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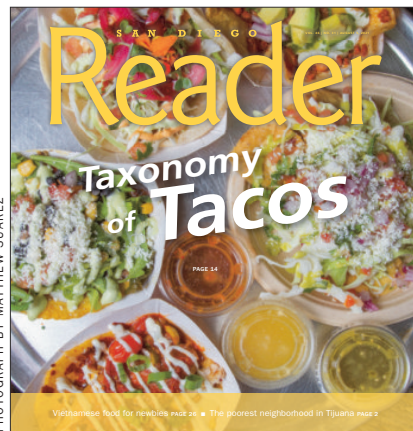
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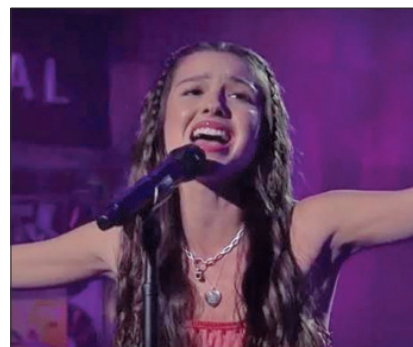
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By Reader stringers

TIJUANA

Dozers vs. denizens

Squatters hunker down and hope in makeshift manses

The media calls *El Cerro de las Abejas*, 22 miles from the border and situated on the eastern edge of the city, “the poorest neighborhood in Tijuana.” But despite the extreme heat during the day, the cold at night, and the lack of public services, at least 277 families have made it their home. Migrants like Maria, who is originally from Nayarit, decided to settle in the area in huts made from recycled materials. “I was living in a shelter, but there we had to pay 500 pesos (25 U.S. dollars) per week,” says Maria. “For me, it’s complicated, because I have a daughter who has developed an infection and needs certain medicine. Right now the heat is a big problem for us, and we’re getting water from a tanker truck that comes just sometimes. It has been really hard.”



PHOTOGRAPH BY CRISTIAN VILICANA

Jose Rulfo- “I have a daughter in the U.S., but I don’t like to be asking her so often for help.”

Jose Rulfo, an older man who spent 26 years living in the United States and now has a kidney stone problem, is unable to work. “I’m struggling with this kidney issue I have; the doctor gave me pills for it but I’m still in pretty bad condition. I have a daughter in the U.S., and she helps me sometimes, but I don’t like to be asking her so often for help. I am a really good worker, and now I can’t even do that because of my kidney.”

The settlement has troubled some neighbors since the new families started coming in June, but the tipping point came on June 23. Soon thereafter, a group from the



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Living on the edge in El Cerro de las Abejas.

adjacent Las Abejas neighborhood held a protest at city hall demanding eviction of the families; they were afraid of the effects the new arrivals would have. Salvador Garcia, one of the neighbors’ leaders, says, “Near there is a soccer field that they are also invading. We have to defend that hill, because it has been used by neighbors that have lived here years and years. And some

came that day; they told us that we had 72 hours to leave. They gave us a paper where it says that we could earn one to six years in prison for invading. But nothing has happened. We had our things here, like our stove, but because of fear that the police can take belongings, we now keep them with my husband’s family”.

According to Tijuana’s police depart-

“A lot of police came that day; they told us that we had 72 hours to leave. They gave us a paper where it says that we could earn one to six years in prison.”

are taking electricity from the public line without paying.”

On July 16, Tijuana’s Police Department tried to enforce an order from city hall to evict the settlers, but instead of outright force, the half dozen police patrols and bulldozer were used as a threat to persuade the invading families to leave voluntarily. One of the squatters reports: “A lot of police

ment, 70 percent of the residents left after the warning, but the most vulnerable remained. Now they are waiting, and placing their hopes in a political promise. On July 23, Governor Jaime Bonilla visited the *Las Abejas* neighborhood and promised the settlers public property lots no more than 20 minutes away for 100 pesos (5 dollars). Ali Ozuna, a neighbor who had protested



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Salvador Garcia, one of the neighbors’ leaders- “We have to defend that hill.”

the settlers, was displeased: “We all are struggling, they want things the easy way. Why doesn’t the governor help families who have debts to pay on their houses? It’s just unfair.”

Some settlers are convinced the promise is a smokescreen, because Jaime Bonilla leaves the government in three months. “We just want proper housing for our families because rents are just impossible to pay,” Maria says. And now with just about 30 percent of the people remaining, Maria feels even more insecure, because according to her, they were all taking care of each other. Now, with their numbers reduced and their status uncertain, Maria and her neighbors are more vulnerable than ever.

IVAN MOLINA

NORTH PARK

Bikes vs. bistros

Street fight brewing over Spaces and Places

As the city moves to make outdoor dining permanent, a few hitches remain. Spaces as Places, a post-pandemic draft plan to develop the many outdoor niches discovered during lockdown more fully, isn’t only about dining. The city also wants to advance its climate goals. Wider sidewalks. Extra room for outdoor tables. More space for pedestrians and bicyclists to use the streets safely. But is it even possible? Many outdoor patios already block sidewalks and bike paths in North Park. Vibrant new spaces “cannot come at the expense of transit, bicycle, or pedestrian infrastructure,” says a letter from Circulate San Diego.



Laura Shinn, one of five bicyclists killed in the last month.

San Diego’s bike and transit network is itself a work in progress. In some cases, planned bicycle or transit lanes are years away. Advocates support the program, but worry that restaurants may come to depend on their outdoor space and feel entitled to it. “This can already be seen in conflicts around outdoor

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NEWS TICKER

By Reader staff writers

Welk unwelcome at KPBS

And *A Way With Words* makes way for *Our Body Politic*

Retired educator Doug Knox is a big fan of KPBS radio/TV. As a \$100-a-month supporter of the non-commercial stations, he's in the KPBS Producer's Club. KPBS thanks Producer's Club members by giving them access to special events and social activities. Five years ago, Knox went to Iceland on a trip organized for KPBS Producer's Club members.

But Knox, who lives in Crown Point, was not consulted on a recent programming change that impacted one of his favorite shows on KPBS-FM. He's a longtime fan of *A Way With Words*, a weekly one-hour show on language that is locally produced but features callers from across the country. "I just like language and how they play with it," says Knox. "It's fun to hear where the words come from." Recently, the show, which is hosted by locals Grant Barrett and Martha Barmette, was taken out of its longtime 3 pm Sunday slot and moved to 5 am the same day. The station has made it clear that *A Way With Words* is available via podcast, so folks can listen any time they want. But Knox, who listens to KPBS-FM only when he's in the car, says downloading radio shows is just something he doesn't do. Instead, he says, "I vote for putting *A Way With Words* back on a time when I am awake."

Docent Betty Peabody has been volunteering in Balboa Park for 52 years. She too is a longtime supporter of KPBS and *A Way With Words*. She tells how she used to talk up the show to former SDSU President Stephen Weber. "I told him this is exactly the kind of show we want to hear on NPR. It covers every culture, all our different dialects – whether our words came from Greek or Roman roots. It is a huge asset, and it's right from our own back yard. And this is one of the few NPR shows that really embraces the young people who call in and get put on the air." Peabody says she hates to have it moved to such an odd hour. "It's on at a reasonable time in hundreds of other communities. What's wrong with here in its own hometown?" And like Knox, Peabody doesn't listen to podcasts. "I just entered my 90th year. I do not use a computer and I don't



KPBS has a way with scheduling; just ask smiling *Our Body Politic* host Farai Chideya

have devices to record things. If I don't watch or listen to them in actual time, I don't get to hear them at all."

Recent weekend programming changes made by KPBS management suggest that *A Way With Words*' exile to a pre-sunrise hour may have due in part to KPBS' wide embrace of minority-themed shows. *Latino USA* took *A Way With Words*' former time slot. The shows *It's Been a Minute* and *Our Body Politic* are now aired twice Friday-through-Sunday. *A Way With Words* has only ever taken up one hour per weekend. *Our Body Politic* is self-described as "A podcast unapologetically reporting how women of color impact today's political events." One segment on *It's Been a Minute* was called "constant images of Black pain in the news."

KPBS Producers Club member Knox says he is all for minority-focused programming. "But it seems like they could find someplace better than five in the morning for *A Way With Words*." A different Producer's Club member who declined to be named says the changes may be due to an overreaction to Black Lives Matter, and that "the pendulum will eventually swing back."

Here's how John Decker, KPBS Interim Associate General Manager, describes the new format tweaks. "The changes in our programming lineup allow for other programs to be added to the schedule and bring new audiences to public media. It is common practice to shift schedules around in response to audience interest and content that reflects current, important social conversations."

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UNDER THE RADAR

Seven-figure overrun San Diego city officials have gotten a splash of cold water over their handling of last year's showers-for-the-homeless program, called Operation Shelter to Home, in a July 21 report by City Auditor **Andy Hanau**. "The City had an existing contract with a vendor establishing a monthly price of \$20,000 per 8-stall portable shower trailer," says the document. "However, from March through November 2020, the vendor charged the City more than double its contracted rate, overcharging the City by about \$1,118,000, including more than \$721,000 that was reimbursed from the Coronavirus Relief Fund." A late-year expansion of the program brought even costlier overruns hidden from the city council. "We also found that the City did not obtain City Council approval for the increase in the portable showers contract, which increased from \$3,000,000 to \$6,092,608 in October 2020." Notes the report, "According to the Chief Operating Officer's



Andy Hanau is not a fan of making it rain on the city's dime.

June 9, 2021, memorandum to the Office of the City Auditor, City staff are preparing to bring the portable showers contract back to City Council in July 2021 to obtain approval for the overage." The audit recommends that officials "determine if the City should pursue a refund from the vendor for up to \$1.118 million in payments made by the City above the contracted rate for the portable showers," which they pledged to do. "If a refund is provided, the Department of Finance should also reallocate the \$721,000 in overcharged funds reimbursed from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to other eligible expenses." Meanwhile, the document says, "the contract for food services at Operation Shelter to Home has not been ratified by City Council," yet another omission that **Matthew Vespi**, the city's Chief Financial Officer, in a July 20 memo to Hanau, has promised to rectify.

Consultants' dream While San Diego mayor **Todd Gloria** continues to parse the findings of his homeless consulting guru **Matthew Doherty**, the county of San Diego is out with a call for a consultant of its own to advise its newly formed Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities. Among Doherty's recommendations, endorsed by Gloria and approved by the city council, is a newly created city Department of Homelessness Strategies and Solutions, run by **Hafsa Kaka**, whose last stop was Homeless Solutions Officer for the City of Riverside. Before that, Kaka had a similar position in Santa Ana, where in 2019, she got a total of \$176,746 in pay and benefits, according to the *Transparent California* website. Doherty was

paid \$50,000 for his work for Gloria, according to a January 30 *Union-Tribune* report.

So just how many more taxpayer-paid anti-homeless strategists are needed? Now, in a July 16 Request for Quotation, the county says it is looking for a consultant "to develop a County Enterprise Homeless Solutions and Prevention Action Plan." Adds the request: "The goal is for this Action Plan to be a document that serves as a strategic framework with a laser-focused approach recognizing the urgency and complexity of the

problem." A "needs assessment to help identify recommended changes to approaches to homeless solutions and identify gaps across service sectors and areas of success, and best and promising practices" is also on the bill. San Diego is identified as one of 18 "city partners" to be kept in the county's loop via special meetings called "convenings." "Contractor shall work with the Office of Homeless Solutions to identify and engage cross-sector

stakeholders to participate in convenings. Convenings may be conducted in person and/or virtually." No costs are given.

Tanking up with Toni Another famous San Diego developer name has shown up as a giver to San Diego ex-mayor **Kevin Faulconer**'s bid to become governor. **Michael Neal**, president and CEO of H.G. Fenton Company, came up with \$2500 on July 27. Meanwhile, local legislative Democrats have also been busy picking up campaign cash. On July 7, Our Voice Our Vote, the ballot measure fund run by Assemblywoman **Lorena Gonzalez**, got \$10,000 from the Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians of Oakhurst. Kindred Healthcare Operating LLC of Louisville, Kentucky, gave Gonzalez's 2022 reelection committee \$5000 on July 5. A midyear filing by Senate Pro Tem **Toni Atkins** shows that her Atkins for Lt. Governor 2026 committee raised \$194,690 from the beginning of the year through June 30 and

spent \$19,742, ending the period with \$174,947 of cash in the bank. \$4838 was spent at Bottega Napa Valley for a June 25 dinner with Atkins, spouse **Jennifer LeSar**, who runs subsidized housing consulting business, and 24 supporters. A fundraiser at Brasserie Capitale in Sacramento cost \$1106, and a June 26 "lunch pairing" with Atkins, Le Sar, and 13 supporters at Brasswood Cellars in St. Helena ran \$1987.

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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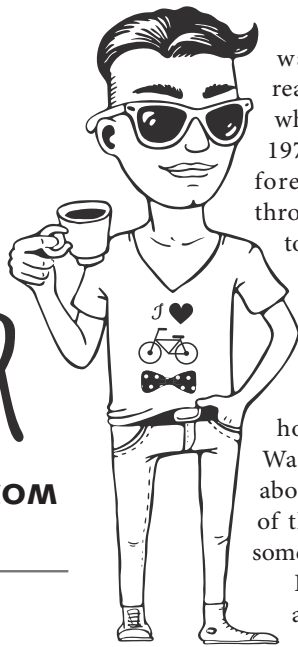
Dear Hipster:

Here's an obviously non-controversial premise for you: hipsters are very nostalgic, and they love old-fashioned stuff so much that they're constantly imitating past trends in an effort to color modern life with the shades and hues of yesteryear. That's all well and good, but I take umbrage with at least one aspect of that. Namely, I suspect "nostalgia" isn't really the right feeling, and I can't rightly say what is. Most hipsters are pretty young, and they may not have even been

— RICH

I suspect you have this one perfectly backwards, although not altogether wrong. The hipster love of all things vintage means that nothing is truly off-limits when it comes to mining the past for gems of retro pop culture. This ordinarily results in young people acting like their parents and not admitting it. See, for example, their devotion to synthwave music and fashionable mustaches. You rightly note the vast difference between being nostalgic for things you don't technically remember experiencing in real time and stuff that's part of your history and about which you have real memories.

With respect to the former, it's a lot easier to generate a favorable impression of something you don't actually remember, because you can look at it through whatever set of rose-tinted glasses you happen to have handy. By



way of example, it's really easy for somebody who was born after the 1970s ended, and therefore didn't have to live through the actual 1970s, to describe a contemporary bar or restaurant as having a "cool '70s vibe" because it has a Terrazzo floor and the bartender knows how to make a Harvey Wallbanger — which is about as far as the concept of the 1970s extends for someone born in, say, 1991.

In contrast, it can be a lot trickier to feel genuinely nostalgic over a retro recreation

of something you actually remember, because either (a) you remember how bad the real thing was, and you'd sooner forget it; or (b) the retro recreation can never live up to your (probably unreasonable) personal expectations. For example, a person who lived through the actual 1970s might walk into a bar with a "cool '70s vibe," and then immediately walk right out again after concluding

she has no desire to relive a decade of disco and cars that could do 0-60 in 17 seconds on a good day and kill you in even a low-speed wreck. On the other hand, when you've got sweet memories of partying in a shag-carpeted basement the first time you ever heard *Rocket to Russia*, there's

never going to be a revival that can hold a candle to the real thing, so hipster nostalgia perpetually fails to measure up.

That's why nostalgia is a funny business, and I think we have to reverse your basic argument in order to make it ring true. Because nostalgia is more effective when it's not based on actual memories, hipster nostalgia ultimately proves to be a purer form of nostalgia. It's a nostalgia without anguish or disappointment, which is why it proves so enduring. Of course, to end on a slightly more cynical note, it's probably also why it proves to darn profitable in so many instances. But that's a tale for another day!

— DJ Stevens



Were those the days?

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.

Pathetically satirical

Satire articles are pathetic attempt to copy *The Onion* ("Torrey Pines High School becomes all-white campus in effort to combat racism," SD on the QT: *Almost Factual* News, July 30). It is confusing for most readers and they believe the article is true. It is click bait which causes a waste of time making people more dumb. I will not read nor click any article from the *Reader* and do not support a racist magazine who fakes this white article in attempt to cause hate. Your advertisement of weed is against federal law. Try advertising and writing about family businesses or some truth. I am upset on this fake article and that you promote it.

Name withheld
Poway

[The story was labeled "Almost Factual."]

F-worded disgust

I just read an article about Torrey Pines being a white school and I have to say that I am absolutely disgusted by this rhetoric being spread about children. I understand that there's a systemic issue, but I feel like trying to combine humor on such a serious topic is unconscionable. It's morally bankrupt. I feel like this person is speaking out of turn about things that are painting a broad brush of the school without even knowing the efforts of the people that work in that community or even knowing the demographics of that community. And then to put children's faces as the cover and put pictures of the cheerleaders hold-

ing up the words "white" as if it's their responsibility or their fault is absolutely disgusting and I am appalled that this would be published. I don't know if it was supposed to be like an *Onion* take, supposed to be humorous, but it was nasty and the *Reader* is fucking gross for fucking publishing this.

Anonymous

[The children's faces were blurred out.]

Just asking

I just wanted to know if the Torrey Pines HS story is factual.

Kristina Costa
Calexico

Past tense

RE: Caption, "Doug Manchester likely won't be taking Barrack to the future." ("Indicted Trump donor funded Doug Manchester hotel," News Under the Radar, July 28) Perfect!

DB

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"Mom carried him into Escondido's Learning Jungle"

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This is a sad, sickening story. Being a new grandparent, again, and looking at the infant, I cannot imagine how such stuff happens, and yet I know that it does, and more than many of us think. At least it now appears that he's in good hands, and can grow up without being constantly bruised and in danger of fractures.

—Visduh

"Temple Emanu-El: a wonderful encounter with a homeless man" Sheep and Goats
July 23

I'm not Jewish, or even religious. But after reading this, I sure love and appreciate Rabbi Marcus and others like her.

—David Batterson

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College student roommate

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SDSU student ISO roommate

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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dining facilities that have been built in the way of the planned 30th street bikeway,” the letter continues.

As of June 25, 2021, the city has approved 435 applications for temporary outdoor business operations. In May, the city extended those permits until July 2022, and some restaurants that have kept their outdoor dining use parklets that intrude into bike lanes. The plan is to have Spaces as Places up and running when the current permits expire next year. To avoid future conflicts, Circulate San Diego says the program should not allow interim use of public right of way where new bike lanes are planned, as shown in SANDAG’s 2021 Regional Plan, the city’s Bicycle Master Plan, and individual community plans. Future transit lanes are harder to figure. The draft regional plan isn’t clear about which Rapid buses will run on a dedicated right-of-way, they say, so the program should not use any right-of-way along planned Rapid bus lines.

Spaces as Places includes streeteries, wherein restaurants and breweries take



What these folks need is a heaping helping of safety regulations.

codes. Currently, a design manual is being developed to go with the proposed regulations, which include a fee structure based on square footage for the exclusive use of the public right-of-way. Public input will include surveys, two workshops, and hearings in July and August.

for streets with speed limits over 25 mph, streeteries should be protected from traffic using quick-build projects that require only paint, planter boxes, and flex posts. Far cheaper than permanent curb extensions, these measures create safety through visual and physical separation, and through bar-

allowed where there are bike lanes.

Jacob Mandel with the San Diego County Bicycle Coalition says they fully support businesses taking over parking spaces for outdoor dining — “so long as they comply with the rules and regulations of their permit.” A few businesses have taken over bike lanes, and per the terms of their permit, agreed to maintain the bikeway around the outdoor dining area, he says. Most have complied — but not all. Mandel: “We call on the city to take immediate action to address the businesses that don’t comply with their permit and maintain the bicycle infrastructure around their outdoor dining.” He says businesses that aren’t complying with their permit create dangerous situations for cyclists by forcing them out into traffic.

The Coalition supports the proposed program, he says, which it sees as an opportunity for the city to create meaningful public spaces and badly needed infrastructure. And he says the real issue isn’t outdoor dining blocking bicycle lanes. “It’s that our city has given away valuable public space to motor vehicles for free, leaving small busi-

“Our city has given away valuable public space to motor vehicles for free, leaving small businesses, cyclists, and pedestrians to fight over a minuscule amount of pavement.”

over former parking spots; social curbs, a permanent extension of curbs into parking lanes for recreation, dining or socializing; dining in private parking lots in transit priority areas; and promenades, where streets are partially or completely closed to vehicles. Juggling such spaces in San Diego’s urban terrain requires that the planning department develop regulations that make them comply with fire safety and access, stormwater, ADA accessibility, and traffic safety

A majority of respondents thus far want outdoor dining to continue, and walkability was also high on the wish list. For its part, the city emphasizes that safety is the priority —and bicyclists couldn’t agree more on the need for protected lanes. Over a one-month period, five local cyclists have died while riding; most recently on Pershing Drive, when a car veered into the bike lane, killing Laura Shinn, SDSU’s director of facilities planning. Circulate San Diego suggests that



Curbside dining in Encinitas. Sidewalk customers protected by orange barriers.

riers like bollards.

At a meeting of the Covid-19 Response and Recovery Committee on July 26, councilmembers asked planners about patios jutting into the roadway and other safety issues. “How are we going to prevent cars from crashing into seating?” councilmember Whitburn asked. Planning staff responded that a 42-inch barrier, considered a good measure of safety and visibility, will be required. In addition, street trees must be elevated and made flush with sidewalks. Councilmember Rivera asked about plans to slow traffic, saying barricades might not stop a car going 50 mph. Staff replied that street trees would be allowed only where the speed limit is 30 mph. Asked how the city will approach conflicts between bike lanes and parklets, planners replied that street trees won’t be

nesses, cyclists, and pedestrians to fight over a minuscule amount of pavement”

The program will be considered for adoption by the city council this fall.

SHEILA PELL



Tofu House couldn’t invest more than five grand to build its outdoor venue.

OTAY MESA Ocean vs. oil

700 gallons leaking near storm drain

On the morning of July 12, workers in the Otay Mesa area called the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department to check on an abandoned white Isuzu flatbed truck that was carrying about 700 gallons of used motor oil. “[It’s] a truck leaking what appeared to be motor oil, leaking possibly into the storm drain,” said Alma Lowry, a fire captain with the fire-rescue department, in an *OnScene.tv* interview. “We were experiencing a few drips,

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He Crawled 700 Miles On His Hands and Knees

There's a rare affliction called the 38-Year-Old Burned-Out-Carpenter Disease. You wake up one morning and your body is crippled, your wife has left you, you're broke, and your dog got run over. All I had to show for it was about 700 miles of base. At this point, the carpenter has several options: cocaine (stupid), contractors' school (did you say school?), change within the trade (possible), or get out of the trades completely (good idea). **JUNE 24, 1993**

Never in the History of the World Has Man Moved Such Volumes of Water Such Distances

Steve is frowning now. Have I noticed how often a plumber is the point of the parable, the butt of the joke? He likes people who talk to him, he likes to find out who they are, but often when he goes to ritzy areas such as Rancho Santa Fe the customer won't give him the time of day. He'll try to strike up a conversation and they'll say "Yeah, the bathroom's over there." **JUNE 26, 1997**

All Things Struggle to Remain What They Are

The bathrooms are cleaned every night so you don't get that nightmare scenario I

feared: being ankle deep in dukes, plunger in hand, scraping congealed vomit hardened into a tough polymer off the sides of the thrones with dental instruments and a putty trowel. You clean the mirrors, the sinks, the towel racks, the top and insides of the cans, replace the hand towels and bunwad, wipe the fingerprints off the light switches and door handles. **SEPT. 2, 1999**

Mechanical Man

"When you go into people's homes, you're letting yourself into all kinds of things. You see every aspect of life. I used to go down to North Park and East San Diego, and, boy, was that a mistake. That ended real fast. I'm talkin' about Logan Heights and workin'



"I was a Maytag dealer for four years, and it was one of the busiest times of my life. It's not that Maytags break down a lot, it's just that there are a lot of them out there."

on this one refrigerator in this apartment complex that was cockroach city. I took the panel off this refrigerator, and there must have been a thousand of the things." **OCT. 1, 1992**

Here to Clean Up

Bruce's departed tenant had left telltale signs of the "young bachelor" — a floor

so encrusted with dirt in places that I had to chisel it off with a knife, a refrigerator reeking of mildew, and a blackened stove that appeared to be the veteran of several exploding grease fires. If it weren't for Easy-off and Comet, cleaning that stove would have taken all day. The only fixture in the kitchen that I bypassed was a cobweb-festooned window. **MAR. 22, 1990**

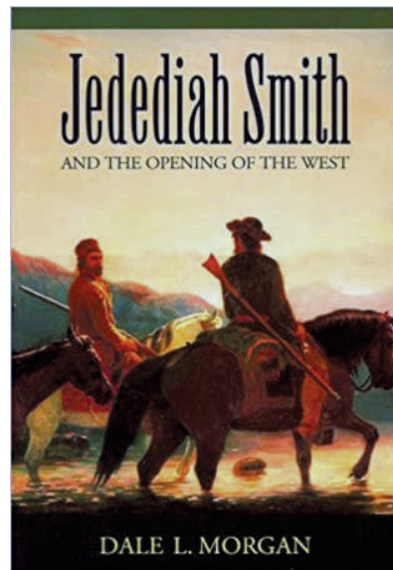
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SAN DIEGO IN BOOKS — OUR CITY IS MENTIONED BY AUTHORS OVER THE AGES

Jedediah Smith and the Opening of the West

AT LAST ON DECEMBER 8, word from San Diego, brought by Captain William H. Cunningham of the ship *Courier*, a Bostonian who had been on the coast since the previous June. The Governor required Jedediah's presence in San Diego. The following morning, Jedediah set out on horseback with the captain, taking the black boy, Peter Ranne, as a servant and having, as Jedediah says, "a Soldier for a guide or guard (furnished by the Gov.)."

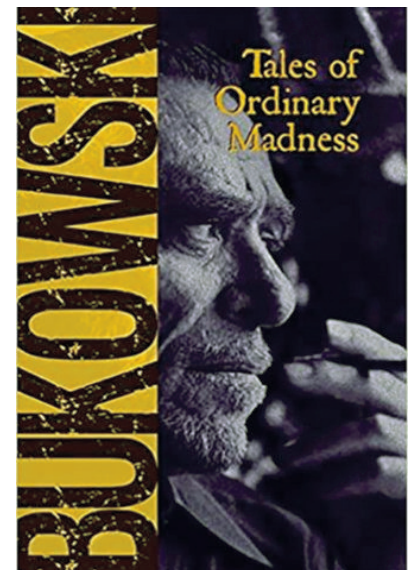
They reached San Diego at 2:00 p.m. on December 12. It had suited the Governor-General, Jose Maria Echeandia, to administer the affairs of the province from this sunbaked place rather than the old capital, Monterey; some said the climate was the attraction, others looked knowingly at a lady of the town. The presidio stood on the slopes of a barren hill, enclosed by high walls of dark, unburned brick. On one side of the square thus formed



stood the accommodations built for the officers and their families; opposite were the chapel and storehouses. Directly in front of the gateway was the residence of the *Comandante*, which not only overlooked the square but afforded a magnificent view of the seacoast.

"The Stupid Christs" from Tales of Ordinary Madness

SKORSKI, instead of planing for L.A., decided on San Diego, it had been a long time since he'd been to Caliente racetrack, and he had this thing worked out on the 5-10, he felt he could pick 5 for 6 without buying too many combos, he'd rather figure out a weight-distance-speed ratio play that seemed fairly sound, he remained fairly sober on the flight back, stayed one night in San Diego, then took a taxi to Tijuana, he switched taxis at the border and the Mexican cabby found him a good hotel in the center of town, he put his bag of rags in a closet in his room and then went out to check the town, it was about 6 p.m. and the pink sun seemed to soothe the poverty and anger of the town, poor shits, close enough to the U.S. to speak the language and know its corruption, but only able to drain away a



little of the wealth, like a suckerfish attached to the belly of a shark.

Dan found a bar and had a tequila. Mexican music was on the juke. 4 or 5 men sat around nursing drinks by the hour, no women around,

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"He remained fairly sober on the flight back, stayed one night in San Diego, then took a taxi to Tijuana..."

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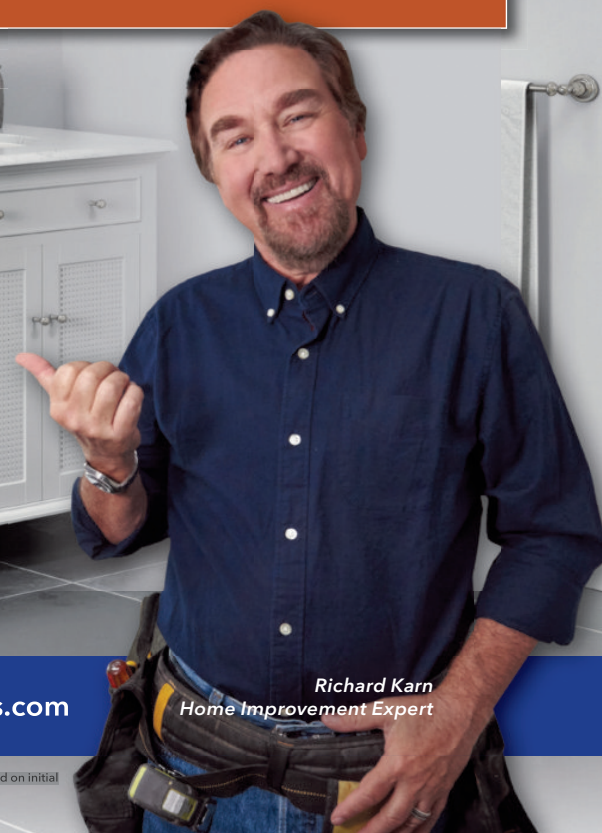
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Jeff attaches cables. Above him, the 4G transmitter cell he is installing. Is the apartment below safe?

A node by my abode

"I'm a node worker," says Josh Montes.

He's in the alley, sitting on a makeshift work bench, fiddling with metal brackets. Jeff, his buddy — supervisor actually — is up in a bucket, attaching cable to a pole.

"Uh, node worker?" I ask. I've just stopped for a moment to see what this is about. Because it's all happening something like 20 feet across the alley from where my bedroom is. Josh and Jeff are installing a 4G transmitter cell up on this wooden pole.

"Yes, this is technically considered a node, a cell site," Josh says. "We're installing it to allow better cell service." He's 21 years old. Been



Josh Montes, node worker

on this job two years. Could probably have it for the rest of his life, like his dad. He's part of a quiet army that so far has set up a reported 600,000 sites like this across the US. "And what we're installing is 4G. We're still finishing it off," he says.

So what about me and my bedroom? And this little signal booster, whatever, that he's installing? Because you can get a real scare just reading WHO (World Health Organization) info about all this — for instance, that high exposures to electromagnetic frequencies can

double the rate of childhood leukemia. And we're not even talking about 5G yet. One of the most alarming critics of 5G, Martin Pall, a retired professor of biochemistry from Washington State University, says 5G will cause an "almost instantaneous" collapse of human reproduction "almost to zero."

Google's top answer on the matter: "Current studies both short term and long term suggest health risks within 300-400 meters of a cell tower." No comfort to me. But Josh points out that what he and Jesse are installing is more like a local booster device. "Still," I ask, "isn't there a kind of radiation pool underneath that thing?"

"No. It emits horizontally, straight out to the next cell site," he says.

But when 5G comes? Because I see that *Scientific American* magazine is predicting a "flood of wireless-connected devices that 5G will make possible" and that 5G systems will rely on "a multitude of small cells mounted close to subscribers, often on utility poles running along public streets."

Uh, hello! Like here? Looks like that's exactly what Jeff is installing up this pole.

"That's above my pay grade right now," Josh says.

But does he worry about himself, working this close to all those electronic waves? "I don't stress on it. My dad has been doing this for about twenty years, and he's still kicking. And he was working on the big towers, the cellphone towers."

But what about me, in repose upon my bed, twenty feet across the alley? Or the folks in the apartment right next to this new "node-on-a-pole"?

"As I say, these are directional," says Josh.

Turns out it's not just me. "People come up to us all the time. Last time we were here, we had someone asking if we could Take. It.

Down, because they didn't want 5G. I get all ages, women, men, young, old. I get them everywhere. 'Is this going to affect us?' 'Can you take it down?' My thing is, 'Contact the City, discuss

She disappears in the direction of Catalina. But I stick with the Garibaldi. Why? Because they're named after my hero: Giuseppe Garibaldi, the Uniter of Italy. This incredible guy took a thou-

"Last time we were here, we had someone asking if we could Take. It. Down, because they didn't want 5G."

it with them. Otherwise, I've got to continue doing my job."

Me, I'm thinking of tonight, dossing down, listening for microwaves coming through the wall.

True fish story

We're here for the leopard sharks. They are supposed to be the friendliest sharks in the ocean, and this is the time of year they come close to the shore around La Jolla and raise a family — from 4 to 33 pups each!

Only problem is, we end up in La Jolla Cove, not Shores. And with the traffic and the time creeping along, we can't be bothered starting over. "A bird in hand is worth two in the bush," says Alison.

"And a leopard shark won't change his spots," I say.

"Say who?" asks Alison.

Whatever, we end up, this late afternoon, heading down the stairs to the Cove. Plenty of people swimming, snorkeling. Idyllic in the

sand followers, who believed, like him, in creating a democratic Italian republic, dressed them in, yes, red shirts, and fought all the tiny battling states until they agreed to unite behind the red, white and green flag. And this was pretty darn recent: the mid-1800s. But what I love about the guy is once he had unified the whole of Italy, he didn't become some *generalissimo* or president, which he could have; he just ditched his uniform and went back to becoming a farmer. Oh, and offered his services to Abraham Lincoln. What a guy. And these little "redshirt" fish bumping into my legs were named in his honor by Italian fishermen. I love how they totally ignore you and carry on nibbling like you're just a piece of driftwood.

Life is certainly rich in this 6000-acre underwater park. They created it in 1970. It has the richest underwater life I have seen in California. Seals, cormorants, a ton of fish swimming through kelp forests, clear water (despite the swirling sea lion poop smells onshore). It's a little Eden right in the middle of town. The



Sea grass and Garibaldi fish near La Jolla cove

gentle, end-of-day light. I mean yes, I'd like to see the leopard shark mamas swimming with 33 youngsters in line behind them, but actually, what I love to get in among most is those scarlet sea-grass denizens, the Garibaldi. First you get your mask and snorkel organized, and then swim or walk through a section of the boring gray fish who feed on the flotsam and jetsam shallows. And then, suddenly, you're into the green sea grasses and brilliant orangey-red clusters of Garibaldi, aka damselfish. Alison's a strong swimmer. She can do a mile no problem.

Garibaldi feel like a scarlet flotilla, escorting me back to the shallows.

In the end though, I stay too long, and the swells make it kind of tough to get out at the slippery rocky end. You can scrape your chest on the rocks. Luckily a life guard passes by with one of those reach-out hand grips, and I flop onto the sand like a, well, seal.

Alison's already out, sunning herself. She's just swum a mile. "See any leopard sharks?" I ask.

"Thought I saw a whale," she says. "Turned out to be you." ■

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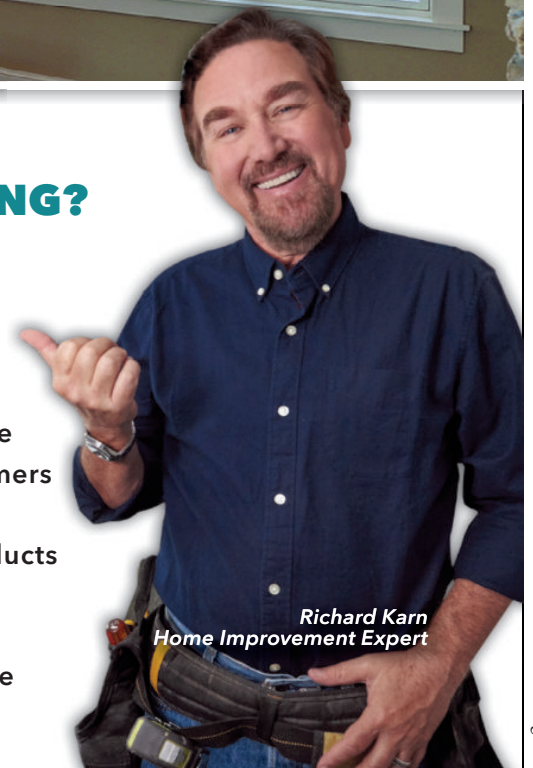
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It's just after noon on a Thursday at Escondido's TJ Tacos. The place is

surprisingly uncrowded, with only about six people in line for the taco stand's signature adobada tacos, a spicy blend of marinated pork topped with chopped cilantro and onions and a delectable creamy green avocado sauce. Three are a meal, and at \$2.80 a pop, your lunch (or dinner) won't even begin to break the bank.

TJ – short for “Tijuana” – is an authentic Mexican taco stand, or taqueria, which may explain why the clientele is largely Latino. And just like the celebrated Tijuana taquerias that have been around for decades, customers need to stand in line for the taco of their choice – one line for adobada, another for

carne asada, and a third for all others, including *lengua*, or beef tongue; *cabeza*, or beef head; *tripa*

(tripe); *suadero* (beef shoulder); and *nopal* (cactus). A fourth line is for burritos and fries, but you hardly ever see anyone in that one. The counter fronts an open kitchen where you can watch your food being cooked – even your tortillas, handmade from masa by prim, expressionless women wearing hairnets.

The counter runs the width of one end of the building. Once you get your food, you veer left to a second counter, perpendicular to and shorter than the first, where you pay. The rest of the rectangular interior is filled with tables and chairs and a large cart with sliced radishes on one end and quartered limes on the other.

‘You Can Put the World in a Tortilla and It Would Still Be a Taco’

Friday, same time, City Tacos in Pacific Beach. It's a small storefront less than a block from the sand, near the foot of Crystal Pier, outfitted with a tiny sidewalk patio just big enough for a cluster of small tables under two umbrellas. Two girls who appear to be in their late teens, both in bikini tops and board shorts, order a pair of carne asada tacos each, along with two diet Cokes. They

Taxonomy of Tacos

take their trays to the sidewalk patio and immediately begin chatting up two teen boys with skateboards, who a few seconds later get in line for tacos as well.

Just in front of the boys are three older men, one wearing a Maui T-shirt and one, with thinning red hair, who could pass for a cop. They scrutinize the menu and opt for more eclectic fare, including a couple of Mexicali tacos, with grilled *arrachera* (skirt steak), onions and poblano peppers over melted asadero cheese and mashed potatoes; a Pescado, consisting of fried mahi-mahi with cabbage, pickled red onions, habanero, and strawberries; and Chile Relleno, with beer-battered chile *guero* filled with Oaxaca and *cotija* cheese and topped with tomato, onion, cilantro and a lime aioli. Two of



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them spend their entire lunch on their iPhones, while the third looks over toward the patio.

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San Diego's love affair with the taco is nothing new. But over the last few

years, there's been a definite surge in dedicated taco shops serving street tacos — smaller than the tacos you generally get at sit-down restaurants, and cheaper as well. For a regular meal, you need three, maybe four, maybe

even five, which encourages you to mix varieties and sample different flavors. Some of these taco shops, like TJ Tacos, are traditional, and try to replicate the street taco experience you would get south of the border at lit-

tle walk-up taco stands or even street-corner taco carts. Various types, cuts, and preparations of meat — beef, pork, chicken — sizzle on the grill or roast on a spit right in front of you. Clouds of fragrant smoke hover over the taco "chef," or *taquero*, as he slices, dices or pulls the meat and tucks it into a warm tortilla. Other taco shops, like City Tacos, are more gourmet, fusing ingredients and flavors taken from throughout Mexico.

"There's been a definite explosion in the number of taco shops here in San Diego," said Gerald Torres, owner of City Tacos, which currently has seven locations throughout San Diego County. He estimates the total has easily doubled over the last five years. Justin Jachura, co-owner of three Los Tacos stands, thinks that's a conservative

count. "There are thousands — there have to be." Over the last seven or so years, he says, the total number of taco shops in San Diego has gone up by a factor of 10. And Paulina Porter, one of the organizers of the annual Taco Fest, which after a pandemic-year absence returns to the Waterfront Park at the County Administration Building this coming October, says, "There's no shortage of taco shops. I always trip out when I meet with a new person saying they're looking into opening up a taco shop. I say, 'Really?' — as though there are not enough?" By Porter's estimates, there are twenty-five percent more taco shops this year than before the pandemic. "There's one on every corner, it seems," she says.

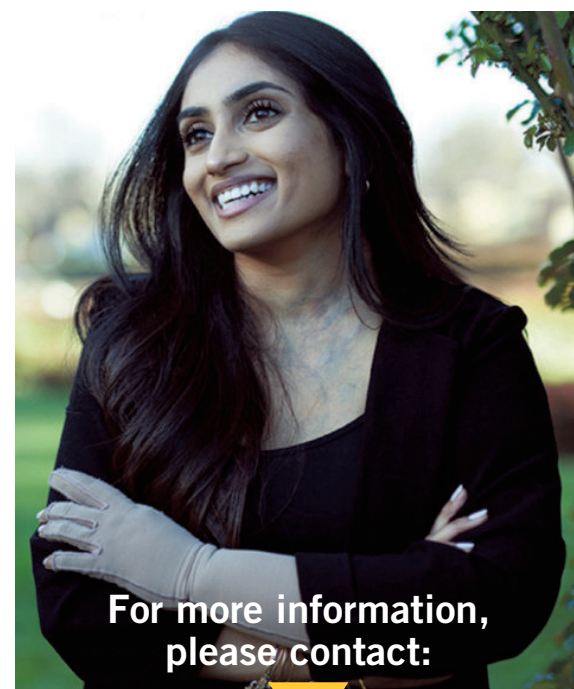
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growth, of taco shops is difficult, partly because the definition of a taco shop is so fluid. Many of the perennially popular “taco shops,” like the various ‘Berto’s, Cotijas and Vallarta Express, offer a wide range of other Mexican fast foods and tend to be more “burrito forward,” as Los Tacos’ Jachura puts it. Compounding this is the fact that some of the best tacos can be found at sit-down Mexican restaurants like Casa de Bandini or at walk-up Barrio Logan joints like Las Cuatro Milpas, a block west of Chicano Park, which has been drawing lines for its home-made tortillas and tamales since 1933. About the only thing one can say with certainty is that if you’re craving a taco, a really, really good taco, you’re not going to have to look far.

Tacos have always been a staple of Mexican restaurants, and lately have become so popular that there’s even a documentary series on Netflix called *The Taco Chronicles*, about the culture and history behind the wide



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Despite his focus on authenticity, Justin Jachura admits to dabbling in fusion, offering duck tacos and even pork belly tacos at Los Tacos.

variety of street tacos found in different parts of Mexico. Here in San Diego, situated so close to the border, the taco has become a key part of our culinary history. Even Jack in the Box, the homegrown burger chain, introduced tacos to its menu back in the 1950s as way to differentiate itself from McDonald’s, Burger King, and Carl’s Jr. Tacos quickly became the No. 1 selling item on the Jack in the Box menu (and, according to a 2017 *Wall Street Journal* article, have remained so). Two Southern California fast-food chains launched not

long after: Taco Bell, in Downey, in 1962; and Del Taco, in the Mojave high-desert town of Yermo, in 1964. Both worked their way into San Diego, with Taco Bell audaciously opening one of its first locations in the heart of Old Town.

The ’70s saw the arrival of Roberto’s, a taco stand easily identified by its red-and-yellow striped exterior walls. Roberto Robledo, who came to San Diego from the Mexican state of San Luis Potosi in 1957 through the *bracero* program, opened a tortilla stand in San Ysidro in 1964

and his first branded Roberto’s Taco Shop in 1971. Over the years, he opened more and more taco shops, bringing over family and friends from Mexico to work in them; and in 1979 he allowed a nephew, Alvaro Rodriguez, to open up his own Roberto’s. The relationship soon soured, and Rodriguez was ordered by the courts to change his restaurant’s name. “I only had two dollars to buy paint, so I just made the ‘R’ an ‘A’ and the ‘O’ an ‘L,’ to save money,” he told the *Reader* in May 1983. Soon, there were more Alberto’s than Ro-

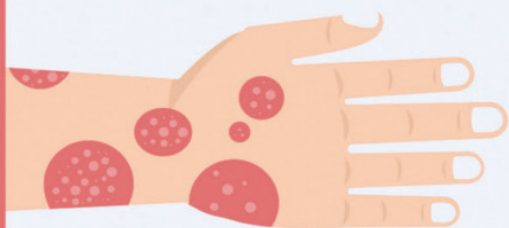
berto’s. And eventually, others got in the game: by 1989, according to a *Reader* story, there were more than 15 variants, including Aliberto’s, Adalberto’s and Filiberto’s. In the meantime, an entrepreneur named Ralph Rubio had introduced a new concept to San Diego: fish tacos, based on the tacos he and some buddies from San Diego State University encountered while on spring break in San Felipe. The first Rubio’s opened in 1983 in a former Orange Julius location on East Mission Bay Drive; the venture soon grew into dozens of locations throughout the county.

But the taco-centric stands that have been proliferating in recent years are part of an overall trend toward broader culinary choices — and much more creativity and experimentation — in San Diego’s dining scene. “The art of the food is the thing now,” says Taco Fest’s Porter. “Chefs have finally gotten the recognition that they’ve been looking for — thanks to TV, you can get that celebrity status from being a chef, so they’re

being more creative. And I think with a taco, the profit margins are probably great, because there’s not too much to it. They’re easy, they’re fast, and in San Diego, tacos have always been a must, a staple. Everyone has tacos on the menu. And people are getting more creative in what they eat, because they can. Before, you used to go to a taco show and they’d slap some meat on a tortilla and be done. Now, it’s like you can put just about anything on a tortilla. Look at City Tacos — they even have tacos with almonds and dried raisins, and you know what? They’re great. Everything is fusion now, and not just with tacos. It’s become an art.”

Over the last few years, says City Tacos’ Torres, “there’s been a significant change in the perception of, and the market for, Mexican food here in San Diego. When we opened our first City Tacos in North Park in May 2014, the term “taqueria” was unheard of. Even putting it on Google Search, it just wasn’t there. There were taco shops with a lot of different things on the

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The granddaddy of the current wave of taco shops, many of which have opened over the last five or six years, is Tacos El Gordo de Tijuana B.C., a family-owned and -operated restaurant chain based in Tijuana and established in 1972.

menu, and they paved the way for Mexican cuisine in San Diego. I'm from Mexico City, my chef's from Mexico City, and we always wanted to do something a little better, a little different, that would change the perception of

Mexican food. You can put the world in a tortilla and it would still be a taco. That's how we enjoy tacos in Mexico City. It's basically a tortilla with a meal – you serve it in a tortilla and it becomes a taco." He cites *Chiles en*

Nogada, "one of the most famous dishes in Mexico," consisting of poblano chiles stuffed with picadillo topped with a walnut-based cream sauce, pomegranate seeds, and parsley. "In Mexico, it's made in September to

celebrate Independence Day, and the ingredients and their colors represent the Mexican flag," Torres says. "We make it here, too, only we turn it into a taco and sell it as a special menu item in September and October. It's exactly the same dish, just presented in a taco format."

The word "taco," according to a 2012 article in *The Smithsonian*, is believed to date back to the eighteenth-century silver mines in Mexico. Jeffrey M. Pilcher, a professor of history at the University of Minnesota, told the magazine that "taco" referred to charges the miners would use to excavate the ore, consisting of paper wrapped around gunpowder. "When you think about it, a chicken taquito with a good hot sauce is really a lot



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like a stick of dynamite,” he said. “The first references [to the taco] in any sort of archive or dictionary come from the end of the nineteenth century. And one of the first types of tacos described is called *tacos de minero* — miner’s tacos. So the taco is not necessarily this age-old cultural expression; it’s not a food that goes back to time immemorial.” Taquerias originated in the working-class neighborhoods of Mexico, with taco stands grilling, roasting and boiling all sorts of different meats and serving them in tortillas. Industrialization brought migration to the United States, and tacos came with the migrants who worked the mines and the railroads.

The granddaddy of the current wave of taco shops, many of which have opened over the last five or six years, is Tacos

El Gordo de Tijuana B.C., a family-owned and -operated restaurant chain based in Tijuana and established in 1972. The company opened its first San Diego restaurant in 1998, and has since opened two more in Chula Vista, as well as three in Las Vegas. After more than twenty years in business north of the border, Tacos El Gordo has quite a big fan base; on Instagram, the taqueria has nearly 54,000 followers, more than any other San Diego taco chain. In keeping with tradition, customers of Tacos El Gordo have to stand in line for a specific taco. Invariably, the two longest lines are for the adobada and carne asada tacos, says Delia Hernandez, who works for the owner, who does not speak English. “They are very flavorful and excellent quality,” she says.

“We provide handmade corn tortillas and top-grade meats, and our salsas and guacamole are made from scratch daily. One of our goals is for the customers to enjoy authentic Tijuana tacos by using the freshest ingredients.”

TJ Tacos in Escondido is a lot like Tacos El Gordo, a similarity that caused it some problems shortly after it opened in January 2016. In April of that year, the owners of Tacos El Gordo sued the newcomer, accusing TJ of stealing trade secrets. Sabah Sluua Hanna, the owner of TJ Tacos, worked for Tacos El Gordo for six years, rising to a manager position before quitting in 2012, according to the Superior Court complaint, *Courthouse News* reported at the time. Less than six months later, Hanna incorporated TJ Tacos



Paulina at Texcoco eating lamb barbacoa tacos

and subsequently hired former assistant chef Hector Roman Vazquez to join the Escondido taco stand, according to the complaint.

In its complaint, Tacos El Gordo accused Hanna and Vazquez of competing unfairly “by palming off products, efforts, [and] trade secrets of Tacos El Gordo as their own,” violating

trademark and interfering with its business, according to the *Courthouse News* story. The suit claimed the two knew secret food recipes, suppliers and distributors. Tacos El Gordo sought damages and exemplary damages for misappropriation of trade secrets, breach of fiduciary duty, unfair competition, and intentional and negli-

gent interference with prospective economic advantage. But the suit was dismissed without prejudice just three months after it was filed, attorney Raymond Contreras of Chula Vista, who represents Tacos El Gordo, told the *Reader*. Repeated calls to Amir Hanna, Sabah Hanna’s son, were not returned.

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ing, that excites your palate,” he says. “When we search for tacos in Mexico, we search for the best tacos, period – whether it’s steak with bone marrow or you go to this place in Yucatan where they do these salsa mousses, and use all these crazy, beautiful ingredients. That is what food is about. I don’t think I make American-style tacos or Mexican-style tacos. I make tacos that taste good. And our ingredients are one hundred percent traditional. Our masa is made in house, and our carnitas is made Mexican-

style — and part of the secret recipe is Coca-Cola.”

Ken Kaufman, a 55-year entrepreneur from La Costa, is a big fan of City Tacos. “I used to always go to The Taco Stand in Encinitas, where everyone is always waiting in line,” he says. “That’s more of a traditional taco shop. But then one day, I was on one of my walks and City Tacos opened up and I said, ‘Oh my God, this is gourmet – this is a lot healthier, and the quality of the ingredients....’ It’s kind of like a Zagat taco place.” Kaufman

continues to frequent traditional taco shops such as Juanita’s Encinitas, he says: “They’ve got great carnitas, great pollo asada, but it’s a different experience. When you go to those types of places, you’re just eating food, and large quantities of food. But when you go to City Tacos, there’s this explosion of taste and flavors – it’s just beautiful.” His favorites? “Hard to say. Their fish taco is really good, the Pescado. If you want them to grill it, they’ll grill it. You can’t go to Juanita’s and ask for a grilled fish taco. They

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have a really good surf and surf taco, too, but to be honest, anything on the menu I'm fine with."

Tim Mays, founder of the Casbah, says he has several "go-to favorites," including Tacos El Gordo. "It's kind of intimidating to do if you

don't speak Spanish very well," he says. "You have to stand in different lines for each type of taco, and there are no signs telling you where to line up, so you just stand around and try to figure it out. But the food is amazing." For fish tacos, Mays

swears by TJ Oyster Bar, near his home in Bonita. "They've got amazing seafood tacos," he says.

"I also like City Tacos a lot," adds Mays. "People around here think traditional Mexican tacos have to be Roberto's style, with carne asada, pollo or ado-



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bada, but if you go further south into Mexico, you'll find a much greater variety. I've been going to Salud in Barrio Logan since they opened about five years ago, where they've got a really killer breakfast taco with a sunny-side-up egg, chorizo, bacon, avocado and *cotija* cheese. It's just incredible, and all their other tacos are great, too. And then there's a new place we've been to in Bonita called Taqueria Revolucion, in a little strip mall, and they serve a *queso birria* (a

meat stew that originated in the Mexican state of Jalisco), carnitas, pollos, and adobada."

Paulina Porter also has her favorites. "If I want great, traditional street tacos, I'll go to Salud or Tacos El Poblano [in Chula Vista]," she says. "If I'm looking for gourmet, I'll do City Tacos. By now, I know their entire menu. Tuetano Taqueria, down in San Ysidro, is known for their bone marrow tacos. If you're looking for barbacoa, Aqui es Texcoco in Chula

Vista serves traditional Mexican-style lamb barbecue. And Taco El Gordo – now that's a true taqueria. They've stayed true to how you order in Tijuana, with all these different types of tacos and you have to stand in line for each. They are keeping true to tradition, which I don't think works here. Over here, people don't have the patience to stand in line for one taco, and then stand in another line for another taco. Here, they want

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from bringing vocal harmony group Naturally 7 to the San Diego Symphony's new concert venue at Jacobs Park, which launches its debut season this week. Expect R&B classics like "Midnight Train to Georgia," "That's What Friends Are For," and "Since You've Been Gone."

WHEN: Sunday, August 8, 7:30 pm

WHERE: Rady Shell at Jacobs Park, 200 Marina Park Way, Downtown.
sandigosymphony.org

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ART

Art Opening: Keywords from Joshua Tree Art Opening for Louise Marler's exhibit "Keywords from Joshua Tree." Saturday, August 7, 2pm; **free**. Diesel, A Bookstore, 12843 El Camino Real Suite 104. (DEL MAR)

ArtWalk at Liberty Station This year marks 16 years of the fine arts show which brings visual arts to the historic San Diego community. With many art shows and in-person events being cancelled for most of 2020, ArtWalk celebrates the return of in-person art events. Saturday, August 7, 10am; Sunday, August 8, 10am; **free**. Arts District Liberty Station, North Promenade, 2875 Dewey Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

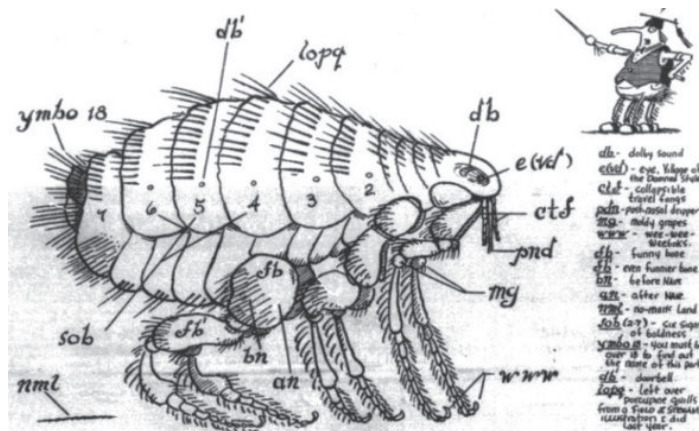
Walk In A.R.T. Walk In A.R.T. (Allyship, Resilience and Truth) is a monthly Hillcrest art celebration presented with the Hillcrest Business Association on the first Thursday of the month. Attendees can expect a night filled with lively entertainment in Mural Alley all directed by an interactive digital map that patrons can access from their mobile device. The art celebration takes place in Mural Alley in the 500 Block of University, just south of the Hillcrest sign and at over ten participating retail and restaurant locations. Thursday, August 5, 5pm; 500 Block of University

OUTDOORS

Thunderheads in the east, flea season

Towering Thunderheads have been seen hovering over the mountains east of San Diego in recent weeks. Afternoon rainshowers have already dampened Palomar, Cuyamaca, and Mount Laguna, with more of the same expected at times during the next two or three weeks. Usually this kind of activity ceases by sunset, and clearing skies usher in a cloud-free night. The marked contrast between the sunny-but bland weather along the coast and the more lively and unpredictable mountain weather is one illustration of San Diego County's "geography of contrast."

Fleas, the bane of pets and humans alike, are hopping all over San Diego again as the summer progresses. Fleas were even more troublesome in San Diego County's past than they are today. Soldiers on the Portola expedition over two centuries ago named a deserted Indian village in today's North County *Rancheria de las Pulgas*, and the problem of *pulgas* ("fleas") in the dusty streets and dwelling places of southern California were commonly mentioned



A PHOTO OF MT. HELIX WITH AN EAST COUNTY THUNDERHEAD IN THE BACKGROUND.

in 19th-century journals and diaries. The place-names Las Pulgas Canyon and Las Pulgas Road in Camp Pendleton are reminders of a timeless torment.

Orioles, the bright yellow or yellow-orange-and-black birds seen flitting among the palm trees, are summer residents of San Diego County's coastal areas. A century ago, the orioles preferred to nest in sycamore trees, which were then more common in our area's river bottoms. Today these birds are most likely to take up residence in the planted palm trees, where they obtain fiber to build their nests from the easily shredded fronds.

The Big Dipper hangs diagonally in the northwest after dark. From its midpoint, look to the right to find Polaris (not very bright) glimmering due north as always.

Polaris is the end of the Little Dipper's handle. The only other Little Dipper stars that are even moderately bright are the two forming the outer end of its bowl: 2nd-magnitude Kochab and 3rd-magnitude Pherkad. On August evenings, you'll find them to Polaris's upper left (by about a fist and a half). They're called the Guardians of the Pole, since they ceaselessly circle around Polaris through the night and through the year.

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.

AUTOMOTIVE

La Mesa Classic Car Show The La Mesa Classic Car Show will feature pre-1974 cars, trucks and vans that will be parked along La Mesa Boulevard between 4th Street and Spring St. This year's event will feature live bands every week that will play an upbeat variety of music atop the iconic La Mesa Lumber &

Hardware truck located at 3rd St. and La Mesa Blvd. The band lineup includes: 4 Way Street – August 5th, The Siers Brothers – August 12th, The Cool Rays – August 19th, and The Farmers will close out the summer on August 26th. Thursdays, 5pm; through Thursday, August 26, **free**. La Mesa Village, Spring Street at La Mesa Boulevard. (LA MESA)

BEER

BeerX Music & Craft Beer Festival Performers include Pepper, J Boog, Tribal Theory, and Arise Roots Saturday, August 7, 3pm; \$40-\$125. 21 and up. Belmont Park, 3146 Mission Boulevard. (MISSION BEACH)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Coffee With A Bookseller Warwick's invites you to have Coffee with a Bookseller. Enjoy pastries and coffee from neighbor, Brick & Bell, and get the details on new book recommendations. Tuesday, August 10, 10am; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Cynthia Barnett Warwick's will host Cynthia Barnett as she discusses her new book, *The Sound of the Sea: Seashells and the Fate of the Oceans*, in conversation with Dr. Faith Kearns. Thursday, August 5, 4pm; **free**-\$27. warwicks.com/event/barnett-2021. (ONLINE)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Emeran Mayer, MD Warwick's will host Emeran A. Mayer, MD as he discusses his new book, *The Gut-Immune Connection: How Understanding the Connection Between Food and Immunity Can Help Us Regain Our Health*, in conversation. Tuesday, August 10, 4pm;

free-\$27. warwicks.com/event/mayer-2021. (ONLINE)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Rebecca Watson On Tuesday, August 10th at 1:00pm PDT Warwick's will host Rebecca Watson as she discusses the new paperback edition of her book, *little scratch*, in conversation. Tuesday, August 10, 1pm; **free**-\$15. warwicks.com/event/watson-2021. (ONLINE)

Weekends With Locals: Daniel Yamun Ukang Meet Daniel Yamun Ukang, author of *Hinterlands of Hope: A Lost Boy's Journey from the Southern Sudan War Zones*. Sunday, August 8, 2pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Weekends With Locals: Ed Vodrazka As part of our ongoing Weekends with Locals Program we will be hosting Ed Vodrazka, author of *Stories from Sea Level: The Heroic and Humorous Adventures of California's Ocean Lifeguards*. Sunday, August 8, 12pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Beginner Candle Making Workshop Hosted by local artisan and founder of Moon Grove Goods, a candle shop based in La Mesa, you can learn how to make a luxury soy candle like the pros. Thursday, August 5, 4pm; \$60. San Diego Made Factory, 2031 Commercial Street. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

Beginning Cold Process Soapmaking Class Soapmaking 101 is a beginning-level soapmaking class designed to teach students to make soap by hand at home. Saturday, August 7, 12pm; \$119. Soapmaking Studio, 7301 Mount Vernon Street. (LEMON GROVE)

Belly Dance Classes Hi-energy cardio belly dance class: Learn the ancient art of belly dance and get in shape while having a great time. Three week in-person workshop. Tuesday, August 10, 6pm; \$25-\$60. Dancehouse Point Loma, 2180 Chatsworth Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

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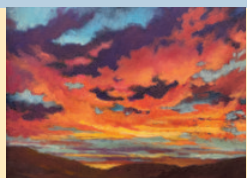
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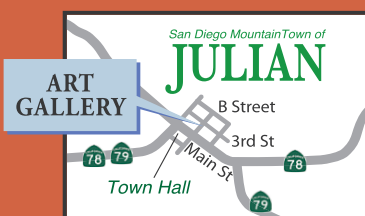
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Membership: 30

Neighborhood: South Bay

Pastor: Patrick Guarracino

Age: 60

Born: North Bergen, NJ

Formation: Rutgers University, Newark; Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

Year Ordained: 2016

San Diego Reader: How long do you spend writing your sermon?

Pastor Patrick Guarracino: I spend about six to eight hours, and usually begin on Wednesday night or Thursday. My sermons are mostly biblically based; they're not topical, although I

certainly make it applicable to the needs of the people. But it's very important that the sermon is gospel-centered. The focus tends to be on how Christ fulfills the text throughout scripture, and that's how they usually come out.

SDR: What's your favorite subject on which to preach?

PG: Jesus loves sinners. He loves sinners and came to save the lost. There is no greater message than that — that God has made a way through Christ to redeem the world. I say that over and over as many times as I can with every sermon. I think it's the golden thread — there has to be good news in each text because that's what the gospel is. So even when I'm preach-

ing a depressing text, there's still good news in it, and I look for that.

SDR: Why did you become a minister?

PG: Because I'm crazy! I just felt the pull for so long that I resisted. Part of this was due to self-confidence, and part was immaturity. But when the time was right, I said, "Yes." And God confirmed that it was the right choice. Who knows? Growing up in Hudson County, New Jersey, I wasn't trained to be a pastor but God has his hand on me and took me places. He's already done more than I could ever ask or imagine.

SDR: What is the mission of your church?

PG: We're a changing con-

gregation; we're small and realize we are a small church among many bigger churches. Our niche is the alternative: we are attractive to people who do not feel like they'll fit in a larger context. We're personal and family-oriented. People can be known with us. We know who we are, and recently we talked together about what our mission is. Basically, we want to make the invisible God visible through Jesus in us. It's very simple. We want to become his hands and feet, however he directs us to do that.

SDR: Where is the strangest place you found God?

PG: God pops up when I'm running from him, when I'm in my sins, and that is so unex-



Patrick Guarracino

pected that it takes me by surprise. It makes me believe that he's good and he loves me.

SDR: Where do you go when you die?

PG: We go into the presence of the Lord. At some point, we will all be in the presence of the Lord. I believe those who have placed their faith and trust in him go into the

presence of the Lord and are with him. Those who have not done that will also go into the presence of the Lord and stand on their own merit. So either you stand on the merit of Christ or you stand on your own merit. Then God takes it from there. We're all separated from God from birth, but those who stand on their own merit will continue to be in that separation. Whether that separation will be an eternal judgment or eternal separation from God, I believe that's what some people call hell. According to scripture, there is a hell that unfortunately is real.

— Joseph O'Brien

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Learn to Ride Workshop Two-hour intensive group workshop for youth ages 3-14 or adults ages 16+. Beginners welcome. Workshop includes instruction from a League of American Bicyclists Certified Instructor. Tuesday, August 10, 11am; \$50-\$75. Liberty Bike Commons, 191 Cushing Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

Living Well While Living Longer La Jolla Community Center presents 9 Must Have Strategies for Living Well While Living Longer, presented by Dr. Joseph Casciani, psychologist, author & expert on mental health, aging & longevity. www.ljcommunitycenter.org/dss Tuesday, August 10, 10am; free. (ONLINE)

Spanish for Beginners Communicate in Spanish using authentic structures and a broad vocabulary. Book used for class: The Ultimate Spanish 101: Complete First-Year Course available through Amazon. Instructor: Olga Fabrick. Wednesday, August 11, 10am; \$160. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

Twisted Macrame Plant Hanger Craft Workshop Learn the art of creating your own Macramé Plant Wrap. Supplies ready to make your personal macramé creation including beads, rope, feathers, and other embellishments, even includes a Planter. Also includes a beer of your choice. No previous experience required, beginners to experts. Sunday, August 8, 1:30pm; \$45. Culture Brewing Company Solana Beach, 111 South Cedros Avenue Suite 200. (SOLANA BEACH)

Vegetable Dye Textiles Workshop Learn first-hand about the process of natural vegetable dyeing and create five different hand-crafted linens to take home. Taught by local expert, Sofia Gonzalez, in an urban garden with farm-inspired drinks and appetizers. Saturday, August 7, 4pm; \$75. IRC

Make Projects, 3725 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Virtual Cracking the COVID 19 Code This course is an exploration into the world of viruses, establishing a strong understanding of viruses and dive in to examine SARS-CoV-2 from biological and societal perspectives. Students will examine the virus's mechanism of action and how it interacts with the human body. Students will learn about the upcoming COVID-19 vaccines and how scientists use viruses in both scientific and medical advancements. Friday, August 6, 3pm; free. sandiego.librarymarket.com/events/virtual-cracking-covid-19-code-2. (ONLINE)

Virtual Disney Style: Act, Sing, Stretch Virtually dance, sing and act out our favorite songs and scenes from the movies you love. Students will know active vocal warm-ups, physical stretches and tongue twisters to help them get ready to perform. Tuesday, August 10, 3pm; free. sandiego.librarymarket.com/events/virtual-disney-style-act-sing-and-stretch-6. (ONLINE)

Virtual Introduction to Space Out This class guides students on a tour of our solar system and beyond, and then lets them plan their own mission to a distant destination. Saturday, August 7, 11am; free. sandiego.librarymarket.com/events/virtual-introduction-space-out-9. (ONLINE)

COMEDY

Dustin Ybarra AS SEEN ON: Kevin (Probably) Saves the World, Fox's "Gotham", NBC's "The Player", Showtime's "Californication", ABC's "The Goldbergs", Chelsea Lately & Comedy Central's "Stand-Up Revolution"! Thursday, August 5, 8pm; Friday,

August 6, 7:30pm; Saturday, August 7, 7:30pm; free-\$10. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Hampton Yount AS SEEN ON: Mystery Science Theater 3000, Comedy Central, Conan, NBC & more! Wednesday, August 11, 8pm; free. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

The Magic Underground SD Enjoy a blend of magic and stand-up comedy. This month featuring Trigg Watson, whose high-tech magic has been seen on *Penn & Teller's Fool Us*, *Masters of Illusion*, *America's Got Talent*, and *Magic for Humans* on Netflix. Featuring magician and host Julie Rowland. Thursday, August 5, 7:30pm; \$20. Tenth Avenue Arts Center, 930 Tenth Avenue. (EAST VILLAGE)

DANCE

Visual Stimulus Events VI Local performers include Burrito, Catalyst Dance Ensemble, EAT, Junkyard Dance Crew, Marcus Cruz, Andrea Fannin-Bingham, and more. Free outdoor art market outside from 6-9pm. Thursday, August 5, 7pm; free-\$25. Dancehouse Point Loma, 2180 Chatsworth Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Ghosts of the Gaslamp Tour Take a stroll through the Gaslamp's haunted history with Davis-Horton House historian, Sandee Wilhoit, who will recount ghostly happenings of the past, and of the present. Visit hotels, saloons, brothels and a long-ago funeral parlor, and end your tour inside the Gaslamp's

most haunted edifice, the Davis-Horton House. Fridays, 5pm; through Tuesday, August 31, \$15-\$25. Gaslamp Museum at the Davis-Horton House, 410 Island Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

FARMERS' MARKETS

Little Italy Wednesday Mercato Little Italy Wednesday Mercato offers a selection of farm fresh produce, pastured eggs, poultry, meat, fish, baked goods, dips and spreads, yogurt and select local arts and crafts brought to the neighborhood by California farmers, fisherman and artisan foodmakers. The market occupies three blocks on West Date Street between Kettner Boulevard and State Street. Wednesdays, 9am; through Sunday, December 26, free. Piazza della Famiglia, 523 West Date Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

That Good Good Vegan Market That Good Good Market is an entirely vegan market that offers multiple styles of vegan food vendors, market stands, and not-for-profit booths, as well as different styles of entertainment. Sunday, August 8, 1pm; free-\$2. Venue, 2995 Commercial Street. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

FOR KIDS

Kids Night Out Drop your kids off for an evening of garden fun as they explore the garden, learn about growing fresh vegetables, and work on garden-themed crafts. Taste test fresh veggies and make your own pizza. Farm-inspired lemonade and light bites included. Ages: 6-12 Thursday, August 5, 6pm; \$20. IRC Make Projects, 3725 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

LECTURES

Insights: Stem Cells – The Future is Now Sanford Burnham Prebys presents a candid discussion on future stem cell therapies. Hear firsthand how stem cells are on the forefront of treatments and cures for diabetes, Parkinson's disease, ALS, autoimmune diseases, heart disease, osteoarthritis and so many other health conditions that negatively affect our lives. Thursday, August 5, 1pm; free. <https://bit.ly/3C8ayUU>. (ONLINE)

La Rumorosa Rock Art: Kumeyaay Shamanistic Expressions Sierra Club Sierra Talks: Kumeyaay Native Americans have lived in the San Diego region for at least 10,000 years. They survived and flourished partly because of their spiritual shamanistic system of beliefs. This system is reflected in the rock art that survives in the deserts and mountains east of the city. Dr. Don Liponi has studied rock art for 50 years. Friday, August 6, 7pm; free. facebook.com/sierraclubsd/. (ONLINE)

Living Room Lecture: The Sinking of the USS Thresher Living Room Lecture: The Sinking of the USS Thresher Declassified Report Update. Captain Jim Bryant, USN (Ret.), a former commanding officer of a Thresher Class nuclear powered submarine, and Stephen Walsh, a retired submarine naval architect, will discuss the most important details learned from recently declassified files, including the many factors that contributed to the first and worst nuclear submarine disaster. Thursday, August 5, 6:30pm; San Diego Archaeological Center, 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road. (ESCONDIDO)

Who Knew San Diego's True Story? Historian Alexander Bevil has the answer. Don't miss his story

of author Winifred Davidson, San Diego's first historian, the woman who knew where the bodies are buried. She wrote the book *Where California Began* and identified Point Loma as the cradle of the Golden State and the future San Diego. Join the Lemon Grove Historical Society for a true story on the reborn "History Alive" series. Thursday, August 5, 7pm; free. 18 and up. H. Lee House Cultural Center, 3205 Olive Street. (LEMON GROVE)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Soul Swapmeet Local entrepreneurs, over 100 vendors, DJ, food, handmade soaps, jewelry, apparel, croc charms, make up, art, soul food, music, live performances, raffles, and more. Saturday, August 7, 9am; \$2. Encore Event Center, 8253 Ronson Road. (KEARNY MESA)

SPOKEN WORD

Storytelling Personally Speaking is a detour from the same old, into the minds, experiences and creativity of storytellers from Storytellers of San Diego told online. Ages 12 and up. Thursday, August 5, 7pm; free. 18 and up. storytellersofsandiego.org. (ONLINE)

SPORTS & FITNESS

Rooftop Yoga All-levels Vinyasa Flow on the upstairs patio. Admission includes a ticket for a glass of wine. Bring your own yoga mat. kellykohlman.yoga@gmail.com Saturdays, 10:30am; through Saturday, August 28, \$20. Pali Wine Co., 2130 India Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

Coffee klatch cool

Here is this island of goodness and back-to-earth values and flavors. It's so refreshing.

How many times have I potholed my way up University, juddering past this place and watching it transform from a lamp store, think it was, to this so-cool coffee, food, cool-merch emporium, right next to a garden place? Today I'm on the #10, trying to get to a pub in Normal Heights. But I miss the last stop on Park, end up on University, pull the chain, and find myself at Texas, right by a sign saying "COFFEE & FLOWERS." Destiny? Why not? This place has my vibe. It looks kinda "back to nature," with plants, coffee, and, hey, food! And the hangoutability factor? A 10!

It says to go 'round the side, so I do. This is the entrance to North Park Nursery, but the other door takes you into a space called "Communal Coffee." I head inside. Light, bright, kinda intellectual. Interesting art cards, books, nat'ral shampoos, women's tops, bottoms, knick-knacks, and a coffee and food counter.

And it seems to go on, through room after room, each one differently designed in a very cool way, and each one pretty busy with a sophisticated crowd, talking, shopping, slurping, and eating. For a moment, I wonder if we've hit some sale, or club day, but no — guess this is just North Park being its everyday self.

I go to the counter, and the gal Aimee ("accent on the last 'e,'" she says) gives me a menu. Ah, yes: for starters, breakfast all day. Eggplant veggie bagels (\$10), oatmeal bowls (\$4), salted maple sausage sandwich (\$10), and a cilantro crema sandwich with baked egg, pepper-jack and arugula on an English muffin (\$10), which — have to say — sounds really healthy but not totally full of

pungent flavor. A mango mint chia bowl (coconut milk, mint, toasted almonds, toasted coconut)? Same-same. We're talking a similar palette of uber-delicacy. But at least they're doing something different for brekkers.

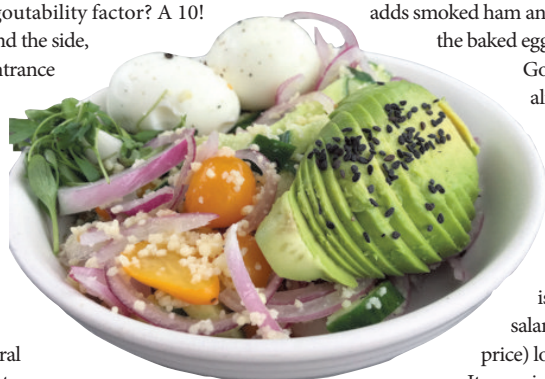
The "Toast Bar" looks tempting too, although we're still talking anemic-sounding nuts 'n twigs flavors. Take herbed cucumber avocado, with herbed cream cheese and pea shoots on toast (\$10). You can almost hear Meatarians yelling, "Show me the beef!" And vegetarians shouting back, "You just don't get it!" OK, at least the *Croque Madame* adds smoked ham and Dijon mustard to the baked egg and gruyere.

Good news is, there's almost nothing over \$12. Aimee says the exception, the \$17.50 Communal Pizza (with three cheeses, ham, and tomato) is great. And the salami pizza (same price) looks even greater. It promises caramelized balsamic fennel, goat cheese, mozzarella, Calabrese salami,

and finocchiona salami. Have to look that up. Turns out "finocchiona" is fennel. They only serve these after midday.

Hmm. But this is gonna be my breakfast, right? So first, a coffee. And what a beautiful steaming, wide, big china coffee-cupful turns up. It's worth coming just for this. Then I go for an item from the "Toast" section: the charred corn *cotija* (\$10). It's avocado, pickled corn, and charred corn on toast, with *cotija* cheese and chives. I know *cotija* cheese can be made very salty to preserve it. It's a seasonal cheese produced in Cotija, Michoacan, during the rainy season when the grasses are rich, up where they keep their cows, 5000 feet in the mountains.

Then, last minute, I start panicking about not getting enough food, and cave when I spot the Ginger Mediterranean Bowl (\$12) in the "breakfast" section. It's the promise of ginger that hooks me. We're talking cucumbers, red onion, avo, tomato, sesame ginger dressing, and micro cilantro. Yes, the "bland" word crosses my pre-brekky brain again. I add the optional couscous (I know: more bland leading the bland!) for \$2 extra, and two soft-boiled eggs (also \$2 extra), just so I can squish out their yolks for a bit o'color. Plus I ask for Tapatio.



Ginger Mediterranean breakfast bowl, \$16 with couscous and eggs



Garden of Eatin': tables are strewn among living plants for sale



That's what it used to be. Now it's so much more

With all this nosh, I head outside, because actually all the rooms inside are kinda full. I end up in a patio that joins up with the North Park Nursery next door. It's a very cool scene. Plants, little trees, and a lot of people laptoping, Zooming. Women, mainly, chat away between eating. Some talk in Spanish, some in Russian, sounds like. Also, in English, they're answering phone calls about real estate, or social issues. Like, "Are you wanting a price reduction or a credit?" "Guest house outbuildings? Signs of deterioration. Water damage?"

We're near a display of California native plants for sale. I never knew we had so many.

I take a gulp on this wonderful coffee and start in on the charred corn *cotija*. It takes a while to discover that the main flavor here is in the pickled corn, helped by the charred corn. They deliver a



Aimee: helped turn this into a social hub

much-needed sharp tang. And with the bowl, too, I'm not getting a huge ginger charge. I hate myself, but I ask for salt and pepper. I can see everyone kinda shrinking away. It's only just before I put the salt on that I realize if you scoop down to the bottom and haul up liquids to pour over the rest, you suddenly start to get an interesting and still super-healthy dish.

And here's the thing. I think of this part of University as more Pizza Hut (there's one

across the road) than nuts and twigs, yet here is this island of goodness and back-to-earth values and flavors. It's so refreshing. Right now, even though I have been craving flavor, I would no way go back to a greasy traditional breakfast. Not today, not here.

Think I'll get a cawfee refill and test out their hangoutability factor a little more. ■

The Place: Communal Coffee, 2335 University Ave. (at Texas), 619-363-7737

Hours: 7am-7pm, daily

Prices: Oatmeal bowls, \$4; eggplant veggie bagel, \$10; salted maple sausage sandwich, \$10; cilantro crema sandwich (baked egg, pepper Jack, arugula, \$10; mango mint chia bowl (coconut milk, mint, toasted almonds, toasted coconut), \$9; herbed cucumber avocado (herbed cream cheese, pea shoots on toast, \$10; croque Madame (smoked ham, baked egg, gruyere), \$12; Communal Pizza (3 cheeses, ham, tomato), \$17.50; salami pizza (with goat cheese, mozzarella, \$17.50); charred corn *cotija* on toast, \$10; ginger Mediterranean breakfast bowl, \$12 (optional couscous, \$2; two soft-boiled eggs, \$2

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The universal allure of PT Eatery

PT Eatery; 7351 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. When they arrive at the table, the rice paper wraps aren't pre-made. The ingredients are laid out on separate plates: daikon, carrots, lettuce, cucumbers, and pineapple chunks on one; grilled pork

topped with peanuts and onions on the other. The round sheets of rice paper are served dry and stiff, held upright in a plastic tray built for this express purpose and no other. The center of the tray is filled with water — we dip the hard discs in the water, and by time we lay them on our plates, they've softened enough that they can roll up pork etc., the way flour tortillas wrap a burrito.

Every time I think I've gotten familiar with a Vietnamese dish, I go to PT Eatery, and find a new twist to captivate me all over again. During another visit, the beef of the short rib pho turns out to be served bone-in: two hunks of toothsome meat at the end of slender ribs, ready to be eaten like drumsticks.

Then of course there's the phở French dip *banh mi*, which mashes up the sandwich construction of the Vietnamese sandwich with the *au jus*-dipped sandwich concept, using aromatic beef phở broth.

It's been a couple years since the ownership of Convoy Street restaurant Phuong Trang opened PT Eatery on Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, roughly a mile away. I might have wondered whether it was too much of a good thing for one neighborhood, given that the restaurants are similar, if not identical. But I gather part of the expansion is that slight shift in branding,



Beef phở with bone-in short rib.



Beef *banh mi* served with a beef phở dip.

with the PT Eatery name being easier to market for newbies to the cuisine.

Which may be taken as a signal to anyone who hasn't enjoyed a lot of Vietnamese food before, that this place can start you out on the right foot. The rice paper wrappers will likely prove the most fun, especially with kids. Beside pork, options include grilled shrimp, beef, chicken, and if you're really feeling it, roasted catfish.

If the bone-in short rib sounds like too much, order phở with rare steak, well done brisket, or chicken. And if you want to experience the more authentic *banh mi*, aim for grilled pork or chicken, or if you're feeling vegetarian, tofu.

I'm fond of PT Eatery for covering its bases this way, and for providing a comfortable, beautifully furnished place to take a seat and explore a little of everything. They even put boba in my iced coffee; another first.

by Ian Anderson

FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

Dim Sum & Jazz Dim Sum & Jazz every Friday. Fridays, 6:30pm; through Friday, August 27, **free**. Golden Island, 10660 Camino Ruiz. (MIRA MESA)

Dinner Detective Interactive Mystery Show Solve a hilarious mystery while you feast on a fantastic dinner. Just beware. The culprit is hiding in plain sight somewhere in the room, and you may find yourself as a Prime Suspect before you know it. Saturday, August 7, 6pm; \$69. Courtyard San Diego Downtown, 530 Broadway. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

No Chill For Hatch Chile Season No Chill For Hatch Chile Season — Gelson's Brings Back Live Chile Roastings. Saturday, August 7, 10am; Sunday, August 8, 10am; \$40. Gelson's Market, 2707 Via De La Valle. (DEL MAR)

Promenade Market Enjoy crafts, coffee, and street food including Mexican, woodfired pizza, gyros, smashed avocado toast, kettle corn, waffles and crepes, and more. Saturdays, 10am; through Saturday, December 31, **free**. Ruocco Park, 585 Harbor Lane. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Street Food Market Lane Field Park Market is a street food market showcasing 20+ food vendors, as well as boutique coffee, with live music from 12:30pm until 2:30pm. Food includes Vietnamese bao, Thai burgers, wood-fired pizza, waffles and crepes, Mexican, empanadas, sushi and poke, smoothies, hot mini-donuts, and more. Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; through Saturday, December 31, **free**. Lane Field Park, 1009 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Tiki Bash: The English Beat, more This year's annual Tiki Bash takes place on the outdoor lawn, featuring three tasting bars with tiki-themed cocktails. Performers include national headliners the English Beat, as well as locals Creepxotica, El Vez, and Tiki Tronic. Live entertainment includes on-site tiki statue carving and live painting by local artist, Norm Daniels. All proceeds benefit the San Diego Food bank. Friday, August 6, 7:30pm; Humphreys by the Bay, 2241 Shelter Island Drive. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Understory x Le Parfait Paris Bubbly Brunch at Understory Bar. Sunday, August 8, 11am; 21 and up. Sky Deck, 12841 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)



A rice paper holder, vegetables, and grilled pork, ready to roll into rice paper wraps, *Thit Nuong Banh Trang*.

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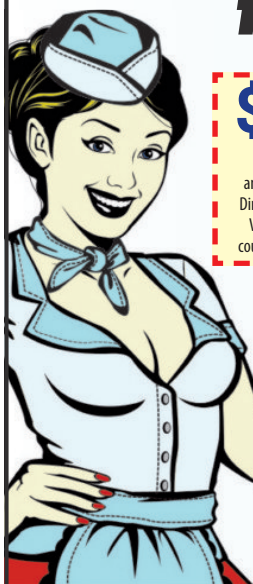
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The songs of Il Sogno

Three years ago, jazz-vocal chanteuse (and native San Diegan) Sacha Boutros pulled up stakes and moved to Paris, France, frustrated by the lack of opportunity for performance in her hometown. Now she's back, at least for the moment. "I have two homes, one in San Diego, and one in Paris," says Boutros. "The pandemic brought me back, because Paris shut down completely and I really missed my family. There were lines for food, and it felt like I was living in World War II. I came back to be with my family, but then this wonderful opportunity came to me; so really, you could say that the music brought me back."

The opportunity? Being offered a gig at Il Sogno Italiano downtown. "The owner of Il Sogno [Sean Soja] asked me for weeks to come perform, and he was so kind, I decided to meet him for a chat. As it turned out, he had a vision to hire entertainment and give back to the community, so he hired my company [Hear Me Roar] as a consultant. I have two business degrees, and I do marketing in the music business. I'm not just a 'chick-singer.'"

The restaurant turned out to be a boon for Sacha — and for the jazz community. She was hired as director of entertainment, which includes marketing, PR, and special events. Now there is live music there seven days a week, including Boutros herself on Saturdays, fronting a quartet with pianist Mahesh Balasooriya and bassist Luca Alemanno (both of whom come down from Los Angeles) and San Diego drummer Tim

McMahon. National talent is being booked, and a slew of vocalists are penciled in.

"I want to empower women," says Boutros. "My company focuses on promoting talented artists and women



Sacha Boutros: San Diego to Paris and back again.

in the industry. Talent speaks for itself, and those who work and have talent interest me the most for partnerships. Sean recently opened Il Sogno, and he hired me to consult and curate the music program based on my experience with Sacha's Supper Club. The task at hand and vision we both have is to transform the restaurant into the number one fine dining and music venue downtown. It's like a smaller version of [L.A. mainstay] Vibrato Grill Jazz. We keep growing and building together; we are there every day of the week and are investing quite a bit in the entertainment program to ensure work for all our artists."

So far, "Sean and I are employing musicians from San Diego, Palm Springs, L.A., and as far as Paris, France. The musicians are treated like rock stars, family, and the artists they are. We wine them and dine them and provide everything for them. They don't have to lug in equip-

ment; everything is available to them turnkey. They can walk in, plug in their microphone or instrument, and perform. We are so grateful for all our roster of talent and we make it easy for them to come in and play music and make people happy. Music comes from God and it's a joy to share, and there are no egos on our team."

Every Monday is Martinis & Jazz night, which is also livestreamed on the IL Sogno

Facebook page, hosted by Boutros. She also has a duo gig with Las Vegas crooner Jonathan Karrant scheduled for September 14, and a collaboration with Il Sogno and the San Diego Opera is also in the works.

— Robert Bush

Glass Spells' *Shattered* comes together

Synth-pop group Glass Spells has released a music video for "Shattered," the title track of the album that drops this week via

Negative Gain; the band says it was "inspired by nostalgic synth-driven classics. The video took place at the Lafayette Hotel in San Diego, on the same stage where a scene from *Top Gun* was filmed."

The group, featuring founding bassist-keyboardist Anthony Ramirez, currently accompanied by singer Tania Costello and concert drummer Michael Buehl, released their debut single in 2014. A self-titled album appeared two years later, recorded at Emprise Soundlab studios in Mexicali with Gerardo Montoya (aka Letters From Readers, who has also worked with FAX and Maniqui Lazer). When the original lineup became too spread out geographically, Ramirez played with Twin Ritual until debuting the current version of Glass Spells in 2020 with an EP called *Mirrors* and a single and video for the title track. The EP song "Psychic Lovers" made Spotify's Fresh Finds editorial playlist and helped



them score a slot on 91X radio's *Local Break*.

The *Shattered* album, mostly written and recorded during the pandemic, will mark their debut Negative Gain release. "There is a theme of dreams sprinkled all throughout the album, and I didn't fully realize that until I heard the songs all together in one sitting," says Costello. "I started paying attention to my dreams during the pandemic, and kept trying to make sense of them, only to realize there was no explanation for any of it, because dreams are just crazy that way. It was a very strange time for the world, and I feel the pandemic just came with a lot of self-reflection for me personally. I played with

ing sci-fi shows, modern horror shows, and '80s movies, to taking late night walks to avoid people because of the pandemic. Each song had its own approach, from making it a slow moody song, to a faster upbeat song, or a good catchy song that people can dance to. A lot of thought was put into each song, with synth layers, melodies, and a different sound design for each. The title track 'Shattered' was inspired by taking a late night drive through the city. I was living in Golden Hill at the time, and you can see the buildings and all the lights as you drive up and down the hill towards downtown San Diego. As I created the leads, I envisioned someone driv-

The video earned over 13,000 views in its first few weeks online. The release party for *Shattered* takes place August 14 at Soda Bar in City Heights, with a bill that includes Lata Pateada, L.A. band Dead X Life, and MRCH from Arizona, as well as a DJ set from Mike Delgado.

"We'll be playing the entire album live," says Costello. "The last show we played at was at Slidebar in Fullerton, and Casbah in San Diego just before that, in February and March 2020. We had to cancel a show at the Merrow as everything began shutting down, which only made things become more real, that this shutdown was definitely happening and the uncertainty



Glass Spells: latest album inspired by dreams, lonely hearts, empty roads, and an uncertain future.

many themes in *Shattered*, so part of it is written about past love gone sour and the longing for a connection. I wanted to capture a sorrowful-but-playful emotion on the track."

Ramirez says that forced isolation resulted in song ideas. "My inspiration behind the album ranges from watch-

ing or running in the night. I made the synth sounds give a dreamy feel."

That "lonely driver" theme is evident in a recent YouTube video for their synth-drenched track "Empty Road," depicting the drive into downtown and the temporarily abandoned roller coaster at Belmont Park.

of the future was just beginning. Luckily, we channeled all that energy into writing this album."

— Jay Allen Sanford

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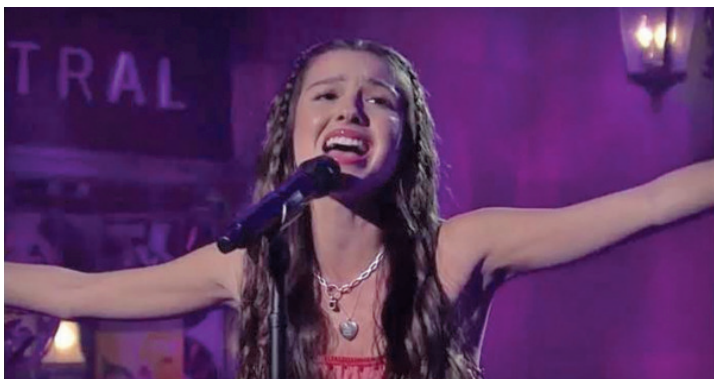
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RAD CAT

San Diego native Christian Ariza, *aka* Rad Cat, is a 25 year-old Mexican American DJ and producer turned solo artist. He began writing songs as a teenager, first learning guitar and then studying production techniques, as he explored the possibilities of electronic and dance music. His production and remix credits include collaborations with blackbear (who invited Rad Cat to join the Beartrap Music collective after coming across his remix of blackbear's "IDFC"), Enrique Iglesias, Kevin Gates, Mike Posner, and T-Pain. His own releases include singles for

"Hater," "Love Me," and "Show Off" with Dylan Matthew, as well as an EP called *Love & Illusions* recorded with Dutch Melrose. The EP single with Melrose, "Alright," reached number one on HypeM, and performances include the San Diego CRSSD Festival, EDC Mexico, and Nocturnal Wonderland. Rad Cat has two new singles; "Diamond" with Gloria Kim (on Steve Aoki's label Dim Mak) has already racked up over 600,000 Spotify streams, and "Replay" features a guest appearance by indie pop singer Skyler Cocco.



OLIVIA RODRIGO

18 year-old Olivia Rodrigo spent time growing up in Temecula, taking voice and guitar lessons at Temecula Music Teacher studio and appearing in area theatricals. She was performing covers of artists like Adele in productions such as *Temecula Live* and *Boys and Girls Club Idol* while still in elementary school. She made the leap to television by appearing in an Old Navy commercial, but is best known as Nini Salazar-Roberts on the Disney+ series *High School Musical: The Musical: The Series*. A debut Interscope/Geffen Records single "Drivers License" reached number one in multiple countries, including the U.S. Her recently released album *Sour* was preceded by singles for "Déjà vu" and "Good 4 U," with the latter reaching number one

in the U.S. and England. The album's success increased exponentially after an appearance on *Saturday Night Live*. Rodrigo has joined the White House effort to promote youth awareness of Covid-19 vaccinations, meeting with President Biden, Vice President Harris, and Chief Medical Advisor Anthony Fauci to discuss making videos about the importance of getting vaccinated, and answering young people's questions regarding the shots. "It's important to have conversations with friends and family members encouraging all communities to get vaccinated," Rodrigo said at a White House press briefing. "It doesn't matter if you're young and healthy, getting the vaccine is about protecting yourself, your friends, and your family."



THE COLOR FORTY-NINE

The new bi-lingual single from the Color Forty-Nine, "What Would I Know? Yo que sé?" features guest vocalist Rubén Albarrán, founding frontman for Café Tacvba. The band sings English lyrics such as "Look at the lines in a face/All eyes can bring tears/All eyes can break fears/We are one and all," while Albarrán replies in Spanish "Wipe out the lines that we made/How can I cross a border when you can't come north?/This is not a fair game." In a press release, the band explains "This whole process of writing this song seemed to fulfill its own prophecy. We have these obstacles that have been created such as borders and discrimination,

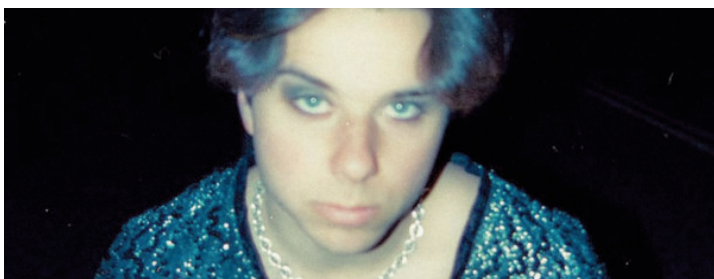
and if you can simply break those down, then wonderful things can occur. Simply putting out the idea of collaboration to the right folks led us to working with an icon of music in Latin America, Rubén Albarrán from Café Tacvba, and Hugo Crosthwaite, artist and winner of the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery Prize. The song seemed to speak to them enough to dedicate, in Hugo's case, three months to hand-drawing an incredible animated video. What better reward can you have for reaching out and crossing borders?" The song comes from their just-released *String Ladders*, the first of two EPs planned for this year.



BIG MOUNTAIN

Originally known as Rainbow Warriors, Big Mountain formed in San Diego in 1986. Though they earned national notice for their 1994 pop-reggae cover of Peter Frampton's "Baby, I Love Your Way" (heard on the soundtrack for the film *Reality Bites*), which reached the U.S. Top 40, they first hit the charts with "Touch My Light" the previous year. Singer Joaquin McWhinney, *aka* Quino, has also fronted the pop reggae band Quinazo and served as a vocational teacher at Olympian High School in Chula Vista. He once performed on a song played as wake-up music for astronauts aboard the space shuttle Endeavour, "Luna Llena" (originally titled

"Moon"), as well as playing an onscreen role in a movie called *Ruta Madre* (with a Big Mountain song on the soundtrack) and opening the Big Mountain Kombucha Café in Ensenada. When Big Mountain found itself minus a record label, Quino co-wrote the song "Leap of Faith" with L.A. duo Jeff Barry and Jed Leiber (son of Jerry Leiber, of Leiber and Stoller fame). The track earned a lot of attention on iTunes, which went a long way toward Big Mountain signing to Leiber's Night Bird records and recording their first full-length in around ten years. They recently dropped a new single, "Reggae Inna Summertime."



SLUSH PUPPY

Citing influences such as David Bowie, George Michael, and the Cure, alt-pop rock band Slush Puppy is really San Diego native Sam Catalano, who was still a 17-year-old high school student when he began recording mellow jams in his bedroom. His debut single "Not Good at Being Bad" was released in 2017, followed by "Sunroof" and "I Don't Like Your Friends," earning him positive reviews on several tastemaker blogs and websites. The flurry of press attention and social media sharing resulted in a single from earlier

this year, "Juliette" (about the false image people create for themselves online) reaching one million streams within a week of its release. It also landed slots on Spotify's Global and U.S. New Music Friday playlists, as well on Apple Music's Alt Pop and Pop Chill playlists. Two new Slush Puppy singles recently dropped, "Barbie Doll" (co-produced by Evan Gartner and Pink Slip) and "Eat Spit," the latter featuring Royal and the Serpent, *aka* 27 year-old New Jersey singer-songwriter Ryan Santiago.

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

THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

Arrowood Golf Course:
Friday, 5pm — Cowboy Jack. **Free.**

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, 8pm — Easy Wind's Jerry Garcia Birthday Celebration. \$15-\$27.
Friday, 8pm — Fan Halen and Generation Idol.
Saturday, 8pm — Tommy Castro & the Painkillers.
Wednesday, 8pm — Six String Society.

Belmont Park:
Saturday, 3pm — BeerX Music & Craft Beer Festival. \$40-\$125.

Casbah:
Thursday, 8pm — Beer City San Diego Film Premiere.
Friday, 8pm — Mystic Braves.
Saturday, 8pm — The Kabbs. \$12.
Monday, 9pm — Lady Dottie and the Diamonds. **Free.**

Ebullition Brew Works:
Friday, 6:30pm — Psydecar. \$5-\$7.
Saturday, 5:30pm — The Dueling Piano Man and A Billy Nation. \$8-\$10.

Hop Stop:
Thursday, 5pm — Rick Harchol. **Free.**

Horton Grand Theatre:
Friday & Saturday, 8pm — Piano Men. \$50.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:
Thursday, 7pm — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival. \$5.

Humphreys by the Bay:
Friday, 7:30pm — Tiki Bash: The English Beat, more.

La Paloma:
Monday, 7pm — Ted Neeley Hosts Jesus Christ Superstar. \$15-\$175.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Friday, 9pm — West of 5. **Free.**
Saturday, 9pm — She Says So. **Free.**

Music Box:
Thursday, 7pm — Revelation 69. **Free.**
Friday, 7pm — J Boog.
Saturday, 7pm — Lords of Sabbath and Aether X.
Wednesday, 7pm — Keni Can Fly and Sumit. \$12.

Online Internet Events:
Friday & Saturday, 5pm — Hanson: Against the World Concert Series. \$17.

Pacific Islander Beer Company:
Saturday, 6:30pm — The Surf Birdz. **Free.**

Panama 66:
Sunday, 12pm — Uptown Rhythm Makers. **Free.**

Park 101:
Saturday, 6pm — PierClub Presents SunSet. \$20-\$40.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
Saturday, 7:30pm — San Diego Symphony: Best of Broadway.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Gladys

Knight and Naturally 7.
Tuesday, 7pm — NAS with the San Diego Symphony.

Ramona Mainstage Nightclub:
Saturday, 7pm — Woke Up Dead and Up the Irons.

Rancho Valencia:
Saturday, 5:30pm — Rick Harchol. **Free.**

Rockin' Baja Lobster — Old Town:
Tuesday, 5pm — Joe Cardillo. **Free.**

Soda Bar:
Thursday & Friday, 8:30pm — Thee Sacred Souls. \$20.
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Saturday, 8pm — Rorre.
Sunday, 8pm — One Hot Planet and Riston Diggs.
Tuesday, 8pm — Henry Hall. \$12.

South Carlsbad State Beach Campground:
Friday, 6pm — The Ram Sunset Sessions.

Standley Park and Recreation Center:
Sunday, 5pm — Front Porch Pandemic Jazz Band. **Free.**

Starlight Theater:
Friday, 8pm — 24K Magic Tribute to Bruno Mars. \$15.

Sun Outdoors:
Friday, 6:30pm — Rick Harchol. **Free.**

TBS Tavern:
Tuesday, 7pm — Tavern Tuesdays. **Free.**

Waterfront Park:
Saturday & Sunday, 12pm — DAY.MVS XL.

UPCOMING SHOWS

1st Street Bar:
Saturday, Sep. 11 — The Ram Unplugged.

7 Mile Kitchen:
Saturday, Aug. 21 — Rick Harchol. **Free.**

Balboa Theatre:
Saturday, Sep. 11 — MC Magic, Lil Rob, Jay Roxxx.

Beach House Grill:
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Steel Panther. \$30-\$50.
Friday, Aug. 27 — Collie Buddz. \$30-\$50.

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, Aug. 12 — Dubbest and Simpkin Project.
Friday, Aug. 13 — Metalachi.
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Red Not Chili Peppers.
Sunday, Aug. 15 — Red Not Chili Peppers.
Wednesday, Aug. 18 — Avenue Army and Downer.
Thursday, Aug. 19 — 80s Heat ft. Bella Lux Dance Crew.
Friday, Aug. 20 — Wild Child and Dazed & Confused. \$20-\$35.
Saturday, Aug. 21 — Livin' On A Prayer and RockGarden.
Sunday, Aug. 22 — Lost Dog Street Band.
Monday, Aug. 23 — Paul Cauthen.
Tuesday, Aug. 24 — Amigo The Devil and Stephanie Lambring.
Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Neko Case and AC Newman.
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Israel

Vibration.
Friday, Aug. 27 — Pine Mountain Logs.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — Tainted Love.
Monday, Aug. 30 — The Milk Carton Kids and Haley Heyndericks.

Brick by Brick:
Sunday, Aug. 15 — Deicide and Kataklysm.
Tuesday, Aug. 17 — Eighteen Visions and Death By Stereo.


Casbah:
Thursday, Aug. 12 — 2021 SDMA Hip-Hop Showcase.
Friday, Aug. 13 — Electric Mud and Aviator Stash.
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Bad Cop/ Bad Cop and the Last Gang.
Sunday, Aug. 15 — Come Closer and the Slow Death.
Monday, Aug. 16 — Lady Dottie and the Diamonds. **Free.**
Tuesday, Aug. 17 — In the Whale and Parade of Horribles.
Thursday, Aug. 19 — Surfer Blood. \$15.
Saturday, Aug. 21 — Small Black and Korine.
Monday, Aug. 23 — Lady Dottie and the Diamonds. **Free.**
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Matte Black and Street Cleaner.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — Electric Six. \$15.
Monday, Aug. 30 — Lady Dottie and the Diamonds. **Free.**

Casino Inn Bar and Grill:
Saturday, Sep. 11 — 8 East Band. **Free.**

Civita Park:
Sunday, Aug. 22 — Liquid Blue. **Free.**

Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center:
Sunday, Aug. 15 — SummerFest American Perspectives IV: The Silver Score.

Coyote Bar & Grill:
Sunday, Aug. 29 — West of 5. **Free.**
Thursday, Sep. 2 — Miss Demeanor.



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Ebullition Brew Works:
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Geoffrey Miller & Seatbelt. \$9-\$12.

Embarcadero Marina Park North:
Saturday, Sep. 11 — San Diego Blues Festival. \$40-\$350.

Escondido Elks Lodge:
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Cowboy Jack Band. **Free.**

Ferry Landing Marketplace:
Sunday, Aug. 15 — Miss Demeanor.

Grossmont College:
Thursday, Aug. 19 — Middle East Ensemble.

Harrah's Resort Southern California:
Friday, Aug. 27 — 3 Doors Down and Theory Of A Deadman.

Horton Grand Theatre:
Friday, Aug. 13 — ABBAFAB. \$50.
Saturday, Aug. 14 — ABBAFAB. \$50.
Friday, Aug. 20 — Not Fade Away. \$50.
Saturday, Aug. 21 — Not Fade Away. \$50.
Friday, Aug. 27 — Britain's Finest. \$50.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — Britain's Finest. \$50.

House of Blues:
Friday, Aug. 20 — Emo Night Brooklyn.
Sunday, Aug. 22 — NateWantsToBattle and CG4.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — Nanpa Básico. \$20.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:
Sunday, Aug. 22 — Billy Nation: A Tribute to Billy Joel. \$5.

Humphreys by the Bay:
Friday, Aug. 13 — Cheap Trick.
Tuesday, Aug. 17 — Trampled By Turtles and Mt Joy.
Wednesday, Aug. 18 — Trampled By Turtles and Mt Joy.
Friday, Aug. 20 — Common Kings.
Saturday, Aug. 21 — Common Kings.
Tuesday, Aug. 24 — San Diego Music Awards.

Imperial Beach Pier Plaza:
Saturday, Aug. 28 — HessFest XI. \$20-\$275.

Jazz Lounge:
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Gregory Page. \$60.

Juan Tequila:
Monday, Aug. 16 — Falling Doves Video Launch & Listening Party.

Kraken:
Sunday, Aug. 29 — Miss Demeanor.

Lake Perris State Recreation Area:
Thursday, Sep. 9 — Same Same But Different Festival.
Friday, Sep. 10 — Same Same But Different Festival.
Saturday, Sep. 11 — Same Same But Different Festival.
Sunday, Sep. 12 — Same Same But Different Festival.

Lorimar Vineyards Wine Country:
Sunday, Aug. 22 — West of 5. **Free.**

Market Creek Plaza:
Saturday, Sep. 4 — Jazz at the Creek: Patrice Rushen & Friends. \$50-\$90.

Molly Malone's Waypoint Saloon:
Friday, Aug. 13 — Miss Demeanor.
Friday, Aug. 20 — Cheap Date. **Free.**
Friday, Aug. 27 — Nemesis. **Free.**

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Saturday, Aug. 28 — 8 East Band. **Free.**

Music Box:
Thursday, Aug. 12 — Katastro.
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Strangelove: The Depeche Mode Experience.
Sunday, Aug. 15 — Ladies of RnB.
Wednesday, Aug. 18 — Arrested Youth.
Thursday, Aug. 19 — Tomorrows Bad Seeds and Law.
Friday, Aug. 20 — Coral Bells and Jesus Gonzalez.
Saturday, Aug. 21 — Sweet & Tender Hooligans and Shake Before Us.
Sunday, Aug. 22 — CharletheFirst and Player Dave.
Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Josh Heinrichs and EN Young.
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Thumpasaurus and Fistfights with Wolves.
Friday, Aug. 27 — Shwayze and Vokab Kompany.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — The Gathering Record Release Party.
Sunday, Aug. 29 — State To State and the Dirty Diamond.
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Digable Planets.

North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Rebelution, Steel Pulse, the Green.
Wednesday, Aug. 18 — The Black Crowes.

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Sunday, Aug. 29 — Mariachi Los Camperos.
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Brian Wilson.

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

The immutable Muti

Conductor Riccardo Muti turned 80 years old on July 28, 2021. He is one of a generation of conductors that includes Zubin Mehta, Daniel Barenboim, and Claudio Abbado. This is the last generation of great conductors who are equally comfortable in both the concert hall and the opera house. Muti's career confirms his affinity for both venues. He was the music director at Milan's La Scala, the birthplace of opera. He was the music director of The Philadelphia Orchestra and London's Philharmonia Orchestra, and is currently the music director of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

In 2010, Muti published an autobiography entitled *Riccardo Muti: An Autobiography: First the Music, Then the Words*. Putting

the music first has been the hallmark of Muti's life. It should, in my opinion, be the hallmark of every music lover's life. It seems obvious, but it is not. There are approaches that blatantly oppose the "music first" ideal. In a conversation I had with a prominent leader at Opera America, I made the point that without Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro*, no one would know, or care, about the Beaumarchais play that it is based on. Only the excellence of Mozart's music has kept the memory of Beaumarchais alive. The person with whom I was speaking completely disagreed, and claimed that opera is a theatrical experience, and that the text is as important as the music. I side with Maestro Muti and proclaim that the music is primary. Try

BY GARRETT HARRIS

to read an opera libretto, word for word, without the music. It is nonsensical.

There are more subtle approaches that are not "music first." One would be a performer who puts their ego ahead of the music. While at La Scala, Muti removed traditional interpolations that had been put into the music by different singers over the decades. Extra high notes were removed. Encores were forbidden. The singers were there to serve the music first. He also restored sections to operas that had been cut by someone other than the composer. On one occasion, he conducted Rossini's *William Tell* without any cuts. The concert started at 8 pm and ended at 2 am. Muti put Rossini's music ahead of the



PHOTOGRAPH BY ANDREAS FREIERKE

Riccardo Muti: putting the music first, even when he used words to do so. audience's comfort or attention span.

While conducting Verdi's *Nabuco* in Rome during the 2011 season, Muti did something that seemed to break with his mantra. After the chorus sang "Va Pensiero," the *de facto* national anthem of Italy, Muti turned to the audience and addressed the looming Berlusconi cuts to funding for the arts. He then proceeded

to conduct the audience in singing the famous chorus along with the orchestra. Because Muti had so adamantly stuck to his music-first approach, this break with his principles pushed the point home. He had infused the issue of political funding with the emotional fire of the Italian people. In an indirect way, he was still putting the music first. No money, no music.

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Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Lindsey Stirling and Kiesza.

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Friday, Aug. 27 — She Says So. **Free.**

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Thursday, Aug. 19 — Wax.
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Sunday, Aug. 15 — Beartooth and Wage War.
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Saturday, Aug. 14 — The Ram Sunset Sessions.
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Thornton Winery:
Friday, Aug. 20 — Brothers Igniting a Groove.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — Peter White & Euge Groove.

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Friday, Aug. 20 — Queen Nation: Bohemian Nights. \$45-\$149.
Saturday, Aug. 28 — Venice. \$25-\$40.

Wikiup Bed and Breakfast:
Saturday, Aug. 14 — Mountain Jam: Lost Monarchs. \$20-\$45.

Winstons Beach Club:
Friday, Aug. 13 — Elektrik Voodoo and Mitchum Yacoub. \$12-\$15.

a performance of Appalachian Spring in its original 13 instrument version, and integrates film, dance and visual arts with the works of composers Charles Ives, Caroline Shaw, and Gabriela Lena Frank, each piece conjuring the American Landscape in its own unique way. Saturday, August 7, 7:30pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

SummerFest American Perspectives III: Rhapsodies in Blues Seen by many as America's classical music, jazz has had an immense influence on the works of American and European composers. Just as the featured composers on this program blurred the lines between jazz and classical, so do the artists performing on this afternoon's concert. Jazz sensation Aaron Diehl and his trio will join classical musicians for works ranging from Ravel to Mary Lou Williams, culminating in a show stopping performance of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue. Sunday, August 8, 3pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

SummerFest: Life Story Smetana's lush string quartet, "From My Life," was written as an intimate confession, a tonal biography of his life, his loves, and in response to his subsequent deafness. Together with Sibelius' evocative En Saga (Legend), Shostakovich's explosive String Quartet No. 8, and Schubert's "Storm of Life" for piano-duet, these deeply intimate musical self-portraits detail the inner lives of those who composed them. Thursday, August 5, 7:30pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

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The Whiskey House: *Wednesday-Sunday*, 4-7pm: \$4 French pale lager, \$5 Moscow mule, whiskey sour, Daiquiri, house wines (red, white, sparkling), \$9 Carsberg Danish pilsner (1 liter can). Add a shot of house whiskey to any beer for \$1.

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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, sangria, \$8 margaritas. Appetizers \$5 to \$9.

MISSION BEACH

Coaster Saloon: *Monday*, 3pm-6pm: \$3 Jager shot with any beer purchase, \$4 select Bud draft, \$5 well drinks. *Tuesday*, 3pm-6pm: \$3 Jager shot with any beer purchase, \$4 select Bud draft and El Jimador shots, \$5 well drinks, house margarita. *Wednesday*, 3pm-6pm: \$1 off all IPA, \$3 Jager shot with any beer purchase, \$4 select Bud draft and Fireball shots, \$5 well drinks. *Thursday*, 3pm-6pm: \$3 Jager shot with any beer purchase, \$4 select Bud draft, Mission Blonde draft, Polish Pie shots, \$5 well drinks. *Friday*, 3pm-6pm: \$3 Jager shot with any beer purchase, \$4 select Bud draft, \$5 well drinks, Captain Morgan, Jack Daniels, Jager shots. *Saturday*, All day: \$15 Champagne bottles. *Sunday*, All day: \$3 Jager shot with any beer purchase, \$12 Champagne bottles.

MISSION HILLS

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OCEANSIDE

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OLD TOWN

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

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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.

Mavericks Beach Club: *Monday*, 5-6pm: \$4 beer, wine, and wells, \$6 margaritas and mai tais. \$2 off snacks. 3-10pm: Half off one pound orders of all wings, no limit. *Tuesday*, 5-6pm: \$4 beer, wine, and wells, \$6 margaritas and mai tais. \$2 off snacks. 5-10pm: \$10 all you can eat taco bar. 5pm-2am: \$4 all Mexican beers, \$4 Margaritas, \$4 shots of Eljimador. *Wednesday, Friday*, 5-6pm: \$4 beer, wine, and wells, \$6 margaritas and mai tais. \$2 off snacks. 9pm-2am: \$3 Natural Lite seltzers and Naturdays, \$4 shots of Jameson, Altos, Absolut, Malibu, Jagermeister.

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POINT LOMA

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Jungle Unloved

There have been movies based on 45 rpm singles (*Ode to Billy Joe*, *Harper Valley P.T.A.*) T.V. shows (*Downton Abbey*, *Barney's Great Adventure*), toys (*Ouija*, *The LEGO Movie*), and comic books too numerous to mention, but never has a dearth of inspiration been more unmistakable than when a studio tries to dramatize a theme park attraction. Hollywood could greenlight another hundred *Pirates of the Caribbean* sequels, and unless one was signed

MOVIES

by Scorsese, I'd avoid them all. So why this? The AC crapped out halfway through *Stillwater* (it was going nowhere slowly) and this was the only film playing that I'd yet to see. Be my guest, you've got nothing to lose, it's 127 minutes to nowhere on *Jungle Cruise*.

the studio breached their contract by simultaneously releasing *Black Widow* in theatres and on TV. Why is it that no one gripes when a baseball player rakes in millions by hitting a ball with a stick or an Indy 500 racer is rewarded handsomely for driving in circles? Johansson's the one putting butts in seats, yet she stands to lose millions if Disney gets its way. If a studio is dopey enough to fork over tens of millions of

dollars for an actress or actor to suit up, engage in a few bridging dialogue scenes, and let stunt doubles and computers handle most of the action, then the actor damn well better be smart enough to take them up on the offer. Will Dwayne Johnson follow suit, or will audiences put the Rock in a hard place?

Having twice exchanged E-Tickets for a ride on the Disneyland original, one thing stands out about each embarkation: the rote, flat-tongued patter of the Disney tour guides, both



Jungle Cruise: Script overboard!

gospel of Groucho, "Nothing, in its most violent form." ●

—Scott Marks

Video on Demand and New Release Roundup

Final Account — We open with a quote from Primo Levi, an Auschwitz survivor, that couldn't be more pertinent if it were spoken today: "Monsters exist, but they are too few in number to be truly dangerous. More dangerous are the common men, the functionaries ready to believe and act without asking questions." I've seen many documentaries on the Holocaust, but never one told from the points-of-view of those who witnessed and/or participated in the atrocities of the Third Reich first hand. Many of those interviewed were children when Hitler seized power; their parents bought them their first brown shirts and black trousers from a Jewish store. They speak with nostalgic effusion of the "Jungvolk," joined together to read from *Mein Kampf* while their older counterparts in the Hitler Youth would test their courage by visiting Jewish cemeteries at the "witching hour." Some came from families of "convinced" Nazis. Others were influenced by their teachers, "party operatives" who made more of an impact on impressionable students than did their parents. One subject laughs off the slaughter of six million Jews with, "Maybe a million, no more." As if that number were acceptable. It's hard to watch the uncomfortable smiles that cross their faces at the end of each remembrance, but I couldn't look away. Available on Amazon Prime. 2020. — S.M. ★★★★★

MOVIES@HOME

What was the first film to receive an R rating from the MPAA? Not *The Graduate*, which was classified Adults Only, but *The Split*, a crime drama starring Jim Brown and Diahann Carroll. Do you recall your first R? It was a sweltering July night when Dad put a halt to the imploring and took me to *Goodbye, Columbus*, the film that introduced moviegoers to Richard Benjamin and Ali McGraw.



Goodbye, Columbus: say hello to Richard Benjamin and Ali McGraw as the Jewish American Princess in sausage curls.

— Scott Marks

GOODBYE, COLUMBUS (1969) Any Jew worth their kosher salt was *kvelling* to see how Hollywood was going to film Philip

Roth's pot-stirring National Book Award-winning novella. Roth called it a story of "tribal secrets;" members of the Jewish community, aghast at the author's airing of dirty laundry, called him a self-loathing anti-Semite. In the decade between publication and screenwriter

Arnold Schulman's adaptation, America entered into a sexual revolution and a war that was growing more unpopular by the hour. The book describes Neil Klugman (Benjamin) as a

Korean War veteran. Schulman doesn't mention Vietnam in his update, opting to downplay topicality in favor of playing up the romance between the Jewish American Princess and the nebbish frog who, even after receiving her kiss, will never turn into a Prince. For more on how Roth's story weathered the changeover, it's time to say "Goodbye print," and "Hello website!"

in their early twenties, that came from reading off a prepared script, 15 times a day, month in and month out, with no variation. If the mechanized alligator rapidly approaching the boat isn't met by a starter's pistol ready to put a blank cartridge through its mechanical brain, there'll be one more "cast member" standing on the unemployment line.

We open in mid-legend: there's a tree in the valley, one watered by the tears of the moon, that give it unsurpassed healing powers. As Skipper Frank Wolff, Johnson retains the riverboat redundancy of the Disneyland skipper with an ocean of puns, at least one of which needed fact-checking: the time is 1916, twenty-five years before the advent of concentrated orange juice, rendering inane Frank's cornball quip about getting fired from an orange juice factory because he couldn't concentrate. Dr. Lily Houghton (Emily Blunt) and her brother MacGregor (Jack Whitehall) acquire Frank's services to help find the magical tree. (Think *The African Queen* if Katherine Hepburn had to ward off computer generated marine life and Bogey had a 25-inch neck.) Add to the race a teutonic Prince (Jesse Plemons) sailing in the direction of the only man with first-hand knowledge of the requisite arrowhead: Aguirre (Édgar Ramírez), the cursed Conquistador who took time away from his quest for El Dorado to appear here. There's so much fat to be trimmed off the obscene running time they might just as well have called it *Aquirre, the Rath of Bacon*. (What? You think Johnson is the only one capable of stooping so low as to pun?)

With no story to speak of other than finding the arrowhead, the plot experiences multiple minor (and unsatisfying) climaxes. The quintet of screenwriters mercilessly make up legends as they go along, filling the hours with muddy ghosts, kielbasa snakes, and unrequited setups. Frank cautions all aboard not to make eye contact with the *Encantado*, the mythical river dolphin swimming alongside the boat, lest one be beset by eternal nightmares. Evil dolphins? Only in the movies, and then barely at that. No sooner is the shape-shifting cetacean introduced than it's pulled off the screen quicker'n one can ask, "Is canned tuna really dolphin-safe?" And if the film is to be remembered as something other than a flop, it will go down in the annals of Disneyana as the first to feature an openly gay character. MacGregor's sexuality is summed up in a brief dialogue exchange with Frank: "My interests lie happily elsewhere." Perhaps in the sequel, God forbid there is one, we'll fade out with Frank and MacGregor picking out furniture.

The ride offers more motivation and depth of character than the movie. A badly rendered CG jaguar and Frank's insistence on calling Lily, "Pants" — sporting slacks at a time when women were only allowed to wear dresses is Disney's feeble stab at feminism — are added to give the film a touch of Howard Hawks. In this company, the tribute is unclean. And knowing as much about boating as I do curing ham, isn't a pier too shallow to accommodate a submarine? What does *Jungle Cruise* do in 127 minutes that couldn't have been accomplished in the time it takes to enjoy the Disneyland attraction? Quoting from the

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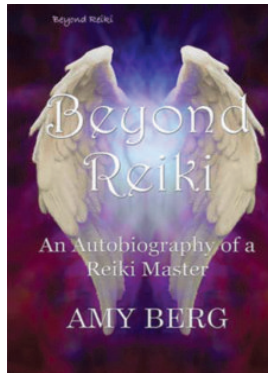
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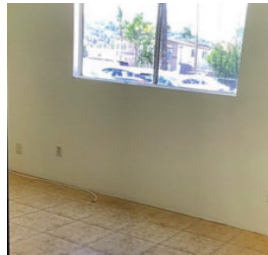
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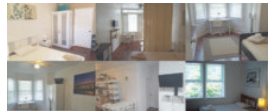
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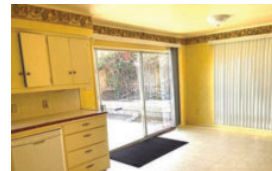
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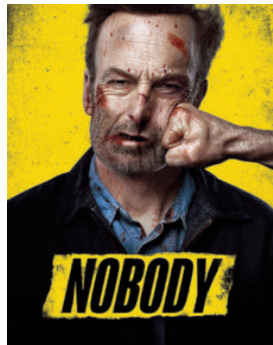
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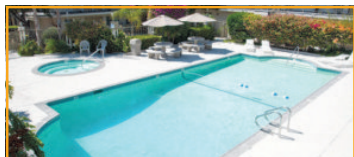
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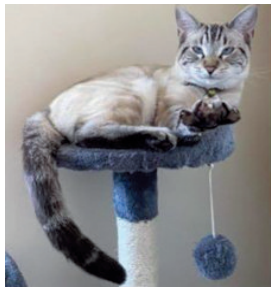
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Best catch of the season? *Ocean Odyssey* crew finds missing free diver.

Dock Totals 7/25 – 7/31: 5306 anglers aboard 224 trips out of San Diego landings this past week caught 68 barracuda, 1 black seabass (released), 302 bluefin tuna (up to 130 pounds), 235 bonito, 2223 calico bass (1495 released), 309 dorado, 31 halfmoon, 3 halibut, 1 lingcod, 1 striped marlin, 1718 rockfish, 439 sand bass, 74 sculpin, 192 sheephead, 283 whitefish, 2 white seabass, 178 yellowfin tuna, and 9534 yellowtail.

Saltwater: Though today's sportfishing vessels are equipped with the latest fish-finding and scanning technology, captains and crews often rely on 'old school' methods to give their passengers the best odds of putting fish on the deck. By naked eye or with the aid of binoculars, spotting a floating patch of kelp (or kelp paddy), a pod of dolphin, or fish feeding on the surface is responsible for much of the yellowtail, tuna, and dorado caught offshore during the summer/fall pelagic season. Schools of feeding fish boiling or a cruising pod of dolphin are fairly easy to spot from a distance, but kelp and other debris that often have fish below can be difficult to see, especially when swell and wind obscure the surface.

In the open sea, baitfish will gather under kelp paddies, dead whales, and other floating objects in the attempt to escape predators. As our targeted gamefish tend to feed and strike by sight from beneath their prey, finding a spot out of the exposing sunlight can increase the odds of survival for a sardine or anchovy. Maybe. Gamefish are onto this maneuver, and are often caught in the vicinity of any floating thing as small as a chunk of driftwood or as large as a blue whale. For that reason, captains and appointed lookouts are constantly watching for kelp or debris while searching for action for their clients. And anglers and predator species aren't the only visitors to floating objects; free divers hunting gamefish will often dive on kelp paddies and watch for circling tuna or dorado to spear.

On Wednesday, July 28th, while on a 2.5-day trip out



CREDIT: OCEAN ODYSSEY

After spending over four hours adrift at sea, missing free diver Alexandro Crosthaithe is pulled aboard the *Ocean Odyssey*.

area he thought the man might be.

Considering the possibility of hypothermia and given that the diver was in a blue camouflage wetsuit, even with the Coast Guard and Mexican Navy searching, the odds of finding the missing man alive were growing slimmer by the hour. Deckhand Chad Foster first spotted Crosthaithe from the roof of the *Ocean Odyssey* wheelhouse, and some four hours after the initial call the free diver was pulled from the water in good health. Crosthaithe had removed the top of his wetsuit to increase his odds of being seen, and though that may have hastened hypothermia, it paid off. Crosthaithe swam to the offered life ring, and with a little help boarded the vessel in good spirits. His first request was an ice-cold beer. He was transferred to a Coast Guard vessel and reunited with his father.

Sportfishing crews are not just adept at their trade of putting anglers on fish, they practice man overboard drills and lifesaving techniques for this very reason. The *Ocean Odyssey*, along with their most prized 'catch' of the season, finished the outing with 250 yellowtail, 8 bluefin tuna, and 1 dorado caught by the 25 paying anglers aboard.

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"Can't really name the spots, because they are on a need-to-know basis"

SURF DIEGO

by LUKE JOHNSON

A native of San Diego, 21-year-old Ryan Filds talks about the surf around Sunset Cliffs. He says he enjoys surfing up and down the coast, and at Sunset Cliffs specifically, but can't really name the spots because they are on a need-to-know basis. "Couple of the breaks you're not really supposed to name, so just 'The Cliffs.'"

According to Filds, the temperament of the local surfers depends on both the size of the swell and where you are in San Diego. "Depends on the break. Everyone from garbage is pretty accepting. The further south you go, it gets a little more hectic. And also, depends on the day — if it's good or bad."

Filds hasn't had many major wipeouts in his two years of surfing, except for a concussion during a session up in Oceanside. "It was pretty average day surfing at Oceanside," he recalls, "But I took a back-side closeout barrel and got domed to the head, actually on that board. Just thankful I didn't get knocked unconscious or anything"

Since recovering, Filds has spent time recharging on surf trips to Big Sur and continuing his freelance photography work for companies that represent surfing culture.



San Diego native Ryan Filds enjoys surfing Sunset Cliffs

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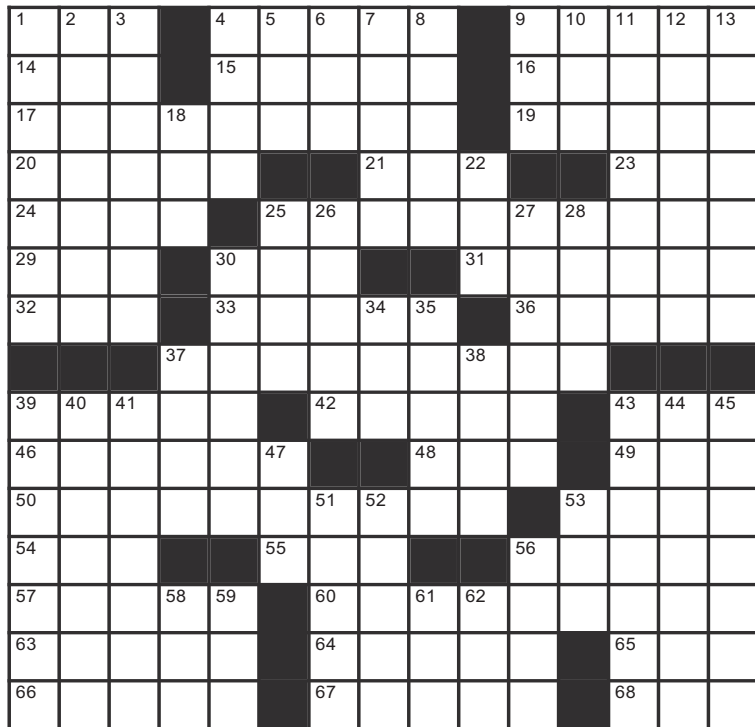
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54. Econ. yardstick
55. [That is ... rough!]
56. Prepared to fire
57. Light bulbs may symbolize them
60. Player who receives a ball after it's hit to an outfielder ... or what this puzzle has done to 17-, 25-, 37- and 50-Across
63. Food pkg. info
64. "Forgive _____ trespasses ..."
65. Capital renamed after the Meiji Restoration
66. "r u kidding me?!"
67. Take care of
68. Spring forward/fall back inits.

10. From _____ Z
11. "Well, which is it?!"
12. "Awe-SOME!"
13. 1968 to now, in tennis
18. Ref. work that added "livestream" in 2021
22. Zoom meeting need
25. Biblical kingdom in modern-day Jordan
26. Beginning
27. Small morsel of food
28. Flutter by like a butterfly
30. Disapproval from the fans
34. Blunder
35. Part of an escalator
37. Lion's warning
38. Entr' _____
39. "The Tonight Show" announcer Steve
40. Revisionist
41. Virtual animals in an early 2000s fad
43. Shut (up)
44. They tell you to Just Do It
45. Is unobliged to
47. Auto racer _____ Fabi
51. "Pay attention!"
52. Helpful
53. Peter Pan rival
56. _____Cuban (Latin jazz style)
58. Leatherwork tool
59. Place to eat like a pig?
61. Nursery rhyme "piggy"
62. Magazine published by Pride Media

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Tacos

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to eat everything all at once – but I do love their tacos.” Porter expects more taco stands to open in the future, often from mom-and-pop teams transitioning from food trucks. “I think they’re going to keep popping up,” she says.

City Tacos’ Gerald Torres, for one, is already eyeing expansion. Most recently, he opened his seventh location at 323 Seventh Avenue, on the ground floor of The Legend Condominiums, near Petco Park. The shop was supposed to open in the spring of 2020, but the opening was delayed by the pandemic to May 2021. “My dream is to make it all the way up to San Francisco,” says Torres, who owned and operated an Italian restaurant for more than a decade before starting City Tacos. “I love the coast, I love the beach towns, and each one would do well with City Tacos.” Tacos El Gordo also wants to expand – but has thus far been stymied by a lack of qualified *taqueros* and other help, even at a pay rate of twenty dollars an hour. “We have been trying to open a new location in downtown San Diego, on F Street, but we have been struggling to get employees,” Delia Hernandez says. “We don’t have enough working hands to open the location yet.”

Justin Jachura of Los Tacos admits he didn’t start the trend toward street tacos, but he sure accelerated it. “Street tacos are a part of Mexican culture,” Jachura says. “We got the idea from going across the border into Tijuana, where taco stands are everywhere,

and then when you cross the border there was no place to get them other than Tacos El Gordo and Tacos El Paisa. Everyone else was burrito-forward, based on the model built by Roberto’s.” (Like Tacos El Gordo, Tacos El Paisa for years operated several Tijuana taco stands before coming to San Diego in 1999, on the corner of 47th Street and Logan Avenue in the Lincoln Park neighborhood.) Jachura and his partners opened the first of three Los Tacos locations in Oceanside, where State Route 78 meets Jefferson Street on the city’s southern border with Carlsbad, in June 2005. They have since opened two more, one in Temecula and another in Carlsbad, and they also own and operate two sit-down Senior Grubby’s restaurants in Carlsbad and Oceanside, as well as a poke bowl place in the Shoppes at Carlsbad mall.

Jachura prides himself on his food’s authenticity. “We serve authentic street tacos like the ones you can get in Mexico. We even built our restaurants to resemble a Tijuana taco stand, with an exposed kitchen so you can see us cooking the *al pastor* on a vertical spit or charbroiling the chicken. Everything happens right in front of you. We hired a real *taquero*, or taco chef, from Mexico City and another one from Oaxaca, hired a butcher to teach us how to cut the meat, and we still do everything in-house.” Los Tacos’ biggest seller is carne asada, followed by *al pastor*. “Those are our big dogs,” Jachura says. Los Tacos also offers traditional carnitas and chicken tacos, and occasionally tripe and tongue. But despite his focus on authenticity, Ja-

chura admits to dabbling in fusion, offering duck tacos and even pork belly tacos — though he maintains the latter was purely accidental. “We were going to open another restaurant, a smokehouse, and got a great deal on a smoker,” he says. “We were going to smoke our own meat, but things didn’t work out, so we figured out a way to put it to use at Los Tacos.”

Jachura doesn’t think much of the more exotic tacos available at some of the newer taco stands around town, including one in Carlsbad that’s less than a mile from Grubby’s. “We call them ‘culture vultures,’” he says. “Our tacos are the real shit, not the bull shit. Our carnitas is cooked in lard. The whole thing is, we’re not trying to be something we’re not, and our customers know this – that’s why seventy percent of our regulars are Latinos. There are people, corporate suits with money, taking an authentic culture, an authentic cuisine, and trying to profit from it. They don’t care about culture; they just want to make money.”

Jachura says he is always looking for new restaurant opportunities, but unlike City Tacos’ Gerald Torres, he insists there are no more taco stands in his future. “The market is completely saturated,” he maintains. “It’s like frozen yogurt in the ‘90s, when all of a sudden you had a fro-yo place on every corner. Now, with taco shops, it’s the same. When we started we wanted to create something there’s a need for, and we didn’t see anyone else doing it. Now, everyone’s doing it – everyone wants a piece.”

—Thomas K. Arnold

Ordinary Madness

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well, that was no problem in T. and the last thing he wanted right then was a woman, that pussy throbbing and pulsing at him. women always got in the way. they could kill a. man in 9,000 different ways, after he hit the 5-10, picked up his 50 or 60 grand, he’d get a little place along the coast, halfway between L.A. and Dago, and then buy an electric typer or get out the paintbrush, drink French wine and take long walks along the oceanfront each night, the difference between living well and living badly was only a matter of a little luck and Dan felt he had a little luck coming, the books, the balance books owed it to him...

He asked the bartender what day it was and the bartender said, “Thursday,” so he had a couple of days, they didn’t run until Saturday. Aleseo had to wait for the American crowds to suck over the border for their two days of madness after 5 days of hell. Tijuana took care of them. Tijuana took care of their money for them, but the Americans never knew how much the Mexicans hated them; the American money stupified them to fact, and they ran through TJ like they owned it, and every woman was a fuck and every cop was just some kind of character in a comic strip, but the Americans had forgotten that they’d won a few wars from Mexico, as Americans and Texans or whatever the hell else, to the Americans, that was just history in a book; to the Mexicans it was very real, it didn’t feel well to be an American in a Mexican bar on a Thursday night, the Americans even ruined the bullfights; the Americans ruined everything.

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NEWS TICKER

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Also cancelled by KPBS-FM in July was *Fresh Air* hosted by Terry Gross. Of the top 20 U.S. metropolitan areas in the U.S., only San Diego/KPBS now does not carry *Fresh Air*. (San Diego is the 16th largest radio market). Decker indicates *Fresh Air*’s cancellation was over money. “We are stewards of our members’ donations, and we have to make fiscally sound decisions that serve the needs of the organization,” Decker says via email. “Keeping *Fresh Air* — long after it made sense to do so financially — was no longer prudent. The programming schedule changes are an effort to redistribute some of our programming funds and time slots in support of our needs in the podcast and digital content area.”

But *A Way With Words* is provided to KPBS for free. Grants and other financial sources allow the show to be delivered to NPR stations in 40 states at no charge. “When we do a fundraising campaign, thousands of our listeners donate to keep making new radio and podcast episodes,” says co-host Barrett. Still, neither Barnette or co-host Barrett are bitter over their new KPBS time slot. “We are the chefs, we are not the restaurant owner, who is entitled to make changes to the menu,” says Barnette. “As chefs, we are responsible for making the best possible cuisine we can.” Barrett says he would prefer to return to the afternoon, but, “They are our [airwave] landlords, and we want to keep them happy.”

A Way With Words started in San Diego as a KPBS in-house show in 1998. Author Martha Barnette became host in 2004. When lexicographer Grant Barrett arrived as co-host in 2006, *A Way With Words* was already syndicating to other stations. In 2007, a company formed by Barnette, Barrett, and executive producer Stefanie Levine took over the show’s ownership and production from KPBS.

Only a handful of nationally distributed broadcast programs originate in San Diego. The pro-Trump One America News Network provides a 24-hour TV news/opinion feed on select cable and satellite systems. *Skratch ‘N Sniff* is a two-hour weekly music show created in 2003 that is now carried on some 50 rock radio stations, including San Diego’s Rock 105. The show features songs by Foo Fighters, Daughtry, and Alice in Chains remixed with techno or hip-hop beats.

Meanwhile KPBS-TV just ended a decades-old commitment to air repeats of the hour-long *Lawrence Welk Show* Saturdays at 6pm. “I grew up watching it,” says tech firm accountant James Frost of Fallbrook. “It was always present at our house back in Nebraska. It was good, clean, hokey fun.” *The Lawrence Welk Show*, a mix of accordions, polkas, and American pop standards, aired Saturday nights on ABC-TV from 1955 to 1971 and then in syndication until 1982. KPBS-TV has aired *Welk* re-runs since the ‘90s. “It was part of American culture. It was goofy stuff but the musicians were top notch.” Frost says emotional Irish tenor Joe Feney, the ever-smiling Lennon Sisters, and ragtime pianist Jo An Castle were household names. “Lawrence would dance with a couple old ladies, and you just know it was the highlight of their lives. I remember once they had a couple sing ‘One Toke Over the Line,’ and they had no idea what the song was about. It’s a piece of Americana culture that was embedded in our lives, especially those of us from the Midwest.” Yet Frost says he understands why KPBS may have pulled the plug on *Welk*. “The original fan base was people like my parents who were born before World War II. They loved the show but there aren’t so many of them around anymore. As the population ages, there’s just less of a demand for Lawrence Welk.”

Ken Leighton

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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and we took measures to mitigate that with our absorb pads." In the raw video footage, the camera handler zoomed in on the utility hole on the street, which was about seven feet away from the truck's liftgate; the wall of the hole appeared to be stained with the remnants of a dark liquid. "Luckily, the storm drain is dry," Lowry commented. (It is illegal to discharge automobiles' pollutants — such as motor oil, degreasers, antifreeze, transmission fluid, and solvents — into the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, according to the City of San

Diego website.)

We are "in the process of finding the owner," Lowry continued. "We have CHP and Sheriffs here helping us with that investigation and offloading the motor oil right now." On the clean-up video, workers from the county and fire and rescue department, dressed in hazmat jumpsuits, are seen offloading the 100-plus five-gallon containers onto a tarp laid on the sidewalk and dirt lot on the 7300 block of Calzada De La Fuente, about three miles northeast of the Otay Mesa Land Port of Entry. A sizable liquid tote container could be seen on the truck's bed.

"They got a lucky break," opined Billy M., an Otay Mesa resident. "The [mitigation]



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"On average, about four million people re-use motor oil as a lubricant for other equipment or take it to a recycling facility," says the EPA website. "Less energy is required to produce a gallon of re-refined base stock than a base stock from crude oil. One gallon of used motor oil provides the same 2.5 quarts of lubricating oil as 42 gallons of crude oil." Besides that, said Billy M., "Recycling old motor oil is a win-win. I've seen people use it to stain [and preserve] wood."

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An abandoned white Isuzu flatbed truck that was carrying about 700 gallons of used motor oil.

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Creme de la Weird

— An arrest warrant was issued July 8 in Little Rock, Arkansas, for Brian Dale Reams, 32, in connection with several incidents where he allegedly approached women and asked if he could touch their feet — with a curious twist, KATV reported. In Conway, Arkansas, a woman said a man with no arms followed her into a Wal-mart last September, telling her she had pretty feet and asking if she liked having people touch them. Later he began harassing her on Facebook. In June, a second woman said a man matching the same description (but wearing a face mask with "Brian" written on it) followed her around the same Wal-mart and wondered if she'd let him give her a foot massage. He apparently didn't explain how that might work. A third woman identified Reams after viewing screenshots of his Facebook account; he approached her in a Kroger store.

Bright Idea

— Hollister Tryon, 18, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, was charged on July 9 with felony computer crimes after he hacked into a database to edit entries in the Glastonbury High School 2021 yearbook, *The Smoking Gun* reported. In May, school administrators discovered a quote from Adolf Hitler that was attributed to George Floyd under a senior's photo in the yearbook. Another student's quote was edited to include drug references and the name of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, the convicted Boston Marathon bomber.

News You Can Use

— Philadelphia police recently impounded a car with a technological innovation that might just take off: a license plate equipped with a remote-control flipper, which allows a driver to foil the red-light cameras placed around the city. Capt. John Ryan told WPVI-TV that police are capturing images of many cars with illegitimate temporary tags or otherwise disguised numbers, which puts officers in danger. "It gives us bad information. The car might be involved in a crime."

Bright Ideas

— Jimmy Jennings of Lafayette, Louisiana, doesn't like being stuck in traffic. But on July 9, as he sat in a jam on the Atchafalaya Basin Bridge, he was struck with a dubious notion: He would jump off the interstate bridge into the river below. "When I hit the water, my shoulder went up, I kind of hurt my shoulder, but I started swimming," Jennings said, according to WABC-TV. "I couldn't get back to the bank because the current was way too strong. I thought I was going to die, but God saved me." Eventually, Jennings found his way to land, where he rode around on an ATV for a while — only to discover he was on an island. Finally, he found a boat and was met by police, who charged him with criminal mischief and trespassing. Jennings later admitted on Facebook that his leap of faith was a bad idea.

Smooth Reaction

— When Fort Worth, Texas, code compliance officers arrived at a home at around

8:30 am on July 16 to issue a violation for too-high grass, the homeowner did not answer the door. But when mowers hired by the city showed up and started cutting the grass, the person inside began shooting at them, KDFW-TV reported. The police officers who had accompanied the compliance team took cover and waited for backup; the person inside continued shooting until SWAT units arrived and shot tear gas into the home. The shooter was taken into custody at about 1 pm; the citation was his seventh in two years. "Being shot at for trying to make the community look better?" said Fort Worth officer Jimmy Pollozani. "That just proves the dangers of this job." The man was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Say What?

— *The Guardian* reported on July 19 about a phenomenon among American preschoolers called the Peppa Effect. The hypothesis is that children who watched a lot of *Peppa Pig* during the pandemic lockdown have developed British accents and started using British terms like "mummy" (mommy), "give it a go" (try it) and "satnav" (GPS). *Wall Street Journal* reporter Preetika Rana tweeted that her niece "had an American accent before the pandemic. Now she has a posh English accent." One responder agreed: "And for Christmas I had to put out a freaking mince pie for Father Christmas, or, as we call him here in the States, Santa Claus."

Florida

— Parents of students who attend Sallie Jones Elementary School in Punta Gorda, Florida, are considering taking matters into their own hands after police have failed to stop a man from standing outside the school, waving swastika flags and screaming profanities as they pick up and drop off their kids. "I think it's inappropriate, and I want to put an end to it," said parent Adam Ackerman. WINK News reported that Punta Gorda police can't arrest the man because he hasn't broken the law; a city ordinance prohibits signs with obscene language or symbols, but apparently swastikas aren't considered obscene by law. "I think the people that can get it done [are] the people right here," Ackerman said. "Let's put an end to it in some way, shape or form." Stay tuned.

Bright Ideas

— California Highway Patrol officers were called to a spot on I-80 near the Nevada border on July 15 because of a car on fire, *SFGate* reported. When they got there, they discovered a man yelling about "the bears," Officer Carlos Perez said. After talking with him, they determined that the man had set his car on fire to ward off bears. "Listen, we have bears in the area," Perez said, "but there were no bears nearby. ... You can't light a fire on the hood of your vehicle to 'keep the bears away.'"

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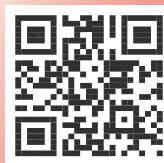


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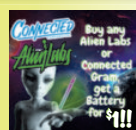
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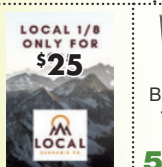
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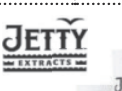
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