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Radio silence

Local scanners fight safety-minded encryption

On January 11, the San Diego County Sheriff's Department's real-time radio broadcast signal went silent — for the public. The Department had encrypted their broadcast signal, per the California Department of Justice's October 2020 mandate. Since then, locals have been speaking up in response. "It did keep people informed of police and fire activity in their areas," Gregory Blomberg said to me on January 16. "When the ghetto bird (helicopter) is up and making announcements, you can rarely understand it. And although they give a 'Text to 9-1-1' line to inform you what the helicopter is saying, the text line rarely gives you an answer, either." Since 2013, Blomberg, a



Going forward, following the story may mean following the flashing lights.

the sheriff's press release. "The medical examiner's office will identify the body, as well as determine cause and manner of death once the family has been notified...No other structures were damaged, and no evacuations were necessary." The press release went live on the sheriff's site at around 2:30 pm, about six hours after the concerned locals made the initial distress calls. And that's what San Diego County radio scanners are worried about. "This [encryption] change will limit evacuation information and updates on fire size, spread, and location for all areas serviced by SDO (San Diego Sheriff officials)," tweeted

issued on a government document. The most common data elements encountered during field operations include a driver license number or ID number."

Alex, a local Redditor, 10-4s that. "Honestly, the way cops do their jobs — they need to be able to yell over the radio anything and everything. [For example:]

'I'm following a blue Dodge, tag ABC456. White male driver.' Then if dispatch comes back, 'We show it registered to a Tom Green, convicted felon for firearms possession.' Would they [be able to] type it into a computer on the fly? Have a second, encrypted channel just for private info requests? Either

they encrypt their transmissions to protect that, or they limit the broadcast of private info on the radio." Lt. Amber Baggs, a spokeswoman for the Sheriff's Department, concurred, saying "It's not always feasible for us to switch channels." She added that

it's "difficult or sometimes impossible" for sheriff deputies and dispatchers to switch over from an unencrypted channel to an encrypted channel, or vice versa, to protect personal information during an emergency situation.

As this article goes to print, the petition that Blomberg signed and shared is up to 100 signatures. It reads in part: "San Diego Police Department had the option to go fully encrypted, but they chose to only encrypt a specific channel called 'Inquiry' that is used to run people's information, such as driver license numbers, addresses, and DOB. We ask that Bill Gore will use SDPD as an example to be transparent with the community and make sure the community is well informed of what's going on."

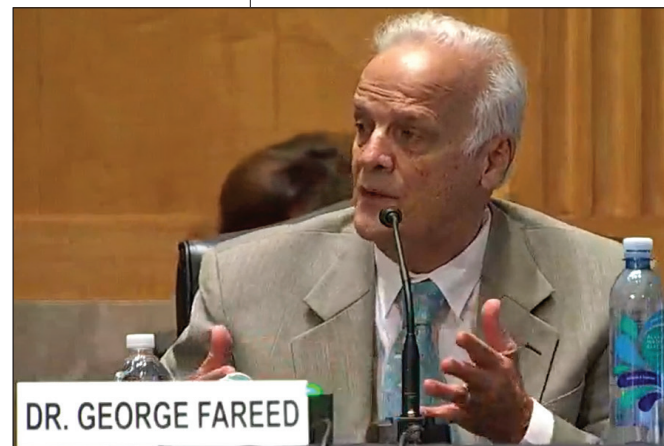
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OUT THERE

Covid cowboys

Thousands delivered from disease by deplatformed desert docs

On January 7, Dr. George Fareed of Brawley



Following the science? Dr. Fareed says that early covid treatment with his method has 100% survival rate.

and Dr. Brian Tyson of El Centro published *Overcoming the Covid Darkness*, their story of treating 7000 Covid patients in the Imperial Valley since April 2020. What makes their story unique is an early treatment protocol they've advocated since the SARS-COV-2

pandemic began — and their claim to have a 100 percent survival rate with it. Even when counting their patients who received late treatment (after five to seven days of infection), of which three died, their protocol still has a death rate 54 times less than the average in Imperial County, according to statistics published in *The Desert Review*, a weekly newspaper in the Imperial Valley.

Last year, *The Desert Review* published the doctors' early treatment plan, which is similar to the I-MASK+ protocol of the "Front Line Covid Critical Care" network of doctors. Aspirin, monoclonal antibodies, and steroids

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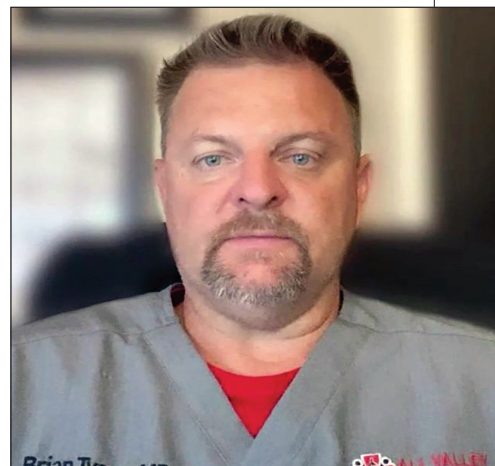
"Either they encrypt their transmissions to protect that, or they limit the broadcast of private info on the radio."

hairstylist from Escondido — along with others who monitor their digital, analog, and downloadable-app scanners — kept the 4500 followers of Escondido Police Scanners on Facebook informed. "Most people here use scanner apps on their phones," said Blomberg. "Unless it's keyed to Escondido's encryption, you might not get much. Right now, the app PulsePoint will give you the location of medical, traffic accident, and fire calls, but with no details. So you're still left in the dark about road closures or the severity of the incident."

As the sheriff's open radio broadcast transitioned over to an exclusive encrypted signal that morning, "authorized law enforcement, criminal justice personnel or their lawfully authorized designees (including first responders)" — all of whom have access to the new CLETS (California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System) terminal — rendezvoused at the 2200 block of Montecito Road in Ramona. At around 8:30 am, they met with an individual who had called in about a burning structure located about two miles west of the 67 and 78 intersection. "During their initial investigation, firefighters discovered a body outside of the structure," reads

SD County Fire Scanner that Tuesday afternoon. "Approximately 1 million residents are serviced by the Sheriff's Department; SDO services all unincorporated portions of the county, 18 Indian reservations, and the cities of Del Mar, Encinitas, Imperial Beach, Lemon Grove, Poway, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach, and Vista."

Blomberg and other scanner trackers who are not happy with the recent radio-signal encryption are signing a San Diego Sheriff's Department Public Information Transparency petition on the *Change.org* site. "I get [the policy], to a point, now knowing more of the reasons for encryption," said Blomberg, "but it isn't hard to put personal information on a separate channel." He's speaking of the sort of personally identifiable information that gets relayed on the law enforcement broadcasts and might be used to trace or distinguish an individual's identity, "such as an individual's first name, or first initial, and last name in combination with any one or more specific data elements," according to the CDOJ's October 2020 bulletin. "Data elements include social security number, passport number, military identification number, and other unique ID numbers



Dr. Tyson: "Dr. Fauci is notorious for discounting treatments that work in favor of things that make money"

UNDER THE RADAR

Hit piece late fees In what appears to be a much-belated post-election payoff, two Los Angeles-area Democrats forced from office amid sexual harassment scandals came up with big money in 2021 for a 2020 campaign committee that attacked San Diego County supervisor **Nora Vargas**. Capstone Consulting, run by ex-Assemblyman **Raul Bocanegra** of Pacoima, who quit the legislature in November 2017, gave a total of \$25,001 in October, November, and December of 2021 to a campaign committee calling itself San Diegans for Good Government Opposing Nora Vargas for Supervisor 2020. In addition to Bocanegra, CoAction Strategies, operated by **Mark Lomeli**, a former legislative employee who quit his job as chief of staff to Assembly Democrat Mark Gipson in 2018, gave \$4000 to the anti-Vargas group on October 18, 2021. Bocanegra resigned from the Assembly in the wake of a November 20, 2017 *Los Angeles Times* account in which six women alleged unwelcome physical advances. And in July 2019, the Assembly Rules Committee upheld accusations of inappropriate behavior against Lomeli brought by an unidentified woman. “The investigation determined that he ‘more likely than not’ grabbed her buttocks, inappropriately touched her body, and made unwelcome comments about her physical appearance,” the *Times* reported on August 9, 2019. “The records say that on April 12, 2018, a woman told human resources that Lomeli grabbed [her] breasts, vagina, buttocks, and pushed his penis area’ on her in a sexual assault that had occurred two years earlier, on May 4, 2016.”

In addition to Bocanegra and Lomeli, other 2021 givers to the anti-Vargas 2020 campaign fund included Stuttgart’s Auto Collision Center of Downey (\$13,500 in July and August), and JLE Broker, Inc. of Southgate (\$8500 on July 29). Applied Solutions of Los Angeles gave \$3250 on August 31. In all, the 2020 committee began 2021 with \$3705 and took in \$54,251 during last year, according to a January 17, 2022, campaign filing. The group’s spending totaled \$57,955, most of which finally paid off 302 Communications Group of Sacramento, a consulting firm that produced the 2020 anti-Vargas pieces. Ironically, considering the ultimate identity of the campaign donors, a mailer by the anti-Vargas committee during 2020’s general election campaign alleged she had “helped cover up sexual harassment and let predators walk away.” It cited a 2019 *Voice of San Diego* item saying that Southwestern College in Chula Vista, where Vargas had been a trustee, agreed to allow an accused professor to “quietly resign.” Despite the hit pieces, Var-



Harasser handouts couldn’t drag Nora Vargas down.

gas beat her opponent, state Senator **Ben Hueso**, with 56.6 of the votes to win election to the Board of Supervisors in the November 3, 2020 race. Hueso is now running against fellow Democrat **Mike Schaefer** for a seat on the state Board of Equalization. Schaefer currently holds the spot.

Turkey of a charity California’s Fair Political Practices Commission is out with its 2022 Behesting Transparency Report, and a famous San Diego name ranks high on the list of California politicians using their offices to solicit corporate interests for their favorite nonprofits. Number four on the top five so-called behesting officials of 2020 is Republican ex-mayor **Kevin Faulconer**, who the FPPC says raised \$1,466,528. That’s considerably shy of number one, Los Angeles Democratic Mayor **Eric Garcetti**, who raked in \$26,228,460. (Number two was Oakland mayor **Libby Schaff** with \$21,739,062, and in third

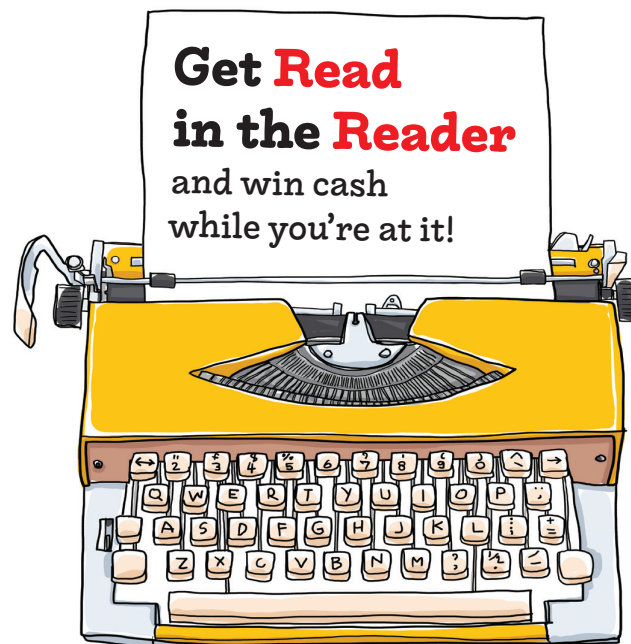
place came San Francisco mayor **London Breed**, with \$10,188,842.) Many Faulconer-solicited dollars went to his now-defunct charity, One San Diego, which held well-televised annual Thanksgiving turkey giveaways in poorer parts of the city. Much of Garcetti’s money went into his controversial Mayor’s Fund for Los Angeles. “The real problem is that the mayor is raising, through his staff, big amounts of money for the nonprofit, and he’s getting credit for it,” **Bob Stern**, ex-FPPC general counsel, told the *L.A. Times* last month...Now that ex-San Diego city council Democrat and mayoral candidate **David Alvarez** has declared his run for the 80th Assembly District seat vacated by fellow Democrat **Lorena**



Kevin Faulconer didn’t gobble up nearly as much as mayors from LA and SF.

Gonzalez, eyes are turning to his lobbying practice. Called Causa Consulting, Alvarez’s influence-peddling company currently represents Kilroy Realty of Los Angeles, Bird Scooter, and ReConnect Logan, “a community nonprofit group seeking to build a freeway lid over Interstate 5 in Barrio Logan.” The outcome sought, according to a January 14 filing: “We will try to identify any city opportunities to help study and plan for the construction of a freeway lid or cap over the 5 freeway with park, recreation, and affordable housing.”...Mega beer maker Anheuser Busch Companies is the latest to fund San Diego Democrat and state Senate Pro Tem **Toni Atkins**’s 2026 campaign for Lieutenant Governor, with \$8100 on January 10.

— **Matt Potter** (@sdmattpotter)
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“Imperial County Covid story banned by Twitter and YouTube”
Neighborhood News
January 19

Both of those sites are loaded down with ‘bots and anything “controversial” is tagged and looked at by a human.....who probably deletes it anyway. I have heard of similar treatment methods being done in India and very little of it seems to have hit “social media”, probably thanks to the ‘bots.
—Strelnikov

Interesting and controversial. Excellent reviews (5 star). A friend of mine was recently banned from Facebook for using a “fake name.” She was using her real name. She has an uncommon surname. Facebook is really cracking down, and she understood that Facebook is free, and she’s not a paying

customer. She was annoyed by their incorrect assumption, and rightfully so.

—Socks3742

“Amtrak is flying blind on crumbling Del Mar bluffs, auditor finds”
News Ticker
January 14

Like most of our foot draggers in the Senate, greed rules the RR not logic! IF they participate in meetings then they have to respond to questions which they do not want to do... so they don’t attend; in effect thumbing their nose at us. Rather than screw up the fragile Del Mar bluff, they should be planning on not using this line for freight. since very little is shipped by rail from LA. Instead upgrading their coastal rail system they should be planning to phase out their coastal freight line and build a better rail link (high speed) between the Salton Sea area and SD. This would open the East County and Salton Sea area for new development as well as a more robust railway in and out of San Diego as well as Baja CA. PLAN AHEAD Stop this planning to screw up the Del Mar bluffs
—Founder

“Targets’: The Bogdanovich-Corman connection”
Movies@Home
January 20

I was still in middle school when “Targets” played our

local drive-in, but there had been a big feature about it in Famous Monsters magazine and I was dying to see it - my folks weren’t interested in taking me, so I somehow talked my older brother and his friend into sneaking me into the drive-in with them. It’s been one of my favorite movies ever since, and it’s a thrill to have on DVD, with a Bogdanovich commentary and everything - but nothing will ever top how “meta” it was to see Karloff as Orloff, at the drive in, on a drive-in screen!

—Jay Allen Sanford

“EPA closer to banning leaded airplane gas”
Neighborhood News
January 18

No big deal, get a valve job and get hard valve seats put in. Standard Chevy fix since the 1980s.

—Ralph Soto

Well that’s good, the lead was probably weighing the planes down making it harder to fly.
—Jake Golden

“Tijuana journalists accuse Facebook page operator after Margarito Martinez death”

Neighborhood News
January 21
We demand justice #Marina-DelPilar #monserratcaballero
—Sonia S. Sanchez

we want justice
—Pedron Martinez

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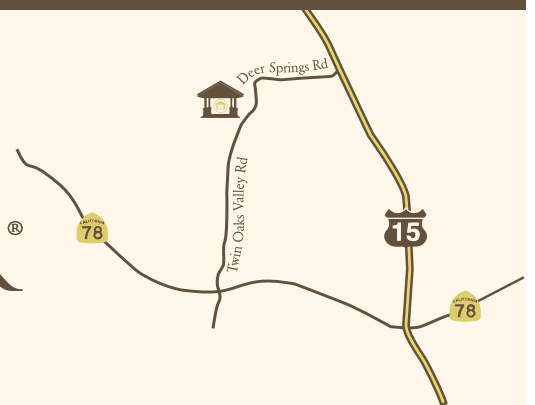
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are on their list, as are the controversial drugs Ivermectin and Hydroxychloroquine. The doctors recommend Zinc, Vitamin C, and Quercetin as a prophylaxis.

In November 2020, Dr. Fareed testified at a U.S. Senate hearing and said, “The goal is to treat early. Covid patients are difficult to treat when they get very sick... The timing of the drug is when the virus is in a very active maximal replication phase in the upper respiratory tract, and our goal is to prevent it from entering the lower respiratory tract and to prevent hospitalization.”

In December 2021, Drs. Fareed and Tyson spoke to the Imperial County Board of Supervisors about their protocol. One supervisor said they received pressure to cancel the doctors’ appearance, and another asked why their protocol hasn’t received wide acceptance. Dr. Tyson said, “Dr. Fauci is notorious for discounting treatments that work in favor of things that make money... This conversation is starting to be more widely accepted. Our Global Covid Alliance is having more seminars all over the nation. We’re going to have one here in San Diego in March.”

That alliance of 16,000

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Flying is cool. Putting lead in kids is somewhat less cool.

technology platform that gives rise to these [mRNA Covid] vaccines.”

Malone credited Drs. Fareed and Tyson with saving the lives of thousands of Mexican immigrants and echoed Tyson’s opinion that financial profit is one motive behind the information war against their treatments. “There’s been a half-million excess [Covid] deaths through intentional blockade of early treatment by the U.S. government,” he said.

Dr. Malone and Dr. Tyson have been banned from Twitter. Rogan uploaded a video clip from his podcast to YouTube, in

“There’s been a half-million excess [Covid] deaths through intentional blockade of early treatment by the U.S. government.”

physicians and scientists is led by Dr. Robert Malone, who appeared on *The Joe Rogan Experience* podcast #1757 on December 30. Malone told Rogan that in the late 1980s, he worked at San Diego’s Salk Institute as a UCSD graduate student, and there made discoveries that formed “the basis of the RNA

which Dr. Malone diagnosed much of American society and the world with “mass formation psychosis,” one symptom of which is the censorship and destruction of any dissent or counternarrative. YouTube responded by removing the video.

ERIC BARTL



Dr. Robert Malone told [Joe] Rogan that in the late 1980s he worked at San Diego’s Salk Institute as a UCSD graduate student and there made discoveries that form “the basis of the RNA technology platform....”

THE FRIENDLY SKIES

Lead’s not dead

But it may be on its way out as our small airport fuel option

The Environmental Protection Agency announced last week the beginning of what may be the end of leaded airplane fuel — the only kind sold at Montgomery Field in Kearny Mesa and Brown Field in Otay Mesa. Among the petitioners who requested the inquiry is San Diego-based Montgomery-Gibbs Environmental Coalition, which has been prodding the city to offer unleaded fuel alongside its leaded aviation gas, known as avgas. The unleaded alternative, known as UL94, has been available for years, and is sold in the U.S. only by Indiana-based Swift Fuels. It now serves up to 66 percent of the U.S. piston fleet, said Chris D’Acosta, the company’s CEO.

The federal inquiry, known as an endangerment finding, will evaluate whether leaded fuel used by airplanes is a threat to public health. “It’s the first step to do federal rulemaking on curbing lead from aviation fuel,” said Alejandro Dávila Fragoso with Earthjustice, an environmental non-profit that represented the groups. According to the EPA, children’s exposure to neurotoxic lead can cause irreversible and life-long health effects. No safe blood lead level in children has been identified.

In 2008, the agency set new standards for airborne lead. Two years later, they identified several of the regions that failed to meet clean air standards for lead as located near airports where avgas was used. Yet, lead was allowed to remain in the fuel.

The fight gained steam last summer when one of the petitioners, Santa Clara County, studied the blood lead levels of 13,000 children living near the county-owned Reid-Hillview Airport in San Jose, finding blood lead levels similar to increases found during the peak of the Flint Water Crisis in Michigan. They linked those levels to exposure to leaded aviation fuel, and Santa Clara County officials later announced a ban on the sale of leaded avgas at its two airports, starting in January 2022.

That prompted a backlash from airport industry groups, who argued that many small planes aren’t FAA approved to use unleaded fuel.

San Diego airport officials have said that pilots will have to be informed of the newer types of fuel before they are introduced. In addition, new fuel tanks will have to be planned and built.

Meanwhile, health advocates say the longer the wait, the more children will encounter lead. At the eastern edge of Clairemont, there are twelve elementary schools, two middle schools, and two high schools, all exposed to the flight path of Montgomery field, according to the Montgomery Gibbs Environmental Coalition. Some Serra Mesa homes are only a city block from the airport entrance, and one elementary school is within a half-mile of the field.

Later this year, the Environmental Protection Agency will issue a proposed endangerment finding that will be followed by a public notice and comment period. A final endangerment finding may be issued in 2023. While it may lead to a nationwide ban on avgas, supporters say it will take years to complete the regulatory process.

SHEILA PELL

THE FADED PAST

Glikeria gets around

House-hopping in Hillcrest and surrounding area

Continuing my search for information about my home’s first owners, I found a couple more passport documents: one for a later trip that Glikeria made in 1919 to Sweden, of all places. And yes, there was yet another photo of her, this one less of a mug shot, that revealed her 5-foot, 4-inch frame (as her size was stipulated in the passport description).

More blanks about our house’s original owners were being filled in for me, and now it was time to close the gaps between the census records. That meant gleaning info from city directories on *Ancestry.com*. Yes, I could have moseyed back to the History Center archives again, but the pandemic prompted me to do as much online snooping as I could first. I was excited to see quite a few of Harry and Glikeria’s directory listings pop up, but I also realized quickly that there were years missing. And drilling into the available files, I discovered something really weird. Beginning in the early 1940s, Harry and Glikeria lived at several different addresses very near our house, not as renters, but as owners.

How near was very near? In 1944, they owned a house around the corner (on Upas) that has a backyard adjacent to ours. In 1947 and 1948, they owned a corner house (on Brookes) that I can see from our roof. What was this all about? The only thing I could think of was house flipping. But because the homes they acquired would have only been 20+ years old, I rejected my own notion. And were people even flipping houses seven decades ago? I knew that use of the word “flipping” came along a lot later, but what about the concept? Is it possible Harry and Glikeria were the first San Diego flippers, long before house flipping became a thing?

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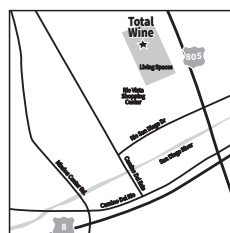
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Almost factual news



Frederickson's floating home, seen here moments before Encinitas' POPPER-1 Enforcer biplane unleashed its twin BB guns and sent it hurtling to earth amid a hail of brightly colored rubber shards.

Up House Down

Encinitas helium balloon ban leads claims life of aged adventurer

Last week, the Encinitas city council gave its unanimous approval to the city's Environmental Commission's proposal to ban the sale, use, or distribution of lighter-than-air balloons within city limits, including its airspace. "We need to be reducing plastics in every possible way," said Mayor Catherine Blakespeare, who knew her

administration would be responsible for enforcing the ordinance. "Our fragile environment can no longer indulge the whimsical flights of fancy that careless humanity inflicts on it, and that includes grumpy old men on romantic quests." Blakespeare was referring to the late Mr. Carl Frederickson, a widower and balloon salesman whose mad plan

to float to Paradise Falls in his longtime home via the lift provided by thousands of helium balloons unfortunately took him directly over the Southern California City. "What happened to Mr. Frederickson was a tragedy," said Blakespeare in a statement. "But we have a duty to make sure that it isn't our own paradise that falls, if you will."

Prayer Scare

San Diego Unified removes affirmation from ethnic studies curriculum following divine manifestation

Last year, California became the first state in the country to make ethnic studies a high school graduation requirement (starting in 2026), and San Diego Unified was one the first districts to implement its model curriculum. That curriculum employed a chant based on the Aztec concept of Nahui Ollin, also called The Four Movements. While some scholars insist this is nothing more than a beneficial psychological practice, one of the movements is in fact named after

Huitzilopochtli, the Aztec god of both the sun and war, to whom countless thousands of humans were sacrificed during the Aztecs' reign. And according to District spokeswoman Sasha Ackwitty, "Last week at Randall Elementary School in North Park, the ancient god apparently mistook the chant for a prayer, and showed up looking for his customary oblation. As a result, out of an abundance of caution, the District had decided to delete the affirmation from the curriculum going forward."



"Hey buddy, can't you read? No trespassing!"

Last week, San Diego's Department of Environmental Health and Quality once again closed the Imperial Beach shoreline

due to sewage-contaminated runoff from the Tijuana River, prompting federal immigration officials to make the following

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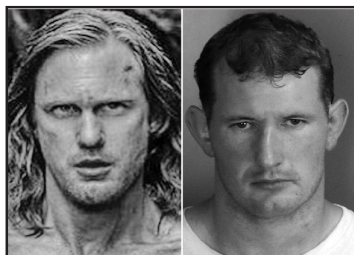
Biden Administration reiterates Remain in Mexico policy to border-hopping Mexican sewage

statement: "While it is true that President Biden remains committed to establishing a more just and humane border policy than that which was in place during the previous administration, it is important to note

that it has found it necessary to re-impose the so-called Remain in Mexico policy for people wishing to enter the United States. It is also important to note that this policy extends to their effluvia."

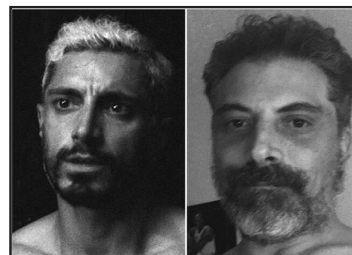


DISTURBED INDIVIDUALS EDITION



In *The Northman*, **Alexander Skarsgard** will play a man who thinks of nothing but brutal vengeance against his enemies.

Christopher Lee Fore was arrested in Vista after being found with illegal bombs and ammunition.



On *The Night Of...* **Riz Ahmed** played a violent man who gets mixed up with drugs and eventually gets arrested for murder.

Poway man **Thomas Apollo** was arrested after attacking workers at a vaccine clinic and calling them murderers.



In *The Lion King* remake, **Chiwetel Ejiofor** voiced Scar, a treacherous killer who unsheathes his sharp claws to kill an innocent victim.

Alleged killer **Shawn Laval Smith** was once convicted of carrying a concealed dagger and using it in a threatening manner in San Diego.



"Hi kids, I need lots of human blood in order to keep my divine sisters and brothers at bay as I chase them through the sky. I see Mrs. Foley has already prepared the sacrificial altar and blade so that your still-beating hearts may be cut out and raised aloft in my honor. Raise your hand if you're ready to volunteer!"

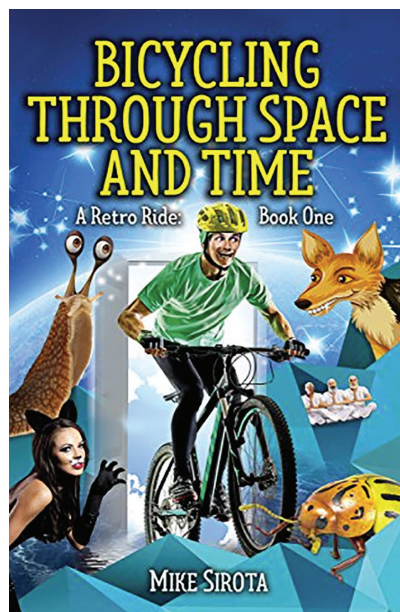
Bicycling through Space and Time

Mike Sirota (1991)

THE LAST THING I REMEMBER was walking along Broadway in downtown San Diego, near Horton Plaza. Interesting area. Here's this beautiful multilevel shopping mall with brightly colored architecture and lots of nearby trendy shops — fronted by a little park filled with dozens of down-and-outers.

Anyway, it was midmorning and I'd just biked here from my place in Del Mar, about twenty-five miles up the coast. Don't know why, on a Wednesday, I had this urge to see preoccupied men and women in proper business attire scurry in and out of office buildings, or to cross streets crammed with cars, trucks, taxis, and buses. It usually happens about as often as Qaddafi goes to a bar mitzvah.

So, after locking my bike in front of the plaza, there I was, waiting to cross Fourth Avenue, surrounded by lots of the aforementioned wage slaves, three down-and-outers,



and a young male Chicano with the world's biggest and loudest dual-speaker Sony radio superglued to the side of his head.

That's it.

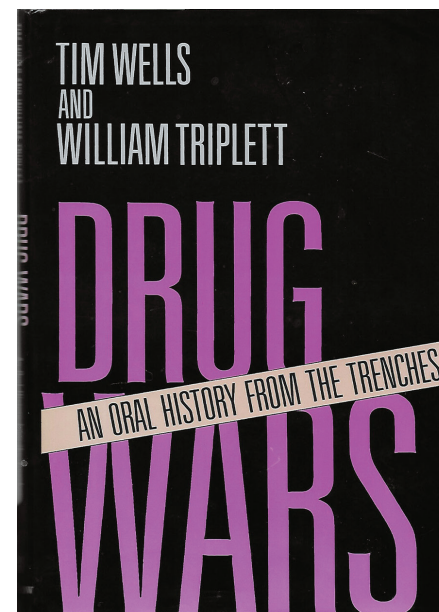
Drug Wars: An Oral History from the Trenches

Tim Wells and William Triplett (1992)

TOBY: I FIRST STARTED DOING DRUGS, when I was fourteen. Mostly, it was soft stuff — smoking dope, alcohol, and amphetamines. There was a group of seven or eight of us. We'd sit out on a bank behind the junior high school, smoke dope, drop pills, drink liquor, and talk about sex, music, and sports. That was a wonderful time of life....

I figured all the horror stories I'd heard were just teachers and parents using scare tactics.... I was curious. So I started using heavier drugs. By this time I was sixteen, and pretty soon I was doing drugs five, six days a week....

My best friend was a guy named Tom, and he was pretty wild. He was doing drugs faster and harder than I was, and



he knew how to play all the angles. Pretty soon, he started dealing, and that opened up a whole new world for both of us. He

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"We'd buy Dom Perignon by the case and huge quantities of cocaine, and then we'd throw parties under the railroad tracks at Torrey Pines. It's amazing how ten teenage kids can spend three thousand dollars in a single night"

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An old find in El Cajon

As a rule, I drive slowly whenever I'm not on the freeway, slowly enough that it bothers even my patient wife a bit. But I need to drive slowly enough to allow for my persistent scanning of the scene around me — that's part of the pleasure of driving.

Mostly, what I'm struck by is old stuff: neon, painted signs, historic markers of various kinds, architectural remnants of a neighborhood's golden years, or pleasantly dilapidated buildings that have their own charm. So, as



A little piece of the lost Old West.

I drove down El Cajon's Magnolia Avenue last weekend, I was delighted to spy a wall on a building down Rea Avenue reading "Olaf Wieghorst Museum and Western Heritage Center." I'd never heard of the Museum, or of Wieghorst, for that matter.

The inviting little complex is made up of a museum, a garden, and Wieghorst's preserved home, which has been moved to this site from its original location. Wieghorst was, I now know, a legendary, Danish-born painter of Western scenes, cowboy life, and horses — he was particularly wild about horses. He came to America as a young adult and, according to the brochure, "spent years exploring the West during the now-vanished era of endless range, roaming Indians, and vast, unpopulated spaces." He came to be "recognized as the 'Dean' of contemporary Western artists," and his paintings were hung in three different Presidents' White Houses. Inside the museum, there are, of course, paintings, as

well as some impressive saddles, an intricate miniature wagon, and a television that plays an informational video about the artist. It's a pleasant, very manageable space, good for a brief visit. Only the friendly docent and two elderly visitors were inside when I arrived.

But it was while walking outside to the garden abutting Wieghorst's house that I was struck by the Museum's poignancy, especially the domestic memento that his home had become. I actually felt in touch with the lost Old West. Sure, some of the iconography might feel kitschy — the wagon wheels and the dinner bells and the cowboy hats — but that kitsch is now part of what the Old West means, too. And here is a little piece of it, so intimate that you can look into the windows and see what is still inside.

And then, when you look up at what surrounds you, you see that you are dwarfed by various harsh, pale, rectangular behemoths, the icons of the Much Newer West: the Marriott Courtyard, the Police building — building-block buildings, nameless and featureless. Wieghorst said of himself (on the back of the same brochure I've been sharing with you), "When the time comes for me to put away my palette and unsaddle my pony for the last time, I hope that my canvases will in some small measure add to the historical recording of an era... the cowpony, the cowboy, and the Great American West."

He did. The Museum does. That's where I am in my thoughts, as I keep my focus on this garden and the cacti, and walk out into the sunset with some free succulents, and a sheriff star and some stickers for my kids.

Ae levels up

Ae Southammavong says she always liked cooking. As a little kid in Laos, she learned things in the kitchen at home, and by the time she was about 10, she was helping her parents prepare meals. Eventually, she started cooking

for her friends. She did not, however, have childhood dreams of turning cooking into a career. At 17, she came to San Diego for college, and got a degree in finance, after which she went to work here at what she calls "a corporate job" where "everything was money-driven. It wasn't what I was passionate about."

Ae "really believes in this destiny thing. Whatever the outcome will be, it will just guide me to where I am supposed to go."

She found herself considering a big change — and wondering if she could actually figure out a way to cook for a living. She found the challenge exciting; she recalls this crossroads in her life with gusto: "Do or die. Let's go." She says that, both then and now, she "really believes in this destiny thing," and is confident that "whatever the outcome will be, it will just guide me to where I am supposed to go."

Feeling that she didn't have much to lose, she quit the finance job at 30, and "started a meal prep thing (Stir Fry Master) that had more of a social media presence." Then came some cooking for parties. She released more videos and gained more followers, and some of those followers started sending her information about a cooking show that she could apply to be on. She did apply, and was chosen, and now you can see her on *Next Level Chef* on Fox on Wednesday nights at 9. It all happened quickly. Ae is just 31 now, so it was only recently that she decided she would try cooking professionally. And then "a year later, you're standing around talking casually — well, not casually — with Gordon Ramsay."

Ramsay is one of the show's three hosts, along with Nyesha Arrington and Richard Blais (known to San Diegans as the chef behind Juniper and Ivy, Ember & Rye, and the Crack Shack). The contestants are a group of five social media chefs, five home cooks, and five

restaurant chefs working in a specially devised, tiered kitchen: three cooking zones, one on top of another. The elite kitchen is on top, with the fanciest ingredients and equipment, what Ae calls a "basic commercial kitchen" is in the middle, and a simply outfitted basement kitchen sits on the bottom. Each level has its

pros and cons, and the show's time limit pressures contestants into thinking quickly: they have only 30 seconds, for instance, to choose and grab their ingredients. "You never know what you're going to get, and you have to make the best of it."

Ae adores San Diego: "a big city with small town vibes. I love the culture. The food scene is great." And she wants viewers to know: "I was repping Laos and San Diego. And I hope people tune in to watch." ■



Ae Southammavong, repping Laos and San Diego on Fox.



It was only recently that Ae decided she would try cooking professionally. Now she's on TV.

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PHOTOGRAPH BY FIRST LAST NAME

Jackie Bryant builds a platform, and other tales from the post-pandemic press

It's been a couple years since the alt-weekly *San Diego CityBeat* and its blend of local news, irreverent columns, and cultural coverage went silent. The paper disappeared after a cascade of events, starting when Times Media Group in Arizona purchased the publication, fired the editor, reset the weekly to a monthly, cut an Uber-load of writers, shrank the pages and the ad space, and eventually "paused" the enterprise as covid roared to life. A death by many front-office cuts. Their erstwhile marijuana columnist Jackie Bryant, known in the weed world as the Cannabitch, told me that the suits who took over struck her as a lot of "visionless losers who couldn't put out a good paper to save their lives." The acerbic Bryant is a talented writer and long-time San Diego freelancer. She has published in *San Diego Magazine*, *Voice of San Diego*, and *Modern Luxury San Diego* as well as *Harper's BAZAAR* and *Forbes*. Amid the rubble of *CityBeat*, she retooled her Cannabitch column as a newsletter on Substack, a subscription-based platform that takes ten percent of the kitty. Bryant has built a career as a cannabis reporter — "product reviews, stoner culture, marijuana lifestyle, even criminal justice around weed" — producing copy with fact and flair while getting paid to write about a subject she loves. And in the wake of legalization and booming sales, discerning pot consumers love her back.

Welcome to the new world of niche journalism, where self-publishing and sponsorships, experts and advertisers, and journalists and citizens are birthing new forms of reportage. As your faithful *Reader* newshound since the late 1990s, I've been monitoring these changes from the inside, wondering where the bouncing ball of a writer's audience will land next. Bryant's combo of intense reporting and personal narrative provide abundant clues. Her work fuses the playful with the serious. She relies on her try-anything credo when it comes to cannabis (check out her

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piece, "Bottoms up!" on CBD suppositories), interviews with the best-known extractors and smokers, and sharp analysis of the \$50 billion business and over-subscribed high life of marijuana: You may be shocked to learn that lots of dopers read.

For Bryant, the community pubs, the weekly rags, and the lifestyle mags, for many of which she's regularly gigged on "drug culture," food, travel, whatnot, all but ceased publication in 2020, (no) thanks to the pandemic. So she got busy platforming her

clever reads and cleverer placement, which, in turn, sent a message to paying outlets that they should hire her for her "expert" perspective.

Of late, Bryant has been cashing in on her cred. I'm fascinated by her operation. I'm also drawn to the fast-shifting relationship between information and who decides

whether and how it gets presented — what was once the domain of publisher/editor is now increasingly governed by the the writer/customer. (More shortly on the customer's

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role.) As every screen-scroller knows, digital space features glitzy animation and other mendacious lures from both individuals and news groups as they attempt to shape content into a pleasing form. “Content” — a word that now ensnares everything from the novel-in-tweets to YouTube wormholes to Bitcoin bets. The goal is virality and clicks, which give content its reason for being. Content is not about “what you get,” but how more of the “what you get” keeps you coming back to get more of what you just got — like an endless breakfast at the Golden Corral. And these addictive content loops are convulsing traditional outlets like community papers and smartly entrepreneurial ventures, because they are moving at bullet-train speed, and are fraught with as many problems as opportunities. In Jackie Bryant’s case, her rubbery range and effervescent style have proven to be a solid draw for both readers and advertisers. “I’m very not shy,” she says of her self-promotion. “Very aggressive,



Julie Main publishes eight local newspapers (print and digital). “My team’s hours were cut during the pandemic,” Main says, “and a lot of my freelancers volunteered their work; everybody was very forgiving.”

in fact.” But cracks have already appeared. Her work schedule, based on the many offers to write she receives, disrupts her sleep, such that “my mental health is not 100 percent.” She spends days, evenings, and whatever else is left over blustering on Instagram and Twitter, building her brand.

“This” — working all the time — “could be the future of local news,” she notes, “but I don’t think it should be. It gives me freedom, but it’s very exploitative; journalism is a sick place to be right

now. Who has more job security, a staffer or a freelancer? I don’t have the editorial support other journalists on staff have. I don’t have the legal protections.” Plus, endless self-marketing of one’s work and platform is “not good long-term,” Bryant says. “We need newsrooms; we need good structures. Ad-based models must play their part.” And yet these days, a writer’s self-publishing and niche appeal has become as important as tracking — and trusting — who publishes her.

News and Its Public Calling

It’s generally assumed that “the news” should be informative, objective, and, in the internet age, freely available. Another pillar: reporting involves a calling — to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable. Or at least it did. Maybe this was true in the days of Ida Tarbell, who took on Standard Oil and knee-capped its monopoly. But today, most news (throw in opinion pieces and press releases) is need-driven — that is, stuff readers want, or at least

stuff that writers/publishers convince them they want. Online, for both news and ads, the goal is to boost a site’s SEO (search engine optimization). And Both Bryant and Dean Nelson, a long-time journalism professor at Point Loma Nazarene University, stress that the news is, first and last, a business, a capitalist enterprise that cannot be uncoupled from a paying audience. Nelson says there have always been stories about “two-headed aliens. The people who produce [such trash] realize there’s more money in that. But, remember, they aren’t committing journalism. They’re committing capitalism.” Proof of the competitive purge is commonly known: since 2008, U.S. newspapers have lost two-thirds of their revenue and laid off half of their staffs.

Among the new news operations locally is *Times of San Diego*, whose independent coverage runs on a shoestring budget. Editor Chris Jennewein tells me that he can’t pay for opinion pieces (I know; I’ve written more than a few). His paid staff is small. The same is true

at *Voice of San Diego* and *inewssource*, the latter an investigative site that is wholly donor-supported. Editor Mark Robertson says in an email, “We don’t engage with sponsored- or reader-generated content. Everything we publish is staff-researched, vetted and fact-checked, which is why we can guarantee readers our stories are free of bias or partisan viewpoint.” And then there’s the *San Diego Union-Tribune*, struggling with annual drops of 14 percent in their print subscription base. Last October, editor Jeff Light said the business was stable, and that in 2020, digital-only subscriptions bounced up by 40,000. But take a look at the price of print vs. digital subscriptions: print costs \$260 a year, which includes “unlimited digital access,” while unlimited digital access alone goes on sale, periodically, for \$116. Reading online may already be the new normal. But digital sales, to sustain print’s revenue, must grow 50 percent or more per year. This is a good example of why a news site, just to stay profit-

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able, may migrate from staff-paid to user-paid. Any wonder, when daily newspapers cannot make it on advertising and readership, that city dailies like the *U-T* seek free content with contests and calls for submissions? During the recent holiday season, the *U-T* filled some of its editorial pages with reader-sent “essays,” 500 words or less, on subjects like “Holiday Movies” and “Best Books of 2021.” About this, I queried Laura Castaneda, community opinion editor at the *U-T*. She says the paper doesn’t pay for photos, commentary, citizen journalism, cartoon-caption winners, or recipes. A writer getting published in the *U-T*, she explains in an email, is “good for clips.” Writers who submit work elsewhere show their chops by mentioning previous pubs: a major daily newspaper is a feather in your cap. Under this model, not only is the news subscriber helping keep print and digital papers alive, but the aspiring writer among those subscribers is also summoned to add meaningful content under the banner of “community voices.” It’s a weird consumer-centric sponsorship of what’s published, a double dip into their pocket and their unpaid time.

Whose Content Are We Reading?

Covid is one of the great mothers of self-enterprising content. Newspeople I spoke with (several off the record) noted that the pandemic roughed up staffs that were on thinly paid ice anyway. First, some sponsors paused or jumped ship, then fewer stories and pages were published, and finally

writers, many of whom were not on staff, got laid off. The businesses that continued to buy ads kept a good many pressers from going under. As a result, some loyal ad-buyers got special treatment, either in a story or, more likely, in an ad’s placement. That pattern was there pre-covid via the ubiquitous “Best Of” issues: best music venues, best food trucks, best surf spots. We see these reader-favored issues annually, consult them to make choices. (Only in *Esquire* have I seen a “Worst Of” feature. Listing the five worst Mexican restaurants in San Diego would be a news outlet’s suicide.) Dwindling ad revenue has meant that both old and new publishers must, to survive, become donor-supported or create news-like sections that draw advertisers to the special digital layouts of the new internet manna: “sponsored content” and “paid posts.”

Julie Main publishes eight local newspapers (print and digital), and knows the deadline pressures of the business. Her San Diego Community Newspaper Group — independently owned sites in coastal and inland communities, from Pacific Beach to La Mesa — shares what she describes as “mixed zones” of coverage and sales. There is timely news published on her sites, plus some enterprising stories. But covid flat-tired that ride. “My team’s hours were cut during the pandemic,” Main tells me, “and a lot of my freelancers volunteered their work; everybody was very forgiving.” Now, she’s rehired most of the staff, writers and sellers, and is paying them again. Publishers run the business; they

hire newspeople to operate the news or editorial side. Her aggregate of publications is expanding via another larger news group, the Southern California Community Media Network, a collective of nineteen newspapers covering the region from Newport Beach to Point Loma. Some in this cohort follow the luxury travel beat and the high-end home market, lifestyle ad parks for the glossy freebie. Main’s papers share layout, printing, and delivery costs with them, as well as regional advertisers. Her push to grow, coupled with the loss of print subscriptions at the *U-T*, is, she believes, making her corner of the news biz more competitive. A bit of a paradox. The *U-T* reflects a shrinking news community, while neighborhood papers and platforms, news groups and bloggers, speak to the region’s ethnic and cultural diversity.

At *sdnews.com*, a catchall for Main’s publications, advertising content seems to outpace the reporting. Under “expert advice,” for instance, I find the listicle, “John Gomez at Gomez Trial Attorneys answers top questions about collision.” The title is lathered with self-puffery: Who but John Gomez is asking John Gomez what John Gomez thinks are the “top questions”? Answer: people who, post-collision, need a “trial attorney.” Is it news? Of a John Gomez sort. But it’s the sort of news that unabashedly burnishes its author’s repute: he and his team “have secured millions” for clients; he got the family of CTE-ravaged Junior Seau a huge award from the NFL; he specializes

in “traumatic brain injuries”; and more chest medals for Gomez’s victories. His column epitomizes the sort content *sdnews.com* is paid to run by self-qualifying experts who also produce the copy. Absent is a reporter’s filter or a fact-checker; the hype is printed as delivered, laissez-faire, buyer-beware, pay-to-play. Such variants of the me-my-mine kind are viralizing news/ad-frantic web-sites everywhere.

Main’s response to the ad/article overlap is squishy. She says her news group has been “inundated” with requests from potential advertisers who troll for a quid pro quo — far more than she’s willing to use, despite the promise of income. “We say no to any adult content, alcohol, clubbing, gambling posts. We do try to clari-

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fy that it's not submitted by us, the newspaper." But name brands, even locally, will pay well to populate your site with their videos and matching articles once you demonstrate that your site has a geographic reach and a substantive click-rate. I ask Main if she thinks readers may be led astray by what amounts to news-like dumps of self-promotion. She says, "Readers of community papers are sophisticated enough to know it is what it is. But not everybody will." An article appearing online doesn't mean "it's one hundred percent the truth," she adds. I don't think sponsored content has to be misleading. But it seems ethically mired by the rapaciousness with which it comes at us, a big dog on a short chain. It puts a greater onus than ever on con-

sumers, who must size up the source of their news, who already see the business as easy to game, and who feel editors have abandoned their titular role.

Creating a Health and Wellness Beat

The advertorial, or product-oriented news article, is either a necessary survival tool in the digital news space or a deceptive mix of ad and article disdained by most editors and reporters. Publishers have transformed the once-modest self-plug into a major source of income — obviously for many papers, it's one that is badly needed. The word's slippery usage initiated a discussion I had with Chris Kydd, associate publisher at *Coast News*, whose father began the weekly paper in his Encinitas garage in 1987. Recent-

ly, Kydd started a "Health and Wellness" section. Its pitch says it intends "to contribute to public health in North county." Appearing monthly, it's bracketed by an informal disclaimer: "...articles, posts, columns, graphics, and advertisements are provided 'as is' and for general information only. The *Coast News* is not a medical organization and our staff and contributors cannot give you medical advice or diagnosis." Kydd says that after health-focused publications like *The Light Connection* went under, he hunted up their advertisers. His idea was "to curate content to anchor the health section, so we could sell ads into it." The spots he sought from businesses emphasized the feel-good, the positive, "news you can use," medical advice from established practitioners who provide the copy and the check. Dr. Kern Brar, a Tri-City hospital internal medicine physician, paid *Coast News* \$400 for his December homily, "Holiday weight-loss tips."

Exploring the site, I find the column, "Tri-City Hospital is a beacon



PHOTOGRAPH BY RICH SOUBLET

Beth Demmon eschews product reviews and brewery openings, and instead covers the culture, the lifestyle, and the fraught glamour of brewery work.

for community health," written by Steve Dietlin, the president of Tri-City Medical Center. Next to it is an ad for Tri-City showing a masked surgeon, the intensity of his skill shining from his eyes. I suggest to Kydd this seems like a quid pro quo. But Kydd says I'm wrong. The Tri-City ad pops up everywhere on the site — and

why not? The hospital is one the biggest employers and advertisers in North County. The two are joined at the hip. Still, I'm not sure readers can distinguish a column, as it's labeled, from a news article, a puff piece, a press release, interchangeable bylines, whether authored by "*Coast News* staff," "advertising," or

"Dr. ____." I asked Tri-City's Aaron Byzak, chief external affairs officer, what the hospital hopes to gain by using *Coast News* for its paid post. He replied, "Tri-City Medical Center advertises and places advertorials in both print and digital form in a variety of magazines, newspapers, newsletters and websites to elevate awareness about our high-quality clinical programs and services. The location of paid ads and advertorials is agreed upon with the publication. We also periodically submit non-advertising content authored by our clinicians and administrative leaders for opinion/editorial sections and other special columns to educate readers/viewers about matters related to health, wellness and community partnerships, including the recent piece authored by our CEO. Under these circumstances, we do not arrange for or control where content is placed as it is at the discretion of the publication."

I quote the whole text because its careful and capacious wording points to the multiple ways Tri-City is given exposure in the paper on its terms — the expertise of its doctor corps. Tri-City's advertorials laud their "high-quality clinical programs and services" as well as create "non-advertising content" for educational ends. Is it wise for a newspaper to sell the critical and educational function to its readers, with *Coast News*' circulation topping 100,000? Kydd says he's aware just how contentious the news and the ad sides of a paper can get. "I care deeply about getting this right," he says. He's

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known reporters who've quit because news and advertising have been caught too often in the same bed. Of the "Health and Wellness" rollout, he admits, "It was a bit sloppy." He wants to clean up the section so "what's inappropriately placed should be explicitly labeled as such." He's told his team to correctly label all paid content paid as the new year turns.

Another long-time *Coast News* feature is "Marketplace News (Sponsored Content)." This page bubbles with lifestyles stories and cultural events, authored by Kydd or by "advertising." Again, at first glance, I can't tell what's news and what's an ad. He says the print version of "Marketplace News" features the header, "Advertisement." A print layout doesn't buzz; text is readable since it's separate from display ads. But the online shared ad space is chaotic: ads flash on the sides, ads creep up from the bottom, ads drop down from the top — almost as if the text we read is, counterproductively, destabilizing itself. Advertorials eventually hit



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Frank Gormlie edited the radical *O.B. Rag* in the 1970s, with a decent press-run of 10,000 copies every two weeks. In 2007 the *Rag* was resurrected as a blog.

a tipping point of profusion, perhaps taking advantage of readers' isolation during covid. The result was that their busyness compromised their attentional lure. Small surprise. How is that which stupefies the reader good, in equal measure, for ad buyers and papers?

Advertorial Avoidant

Seeking local journalists with a passion for their subject and an income-generating platform to boot, I came upon Beth Demmon. In 2008, Demmon, who began her career with a local food blog — a hobby, "just for fun" — signed on with

the Wild-West drive into craft beer. She became a beer writer with *CityBeat*, along with Andrew Dyer, now at the *Union-Tribune*. Growing her writerly brand, she began her own Substack, reminiscent of *Cannabitch*. Demmon's is called *Prohibitchin'*, which I'll discuss in a moment. "If you're a beer writer," I ask her, "you gotta imbibe, correct?" I ask. Yes, she imbibes, but it's with discernment. She's built her "palate credibility" over the past two years by graduating from the Beer Judging Certification Program — a license to sip and write, as it were. "I got a high enough score on my tasting exam to apply for a national ranking. I'm also a Certified Cider Professional."

She eschews product reviews and brewery openings, and instead covers the culture, the lifestyle, and the fraught glamour of brewery work. She likes to cover "how concepts like diversity, equity, and inclusion are being implemented within the craft beer space — and how they're not." An example is a very smart piece, published at

Goodbeerhunting.com, called "Work, Worth, and Wreckage — When Your Job Is Your Life, What Happens When You Lose It?" The article probes the way in which beer work tends to control one's life, to the point where it often requires an exit strategy. Demmon writes of the existential dead-end some brewers wake up to one day, their beer career gone flat. She calls the life "a very community- and social-driven culture." How do individuals stay sane on the nightlife go-round of brands, affability, and carefully regulated quaffing? The 3000-word piece quotes several "rudderless" people who are locked into a lifestyle that has become a crutch, if not a religion. It's Camus-like in its institutional choicelessness: if you stay too

long, you will over-party. What good are you and your writing tomorrow? Still, the coolness is apparently quite seductive, and beer jobs overtake a lot of the unsuspecting.

Some 8000 breweries comprise the American craft beer industry, 150 of them in San Diego county. Though she could, Demmon refuses to speak for any of them. Instead, she emphasizes her concerns — "social justice" issues, women, and "nonbinary and gender nonconforming person(s)." At her Substack *Prohibitchin'* site, she profiles those who've been left behind, left underpaid, or otherwise kept back by the "flannel-wearing, bearded guys [drinking] in the heart of North Park," a white-male establishment as buddy-buddy as a fraternity. In the beer demographic, women

have clout, but it's largely limited to the "nonmanagerial, front-of-house staffs, that is, beer-tenders." Three of four owners are men. One percent are Black. Rarer still is an LGBTQ brewer. The check, please: Hopsbauer, "a woman-owned hops brokerage company" in North County, pays Demmon to write about the undercovered female part of beer culture. She notes that her *Prohibitchin'* columns have "no advertorial strings-attached." Liz Bauer, her sponsor, "has no say in what I write, no say in who I talk to; I write my piece and she sends me an invoice. Does that make me feel less credible? Absolutely not." Demmon says Bauer recognizes her tart voice and her trenchant viewpoints, which, taken together, garner readers' trust.

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From Self-Enterprising to Citizen Journalist

In the 1970s, Frank Gormlie edited the radical *O.B. Rag* for seven years, with a decent press-run of 10,000 copies every two weeks. A generation-skipping lag passed until 2007 when he and his wife Patty Jones resurrected the *Rag* as a blog. Gormlie tells me that in the interim between the pubs, people told him, time and again, that they "craved" the hyperlocal brew of "grassroots and progressive" perspectives in Ocean Beach for which he was semi-famous. He got busy and brought the *Rag* back. Indeed, the hunger for O.B. news seems biblically endowed, as the town is forever fighting to retain its funk against the predators from downtown. Of late, the *Rag's* record as an effective news group includes saving the O.B. library and the iconic beach firepits as well as reviving, briefly, the *San Diego Free Press*. Does his staff of five earn a living? Gormlie laughs, and says,



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"Yeah, we pay them — a pittance," a term the OED defines as a "pious donation to a religious order." Still, the *Rag*, he says, retains one reporter who covers the O.B. planning committee where, voter approval or not, the 2020 Sports Arena redevelopment project is undergoing serious birth pangs.

Gormlie sees the *Rag* inspiring more investigate reporting of this kind from its competitors. He names the *Peninsula Beacon*, part of Julie Main's publishing group, and the *Point Loma-OB Monthly*. He wishes they'd reciprocate the *Rag's* local bias. But they don't — or won't. One recent story that lit up O.B. was Geoff

Page's video interview about the pier, its rot, and accelerating droop. A City of San Diego report highlighting the pier's deterioration, done in 2004 under Mayor Sanders, was shelved, but now, with the *Rag's* due diligence, the pier is finally scheduled for repairs, even if the effort is an "emergency" temporary fix that includes neither the \$8.6 million designated by the state for repairs or the estimated \$30 to \$60 million to adequately rebuild the structure.

Gormlie deletes most of the flood of requests he gets for sponsored content. Little is legit or has anything to do with O.B. But they do pay, I

remind him. He's not interested in bargaining with the advertorial devil. He's blog-centric, encouraging the citizen journalist, people with cellphones, tape recorders, and notepads to report what they see and hear. An informed citizenry that cares what happens block by block appeals to Gormlie, just as it appeals to journo prof Dean Nelson. Nelson tells me that the citizen journalist (neither of us is sure about the name) "is necessary. We wouldn't know as much as we do about the stampede at Astro World," in which ten people died, "if there weren't cellphones. Or Tahir Square, if there weren't these nontrained folks, watching and recording." But Nelson adds that its usefulness comes only when it's sufficiently "crowdsourced" — when there's a quantity of gathered coverage and a news organization canny enough to establish a "trustworthy narrative."

Gormlie also likes this model — a collaboration between news collectors and synthesizers, the reporter/witness and the

writer/editor. It creates another link between community news and its readers, which is vital to promoting confidence in user-generated digital media. "A story," Gormlie says, "is not finished until it's commented on." Readers' distillation of news — and not just their consumption of it — is key. "We rely on our readers to fill in the gaps, correct us, or, God forbid, criticize us — ultimately, to help us understand our role." He also notes that the *Rag*, with little ad revenue, cannot survive without an activist audience. It's a good thing, he notes, that "we don't have advertisers who'd be upset" about a particular civic position and withdraw their support. Case in point: the site led the charge to get rid of the business-friendly Lorie Zapf in O.B.'s council district, replacing her with the putative labor-supporter Jen Campbell, who turned out to be "just as bad" and who the *Rag* and others tried and failed to get recalled. Gormlie laughs heartily at the irony. Backing candidates online is a version of being careful what you wish for: the community your community newspaper may seek to reflect may not always be the community you think it is or should be. The kind of authentic local news groups that need support are those whose back-and-forth between producers and consumers help clarify the intentions of both, and, if possible, cast out the self-interested trolls. I don't see where else such integrity will come from, except the hand-to-mouth, ad-avoidant, ethically-conscious alternative media.

—Thomas Larson

Drug Wars

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teamed up with this guy named Joseph, who was a graduate student at San Diego State, and a couple of times a month they'd make a cross-border run into Tijuana and bring back huge quantities of marijuana and cocaine. They were selling it to street dealers out of Joseph's apartment, and making a profit of about two hundred percent. They'd invest one thousand or two thousand dollars, and in a single afternoon would have four thousand or five thousand dollars in cash.

Now we not only had an abundance of drugs, we had lots of money too. Tom would stuff my pockets full of twenties and tell me to go spend it. The irony is that we were much more scared of our parents finding us with all that cash than we were of getting caught by the police. We had to spend everything. If our parents found that much money lying around, they'd know what was going on. I mean, how do two sixteen-year-old kids explain three thousand dollars' worth of pocket change? Mostly, we'd spend it on perishable items, because we couldn't bring hundreds of dollars' worth of clothes and stereo equipment into the house. So we'd buy Dom Perignon by the case and huge quantities of cocaine, and then we'd throw parties under the railroad tracks at Torrey Pines. It's amazing how ten teenage kids can spend three thousand dollars in a single night, and having nothing to show for it except blistered nostrils and nasty hangovers.

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Come hear the story of *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* in the original 14th-century English while sip-

ping a cup of mead or cider. Audience participation and reading modern English translation expected. The story, upon which the recent feature film *The Green Knight* was based, is a chivalric romance. The author is unknown; the title was given centuries later. One of the best-known Arthurian stories, its plot combines two types of folk motifs: the beheading game and the exchange of winnings.

WHEN: Sunday, January 30, 2:30 pm to 5 pm

WHERE: Twisted Horn Mead & Cider, 1042 La Mirada Court, Vista.
twistedhornmead.com



TWISTED HORN

WHEN: Tuesdays through Sundays, 9 am to 5 pm. Through Sunday, February 27.

WHERE: San Diego Buddhist Association, 4536 Park Boulevard, University Heights. hsifangtemple.org/en/

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HANDS-ON KOMBUCHA WORKSHOP

This class will cover how to make delicious kombucha safely at home, including secondary flavoring and carbonation. Includes your



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ART

Art Night Featured artists Charlene Meeker and Rodolfo Vadillo. Charlene enjoys a variety of painting mediums: acrylic, pastel, pen 'n ink, colored pencil and watercolor. Rodolfo enjoys taking pictures of seascape. Saturday, January 29, 5:30pm; **free**. Off Track Gallery, 937 S. Coast Hwy. 101, suite C-103. (ENCINITAS)

Cathy Cooper Scott: Double Exposure Scott works predominantly in oil and spray paint on sustainably harvested canvas, particle board, wood shelving, plexiglass, cork board, mirror, and panes of glass. Fridays, 11am; Saturdays, 11am; through Friday, January 28, **free**. Escondido Arts Partnership Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

OUTDOORS

Local cross-country skiing, and big waves move our sand

Cross-Country Skiers are in for a short-lived treat late this month through February if winter storms intense enough to drop several inches to two feet of snow hit San Diego County's higher mountains. As the clouds are clearing, you may be able to take advantage of good skiing conditions along Highway 79 through Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and along Sunrise Highway through the Laguna Mountain Recreation Area. More limited opportunities for cross-country skiing may briefly exist on Palomar Mountain. Farther north in Southern California and higher in elevation, the forested crests of the San Gabriel, San Bernardino, and San Jacinto Mountains offer more dependably good snow conditions.

Big Ocean Swells and wild surf conditions occurring during San Diego's winter season can leave certain area beaches partially



OCEANSIDE SAND REPLENISHING PROJECT

Sketch Party Tuesday, February 1, 8pm; 21 and up. Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street. (SOUTH PARK)

Water on Metal: Art Reception Water on Metal Art Exhibition of 26 watercolors by Vista artist Krista Timberlake: a collection of watercolor paintings melding animals and figures with machinery and mechanical parts. At City Hall, 505 S. Vulcan Ave., Encinitas CA. Show runs January 6th through February 27th and can be viewed during City Hall hours. Saturday, January 29, 6pm; **free**. Encinitas

City Hall, 505 S. Vulcan Avenue. (ENCINITAS)

Women's Museum of California Pompom Parties Help create pompom art. The pompom project is based on the belief that art is better with community. Artworks are made with many small pompoms to create larger artwork. Attend in-person pompom parties throughout January to create, connect, and support this community project. All pompoms will be strung together in the shape of a woman's symbol that will be hung outside

the WMC Education Center to celebrate Women's History Month in March. Saturday, January 29, 2pm; **free**. Joe and Vi Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Avenue. (EMERALD HILLS)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Warwick's Author Livestream: Isabel Allende Warwick's, in partnership with Books & Books, the Miami Book Fair and independent bookstores across the country, will host Isabel Allende as she discusses her new book, *Violeta*, in conversation. Saturday, January 29, 4pm; \$28-\$32. warwicks.com/event/allende-2022. (ONLINE)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Swan Huntley Warwick's will host Swan Huntley as she discusses her new book, *Getting Clean with Stevie Green*, in conversation with Jennifer Thompson. Thursday, January 27, 4pm; **free**-\$17. warwicks.com/event/huntley-2022. (ONLINE)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Rebecca Sacks Warwick's will host Rebecca Sacks as she discusses her debut novel, *City of a Thousand Gates*, in conversation. Tuesday, February 1, 4pm; **free**-\$27.99. warwicks.com/event/sacks-2022. (ONLINE)

Weekends with Locals: Mordy Levine As part of our ongoing Weekends with Locals Program we will be hosting Mordy Levine, author of *The Tibetan Book of the Dead for Beginners*. Sunday, January 30, 2pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Warwick's Livestream: Tea-Time Recommendations Join Warwick's booksellers and publishing reps for their latest book recommendations on Facebook Live. Monday, January 31, 4pm; **free**. warwicks.com/event/tea-time-220131. (ONLINE)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

American Mahjong Beginners Mahjong is a game of luck, skill, and strategy. Learn the basics and fundamental rules of Mahjong. Classes will include handouts and time for gameplay. The Mahjong card may be purchased online from the National Mahjong League. 2021 Mahjong Card required. Instructor: Carol Cohn, six week course. Wednesday, February 2,

2pm; \$200. 18 and up. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

Hands-on Kombucha Workshop This class will cover how to make delicious kombucha safely at home, including secondary flavoring and carbonation Includes your own SCOBY and a take-home swing-top bottle of seasonal kombucha. Saturday, January 29, 10am; \$49-\$137. Home Brewing Co: Brewery & Tasting Room, 2903 El Cajon Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

Internet Programming & Web Design Get familiar with HTML and CSS as you use templates to build a website highlighting a topic of your choice. Saturday, January 29, 2pm; **free**. Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market Street. (VALENCIA PARK)

Internet Programming & Web Design Get familiar with HTML and CSS as you use templates to build a website highlighting a topic of your choice. Tuesday, February 1, 4pm; **free**. University Community Library, 4155 Governor Drive. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Memoir I: The Memoir Map Memoir I: The Memoir Map with Marni Freedman Saturdays, 12:15pm; through Saturday, February 26, \$216-\$252. sandiegowriters.org. (ONLINE)



SNOWFALL IN THE LAGUNAS

or wholly denuded of sand. The powerful waves pull sand off the beach and move it into deeper waters offshore, leaving behind deposits of rounded cobbles where sand has been removed. During spring and summer, gentle wave action returns much of the sand, usually in time for the arrival of summer tourists. Artificial sand-replenishment projects are usually in the works, too, whereby sand dredged from waters offshore is transported back to the shoreline.

Orion is Now High in the southeast right after dark, and he stands highest due south around 9 pm. Orion is the brightest and showiest of the 88 constellations — and that often distracts from the fact that his main pattern is surprisingly small compared to some of his dimmer neighbors. The biggest of these is Eridanus the River to his west, enormous but hard to trace. Dimmer Fornax the Furnace, to Eridanus's lower right, is almost as big as Orion! Even the main pattern of Lepus, the Hare cowering under Orion's feet, isn't much smaller than he is. Compared to Orion, the rabbit is the size of a Saint Bernard.

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.

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Novel I: Intro to the Novel Novel I: Intro to the Novel with David Coddon Saturdays, 10am; through Saturday, February 26, \$216-\$252. sandiegowriters.org. (ONLINE)

On-Farm Composting Course Learn composting management techniques from basics to troubleshooting; sifting to vector control; and regulatory considerations to global impacts. This course will combine lectures, hands-on training, and a field trip to operational composting facilities. This course does not address typical residential composting or large-scale commercial composting. It is intended for those mid-sized systems that fall in between, particularly farms and horse ranches. Saturday, January 29, 1pm; **free**-\$25. Terra Madre Gardens, 9928 Protea Gardens Road. (ESCONDIDO)

Polish for Beginners I & II Learn Polish in six sessions, email info@yaaana.org for level information. Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, February 6, \$25-\$150. yaaana.org/polish/. (ONLINE)

Proper Pruning Workshop Tree trimming and plant pruning is selectively removing parts of a plant to direct growth, improve health, reduce risk from falling branches, and increase the yield of flowers and fruits. Take a pruning tour with certified arborist, Jose Bedoya of Leaf It To Us. Saturday, January 29, 12:30pm; **free**-\$8. Water Conservation Garden, 11222 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (EL CAJON)

Save Your Scraps Webinar Join I Love A Clean San Diego to learn ways to reduce food waste and how to recycle right in the kitchen. Learn tips on meal prepping, food storage, low-waste cooking, and how to properly dispose of food waste through the County's new organics recycling program. Please register to receive the Zoom link. Saturday, January 29, 10am; **free**. love.cleansd.org/event/save-your-scraps/e377607. (ONLINE)

Short Story Finishing School with Cornelia Feye Short Story Finishing School with Cornelia Feye Tuesdays, 1pm; through Tuesday, February 8, \$144-\$168. https://bit.ly/3KtOSXR. (ONLINE)

Taming The Tech Taming The Tech: How to Engage your Readers with Technical Detail with Robin "R. D." Kar Saturday, January 29, 2pm; \$36-\$42. Ink Spot, 2730 Historic Decatur Rd., Barracks 16 #202. (LIBERTY STATION)

Tiny Houses Learn about the Tiny House Movement and then build a model of your own tiny-house design. Monday, January 31, 3:30pm; **free**. Rancho Peñasquitos Library, 13350 Salmon River Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

Virtual Beginner's SketchUp: Designing 3-D Graphics With 3D modeling, you can design a house, a bridge, a monster – or anything else you can dream up! Learn to use SketchUp Make 3D Modeling to create all sorts of three-dimensional graphic models. Wednesday, February 2, 3pm; **free**. https://bit.ly/33Fe6Su. (ONLINE)

Yiddish Classes & Activities for All Levels Yiddish classes and activities for beginners, intermediate, and advanced. Thursdays, 7am; through Thursday, March 10, \$20-\$270. yaaana.org/yiddish-classes/. (ONLINE)

Yiddish for Beginners I Yiddish for Beginners is the class for the total Yiddish beginner. Students will learn both the speaking and reading skills that are needed to interact with the greater Yiddish world. By the end of the first class, a student will be able to read and understand a complete Yiddish sentence. This class is a go-light-go-easy approach aimed at total beginners with no previous Yiddish or Hebrew exposure. Sundays, 1pm; through Sunday, March 20, \$25-\$270. yaaana.org/yiddish-classes/. (ONLINE)

Young Scientists: Big Blue Ocean Enjoy hands-on science with your young scientist. Each four-week session provides developmentally appropriate, informal learning experiences that support and enhance exploration, create excitement and facilitate scientific discoveries. The program is designed for children ages 3-5 years old with an accompanying adult. Participants must register for all four classes in each session. Our in-person sessions include access to the exhibit galleries after the program. This month, investigate the murky depths of the deep blue sea, including fantastic creatures, ocean chemistry and more. Price: Members \$60; Nonmembers \$70. Saturdays, 9am; through Monday, January 31, \$60-\$70. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

COMEDY

Comedy Night Free comedy at Candys which is inside El Prez. Wednesdays, 9:30pm; through Saturday, December 31, **free**. 21 and up. Prez, 4190 Mission Boulevard. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Eric D'Alessandro As seen on YouTube, Forbes & more. Sunday, January 30, 7pm; \$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Gaslamp Comedy Open Mic & Happy Hour Tuesday, February 1, 7:30pm; **free**. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Ryan Davis AS SEEN ON: HBO's "All Def Comedy" & Youtube! Thursday, January 27, 8pm; Friday, January 28, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, January 29, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; \$22. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Stand Up Comedy Think you have what it takes? Sign up for the open mic at 7pm and try it out in front of a real audience. Wednesdays, 7pm; through Wednesday, March 2, \$5-\$10. OB Rassel House, 4861 Newport Avenue Unit C. (OCEAN BEACH)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Bringing Your Settings to Life Bringing Your Settings to Life: It's a Matter of Perspective with Lisa Brackmann Sunday, January 30, 12:30pm; \$36-\$42. sandiegowriters.org. (ONLINE)

Meet the Makers Series: Owl's Brew Founders Meet the Makers with Owl's Brew, a female-founded Boozy Tea brand. Spend an evening in the garden to enjoy craft cocktail and food pairings, live acoustic music and a casual Q&A with with founders Jennie Ripps and Maria Littlefield. Enjoy a specialized food menu by Estancia Executive Chef, Vincent Savigano, while learning all about the ladies who took their lifelong passion for whole, real ingredients and created a worry-free beverage for you to celebrate and feel good about. Tickets include access to live music, free food and drink pairings, and a custom giveaway bag. Monday, January 31, 6pm; \$80. 21 and up. Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa, 9700 North Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

FOR KIDS

Miracle Babies Diaper Distribution Registered guests will be able to attend the drive from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and the drive will be open to the public from 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM. The National City Library will also be distributing activity kits. To register please click the link. Saturday, January 29, 9am; **free**. National City Library, 1401 National City Boulevard. (NATIONAL CITY)

LECTURES

Iconography: Studying Symbolism in Painting Throughout art history, artists have utilized specific imagery to convey messages. Sometimes these references were subtle, but oftentimes they would resonate with viewers. Masterpieces from the Timken collection will be examined to explain this concept. Thursday, January 27, 11am; **free**. timkenmuseum.org/calendar/list/. (ONLINE)

Living Room Lecture: Santee Greens Revisited The site of Santee Greens aka Michagua, a Late Holocene village over 29,000 square meters, was originally radiocarbon dated in 1980 and 1981. It showed two occupation periods, AD 760 to AD 1030 and AD 1735 to AD 1890. With the help of the San Diego Archaeological Center, Dr. Stan Berryman was able to use modern C14 dating techniques on 23 charcoal samples. We now know the original dates leave something to be desired. Thursday, January 27, 6:30pm; sandiegoarchaeology.org/santee-greens/. (ONLINE)

NATURE

Lopez Homestead History Hike Visit the ruins of the Ramón Lopez dairy farm, which dates to about 1883, with Will Bowen. See the old house, barn, milking station, orchard, and cistern. Learn about the important role the Lopez family played in early San Diego history. Sunday, January 30, 3pm; **free**. 4300 Sorrento Valley Rd., Sorrento Valley

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mormon Battalion & U.S. Army of the West Celebration 175th Anniversary Celebration of the Mormon Battalion and U.S. Army of the West: Commemoration celebration with a parade held at the Old Town San Diego State Historical Park. There will be games, music, displays, food and fun for the whole family. Saturday, January 29, 10am; **free**. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

The Aisle Magazine Launch Party Celebrate the launch of The Aisle, an elevated, modern, and bespoke wedding magazine. Tickets will also allow for an exclusive look and fittings with BHLDN Bridal, Kasia Jewelry, and Generation Tux. First 250 guests will enjoy a welcome glass of sparkling rose from Gloria Ferrer,

and two drink tickets. Thursday, January 27, 6pm; **free**. Guild Hotel, 500 West Broadway. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

SPOKEN WORD

January VAMP: The GOAT Kick off 2022 with stories about The GOAT ("Greatest of All Time"). Thursday, January 27, 8pm; **free**-\$5. 21 and up. Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street. (SOUTH PARK)

Sir Gawain & the Green Knight In the middle of the New Year's Day feast, with king and court and noble ladies and knights assembled, hear the story of Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, in the original 14C. English. Audience participation in reading modern English translation invited. Sunday, January 30, 2:30pm; **free**. Twisted Horn Mead & Cider, 1042 La Mirada Court. (VISTA)

SPORTS & FITNESS

Breath Fitness Light fitness and guided breathwork outside on a cover deck next to a waterfall. In these Breath Fitness classes, go over the science of how breathwork can make immediate changes in your physiology. You will learn techniques to clear your sinuses, how to breathe throughout the

day, get into deep meditation and how to improve your sleep. Fridays, 9am; through Friday, January 28, \$15-\$20. Japanese Friendship Garden, 2215 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

FIST Combat Pro Wrestling FIST Combat Pro Wrestling - Carnival Of Death 2 - Chuey Martinez Terex Baron Rotza Veinom Hellman Rosecrown Mizfett Chris Nasty Eddie Islas Dirty Ron Lovely Lucia & more. Saturday, January 29, 7pm; \$25. OB Rassel House, 4861 Newport Avenue Unit C. (OCEAN BEACH)

UWF Psychotic Circus Wrestling action and music come together. Friday, January 28, 7pm; \$25-\$100. Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center, 3925 Ohio Street. (NORTH PARK)

WORSHIP

Las misas en español A partir del domingo 28 de noviembre de 2021, la Iglesia Episcopal de Todos los Santos, en Hillcrest, San Diego, te invita a participar en las misas en español los primeros, segundos, cuartos (y quintos) domingos de cada mes a la 1pm En la Capilla de Santa María (al doblar la esquina de Pennsylvania y 6ta. Avenida) Todas las personas son bienvenidas. Sundays, 1pm; through Saturday, December 28, **free**. All Saints' Episcopal Church Hillcrest, 625 Pennsylvania Avenue. (HILLCREST)

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Win a pair of tickets to see Marc Maron.
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ON STAGE IN SAN DIEGO

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Matthew Lickona unless otherwise noted. It's always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability.

The Cocktail Hour

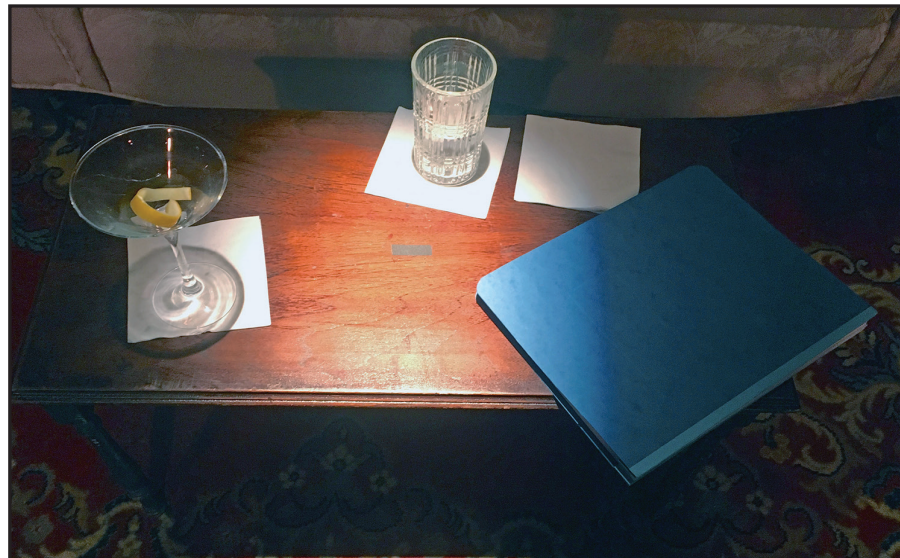
A.R. Gurney's play about a playwright (William Parker Shore) who writes a play about his family and goes home to get their blessing on it is pleasantly (as opposed to mind-bendingly or self-admiringly) meta, what with its talk of how such a work ought to have a big confrontation to end the first act just before the big confrontation that ends the first act, etc. Scribbler John's parents Bradley and Ann are big enough fans of the theater that they know what they're most likely in for in these anything goes days of the mid-'70s: all their skeletons yanked from their closets and sent skittering across the stage for the world's amusement and/or mockery. Dad is particularly worried, in part because he's an actor himself, playing the role of Pillar of Society and Preserver of Civilization when the facts are that he doesn't come from money, his own father killed himself, and his beloved titular time period, the one that is meant to glue society together with convivial conversation, is instead dissolving it under splash

after splash of gin, Scotch, and various other tipples. So naturally, that's when the play we see here takes place. It's a delicate piece of work: we're in Buffalo, New York, not hothouse South, meaning that rage and hate must give way to their more reserved cousins, annoyance and frustrated love. Director Dennis Floyd seems to understand this, maybe a little too well: the pain of certain exchanges didn't register with me until I considered them apart from their presentation. When their time comes to skitter, the skeletons are a mite too polite. And while it's son John who's on the quest to find out What Went Wrong, it's Dad who owns the show. That's not a bad thing, though: David Janisch lends heart and humor (and a rich trombone of a voice) to a sad man who would never want to do the damage he does, if only he could see it.

LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 8PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Desert Rock Garden

Desert Rock Garden, a memory play about belonging, family, and creating something beautiful out of nothing. This fictionalized historical story about a young orphan and a Japanese immigrant who forge a friendship in the Topaz Relocation Center in 1943 reveals the inherent human ability to transform nothing — loneliness and barren desert — into something long-lasting and precious. February 19, 2022, marks the 80th Anniversary of Executive Order 9066 resulting in



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the forced removal of 120,000 men, women and children of Japanese ancestry to incarceration camps across America. NEW VILLAGE ARTS THEATRE, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Hedwig and the Angry Inch

This musical, the glampunk cabaret Story of My Life as told by a gender-queer hard-luck case in a platinum blond wig that looks like it's ready to take flight, first played in 1998, which

means it's old enough now to have a generational legacy. That's made clear by the program, in which Patio Playhouse artistic manager Matt Fitzgerald calls *Hedwig* "a vital part of queer history" and says that it "teaches us that we are enough, that we are whole, and that we are worthy. That message is as important today as it was in 1998 or any other year." Director Juztine Tuazon-Martin writes that it "speaks to anyone who's ever been excluded

from a binary when saying, 'You know, you're doing all right.'" The first-time viewer will recognize that quote from the big number "Midnight Radio," the title of which alludes to Hedwig's impoverished youth in Communist East Germany, listening to American radio with his "girly-boy" head in the oven. That same viewer may wonder at the veracity of the claim: here is a kid who was sexually abused and abandoned by his G.I. Father,

neglected by his mother, subjected to a botched sex-reassignment by his first lover, and utterly betrayed by his Aristophenean Other. (There is a *lot* going on here in the religion department, mostly but not entirely as it relates to power.) Doing all right? Hedwig writhes in obscurity, drinks throughout the show, and is generally abusive to onstage/life partner Yitzhak (Kailey Agpaoa). And the show's grand moment of triumph seems to hinge on an out-of-character whim from Ye Olde Antagonist. It feels like a story, not of winning, but of losing with style, of suffering magnificently, of telling terrible off-color jokes to keep from crying ("When it comes to a huge opening, a lot of people think of me," "When Luther proposed, I was on my knees," etc.) But while it's a sad story, it's anything but a sad show, thanks to that style and magnificence, and thanks also to the way Amanda Blair responds to the lead character's invitation to go no-balls to the wall. The accent is tough, the songs hit every emotional key, and the spotlight never lets up, but Blair is game, and that carries her through as she stomps, struts, and slumps about. The rest of the production shares that same spirit, and makes virtues of its limitations — overhead projectors, childlike illustrations, fan-blown confetti — rather like its subject. [Note: Patio Playhouse is using two sets of actors for the show.]

PATIO PLAYHOUSE THEATRE, 8PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.



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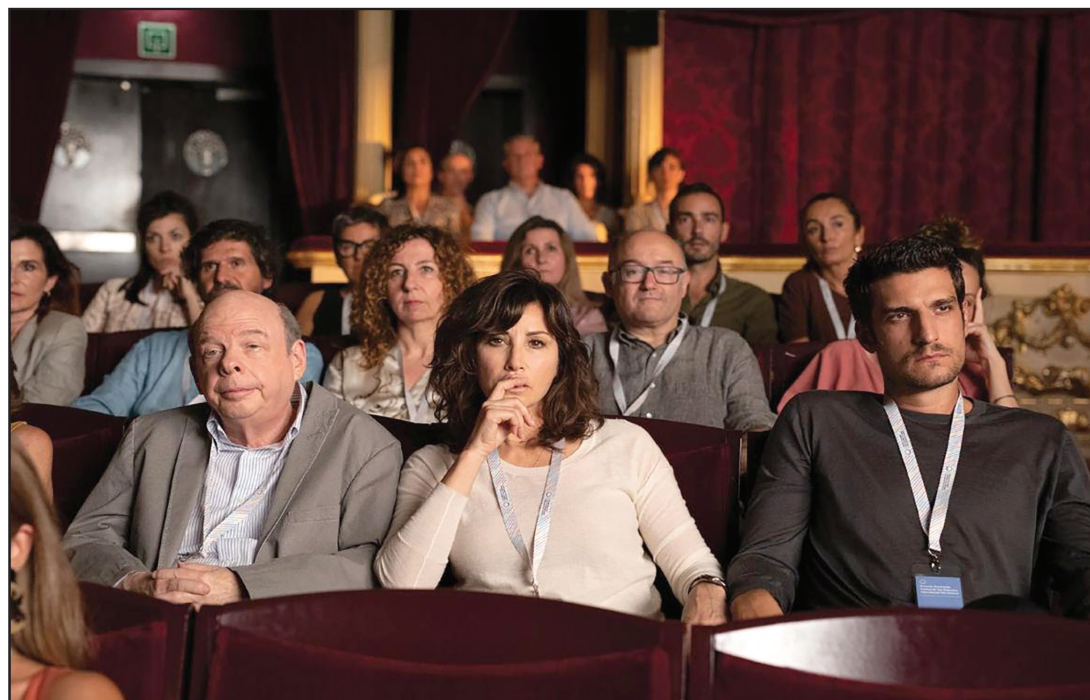
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The 355 — It's a textbook case of you go your way and algorithm. Technology is the new drug of choice and it's up to a quintet of international secret agents to recover an external hard drive that, if placed in the wrong hands, could literally break the internet. Marked down from *Ocean's 8*, *The 355* posits 5 empowered marquee-grabbers (Jessica Chastain, Diane Kruger, Penélope Cruz, Lupita Nyong'o, and Bingbing Fan), a veritable United Nations of pulchritudinous star power, to open up the same past-its-expiration-date can of whoop-ass that their action-jacked forefathers have been feasting on for decades. We're conditioned to expect a film that commences in Bogotá, Colombia to be drug related. Rather than allow his audience to make a connection between death by USB as a substitute for heroin, co-writer and director Simon Kinberg (*X-Men: Dark Phoenix*) repeatedly relies on dialogue to spell it out. The action is non-stop, but the same can be said of the pain incurred from a throbbing toothache. At one point Kruger's character claims not to play by the rules, another laughable trope in a



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film so content to color within the lines. 2022. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

American Underdog — A purebred underdog with a dream rises from

supermarket stock boy to the heights of fame and fortune in this inspirational sports biopic. Before entering the theatre, I couldn't tell the difference between NFL hurler Kurt Warner (Zachary Levi) and

legendary college football Pop Warner. Imagine my delight when the coaches of the future Hall of Fame quarterback took to calling him Pop. What came as no surprise was Anna Pacquin's power-

house performance as Brenda, Kurt's lifemate. And it's hard to resist Levi's soulful romanticism or admire the role he plays in raising his sightless stepson Zack (Hayden Zaller). (For a film that has the love of God embroidered on its sleeve, what's with Kurt and Brenda living in sin?) In order for it to work, directors directed by Andrew Erwin and Jon Erwin needed to pay more attention to the action that takes place off the field than on. Why waste so much time on reenacting a game, the victory of which is established at the outset? Cut to the final touchdown and return to the romance. The supporting cast boasts a pair of favorites: Dennis Quaid and Bruce McGill, the man with the slippery smile. 2021. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Flee — How do you say homosexual in Afghan? You don't. There isn't a word for it. I came to this knowledge by watching an animated documentary, a hybrid so rare as to border on oxymoronic. *Flee* is a biographical bolt that spans 20 years in the life of Amin as he makes his way from his war torn homeland to Denmark by way of Russia, at the time the only country to offer a tourist visa. For the first time in his life, Amin shares with a friend the soul-crushing events and seemingly insurmountable loss he has endured, moments of which are startlingly brought to life. Without the availability of video equipment to capture Amin's journey, filmmaker Jonas Poher Rasmussen adopts three modes of storytelling to recreate the facts: the occasional insertion of 16mm archival footage stands in stark contrast



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to the simplified animation that vivifies the character drama or the nightmare explosions of faceless charcoal blurs that best sum up the whirlpool of desperation. At one point, Amin thought homosexuality was a curable disease, and without this look back into his past, the nuptials that close the picture might never have been. 2021. — S.M. ★★★ (AMC LA JOLLA; LANDMARK HILLCREST)

Jockey — Jackson (Clifton Collins Jr.) has broken his back so many times the track veterinarian at last prescribes the services of a human doctor. Add to that a bad case of the shakes and a resultant inability to command the whip. Horse racing is a sport that takes place largely during daylight hours, but that didn't stop writer-director Clint Bentley from shooting a sizable portion of his modern day horse opera at "twilight time" to gently underscore his protagonist's fading state of being. What little racing footage to be found is often relegated to television sets in the locker room or clubhouse. A realist in denial, Jackson's worries are further exacerbated by a young jockey (Moises Arias) on his tail who claims to be his son. He takes a liking to the kid, and in quick time the two bond, train, and spit ice cubes at each other in the steam room. But emotions run deep, and the ensuing tsunami of resentment and miscommunication leads to an inevitable father vs. son steeplechase. The tone and performances are such that the addition of Aaron and Bryce Dessner's elbow-on-the-keyboard score strikes the film's only discordant note. 2021. 2021. — S.M. ★★★★★ (AMC FASHION VALLEY; ANGELIKA FILM CENTER AND CAFE)

The King's Daughter — Unaware of her noble lineage, our titular princess is plucked from the convent in which her father placed her and called into service as the royal composer. Her first assignment: a dirge to celebrate the slaughter of the castle mermaid, who just so happens to be her BFF. (The sacrifice of the water nymph promised eternal life to his royal highness.) Add to the promising premise location work at the Palace of Versailles and Pierce Brosnan as King Louis XIV and expectations were set high. Indeed, his morning confessions with priest-for-hire William Hurt never fail to amuse. Knowing nothing about the film before going in, I was startled by both Brosnan's and Kaya Scodelario's refusal to age over the past decade or so. Research revealed a film shot in 2014 and shelved for five years until a distributor could be found. Looking to move away from the standard upper-human, bottom fish design for their mermaid, director Sean McNamara and his crew opted to virtually simulate Bingbing Fan's head atop a purple amoebic mass. It proved to be a bad decision. Shorn of arms, the creature proves to be the proverbial fish that stinks from the computer generated head. 2021. — S.M. ★★ (LA PALOMA)

Licorice Pizza — Whither were thee in '73? Watching *American Graffiti*. It's no coincidence that Paul Thomas Anderson nostalgic tale of coming of age in the Valley opens the same year as George Lucas' terrestrial masterwork (and with a filched cherry bomb in the boy's room). The controversial age gap between our heretofore unknown leads — Alana (Alana Haim) has at least a decade over 15-year-old Gary (Cooper Hoffman) — isn't the prickliest thorn on this wandering vine. Theirs is a zipless pursuit set 50 years in



The King's Daughter: A princess by any other name...

the past, a time when an underage male looking to score with a chick nearly twice his age was held in high regard. Anderson set the bar high with *Boogie Nights* and a woke spin on the time frame would ring insincere. Compare this to John Michael Higgins' Jerry Frick, an entrepreneur whose over-enunciating obsession with mail order "Oriental" brides isn't so much offensive as it is *umbday*. The anecdotally-correct celebrity lookalikes never fail to amuse: not since *I Love Lucy* have Ms. Ball (Christine Ebersole) and William Holden (Sean Penn) shared billing. It's the questionable nature of our central characters (and a lack of running time-management skills) that lost me. The entrepreneurial lad wants so much to bag Alana that for a brief moment he considers fashioning a skin flick around her while she in turn becomes an angry star-erfer. A mixed bag destined to accrue enough critical one-liners to convince theatregoers and VOD consumers of its genius. 2021. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Nightmare Alley — What makes the 1946 adaptation of William Lindsay Gresham bleak tale of life far, far under the big top so unique was the curious combination of director Edmund Goulding (acclaimed for such "woman's pictures" as *Grand Hotel* and *Dark Victory*), the backing of a Hollywood major (20th Century Fox), and Tyrone Power, the handsome leading man contracted to star as the mentalist, fallen on hard times, reduced to entertaining the crowd by biting the heads off live poultry. In these shockproof, post-jigsaw times, a chicken-plucker is downright gentlemanly by comparison. Bradley Cooper cooks up a chilly con's carnal while Cate Blanchett's overworked vamp on Barbara Stanwyck provides the actress with a rare fizzle. It looks great — Guillermo del Toro casts a mahogany-blush over production designer Tamara Deverell's spacious art deco sets. The story is ripe for remaking, but at a bloated 150 minutes, I'm not certain this is the film to do it. With Rooney Mara as the sole softening agent

and Richard Jenkins, never nastier. 2021. — S.M. ★★ (AMC MISSION VALLEY; REGAL ESCONDIDO)

Parallel Mothers — Leave it to Pedro Almodóvar to slap a fresh coat of Technicolor enamel on that most reviled made-for-TV variant: the switched-at-birth melodrama. Two mothers, two accidents, and numerous unexpected twists come to a boil in this, the filmmaker's definitive statement on motherhood, melodrama, and the unhealthy allegiance that's formed when shuffled and dealt from the crazed mind of Almodóvar. And he does so with the greatest of stylistic ease. Responding to something as seemingly innocuous as a knock on the door whisks us into the past. And don't expect any of that "One Year Earlier" nonsense when a change of costume and hair will do for an indicator. You know you're in good hands when along the way, every question that arose — and there are many to be found within the labyrinthine narrative — was answered the moment after it came to mind. Penelope Cruz reciprocates by gifting her frequent directorial collaborator with a performance that's equal parts warmth, depth, and nervous breakdown required in these parts. A white Shinola bob adds elfin charm to Milena Smit. She co-stars as Cruz's maternity ward bunkmate-turned-lover, and mother of Cruz's dead daughter. I warned you about the unwholesomeness. Not to be missed! 2021. — S.M. ★★★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Redeeming Love — In the spirit of Cecil B. DeMille comes a western saga of unbridled, albeit softcore, lust that caps a sinful 145-minute running time with just enough redemption to justify an appeal to Christian audiences. There's one in every brothel in the old west: the dirt-poor farmer quick to excuse a dirty hooker her misdeeds in exchange for a better life with a shining savior — in this case Michael played with disagreeable gusto by Tom Lewis. Fuzzy-edged flashbacks detail how Angel (Abigail Cowan) was sold into slavery and groomed from childhood for

a life of prostitution that eventually found her selling her services to the father who abandoned her at birth. Tawdry? At one point we hear two 8-year-olds screaming from an adjoining room while whoremaster Duke (Eric Dane) assaults them. No

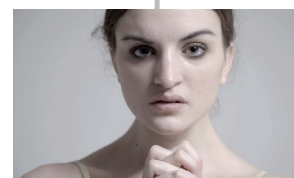
worries. So long as it meets the requirement of good taste put forth by the ratings board, who cares what God thinks? And you think your job is difficult? D.J. Caruso (*Disturbia*, a pair of *xXx* sequels) has seldom worked harder than when trying to mask his leading ladies' nipples to earn the film its PG-13 rating. In a word: vile. 2021. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Rifkin's Festival — The first obvious point of reference would be *Stardust Memories*, Woody Allen's career-derailing capper to a financially successful run that ended with *Annie Hall*. Rifkin (Wallace Shawn) is accompanying his wife Sue (Gina Gershon) to the San Sebastian Film Festival, where she's to represent her client, this year's Best Director-winner — and potential cuckold — Philippe (Louis Garrel). Rifkin attends not so much for the art, but to see if his suspicions about his "fraying marriage" are true. Storaro tells all by miraculously composing a dinner conversation between the three as if Rifkin wasn't at the table. Former film professor Rifkin does his best work on his back and sound asleep, dreaming in black-and-white and in the context of the European Masters (and Claude Lelouch), about whom he has based his class. Both director and cinematographer feast on affectionate recreations of the genius of Godard, Buñuel, Renoir, Truffaut (and Claude Lelouch). It's been a lot of movies ago since Allen's level of wit has connected to produce this many laughs. Rifkin's numerous runs for the doctor's office and the sexless romance that follows help to make this Allen's finest and funniest since *Midnight in Paris*. 2020. — S.M. ★★★★★ (LANDMARK HILLCREST)



This week finds two new home video releases from Film Movement, and yours truly still stinging from the loss of a funny broad. Reviews of *Wheel of Fortune and Fantasy* and *Joan Rivers: A Piece of Work* await you online.

— Scott Marks



Joy Womack: *The White Swan's* mean mien.

JOY WOMACK: THE WHITE SWAN (2021)

Accepted to Russia's esteemed Bolshoi Ballet at age 15, Joy Womack went on to become the first American to both graduate from the Bolshoi Academy and sign a contract with what

is, next to vodka, Russia's most celebrated export. From the street, the Academy resembles an industrial-sized torture shack, not a world renowned ballerina dispensary. In this case, looks are only half-deceiving; torture comes as part of the package deal. Eating disorders are an occupational hazard, as are

broken bones. Without the benefit of a stand-in, Womack dances in excruciating pain, made tolerable only by the numbing prick of a doctor's hypo-

dermic. The dispassionate directorial duo of Dina Burlis and Sergey Gavrilov sticks to the cardinal rule of documentary filmmaking: allow viewers the luxury of making up their own minds. Hollywood may option the rights to Womack's life story, but it's impossible to imagine a biopic being any more intriguing than this finely designed documentary.

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the inside track blurt

La Mesa goes live “My mom was on welfare,” says Dean Velasco, who was raised in a La Mesa household with little money. “We had government cheese, and when we

live music scene, which some people see as trailing far behind downtown, mid-city, and the beaches when it comes to bars featuring live acts. He has a history of managing the



Dean Velasco: building a band-friendly spot in East County.

ran out of that, it was mayonnaise and bread. I worked my whole life to get something. My wife has been with me for 29 years. When we met, I had a scooter. We had 75 cents, and we would put gas in it and drive around San Diego and do all the free stuff.”

Velasco’s current day job involves working as a senior staff engineer doing system architecture for a local tech company. He works there 50-plus hours a week, and is currently adding to that tally as he opens Deano’s Pub, his new bar in La Mesa’s Baltimore West shopping center. It’s operating in the spot formerly occupied by The Alibi. “I know how to work,” he explains while preparing the club. “I’m in here doing all my own drywall. I’ve been in here every day, cleaning and scraping walls and trying to make this place look a little different, because I don’t want people to think I’m opening up Alibi 2.0.”

Velasco is hoping to do his part to add to the East County

local pop-punk outfit Look Up Here and their predecessor Zero2nonE, and is well-versed in the often-fraught relationship between bar owners and musicians. He’s adamant that Deano’s will treat their talent well. “I’m a fan of local music and small bands that are out there for the grind. I’m gonna be band-friendly here. When bands come, they are going to get paid. They are not going to sell tickets. We’re not doing ticket sales.” He plans to book some of the acts that play Full Circle Saloon in Santee. He’s close with that venue’s owner, Michelle Bailey, and is already referring to Deano’s Pub as Full Circle’s “little sister bar.” Those acts include rock cover bands such as 8FIVE8, Serious Guise, and Sonic Moonshine.

It is perhaps worth noting that, before the pandemic, Velasco served as DJ on the largest float in the Pride parade for four consecutive years. So while he is a DJ himself, and while he knows that DJs have slowly been replacing live music on Friday and Saturday

nights in the west, he knows East County, and his plan is to lock in bands for weekend nights. “I want to be careful of DJs, the traditional ‘thump-thump-thump’ DJs,” he says, “because I don’t think that’s the demographic that’s in the neighborhood, and I don’t think that’s what people might necessarily want here. I’m not turned off to that idea, I just don’t know if I’m going to go with EDM [Electronic Dance Music] kind of DJs. If I go with DJs, it’s gonna be somebody that plays the music that people like to listen to, ‘80s and ‘90s and that kind of stuff. Not so much the club vibe.”

He does note that the music will play second fiddle to the main focus of the pub, which is to serve as a bar where all are welcome. That last bit is important: Velasco is very involved with the LGBT community. But he’s quick to stress that it extends even beyond that. “Everybody reverts back to high school and their feelings on the first day of high school. I was a drama nerd. I loved drama, and I loved the theater and all that. I wanted it to be: if you’re a drama nerd, you can come in here and still feel cool and have a cool place to hang out. Many times, I feel like you have to be part of a clique to go into some of the places around here. I just want to come in and have fun. Why do I have to be part of your regular crew to have fun?”

— Dryw Keltz

Duck Foot steps out If it looks, walks, and quacks like a certain common North American waterfowl, it’s probably just what you think it is. But when Matt Delvecchio named the brewery he co-founded Duck Foot, he was thinking less of meandering Mallards and more of snowy sports. “‘Duck Foot’ is the stance my snowboard bindings are set in,” remarks Delvecchio, who will cohort a jazz jam session with the San Diego Jazz Collective at the Miramar brewery on February 15. “I was thinking originally it would be a brand marketed towards the snowboarding community in all the ski bars across the country. That was easier said

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than done, but we are having a blast. My title is ‘Head Quack.’ I do CEO stuff, but I don’t like that title because it’s too serious. We make beer and try to keep things fun, and CEO sounds too boss-like.”

Asked about the locale, he says, “I would say Miramar chose us. We looked for a location for almost a year. There were not a lot of great options or friendly landlords when we were looking. Our landlord is Ballast Point Brewing’s landlord, so they were hip to the business use and were very friendly to us, and still are.” A second Duck Foot venue now operates in East Village.

The brewery started hosting jam sessions in 2019, shuttered them when covid

and never looked back. “I would describe myself as a life-long learner and eager amateur looking for opportunities to play, like most of our [SD Jazz Collective] Meetup members,” he says. “I take courses in music and jazz at Grossmont and Mesa Colleges, taught by amazing teachers who are also professional musicians.”

He continues, “The jam starts out with a pre-designated rhythm section consisting of keyboard, drums, and bass. House band members come from among the more advanced and experienced members of the Collective. Tunes come from the Great American Songbook, plus Latin standards, and we venture into hard bop, although blues, too, form part of the

The numbers are impressive for post-lockdown jams. “Thirty is a good night for sure,” says Kelly. “We get a mix of instruments. If we have a lot of one particular instrument, including voice, we will try to space them out, which means people might not be called up to play in the order they signed up. Time permitting, we try to make sure that everyone who wants to play can sit in on at least one tune. We are also conscious that we have an audience to entertain, engage, and keep in their seats, purchasing Duck Foot beer.”

According to Delvecchio, “My goal is to make Duck Foot a staple of the jazz scene for players, and this was a great opportunity to get that going again. Stephen [Kelly] was



Duck Foot is dipping a toe back into the live jam session waters.

hit, and then restarted them just recently. Delvecchio is an ardent student of jazz guitar and a long-running member of the Jazz Collective, but he turned over the job of operating the sessions to a more seasoned musician: Stephen Kelly, who plays piano and sings. Delvecchio hails from NYC; Kelly is a Buffalo, New York native who moved to Rancho Bernardo for work in 2001,

flavor. Our first in-person event since March 2020 was at Duck Foot Brewery on December 7. About 30 people came; 18 signed up on the clipboard to play, and they all did. The energy was very high. Everyone was so grateful to be back playing together in person after so many months. A couple of jazz students from Mesa College joined us, which was great.”

gracious enough to put in his time for the love of the art, and that’s what it takes. Jazz is about community, and we have a great one, and I am just lucky I have a great place to host.”

— Andrew Hamlin

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RON FRANKLIN

"I started performing music in public during my high school years and had a successful band in Cleveland, Ohio back in the 1970s called Buckeye Biscuit," says light classical jazz guitarist Ron Franklin. "We're mentioned in the book *Rock and Roll and the Cleveland Connection*." Franklin earned a Master of Music degree in Guitar Performance from Texas Tech University and has taught music for the San Diego College of Continuing Education and the San Diego Community College District. In 2013, he won an Emmy award as a producer for the *Good Food Factory* TV show, a healthy cooking show for kids. "I composed songs

for each episode and performed on the show, which airs on Cox Cable Channel 4 in San Diego and several other markets. I continue to work as a video producer and voice-over artist." Franklin just released a new album of original music for solo guitar called *Mysterious Deep*. "One piece, 'Surf Factory,' was written for *The Good Food Factory*. It played in the episode that won a regional Emmy award for me and three of my friends who helped produce the show. Several other pieces, including the title piece 'Mysterious Deep,' were written for a locally produced DVD for Next Generation Yoga."



JOEY HARRIS

Singer-guitarist and songwriter Joey Harris got his start in the late seventies playing lead guitar for Americana star John Stewart, up until MCA records released his debut solo album, *Joey Harris and the Speedsters*, in 1983. He joined the Beat Farmers in 1985, writing, singing, and playing on five Beat Farmer LPs. He sings lead in the Curb Records-produced music video for "Hollywood Hills" and was seen singing lead on his tune "Hideaway" when the Beat Farmers appeared on *Late Night with David Letter-*

man. Harris also toured and recorded with Country Dick Montana, Dave Alvin, and Mojo Nixon as a member of their Las Vegas-style review band, the Pleasure Barons. After playing in Powerthud with fellow former Beat Farmer Jerry Raney, Harris went on to a concept band he called the Joey Show, and then his current backing group The Mentals, who released a self-named CD in summer 2009 on local Double Barrel Records. Joey Harris & the Mentals appear on Saturday, January 29, at Grand Ole BBQ.



CINDY LEE BERRYHILL

Singer-songwriter Cindy Lee Berryhill first earned notice in 1987 with her debut album, which spawned the hit track "Damn, I Wish I Was a Man" ("I'd be sexy with a belly like Jack Nicholson"). Her husband, rock critic and *Crawdaddy* magazine founder Paul Williams, died in 2013, having suffered declining health ever since a 1995 North County bicycle accident. "Paul Williams' papers, original manuscripts, books, *Crawdaddy* magazines, and overarching archive, including T-shirts, now has a home in the special collections at University of Massachusetts Amherst," says Berryhill. "This was in the works for the past six years, finding a home. It took a lot of time and sorting and wooing by

the great rare bookman Henry Wessells of James Cummins Books in New York. You can see quite a lot of Henry in the recent *The Booksellers* documentary...fans and family and friends can be gratified to know it will be cared for and loved under the helm of Aaron Rubinstein of special collections. As soon as covid has subsided and the world is full of butterflies and sunshine again, [our son] Alexander and I will go visit Paul's papers. This is such an important moment for Paul's work. One of the great last things I needed to do for Paul was to find a place where his papers can be seen and referenced by anyone in the public. And cared for."



MANUAL SCAN

Formed in the early 1980s, Manual Scan was one of the premiere U.S. mod bands of the 1980s. Releasing a string of singles beginning in 1981 and an album issued in both the U.S. and England in 1986, the band toured extensively throughout California and Arizona, as well as England (the 100 Club, the Marquee, etc) and Mexico. Co-founders Bart Mendoza and Kevin Ring later disbanded the group and formed The Shambles, but in recent years they've reassembled Manual Scan for various recordings and performances. Their seminal *Plan of Action* EP was reissued in

late 2020 by Spain's SNAP! Records, on black vinyl, blue vinyl, and as a picture disc. According to Mendoza, "Manual Scan is playing at the Mods Mayhem Festival taking place June 3 through 5 in Los Angeles. Other bands include The Untouchables, The Chords UK, and The Odd Numbers. To coincide with the event, there will be a ten-inch limited edition vinyl album of rarities from the bands performing. Manual Scan's contribution is an unreleased version of our song 'Confidence and Love,' recorded in 1985 at Circle Sound Studios."



CHILL BOY

San Diego Blues Hall of Fame inductee Chill Boy began playing harp with small blues bands in the late 1960s. After picking up the guitar, he spent much of the '70s with a show band called Roxx, touring the Midwest and Canada until relocating to California in 1980. In addition to serving as band leader for the Ike Turner Revue, Smokey Wilson, and others, he played with the Pinetop Perkins Band, Joe Louis Walker & the Bosstalkers, and Seymour Duncan All-Stars. As a solo artist known for blending blues and funk, he led Chill Boy & the Firebirds, which opened for Pat

Travers, Southside Johnny, and Booker T. and the MGs. He also collaborated with Steve White, and opened for Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown and Junior Wells, both of whom he cited as mentors, as well as warming up shows for Koko Taylor, B.B. King, and others. He was a regular at open jams around town and was the 1999 winner of a Blues Foundation IBC (San Diego) Award. He also served as Director of the Blues Lovers United San Diego chapter. Usually based in the Cardiff area, he reportedly passed away earlier this month.

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Bellamy's Restaurant:
Tuesday, 6pm — Sarah Ingraham.

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, 8pm — All Them Witches and Blackwater Holylight. \$18-\$32.
Friday & Saturday, 8pm — Matisyahu. \$48-\$50.
Sunday, 8pm — Big Head Todd & the Monsters.
Tuesday, 8pm — North Mississippi Allstars.

Brick by Brick:
Saturday, 8:30pm — Charger and Hell Fire. \$15-\$18.

Cannonball:
Tuesday, 5pm — Pablo Cantua.

Casbah:
Thursday, 8pm — Starcrawler.
Friday, 8pm — Earthless.
Saturday, 8pm — Cosmo's Midnight and Two Lanes.
Sunday, 8pm — The Spits and VR Sex. \$22.
Monday, 8pm — Diamante. \$15-\$50.
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Saturday, 1pm — Joey Harris & The Mentals.
Sunday, 1pm — Emotional Rescue.

Harrah's Resort Southern California:
Saturday, 7:30pm — Shinedown and Ayrton Jones.

Helia Brewing Company:
Thursday, 7pm — DiscoDaze Roller Disco. \$15-\$25.

Holding Company:
Saturday, 7pm — Radio Thieves and Sonic Moonshine.

House of Blues:
Thursday, 7pm — The Struts. \$29-\$65.
Friday, 7:30pm — Allen Stone. \$32-\$65.

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Sunday, 3pm — Tower 7.

La Jolla Community Center:
Friday, 6pm — Doo Wop with the Skylarks. \$15-\$20.

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:
Friday, 7:30pm — Steve Vai.
Saturday, 7pm — Queen Nation.

Merrow:
Friday, 9pm — Locker Room.

Mission Bay Resort:
Wednesday, 5pm — Sarah Ingraham.

Molly Malone's Waypoint Saloon:
Friday, 8pm — Cold Craft. **Free.**

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Sunday, 7pm — Josh Weinstein and Josh Taylor. \$5.
Monday, 7pm — Dream Gypsy.

Nick & G's:
Wednesday, 6pm — Justin Froese.

Observatory North Park:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Goose. \$55-\$109.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Action Bronson and Earl Sweatshirt. \$92-\$186.

Panama 66:
Friday, 6pm — Zzymzzy Quartet.
Saturday, 6pm — Walter Brothers.

Sunday, 3pm — Lindy & The Hops.

Roxy Encinitas:
Saturday, 4:30pm — Rick Harchol. **Free.**

Rustic Root:
Tuesday, 6pm — Johnny Martin.

Side Yard:
Wednesday, 6pm — Ben Benavente.

Soda Bar:
Friday, 9pm — 22 & Good 4 U. \$13-\$25.
Saturday, 8pm — Sugar Candy Mountain and Kolumbo.
Sunday, 7:30pm — The High Curbs and Sands. \$15.
Tuesday, 8pm — Loving.
Wednesday, 8pm — Bitch.

Soma:
Thursday, 6pm — The Marias.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion:
Sunday, 2pm — Spreckels Organ Society: Raúl Prieto Ramírez. **Free.**

University Club Atop Symphony Towers:
Tuesday, 4:30pm — Rebecca Jade.

Viejas Arena:
Tuesday, 7:30pm — System of A Down and Korn.

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Friday, Feb. 4 — Andrew Peña.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Jesse Ray Smith.

Belly Up Tavern:
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Friday, Feb. 4 — Yonder Mountain String Band.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Karl Denson's Tiny Universe and Mattson 2.
Sunday, Feb. 6 — Brian Fallon & The Howling Weather.
Monday, Feb. 7 — Built to Spill.

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Thursday, Feb. 3 — Obscura and Abysmal Dawn. \$22-\$25.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Gza: Liquid Swords. \$30.

Cannonball:
Thursday, Feb. 10 — Andrew Peña.

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Friday, Feb. 4 — Deep Sea Diver.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Everything Is Terrible.
Sunday, Feb. 6 — Video Rose and Bridey.
Tuesday, Feb. 8 — Faye Webster.
Wednesday, Feb. 9 — Possessed by Paul James.

Cornel/Henry Art:
Thursday, Feb. 24 — Marcela Mendez.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:
Tuesday, Feb. 8 — San Diego Jazz Collective Jam Session. Free.

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

BY GARRETT HARRIS

Rejoicing at the return

The end of January and the entirety of February appear to be bringing a return to some semblance of normalcy for the San Diego Opera and San Diego Symphony. Of course, there's always a chance of cancellations.

The San Diego Symphony has concerts scheduled on January 28 and 29, 2022 at The San Diego Civic Theatre. The program features Sergei Rachmaninoff's *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini* and Hector Berlioz's *Symphonie Fantastique*. Pianist George Li, who performed with Mainly Mozart in September of 2021, returns to San Diego to perform the Rachmaninoff. Rafael Payare conducts. Also on this program is an interesting composition by William

Grant Still entitled *Darker America*. Grant Still is an underperformed and underappreciated American composer. He has over 200 compositions, including five full symphonies. To be honest, I'd much rather hear a performance of his *Symphony No. 2: Song of a New Race* instead of yet another *Symphonie Fantastique*.

On February 3, 4, 5, and 6, The Symphony is performing *The Four Seasons* by Antonio Vivaldi and *The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires* by Astor Piazzolla at multiple venues. The performances will alternate between the Vivaldi and the Piazzolla, as opposed to performing each piece straight through. Mainly Mozart did this back in October of 2020, and I didn't like the

interspersing approach. Piazzolla references Vivaldi's masterpiece in his rendition of the seasons, but the styles do not complement each other. While we're creating classical "mash-ups", why not throw in Alexander Glazunov's *The Seasons* and Igor Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring*, along with *Summer Night on the River* by Frederick Delius? Just because two pieces of music share a title doesn't mean they go together, even if one references the other. You could alternate movements of Beethoven's *Fifth Symphony* and Mahler's *Fifth* because Mahler references Beethoven. Why not? I'll tell you why not. Because each piece needs to be heard for itself, just like the Vivaldi and the Piazzolla.



I think I've been waiting to hear Payare conduct Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 4* for almost two years.

The San Diego Opera is presenting Mozart's hilarious *Così fan Tutte* February 12, 15, 18, and 20, 2022 at the San Diego Civic Theatre. Mozart composed three operas based on libretti by the adventurer Lorenzo da Ponte. The first two are *The Marriage of Figaro* and *Don Giovanni*. *Così fan Tutte* makes three.

Alas, Opera is particularly susceptible to corona cancellation. All it takes is one singer going down, and things get dicey, quick. The

San Diego Opera has never had the luxury of multiple covers for multiple roles. I'm sure there are contingencies in place, but hopefully *Così* comes to the stage as planned.

February concludes with the Symphony back at The Civic Theatre on Saturday, February 20, 2022, for Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 4*. I think I've been waiting to hear Payare conduct this for almost two years, and I can't wait.

Classical Music this week

San Diego Symphony: Jacobs Masterworks
Jacobs Masterworks 07, Rafael Payare, conductor, George Li, piano, William Grant Still: *Darker America*, Sergei

Rachmaninoff: *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini*, Op. 43, Hector Berlioz: *Symphonie fantastique*, Op. 14. Friday, January 28, 8pm; Saturday, January 29,

2pm; San Diego Civic Theatre, 1100 Third Avenue.

Solo Piano Concert: Brendan Nguyen Project [BLANK] opens the 2022 season with a concert of genre-defying works for solo piano by Amy

Beach, Emahoy Tsegué-Maryam Guébrou, and Missy Mazzoli. Performed by Project [BLANK] co-founder Brendan Nguyen. All are invited to a gala reception following the performance, to celebrate the start of a new season and the return to in-person

performance. Saturday, January 29, 7:30pm; free-\$20. St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 743 Prospect Street.

Zzymzzy Quartet Friday, January 28, 6pm; Panama 66, 1450 El Prado.

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Sunday, Feb. 6 — Farrah Camu.
Tuesday, Feb. 8 — Helena Holleran.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:
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Fairmont Grand Del Mar:
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Johnny Martin.
Friday, Feb. 11 — Dave Schulz.
Saturday, Feb. 12 — Kristi Krause.

Farmer & the Seahorse:
Thursday, Feb. 3 — Shay Skylar.
Friday, Feb. 4 — Kristi Krause.

Garage Kitchen + Bar:
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Friday, Feb. 4 — The Whole Shebang. Free.
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Thursday, Feb. 10 — Salsa Under the Stars. Free.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort:
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Friday, Feb. 11 — Danielle Angeloni.

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Dream Theater.

Merrow:
Friday, Feb. 25 — Locker Room.

Mingei International Museum:
Friday, Feb. 11 — San Diego Ballet: Bird/LAND. \$40-\$60.

Mission Bay Resort:
Thursday, Feb. 3 — Jehua Evans.
Friday, Feb. 4 — Lauren Leigh.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — David Shyde.
Monday, Feb. 7 — Jesse Johnson.
Tuesday, Feb. 8 — The Heart.

Mission Trails Church:
Sunday, Feb. 13 — Gregory Page. Free.

Molly Malone's Waypoint Saloon:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Nemesis. Free.

Moonshine Beach:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Jimmie Allen.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Friday, Feb. 25 — The 8 East Band. Free.

Music Box:
Thursday, Feb. 3 — DENM and The Elovaters.
Friday, Feb. 4 — OPIUO.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — BoomBox feat. BackBeat Brass.
Sunday, Feb. 6 — Scary Pockets and Scary Goldings.
Monday, Feb. 7 — The Decibel Magazine Tour. \$32.

Nate's Garden Grill:
Saturday, Feb. 12 — Tinkersmith. Free.

Nick & G's:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Helena Holleran.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Tim Rose.

Observatory North Park:
Wednesday, Feb. 9 — Best Coast.

Old Town Temecula Community Theater:
Thursday, Mar. 3 — Wanted: Bon Jovi Tribute. \$20-\$25.

One Paseo:
Saturday, Feb. 19 — Terry Matsuoka. Free.

Panama 66:
Sunday, Feb. 13 — Uptown Rhythm Makers. Free.

Park & Rec:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Big Lewinsky.

Pechanga Arena San Diego:
Thursday, Feb. 10 — Tyler the Creator and Kali Uchis.

Poway Center for the Performing Arts:
Friday, Feb. 11 — Naturally 7.

Rustic Root:
Tuesday, Feb. 15 — Mike Myrdal.

Seabird:
Sunday, Feb. 13 — Aaron Nichols.

Side Yard:
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Whitney Shay.
Wednesday, Feb. 9 — Blaise Guld.

Soda Bar:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Teenage Wrist and Softcult.
Sunday, Feb. 6 — Strawberry Girls and Standards.
Wednesday, Feb. 9 — Dan Croll and Luke Sital-Singh.

Soma:
Thursday, Feb. 3 — Chris Lane.
Tuesday, Feb. 8 — Aminé.

University Club Atop Symphony Towers:
Tuesday, Feb. 8 — Tim Rose.

Waterbar:
Thursday, Feb. 3 — Ryan Hiller.

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Thursday, Feb. 3 — Ben Benavente.
Saturday, Feb. 5 — Zach Churchill.

Whistle Stop Bar:
Friday, Feb. 4 — Holy Wave.

Winstons Beach Club:
Thursday, Feb. 3 — Roots of Creation. \$15-\$18.
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Chomp 'n chat

If you could put this place's formula in a bottle, you'd be a millionaire

Needed some company. Little Italy had plenty of people, but there was no real action at the Happy Hour places.

Somehow ended up on Kettner. Somehow ended up opposite the Waterfront. Huh. No big mention of Happy Hour, but plenty of folks of all ages looking pretty happy, inside and out. And all talking, snacking, and slurping.

Another plus: as you get closer, you can hear Stevie Nicks of Fleetwood Mac crooning out "Dreams," but not so loudly that you can't hear the bar chat between patrons and baristas (Barista at a bar?

I know. "Barista" started off being applied to coffee workers only. But it is too good a title to be siloed in da cawfee world alone. Besides, it takes care of the gender issue.)

Also: last time I was here it was *ker-owedd*. No seats. No table space. Right now, around 5:30 pm, those who've drifted in are kinda wide-eyed, like, "It's five o'clock somewhere and hey! That somewhere's here!"

"Do you have any happy hour deals going?" I ask the guy at the register.

"Well, how good a deal do you want?"

"Good as you can make it," I say.

"Does 'free' sound good enough?" he says.

And he points to a steaming chafing dish at the end of the bar.

"Free?"

"Free," says the guy on the stool next to me. "They always have something free going. Sausages, tacos, sliders, things like that."

Wow. Free is good. Am a little light of wallet right now. I order a St. Archer hazy IPA (\$6.75), and head off for the chafing dish. Huh. Quesadilla wedges. And it strikes me: I could just eat these piping-hot wedges all night long, and get off scot-free, food-wise.

And truth to tell, two of these warm, squelchy, crisp-skinned quesadillas would be enough. I swear they have chicken chunks in them, too. Deal! Specially as outside HH, a quesadilla costs \$9.95, plus \$3.95 extra for chicken or carne asada.

So yeah, I grab my freebie, and it should be enough. Two things change this: my greedy eyes, and the fact that I've just seen the salad of my dreams flash before me. It's called "Beets, Brussels,

Bleu," and I'm thinking that would make the perfect contrast to the quesadilla. It costs \$10.95. I order it, and — okay, I know I need to see a shrink

about this — but I can't resist adding an entire 'nother plate to my order. It's the Waterfront Dip, which is basically a grilled toasted cheese sourdough sandwich with a bowl of "Charlie Jones' famous chili." Not a clue as to who Charlie Jones is, unless he's that deep-

voiced sportscaster of yore from NBC.

It takes no more than five minutes for them to bring it all out. So now it's chomp 'n chat time. And here's what I like about this

bar. Everybody just settles in with whoever's closest.

No exclusivity. Soon enough, I'm talking with Jay, who's sitting on my left, and Brandon and his wife Sandy on my right. They're seeking shelter here from the seven-below

cold of Arkansas. Then there are the two most entertaining bar guys around: James and his younger brother, Tom. You look at their arms, and you get a clue these two are tight. "See?" says James. They hold their limbs out. Each has had an identical panther tattooed on his upper arm. They kind of set the tone here. Cheery, familial, talkative when they're not rushing to other customers. They let you sample a beer.

They talk about it. It strikes me, the Waterfront as club is probably a long tradition here. It's where San Diego's famous Portuguese and Italian tuna fishermen hung out after hours of hauling in giant fighting tuna, out at sea off San Diego. Pics of those days hang on walls. That's why this place always opened at six in the morning: to be ready for the tuna men when they came in after an all-night battle at sea. Now, the tuna have been fished out, and (partly thanks to covid), the tuna men have disappeared, too, so now the Waterfront doesn't open till 8 am. Whatever, I already feel I could make this place my regular go-to. Jay says to come back on the weekends. "That's when they have the greatest Mexican breakfast. Or if you want to eat vegan, soyrizo burritos. Marinated!"

I get back to chomping through my Waterfront Dip — grilled American cheese sandwich, sourdough, accompanied by that bowl of "Charlie Jones' famous chili." It's good, but honestly,



"Beets, Brussels, Bleu" salad. Best of the dishes: a salad you can actually like!



Love conquers all: Sandy and Brandon at The Waterfront before returning to freezing Arkansas



Lone tuna man statue tells us for whom the place was originally intended

neither the chili nor the toasted cheese sandwich can compete with the fresh, sweet marinated beet and spinach of the "Beets, Brussels, Bleu" salad. It's so excellent I don't want it to end. The marinated, roasted golden beets are sweet jewels. The blackened sprouts' burnt balsamic taste is ultra tangy/dark and deeply caramelized. The bleu cheese, tomato, red onion, Dijon vinaigrette, the hint of balsamic on top keep the flavors flying around your mouth.

I get one more St. Archer Hazy IPA just to stretch the strong salad flavors out, and okay, also because the vibes are so good here. It turns out I'm not the first customer who doesn't want to leave. "San Diego's oldest Tavern," say signs all over the place. "Since 1933." Since Prohibition, in other words.

Actually there's dispute over that "oldest pub" title with the Tivoli, which goes back to 1885. Licensing, Prohibition, and continuity cloud



Affable barkeeps, brothers James and Tom, show off their panther tats

the issue. Either way, these places are where our grandfathers, mothers, whatever hied off to, to recoup their sanity. Places like the Waterfront somehow nailed it with a combo of good nature, reasonable prices, and a kind of generosity of spirit. Man. If you could just put this place's formula in a bottle, you'd be a millionaire. ■

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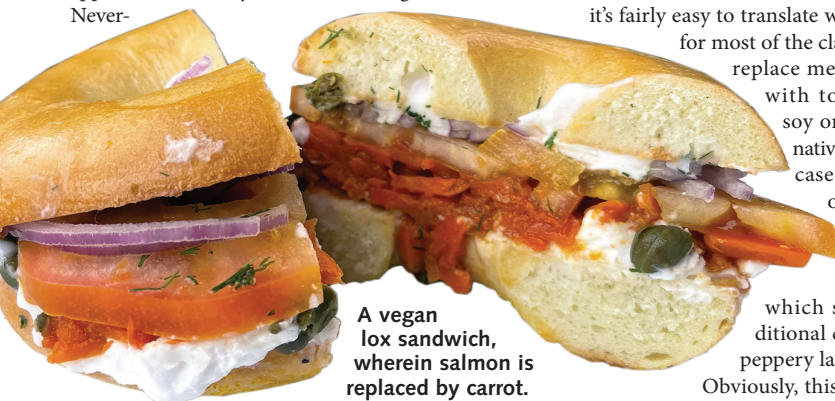
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Oy Vegan

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The plant-based bread schtick of Ben and Esther's Vegan Jewish Deli

Ben & Esther's Vegan Jewish Deli; 6663 El Cajon Blvd., Rolando. Seeing as how Jewish cuisine features staples such as schmaltz, schmears, corned beef, and brisket, a Jewish delicatessen would not appear to be a likely candidate for veganization. Never-



A vegan lox sandwich, wherein salmon is replaced by carrot.

theless, the newest addition to San Diego's sandwich landscape attempts exactly that.

If Ben & Esther's Vegan Jewish Deli strikes you as the sort of concept more likely to emerge from the entrepreneurial wilds of Portland, Oregon, you would be exactly right. Via local partnership, the deli counter's founder — and the namesake's grandson — has chosen San Diego as the location for his third shop, the first outside of Portland.

Found on El Cajon Boulevard, right where the College Area meets Rolando Village, the small venue presents as a traditional delicatessen, offering such items as egg and cheese bagel (\$8), chicken salad sandwich (\$12), and tuna melt (\$12) — not to mention the so-called Jewish Penicillin, matzo ball soup. Other than the shop's actual name, the only real indication things may be a tad different here is a note at the top of the menu, reading: "Our menu is 100% vegan... The ingredients listed are not derived from animals."

Given that this is not our first vegan rodeo, it's fairly easy to translate what this means for most of the classic deli items:

replace meat and poultry with to-be-expected soy or tempeh alternatives. Such was the case with my obvious first target, the deli classic Reuben sandwich (\$14),

which swaps the traditional corned beef for peppery layers of tempeh.

Obviously, this substitution is not designed to trick anyone into believing it's a genuine corned beef sandwich. However, by leaning on the Reuben's other flavor-forward ingredients — sauerkraut, Russian dressing, and in particular, the provocative earthiness of a solid marble rye — this surprisingly luscious vegan rendition does a fine job of recreating the sense of eating the real thing. For fun, let's call it Reubenesque.

What really got me curious were the tradi-



From Portland with love: a small vegan deli in the College/Rolando Area.

tional seafood items, in particular the lox bagel sandwich (\$12), which Ben & Esther's social media refers to as its not-lox sandwich.

I wondered how the place might recreate the experience of cured salmon. The answer, it turns out, is with a sort of pickled carrot preparation.

Which does in fact look the part. However, in flavor and texture, lox resembles little else in this world, and carrots betray an altogether different sort of sweetness than salmon. (A better, or at least more interesting bet, may be the whitefish, reportedly replaced by smoked heart of palm.)

Here again, the sandwich relies on the rest of the traditional lox bagel package: capers, red onions, and a convincing enough non-dairy cream cheese. Sliced tomatoes add to the sandwich (which is not served open-faced), and the inclusion of fresh dill lends to the perception of a salmon product, given frequent associations between that fish and that herb that most of us share.

And again, a saving grace is the bagel. While several Jewish baked goods — including challah bread, babkas, and cookies — employ eggs, butter, and/or milk, most traditional bagels and rye bread recipes do not require animal products. In other words, they were vegan to begin with. So, if you're of the belief that a sandwich is only as good as its bread, you'll be in luck at this particular vegan establishment.

And, I'm happy to report, the assortment of



A vegan take on the classic Reuben sandwich.

vegan cookies served at Ben & Esther's hold up fine in plant-based form, whether rugelach, hamantashen, or one particularly large and unforgettable favorite: the black and white cookie (\$3.50).

by Ian Anderson

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BOOZE NEWS

BY MATTHEW FLYNN

Hop, hop, hops

Rouleur keeps things rolling in new directions

“The word ‘rouleur’ is a French word, translating to ‘roller,’” explains Rawley Macias, head brewer and founder of **Rouleur Brewing Company**. “However, in cycling, a *rouleur* is a rider who is multifaceted and is able to excel at most types of riding (climbing, sprinting, endurance, etc.). We are a beer brand with a cycling problem.” Well, maybe not a problem, exactly. But the Carlsbad brewery has lived up to the versatility implied by its name. The latest: their recently opened tasting room in North Park features a food menu which was originally developed as a

collaboration with O’Brien’s co-owner Tyson Blake but continues to expand with new flavors such as empanadas and a lamb sausage sandwich courtesy of chef Carla Kraft. Meanwhile, on tap at both Rouleur locations, you can find everything from a New Zealand Pilsner and a Berliner Weiss to a Double IPA and an Imperial Stout.

Standouts on tap include Bonkeur Mosaic Pale Ale, which took home a gold medal in the International Pale Ale or New Zealand Pale Ale category at the 2021 Great American Beer Festival. Featuring Simcoe and Mosaic hops, Bonkeur is a dank, well-balanced Pale Ale offering stone fruit and citrus notes. It’s on tap all year with another award-winner, Domestique Blonde Ale, which won bronze in the Belgian-Style Pale Ale or Belgian-Style Blonde Ale category at the 2018 World Beer Cup.

However, the brew that most exemplifies the brewery’s multifaceted nature could be its most recent effort. Rouleur’s latest addition to its list of year-round beers is Bunny Hop — a West Coast IPA which promises to use different hops in each batch to produce a unique twist on the recipe. Macias furthers, “The beauty of this beer is that the hops will rotate and ideally won’t repeat. Batch 2 is scheduled to feature African

Queen.” But all is not change; one constant in all iterations of Bunny Hop will be the use of Pilsner malts, which will provide the beer with a light body and crisp finish, along with



COURTESY ROULEUR BEER COMPANY

Rouleur bunny hops through a garden of flavor

a subtle malty flavor and a bready, even biscuity character.

Batch 1 of Bunny Hop, released on December 23, features Sultana hops, which provide bright citrusy and pineapple notes with a touch of pine. Rouleur plans to have only one batch of Bunny Hop on tap at a time, so Batch 2 will release

shortly after Batch 1 is tapped. Once it does, fans can expect the pineapple and citrus present in Batch 1 to be replaced by a dankness accompanied by berry and lemongrass, courtesy of the African Queen hops. Plans are in the works to can future batches of the new ale as well.

Beer fans who have their own “cycling problem” and want to do some rolling of their own before tasting the beer named after their mode of transport can join Rouleur’s group bike rides, which are held at each location. Macias concludes, “We have always hosted rides out of our Carlsbad location, and recently started them here in North Park. They are open to all rider types/skill levels. Show up, ride, then enjoy a pint and some food afterwards!”

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

HILLCREST

Urban Mo's Bar and Grill: *Thursday*, 5-8 pm: \$6.50 Martinis

KENSINGTON

Kensington Brewing Company: *Wednesday-Friday*, 4-6pm: \$1 off pints

LA JOLLA

Spiro's Mediterranean Cuisine: *Daily*, 3-6pm: \$2 off wine and beer.

LA MESA

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

LAKESIDE

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

LEMON GROVE

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

LITTLE ITALY

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 HILLS

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

NORMAL HEIGHTS

Sycamore Den: *Daily*, 5-6pm: \$1 off draft beer, \$1 off wine, \$2 off specialty cocktails

NORTH PARK

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

OCEAN BEACH

The Holding Company: *Tuesday-Friday*, 4-6pm: Half off draft beer, half off most whiskeys & tequila, \$2 pint beer of the day, \$4 well drinks, \$10 pitchers of beer, \$15 off all towers.

OLD TOWN

Home & Away: *Monday, Wednesday-Friday*, 3-6pm: \$1 off glass of wine, draft and bottled beer, well drinks, \$3 to \$6 off specialty cocktails. \$2.75 tacos. *Tuesday*, 3-6pm: Taco Tuesday specials, see server.

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

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

PACIFIC BEACH

710 Beach Club: *Tuesday*, 6pm-close: 2 for 1 tequila shots, \$5 Margs, \$4 Dos XX & Pacifico's, 2 tacos for \$7.10 *Wednesday*, 7pm-close: 2 for 1 whiskey shots, \$5 chicken tenders *Thursday*, 7:30pm-close: \$5 beers *Sunday*, 7:30pm-close: \$7.10 slushies

Ambrogio15: *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. *Thursday*, 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.

POINT LOMA

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

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PERSONALS

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BALBOA PARK WALKING PARTNERS For daily walks and other exercises at Balboa Park, possible other activities like travel, dining together, etc. Mike (619) 209-0961 / marnoch_m@yahoo.com

DARLING FRANK Yo Ho! I've taken up the life of a pirate! They wear such fabulous boots and I have a new sword that completes my look. Join me on the bayou. Forevermore Yours, Katherine Queen of the Sea.

FRIENDS WHOM HAVE SEEN Ms. Tammy Wilson in Julian, CA. Please contact Mr. Keith at williamkeith848@gmail.com.

I THINK THAT people who are speeding in their cars are late to work and probably slackers. The Driveway Society.

RIGHT NOW ON SOME OTHER PLANET the news is on. Today we approached a planet and found people everywhere on it. Astounding.

KATHERINE Z. the princess has flown the coop with the flying monkeys from OZ. not sure where they are headed, but I am duty bound to tear her from the claws of her captors. enjoy the fresh clean air on the Materhorn. Frank

THE DRIVEWAY SOCIETY it seems you are hell-bent on causing mayhem on our neighborhood for some reason. I am organizing my friends and hopefully we can convince you that what you are doing is not cool. Look for the meeting notice that I will glue to your windshield. Cheers

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Happy birthday Terry P....Marvin says

happy birthday....Party time... Gman.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to my four girls, Patti, Pris, Pam and Becky Lynn....I love you all so much.... Let's party. Gman

BARCELONA Antwerp Berlin Chula Vista....

HOSTESS: Christmas eve bet you didn't laugh shame. From: Not Weichert.

THE BIBLE SAYS whoever believes in Jesus shall be saved. John 3:16. Want to know how to get to heaven? Please call Travis at (619) 706-7529. Let today be a day of salvation, amen

TWO-HANDED HOLD'EM TEXAS STYLE I shuffled the cards Opponent: 2 diamonds 2clubs Us:4and5clubs. Bet, call, fold?

WHAT'S THE MATTER BAD DEEDS watch your back didn't want any part of your ad? You don't know who are.

THE DRIVEWAY SOCIETY I realize having your car towed was a bit harsh, but you started this and if you retaliate further, I will use whatever means it takes to prove to you that I am right and the better neighbor have a great day!

I AM BACK FROM TATOONIE apparently you weren't there. I am brushing off my mountain climbing skills! See you at the top of the Matterhorn! Katherine

DEBORAH WHITFIELD MEMORIAL Friday February 4: balloon lantern release bonfire @3pm. Saturday February 5@ Mt Hope cemetery: the burial ceremony will start @12 then we will celebrate my moms life with a reception after. diamondnicole11@aol.com

I LOVE YOU FOREVER PAPA BEAR Deniel Burleson you truly are my workd! Thank you

Jesus for blessing me with my soulmate. Your wifey Bianca.

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HOW DO YOU FAKE BEING SEEN by 500 after being crucified? First Corinthians 15:3-6

LOOKING FOR ARTIST NEAL Pacific Beach, house on alley, between Thomas and Reed, 1977. And, Jackie Feitler. (619) 917-6975

FRIENDS OF JAMES HARPER (JIM) Please call Jim's family- Ann, Jennifer, Jamie. (619) 917-6975

THE FIRST THING THAT EXISTED had no beginning or created itself from nothing or Jesus said "I am the beginning".

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SPRING BREAK LINEUP @ ohgeesy, @quavohuncho, @jhayco, @liljon, @djdiesel (Sha), @dipope, & more - Spring Break 2022 lineup is HERE & packages in Tier 1 are moving fast! Papas & Beer is all about offering a next-level party experience. FB: papasandbeer.rosarito community@papasandbeer.com

FRIDAY NIGHT KARAOKE Friday night karaoke with KJ ACE D! Our bar @ 817 W Washington St is a bit of a superhero. By day it's a mild-mannered neighborhood dive bar and by night it's a karaoke extravaganza! (619) 298-3624 / thelamplightersd@gmail.com

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RUBY ROSE CARIG Ruby is awesome! Happy 13th birthday, Ruby Rose! We love you, Butt Butt!

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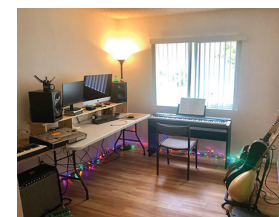
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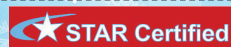
ARGENTINE TANGO Katia Diamond is teaching Monday night group classes!!! Argentine Tango \$15/class (858) 922-2121

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CLASSES Calling all electric vehicles (EV) enthusiasts. All are welcome (no need to own an EV). Some of us are newbies and some of us have deep technical skills. All of us are interested in driving electric. Instagram @ evaoso. KeithMikas@gmail.com

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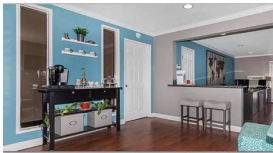
ROOMMATES

DRIVING IN FROM FLORIDA

I'm currently driving from Florida to San Diego! Looking for a private room/bath relatively close to Mission Valley! Under \$1000 is ideal but can be flexible for the right place! FB: michael.nash.7509836

MISSION/PACIFIC BEACH

Looking for a roommate - male or female (late 20s, early 30s). Location: ONLY Mission Beach, Pacific Beach & La Jolla. Budget: up to \$2k. Please DM at facebook.com/brittanybarker1 for more info.



NEAR SDSU HOUSEMATE

I recently signed a lease on a 2 bedroom place near SDSU. The complex is called Dorado Plaza, rent would be around 1100 per month. FB: https://facebook.com/jackson.sutter.315

OTAY RANCH, \$1,200 Room for rent, furnished, AC, tv, internet, non smoker, no drugs, no pets. \$1,200/month, \$300 deposit. Call Carlos (858) 999-7980.

ROOMMATES/HOUSEMATES

Reposting again: I am actively seeking a room to rent. My max budget is \$900 with utilities included. Location w/ in East County, Mira Mesa, San Diego, Chula Vista. I work full-time. Please DM on FB @ dezertdippin250

NEED ROOM W/PRIVATE BATH

ASAP! Single mature Black Male w/good gov job. Works nights. Needs unfurnished room in quiet No. San Diego/No. County area. No pets or drama. Can pay up to \$1200 month. Serious replies only. (858) 243-6462

WE'RE MOVING TO SAN DIEGO

Hi everyone, my husband and I are looking for a studio for \$1400. We are students and would like a studio for a long stay. Message me on FB: https://facebook.com/amanda.lucila/. Thanks!

ISO ROOMMATES OR

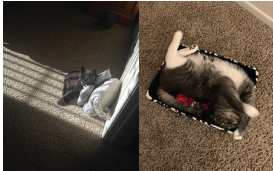
HOUSEMATES Reposting: My name is Eun Jeong, I just graduated with my master's in business analytics from Oregon and currently looking for a place to stay for a month in San Diego. My budget is \$700. FB: eunjeong.heo.374

MOVED TO SAN DIEGO

I'm Meesh, 27, a freelance graphic designer, who just moved here from Philadelphia with my mini Aussie, Peep. I'm looking for a studio, 1 Bedroom or even an open room in an apt/ house. Facebook @ michelle.scannapieco

2022 SDSU ROOMMATE

I'm a Senior at SDSU and I am looking to rent a 1 Bedroom apartment in the San Diego area. My budget is around \$800-1250/month for rent. Please DM me on FB: @ Jalen Dumphord — Thank You!



PENASQUITOS APARTMENT

I'm looking for a couple that would want to do a 2 bedroom/ 2 bathroom in Penasquitos Point Apartments. You would have to be pet-friendly because I'd like to adopt a cat down the line at some point. Facebook @ danielle.clarke.9638

PLACE NEAR BALBOA

PARK Hey guys, still looking for a place. Don't mind living

with other people, so dm me if you're interested. Most I can afford would be under \$1000 per month. https://facebook.com/NathanAsher01

MOVING TO SAN DIEGO

Hi my name is Sophie, I am 23 years old. I am looking for a room/roommates. I am moving from Nebraska. I work remote but will be done by 3pm everyday! I love to workout, go to the beach. DM me @ FB: sophie.tokheim I hope we can be a good fit.

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Hey! My name is Cam. I'm looking for a room. My max price is \$1200 including utilities. If you have any questions for me, feel free to ask! DM me at https://facebook.com/cameron.fenley.9/. Thanks for looking.

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GASLAMP QUARTER & LITTLE ITALY

My friends and I are looking for a 2-bd place with a year lease and can afford up to \$2800/month, and prefer downtown SD, Gaslamp Quarter, Little Italy, & Bankers Hill. DM at facebook.com/NathanAsher01

MISSION VALLEY OR PB

I'm moving to San Diego In Oct. I'm looking for roommates and a private room. My max budget is 1300; a place in Mission Valley or P.B. is best. I'm a fun, understanding, neat & wonderful roomie. Pls. DM me @ savana.bjorklund.5 on FB.

ROOM NEEDED FOR TRADE,

ASAP! Hi, I'm a SWF in need of a private room right away. I'm respectful, Kind, quiet, polite, clean, tidy. Looking to trade domestic tasks, like cleaning, cooking, organizing, laundry, pet care, etc. for a private room in San Diego, in lieu of rent. Thanks sandiegolady13@gmail.com

HOUSEMATE IN NORTH PARK

There is a two-bedroom apartment that is about to become available and is located in North Park. I'm 30, female, from NYC/CT, and work from home; also convivial, adventurous, and down-to-earth. DM on FB @ alexsibre

LOOKING FOR 3RD

ROOMMATE Hi!! Our names are Maria and Darlene and we are looking for a third roommate to move out with January 1st!! We are both 19 and I choose to believe we are nice. Facebook us @ mafer.barrera23

PB TO POWAY

I'm Rafael, 30, and looking for a room w/ private bathroom. My budget is \$1,100 a month. I'm looking from Pacific Beach area up to Poway (anything in between). I'm from Puerto Rico & moved here 2 years ago. I work at a Biotech company. FB @ rafyjuan

I AM SEEKING ROOM

\$500-\$700 monthly, with bathroom preferred, Chula Vista, National City, or Downtown area near trolley, 12 years same employer, 100% solid references. Please call Joe (619) 408-9317, calls preferred.

MISSION BAY ROOMIES?

I'm a 27 year old teacher from NY looking for a house with flatmates for ideally 1k or less/person. I prefer living with CLEAN and smoke free people. I'll be driving out the 1st week of Oct. Would love the Mission Bay area. Facebook: alex.orteig

MOVING TO SAN DIEGO

My friend Bri and I are moving to San Diego and are looking for a place with 2 available bedrooms! Bri is 22 and I'm 24. Bri also has an ESA dog. DM us on Facebook - Thanks for looking! https://facebook.com/payton.renner

JUST GRADUATED; ISO

ROOMIE My name is Eun Jeong, I just graduated with my master's in business analytics from Oregon and currently

looking for a place to stay for a month in San Diego. My budget is \$700. FB: eunjeong.heo.374

MOVING TO SAN DIEGO

I'm looking for a roommate/private room in an apt./house. Hoping to move in February but I can be flexible. Looking for 420 friendly, I can do without pets but it'd be nice. Budget is around \$1000. https://facebook.com/tenoah.tatum

SENIOR MALE LOOKING

FOR ROOM I'm an active senior looking to rent a room with private entry and private bathroom. I'm a male, I have no dogs, lifetime San Diego resident. Please call Mark (858) 263-6295

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TINY ROOM TO LIVE PLEASE

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COLLEGE ROOMMATES

2022 MESA COLLEGE

STUDENTS Private bedroom 10x10 (furnished). Kearny Mesa (92123). . 3 bedrooms, 1/2 bathrooms townhouse. A\$1 2 people in the house. . 900\$ month to month lease . 450 \$deposit (refundable). www.facebook.com/anderson.assis.3110

3 FRIENDS LOOKING FOR

PLACE Hi, my name is DanDan, me and my two friends are looking for a 3 bedroom apartment. Our budget is about 3000\$. We need it to be furnished. We are all professional good people, and very chill. Please message us. bit.ly/dan-roomie

COLLEGE STUDENT

FRIENDLY Fellow-college students: You haven't found a place yet? Vantaggio Suites offer furnished studios, 1bedroom, and 2bedroom apartments for short-term stays. Omg, I know how difficult it is to find a place. Check their FB for options. www.facebook.com/vantaggiosuites/?ref=ts



MESA COLLEGE ROOMMATE

Hi, my name is Michelle, I'm looking for a rental until 5/22. school next month at Mesa College for the Medical Assistant program. I'm 30, I do not smoke or nor do I have an interest in partying. www.facebook.com/michelle.ramirez.39545

MIRAMAR COLLEGE

STUDENTS Moving to San Diego for work. I love the outdoors - hiking, climbing, surfing, etc. Looking for a van-boarding situation, AKA I,Ãd pay you partial rent for a place to park my van and a few basic amenities. ISO of a spot by Miramar College. www.facebook.com/trinity.locker

MISSION VALLEY SPOT \$1100

One bedroom rental available immediately. Female only. Prefer professional or conscientious student. Unit has attached bathroom, walk in closet and an assigned parking place. Available immediately. \$1100 including utilities. www.sublet.com/property/3604522

OMG CHECK THIS PLACE

OUT! A couple rooms opening at The Vibe House! Looking for nature lovers and artistic and inspired souls want a place to live while creating effortlessly. . If you resonate with open space, with lots of light, & fresh produce from the garden. www.facebook.com/TheVibeHouseSD

PACIFIC BEACH ROOM

Dm on Instagram if you are interested! www.instagram.com/courtcourt11/

PALOMAR COLLEGE / CSUSM

It's at the Marc Apartments in San Marcos. 749 SQ.FT 1 Bd. / 1 Ba. W/D in the unit. \$2336. Dog friendly. Walking distance from Palomar College and close to Train Station and Freeway 78. www.facebook.com/archstut27

PLACE BY SDSU?

Ayo. I need a place to stay, preferably near SDSU, in a place where I have my own room. I,Ãm chill with people from all walks of life. My budget is around 1600. Please DM me on Facebook. www.facebook.com/jackson.sutter.315

ROOMMATE/HOUSEMATE

Posting again since it,Ãs so hard to find a place. . Looking for a room OR roommates to find a spot with! . Wanting to move in the next few months, My budget is around 1100. . Females only, pls. www.facebook.com/Fischer.christina7

2022 SDSU STUDENTS

Less than a mile from SDSU, Aztec Pacific apartment homes have a hip, retro design with spacious floor plans. . Located at 6663 Montezuma Rd. www.facebook.com/AztecPacificApartments (833) 659-5779

BLVD63 BY SDSU

Asking for a friend: "Anyone looking for a 1 bed and one bath at Blvd63 by SDSU?" DM for info. www.facebook.com/ramandeep.jagdev

CAL STATE UNI SAN MARCOS

It just got remodeled with new paint, a new floor, and is ready to move in this November. The only problem is street parking other than that it's a nice and quiet wonderful neighborhood. www.facebook.com/samuel.alejo.1257

CAL STATE UNI. SAN MARCOS

One room with a separate bathroom is available to rent. Located at Vista. In-unit laundry was also available. Rent 1150 with all utilities and wifi included. Looking for just a single person with no pets. bit.ly/csusm-room

MOVING IN FROM NEW YORK

Would love the Mission Bay area. I'm a 27 year old teacher from NY looking for a house with flatmates for ideally 1k or less/ person. I prefer living with clean and smoke free people. www.facebook.com/alex.orteig

SEEKING A ROOMMATE

I,Ãm looking for a room to rent. Open to living with any gender. My budget is \$1200 max! I'm 28, naturally outgoing but can keep to myself if need be. Basketball is LIFE & I love the outdoors.

DM my IG www.instagram.com/ThatGuyNamedDre/

2022 MESA COLLEGE

STUDENTS Private bedroom 10x10 (furnished). Kearny Mesa (92123). . 3 bedrooms, 1/2 bathrooms townhouse, A\$1 2 people in the house. . 900\$ month to month lease . 450 \$deposit (refundable). www.instagram.com/andersoon_assis

4 MIRA COSTA COLLEGE

STUDENTS Reposting: I have two rooms available to rent. The first one is out by the pool (restroom inside the main house) and the second one is inside on the second floor. \$1000 Message me for further details! www.facebook.com/michael.robledo

FOR MIRAMAR AND UCSD

STUDENTS Mira Mesa housemate wanted. \$1,325/month all basic utilities included (water, trash, electricity, gas, internet) and \$800/security deposit. PM a brief introduction of yourself and your work/school schedule. www.facebook.com/kathrynly

MIRAMAR AND UCSD

STUDENTS REPOSTING: Urgently looking for someone to fill a single room in a 4bd/2ba house in Mira Mesa! Rent would be \$825 a month + utilities. The house is about a 15 min drive away from UCSD and less than 5 min away from Target, Sprouts, etc. bit.ly/sav-roommate

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ROOMMATES? Hey! I'm looking for a private room/ roommate in Mission Bay or the Pacific Beach area. My budget is 1300. I am a wonderful roommate. Contact me on FB if you are interested. Thanks! www.facebook.com/savana.bjorklund.5

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For \$1100, we have 1 extra bedroom with a private bathroom and a large size closet available for rent. Under ten minutes away from Palomar College, California State University of San Marcos. www.facebook.com/ledinhlong1015

2022 CSUSM STUDENTS

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'22 SDSU STUDENT

ROOMMATE I'm Robert, I,Ãm transferring from the Bay Area to San Diego for SDSU. I,Ãm looking for 2-3 roommates who

already have a place and are just looking for 1 more. FB: robert.baghdasaryan.7. IG: _baghdasar www.instagram.com/_baghdasar/

ZOO PASSES 4 COLLEGE

STUDENTS We college students get a discount at the San Diego Zoo! Pls delete this post if it is not allowed. I was just excited when I purchased my pass and had to share it! zoo.sandiegozoo.org/school-programs/student-discount

2022 UCSD ROOMIE

Posting again. My friend needs a roommate in the San Diego area one mile from UCSD. The rent is 1400. Master bedroom, with balcony and in-unit laundry, pre-furnished. There are also 3 pools in the complex. Pls message if interested. www.facebook.com/darrell.hale.395

'22 MESA AND USD

STUDENTS Saw this on FB. Need to fill a room in my townhouse in Linda Vista ASAP! I,Ãm super clean and work a ton! . The room is \$900 and comes with a parking spot and comes furnished with the basics! Please no pets or couples. bit.ly/USD-mesa-rooms

AWESOME COLLEGE

STUDENT JOB Delete if not allowed. To my fellow college students: Fleet Science Center is hiring. Check the photo I posted to see what they are paying :) www.facebook.com/FleetScienceCenter (619) 238-1233

FOR '22 SDSU STUDENTS

Found this on FB - . 4540 60th St, San Diego, CA 92115-5416, United States. Looking for a roommate to stay in one of the bedrooms inside a nice 2 bed 2 bath condo nearby SDSU! www.facebook.com/joshua.baldwin.18

HILLCREST, DT OR NORTH

PARK Looking for a roommate, room, or studio. My budget is \$1400 max for the North Park, Hillcrest, downtown, Mission/ Fashion Valley areas. I work full time and I have an ESA dog I might bring with me so pet-friendly would be a plus! www.instagram.com/jacysteves/

LOOKING 4 ROOMMATES/

HOUSEMATES My budget is \$1,000. I would prefer to live in one of the following locations but can be a little bit flexible: PB, Clairemont, La Jolla, Sorrento Valley, Mission Valley, Kearny Mesa. DM me if you have a room available or wanna be roommates. www.facebook.com/Fischer.christina7

REACH COLLEGE STUDENT

READERS Do you need to rent out an extra room, sell old furniture, or hire good help? Reach our thousands of readers, many of who are college students, in two clicks @ www.sandiegoreader.com/classifieds/ www.sandiegoreader.com/classifieds/ (619) 235-3000 / post@sandiegoreader.com

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'22 ROOMMATES OR HOUSEMATES? I,Ãm looking for a room to rent. Open to living with any gender. My budget is \$1200 max! I'm 28, naturally outgoing but can keep to myself if need be. Basketball is LIFE & I love the outdoors. DM my IG www.instagram.com/ThatGuyNamedDre/

COLLEGE STUDENTS GETAWAY 2BD/1BTH and 300 steps to the lake! Hiking, fishing, WiFi, and a fully stocked kitchen and our personal home are unlike company-owned cabins. Email for price/night - www.getlostinn.com/ www.facebook.com/GetLostInn contact@getlostinn.com

GREAT FOR 2022 SDSU STUDENTS Furnished rental. 1 bedroom available. Rent: \$1226/month www.sublet.com/property/3844762

ISO A PRIVATE ROOM 2 RENT ISO A private room to rent, preferably with my own bathroom, in a house or apartment. My budget ranges from \$700-\$900 including utilities. I'm 25 and have a 2-year-old neutered male cat. PLMK @ facebook.com me Thanks! www.facebook.com/dezertdippin250

2022 SDSU ROOMMATES Apartment for rent at the Suites on Paseo by SDSU. Fully furnished room, ready to move in. The apartment includes TV with cable, air conditioning, spa, and a gym. www.sublet.com/property/4626547

2022 STUDENT FROM SDSU ROOMMATE Budget: Max of \$1100/month. I hope you'll consider me as your future roommate. I,Ãm 22 years old, finishing up my last year at SDSU as an Environmental Science Major I,Ãm tidy, respectful, and will give you space, without being a stranger. www.facebook.com/maren.appert

'22 SDSU HOUSING IN MISSION VALLEY Reposting due to error in last listing. Looking for 2 roommates for 2 unfurnished, single bedrooms with a shared bathroom in a 3BR/2BA condo located in Mission Valley. 10,Ãd x 8.75,Ãd: \$700 + utilities. 11.75,Ãd x 9.75,Ãd: \$850 + utilities www.facebook.com/michael.phan.524

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COLLEGE STUDENTS WELCOME \$529 The Lincoln Hotel is one of the last single room occupancy buildings remaining in downtown San Diego. It is on the national registry of historical buildings located downtown. \$529/month www.sublet.com/property/3825149

CSUSM & PALOMAR STUDENTS One opening at The Vibe House. The house has lots of light, 2 living rooms to chill, dance, play, yoga, co-working or meditate. Month to month. 2 weeks,Ãd notice. monthly included utilities at \$1,200 deposit \$500 www.thevibehousesd.com/purpose thevibehousesd@gmail.com

UCSD STUDENTS MOVING IN Myself and my friend Nina are relocating from Germany to San Diego to study at UCSD next Spring term. Therefore we are looking for a place to stay. Feel free to dm me or Nina if you have any questions or have rooms available! www.facebook.com/LinhVuKieu69

CSUSM STUDENTS Found this on FB. I am looking for someone to take over my room in the Escondido area. The room comes with private restroom, and an extra hallway closet as well as free parking. Access to kitchen and living room area. www.facebook.com/yessica.ramirez.39

NORTH PARK, HILLCREST, DT Looking for a roommate, room, or studio. My budget is \$1400 max for the North Park, Hillcrest, Downtown, Mission/Fashion Valley areas. I work full time and I have an ESA dog I might bring with me so pet-friendly would be a plus! www.instagram.com/jacysteves/

BY MESA COLLEGE & UCSD I,Ãm looking for a private room w/ bathroom or roommates, anything really. Max budget is \$1300. I,Ãm 27, have a cat, moving from Ohio and I,Ãm an architectural designer. I love being active playing soccer, basketball, volleyball. www.facebook.com/jay.d.schlesinger

CA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS I found this place that's close to the Cal State University-San Marcos campus. It is a place in Escondido called Citrus Court Condos. I saw on FB that they are taking applications for our 2022 school year. Just an FYI. www.citruscourt.com/ (760) 491-1349

MIRAMAR OR USD STUDENTS I have a 5 bedroom home in Mira Mesa with one unfurnished bedroom for rent. Has a shared bathroom and it measures 20x14. Price: \$850/month w/ \$850 deposit. Click Facebook link and DM for more info. bit.ly/miramar-college-room

SDSU STUDENT ISO ROOMMATE I,Ãm 22 years old, finishing up my last year at SDSU as an Environmental Science Major I,Ãm tidy, respectful, and will give you space, without being a stranger. Budget: Max of \$1100/month. I hope you'll consider me as your future roommate. www.facebook.com/maren.appert

2022 MESA COLLEGE STUDENTS If you are planning to attend Mesa College in 2022, and need a place, Villa Mesa Apartments is super close to campus. Call (858) 560-6529 and see if you can get on their waiting list in time for the Spring session.

2022 MIRAMAR STUDENTS Moving to San Diego for work. I love the outdoors - hiking, climbing, surfing, etc. Looking for a van-boarding situation, AKA I,Ãd pay you partial rent for a place to park my van and a few basic amenities. ISO of a spot by Miramar College. www.facebook.com/trinity.locker

2022 SDSU/GROSSMONT STUDENTS Hey female-identifying persons! I have two rooms for rent. 1 is a regular room with shared bathroom, 11ft X 13ft. That room is \$1000/month with all utilities included. Other is 22ft by 15ft. -\$1450/month. www.facebook.com/sarin.parris/

2022 SDSU STUDENTS Saw this on Facebook and resharing here. DM the original poster for info. www.facebook.com/victor.rivera.520900

FRIENDSHIP HOTEL Friendship Hotel on 8th is an option if you haven't found a place in San Diego yet. www.friendshiphotel.net/ (619) 298-9832

ADULTS GOING BACK 2 COLLEGE Scholarships for adults returning to college @ www.facebook.com/cappex www.facebook.com/cappex support@cappex.com

HUSBAND/WIFE STUDENTS Hi everyone, my husband and I are looking for a studio for \$1400. We are students and would like a studio for a long stay. Message me on FB. Thanks! www.facebook.com/amanda.lucila/

SDSU ROOMIES LOOK HERE Hey there! I,Ãm looking for someone to take over my lease at BLVD63 (which is right by SDSU) starting December 1st. It,Ãs a private room and bathroom for \$1024 a month. The entire apartment is shared with three others. www.facebook.com/BLVD63

15 MINS FROM SDSU Looking for roommates in a freshly remodeled house. Bedroom @ \$1,250 per month. bit.ly/state-room

'22 PALOMAR AND CSUSM STUDENTS I found a place on FB for rent in San Marcos. He's renting it for \$2200. DM the poster for more info. bit.ly/san-mar-condo

\$7500 FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS The San Diego Reader is giving away \$7500 cash to writers next month; this includes all college students. For just under 50 years, The Reader has been chronicling life in San Diego. So here,Ãs your chance to contribute. Click the link for more info. www.sandiegoreader.com/contests/san-diego-reader-writing-contest/ (619) 235-3000 / writingcontest@sandiegoreader.com

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CLOSE TO SDSU I,Ãm looking for a room near or around SDSU for \$900-\$1100 before or after utilities. Ideally looking for mature, responsible, and clean roommate(s). My sublease ends on the 29th and I,Ãd be ready to move in by December 1-4th. bit.ly/sdsu-student-09

COLLEGE STUDENTS MOVERS I am a grad student; my team and I have been in the moving business for more than 2 1/2 years we are doing this to help pay for our tuition. We are all Tall guys with strong and athletic bodies. We do discounts for all college students. (858) 208-0775

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CSUSM STUDENTS - LOOK! Saw this on Facebook. DM OP for more info. Master bedroom and private bathroom for rent for \$1,140. It is at 570 E Barham Dr, San Marcos, CA 92078 bit.ly/san-mar-place

ISO HOUSEMATES I'm a 24-year-old male and will be moving to San Diego to start a job in Mission Valley. As far as being a roommate, I'm pretty easygoing. Let me know what ya got! My budget is \$1500 bit.ly/housemate-chris

MOVING TO SAN DIEGO My friend Bri and I are moving to San Diego and are looking for a place with 2 available bedrooms! Bri is 22 and I,Ãm 24. Bri also has an ESA dog. DM us on Facebook - Thanks for looking! www.facebook.com/payton.renner

2022 SDSU STUDENTS We are searching for a roommate

for our house at PB. He or she should be a student cause we are currently studying at SDSU. It,Ãs a 2BR/1BATH House with two shared rooms. We are 3 students. www.facebook.com/bilal.naous.9

'22 SDSU HOUSING ON CAMPUS www.housing.sdsu.edu/ www.housing.sdsu.edu/ (619) 594-5742 / oha@sdsu.edu

COLLEGE STUDENT ISO ROOM Looking for a room! Max price of \$900 all utilities included. . About me: currently working as a sports performance coach, we train collegiate and pro athletes. Also in my final semester of school. www.facebook.com/basheer.qatan/

COLLEGE STUDENTS SPENCER'S IS HIRING Spencer's is hiring. www.spencers.com/ (800) 762-0419

CSUSM & PALOMAR STUDENTS Fellow college students: I found this sorta nearby our campuses. Message the OP if you think it's a fit for you and your roommates! . It's a cozy 3-quarters 2 bath home in Vista near Sycamore and 78 freeway. \$2800 www.facebook.com/taniasegal/

ESCONDIDO ROOM FOR COLLEGE Private room for rent at E. Ohio Ave, Escondido, CA 92025, United States. Please DM for pricing or availability! www.facebook.com/raquel.ortega.31945

ISO A ROOMMATE Hi my name is Sophie, I am 23 years old. I am looking for a room/roommates. I am moving from Nebraska. I work remote but will be done by 3pm everyday! I love to workout, go to the beach. DM me I hope we can be a good fit. www.facebook.com/sophie.tokheim

NURSING STUDENT ISO ROOMIE I'm Jordan, 29, and a full-time nursing student. I work from home and have 2 dogs. I'm looking for another female to rent a house within San Diego County. PLMK, thanks! Budget: \$1500 DM on Facebook, thanks! www.facebook.com/jordan.mcguire.3

OB ROOMMATES? My name is Cam and I,Ãm looking for a room. Preferably in OB but I,Ãm open to other areas. I work near the airport. I like hiking and grabbing a beer with friends. I spend most of my time working or studying. Budget: 1200 Pls. DM me www.instagram.com/cam_fenley/

ROOM 4 '22 SDSU STUDENT I am located in La Mesa. Rent/utilities is \$900/month. Room fits a queen size bed. Bathroom is shared with my 12 y/o son and another roommate. Access to main areas of house. FB for more info - thx! www.facebook.com/kristine.leigh.12

COLLEGE ROOMMATE / HOUSEMATE Hi I'm Sophie and I'm 23 years. I am looking for roommate. I am 4/20 friendly and drink socially. I work remote but will be done by 3pm every day. Message me to see if we are a fit! www.facebook.com/sophie.tokheim

HOUSEMATES I'm Rafael, 30 years old, looking for a room with private bathroom. My budget is \$1,100. I,Ãm open to a 3 bedroom house and I would like to be friends with my housemates. Send me a DM or contact me on IG. www.instagram.com/rafyjuan/

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LOOKING FOR STUDENT ROOMMATES Looking for student roommates to rent this room to. DM for more info on room size/location. www.facebook.com/mercedes.gomez.908347 (949) 482-7540

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Long-range trips worth the \$400-500



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A whopping lineup of the larger yellowfin tuna caught off southern Baja by the anglers aboard the Intrepid on their latest 15-day trip.

Dock Totals 1/16 – 1/22: 714 anglers aboard 37 half-day to 1.5-day trips out of San Diego landings this past week caught 40 barracuda, 45 bluefin tuna, 12 bocaccio, 34 bonito, 136 calico bass (104 released), 3 halibut, 55 lingcod, 79 lobster (55 released), 72 perch, 10 rock crab, 1,125 rockfish, 492 sand bass, 453 sculpin, 27 sheephead, 5 triggerfish, 99 whitefish, and 178 yellowtail.

Saltwater: There was much better fishing this past week than during the week previous on the beach, in local waters, and along the Baja coast. Close to home, the half-day boats Premier and the Dolphin focused on the flats a stone's throw from the border and two miles offshore, where a solid sand bass bite made up the bulk of the catch. As usual, a few calicos and sculpin have been in the mix. The New Seaforth has been running extended Half-Day trips south of the border for excellent results on rockfish. Limits are common and the big reds are biting for those fishing just across the border, where, unlike in U.S. waters, rockfish is open. Those trips tend to be relatively light loads with lots of elbow room, and at \$130, the trip can pay for itself with a nice sack limit. Passports, book or card, are necessary. The fare includes Mexican fishing license and biosphere bracelet.

Yellowtail are still biting well for boats fishing off San Quintin, and that action has moved up the line to outside Ensenada, where local operations are getting limits in the 12-25-pound range. That's getting close, and I wouldn't be surprised to see yellowtail begin to show up for the extended half day trips fishing around the Coronado Islands. Bonito and barracuda have been showing well along the beach in northern Baja as well, which is a sign of plenty of bait in the area to draw the preferred jacks. Long range boats returning from great tuna, wahoo, and yellowtail fishing six to nine-hundred miles south have pulled in along the beach between San Quintin and Ensenada to top off when they aren't already limited out.

When fishing in Mexico waters, there is a five-fish per species limit and a total of ten fish per day, with a few exceptions. No matter how long the trip of three days or more, three daily bag limits is the maximum number of fish an angler can keep. The exceptions are for shark, bluefin, dorado, marlin, and grouper. For bluefin and dorado, only two per angler per day can be kept, and the two count as five fish. So, for instance, an angler can have five yellowtail and two bluefin and that is their daily limit. For marlin, one fish per angler per day is allowed. It is the same for grouper and shark, and those also count as five fish per species toward the ten fish total per day allowed. For species with a five-fish limit, anglers can keep any combination up to five per species and can have a bag limit of ten different species. Some trips of three days and under are producing a

broad mix of species right now. The Tribute returned from their 2.5-day run carrying 29 anglers who caught 263 Rockfish, 68 Yellowtail, 51 Whitefish, 40 Barracuda, 25 Sheephead, and 22 Lingcod. That is a quality trip.

The long-range fleet is in the middle of their high season. Eight-to-fifteen-day trips are producing yellowfin tuna to over 300 pounds, wahoo, grouper, and good yellowtail action to 50-plus pounds. Those boats are fishing from outside Cedros Island, Alijos Rocks, and south to the prime high spots past the end of the Baja Peninsula. The cool thing about these trips is that they have the time to adjust their targeted areas and species given conditions on any given day. They can fish the coast and hide in the lee side of islands if winds and seas pick up.

Usually, the targeted species on long-range trips are yellowfin tuna, wahoo, and yellowtail, in that order. They will often come across bluefin schools, and dorado can pop up anywhere the water is warm enough, generally 68 degrees and up. Marlin are sometimes fought and released, though they are usually more of an added attraction than the target. If the surface isn't producing, dropping down a large bait or jig can produce large grouper, pargo, or other bottom-dwelling gamefish, especially when parked on a high spot or steep-rising island. Nights are spent moving or on the anchor, and when the latter, anglers can fish through the night if the excitement and anticipation is too much to sleep through. I often find this is the case on any overnight to multi-day trip. At least until dog-tired from catching — then one will undoubtedly catch some Zs.

With staterooms and excellent plates prepared by seasoned chefs, these trips may seem pricey, but compared to a cruise or extended resort trip to a touristy Rivera destination, this angler would spend his money on the fishing trip. My heart-rate jumps a bit at reports like that from the Intrepid, which returned to the dock on January 23rd from a 15-day outing:

"Our UC (United Composites) 15-day was a success. We ended up with 3 over 200# and a bunch over 140#. Our jack-pot winners are as follows: third place went to Rich Rose with a 201.6-pound yellowfin, second place went to Ben Barnes with a 216.1-pound yellowfin, and first place goes to Dee Jay Owens with a 253.6-pound yellowfin. Strong work men! Honorable mention goes to Bret Rapozo with a 197.1-pound yellowfin. Thank you to everyone that fished with us. Looking forward to this trip next year."

Given the price per pound at the market, even at four to five-hundred dollars per day, a long-range sportfishing trip can pay for itself in fillets, but usually the experience is rewarding enough to draw a steady stream of regulars and newcomers every winter. Wherever you are wetting it, tight lines!

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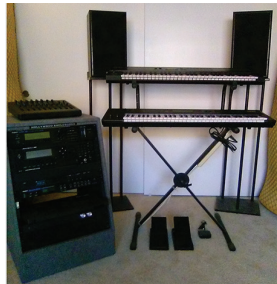
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26-year-old Josh surfs South Mission Beach.

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How long have you been surfing?

I have been surfing for 4 years. I grew up wakeboarding and waterskiing in Michigan. When I moved to Mission Beach, I had a month before I started working, so my buddies and I just surfed every day.

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What do you love most about surfing?

You are constantly learning and getting better. It's a sport where there are never-

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Advice for newbies?

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Do you have a favorite surf moment?

I did a surf trip to Tahiti last year. That was amazing trip. I saw whales, dolphins, and sharks.

What's your favorite beach to surf?

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(According to articles I read online, neither the concept nor the term evolved until the 1980s.)

Unfortunately, I was missing six directory records between 1942 (the last year I found evidence of the Rogers' owning our Richmond Street house) and 1954, the year Harry died. That is, either I didn't find those city directories on *Ancestry.com*, or the couple wasn't listed in the ones that I could access. But I kept looking beyond 1954, because I wanted to see if I could find what became of Glikeria. I didn't pick her up again until 1958, when she was the owner of a house on 8th Avenue, a little further away, in University Heights. Then, in 1959, she moved to a North Park residence on Georgia Street, but this listing became somewhat inexplicable, too. There were only two more Glikeria directory listings I could find between then and 1965, the year she died. All three addresses were on Georgia

Street, and they were all different. The really strange thing, though, was that they were all within 10 digits of each other. I could understand that maybe there had been a typo in one of the addresses, but in two?

Next week – Part 5: San Diego woman leaves \$3000 apiece to Russian cosmonauts.

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Real-world murder follows online exposure

On January 17, 20-year-old photojournalist Margarito Martinez was shot dead in front of his Tijuana home. Despite his youth, he had worked with local, national, and international outlets, covering crime and police. According to the investigation run by the state prosecutors office, the perpetrators shot him two times with a 9mm gun.

A month ago, Martinez asked for help from the state government after being named as the administrator of the *Tijuana en Guerra* Facebook page, which exposed cartel members, during a



Margarito is the 29th reporter murdered during the presidency of Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador.

live-streamed video while covering a fire on December 13. Angel Pena, as "communicator" for the Facebook page *La Noticia con Angel*, was having an argument with Martinez, and accused him of being paid by the government: "I don't care about your 20 years of being a reporter," he said. "I'm a communicator, nobody pays me off, I tell the truth, and I'm don't care whether you administer *Tijuana en Guerra*."

On the day of Martinez's death, during press coverage where almost all regional reporters showed up, Pena also arrived to the crime scene, and had a confrontation with Sonia de Anda, a local reporter, as well as other members of the *YoSiSoyPeriodista* collective. "His death is your fault," de Anda told the communicator. "He was an accredited journalist and worked for *La Jornada*,

Punto Norte, Frontera, and Zeta, all serious media outlets." A press release from the collective explained that Martinez expressed his concern and fear for his personal security due to the accusations Angel Pena had made. The release demanded the state prosecutor's office conduct an effective investigation.

That same day, Pena was interviewed by a national media outlet and was asked if he was

conscious that accusing Martinez on a public video of being the administrator of the page could put him in danger. Pena's answer: "Not directly in danger; nobody knows if reporters are working badly, we never know people totally. He could have had problems with neighbors".

The next day, January 18, the prosecutor's office issued a search warrant for Pena's house to get information about Martinez's case. According to the prosecutor's office, officers found an undetermined amount of marijuana, and he was detained to be interrogated. After Pena's detention, his website's co-director made a couple of livestream Facebook videos in which the comments of followers were said to incite a lynching attempt on Sonia de Anda.

Martinez is the second reporter murdered in 2022 and the 29th during the presidency of Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador. According to Reporters Without Borders, Mexico is one of the most dangerous countries in which to practice journalism.

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Unclear on the Concept

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Awkward

— "Ms. Wang," 30, of Zhengzhou, China, agreed to a blind date arranged by her parents ("I'm getting quite old, so my parents arranged more than 10 blind dates for me," she said) and went to a man's home for dinner on Jan. 6. But during the meal, they learned that his community had gone into a rapid lockdown because of COVID-19, and she wouldn't be able to leave for several

days, the BBC reported. She posted on WeChat that the situation was "not ideal" — while he did cook for her, "he doesn't speak much," she noted. "I feel that apart from him being reticent like a wooden mannequin, everything else about him is pretty good." Wang said she thinks his friends alerted him to the posts, so she removed them. "I think it has affected his life."

Wait, What?

— Ever watched a cooking show and wished you could sample the finished product? A professor in Japan has created a prototype TV screen that you can lick to taste a particular food. It works by spraying flavors on a film that rolls over the TV screen, Reuters reported. While such a product might seem misguided during a global pandemic, Meiji University professor Homei Miyashita sees it differently: "The goal is to make it possible for people to have the experience of something like eating at a restaurant on the other side of the world, even while staying at home," he said. Miyashita said a commercial version could be made for about \$875.

Awesome!

— In Baltimore, David Bennett Sr., 57, became the first person to receive a heart transplant using a donor heart from a pig, *The Washington Post* reported. The eight-hour surgery took place on Jan. 7; Bennett was so sick that he could not qualify for a transplant from another human. Dr. Bartley Griffith, who performed the surgery, said, "It's working and it looks normal. We are

thrilled, but we don't know what tomorrow will bring us. This has never been done before." Scientists have worked to genetically alter pigs so that human bodies would not reject their organs, in an effort to supplement the supply of donor hearts from other people. Bennett, who was convicted of battery in a 1988 stabbing that left a man paralyzed, spent six years in prison. Before the surgery, he admitted, "I know it's a shot in the dark, but it's my last choice." His son said Bennett wished to "contribute to the science and potentially save patient lives in the future."

Boundaries

— The Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service (MPTS) in the United Kingdom on Jan. 10 removed the medical license from Simon Bramhall, a transplant surgeon at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham, *The Washington Post* reported. The action stemmed from an incident in 2013 in which, after finishing up a transplant, Dr. Bramhall used an electric beam to burn his initials into the patient's liver before closing her up. The flourish might not have been discovered, but the liver began to fail the following week and another surgeon discovered the signature. Bramhall said at the time it was something he did to relieve stress during long, difficult operations. In 2017, he was convicted of assault and fined about \$13,000. In 2021, he submitted a letter arguing that he was again fit to practice, but the latest ruling has denied him the right to do so, noting that his actions "undermined" people's trust in the medical profession.

Keeping Up With the Times

— In Aksaray, Turkey, one family has been raising cattle for three generations, *Oddity Central* reported. Izzet Kocak believes their success is linked to their willingness to keep up with modern technology. To that end, the farmer is testing virtual reality goggles that make his cows think they're standing in a green field of grass in the summer. Kocak says the average yield per day from his cows is 22 liters, but "We had two of our cows wear virtual reality glasses and watch vast green pasture all day, and the daily milk production increased up to 27 liters." He said the quality of the milk also increased. He has ordered 10 more pairs of VR goggles, and if results are similar, he plans to order them for all of his 180 cows.

Inexplicable

— Need something to do during a snowstorm in Queens, New York? One person had an idea: Around 3:15 am on Jan. 7, someone rode up on an electric bike to a speed camera in Howard Beach. The camera caught the action, Pix11-TV reported, as the person calmly stopped the bike, aimed a handgun and shot multiple rounds at the camera (which did not appear to be damaged), then put the gun away and rode off into the snowy night. Police released the video in hopes someone can identify the shooter.

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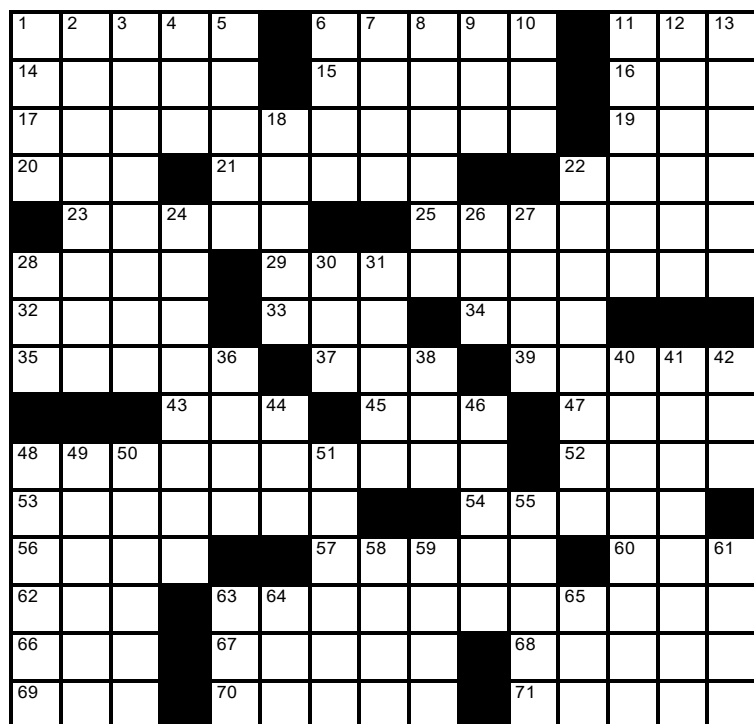
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21. Actress Ruth of "Passing"
22. Kind of poet
23. 2010 Literature Nobel Mario Vargas ____
25. Go unused
28. Certain earring
29. Document awarded for playing Mr. Big on "Sex and the City?"
32. "The Graduate" star Bancroft
33. ____-mo
34. It might get pulled in both directions
35. Campus VIPs
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39. Spinoff of "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"
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45. Realize
47. 905-year-old in Genesis
48. What Thomas Jefferson told his first vice president during the wintertime?

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53. "Do you happen to know?"
54. Key of Chopin's "Minute Waltz"
56. Section of a wine list
57. Egypt/Sudan border region
60. Baseball scoreboard letters
62. Issa of "Insecure"
63. "Keep it down, ousted Iranian ruler!"
66. Class for some immigrants, in brief
67. Sedative, for short
68. Site of "bombs bursting"
69. Tierra ____ Fuego
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71. Get the shampoo out

13. Facial feature named after an animal
18. Slowly disengages (from)
22. Honcho
24. Medical-scanning options for claustrophobes
26. SSNs, e.g.
27. Run really fast
28. Owned
30. No longer amusing
31. Middle part of the body
36. Verbalized
38. Fish that's poisonous unless cooked
40. Shania Twain, natively
41. Pay careful attention to small details
42. Naked ____ jaybird
44. Mother Bethel ____ Church (Philadelphia congregation since 1794)
46. Vedder of Pearl Jam
48. Forbidden
49. Discomfort
50. "Grease" high school
51. Land promised by God to Abraham
55. Muslim ascetic
58. "Sorry, can't do it"
59. July 4th events, briefly
61. French 101 verb
63. Mo. metropolis
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