlit door; And his horse in the silence champed the grass Of the forest's ferny floor; And a bird flew up out of the turret, Above the Traveller's head: And he smote upon the door again a second time; "Is there anybody there?" he said. But no one descended to the Traveller; No head from the leaf-fringed sill Leaned over and looked into his grey eyes, Where he stood perplexed and still. But only a host of phantom listeners That dwelt in the lone house then Stood listening in the quiet of the moonlight To that voice from the world of men: Stood thronging the faint moonbeams on the dark stair, That goes down to the empty hall, Hearkening in an air stirred and shaken By the lonely Traveller's call. And he felt in his heart their strangeness, Their stillness answering his cry, While his horse moved, cropping the dark turf, 'Neath the starred and leafy sky; For he suddenly smote on the door, even Louder, and lifted his head: -"Tell them I came, and no one answered, That I kept my word," he said. Never the least stir made the listeners, Though every word he spake Fell echoing through the shadowiness of the still house From the one man left awake: Ay, they heard his foot upon the stirrup, And the sound of iron on stone,

And how the silence surged softly backward,

When the plunging hoofs were gone.

A Song of Enchantment

A song of Enchantment I sang me there, In a green-green wood, by waters fair, Just as the words came up to me I sang it under the wild wood tree.

Widdershins turned I, singing it low, Watching the wild birds come and go; No cloud in the deep dark blue to be seen Under the thick-thatched branches green.

Twilight came: silence came: The planet of Evening's silver flame; By darkening paths I wandered through Thickets trembling with drops of dew.

But the music is lost and the words are gone Of the song I sang as I sat alone,
Ages and ages have fallen on me —
On the wood and the pool and the elder tree.



Walter de la Mare (1873-1956) was an English poet, short story writer and novelist, best known for his children's stories and psychological horror stories. Beginning in 1890, he worked in the statistics department of Standard Oil's London office to support his growing family; he and his wife eventually had four children. But like other businessmen-writers, such as American poets

Wallace Stevens (vice president at Hartford Insurance) and Dana Gioia (senior executive at General Foods), he still managed to find time to write. De le Mare is also remembered for his theories on the imagination, a faculty which he saw as an important part of early childhood development. He is included among the Georgian Poets, whose work was published in a series of anthologies between 1911 and 1922 entitled *Georgian Poetry*.

Find more poetry online at SDreader.com/poetry

SPORTS & FITNESS

Chakradance Come experience a spontaneous dance practice that combines meditation and guided visualization to activate and balance your body's seven primary

energy centers. Sundays, 9am; through Sunday, June 27, \$25-\$35. 18 and up. Flaunt Dance Studio, 3052 Clairemont Dr., Suite H-9. (CLAIREMONT)

SD Archers Club King Arthur Novelty Shoot This annual novelty shoot consists of 40 handpainted and 3D targets. There may be two barbeque stations where lunch can be purchased during your all-day archery quest. Kids under 12 shoot for free. Sunday, June 20, 7am; \$24-\$36. Rube Powell Archery Range, 2145 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Legion VS LA Giltinis The San Diego Legion goes head-to-head with the Los Angeles Giltinis. Sunday, June 20, 3pm; \$10-

\$60. Torero Stadium, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

The Harmony of CBD & Yoga Q & A to answer questions on CBD and yoga, followed by a 60 minute yoga session with Greenlife Organics CBD and lights snacks served after. Thursday, June 17, 6:30pm; \$45. 18 and up. Carlsbad by the Sea Resort, 850 Palomar Airport Road.



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HAPPY HOUR

You can submit a listing or find more information about these establishments online at SDReader.com/drinks

BAY PARK

Off Shore Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: All beer \$1 off, \$4 house wine, \$4.25 well drinks. *Saturday*, 9pm-close: All beer \$1 off, \$4 house wine, \$4.25 well drinks.

CARLSBAD

Chandler's: *Wednesday-Sunday*, 3-6pm: \$2 off wines by the glass, draught beers, and signature cocktails. \$3 off appetizers.

CORONADO

Brigantine Coronado: *Daily*, 3-6pm: \$1 off all draft beer, well drinks, and featured wine by the glass, \$4 sparkling wine glass.

DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

Asti Ristorante: *Daily*, 3-6pm: \$5 beers, \$7 house wine and cocktails, bites from \$5.

Cheesecake Factory Downtown: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$3.95 select beer bottles, \$4.95 select beer drafts, \$7.95 Mojito, Long Island ice tea, Margarita, JW's Pink Lemonade, Cosmopolitan, select well drinks and wines

by the glass.

Gaslamp Fish House: *Daily*, 3:30-6:00pm: \$4 Fireball shot, Mc-Cormick bourbon, shot of Torado Silver tequila, \$5 craft beer on tap, vodka soda, select wine by the glass, \$7 skinny margarita, select signature cocktails.

Gaslamp Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 3-7pm: \$2 off drafts, wine, specialty cocktails, \$5 wells.

Maryjane's: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$5 wells drinks, beer, \$6 wine.

Rockin' Baja Lobster — Gaslamp: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$4.50 any 14-oz. draft, well drinks, fireball shot; \$5.50 Jameson shot, house margaritas; \$6.50 wine by the glass, Jack Daniels, Grey Goose.

The Tipsy Crow: Monday-Thursday, 3-8pm: Drink exchange (prices vary). Friday-Saturday, Noon-8pm: Drink exchange (prices vary).

BOOZE NEWS BY IAN ANDERSON

No worries, Ataraxia Aleworks now pouring in Convoy District

A laid back vibe to go with beers from a Ballast Point vet To follow through on their plan to open a brewery, Daren Rudy

and Alex Kim were prepared to move to Reno, Nevada. "It's a growing population, annually," explains Kim, "and also a growing craft beer community." Plus, there are only two dozen breweries in the area to compete with — compared to more than 150 here — and the real estate is significantly cheaper.

The longtime friends and neighbors started seriously looking a couple of years ago, aiming to build a brewhouse in the 10-barrel range. The idea was to establish a brand,

then grow their resources to the point where they could expand back into their hometown. "We always had the dream of coming back to San Diego," says Kim. In that sense, **Ataraxia Aleworks** opened ahead of schedule when it debuted Memorial Day weekend in Kearny Mesa. The duo never did made it to Reno. The arrival of covid-19 had put their search on hiatus when, in late 2020, an opportunity presented itself: Convoy Street-adjacent **Circle 9 Brewing** went on the market as a turnkey brewery, listed for an unbeatable price.

The 3.5-barrel brewhouse is smaller than their original plans called for, and a whole lot smaller than what head brewer Rudy is accustomed to. Until about two weeks ago, the beer vet's ten-year career had been spent brewing for Ballast Point Brewing. "That was making more in one brew day than we can do here in a whole year," he says. The difference is so drastic that he approaches Ataraxia's equipment more as a large homebrew setup than a small commercial system. That works out just fine for his brews, which are mostly comprised of his tried-andtrue homebrew recipes. That includes Ataraxia's flagship helles lager, called Harambe, and the Supremo pale ale. A couple of newer beers have been the top sellers so far: the hop-forward Pale McPaleface pale ale, and Cow Bell IPA. In the

future, fans can expect an updated version of the latter, dubbed More Cow Bell double IPA.

Rudy's brews owe their clean drinking appeal mainly to his years of experience, but it's also due



The Kearny Mesa taproom of Ataraxia Aleworks, including a mural by artist Melanie Atesalp

to a focus on water formulation. The turnkey brewery came outfitted with a reverse osmosis filter, allowing Rudy to strip down city tapwater, then add back whatever ratio of minerals best serve a particular beer style. So the helles lager is made with the softer profile found in Czech and German styles, while hoppier ales benefit from harder mineral content that help define

San Diego-style IPAs.

Opening a very small brewery means Ataraxia's revised business model relies less on packaging and more on serving beers directly to

customers in the brewery's taproom. That would have looked
like a lousy bet less than a year
ago, but with Ataraxia opening
just ahead of the state's June 15
reopening, the new business
is primed to benefit from a
maskless return to normal.
And given that it's just Kim
and Rudy tending their bar,
the experience offers local
craft fans a throwback to a time
when drinking at a San Diego
brewery meant being served
directly by a brewery owner.

The brand itself suggests an embrace of the postpandemic

life we all crave. The name Ataraxia is taken from Ancient Greek philosophy, referring to a state of mind free of stress or anxiety. In other words, Ataraxia jibes perfectly with San Diego's "no worries" lifestyle.

For more craft booze news, see sandiegoreader.com/news/booze-news

EAST VILLAGE

Bootlegger: *Tuesday*, \$10 build-your-own-nachos and beer all day. *Saturday-Sunday*, 9am-1pm: \$25 per person bottomless mimosas.

Duck Foot East Village Taproom & Kitchen: *Tuesday*, \$5 pints gluten-reduced beers on tap all night

El Dorado Cocktail Lounge:

Tuesday-Thursday, Sunday, 7-9pm: \$6 signature cocktails. Friday-Saturday, 5-9pm: \$6 signature cocktails.

EASTLAKE

The Cheesecake Factory Eastlake: Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$3.95 select beer bottles, \$4.95 select beer drafts, \$7.95 Mojito, Long Island ice tea, Margarita, JW's Pink Lemonade, Cosmopolitan, select well drinks and wines by the glass.

ENCINITAS

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill: *Monday-Friday*, 2-6pm: \$3 well cocktails, house wine, domestic

ESCONDIDO

Brigantine Escondido: *Daily*, 3-6pm: \$1 off drafts, well drinks, featured wine, \$5.75 house

margarita.

Vintana Wine + Dine: *Daily*, 3-5pm: \$8 martinis and appetizers.

LA MESA

Brigantine La Mesa: *Daily*, 3:30-6:30pm: \$1 off well drinks, drafts, featured wines, \$4 glass sparkling wine, \$5.75 margaritas, \$6 happy hour red wine, happy hour white wine.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill La Mesa: Friday, All day: Clam chowder \$5 cup, \$7 bowl. After 4pm: Prime rib \$24. Sunday, 11am-2pm: \$4 Bloody Marys, \$5 Champagne.

LAKESIDE

Eastbound Bar & Grill:

Tuesday-Friday, 2-5pm: \$2 off all house cocktails, \$3 domestic bottles, \$4 micro drafts.

LEMON GROVE

Dirk's Niteclub: *Daily*, 4pm-7pm: \$3 shot of select liquor with your first drink. 4-7pm: \$1 off domestic beer, 50 cents off cocktails.

LITTLE ITALY

Carruth Cellars Wine Garden: *Monday-Friday*, 2-6pm: \$3 off

glasses, \$5 off bottles of wine.

King and Queen Cantina:Daily, Noon-6pm: \$1 off drafts, \$4 beer bottles. \$7 well drinks, wine.

beer bottles, \$7 well drinks, wine, sangria, \$8 margaritas. Appetizers \$5 to \$9.

MISSION HILLS

Shakespeare Pub & Grille:

Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: All draught pints (excluding cask, \$6 Anytime, and Black Velvet) and bottled beer \$1 off. well liquor \$4.50, \$5 house wine, appetizers \$5.95-\$7.95.

NORTH PARK

Redwing Bar & Grill: Wednes-day-Friday, 3pm-6pm: \$4.50 24 oz. Tall Boys.

OCEANSIDE

Rockin' Baja Lobster — Oceanside: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$4.50 any 14-oz. draft, well drinks, fireball shot, \$5.50 Jameson shot, house margaritas, \$6.50 wine by the glass, Jack Daniels, Grey Goose.

OLD TOWN

Home & Away: *Monday, Wednesday-Friday,* 3–6pm: \$1 off glass of wine, draft and bottled beer, well drinks, \$3 to \$6 off

specialty cocktails. \$2.75 tacos. *Tuesday*, 3–6pm: Taco Tuesday specials, see server.

Old Town Mexican Café: *Tuesday*, Half off well drinks and selected appetizers all day.

Rockin' Baja Lobster — Old Town: Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$4.50 any 14-oz. draft, well drinks, fireball shot, \$5.50 Jame-

\$4.50 any 14-oz. draft, well drinks, fireball shot, \$5.50 Jameson shot, house margaritas, \$6.50 wine by the glass, Jack Daniels, Grey Goose.

PACIFIC BEACH

Ambrogio 15: Monday-Friday, 3-5pm: \$19 per person biodynamic (organic) wine flight with three selected biodynamic wines (two ounce pour) and focaccia bread, olives, artichokes.

Latitude 32: *Wednesday- Saturday*, 4-6pm: \$3-\$5.50 beer and wines.

The Local Pacific Beach: *Monday*, 4-7pm: Half off appetizers.

The Turquoise Café-Bar Europa: *Tuesday-Sunday*, 5-9pm:
Bottles cocktails to go.

POINT LOMA

The Pearl: Monday-Tuesday, 4-6pm: \$4 select beers, \$5 well drinks, \$6 house wine, half off specialty cocktails. Wednesday, 4-6pm: 4-6pm: \$4 select beers, \$5 well drinks, \$6 house wine, half off specialty drinks. *Thursday-Saturday*, 4-6pm: \$4 select beers, \$5 well drinks, \$6 house wine, half off specialty drinks.

The Wine Pub: Daily, 4-6pm: \$5 craft beers on draft, \$5 select red and white wines.

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill Rancho San Diego: *Friday*, All day: Clam chowder \$5 cup, \$7 bowl. After 4pm: Prime rib \$24.

SAN MARCOS

Churchill's Pub and Grill:

Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$1 off appetizers, drafts, wells. Sunday, All day: \$1 off appetizers, drafts, wells.

SOLANA BEACH

Carruth Cellars: *Monday-Friday*, 2-6pm: \$3 off glasses, \$5 off bottles of wine.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

Et Voilà French Bistro:

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



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Generation Next

Is it the Asian "togetherness" thing? Or just the universal family thing? I think it's a beautiful marriage of both.

s the world going Korea-kerazy? Might could be. Not just K-Pop. Also KBBQ. Everywhere

I look, there's another Korean barbecue joint popping up.
"Missy wants to go there," says Maggy on the phone. "It's good for crowds, because everybody eats everything. You cook your own stuff. And you get these beer towers where you pour your purp. It's averaged." Missy is Most.

own. It's awesome!" Missy is Mag's daughter. She has just graduated with an MA. Whole family's gathering on this one.

So here we are in the Mira Mesa Market Center, across the 15 from the Miramar Reservoir. Mid-Sunday afternoon. About 20 people lining up outside this large post-modern entrance next

to Mens Wearhouse. Gen staff with iPads flit among us. Wow. Quite a production. Up until recently, it was all outside-eating under big stretched canvas canopies. But now you can go in, too. And most are choosing that. We join the line, and before you can say Jack Robinson, we're filing into this midnight blue-lit space. Wow. One of crew says the restaurant's name, "Gen," is all about "next generation." And I can believe it. It's like going in to a show, and as soon as we're in that blue world, the place erupts. People yelling, a DJ blaring about "Happy birthday! Let's hear it for Bon Jovi!" (That's what it sounds like, anyway.)

Everyone cheers. Couple of guys usher us to a long table with white cushion-backed benches. Place is mostly full, even though it's mid-afternoon. And the music is all loud and hip-hop and rap. But somehow it works, making the chatter and birthday cheers feel cool. Looks like this is where everybody comes to celebrate. Successful? They have a time limit of 90 minutes per customer for a reason.

So, let's get to! One of the server guys is right onto us about drinks. The other one is lighting the cooking flames in the middle of the three tables.

"Oh yes!" says Daniel. He's the type of guy who wears his baseball hat backwards and covers his arms with a blurred sea of tats right down to his wrists. The kids (and there are quite a few running round) love him

He's done this Gen scene before. "Many times!" he says. "Mess of 'Q and the towers of

power! We'll have the Blue Moon," he says to the server.

The idea here is so simple: all-u-can-eat. Pay \$24.99 and chow down. Each person chooses one of the 31 main items, from KFC (Korean Fried Chicken) to Seoul Fries (sautéed kimchi and spicy

aioli over fries) to spicy samgyubsal (pork belly).

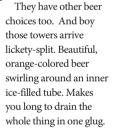
Of course, if you're a kid, it's cheaper. Love their way of deciding how much of a kid you are. If you are under 40 inches tall, you eat free; 40-50 inches, pay \$9.99; over 50 inches, sorry pal, full size, full price. This gets over all age debates. It measures you by your obvious capacity. Brilliant.

Meats, before and after

Post-covid, you can still get the free Korean appetizers - banchan - like edama-

me, kimchi, but you have to ask for them.

Talking of tall,
Daniel and Denny,
who are twins, are
going for the 3-liter
(6-plus pint) beer
tower (\$34.95). Me
and my buddy Nathan
go for the 2-liter
model of Sculpin
Elysian Space Dust
(\$24.95). Comes out
to 4-1/4 pints, so
maybe \$6 per pint.



Since the pandemic, they haven't been serving all those free side dishes — things like edamame, kimchi, and potato salad — that you

usually get alongside Korean meals, but they do give you the banchan (snack) list and you can request as much as you like from it, free. Then, we each have to choose from the list of main dishes. Some of the guests, like Karen and William at the next table, are deciding between items like spicy pork bulgogi ("fire meat"), pork cheek, Hawaiian pork belly (marinated samgyubsal with pineapple slices), Jap Chae (sweet potato starch noodles stir-fried with vegetables), spicy baby octopus, and hey, Volcano Chicken. It has a Warning! sign: "Fried and marinated chicken with Extremely Hot Sauce." I've already ordered (smoked garlic pork belly), or I swear I'da gone for this, just to see how real the heat scare is. Plus I was sort of interested in the last one, item #31 (same number as the number of company stores they have franchised



Eat till your drop: the dishes keep on coming

throughout the west in six short years): *Soondoboo*. It is a spicy soft tofu stew.

But in the end, the dishes just keep on coming, and you forget which was yours and which wasn't. The sizzling continues. They're all delicious, and the great thing is, everyone's being the cook. We're all busy chopsticking away at rolls, bacon, flaps of meat, or salad, or snipping chunks of raw chicken with scissors and grilling them

over the blue flame. Early on, I realize my plate has collected the spicy chicken, beef brisket, Hawaiian pork belly, beef bulgogi, and lots of onions, and I haven't lifted a finger. And Lord! More arriving!

So the talk and the arm-reaching is non-stop. It's great. Feels just like family in your grandma's



What this place is for: Missy, Daniel. The emotional moment when the loudspeaker calls her name

time. Except grandma didn't have hip hop thumping out and the whole building cheering someone like Missy, who's celebrating her graduation. She stands up to recognize the cheers, resplendent in her robes, mortarboard hat, and blue silk sashes that say "academic." For a moment, she can't stop crying,

Man. This feels so good. Is it the Asian "togetherness" thing? Or just the universal

family thing? I think it's a beautiful marriage of both. Whatever, I certainly could do more of it. Only problem: our 90 minutes are up, and there's still a line outside. And dang. You can't take leftovers home.

I shoulda talked less, eaten more. ■

The Place: Gen Korean BBQ, 10765 Westview Parkway, Mira Mesa Market Center, 858-800-1157 **Hours:** 3pm-10:30pm, Monday-Thursday; 11:30am-11:30pm, Friday; 11am-11:30pm, Saturday; 11am-11pm, Sunday

Prices: Dishes e.g. spicy pork bulgogi, Hawaiian chicken, spicy baby octopus, Gen signature galbi (short rib), \$24.99 per customer; draft beer, e.g. Sapporo pint, \$4.95; two-liter tower, \$24.95; three-liter tower, \$34.95 **Buses**; 20. 110. 237, 921, 964

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Way beyond chili fries

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Mr. Fries Man says Hellloooooooo!!! to Pacific

Mr. Fries Man; 4508 Cass St #D, Pacific Beach. Okay, so my go-to chili cheese fries spot wound up closing due to last year's shutdown. Obviously, that's a bigger bummer for the owners and staff of the departed Sister Ray's restaurant than it is for anyone else. But it did leave a hole in my regular cravings calendar. And if nothing else came along to fill it: I might have resorted to dumping a can of Hormel chili over a reheated bag of frozen waffle fries. Nobody wants that.

Fortunately, back in 2016, some guy up in Gardena spent his last 400 bucks to cook up a bunch of loaded fries in his backyard and market them over Instagram. Thanks to a little love from late Los Angeles rapper Nipsey

Hussle, Mr. Fries

Man

open was here, in Pacific Beach, in a plum location near the pier, just off Garnet Avenue (4508 Cass Street). I found it to be just another small counter shop in a strip of similar brick storefronts, but it knocked its \$9 chili cheese fries out of the park. We're talking a good pound and a half of fried potatoes, savory stewed beef, and melted cheese.

And it's not even the star of the menu. In fact, it's the cheapest item — by a whole six dollars.

See, Mr. Fries Man goes way beyond chili fries. Even beyond other familiar loaded fries concepts like carne asada fries or poutine. They may get titular billing, but the fries here are merely a vessel for what gets piled on top of them.

For customers willing to shell out \$25, that means a combination of crab and shrimp, smothered in lemon garlic sauce. For \$21, you may opt

> for honey garlic sauce poured over shrimp and steak. And for anyone feeling creative, a \$14 and up "build your own fries" option



Mr. Fries Man enters San Diego by way of Pacific Beach.

Fries Man effort: buffalo chicken ranch. Any chicken order on the menu works with your choice of grilled or fried chicken. Eyeing the Dave's Hot Chicken restaurant up the block, I opted for fried, and was please to find a large

volume of crispy, bite size nuggets heaped over my fries, the whole pile doused with free-flowing ranch and buffalo sauces.

There was so much going on up top, that the fries beneath served a surprising yet vital purpose: thinning out the flavor a little bit.

> Those potatoes can absorb a lot, and I suppose all this time they've been doing so for chili

and cheese, and carne

asada, and whatever else people think to dump on them. It's shouldn't be a tough concept to pull off, and I hate having to jump on the internet

bandwagon, but I'm going to go ahead and buy into the Mr. Fries Man hype. These sodium-rich eats are about as good as low brow food gets.

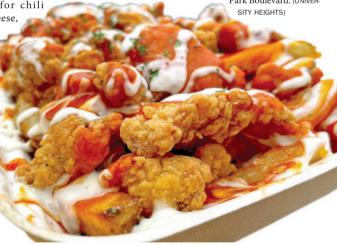
by Ian Anderson

FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

Father's Day Enjoy a selection of prime, dry-aged, and smoked meats to choose from for the quintessential backyard barbecue. Simply reheat before serving. Wines and local brews such as Modern Times Blazing World, Ale Smith's .394, and Coronado Brewing's Bigger Boat. Sunday, June 20, 10am; \$7-\$44. Wise Ox, 2855 El Cajon Boulevard #1. (NORTH PARK)

Father's Day Chef Brad Wise and the team will have an Australian Wagyu Tomahawk ready to serve all weekend long. This choice cut is considered to be one of the top producers in the region. Pair this with your choice of sides from Truffled Creamed Spinach, Wood-Roasted Sugar Snap Peas, and Creamed Summer Corn. Father's Day weekend reservations are highly recommended. Sunday, June 20, 5pm; \$10-\$179. Rare Society, 4130

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Fried chicken nuggets slathered in ranch and buffalo sauces, served over fries.

A pound and a half of chili cheese fries.

I wouldn't have thought of a

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get a little pricier than I would expect from a French fry-oriented restaurant, but I can't stress it enough: the portions are quite hefty. I don't know that I've ever encountered an eatery where sharing an order makes more sense.

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the inside track



What's more punk than losing a big toenail to a crashed barricade?

Risk vs. reward The men of Tijuana's punk quartet DFMK — the letters stand for "doing fucking meth kills" on days when they don't stand for "don't fuck my kids" — allow that their hometown can get a bit wild. But they're mostly okay with that. Even, or perhaps especially, when it comes to the wildest house parties. "My best memories [playing Tijuana] would be a little house up a hill near downtown TJ called El Panal," recalls lead singer Jorge Z., who calls himself "Mr. Cap." "It was a house where several punk kids held a lot of house shows; we played there a couple of times with our good friends Calafia Puta and Bird Strike from Los Angeles. I even was walking on the ceiling at one point on one of our songs. A lot of slam dancing and a lot of booze. Good times..."

His least favorite TJ gig "would be playing in a basement in a hostel near the red light district. The show was fun; however there was a barricade between the band and the attendees... People near the barricade started shoving and pulling. The corner of the barricade landed in my foot, and because people were singing along, they kept the pressure of the barricade on my foot for at least thirty long seconds. I had to go to the doctor so they could pull the dead nail off the big toe. Life is a risk."

The band, which has a self-titled album out now after a number of EPs, accepts that risk gig by gig, although their experiences north of the border sound marginally less manic and/or dangerous. The oddest moment in San Diego, Mr. Cap relates, "was a show in the Bancroft with SNFU... I had at least an hour and a half before playing, but I was very hungry because I only had breakfast early that morning. So I went alone to the Chinese food restaurant across the street. I ordered a small lunch order; however, it was a big platter — for four people, easily. I started eating, but overdid it and almost ate the platter all by myself. I am not able to sing with a full stomach, unfortunately. I needed to provoke myself to throw up five minutes before our set time. However, my singing was good that night."

Overgenerous portions are not the only tricky aspect of cross-border culture. "I suppose that the biggest misunderstanding," concludes Cap, "is that [Americans] might think that Tijuana is a type of third-world-country city, that when you cross the border you get robbed or assaulted, which it is not the case. I've had several conversations with people that seriously ask me, 'You have cars in your city?'

Like they really think that we ride horses or donkeys. It is very hard to believe that there is still this type of ignorance in the world."

The real trouble comes when the band hits the road.

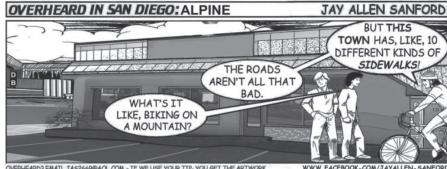
> Trying to tour, says the singer, they've ended up "getting robbed right after our set outside a venue in Mexico City, getting stuck on a bridge [with] a shooting between police and some Narcos in Tampico, and having our van catch fire in the middle of the highway outside Oakland — the entire vehicle burning with all of our equipment, instruments, personal

belongings, passports, tour money still inside. Again, life is a risk."

– Andrew Hamlin

Offroad inroads The palabra within the offroad community is that reggaeton star Karol G has brought some new fans and racers into offroadin' culture. "I think it's awesome that more women are getting involved in offroading," said Yolie Stover, who has covered the offroad racing scene since the '90s, when Karol G was birthed in Columbia as Carolina Giraldo Navarro, "LOCATION' is a cool video with offroad vehicles and bikes. The beginning is awesome, when all the cars and bikes take off,"

Reggaeton is a fusion of Spanish rap, hip-hop, Caribbean, and Latin music, primarily based on the dembow rhythm, that originated in Puerto Rico dance halls in the early 1990s and spread throughout the island and into the U.S. mainland via bootleg cassettes. The "LOCATION" video — in which Karol G performed with then-fiance and Latin-trap rapper Anuel AA and J Balvin, a Colombian reggaeton singer — launched a couple of days before Valentine's Day. As this article goes to print, the trappy-twangy joint's YouTube video has garnered 242 million views. Karol G is depicted leading a



pack of offroaders in a lifted red Volkswagen Baja Bug. She sings while gripping a wooden steering wheel in a racing seat surrounded by a roll cage. "Hoy es sábado / Indica las coordenadas, que

is Saturday / Indicate the coordinates, that today we are going-oh-oh-oh."

hov nos vamo-oh-oh-oh-oh,"

translates roughly to "Today

runs the opening verse, which

"We were able to fuse reggaeton/hip-hop/ country influences into an amazing song and video filled with energy and rodeo vibes!" said the 2018 Latin Grammy Award winner (for Best New Artist) in an Entertainment Tonight interview. The University of Antioquia alumna turned urbano-songstress sports a blue hairdo in the video, and rocks

video, "but I like the song."

As Stover and I spoke, she was prepping in her Alpine residence for coverage of the Baja 500, an off-road, singleloop race that starts and ends in Ensenada on June 10-13. "They would've played Karol G's songs in the contingencies of the race," she noted, "but

and she's going to be there."

True enough: on Friday, August 20, Karol G and Ozuna, Dalex, DJ Luian, El Alfa, Kali Uchis, Lunay, and other artists will perform at Baja Beach Fest in Rosarito, a three-day reggaeton and Latin music festival held on Rosarito Beach. Anuel AA and J Balvin,



Stover is stoked that more women are heading offroad.



Karol G is Queen of the (Off)road in her "Location" video

a black bandanna or a red sequined jacket as tops. In some parts, she wears a cowgirl hat and a thong bikini and dances provocatively with her backup dancers. "There's lots of sex and alcohol talk, and it's not suitable for kids," opined Stover, who has raced in a Baja Bug similar to the one in the

there are no contingencies this year, because of Covid-19." (Pre-pandemic, thousands would gather at the contingencies for both the Baja 500 and Baja 1000 to view the racers and their vehicles prior to the event, and a DJ would play music for the crowd.) "But I'm going to the Baja Beach Fest,

Karol G's collaborators on "LOCATION," will perform on Saturday and Sunday, with other reggaeton singers.

— Mike Madriaga

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JT MORING

Originally a duo called Neck and Neck featuring J.T. Moring and Annie Rettic, folk-Americana-blues band Gemini Junction includes members based in Encinitas and Ocean Beach. Moring, who sings and plays banjo, guitar, and percussion, is working on a solo project. "Last month, I went out in the desert and this month I went to Omaha, so I didn't get much recording done. But I did do a lot of listening to the demos and thinking about arrangements. This week, I've been back in the studio and making good progress. I found I needed to re-do two rhythm tracks at better speeds, one faster and one slower. One song, I re-

wrote the lyrics to make it fit better as the album opener, and I added one song for the closing number. I think. I'm afraid recording follows the 80-20 rule: you spend the last 80 percent of the time finishing the last 20 percent of the task. We'll see. The next part is some of the most fun, where I get to add all the bells and whistles - and bouzouki and banjolin? - to make the arrangements sparkle." Instruments used so far include "lots of acoustic strings, but also the pennywhistle and harmonicas, plus an electric keyboard that has nice organ sounds. I really enjoy playing bass, which I only get to do in the studio."



SUGARAY RAYFORD

Like many blues and soul singers, Sugaray Rayford got his first taste of music while singing with the choir at the local church. Born in Texas, his family moved to San Diego, where he later ended up playing in bands such as Aunt Kizzy's Boyz, who competed at the International Blues Competition in Memphis. Eventually going solo, Rayford found himself years between studio sessions and running a blues jam at a nightclub in L.A., where he had relocated and joined the Mannish Boys band. After taking part in

all-star jams with everyone from jazz and blues players like Al Kooper to hard rockers such as Slash, he felt inspired enough to begin recording his own albums again. The winner of two Blues Music Awards was recently named the B.B. King Entertainer of the Year. He just got back from appearing as a last-minute replacement for blues star Shemekia Copeland at Three Rivers Arts Festival on June 11. The lineup shift was said to be "due to unforeseen circumstances."



CULTS

Brian Oblivion and Madeline Follin formed Cults after meeting in 2009 at a Willowz concert, when Oblivion was tour manager for that band (featuring Follin's brother). Their first digital three-song 7 inch released via *Bandcamp.com* scored a Best New Music rave from the taste-makers at *Pitchfork*, and their lo-fi sixties surf pop girl-group sound has earned them much acclaim on other music blogs as well. In summer 2010, the duo took filmmaking classes while spending time in NYC. Around the same time, Lily Allen flew them to England to discuss signing them to her new label. Ten years since the release of that first record,

the band is planning a deluxe, limited vinyl anniversary edition of their debut. In addition to the previously available 11 tracks, the anniversary edition (due in December) will include three bonus songs from the original recording sessions. Three editions will be made available, limited to 1,000 copies total. The first 250 will be signed on gold color vinyl, a second run of 250 will be signed on black and milky clear color-in-color vinyl, and a third edition of 500 will be on standard black vinyl. Cults will be playing Shaky Knees Music Festival, happening in Atlanta, Georgia on October 22-24.



L.A. EDWARDS

Featuring Julian-raised brothers Luke (vocals, guitar), Harry (drums), and Jay Edwards (keys), along with Alex Vo (lead guitar), L.A. Edwards was nominated Best Americana at the 2013 San Diego Music Awards. "The band imparts graceful Laurel Canyon songcraft on groove-driven rock with sunsoaked twang," according to their press. Their new album Blessings From Home Volume 2, produced by Ryan Hadlock (Lumineers, Vance Joy) at Bear Creek studio in Washington, includes collaborations with local Ron Blair, the bassist for Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers who produced the 2017 L.A. Edwards album *True Blue* at his home studio in Carlsbad.

The mandolin-laced lead single "Saint Augustine" is streaming online. *Volume 1*, released in December, scored positive reviews in *American Songwriter* and *The Bluegrass Situation*, with the lead track "Trouble" earning over 139,000 streams on Spotify. Both releases were put out by Bitchin' Music Group, the music label from almond dip Bitchin' Sauce. Described as "an artist-first independent record label," it was founded by Luke Edwards and his wife and business partner Starr Edwards. The label has announced plans to sign and develop additional up-and-coming artists across the Americana, country, and rock genres.



BELLA KAYE

Teen singer Bella Kaye addresses the negative effects and illusions of social media on her new single "Highlight Reel," which drops this week. It's the first release off an upcoming seven-song concept EP that is described as "focused on the journey of being in a dark place mentally and moving to a place of health and healing." According to Kaye, "I feel a lot of people use social media to display this perfect image of themselves, which is a distorted version of reality. It can be so easy to fall into the trap of comparison, wishing you were someone else and feeling

jealous and not good enough. Learning how to navigate this, feel confident with who you are and understand what's real and not real is a struggle I think a lot of people face." Kaye has been busy over the past year, with a single called "Missing You" followed by an ominous take on the Turtles' classic 1960s track "Happy Together." Another single called "Empty Promises" dropped in August, followed in October by "Wandering Eyes" and in November by "Cold Hearted Love."

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Friday, 9pm — Klub Therapy.

Mellano Farm Stand:

Sunday, 12pm — Cowboy Jack.

Music Box:

Thursday, 8pm — Pink Froyd and the Monroes. Friday, 7pm — The Volclays and Soft Palms. Saturday, 7pm — Shane Hall and Creature & the Woods.

Pacific Islander Beer Company:

Saturday, 6pm — Cyren. Sunday, 2pm — Sum of Three Acoustic Band.

Oueen Bee's Art & Cultural Center:

Thursday, 8pm — Charlie Arbelaez and Matt Hall Quintet. \$15-\$25. Sunday, 5pm — Conjunto Afroson.

Starlight Theater:

Friday, 8pm — Wild Child. Saturday, 8pm — Voz de Mando and Alicia Villarreal.

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IMMORTAL BEAUTY

The real Three Tenors

We are living in the best period of known human history. Maybe things were better in pre-history, when the aliens were here, but from infant mortality rates to murder rates to the lack of infectious diseases (even with COVID) to world poverty levels, things have never been better. That includes the American middle class, even if it doesn't always think so. In the 1950s, the typical size of a new home was 950 square feet. In the 1960s, it was 1100. Since the 2000s, the typical size of a new home has been about 2300 square feet. But despite our tremendous quality of life, there is one area that, in my opinion, isn't even close to the quality of the past. That area is opera singers.

I previously wrote about three female opera singers of the past that all opera fans should know. Here are three male opera singers of the past that all opera singers should know. These singers were world-famous during their careers, but have now faded into obscurity.

Baritone Ettore Bastianini made his Metropolitan Opera debut in 1953 and debuted at La Scala in 1954. In 1962, he was diagnosed with a throat tumor that turned out to be cancerous. He died of cancer in 1967. For ten years, roughly 1953-1963, nobody was better in the great Italian baritone roles such as Rigoletto. Amanastro in Aida and Scarpia in *Tosca*. The voice was golden from top to bottom, but it was his top notes that were most impressive: focused and never overblown. Had it not been for

his cancer. Bastianini would be considered one of the greatest singers of all time.

BY GARRETT HARRIS

Nicknamed II pazzo (the madman), Franco Bonisolli had a crazy voice and the personality to go with it. He once threw his sword into the orchestra pit during a rehearsal. The conductor, none other than Herbert von Karajan, replaced Bonisolli with Placido Domingo. Vocally, Domingo could not come close to Bonisolli's high notes, but sometimes, it isn't just about the singing. Bonisolli made his American debut in 1965 as Alfredo in Verdi's La Traviata. Believe it or not, it was with the San Diego Opera. Opposite him as Violetta was none other than Montserrat Caballé. It's safe to say that all subsequent Traviatas at

Had it not been for his cancer, Bastianini would be considered one of the greatest singers of all time.

San Diego Opera have been less impressive. The voice and the personality leaped off the stage when Bonisolli performed. Look no further than his live performance of "La Donna e Mobile" on YouTube, with Bonisolli skipping across the stage and jumping at the end of his tremendous high B. This was considered bad form by many, but I love it.

The only singer whose high notes can compare to Franco Bonisolli's is Franco Corelli. Corelli is simply the best tenor to ever sing roles such as Don Jose in Carmen, Manrico in Il Trovatore, Calaf in Turandot, and Cavaradossi in Tosca. There is a live recording of Corelli signing Cavaradossi in Parma, Italy in 1967. I think it is the greatest singing by any singer of any voice type ever recorded and, judging by their response, the live audience agrees. They went wild every time Corelli had an aria or hit a high note. The entire performance is available on YouTube.

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Belly Up Tavern:

Wednesday, July 7 — Charley Crockett. Thursday, July 8 — Charley Crockett. Friday, July 9 — The White Buffalo.

Brick by Brick:

Saturday, July 24 — Iron Maidens.

Cashah:

Saturday, July 3 — Neon Beat. Saturday, July 17 — Shattered Faith and Spider.

Embarcadero Marina Park North:

Saturday, July 10 - San Diego BayFest.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:

Thursday, June 24 — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival. \$5.

Legacy International Center:

Sunday, June 27 — Legacy Theater Grand Opening: Phil Keaggy. \$20-\$30.

Music Box:

Thursday, June 24 — Kaipora and Headphone. Friday, June 25 — Red Giant Project and Fungineers. Saturday, June 26 - Paul Oakenfold. Sunday, June 27 — Jordan T. Thursday, July 1 — Anthem and Golden Howl.

Petco Park:

Wednesday, June 30 - Midland and the Silent Comedy. Saturday, July 3 — Chris Lake. Sunday, July 4 — Chris Lake. Sunday, July 18 - Green Day, Fall Out Boy, Weezer.

Pour House:

Thursday, July 15 - Lost Monarchs. \$10.

Ouartvard:

Friday, June 25 — Jesus Trejo and Louis V Quartet. \$35-\$45.

Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center:

Saturday, July 10 — Jonathan Karrant & Joshua White.

Roxy Encinitas:

Saturday, July 10 - Rick Harchol, Free.

Soda Bar:

Friday, July 16 — Mrs. Magician and Black's Beach Boys. Saturday, July 17 — Creature Canyon and Hate Drugs. Friday, July 23 - Dani Bell & the

Starlight Theater:

Saturday, June 26 - Rick James' Original Stone City Band. \$20. Sunday, June 27 - Los Freddy's de Arturo Cisneros, \$15.

Friday, July 2 — Which One's Pink? \$15. Saturday, July 3 — Little River Band. \$49. Sunday, July 4 — Bill Medley & Bucky Heard. \$40. Friday, July 9 — Strangelove. \$20. Saturday, July 10 — Ohio Players.

Friday, July 16 — Hollywood U2, \$15.

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was home video that first began sawing away at television's umbilical cord. It was bad enough that stations sliced and diced movie running times quicker than a Popeil Chop-O-Matic to make room for commercial breaks. To further interfere with one's enjoyment of cinema, objectionable scenes were bleeped, tiled, or in many cases eliminated altogether. And after the digital makeover con-

verted movie screens into mini-Jumbotrons,

cinema finally laid down its arms and declared television the winner. Hell, one of its proudest and most influential voices has been reduced to shooting TV-safe goodfellas for Netflix. The reason I don't watch much television is because I get so much of it at the movies. So why all the buzz over Queen Bees?

The cast's the thing. Throughout their careers, these major players have all earned prime real estate in the mental memory boards of generations of moviegoers. Ellen Burstyn's (Helen Wilson) star turn as the feministic waitress in Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore not only put

her on the map, the character stands to this day as the strongest female voice ever to advance to the foreground of a Scorsese picture. James Caan's (Dan Simpson) "death by tollbooth" exit in The Godfather gave new meaning to the word "squib." The mere thought of Ann-Margret (Margot Clark) belting a chorus of "Bye Bye Birdie" as she floats against the current of a Mediterranean blue backdrop still sets my heart twitterpating. Chris-

> topher Lloyd's (Arthur Lane) contributions to the Back to the Future

trilogy alone are enough to occupy an infinitely indexed storage block, while Loretta Devine's (Sally Hanson) mighty comic presence breathed life into a pair of Whitney Huston vehicles: Waiting to Exhale and The Preacher's Wife. And to this day, Jane Curtin (Janet Poindexter) remains the most underappreciated Not Ready For Prime Time Player.

Helen has been on her own since her husband passed three years earlier. She's relatively self-sustaining and as sharp as the proverbial tack, give or take a nasty habit of locking herself out of the house. It's one thing to make a mistake in the morning, another to call in the



Queen Bees and a downed drone: Jane Curtin, Loretta Devine, Ellen Burstyn, Ann-Margret, and Courtney Gaines.

fire department to break in and extinguish that night's dinner after it has set the kitchen ablaze. It's at her daughter Laura's (Elizabeth Mitchell) insistence that Helen checks into nearby Pine Grove, a "swanky old people's home," just long enough for the structural damage to be repaired. But a renovation that was originally slated to take no longer than one month stretches on for several. Then Helen's initial reluctance about the place begins to thaw, thanks to her acceptance by members of the titular power clique

and a romance with newcomer Dan, the only lips to touch hers since becoming a widow.

Every spinster grade-school teacher that ever made your life miserable is contained in Curtin's Janet Poindexter. A bully by nature, it says a lot about a character that her son informed a neighbor that his mother had died. Henry Kissinger has nothing on Poindexter's ability to lead; it is she who decides if one deserves a seat at the lunch table. The ease with which Helen calls out her

bitchery awakens Janet's wrath, as well as stirring admiration among the ranks. When Janet at last begins showing signs of begrudging acceptance, Helen asks, "Who said I wanted to be one of you?" Without missing a beat, a composed but snotty Poindexter answers one question with another: "Why wouldn't you?"

This is quite the departure for director Michael Lembeck, whose target demographic prior to this skewed considerably younger (The Santa Clause 2 & 3, Tooth Fairy). (Lembeck



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as close to television as movies get, but damn if the cast doesn't keep one watching. If the writers are guilty of anything, it's over-plotting. As if Poindexter were not a big enough "B" to carry the picture, the authors can't resist adding unnecessary drama by turning Laura into a heavy. If Helen is forced to spend so much as one night under her roof, Laura threatens to put in a call that will permanently put an end to the center's planned expansion. Ditto the comedy of errors that emerges to temporarily clothesline romance. Compare this to the freedom and ease with which Helen and Sally share a joint together in bed. Why not trust your characters to do what's right rather than pack on the forced melodrama? ★★

—Scott Marks

New Release and Video on Demand Roundup

The Misfits — Neither a remake of the turgidly depressing John Huston neowestern with Nick Cannon in the role originated by Montgomery Clift, nor a return to form by once-prospering action director Renny Harlin (Born American, Die Hard 2). It starts well enough, with narrator Ringo (Cannon) informing us that of the 19,000 bank robbers arrested over a 5-year period, 19,000 of them were incapable of doing their jobs. Ringo's area of expertise is knocking over safe deposit boxes, and then only those that are heavily insured. A fan of robbing from the rich to give to the poor, Ringo eschews any comparisons to Robin Hood, if for no other reason than avoiding any obvious associations with the rogue of Sherwood Forest's last name. And please don't call them a gang: they're just a few individuals trying to do what's right. Joining Ringo in the internationally-assembled cast are a munitions expert named Wick (Mike Angelo), Violet (San Diego's own Jamie Chung) - equal parts contortionist and

sworn misandrist ("I don't date men. I kill them") - and real-life race car driver Rami Jaber as "The Prince." Along for the ride is Pierce Brosnan, picking up a check as Pace, a pickpocket who has no interest in working on the side of good, at least until he learns that his estranged daughter Hope (Hermione Corfield) is spearheading a plot to funnel the gold to aid in a refugee crisis. (The generally reliable Brosnan brings little more to the show than clapped-hands and a Jokeresque cackle.) It all begins to grate the moment Cannon is called upon to pull an Eddie Murphy by playing multiple roles. Were it the early '90s, this tale of knocking off a prison housing millions in gold bars might have had a better chance, but its oversimplified worldview and travelogue leanings — the producers appear to be on an Abu Dhabi honeymoon — are better suited for a time capsule than a 2020 release. In the end, the coveted red bird falls miles short of the stuff dreams are made of. 2021. — S.M. ★

The Night Beyond the Tricor**nered Window** — A floating neon triangle of paranormal healing provides the film with its elaborate title. Kosuke Mikado (Jun Shison) has been seeing dead people for as far back as he can remember. His fate changes the day Rihito Hiyakawa (Masaki Okada) appears on scene, not only possessed with the same psychic abilities as Mikado, but willing to hire the lad on the spot at double his current salary as a book clerk. (The job description calls for light housework and performing exorcisms.) His first assignment is to track down the missing body parts in an otherwise perfectly stitched Frankenstein creation. (One could have done without director Yukihiro Morigaki's intercutting a bloody crime scene with steaks sizzling on the griddle.) Next case, that of Erika Hiura (Yurina Hirate), a young woman capable of willing people to their deaths with words. The crimes lead to a part of Koto City that seems to breed random acts of killing, particularly among the shop owners. (Cops initially wrote the violence off as mobsters looking to set up storefront businesses.) It's around here that confusion sets in and the film's style and inner-logic begin to veer off course. In the case of the former that's not such a bad thing. Though it may seem like little more than a paranormal take on the Hardy Boys, according to The Japan Times this falls into a relatively new genre in Japanese storytelling known as "boy's love." But other than an occasional psychic embrace between boss and employee and Mikado's mom asking if there are any pretty girls for him to hook up with at his new place of employment, the film packs as much homoeroticsm as a Chiquita Banana commercial. Coming soon to a streaming service near you.

2021. — S.M. ★★



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— Scott Marks

For many, this four-minute

animated short would

THE CRITIC (1960)

provide their first bigscreen glimpse inside the mind of Mel Brooks. The fact-based backstory finds Brooks inside a theatre, watching an experimental short by the National Film Board of Canada's pioneer in pixelation, Norman McLaren. Seated behind Mel is an old Jewish guy who, through a thick Eastern European accent, spends a good chunk of the short's running time bemoaning its lack of plot. A few years earlier, Mel, along with Carl Reiner, had struck comedy gold with the best-selling LP The 2000 Year Old Man. It was just a matter of laying Mel's cranky commentary track over a series of McLaren-esque abstract designs animated by Ernest Pintoff. Brooks sat in a recording studio and, sight unseen, improvised a streamof-consciousness soliloquy. Released at a time when theatrical shorts were verging on extinction, this had an incredible shelf life. Ten years after its release, a wise Chicago exhibitor booked a scratchy 35mm print to screen as a prelude to Blazing Saddles.

THEATER OF BLOOD (1973)

Believe it or don't, Vincent Price's bread-and-butter roles in horror films were so numerous that he never got around to cracking Shakespeare. That is, until this picture offered him the opportunity to pack nine of the Bard's protagonists into one feature. No wonder Price ranked it among his favorites. Contrary to the actor who plays him, the only characters Edward Lionheart consents to embody are those written by the Bard. The presumed-dead actor would quite literally kill to get a good notice — it's the only way he knows to get even with the Theatre Members Guild, a group that refuses to give him the attention he so richly thinks he deserves.



The Critic: Will someone shut that guy up?

Lionheart picks off each member of the group serial-killer style, and in accordance with one of Shakespeare's plays. The entire film was shot on location, with many of the murders taking place inside the rundown theatre Lionheart keeps alive, waiting for the day he will stage a comeback. It also gives shelter to the hobo horde that Lionheart casts a Manson-like spell over, inciting them to kill. What follows is a delicious "death by billing" affair that posits an actor enacting revenge on a collection of critics played by a distinguished cast of British characters (Jack Hawkins, Harry Andrews, Robert Coote, Ian Hendry, etc.) — including the future Mrs. Price. It was suggested by co-star Diana Rigg that the then-married Price would make a perfect match for Coral Browne. (The couple remained together until Price's death in 1991.) The only misfire is Robert Morley's pink-toussled, poodle-toting poofter, an abused-to-death stereotype even in 1973. And the obvious drag-gag worked better in Richard Rush's *Color of Night*.

CRITIC'S CHOICE (1963)

If a surgeon is forbidden from operating on his or her spouse, shouldn't the same principle apply to a critic reviewing a play written by their partner? That's the foundational precept upon which this adaptation of Ira Levin's moderately successful 1960 play is based. (Actually,

it was based on the lives of top playwright Jean Kerr and the esteemed theatre critic she married, Walter Kerr.) Screenwriter Jack Sher (Shane, The Kid From Left Field) clearly tailored the character of theatre critic Parker Ballantine to suit Bob Hope's persona. Wife Angela is played here by Lucille

Ball. This was to be the comedians' fourth and final pairing, released not long after Lucy split from Desi. The part of the first Mrs. Ballantine went to Marilyn Maxwell, *aka* Bob's real-life "second Mrs. Hope."

With Angela in tow, a visibly agitated Parker stops for a little polite chatter with show producer S.P. Champlain (John Dehner) while making an Act III exit on the latter's latest Broadway clunker. The script actually calls for the play's young director to ask Champlain what the critic thought of the production. The little dialogue that did make the transition from stage to screen crackles with the sting of lessons learned. Otto Preminger helmed the Broadway version, while Don Weis drew big screen duties. Sadly, Weis' slapstick insertions act to distract. A reenactment of the balcony-dangling gag that suited Dean & Jerry & Tashlin so well in Hollywood or Bust plays like a mistimed mess. And while Lucy holds her own, too much of Hope's delivery smacks of one-liners scrawled on cue cards for a T.V. monologue.

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Saltwater: Bluefin tuna are still the big draw for anglers on full day and longer trips, and if they are biting within range of boats that can get to the hot zone around the 371 Bank, they will target them. Even though it is just a little over 30 miles from Point Loma, the full day boats are finding tough fishing at times. It is not that they do not have enough time to fish, but a full day boat schedule is normally from 5 am until 7 pm. The trip out to the 371 and back, including some time at the bait barge, is going to be between 6.5 and 8 hours, depending on ocean conditions. That leaves about 7 hours for fishing from

9 in the morning until they start heading in around 4 in the afternoon. The problem is that bluefin tuna tend to be finicky about the time they really want to eat. Add to that their fighting strength, sizes running from 20 pounds to well over 200 pounds, and knack of wearing out line, gear, and anglers. So timing and heavy enough gear can be more important than hours on the water. Then there is that thing called luck

Though there are other considerations that come into play — like how long between meals, lunar cycles, water temperature, and size of bait on the boat compared to the size of the bait they are preying on — the main thing this past week or so has been the time of day they really 'turn on.' Yellowfin tuna and skipjack tuna that will show up when warmer water pushes north mostly feed in the daylight, but



A grande on the Grande happy angler with a quality fish caught this past week aboard the Grande out of H&M Landing

bluefin tuna often tend to bite better in the late afternoon and well into the night, and by then the full day fleet is back at the dock, all scrubbed clean and ready to go in the morning. Overnight trips leave at 9PM and return by 7 pm the following evening, so they will have a window in the dark hours from around midnight until daybreak. 1.5 day trips depart at 7 pm, fish through the next day, and return the following morning at 6 am, so they are getting part of two nights fishing in, and it is showing in the counts. Full day prices for tuna trips are \$200-\$225, overnight trips are around \$300, and 1.5 day trips cost \$400-\$450. Generally, the longer the trip, the further the boats run, but boats and bluefin alike are concentrated in an area about 25 to 40 miles off Rosarito.

The Grande is running full day trins and worked the 371-area hard and caught 65 large bonito and no bluefin on Saturday, June 12th. It is not that they haven't been getting bluefin since they decided to switch from the yellowtail bite at the Coronado Islands to chase the tuna further offshore: it

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other reporting functions.

The email confirms multiple reports by city hall insiders that the changeover to the new vendor went less than smoothly, with key parts of the reporting system unavailable to the public and reporting campaigns.

As issues mounted, the city insisted that Netfile continue to provide its service through the end of April or face legal action.

"We discussed this through negotiations clearly that this contract and services would run through April 30," says a March 12 email from Diana Fuentes, a deputy director in the clerk's office, to Netfile's Diebert.

"Specifically, so that we could complete the Annual SD process through Netfile and not create an impact to our users for this filing obligation."

"Your threats of pulling the

plug the day before the deadline is reminiscent of what occurred last year right before the campaign deadlines. I hope that we will be able to get on the same page just as we did then."

"If you do not comply with the terms of the contract as confirmed by the Office of the City Attorney and continue service until April 30, 2021, we would have no other recourse [than] to proceed with further legal action for breach of contract," Fuentes wrote Diebert on March 15.

"Please confirm that you will be complying with the signed and approved contract and [provide] service through April 30, 2021."

Four hours later, Diebert wrote back: "Hindsight being 20/20, the agreement was not worded very well to start with, but that is water under the bridge.

"If you like, I am happy to have NetFile comp the service to the City for the month of April. We have appreciated your business for all these years and my goal is to leave on a positive note.

"We have made many friends over the years with San Diego. I miss Denise every time I think about San Diego and all the liaison trainings we did early on for several years at the City Clerk's office. I'm a huge fan of [City Clerk] Liz Maland, who has done an outstanding job and is an incredible person. I have enjoyed dealing with you as well Diana and Bonnie before you."

Matt Potter

Under the radar

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a result of the firm's efforts, the City released all claims against the contractor for liquidated damages and backcharges and agreed to pay the contractor over \$250,000 to resolve the contractor's claims for additional work and delays."

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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"Vintage kitchen" is not necessarily a selling point, but it does add to the period feel.

UNREAL **E**STATE

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peeling from the white-

and-yellow wood siding, and the landscaping looks either barren or overgrown, depending on where you look. But that's the exterior. "Details of every room are reminiscent of years gone by," the listing continues. And indeed, the bleak groundskeeping is easily forgotten as you step into the rich wood entryway, its corner staircase adorned with intricately-carved balusters and antique stained-glass windows. A plaque commemorating the home's historical designation is proudly displayed on a hutch. The living room has a grand fireplace with a similarly ornate mantle, wood-cased windows, exceptionally high ceilings, and what appear to be the original Julian pine floors, partially overlaid with a large rug. Elaborate wallpapers

Elaborate wallpapers generally don't curry much favor with modern tastes, but they're certainly in keeping with the mansion's vintage. Whether yellow, blue, green floral or even plaid, paper adorns most of the walls inside, even the bathroom with its claw-foot tub. What we see of the kitchen is rela-

tively spartan, even when considered in terms of a more modest home. A small counter and sink that seem more in sync with an early-1970s remodel than the original construction, and the stove looks so old that it might've once been powered by a wood fire (though it looks like there are now electric burners on the range top).

Upstairs is the interestingly curvaceous widow's walk, along with four neatly-kept (if somewhat small) bedrooms. In the attic where Clinton Culver reportedly hid his trafficking victims from authorities, we see some water spotting, indicating a roof problem past or present, but that's the visible extent of the squalor described by the preservation commissioner. "This home is rich in history with stories and legends dating back to the turn of the last century," the listing concludes. "Owned and restored by three different families, this home is awaiting its next family to create memories for."

In an indication that the bid to get the city to buy the property has either stalled or failed, the Culver-Myers-Capp estate was offered for sale to the general public by Capp's heirs in mid-May. The asking price of \$2,995,000 remains unchanged to date.

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6. Has a video call with

12. Rx prescribers

15. Bobby in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

16. Skirmish

17. "Either you do it ____ will" 18. "It's the protein acid's fault!"?

20. Thesaurus listing: Abbr.

21. Vet-assisting legislation of

22. One-named rapper with a hyphen in his name

24. Seriously hurt

26. Person who is completely new to South Florida?

30. Yearly records

32. First prize at the Juegos Olímpicos

33. Included in an email chain

34. Makeup experts?

35. Conseco Fieldhouse team

38. Follow-up after asking "Did you like this crossword's theme?" and getting zero response

44. Winner on eBay

45. Rami who won a Best Actor Oscar for "Bohemian Rhapsody"

46. "Take from me!"

50. Tax whiz, for short

51. Many a backpacker, at night

52. Travéling milliner?

56. "I'm do-o-one!"

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57. Mobile payment service owned by PayPal

58. Like most Bluetooth headsets

60. Suffix with Manhattan or Brooklyn

61. Kool-Aid Man or Pac-Man. e.a.?

67. Opposite of strict

68. "Slumdog Millionaire" setting

69. Pry

70. Police rank: Abbr.

71. Fountains of Wayne hit Mom"

72. "We did it!"

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1. MouthHealthy.org grp.

2. Bit of Highlands headgear

3. Fresh

4. Common gas station attachment

5. Elitist

6. Popular vodka brand, for short

7. Coleridge's "____ K
8. Big inits. in fashion Khan"

9. "Buckle Up, Dummies" ad, e.g.

10. Boston's Liberty Tree, e.g.

11. Take care of

12. Many a stained glass window

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14. Acted badly

19. Cook and Ćurry

23. Pipe material, for short

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star ____ Kapoor

27. Glutinous rice cake of Japan

28. "____ you loud and clear" **29.** Hall-of-Fame college

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Blonde" got 179 on hers, briefly

35. Pig of children's TV

36. Hitting

37. "Likewise"

39. Author of the 1984 memoir "Mavor"

40. Orange County city

41. One involved in mass production?

42. Can't live without

43. Gumbo vegetable

46. They take a lot of hammering

47. Morgue ID

48. "That's my cue!"

49. "The Office" character who marries Jim

51. Bygone smartphone

53. Brown buildings

54. Right now

___ Del Mar, "Brokeback 55. Mountain" role

59. Site that competes with Amazon Handmade

62. LGBTQ+ magazine since

63. John's dance partner in "Pulp Fiction"

64. "The Good Place" network 65. Baseball's Brock

66. Short albums, for short

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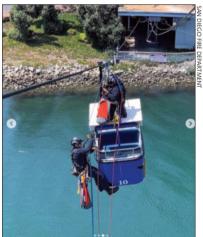
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branch. On the fire department's Instagram video, the firefighter is seen reaching out toward the black bird as it flaps its wings. "The crew was able to safely free the bird, which was handed over to the SD Humane Society officers," read the caption on the video. "Great rescue," karenrneill commented, "showing compassion and empa-



Ollie ollie osprey free!



thy for all creatures, great or small — job well done."

At about 9 am on May 13, the Humane Society called the fire department about an osprey stuck in fishing wire and hanging upside down about 80 feet up in a tree in Mission Bay Park. "It was crazy; that's the first time I saw a bird stuck like that, here," a San Diego County Parks & Recreation worker told me as he pointed to a large eucalyptus tree south of the San Diego Mission Bay Resort on May 15. "There were five [res-

cue] vehicles that pulled up." In the fire department's Instagram video of the osprey rescue, two firemen climb an aerial ladder protruding from Truck 20. One extends a tree pruner towards the white-and-black osprey, then slices the fishing line stuck on one of the bird's flapping wings. The osprey flies away, and the observers down below cheer and clap. "I'm impressed with the solution to cut the line with a hot stick," commented a nearby dweller, "I hope the hook comes out of its wing before too long."

"Thousands of birds are injured or killed each year when they become tangled in manmade materials, like fishing lines," says intobirds.com. "So it's important when you're fish-

ing always to dispose of unwanted fishing gear. And when you are out birding or hiking and see fishing line, please pick it up."

In April, the SD Fire-Rescue technical rescue personnel were at Sea World, across the bay from where they would rescue the osprey stuck on a fishing line a month later. The first responders utilized the gondolas and the hovering cables over the water to practice their high-elevation rescue skills, as seen on their Instagram. The caption reads, "This is an annual training exercise so the team can be prepared for any emergency."

MIKE MADRIAGA



The osprey was caught in a eucalyptus tree south of the San Diego Mission Bay Resort.



Teachers protest being asked to come up with a plan when they're not being paid.

TIJUANA

Who's Zoomin' who? Schools are closed, but working teachers still need paychecks

On June 7, teachers from all levels returned to schools in Baja California, where they will take part in designing a strategy to make classrooms across the state a safe place for students. But some of them, even full-time workers, have been almost a year without any pay. Veronica, who asked me not to publish her real name, is a middle school biology teacher who has taught online since August last year. She says she still has not gotten any checks from the state educational system. (Baja California's government owes non-full-time teachers 40 million pesos —\$2 million USD.)

The teacher said, "I have six groups of

55 or 60 students each in the evening. Now I work in the mornings at a furniture shop, and I even had to sell tortillas. Imagine how difficult it is to get back home and check the children's homework, give your class, prepare for the next day, and work in the morning for 200 pesos (\$10 USD)." She said has been reporting

this issue since the first month of delay, but state authorities claim it's a federal matter. "Sometimes I delay rent payments; thank God the landlord has waited for me."

Omaira Zamora, a middle-school visual arts teacher, has had no pay since last August. This means a debt of 80 thousand pesos (\$4000 USD). She found a way to make extra income by doing small designing jobs. "At the beginning, it was pretty slow, because events stopped, but now people are getting

active, and I'm doing personalized designs for events. I'm not against returning to classrooms; what I'm worried about is how I'm supposed to pay for gas to go to school or pay someone to babysit my daughters if I haven't been paid."

On June 2, the National Coordinator of Education Workers held a demonstration in front of the educational offices in Tijuana. Around 100 teachers protested the lack of an institutional plan for the reopening of schools and pointed out the responsibility the government is putting on teachers. Luis Reyes, an elementary school teacher, said: "It's not fair for us that the government is giving us responsibility to develop this plan. Our workload will be doubled. I understand it's part of our job, but it's impossible to do it when we have no financial stability, and



"It's not fair for us that the government is giving us responsibility to develop this plan. Our workload will be doubled."

when the government is not taking responsibility and has just decided to send us back to schools."

The federal and the state governments have stated that students will have to return to classrooms in August. According to the union leader Marco Pacheco, this is not enough time to get all the schools ready, especially those that have been vandalized during the pandemic.

IVÁN MOLINA

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Inappropriate Behavior

■ Jerry Detrick, 70, was cited by Greenville, Ohio, police on May 30 for "littering," The Smoking Gun reported. What he actually was doing was defecating and urinating on his neighbor's lawn when the homeowner discovered him around 3:15 a.m. Matthew Guyette called 911 after spotting Detrick relieving himself next to a hedge. Detrick, a self-described "Trump man" who lives a couple of blocks away, told police that he targeted Guyette's home because he and his partner "are Democrats and support Joe Biden." Reportedly, Detrick had been leaving his mark on the lawn for about 10 years, along with restaurant napkins he used to wipe. He is scheduled to appear in court on June 8.

Low-Tech Solution

- During the COVID-19 pandemic, grounded planes were often parked in deserts -- ideal conditions for storing them. But aircraft maintenance crews also discovered unwanted guests: snakes. So Australian airline Qantas added one more item to its engineering kit: a "wheel whacker," also known as a broom handle. Before crews begin their landing gear inspections, they circle the plane, stomping their feet and whacking the wheels to scare off sleepy snakes, said engineering manager Tim Heywood. The "feisty rattlers love to curl up around the warm rubber tires and in the aircraft wheels and brakes," he said, according to CNN. "We've encountered a few rattlesnakes and also some scorpions, but the wheel whacker does its job and they scuttle off."

Awesome!

— On May 20, Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey signed into law a bill to override a 1993 ban on yoga practice in public schools, The New York Times reported. While conservative groups had posited that yoga and Hinduism and Buddhism are inseparable, the bill gained approval from the state House and Senate before arriving on Ivey's desk. But fear not! Students will still be prohibited from "chanting," and instructors will not be allowed to use Sanskrit names for yoga poses or to say "Namaste." The Rev. Clete Hux isn't having it, though: "Schools should not be in the position of endorsing possible altered states of consciousness," he said. State Rep. Jeremy Gray, a certified yoga instructor, begs to differ: "Anyone who has taken yoga, we know that namaste is not something religious."

All in the Family

- Erica Jenkins, 31, is serving a life sentence at the Nebraska Correctional Center for Women in York, Nebraska, for the murder of Curtis Bradford in 2013. (Her brother, Nikko Jenkins, is on death row for the same murder.) She has asked York County District Court to consider her petition to change her name to Elluminati Egoddess Erikka Prestige, the *Omaha World-Herald* reported on June 3. She's not alone in her odd behavior during incarceration; her brother has reportedly completed a series of self-mutilations while in prison, including

carving 666 into his forehead, slicing his tongue and cutting his penis as a tribute to an Egyptian serpent god. Jenkins has asked for a July 12 court date in regard to the name change.

Don't Go There

Staff at the El Paso Zoo in Texas are preparing to press charges against a woman who jumped into a spider monkey exhibit on May 22 and fed Flamin' Hot Cheetos to the animals, the *El Paso Times* reported. Zookeepers found out about the stunt through Instagram, where someone posted video of the woman underneath a waterfall, with the monkeys just feet away. "This young lady decided to hop a fence, climb through some bushes, drop down into a 4-feet-deep moat, walk across the moat and then try to feed the spider monkeys," zoo director Joe Montisano said. "It was stupid. She's very fortunate that it didn't have a worse outcome for her or the animals." While the woman hasn't been named, her employer, Lovett Law Firm, recognized her and she was fired from her job there.

Bright Ideas

Adele Belizaire, 54, was held in the Pinellas County (Florida) jail after a stunt she pulled to "blow off steam" on May 11, *The Smoking Gun* reported. Belizaire, frustrated with her loss of nearly \$400 playing slot machines at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tampa, called the casino on her cellphone that evening from her hotel in Clearwater Beach and said, "I left a bomb in your casino." What she failed to

remember was that as a member of the casino's Player's Club, her phone number was on file. In her confession, she admitted that she has "anger issues."

Compelling Explanations

— In mid-May, an Indian engineer with the Sardar Sarovar Punarvasvat Agency (SSPA) in Gujarat was asked to explain why he hadn't been coming in to work, the *Deccan Chronicle* reported. Rameshchandra Fefar, who is in his late 50s, replied that as the 10th incarnation of Lord Vishnu, he is very busy doing "penance" and "I can't do such penance sitting in office. I realized that I am Kalki Avatar when I was in my office in March 2010. Since then, I am having divine powers," Fefar said. He claims that his ongoing penance is the reason that India has had good rainfall for 19 years.

Canine Chronicles

— The Edmonton Fire Rescue Service in Alberta, Canada, was called out on April 20 by reports of a dog driving a car down Guardian Road, United Press International reported. Firefighters determined the dog had been left alone in the car and accidentally shifted it into neutral, allowing it to roll along the road. They were able to stop the car and rescue the dog without incident.

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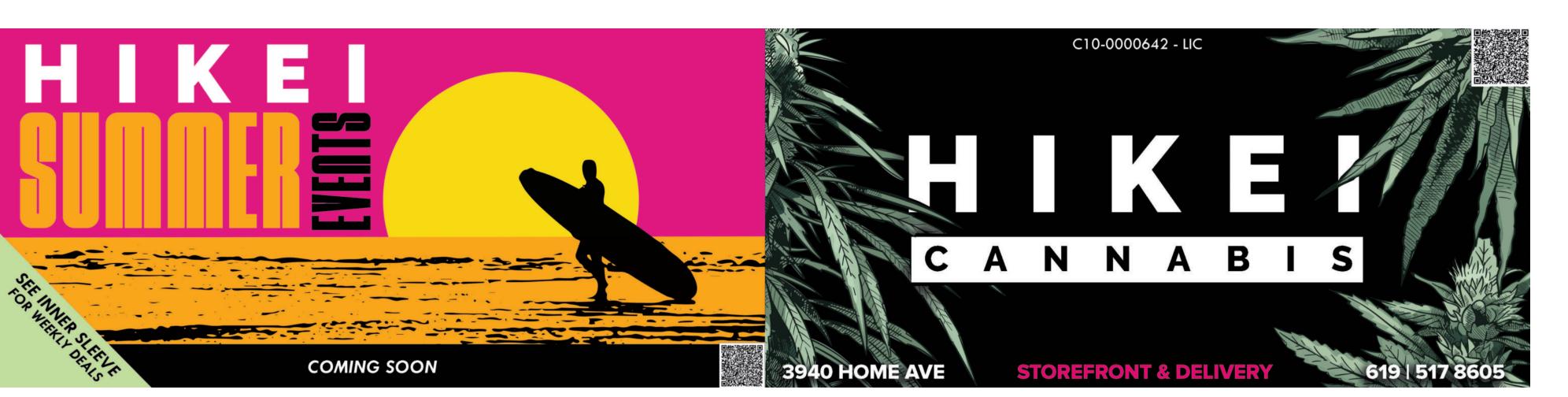


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