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"San Diego's booziest university looking to up its game" News Ticker February 28

The kids drink because the university is run by neurotic gloryhounds who want higher campus GPAs so they can trounce UCSD, and Amelia Bedilia de la Torre is trying to act like some sort of helicopter parent/college president. Monaghan, Jack McGrory looks blurry and fuzzy because that is probably a screenshot off Zoom or some other teleconferencing system.

-Strelnikov

"David Alvarez gets corporate money but not from trial lawyers" News Under the Radar March 9

"criminals are able to neutralize values that would otherwise prohibit them from carrying out certain acts by using one or up to five methods of justification: "denial of responsibility," "denial of injury," "denial of the victim," "condemnation of the condemners," and "appealing to higher loyalties."

-rplm

"Vista drunk driver kills drunk pedestrian" City Lights

June 19,2021

You know, I don't advocate drinking and driving but the pedestrian is at fault, too. He was a dumbass and didn't look before crossing the street. And if you were drunk enough to not notice a car coming at you, you deserved to get hit. The driver messed up but he's still paying for it, so why should anybody else pay? -Emmy12

"San Diego to get \$125 million for its Symphony Hall" Classical Music March 4

Terrible idea, Visduh, You must be a rich person to propose building an entirely new symphony hall in San Diego. Even if it were financially possible - a dubious notion – by the time it ever reopened, the audience of silver-haired classical music aficionados would have long gone to their reward. Let's cut to the chase as best we can at our advanced age and get symphonic music onstage indoors for the appreciative audience that's still living and driving carbon-fueled cars downtown and paying an arm and a leg to park in a premium-priced ACE lot.

-monaghan

Our priorities in San Diego are so terribly wrong. There is NO good reason or point in spending \$125 million for another Symphony Hall renovation. I can't think of one construction project that is LESS needed than this nonsense. This needs to be cancelled immediately. Residents are struggling to pay high rents, and now for gas. We still have a homeless problem. Roads and water mains are still in need of repair. Here's a better idea: Let the symphony play at the underused Balboa and Spreckels theatres.

—David Batterson

"Jaywalking, freeway speeding, dogs off leash, out of the bike lane, illegal trash" **Cover Stories** March 9 I call bullshit on the 'I

don't take my grandkids to parks because they've been attacked by dogs on leashes' comment. It reads like that's happened more than once at more than one park. Is this person tying a pork chop around their grandchildren's neck and encouraging them continued on page 4

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Down kids rising Syndrome sufferers socialize through soccer

The Diestro Soccer Down team, which is composed of Tijuana athletes with Down Syndrome, will represent Mexico in the World Championship Futsal Down in Lima, Peru next month. According to Cristian Acosta, director and coach of Soccer Down, the team started four years ago at El Romero Manzo field in the Otay area. Acosta was inspired by one of his friends who has Down Syndrome, and he noticed how the sport can help those who have it on a social level. He speaks of "moms that used to keep the kids in their



Some mothers are learning that their sons don't have the limitations they thought."

just to play soccer. They also can dance or do basketball. Imagine how many talents are hidden in those houses."

Acosta agrees: "If people get informed and change their perspective regarding this syndrome, doors of inclusion will be more open for these kids. We think we learn more from them than they do from us. I have so many more magical moments with these kids

"I have so many more magical moments with these kids than I ever had in my years of coaching."

house all day; they can't take them out, except to the soccer field. I have been told: 'I'd never seen my son doing that.' Some mothers are learning that their sons don't have the limitations they thought."

Silvia Navarro, mother of select team member Josue, explained that she was one of those mothers who kept her son at home, just helping her around the house. But now, Silvia has changed her mind about giving Josue more freedom and trust. "They are pretty capable," she says. "I would like to see more parents bringing their kids, and not



Acosta noticed how the sport can help them out on a social level.

than I ever had in my years of coaching." The team's coaches are being paid through fundraising, but sometimes Acosta pays from his own pockets. He charges families 300 pesos (\$15 USD) monthly,

Just 12 of the more than 50 team members will fly to Peru to vie for the championship. The expenses — for everything from uniforms to airplane tickets — will be raised through events, raffles, or competitions. "We are struggling a bit with uniforms," says Acosta. "We found some support with businessmen from town, because we don't like how the govern-

ment manages inclusion. We'll be leaving on March 30 and we still have issues with buying flights for two players. Every player on the team needs \$1500 USD, so we are constantly coming up with ideas to gather money or get sponsored."

Before their departure to Peru, the players will have a chance to prove themselves in a regional games in Tijuana from March 21 to March 25. Josue Navarro, one of Acosta's students, expressed his excitement. "I feel so happy to go to a World Cup. We want to bring the cup home. I want everyone with the syndrome to get motivated because we can have bigger and bigger dreams."

For his part, Acosta dreams of having a school. Most of the players on his team are not enrolled anywhere.

IVAN MOLINA

THE URBAN JUNGLE **The coyotes are coming Boldly breeding and broaching barricades**

Last month, throughout San Diego County, there was an increase in coyote sightings. Ramona Facebookers reported that coyotes attacked their ducks and chickens. Rabbits near the Tijuana Estuary in Imperial Beach living around us humans. The pups are being raised in an environment where they are used to seeing humans a lot more, and they are getting more bold and brave. The covotes don't think, 'Oh well, that dog and cat live there, and those people in the house love them.' Instead, coyotes view them as prey if they're small enough to attack. Coyotes almost killed our dog and did kill three of my cats. I think coyotes nowadays realize that residential areas are an easy place to get food, especially cats." In 2019, the National Park Service did research study of coyote scat found in the urban area of Los Angeles. The analysis showed that the urban coyotes' diet consisted of 26 percent fruits from ornamental trees, 26 percent human and pet food that was left outside, 19 percent pet cats, 19 percent insects, 18 percent rabbits, and 9 percent gophers.

As adults, coyotes — part of the dog family, weighing between 22 and 25 pounds — can scale fences quickly. Martinez's neighbor, Michael O'Connor, posted photos from his video footage of a coyote that scaled his six-foot fence, then fearlessly leaped down. To prevent her dogs from escaping their facility, and to hinder coyotes and other



"Coyotes nowadays realize that residential areas are an easy place to get food, especially cats."

were mauled. My NextDoor neighbor in City Heights warned us on February 4 that "in Olivia Canyon, there were at least three coyotes communicating. I'm so glad our kitties are all asleep in our beds — all 'snoodled in' nice and cozy. I hope everyone else's are safely inside as well. Remember, the coyotes out in the daytime too. Just most active from dusk until dawn. These coyotes sounded like they were having a coyote meet-up for drinks and looking for dates."

Lori Martinez has lived in Valley Center for 11 years. She owns and runs Two Paws Up, a dog boarding facility on North Lake Wohlford Road by Bates Nut Farm. "This is the time, from January to March, when coyotes are having a lot of babies," she told me on March 6. "Coyotes are adapting to

predators from coming in, Martinez installed double coyote fencing, which juts out at an angle at the top of the fence. "In my opinion, it is not a very expensive thing to do: you can buy the extension poles bent, or bend them yourselves. Then, you attach them. It's a straightforward way to extend the fence and make your backyard more secure. In addition, there are solar-powered animal repellers, where if the coyotes come up close to the fence, the red lights turn on, and the coyotes think the red lights are the eyes of a predator. There is also urine spray. Coyotes are territorial, so if you can claim territory around your yard, through scent, that should also work." Martinez paused, then continued, "It's unfortunate; sometimes humans are under the impression that they own the



planet, versus living on it with other creatures. And coyotes were here long before us."

On March 6, I spoke with Brian Sodeman, a Valley Center dweller with a master's in biological science. In the 40 years that he's lived in San Diego County, he's noticed an interesting

relationship between cats, coyotes, and birds - "where even though covotes will eat birds given a chance, [ironically,] birds species are more diverse and abundant when associated with the presence of coyotes. This is likely attributed to covotes preving on species that prey heavily on birds, notably house cats. People will keep their cats inside when coyotes are in the area, which the songbirds appreciate."

A couple of locals I spoke with who live closer to downtown San Diego attributed the "increase" of prowling coyotes in North Park, Normal Heights, and City Heights, to the "appetizing rat population" brought about by the

combination of heavy rains and overflowing trash receptacles in December and January. "As far as the rats, any increase in resources can contribute to increases in population," added Sodeman. "They reproduce quickly and are more prolific. In addition to rats, covotes prey on squirrels, rabbits, opossums, raccoons, and many other small to midsize prey."

The Project Coyote website looks at it this way: "Coyotes provide benefits to both urban and rural communities by keeping rodent and lagomorph populations in check. City dwellers

Neal Obermeyer



enjoy cleaner environments (and avoid having to use rat poisons that can impact non-target animals). Ranchers benefit from coyotes controlling micro-herbivores (such as rabbits and gophers) that otherwise compete with their grazing animals for food." In addition, when covotes naturally control rodent populations, they reduce the spread of rodent-born diseases, and farmers suffer less crop loss or crop damage. And because they are scavengers, they help remove animal carcasses



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throughout the county.

Lynsey White of the Humane Society noted, "Seeing a coyote out during the day is not a cause for alarm, especially in the spring and summer when they're looking for food for their pups." The humane society's website continues, "If a coyote displays no fear of people, he's probably been fed. You can re-instill his fear by raising your arms and yelling to drive him away. This is called hazing." MIKE MADRIAGA

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UNDER THE RADAR

Pradeep's new palace Will UCSD

Chancellor Pradeep Khosla have better luck the second time around building his botched behemoth Triton Pavilion, a pricey new office and alumni complex with posh space for university executives that has yet to get off the ground, despite years of hefty spending? "In 2018, the campus engaged a progressive design-build team to design and deliver a project referred to as the 'Triton Pavilion for Student Resources and Community Engagement," recounts a report by UC's Office of the Presi-

dent to the Regents Finance and Strategies Committee. Regents approved \$15.2 million of "preliminary plans funding" at a May 23, 2018, session, minutes show. But massive cost overruns ultimately tanked the project, per the latest report, prepared for the March 16, 2022 meeting of the Regents. "Upon completion of the initial planning effort, it became clear that the target budget and schedule could not be achieved, and the University removed the

contractor. Immediately after removing the contractor, the COVID-19 pandemic began, and the campus elected to pause all efforts related to the Triton Pavilion project."

Now the school, honing a more politically correct pitch, is seeking approval of more funding, this time intending to spend \$16.3 million for planning and development before settling upon a final cost for the complex, to be approved down the road. "The proposed funding would allow the campus to complete preliminary plans, competitively select a Construction Manager/General Contractor, and confirm the total project budget," per the

report. The total anticipated price remains unknown, but is guesstimated by insiders somewhere north of eight figures. "The campus plans to fund the proposed Triton Center with a combination of State, campus, and gift funds and external financing," according to the document. But just how much 2018's false start cost taxpayers is not revealed. "The campus anticipates returning to the Regents in fall 2022 to request approval of the full budget, scope,

and design following action pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act." Besides what's called an Alumni and Welcome Center, the school now "plans to construct a new building for Student Health, Mental Health and Well-Being at Triton Center, which will include urgent care, primary care, wellness, and counseling and psychological Services." The university also wants to create unspecified "campus support and administration" space and "retail, public realm improvements, and accessible parking," as part of the deal. Notes the report: "The project would replace a collection of 1940s-era, one-story buildings currently occupy-

ing the geographic center of the campus, an area known as the University Center." Though unmentioned by the Regents report, some of the allegedly dilapidated structures there house the so-called Chancellor's Center, offices for the school's top brass for years.

LCS mess There are yet more knocks against the Navy's so-called Littoral Combat Ship, these in a report last month to the House Committee on Armed Services from the U.S. Gov-

ernment Accountability Office. "The [Littoral Combat Ship] has two squadrons: LCS Squadron - One, in San Diego, California; and LCS Squadron - Two, in Mayport, Florida," notes the document. "According to Navy officials, when crew members are unable to locate parts for maintenance and repair of the ship, they "cannibalize" parts by taking them from another LCS. Officials Pradeep Khosla knows a school with a at LCS squadrons in both San god for a mascot needs a proper temple.

> Diego and Mayport reported that cannibalization has occurred to support the ships. For example, the USS Little Rock (LCS-9) had a faulty radar during its deployment, and the crew cannibalized a radar from the USS Detroit (LCS-7)." Both ships are Florida-based. On the other hand, per the report, San Diego's training is better off. "The [training] facility in San Diego is operational, and as of the fiscal year 2017, crews were able to complete 55 percent of their training. According to Navy officials, crews currently attend training courses provided by a contractor to make up the remaining 30 percent. Navy officials told us they planned to have the training facility in Mayport

> > fully operational by the end of the fiscal year 2021." Still, the report says, "The Littoral Combat Ship fleet has not demonstrated the operational capabilities it needs to perform its mission. Operational testing has found several significant challenges, including the ship's ability to defend itself if attacked and failure rates of mission-essential equipment." Worse yet, the Navy "does not have a comprehensive plan to address the various deficiencies

identified during testing and deployments." In addition, cost estimates of fixing the litany of problems are badly out of date, the findings show. "Without complete information on the cost of implementing the revised operational and sustainment concepts and the use of actual cost data, the Navy will not be able to analyze the differences between estimates and actual costs - important elements for identifying and mitigating critical risks."

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continued from page 1 to get in dog's faces? —Drew Maus

Sure wish LEO's cared about the racetrack (and proving ground) that is EB I8 from the end to the I5 interchange. They could make bank - and quota - every day. —Maryanne ODell

"Bonita's Historic Home of Ulysses S, Grant, Jr." Unreal Estate March 4

I don't think the US Grant Jr. connection adds much value. It's like buying the home once lived in by charlatan/con artist Thomas Edison Jr. Celebrity ownership of a house is usually overrated..

—David Batterson

"Maybe Gaslamp should only allow deaf people to live there" Neighborhood News

March 8

As a resident of Gaslamp who lives almost directly across from the Pendry pool deck and only 25 feet above street level on 5th, a couple of thoughts: Everyone demanding that 5th Ave be more or less permanently be shut to traffic should think long and hard about their position, because most of the noise issues we have come from loitering, pedestrians, pedicabs, and that one dude on the wheelchair with a 100amp speaker who has no qualms rolling up an empty street at 4am.

Code enforcement requires police... but the police can't be everywhere, and this really presupposes a general willingness to follow the law, so that the police can focus their resources. This is a classic "broken windows" issue. Everyone who contributed to the general lawlessness of 2020 and caused police to have to withdraw to a defensive security posture bears a lot of the blame for "nuisance" issues getting out of hand.

Gaslamp is going to be noisy, no native San

Diegan who moves down here should be unaware of that or what they're getting themselves into. But we still deserve enforcement of people following the rules about road blockages, unlicensed vending, and noise generation, just as much as alcohol sales get enforced. If businesses down here don't start "following the rules", they should expect a lot more pressure from those who see it firsthand, and eventually the hammer of code enforcement *will* come down. FLUXX is DOA, and your going concern could

—Japheth Cleaver

San Diego Reader, you know deaf people can still feel the vibrations from music. Also, people living downtown should know what they signed up for when they chose to live there. If it's an issue, don't live there. Some parts of the city have a noise ordinance. It's just a matter of whether it's enforced or not.

be next.

—Pau line

Stop complaining. They know what area they moved to and it's not a cheap area either. If you can afford to live downtown you can afford plenty of other neighborhoods. Stop whining and move.

—Dorothy Littlejohn

"Coyotes proliferate from Ramona to Imperial Beach" Neighborhood News March 8

We have a good half dozen of them here in Normal Heights. I don't believe they live in the nearby canyons because they are usually spotted in the same small area in the middle of the neighborhood. I'm convinced they live in one of the alleys, and I'm also inclined to think that people are feeding them. Which I really wish they wouldn't do.

So many of my neighbors allow their cats to roam free outdoors, and all I can think is 'those pets' days are numbered.' It's sad.

—Jamie Piper

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OCEANSIDE Levin's leverage GOP candidates seeing red in a

blue district

As the March 11 deadline for candidates to file to run in the June 7 primary to unseat two-term Democratic incumbent congressman Mike Levin approaches, ethnicity, guns, and accusations of being a business failure are all being used as weapons — and that's just between the Republicans. Orange County Supervisor Bartlett of Dana Point has shown that she is not afraid to lash out against former San Juan Capistrano councilman Brian Maryott, noting, "He still claims to be a financial planner, but he can't be, because he is no longer licensed. You can't be a financial planner without a license. He used to be a city councilman in a small city. But he isn't elected to anything. He doesn't have a job. What's he going to put on the ballot under his name?"

Along with Oceanside city councilman Christopher Rodriguez, Bartlett and Maryott



Brian Maryott: a known quantity.

heritage, and his self-described status as a "businessman/farmer."

"You show me a photo of a Marine in combat regalia and I will show you \$1 million," says one Republican political operative who did not want to be named about Rodriguez's "storyboard" fundraising value. "The problem with that... sure, you raise the money, but those people who raise that kind of money keep a huge percentage. The net is almost non-existent." He says that Rodriguez's Latin roots and Bartlett's candidacy as a Japanese-American woman are "absolutely what the

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are the three prominent Republicans hoping to finish in the top two in June to represent the new 49th district, which runs from San Onofre to Del Mar. It is expected that Democrat incumbent Levin will move on to a November run-off. The newly-drawn district is 35.7 percent registered Democrat and 33.7 percent Republican. Rodriguez showed \$466,000 cash on hand as of December 31, while Maryott had \$1.2 million to Levin's \$2.4 million. Bartlett had not yet raised money for this race.

Maryott did not respond to Bartlett's comments about his competency for this article, but it is thought that he is the Republican front-runner, since he ran against Levin two years ago. He has already secured the endorsement of both the Orange County and San Diego Republican central committees. But, says Bartlett, "We kept him from getting endorsed by the state GOP... they knew he doesn't have a job."

For her part, Bartlett admits she doesn't currently have much name recognition in San Diego County, which represents about 60 percent of Levin's congressional district. (The other 40 percent is in Orange County.) Maryott maintains a campaign office on Coast Highway in Oceanside. Rodriguez has been an Oceanside councilman for three years, yet most of his stated \$466,000 campaign cash-on-hand has come from donations from across the country made by people drawn to his service in the Marines, his Hispanic Republican party is looking for." Yet he thinks Maryott may be seen as more down-to-earth and credible. "As far as Lisa Bartlett, we just don't know her down here."

On his congressional candidate website, Rodriguez does not go into much detail about his accomplishments on the Oceanside City Council. He instead focuses on "The American Dream." He likes guns and fracking. He hates abortion. Bartlett is much less Trumpian and says she is a moderate "common sense" Republican. I reminded her that the last time a moderate Republican ran for this congressional seat was in 2018, when State Assemblyman Rocky Chavez of Oceanside came in sixth place in the primary. "His candidacy did not resonate," she replied. "I have a stellar track record. I have done a lot in eight years (as a county supervisor)."

Last year's redistricting tanked the candidacy of retired USMC Colonel Doug Applegate, who had announced he was gunning for the San Diego Board of Supervisors District 5 seat currently held by Republican Jim Desmond. "I just got mapped out," says Applegate, whose hometown of Carlsbad was carved out of District 5 and added to District 3. That supervisor seat is already occupied by Terra Lawson-Remer. (It was Applegate's surprisingly strong showing against Darrell Issa in 2016 that many say helped encourage Issa not to run two years later, though Issa later ran for and won the inland district formerly held by Duncan Hunter.)



Lisa Bartlett: a GOP dream?

The best example of non-partisan local elections morphing into classic Dem vs. GOP battles may be the upcoming Vista mayor race. Longtime Mayor Judy Ritter chose not to run again; running to replace her are Deputy Mayor John Franklin and Vista Unified School District President Cipriano Vargas. Franklin's Vista-based Pacific Political provides campaign advice for state and local candidates throughout the west; his most famous client is Darrell Issa. Vargas was asked by the two Democrats on the Vista City Council to run for mayor. His full time job is as "advisor" to Lawson-Remer. On March 7, Franklin sent out a citywide email blast, paid for by his campaign, addressing the evacuation that day of Rancho Buena Vista High after a student reported that another student had brought a gun to school. Sheriff's deputies swarmed the school. Students were told to leave their classrooms and eventually were sent home. The email urged parents to write

to school board members — including Vargas. Franklin wrote: "Students' safety was threatened." He blamed the school district for discontinuing the hire of two sworn sheriff's deputies who worked exclusively as school safety officers. They were partially paid by the city of Vista. Franklin said

the district eliminated the officers even as they brought on "almost 40 new non-teacher hires." Sheriff's Lt. Meleen says it is the belief of the department that after an investigation, it was determined there was no gun, and no threat to the campus.

Vargas says that the school district has done everything possible to work with the sheriff's department to make Vista schools safe. "This happened before school even started," he said, adding that he's running for mayor because in his seven years on the council, Franklin, "hasn't done much. I think there is a better pathway for the city of Vista." KEN LEIGHTON



Rodriguez: taking aim at national office despite disadvantages in both dollars and districting.

DOWNTOWN City sours on Sugar Factory made too much noise too soon

It was slated to be the loudest live music venue in the Gaslamp Quarter, residents said. So loud, the rooftop bar proposed for the Sugar Factory on 5th Avenue would have violated San Diego's noise ordinance. In fact, it already had. Last week, due to opposition from neighbors and the police, who say live outdoor entertainment was occurring before it was even approved, the Planning Commission denied the restaurant



The rooftop restaurant racket riled residents.

a permit for such use.

But the clash between residents and businesses is far from over, as the city strives to promote a transit-friendly, mixeduse downtown. "Every room in our small condo faces this venue," said a letter from Justin Brookshier, a resident of the Alta building on 6th Avenue. He claimed that having DJs and sound directed their way was "like having a live band right outside your window." Another neighbor described all-night parties and loud music coming from "who knows where that can be heard with the windows closed. No let up. The *continued on page 47*

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1616 CAMINO DEL MAR| DEL MAR, 92014

CURRENT OWNER: Stein Family | LISTING PRICE: \$16,500,000 | BEDS: 5 | BATHS: 6 | HOUSE SIZE: 5295

UNREAL ESTATE

It may seem like we spend a lot of time here at Unreal roaming the same few neighborhoods. La Iolla, Rancho Santa Fe, Del Mar — lather, rinse, repeat. But that's because we're here to gawk at rich people's houses, and by and large, those are the places toward which our wealthiest fellow San Diegans gravitate. As of this writing, there are 46 homes for sale in the county with an asking price topping \$10 million, and 33 of those are concentrated in the three primary ZIP codes for the



Amazingly, this home was built before Miami Vice even premiered.

aforementioned cities. So this week, we're headed back up I-5, to where the turf meets the surf, for a peek at 1616 Camino Del Mar, a 5295-square-foot ocean view estate, set on just under a half-acre, that was originally built in 1982. "With panoramic ocean views spanning the coast-

line & located walking distance to the beach, restaurants, shops, L'Auberge Hotel & the world-famous Del Mar Racetrack, this exquisite estate is a oneof-a-kind opportunity!" Or so the home's Zillow listing promises, going on to describe a "masterpiece" that "offers the very best indoor/outdoor living year-round." Let's have a look for ourselves.

We start in the backyard, where the "extraordinary pool with jacuzzi" seems to be flanked on three sides by the home's exterior walls and on the fourth by some terraced artificial grass. There are a couple of second-floor balconies that appear to face west (the correct direction, given our location), and a confusing series of stairs and passageways that lead from them to the pool deck below. Above the pool, a glass-covered walkway runs from one side of the house to the other.

Next we get a few shots of a kitchen that appears to have been recently upgraded and features a full suite of commercial appliances, including a built-in fridge, oversized

range, heavy-duty restaurant vent hood, and even a flat-top griddle. For some reason, the oven doors are painted orange, and I like how the countertop from the center island has been extended out to include something more akin to a built-in dining table than the typical bar seating we've seen so many times before. A sunny living room features plenty of windows, through which we're able to get a peek at the promised views of the ocean, less than a quartermile from the edge of the property. And it looks like we'd enjoy that view even more from a dining set outside on the square balcony. Next we're into what I'm assuming is the main bedroom suite, which opens to the rounded balcony we saw on the other side of the pool before we came continued on page 13

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Chinaberry Farm: Finding Home

Half our belongings still packed in the barn, paths form a quotidian maze between stacked boxes. The house livable, anyway. A rat takes up residence in Cindy's paintings stored in the utility room. Bumpy begins hanging out at a neighbor's. There is the one-and-a-half-hour commute to teach in San Diego. The AC goes out during triple-digit days in July. Our home warranty doesn't cover it. Insurance companies exist to collect money, not pay it out. – *William Luvaas* AUG. 24, 2000

The Last Harvest

Most large trucks used to get through Escondido by using Grand Avenue, the main eastwest thoroughfare. But merchants petitioned city council to reroute trucks along Second Avenue, which is one-way eastward, and Valley Parkway, which is one-way westward. An environmental impact report was filed which said there would be no adverse effects from having the trucks go down Second, a residential street, even though these were the same trucks that caused too much noise on Grand. – *Karl Keating* **NOV. 3, 1977**

Fade to Gray

Spicy food aside, this place [Lawrence Welk Village] is bland, daddy. So bland that it's difficult to see much — "pay attention" — long enough to get a firm, functional read of any depth or import - especially re the particulars of explicit Human etcetera: a journalistic Black Hole. To adequately suss this biz out would require a inclination to gawk and snoop, some interest in all the faces and whatnot — both before the fact and by virtue of their fortuitous proximity. – *Richard Meltzer* JULY 30, 1992

San Marcos Hides the Ugly Truth

I'd say Nordahl Road marks the easternmost boundary of what seems like San Marcos and not Escondido. Rancho Santa Fe Road marks the difference between Vista to the west and San Marcos. For now, Discovery Hills and California State University, San Marcos, define the southern edge, along with



Valle Vista is dog country; on summer nights dogs vie with coyotes over the moon

the community Lake San Marcos. When the massive San Elijo Ranch development supplants the dump, then the southern boundary will push into the Olivenhain/Harmony Grove area. – Allan Peterson **AUG. 27, 1998**

Fairy Shrimp, the City of San Diego, and the Mayor of Poway

"Why would you buy the property, unless you thought the system was so weak that

you could get away with it?" David Hogan concurs. "Right now you can be certain that property owners throughout the county are watching this particular case very closely to see whether they can incorporate the illegal destruction. If the agencies let the mayor of Poway off, without requiring both restoration and penalties, then it will be just the cost of doing business." – *Thomas Larson* APR. 20, 2000

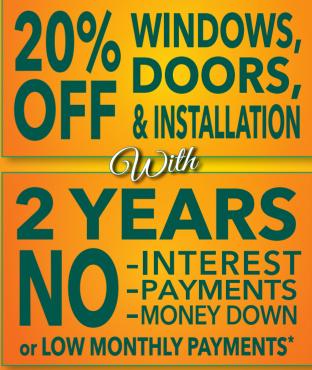


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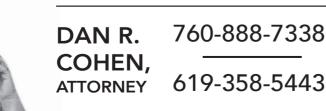
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GOLDEN DREAMS



Captain Travis Jackson with first of Patriot's two new Diesel engines.

Captain Jackson knows when something smells fishy

Travis Jackson has been here before. Good times and bad. And he still has faith in the sport fishing business. Proof? He's refitting a 62-foot boat, Patriot, to take passengers down to places like Cabo - as soon as folks feel secure enough to come aboard.

Right now, we're on Patriot's bridge here at H&M Landing in Point Loma, talking about Jackson's secret weapon: he can smell fish. No, truly, Captain Travis Jackson can smell fish when they're swimming beneath his boat. Especially albacore. He is famous for his "fish nose."

It doesn't hurt that he has been seeking them out for 40 years. Jackson, who hails from Mission Hills, started early. "When I was 12 years old, I bought a ticket on this boat over here, the Vagabond. I paid \$13 as a junior, and went on an overnight trip to fish the Coronado Islands. And when we returned, the fellow who I went with ran into a friend named Tom Gillette, who was working on a boat called the City of Imperial Beach. I had just quit my paper route, and we started riding [the boats] several days a week. There were three or four of us kids. They called us 'Deadheads'. And all the fish we caught would go in an empty bait tank. And if the passengers didn't want their catch, they gave them to us, and at the end of the day, we'd throw the gunny sacks into the back of our Ford Pinto station wagon, and head down to Woo Chee Chong's and sell the fish for cash. The most we got was like \$87. But back in the 1970s, that was a lot of money. So I got hooked, and started working on all these boats around here."

Back in the day, there was a lot of cash generated in the commercial fishing industry. "Two thirds of the world's tuna-fishing industry used to be based out of San Diego," he says. "There

went up 70 cents a gallon, to \$4.60. That could destroy this industry. Back in the 2008, 2009 crisis, guys were just walking away from their boats. When I had my boat in the '90s, I had groups who would charter me three or four times a year. And then '08, '09. It was brutal. I had to get a job fueling cruise ships, and then have rough weather for a week, and you don't get your rest, and you get bruises everywhere because you're being slammed around. It's a tough gig. It's not for everybody. And covid shut down this industry for a while. It literally tied [boat owners] to the dock. Now, I think boats like ours are probably going to do better

"Sometimes, I can actually smell the fish under the boat. Live, swimming fish. Albacore have a distinct smell."

the price of fuel went up so much, they were having a hard time. Then add the cartels down there, shooting each other in turf wars. A lot of people didn't want to go to Mexico, even on a cruise ship."

Since then, he has worked on tugboats, oil tankers, and for ten years with the Navy on support craft. "We would deploy and retrieve targets around San Clemente island." Now, with

Kerry aboard Patriot

were three canneries here. But the tuna seiners got a bad name for killing dolphins. Also, there was a crunch with the price of fish, and it wasn't economical for them to continue fishing here in California. This was around 1982-4."

A lot of the boats went off to Samoa, but, says Jackson, even more of them somehow sank right here. "They just mysteriously sank. Somewhere off this coast, there's a pile of boats. "Tuna reef, they call it," says his business partner, Kerry Rooney.

So what future does Jackson see for San Diego's commercial fishing boats? "Right now, it's really uncertain, not just because of covid, but also because of the rise in the cost of fuel," says Jackson. "Fuel has just gone through the roof. They're talking \$300 a barrel. I purchased 1000 gallons two weeks ago, and it was \$3.90 a gallon, plus tax. And in the week following, it what keeps people like him from walking away from their life at sea again? Captain Jackson sighs. "It's the freedom. Patriot, for me, is my retirement job. I'm 58 years old now, and I figure I've got about 10 years left. But this is a really tough business. It takes its toll on your person. The long hours, the uncertainties. You can get out there at sea and just

difficult times back,

because we take smaller groups. One family could [hire] this boat and keep it to themselves, versus going on a boat with 30-35 strangers. That's the plan. Also, this life is all I know. And besides," and there's a twinkle in his eye, "I've always prided myself on having a little edge on the next guy when it comes to finding the fish." He does get help from instruments like this brand new 360-degree gyro-stabilized sweeping sonar he's showing me. "Plus, I'll have a 48-mile radar and a 64-mile radar mounted on my mast when we're done."

Kerry leans in. "But when it comes down to it, the thing he trusts most is his nose, right, Travis?"

Jackson looks almost guilty. "Sometimes, I can actually smell the fish under the boat," he says. "Live, swimming fish. One particular time, Jerry Herman, who used to own a restaurant up in La Jolla called The Spot, called and said, 'Let's go fishing.' So we were cruising outside the Coronado Islands, southbound, and I go, 'Jerry, you smell that? I swear that's albacore.' And I turned the boat into the wind, and we drove about 100 yards, and we loaded the gear, and caught enough albacore for the entire day. Albacore have a distinct smell when they swim. You can recognize their oil if you're sensitive. Barracuda have a different smell. It's not something I brag about. But Jerry always bragged. 'This is my boat captain. He can smell where the fish are!‴ ■



Kerry Rooney working on another drawing/painting for her kids



he logistically confusing covered walkway above the pool. The '80s were a weird time, okay?

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inside. This is fine, really — there are dual vanities in the bath separated by a little makeup desk, and the daybed on the deck is certainly inviting. All standard rich folk fare, I suppose.

It's when we get to the glass-topped walkways above the pool that I become confused. It looks like this side of the pool is partially enclosed like an atrium, but also this may be the only way to get from the kitchen/living room to the bedrooms? If it's raining or cold, would you have to walk through this open space to get a late night snack? Can the neighbors see you

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up there? Also, a staircase leads down into a room with a pool table and what looks like a bed adjacent to the pool deck. Is this a game room or a bedroom? I'm not even sure if this room is fully enclosed, but there are no walls anywhere, just glass. I hope this isn't a bedroom.

Our tour of the inside finishes with a few more pictures of bedrooms and bathrooms, all of which seem luxurious enough if not remarkable, save for an interesting semicircular bathroom with stone tile from floor to ceiling. Then we're back outside for some aerial shots and stops at some of the other patios and balconies we only glanced at from inside. There is indeed a great view from the top level, but hedges and

walls in the lower yard seem like they'd obscure some of the vista, cramping the view in the name of privacy. A twilight photo shows that elevated glass hallway again; this time there's a spot in the middle that glows neon purple, despite there being no visible light source. I am still confused about the logistics of this space.

Public records list Lee and June Stein — whose website mentions the home as a summer retreat and collaborative workspace — as owners of the Camino Del Mar estate. Last sold in 2000 for a reported \$3.25 million, it's back on the market for the first time in over 20 years as of March 1 – the list price of \$16,500,000 remains unchanged to date. ■



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Only 19 days into 2022, I managed both to contract Omicron and have my car stolen. When I attempted to pinpoint the origin of my terrible car-ma, the only thing I could come up with was the cashmere scarf I had picked up off the ground at

lands — not, like me, to the mountains of North Carolina.

My husband Aaron wrinkled up his nose when he saw it in

my hands. "You probably have covid now," he said in disgust.

"It's Burberry," I explained while squirting antibacterial

the San Diego Airport back in December. It did not belong to me. It was not mine to take. However, it was cashmere, and it was evident it had been sitting at the Southwest terminal for a very long time. Its owner was nowhere to be found, and was probably on a plane heading somewhere like Paris or The Cayman Islotion on my hands. "I can have it dry cleaned." A quick google search showed that the scarf cost upwards of \$500. Fast-forward to the wee morning hours of January 19th.

That same scarf, despite its worth and sophistication, was

When the tow truck came to drop off my car, it felt like the arrival of a ticker tape parade. It was a moment deserving of a marching band and sparklers. crumpled up in the backseat of my car among the chip crumbs and empty water bottles when it — along with the car and the crumbs — was removed from my driveway while I was fast asleep. My fat pugs had not alerted me with angry barks. They had not made a peep while some stranger absconded with my

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Burberry to burglary

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dusty-on-the-outside/filthy-on-the-inside SUV. So it was not until morning that I discovered my bare driveway. *Strange*, I thought. I looked up and down my street, thinking, *Did I park it somewhere else? Did one of my family members move it?* My son

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used to have an old orange Isuzu Amigo that could be started with a butter knife. When his friends discovered this, they started constantly fucking with him. He would come out of school or leave a party only to find his car gone, usually parked blocks away. He was constantly searching for it. Was this a similar situation, or was I having some sort of psychotic break? Did I have early onset Alzheimers? Was I a sleepwalker, capable of driving a car in a trance-like haze?

I called my husband and my daughter to see if they had taken my car without permission. They had not. When asked if they had noticed it in the morning when each had left the house, neither were sure. They are the most unaware people in the world.

I went inside and noticed my keys were not on our key hook. I pulled up the Find My Air Tag link on my phone, because my key ring has one on it. An address on 30th street came up. That's when I knew the car had been stolen. That's when I recalled that, like an idiot, I had left the car doors unlocked the night before, with my purse and keys inside. I retraced my steps from the following evening. I had gone to Sprouts. Aaron was helping our daughter with her physics homework, so I had carried all the bags in by myself. I busied myself putting the groceries away and cleaning out the fridge. I did some dishes. I poured myself a glass of wine. I let the dogs outside to pee. Afterward, I went downstairs to watch an episode of The Crown. I did not go back outside to retrieve my purse and keys, which were sitting like a gift on the center console. I am an idiot. I had invited this upon myself.



We walked up and down the road, looking for the tag. After a few minutes, Nicole shouted, "I found it!" There in her hand was my white Apple air tag.

I called the police to report the car stolen. I gave them the address for my air tag. I doubt very much that they drove to that address in a squad car to check things out. I'm sure there were other crimes happening that superseded finding a car whose owner had left the goddamn keys inside in what amounted to an engraved invitation to have it stolen. But *I* would look for the car. I would drive there. I would have a showdown with the thief! At least that is what I told myself when I changed out of my pajamas, threw my hair into a messy bun at the nape of my neck, and shimmied into a pair of black jeans and a black hoodie. I meant business! Only problem was, I needed a ride.

I called my friend Nicole. She is always up for an adventure. "Do you want to find the person who stole my car?" I asked. Of course she did. Ten minutes later, she was at my door. She too was wearing all black, like a true vigilante. We even had on matching hoodies.

"We know how to dress to fight crime!" I said with a laugh She typed in the address for the current location of my air tag, and we were off.

"What should we do if we find the car?' she asked.

I shrugged, "Sit on it? Call the police? Punch the thief in the face?" We both laughed at the absurdity.

It took only 15 minutes to get there. The location was in South Park, past all the fun restaurants and on the cusp of where North Park begins. Google Maps took us to a spot on 30th where there is a canyon on both sides of the road. Nicole turned down the first residential street and parked her car. We got out and walked. Looking down the canyon, we spotted a group of three people sitting on an old log.

"One of those dumb assholes stole my car and now they're just sitting down there, enjoying the day, out in nature," I told her.

Nicole laughed, "Do you really think so?"

"Yes!" I said, surprised at my own anger.

Just then, Aaron called. "I found the address to the air tag and I'm headed there!" he said, sounding excited.

"I'm already here," I told him.

Aaron left his morning meeting early, after telling his coworkers what happened. They were following the saga like it was a *telenovela*. His coworker, Mikey, had offered to come with. "He is from Boston and doesn't mess around," Aaron said, "He offered to give me a bat! He has retrieved three stolen cars!" Before hanging up, Aaron made me promise I would not set the air tag off until he got there.

I really wanted to set off that tag.

I turned to Nicole with a sigh and said, "When Aaron gets here, I think we should walk down the canyon. When we get close to those people, we should set the air tag off." "Do you think maybe the thief threw the air tag out the window?" she asked, being sensible.

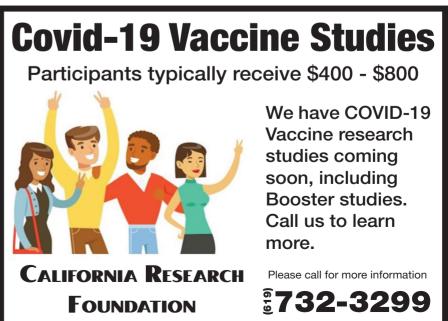
That possibility was too boring to be real, so I shrugged and pointed down the canyon at an outdoorsy looking couple who were walking their dog.

"It's them," Nicole hissed, playing along.

"Definitely! Thieves wearing Patagonia!" I chuckled.

When Aaron arrived, I pointed down the canyon at the log sitters and told him my plan. He too responded sensibly, "I'm sure the thief chucked the tag down this canyon once they noticed it." Why was everyone trying to make this less exciting? He pulled up the air tag location again. It had moved slightly. There was a new address. It was around the corner. We got in Nicole's car and drove. The address was a swanky house. Out front, a landscaper was trimming a bright pink bougainvillea. "Do you think it's him? Should I set off the sound?" I suggested

Aaron let out an annoyed sigh. "They don't always give the exact location. Your tag is in the canyon. It's just pinging here."





"One of those dumb assholes stole my car and now they're just sitting down there, enjoying the day, out in nature."

"So, you're not going to rough that guy up?" I said with a smirk.

He rolled his eyes. None of this was amusing to him, poor guy. We parked and walked down the canyon. We passed by dog walkers with German accents. "Thieves!" Nicole hissed again with a laugh. She understood.

"I really think one of the log-sitters is the thief," I said pointing to the group. When we got closer, it became evident that they were parks and recreation workers taking a break from clearing the canyon of debris. Out of breath, we walked up to the road. I checked the tag location again. This time it was pinging nearby.

had been lying in a puddle. I activated it and was pleased to discover it still worked! A small victory.

Heading back to the car, Aaron asked, "You canceled your credit cards, right?"

I had not. In all my excitement over confronting the thief, I had forgotten to do that. I am an *idiot*. It was only 10 am, and the thief had already racked up nearly \$1000 on my credit cards. I explained the car theft story to the phone operator at my bank.

"Their last purchase was 11 minutes ago at the Ross in Carmel Valley. I can give you the address?" he said, fully invested in our adventure.

"That's okay," I said, not wanting to take up anymore of Nicole's time. "I would really like to punch this bozo in the face, but I doubt we'll find them."

"He should be punched for shopping at Ross." the operator commented with a chuckle.

Later that day, Aaron informed me that since my car was "pretty old," he had removed the comprehensive insurance. We would not be getting money back to cover the theft. "On the bright side, you do have an ebike," he said.

Meanwhile, everyone had become a suspect: the utility worker checking the meters, the teenagers up the hill, and the solo jogger running down our dead-end street. When I took my pugs for a walk, I saw a disheveled looking man wearing a backpack and walking a pit bull without a leash. He was wildly out of place in my quiet corner of La Mesa. It looked like he was casing the neighborhood. I followed behind him for a block or two, keeping my distance, hoping he would lead me to my car. He did not.

My birthday was the on the 24th of January. I was hoping maybe my husband would surprise me with a new car or a retrolooking helmet to go with my ebike. Neither! But I did get a pretty leather purse and a sleek new wallet to replace the ones that had been stolen.

That night, I received a call from an unknown number. I did not answer. I never answer unknown numbers. Thirty minutes later, another call. Curious, I thought. I answered. "This is Agent So and So. We tried to call you earlier. We have located your car. It was parked illegally in Santee. No arrest has been made. We had it towed." It was a birthday miracle!

The next morning, when the tow truck came to drop off my car, it felt like the arrival of a ticker tape parade. It was a moment deserving of a marching band and sparklers. Aaron and I stood in our driveway to greet



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it, and I wished the tow truck driver would throw candy at us from his window. Instead, I snapped a picture as he maneuvered it into its spot alongside our sedan. "The prodigal son has returned," Aaron laughed.

Apart from the large stickers reading, "No parking" plastered on every window, it looked the same, perhaps even cleaner. It was as if the thief had gone through the car, been disgusted by my filth, and cleared the entire thing out. Everything was gone. My center console, which had been filled with papers, receipts, hand-drawn art, and letters from my preschool students, was empty. He had cut off the yarn-sunflower-and-rainbow I had dangling from my rearview mirror. My cute floral bumper sticker had also been removed. The Burberry scarf, my vintage 1980s Coach purse that I had scored at the Amvets near the airport, a pair of beat-up slip-on Vans, a puffy black winter jacket I had since the early 2000s — all gone. My chapstick, sunscreen, spare deodorant, lotion, drugstore sunglasses, countless travel mugs, a couple of books — among them my favorite, Wel-

come to the Monkey House by Kurt Vonnegut — all gone. The only thing left behind that had belonged to me was a single velvet floral ballet flat, a beaded bracelet, snow chains in the trunk, and a pair of nail clippers.

Perhaps by way of cosmic compensation, the thief left behind a few of his own things. Among them, in the backseat: a white coffee cup that read "Bermuda" in jaunty Rasta colors. A dark brown moldy substance on the floor of the backset. A shoe box for a size 11 men's sandal, a receipt from Vons — where they had used my credit card to purchase a "decadent chocolate cake" and two \$50 gift cards. Oh, and there was a strong odor: a mix of cigarettes, weed, and something fishy. Upon further inspection I found an opened can of crab meat under the driver's seat, with remnants of crab still in it. And underneath the floor mats in the backset, I found a couple of mystery pills with the letters AN and the numbers 351 on them. I carried them inside, did a quick google search, and found that they were used in treating erectile dysfunction.

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I ignored him and said, "The thief had to be a hippie, right? The Bermuda mug, the sandals, the weed smell, the erectile dysfunction pills, and the decadent chocolate cake?"

"He was probably a junkie that lived in your car for the last week. There's not a lot of hippies in Santee."

But after all my frustrations — the lost scarf, the lost car, the failed attempt at catching the thief — I wanted my perp to be a down-on-his-luck old stoner. Just a guy, maybe one with a cute scruffy dog, who wanted to drive to the beach and catch a couple of sunsets. I couldn't think of him any other way, especially since he had been out on my driveway, so close to where we slept. Anything other than a stoner was either too frightening or too gross to consider.

"Do you think he wears that Burberry scarf?" I asked.

Aaron sighed and handed me a print-out for a mobile detailing Groupon.

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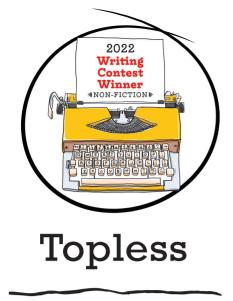
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Author's note: This story is non-fiction, but certain elements are romanticized. Think Hunter S. Thompson.

The sun cut flat over the city, and as it departed, it took with it the last of my time in the Angeleno cesspool. Southbound I-405 was reduced to an obsidian abyss inhabited only by parallel streams of red and white lights. We were headed home to San Diego after trying to pitch a script to a Hollywood type. With still over four hours to go, due to the arterial clog brought on by



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fellow motorists, my good friend and business confidant Newman sat passenger in my old, beat-up Civic. He poured brandy into his tank of a flask as a wandering ash from his menthol kissed his coat collar.

"This is wholly awful," he said rather plainly.

"I agree. Traffic is shit today."

"No, not the traffic, I'm talking about

LA: the energy, the breed of people. You can feel the roads and sidewalks molesting your tires and shoes, and I can't believe not a single liquor store in West Hollywood had any dark liquor. Fuckin' crime," he maintained. Me, I never cared much for Los Angeles or dark liquor; they both left an awful taste in my mouth. They felt more like an illness, creeping into my body and beating me down if I took in more than I could handle.

Newman finished pouring brandy into his flask and tossed the glass handle into the back seat before handing me a cigarette. I let the Zippo hiss as the traffic in my lane lumbered to a halt.

"We could've been doing one-ten on the 73 by now," Newman griped.

"I cannot morally pay tolls to Orange County."

He chuckled a bit as he lazily tossed his glowing butt into the ashtray. "Fair enough," he smirked.

"It's strip mall hell, man. What's even there, huh?" I demanded.

"Not sure," he muttered without thought, before biting back into the conversation with "Well actually...depends on what you're looking for."

"Nothing that ain't in Davgo."

"Well, there might be an overwhelming presence of certain qualities." He was coy.



"Qualities? The hell you talkin' about?"

"You know...necessary facets of the modern metropolis might be in excess."

"Such as?"

Newman beamed with the excitement and pride of a schoolteacher about to open a child's innocent eyes to some hidden aspect of our fascinating world. He then educated me on the demographics of the business population in the region, specifically with regard to how a statistically fascinating majority of strip malls in the area contained gentlemen's retreats, where scoundrels and yuppie scum alike could partake in a form of tensile release and relaxation.

I pushed up my glasses and cut a few lanes left, trying to bypass traffic, but was met with more gridlock and boredom. The ember of my cigarette crept towards my fingers as I stared at the sea of traffic. To the right of my Civic, a slew of motorcyclists passed, their loud engines revving, each stroke of a piston driving metal into metal — and me deeper into a fog of ire.

"Huh, must be from Long Beach," Newman noted.

"Fuck this, we haven't moved in over twenty minutes. I'm taking the next exit. Still got that deposit from the hotel?" I asked.

"All three hundred. Why?"

"What was that you were saying about 'certain necessary facets'?"

We cruised down one of Irvine's many forgettable commercial roads. My phone was dead, and although Newman was perturbed, he found comedy in the peril that came from my forgetting our one lifeline to the entirety of human knowledge, back in the hotel suite: my phone charger. "How the fuck are we even gonna listen to music now?" he scolded. "Or navigate? I'm on five percent. Come on, Windows."

"Do you at least have the directions?" I asked.

"Says a few miles down the road."

"Maybe you can ask one of the girls for a cable after you pay twenty dollars to not touch her."

Newman coughed out a laugh as he tried to contain his drink, but the revelry was cut short as the phone light illuminating the cabin suddenly vanished. Newman sighed as he holstered his phone, a sarcastic smile parting his face.

"Relax," I eased, "it's only a few miles, like you said."

"Shit, I don't know, man. I'm kinda sautéed, and I'm not driving. Me saying a few miles ain't shit to me, man."

"So how many is a few?" "Like ten. Maybe twelve."

I let out a sigh of disappointment, realizing the traffic would've been easier to endure than the feeling of desperation that comes with being helplessly out from under from the digital cloud. After what seemed like an eternity of either listening to the drivel of NPR or flipping through a binary reality of lowfidelity mariachi music and static, we finally arrived at our destination: a dilapidated pink building with endlessly chipping stucco and a look that screamed "put me out of my midlife crisis." The parking lot was the size of a one-bedroom apartment, and was filled with more potholes than Baghdad after the invasion. I turned sharply into a tight space and lightly brushed the side of the building with my front bumper. Newman shot me a glance. "You couldn't have done

it better," I snapped.

Newman lifted his flask

and shook it in my face: "Not right now."

Glancing too long at the building's rooftop neon sign was enough to leave retinal scorch residue. My gaze fell slowly to the dark horizon, still marred by a haze with the shape of the signage text: "The Pink Kitty Boutique." A smiling cat face crudely painted next to the sign looked down on us like an Orwellian figurehead. I stared into the cat's lifeless, cartoon pupils, daring them to come to life as Newman and I finished our cigarettes in silence. It was at this point that I shifted my standards with regard to alcohol and let the warmth lease out a portion of my stomach for the evening.

What was supposed to be a grand entrance into a Garden of Eden suddenly became a Great Flood of sobering reality. In place of fine females were phallic figurines. No alcoholic arsenal, instead a collection of out-of-date media and Stone-Age pleasures. A recycled Spotify jazz playlist chuckled at us from a poorly maintained speaker in the corner of the room, mocking us for not reading the online description of the business. The garden gnome of a man who ran the operation from his fortress behind the counter looked up at us, the sole patrons, before aloofly returning to his vape and video poker.

"What you fellas looking for?" the gnome asked.

Newman approached the counter with what appeared to be confused expectancy but was more likely a consequence of his inebriation. He straightened his coat and puffed out his chest a bit. "Excuse me, my man, but where are the chicks?"

Without looking up from his computer game, the counter gnome pointed towards the left wall. "Over there. I got DVDs,

mags, and even a few VHS." Who the fuck still uses a VCR? I thought.

Newman looked at the counter gnome in disbelief as he began to pose another question.

"Nah, nah, like the live things, you know? The ones you see at parties sometimes? We're tryna get poppin'."

The gnome's index finger shifted down as he pointed to an impulse-buy rack at knee height in front of the counter.

"Amyl nitrate's right here."

Good Christ, I mused. How much longer could this go on?

I decided to alleviate my secondhand embarrassment by being as direct as I could: "Sir, where's the nearest titty bar?"

"Ecstasy Theatre. Five miles. Go back down Main, left on Warner."

"Thank you. Let's go, dog. Nothing for us here."

"Hold on, hold on, serious question," Newman said to the gnome. "You got an iPhone charger back there?"

"No. I got a Blackberry." The certain orchestral hum sung only by used tires and a worn fan belt

continued as decrepit streetlights flickered past. Uncertainty can make five miles seem like an odyssey. Fortunately, our gnomelike oracle was correct, and through his guidance, we successfully discovered our nighttime sanctuary. The club's iridescent lights gleamed over the parking lot like a mini Las Vegas, with a shameless luster reminiscent of the illegal grass stores in southeast San Diego.

"Now this. This place is great," barked Newman.

"This place is a shithole," I replied.

What at first seemed like music rolling into the streets from inside became a muffled dialogue as our tires crawled toward the main entrance and parked us across the lot, facing the building. We watched as a sturdy gentleman, with the physique of Mr. Potato Head and a mustache to match, dragged a brunette woman out through the front door, her toes barely touching the ground as she writhed in his arms. His shirt read "SECURITY." Following these dance partners, the darkness of the interior spat out a blonde, haphazardly stumbling in our direction and fighting for her balance with a handbag in each fist, and a Mr. Clean-type, who, it seemed, had shoved her. She was completely

she was completely topless.

For a moment, she and I were alone in the universe. and neither windshield nor breath separated us as she stood wide-eyed as a doe in my Civic's headlights. I felt as though empires could be raised and razed by her gaze, and, for a heartbeat, I knew I wanted my children to share her image. Then she scurried after the improbable dance partners. The two ladies and the Misters were in some sort of shouting match, their conversation becoming more audible as Newman and I approached.

"You two are outta 'ere. Finished. Get da 'ell out of 'ere," exclaimed Mr. Clean through an accent that was generically foreign.

"Fuck you," Topless snapped back with the raspy voice of a child who had cried too much for one day.

"Touch me, you piece of shit? Didn't do nothing you haven't done, bitch," the brunette screamed in the face of the security guard.

"Get outta 'ere! Go! Don't come back!"

"We're the main draw at



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this shithole. Eat my ass!" The brunette was livid.

"You'll miss us by twelve, you bald fuck," Topless taunted. With a twirl, she and the brunette marched past us toward an alley at the far end of the parking lot.

Newman and I stood in complete silence watching the encounter crescendo. We slowly approached the entrance and looked at the security bros. We were in shock, staring at them blankly, unsure of what to say.

"Fuck's wrong with you two?" Mr. Potato Head demanded.

Newman quickly shot back, "Got a phone charger, dog?"

We were promptly told to piss off. That was when we noted the two lovely evictees perched on a parking block next to our car. Topless was barely covering her chest with her hands as the brunette went through one of the bags, frantically looking for something. Newman motioned for us to approach and inquire as to their well-being. I took off my glasses to appear less frail as Newman removed his coat and extended it to Topless.

"How you ladies doing?" He was always better at introductions than me.

"Hey girls," I said with limited confidence.

The women responded with a look of ferocity that eased as Newman's friendly mannerisms worked their charm and they stood to greet us. Topless smiled at me with tired eyes as mine crept up and down her lanky frame. Even through near-sighted obscurity, her wrists and collar bones were gorgeous enough to make my palms ache. Neither Pygmalion nor God would dare change her. She reached for Newman's coat. "We're good baby," she sighed, still forcing a smile while slinging the coat over her shoulders without care, as though she owned it.

Newman conversationally ensnared the brunette while placing a cigarette to her mouth and lighting it for her. She let out a seductive puff, like one of Bogart's femme fatales; he wasn't even hiding what he wanted from her. This left me standing across from Topless, shifting my weight at random intervals. Her beauty left me a socially inept voyeur, and I was caught either looking away or staring completely. She then extended her hand and we shook.

"What's your name?" Her soft voice came with a confident undertone.

"They call me Windows." "Cause of those glasses?" she giggled.

I blushed. My glasses were visibly poking out of my shirt pocket.

"Y-yeah and my last name."

"I'm—'

Newman, open flask in hand, brutishly cut her off, "Do any of you fine women have a phone charger, by chance? Kinda need



it to get home."

"Nah, I usually charge my phone before work," said the brunette. The word 'work' passing between her lips brought with it a tension that she relieved with a sigh.

"What was all that about?" Newman appended to the end of a swig.

"Stupid shit, you know... men. No offense," is all Topless cared to offer.

"None taken. Giving you shit over money?"

"Yeah," the brunette cut in, whining, "Farhad takes our tips in exchange for snow on the cheap but gets pissed when we're geeked at work, even though he's always off it, and his wife stopped giving me a discount at the bar because I was 'costing them,' so I had a fit, and RJ never changes his security uniform, even though he sweats through it every shift because of his Adderall—"

Topless hip-bumped her friend, "Okaaaay, Remi. We don't need to bore the boys with details."

Newman flashed me a grin with raised eyebrows as if to say, *Hooray! Fellow fiends!*

"Look," Topless continued as she lifted one of the purses from the ground. "Y'all needa iPhone charger, right?" She pinched one end of a wire between her thumb and middle finger, gradually raising it out of the bag until the free end then danced in the air. "We could help each other out?"

"Please, please don't make me bang ya for it!" Newman jokingly croaked with comical desperation.

Topless giggled. Knees pressed together and swaying, hands deep in the coat pockets, she countered, "How about something more like you take us home so I don't have to ride the forty-seven like this?" She pointed at Newman's flask, "And let Remi get the drink that got us kicked out."

"Ah," Newman clicked his tongue, "I just drained the damn thing. We're gonna have to pour up in the car on the way to your pad."

Any line can be strung with bait and cast into water, but it is ultimately the fish that decide to be caught. This is how women drive natural selection. Not through predation, but rather through choosing. This selection drives trends from fashion to facial hair, from passtimes to political views. Any man would grow a beard and take up rock climbing to be granted a chance with his infatuation. Remi, as it happened, was one to favor suitors based on their taste in alcohol. She sat with her knees on the passenger seat facing backwards, pouting at Newman in an attempt to revise his liquor preferences.

"No. No, no, no," her speech became more infantilized with each shake of her head.

"Aren't you tryna get live? This juice is delicious! It tastes like..." booze sloshed as Newman brought the handle into his lap. He turned on the rear cabin light and put his face to label on the the back of the bottle, inspecting the text with a jeweler's posture, "...apples... blueberries... and oak. Don't you like blueberries? C'mon, who doesn't like blueberries?"

"Turn that light off, man! That shit'll get us pulled over. I ain't tryna catch an open container because of your ass," I challenged. Topless draped her hand over my headrest, her fingers playing with my hair and fueling my insolence.

"Yes, Coach!" Newman joked as he pressed his knuckles back into the dome light, returning us to darkness. Newman, embalmed with spirits,

and Remi, a mysterious cocktail of chemicals surely flowing through her, seemingly left their inebriants behind as they bartered like Wall Street traders over the terms surrounding how Remi would consume Newman's E&J. Neither saw liquor as a joking matter. His first offer was that it be consumed neat so that its natural flavors, along with the delicious metallic aftertaste of his flask, could be savored. She proposed a stop at a liquor store so that he could fill his flask with her drink of choice — Malibu — which she would happily consume. This was a nonstarter for Newman, his reason being that the sugar and acid present in the drink would ruin his precious vessel. Additionally, he proceeded to inform her through a medley of curses that he found her abhorrent for associating so closely with rum. Finally, it was decided that he would pour his brandy into some sort of mixer and let her drink that.

"It's gonna go best with some green tea," Newman unloaded from his plethora of brandy knowledge.

"There's a 7-Eleven on the way back to our place that we can swing through," Topless readily informed me as we continued down an empty frontage road.

Through a silent agreement, Topless and Remi — now successful in collapsing Newman's alcoholic hubris — decided to change seats, leading to an impromptu in-car fire drill. A sequined pump kicked my forearm, and I swerved.

"Whoa! Watch the drink, girls," Newman barked.

"Just getting in the right seats," Topless laughed as she plopped down into the passenger seat and caressed my arm. Remi let out a cackle as she snuggled up to Newman, who was about as plastered as a construction site.

"Chickies sure know how to party, eh Windows?" he slurred.

"Yes we do, baby," Topless interjected.

She continued to stare at my side and, though I knew my focus should be on the road, I followed the streets mindlessly, enraptured by the idea that her consciousness was taking even a moment to register me. I felt my heart pounding as Newman decided to pass the menthols and lighter. Remembering my manners, I promptly offered Topless the cigarette that I had lit for myself.

"Yeah, I'll pass for now," she scoffed. "I used to smoke a ton, now I mostly just do other things..." The ambiguity around her grew, and my intrigue along with it.

"Like what?"

"Fent!" Remi shouted before unleashing another hearty cackle.

"Shut up, Remi!"

Remi let out a belch of laughter. I couldn't quite tell if they were serious.

"Ah, fellow adventurers," Newman muttered with a sarcastic drawl. "Got any on ya?"

Topless interjected without paying him any attention, "I was gonna say stealing."

Two feminine squeals of laughter assaulted my ears. Through the rearview mirror I attempted to exchange a worried look with Newman, but he was happily sedated with Remi in his arms. I continued to wonder: *just who were these women*?

Following Topless' directions, we continued our exodus toward the sinfully boring city of Garden Grove. Through the silence, the fiends decided to reminisce, providing us with tales of mischief: pickpocketing, shoplifting, drug muling, carjacking, stabbing. These women had done everything except pay their debt to society. Topless continued to look at me, but the excitement that once came with feeling her eyes upon me slowly turned to fear. An ominous tension built in the car, drowning out the chatter. Her gaze became that of a leopardess sizing up a meal.

Realizing I had lost myself in worry, I tuned back into the conversation to find Topless complaining. "I wanna get home and get drunk. That alc you have is shit!"

"Are you joking!?" Newman cried before asking, "What do you have at your place?"

Topless spoke up, "Ooh, I'm a tequila girl, so, some Cuervo."

"I'm not impartial to a good silver myself. A little salt and a lime? Fuckin' A," I chimed in.

"I'm a slut for silver," Topless seductively replied.

I blew through a stop sign, watching her tongue dance against her teeth.

"Me, too, especially with an orange juice chaser," Remi added.

I had been eager to show these girls a good time, but when the charger finally did its work and the phone screen illuminated the cabin, it reminded me that I was still lost, and now in close quarters with two women who were not above flaunting their willingness to commit violent crimes. As if sensing my dread, Topless turned to face the road, but replaced her eyes on my face with her hand on my thigh. Thus pacified, I eased back into my seat and found myself on a grocery run with three friends - or perhaps even a double date.

As we pulled up to the 7-Eleven just south of SR-22, a herd of cop cars draped the houses across the street in vibrating hues of red and blue. An acrid stench of urine snuck into the car. Teenagers sat on the corner in handcuffs, their bikes flipped upside down, the cops standing above them. We carefully pulled into a parking space in front of the store. Topless scruffed my hair as she leaned into me and whispered, "Thank you." Her moist breath sent goosebumps over the side of my face. The girls collected their purses, and Remi checked her bag one last time before climbing over Newman to exit the car from his side, deliberately provoking him.

Topless looked back at Newman and asked, "Mind if I wear your jacket?"

"Please. And take your time." He turned to Remi, who was barely out of the car, and bit her ass.

She giggled as she made her way to the store's entrance and waited for her friend. Topless looked at me and, with a wink, leaned in as if to kiss me on the cheek. But she stopped just before our faces touched, abruptly disconnecting her phone charger and putting it in a coat pocket. I could hear her snickering as she shut the car door and met her friend at the store doorway to enter in tandem.

"Smarter than she looks, I guess," Newman thought out loud.

"I'd say so."

He reached over the middle console and clicked on my stereo. Don Julian and the Larks came over the speakers, and the sweet melody of "I Want You Back" filled my car. I peered through my windshield, the window of the 7-Eleven, and the glass door of the cold beverage section, and noted that, against Newman's recommendation, Remi had decided on an Arizona Mucho Mango tea. He would not be pleased.

Then, as my gaze shifted to Topless, things began to move in slow motion. The bright lights of the interior removed the veil of mystery in which, until now, the evening had shrouded her. Her true complexion and form became clear: she was a goddess pacing the aisles, looking for nothing in particular. I didn't care if she used me, and I was glad that it was me wearing the rose-colored lenses and Newman wearing the beer goggles. She remained a goddess as she waited to check out, finally approaching the clerk after everyone had exited the store. Remi sloppily rolled her can of Arizona across the counter, reminding me how grateful I was that she had chosen to buddy up to Newman. But Topless was a goddess, tapping the counter inlay to signal which lottery scratcher she wanted. I watched an arch form in her back as she leaned with her elbows into the countertop while the employee disappeared below to grab her selection.

That's when Remi reached into her handbag and pulled out the largest handgun I'd ever seen. But Topless was a goddess, flashing me her teeth with the same look of the leopardess from earlier.

"Jesus, fuck," Newman uttered to himself.

I was too incapacitated by romance to register any worry as I watched my newfound deity go behind the counter and violently shake down a twentysomething Filipino who worked for fourteen dollars per hour. The store lights flickered, and through the glare of my windshield, a golden aura formed about her. For the first time, I was looking at a woman and did not feel either cynical or satirical, only elated. Her slender digits eased cash from the register, which

seemed to thank her for her time. I lost myself in a daydream, imagining my life with this wandering muse of ill-repute. We would be the new Bonnie and Clyde, the screenwriter and the stripper, a love story to grace the silver screen like the classics of a bygone era.

I was suddenly shaken from my trance by Newman, who had slammed the passenger door after moving up to the front seat.

"We should get the fuck out of here," his words were frantic.

"Yeah."

To be a romantic is to be fickle. As our dates came running out of the store, I had already reversed through the parking lot and was accelerating toward the highway. I watched in the rearview mirror as lips moved to berate us and middle fingers were thrust toward us. Police officers peeled away from the group that had been detaining the teens in order to chase after the girls; as we rounded the far corner of the block, I realized that the leopardess was now the prey.

My infatuation was gone, but her brief presence was powerful enough

to reshape what it is that I enjoy about women. Though her touch and glance were now revealed as obvious tools, used to facilitate a necessary element of her plan, they still came from *her* hands and her eyes. The flirtatious gestures acted out by her perfection were enough to slay the semi-ironic misanthrope in me and cause him to be reborn as an aesthete. Every woman I saw from now on would contain a piece of her beauty, but none would ever contain the whole thing. My life would be driven by comparison.

Newman and I did not speak for the next hour on the road, instead letting Spotify fill the empty silence until my phone died again and the local radio stations took over. It was around midnight that we reached Oceanside and found ourselves once again at a dead stop in traffic.

The stillness of my Civic prompted Newman to speak up as he sank his window into the doorframe: "Fuckin' nuts, man."

My window followed his. "It wasn't so bad. They didn't try to rob us."

"Not that we know of. But yeah, I guess. I still got probation though, bruh. I can't be caught up in any of that shit."

"Yeah, I'm not tryna start catching cases."

We were silent again. Newman took an opportunity to pour the remainder of the glass handle into his flask.

"What are these next few draws for?" I asked.

"In loving memory of the coat that I loaned that bitch."

I couldn't help but laugh. "Regular knight in shining armor, Newman."

"Shame, I always saw myself as more of a 'Bukowski' type."

"You mean a cynical alcoholic and a smoker?"

"Don't forget 'poet," he chuckled.

He reached into his back pocket for the menthols. I let the nighttime ocean breeze rush through my nostrils as I inhaled a freshly lit indulgence.

"Hope that producer douchebag calls us back," Newman stared out his window toward where the blackness of the sky and the Pacific became one.

"Yeah, me too..."

I took off my glasses and slumped back in my seat as traffic continued to pile up behind us.

— Stockdale and Broadus

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is one passenger fewer. An American tycoon lies dead in his compartment, stabbed a dozen times, his door locked from the inside.

WHEN: Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays 8pm, Sundays 2 pm. Through Saturday, April 16. WHERE: Coronado Playhouse, 1835 Strand Way, Coronado. *coronadoplayhouse.org*



nominated producer and entrepreneur is the founder of Dim Mak, a hybrid record label and lifestyle/clothing company instrumental in launching bands

such as Bloc Party, Klaxons, and The Gossip. Aoki is touring in support of his album *Neon Future IV*.

WHEN: Saturday, March 19, 8 pm WHERE: Nova SD, 454 Sixth Avenue, Downtown. *novasd.com*

Sunday | 20

BANDS, BEER, AND BOUNCE HOUSES IN ROLANDO

Visit a neighborhood street fair offering live music, local performances, over 150 vendors, food, a beer garden, and an interactive kids' area with inflatables. Main stage performances will begin with Sutton James, followed by Boostive, Whitney Shay, the Sure Fire Soul Ensemble, all leading up to San Diego reggae/world music B-Side Players at 4:45 PM. Tim Pyles of 91X will emcee the event.

WHEN: Sunday, March 20, 10 am to 6 pm

WHERE: Intersection of Rolando Boulevard and El Cajon Boulevard, Rolando. *rolandocc.org*

CARMEL MOUNTAIN VERNAL POOL HIKE

Carmel Mountain Preserve encompasses about 300 acres overlooking Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve complete with views of the ocean. In wet springs, the trail passes within close proximity of several small vernal pools. Hike the trails with Will Bowen to examine the pools and puddles and their array of tadpoles, fairy shrimp, and rare plants.

WHEN: Sunday, March 20, 4 pm to 6 pm

WHERE: Carmel Mountain trailhead, 4730 Fairport Way, Carmel Valley. *penasquitos.org*



THE SULLY BAND Saturda

THE SULLY BAND ALBUM RELEASE

Thursday | 17

The Sully Band is fronted by Sully Sullivan, an entrepreneur and radio/ TV personality who offers business tips and advice on MSNBC and elsewhere. The band, named Best Live Performer winners at the 2020 San Diego Music Awards, are releasing their album *Let's Straighten It Out*, recorded in five days with mostly-live renditions of ten classic '60s and '70s soul, blues, and R&B tunes. The album release party includes two guests from that album, Jade and Cullins.

WHEN: Thursday, March 17,7:30 pmWHERE: Belly Up Tavern, 143S. Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. *bellyup.com*

Friday | 18

MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS

Just after midnight, a snowdrift stops the Orient Express in its tracks. The luxurious train is surprisingly full for the time of the year, but by the morning it

Saturday | 19 STEVE AOKI



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DJ Steve Aoki was once ranked by *Pollstar* as the highest grossing electronic dance music touring artist in North America. The Grammy-



MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS DIRECTOR TYLER RICHARDS HEWES

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

ART

8th Annual The Crow Show: Reception The 8th Annual The Crow Show, a San Diego Tradition, returns March 3 - 31, 2022 at The Studio Door. North American visual art exhibition celebrating our feathered neighbors. Juried by Wes Siegrist, Executive Director of The Society of Animal Artists. Saturday, March 19, 6pm; free. Studio Door, 3867 Fourth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Free Third Thursday: Arriba las Mujeres! On the third Thursday of every month, MCASD Downtown will be open late hours. Swing by to celebrate National Women's History Month and view art. The event is inspired by feminist, activist, and artist Yolanda López whose work is on view through April 24. Paying tribute to Lopez's hometown, all offerings are provided by female-owned Barrio Logan businesses. Thursday, March 17, 4pm; free. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, 1100 and 1001 Kettner Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

Gina Palmerin: Icons and Legends In Gina Palmerin's solo show, "Icons and Legends." the artist brings together her two portfolios: "Picture Day, The Icons", and "Legends." Opening Reception March 20, 2022 from 1-4pm. Sunday, March 20, 1pm; Wednesday, March 23, 12pm; free. Sparks Gallery, 530 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Jenny Sampson Tintype Workshop Jenny Sampson photographs skateboarders with large format tintypes. The author and photographer of "Skater Girls" will hold a workshop and demonstration of the wet-plate tintype process photographing local skaters with Grant Brittain. Sunday, March 20, 11am; \$45. 18 and up. Photographers Eye Gallery, 326 East Grand. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

MTRP Art Exhibit: A Natural Connection The Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation is proud to present our second exhibition of 2022; A Natural Connection. Paintings by the artists will be on display through March 25. Wednesdays, 9am; through Thursday, March 24, free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

March Open Studios Tour the studios of over 20 visual artists and experience performances by 4 musicians and their collaborators. Celebrating Holi, the Indian festival that marks the arrival of Spring. The entrance to the event is located on 16th St, near J St, directly across from Goodwill. Proof of vaccination required for entry. Friday,

OUTDOORS

Daylight saving time saves electricity

Pacific Daylight Time, or "daylight saving time," started on Sunday morning, March 13, at 2 am. No time is "saved" by advancing our clocks one hour. This sneaky trick in civil time is designed to rouse us out of bed an hour earlier so that we can enjoy what seems to be an extra hour of daylight before the sun goes down. Daylight saving time, when applied to the months of long daylight, has been proven to save significant amounts of electrical energy.

African Daisies are bursting into bloom around San Diego, especially along the freeway embankments. The name refers to a wide variety of species belonging to the genuses *Arctotis*, *Dimorphotheca* and *Osteospermum*, with flowers ranging in color from yellow, orange and white to purple. These hardy ground covers



COASTAL SAGE SCRUB IN BLOOM.

March 18, 7pm; **free**. Space 4 Art, 325 15th Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Panache Art Auction All proceeds from the auction will go towards supporting and benefiting the art programing, education, and free exhibitions. Saturdays, 11am; through Saturday, March 26, **free**. Escondido Arts Partnership Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

Photography Exhibit: Karen Hymer & Jenny Sampson Celebrate Women's History Month with an exhibition by two women photographers: Karen Hymer AGE & SEDUCTION and Jenny Sampson SKATER GIRLS. Both artists will participate in an Artist talk followed by a reception March 19. Exhibit on display through April 23. Saturday, March 19, 3pm; free. Photographers Eye Gallery, 326 East Grand. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

SoulCollage SoulCollage* is an intuitive and creative collage process that promotes self-discovery, self-acceptance and personal empowerment. Sunday, March 20, 1pm; \$10-\$15. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (EL CAJON)

BEER

Islander Style St Patrick Day Party PIB's 5th Annual Islander Style St Pattys Day Party. \$5 Pints of Green Ale and Lager. Corned Beef Tacos 4 pm by Full Belly BBQ. Irish Tunes! Brewery Thursday, March 17, 2pm; free. Pacific Islander Beer Company, 8665 Argent St., Suite B. (SANTEE)

Rolando Street Fair Rolando welcomes all to a neighborhood street fair with bands, local performances, over 150 vendors, a beer garden and an interactive kids' area, this all-day event is free. Sunday, March 20, 10am; free. Intersection of Rolando Boulevard and El Cajon Boulevard

St. Paddy's Four Way Draft release of Peppermint Paddy Chocolate Stout. Thursday, March 17, 12pm; Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MRAMAR)

St. Paddy's O'Beach Party The lineup includes: Shakedown String Band, Doah's Daydream, (DENM), Michum Yacoub, Band of Gringos, and Verigolds. Saturday, March 19, 11am; Ocean Beach Pier, 5099 Niagara Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH) **St. Patrick's Day Specials** \$9.00 Jameson Green Tea Shots, \$11.50 The Chancer Old Fashion, \$20 Corned Beef & Cabbage, \$20 Guinness Stew, \$20 Irish Bangers & Mash, and \$20 Reuben Sandwiches. Thur-Sun, March 17-20, 4pm; \$9-\$20.21 and up. Shake & Muddle, 303 H St UNIT 109. (CHULA VISTA)

The Drunk'n Leprechauns Enjoy "Attaboy" Irish Red Ale, corned beef and cabbage, with music by The Drunk'n Leprechauns. Thursday, March 17, 6pm; \$7-\$10. Ebullition Brew Works, 2449 Cades Way, Suite D. (VISTA)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Brian Gushue: Football Fan's Improbable Quest Warwick's will host Brian Gushue as he discusses and signs his new book, The Grass is Always Greener: One Football Fan's Improbable Quest *to Attend 500 NFL Games*. Ticket includes a reserved seat and a copy of the book. Tuesday, March 22, 7:30pm; \$19. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Local Author Tammy Greenwood will be sharing her novel, *Keeping Lucy*, a story of a mother's journey to care for her child with Down syndrome. Saturday, March 19, 1pm; \$15. Sol and Ruth Gerber Center, 1280 Nolan Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

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PURPLE "FREEWAY DAISIES," OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AFRICAN TRAILING DAISIES OR OSTEOSPERMUM FRUTICOSUM.

require little water except when in active growth, and help to hold soil in place during heavy rains.

The Pleasantly Pungent Odor of sage is filling the air wherever native vegetation grows on the county's coastal and lower-foothill slopes. Most common are the black sage, with tight clusters of small, white flowers; the grayish-leaved white sage; purple-blossomed, sweet-smelling Cleveland sage; and California sagebrush, characterized by soft, needle-like leaves.

The Full Moon on Friday, March 18, is set to rise dramatically over the East County horizon only a few minutes after the time of sunset, weather permitting. Subsequent full moonrises, late April through August, may be quite obscured by the usual evening low clouds near the coast — so enjoy the show now. Some folk names for March full moons include "crow moon," "moon of winds," "plow moon," "sap moon," and "seed moon."

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.





Linda Vista Second Baptist Church

Contact: 2706 Korink Ave, San Diego 858-277-4008 www.lvsbc.com Membership: 97 (pre-covid: 200-300) Pastor: Norris Jarmon Age: 64 Born: Pine Bluff, AK Formation: Andersonville Theological Seminary, Camilla, GA Years Ordained: 12

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

Pastor Norris Jarmon: My sermons tend to be topical. But I can't give you an exact time it takes me to put a sermon together. I am constantly in prayer because I only believe in saying what God has led me to say. I pray

SD Decameron Project Anthology Book Launch Inspired by

The Decameron by Giovanni Boccaccio written in 1348 during one of the worst pandemics in history, local San Diego County authors were invited to submit previously unpublished stories for the San Diego Decameron Project. As with the original Decameron, the 100 stories have been published in a book that will forever document for future generations how San Diegans coped during the Covid-19 pandemic. Monday, March 21, 6:30pm; free. Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Weekends with Locals: Simon Benjamin Weekends with Locals will be hosting Simon Benjamin, author of Beyond Billionaire. Sunday, March 20, 2pm; Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Weekends with Locals: Taylor García Weekends with Locals will be hosting Taylor García, author of Functional Families. Sunday, March 20, 12pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Exploration for a Sustainable World Use Google Earth to survey sites around the world where people live. Then you will create a design for a sustainable home in a place of your choice. Saturday, March 19, 1pm; free. Linda Vista Library, 2160 Ulric Street. (LINDA VISTA)

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March

to turn your food waste into nutrient-rich castings for your plants or garden beds. Tuesday, March 22, 3:30pm; free. Alpine Library, 1752 Alpine Boulevard, (ALPINE)

guide and direct me. He

always gives me something

to preach on, and I work on

my sermons until God says,

"OK." There have been

times that I have worked all

week preparing a message

and then on Sunday morn-

ing something is going on

where I believe God is lead-

ing me in a different way. I

had that occasion while we

were doing church from

house during the covid time

when the church was closed

and we were online. I had

prepared my message Sun-

day morning and there was

another word that was in me.

I felt a bit confused but knew

that God is not the author of

confusion. Maybe I should

Free Tax Preparation Clinic Home Start offers free basic tax return preparation to qualified individuals. Appointments are required. 619-952-7684 or email vitaassistance@home-start.org. Tuesdays, 1pm; through Tuesday, March 29, free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Intermediate Gel Soapmaking Class Soapmaking 216 is an intermediate-level soapmaking class to teach students to make gel soap using the hot process soapmaking method. Prerequisite: Soapmaking 101 or 1 year of experience (at least 5 batches of soap). Classroom hours: 3 hours, includes one 15-minute break. Class fee: \$69. Materials fee: \$14 Sunday, March 20, 12pm; \$83. Soapmaking Studio, 7301 Mount Vernon Street. (LEMON GROVE)

Junior Science Club: St. Patrick's Day Science Get ready for St. Patrick's Day by experimenting with color-changing cabbage juice and harnessing the power of a potato. If you have the luck of the Irish on St. Patrick's Day, you might even find a rainbow. For students in grades 1 to 4. Price: Members \$13: Nonmembers \$15. Saturday, March 19, 9am and 11am; \$13-\$15. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado, (BALBOA PARK)

Macrame Moon Craft Work**shop** Create a Macrame Moon

wall hanging to accent any room of your home. All the supplies ready to make your personal macrame creation including hoops, rope, beads, feathers, and other embellishments. Tickets also include a flight of wine and \$10 off any bottle of your choice. No previous experience required, beginners to experts

constantly for God to lead, be speaking on something else, I thought. I went into prayer, of course, and getting myself ready for the day to set up to have the service. This word was placed in me and I said, "OK, Lord, if this is you telling me what to do. then I need to you to give me something"... I didn't have a week to prepare for that sermon; it was something that happened within an hour of that Sunday morning. I believe it was a very good service and a lot of good feedback from people. **SDR**: What is the mission of

> your church? **PJ**: Reach the lost, teach the saved and love one another

welcome. Wednesday, March 23,

6pm; \$55. La Mesa Wine Works,

Product & Company Branding

Class Soap Business 325 is a brand-

ing business course for students

who sell their handcrafted goods.

Learn to add the finishing touches

to complete your product image

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image. Class fee: \$54. Materials fee:

\$9. Saturday, March 19, 12pm; \$63.

Soapmaking Studio, 7301 Mount

Spring Equinox Writing

Retreat Spring Equinox Writing

Retreat with Judy Reeves Sunday,

March 20, 10am; \$36-\$42. Ink Spot,

2730 Historic Decatur Rd., Barracks

Wim Hof Method Workshop

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Music Enjoy hands-on science

with your young scientist. Each

four-week session provides devel-

opmentally appropriate, informal

learning experiences that support

and enhance exploration, create

excitement and facilitate scien-

tific 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. Price:

Members \$60; Nonmembers \$70.

Saturdays, 9am; through Saturday,

March 26, \$60-\$70. Fleet Science

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Vernon Street. (LEMON GROVE)

8167 Center Street. (LA MESA)

the way Christ loves us. When I say, "Reach the lost," I don't mean the lost that like us, but the lost, period. The people who need to know about Jesus Christ. Whether they join this church or not, that doesn't matter; we only want to make sure they know of Jesus Christ. That matters to us more than anythingthat people have a relationship with Jesus Christ and come to know him as lord and savior of their lives. Once you start a relationship with Jesus Christ, he will direct you in the direction you need to go-wherever you find a good fit.

SDR: Where do you go when vou die?

PJ: I like to say it like this: "Smoking or non-smoking?" You're going to be either

> The Sofa King Funny Show Local and traveling comedians: Jennifer Mason, Dave Goldberg, Allison Gauss, Kim Runyon, Lauren Reznick, Veronica Burgess. Friday, March 18, 7pm; \$10. 21 and up. Finest City Improv, 3746 Sixth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

WWC Comedy Uncensored standup comedy Tuesdays, 7pm; through Tuesday, December 27, \$20. 21 and up. Negociant Hillcrest Urban Winery, 1263 University Avenue, (HILLCREST)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Healthcare Finance Certificate Info Session UCSD Extension offers a certificate in Healthcare Finance Analysis that can help you break into the field. Free online information session. Thursday, March 17, 11am; free. https://bit. ly/3KH57zT. (ONLINE)

High School Clubhouse Monthly Clubhouse for high school students. Spend time hanging out with new friends and old friends while enjoying some food and participating in hands-on activities. There is no schedule, just come and enjoy the garden and check out a list of upcoming opportunities for high school students. Wednesday, March 23, 3pm; free. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)

Imperial County Education Jobs & Career Fair This event is for credentialed attendees (teachers, substitute teachers, bilingual, school counselors, school psychologists), and doctoral-level education professionals who want to work in the Imperial County and its surrounding school districts. It's a great opportunity for you to meet employers and education professionals in one place. Thurs"God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten son so that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish but have everlasting life." Anyone who believes in Jesus Christ as the only begotten son of God, they will spend eternity in heaven with him. If you believe in him, no matter what, you will spend eternity with him in heaven. If you don't, you go to the smoking section. But we need to remember as well that if you have the opportunity to accept Jesus Christ even in your last breath, that counts.

- Joseph O'Brien

Find more Sheep and Goats columns at SDReader.com/worship/

day, March 17, 3pm; free. https:// allianteducationfair.easyvirtualfair. com/prefair/. (ONLINE)

Pepper Park Design Community Workshop The Port of San Diego invites the public to attend a virtual community workshop as part of the next step in redesigning Pepper Park on the National City Bayfront. The site plans will showcase how new park elements - like a splash pad, group picnic areas, playground upgrades, etc. - can fit within the existing park and the future 2.5-acre expansion. Wednesday, March 23, 6pm; free. portofsandiego.org/projects/ national-city-bayfront. (ONLINE)

San Diego River March March in March for Mother Earth. Group Clean-up, Coffee, and Riverwalk. Friday, March 18, 12pm; free. Mission Valley Center Station. 1400 Camino De La Reina. San Diego, CA 92108

FOR KIDS

All Girls STEM Society: Physics In collaboration with All Girls STEM Society, the Mission Valley Library presents a fun physics workshop. You'll get the chance to build experiments to measure the acceleration due to gravity and win cute prizes through trivia. This workshop is recommended for girls in Grades 5-8 (ages 9-14). All are welcome. Registration required. Sign up online or contact Marika Jeffery at 858-573-5007. Saturday, March 19, 2pm; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Dance Pants Party Recommended for toddlers, preschoolers, and early elementary-school age kids, this simple dance program will feature "The Wheels on the Bus," "Baby Shark," and more. Please note: this program will be held

Wednesdays, 9:30pm; through Saturday, December 31, free. 21 and up. El Prez, 4190 Mission Boulevard. (PACIFIC BEACH) David Spade Nominated in 1999 for an Emmy Award for his memorable role as Dennis Finch. the wise-cracking, power-hungry

COMEDY

Comedy Night Free comedy at

Candys which is inside El Prez.

assistant on Just Shoot Me, David Spade became a household favorite during his five-year stint as a cast member on NBC's Saturday Night Live. Saturday, March 19, 7pm; Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Gaslamp Comedy Open Mic & Happy Hour Tuesday, March 22, 7:30pm; free. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Kurt Metzger AS SEEN ON: Comedy Central's This Is Not Happening, Horace and Pete, Inside Amy Schumer, Sacha Baron Cohen's Who Is America & more! Thursday, March 17, 8pm; Friday, March 18, 8pm; Saturday, March 19, 8pm; \$10-\$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Nicole Aimee Schreiber Nicole Aimee Schreiber has been honing her skills opening Dave Attell. Free tickets and \$5 drafts brought to you by Stone Brewing Night. Wednesday, March 23, 8pm; free-\$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Sasheer Zamata Seen and heard on SNL, Comedy Central, ABC and more. Sunday, March 20, 7pm; \$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)



hell or heaven. But I do believe that everyone has an opportunity to go to heaven. It doesn't matter what you have done or what you're doing; what matters is whether you received Jesus Christ as the lord and savior of your life. John 3:16 says,

smoking or non-smoking,

outdoors. For outside programs, masks are recommended but not required. Wednesdays, 10:30am; through Wednesday, March 30, Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Lost Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt Enjoy a self-guided scavenger hunt through shamrock meadows and rainbow tunnels, free with Garden entry. Friday, March 18, 9am; Saturday, March 19, 9am; Sunday, March 20, 9am; free-\$8. Water Conservation Garden, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (EL CAJON)

LECTURES

Chemistry STEMonstration Day Nobel Laureate David W.C. MacMillan will present a lecture on his Nobel Prize winning work in chemistry throughout the day, seat availability may be limited. Saturday, March 19, 10am; **free**. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Culinary Historians: They Came Bearing Bread The Hard Lives of the Porteuses de Pain, featuring Jim Chevallier. For more than a hundred years, bread porters, almost always women, hand delivered bread in French cities. The "porteuses de pain" were a familiar part of French life, portrayed in images, statues, novels and plays, mentioned among national sights, and often considered to have hard lives. Saturday, March 19, 10:30am; **free**. Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Rembrandt & his Colleagues We are very fortunate that the Timken collection contains Dutch and Flemish masterpieces from some of the world's most renowned artists. including Rembrandt, Frans Hals and Anthony van Dyck. Intoday's docent-led talk, we will examine the new genres of art introduced during a period in which the inhabitants of the Netherlands became consumers of art to fill their homes - they couldn't get enough. Held via Zoom. Thursday, March 17, 11am; free. timkenmuseum.org/calendar/ event/virtual-talk-rembrandt-andhis-colleagues/. (ONLINE)

Through a Ukrainian Looking Glass Through a Ukrainian Looking Glass: Dovid Hofshteyn's Soviet Yiddish Translations of Taras Shevchenko. In this talk, drawn from her recent book, *Songs in Dark Times*, Professor Glaser, will discuss the important role of Ukrainian literature to Soviet Yiddish culture. Sunday, March 20, 2pm; https://bit.ly/3w5Z4kk. (ONLINE)

NATURE

Bird Walk Join MTRP birders Millie Basden and Cindy Cornelius for a guided bird walk along the scenic shore of Lake Murray. Lake Murray is always rich in migratory as well as our resident water birds. Meet on the north side of the lake. After entering at Murray Park Dr. and Belle Glade Ave. proceed along the driveway past a set of ballfields on your right and turn into the paved parking lot on your right. Bring binoculars if you have them. Wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes, and bring along water. A hat and sunscreen are also recommended. Saturday, March 19, 8am; **free**. Lake Murray Community Park, 7001 Murray Park Drive. (SAN CARLOS)

Birding With all Your Senses Join Ornithologist Jeanie Anderson for an easy stroll on a path in the canyon with many birds both visible and calling. Bring sturdy shoes, binoculars and coverups. Handouts and checklists will be provid-ed. Meet at the Preserve Sign at the west end of Canyonside Park Driveway, 12122 Black Mtn. Rd., Rancho Peñasquitos, 92129. Saturday, March 19, 7:45am; free. 12122 Black Mtn. Rd., Rancho Peñasquitos 92129

Carmel Mountain Vernal Pool Hike Hike the trails of Carmel Mountain Preserve with Will Bowen to ex-amine the early spring road pools and puddles where tadpoles, fairy shrimp, and rare plants tem-porally live. Meet at the Carmel Mountain trailhead near the intersection of Fairport Way and Shorepointe Way. Sunday, March 20, 4pm; **free**. Carmel Mountain trailhead, 4730 Fairport Way. (CAR-MEL VALLEY)

Guided Nature Walk Join an MTRP Trail Guide on a guided nature walk and learn about the plants, animals, geology, history, and ecology of the park along a scenic trail. These interpretive nature walks are offered to enhance your appreciation of the unique beauty of San Diego's natural environment. Walks start from the Visitor Center, are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. Saturday & Sunday, March 19 & 20, 9:30am; free. One Father Junipero Serra Trail (SAN CARLOS)

Orchid Magic Show & Sale Enjoy world class displays, hundreds of magnificent plants speakers and orchid conservation experts. Connect with California and International growers. Friday, March 18, 3pm; Saturday, March 19, 9am; Sunday, March 20, 10am; \$10-\$12. Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South. (MISSION VALLEY)

Plants & Pollinators Torrey Pines Docent Society's March Nature Discovery Series will be a presentation about "Plants and Pollinators" by Margaret Fillius. We will meet at the pavilion area near the Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve upper parking lot. Saturday, March 19, 3pm; **free**. Torrey Pines State Beach and Reserve, 12600 N. Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

Star Party Full Moon Join members from the San Diego Astronomy Association at the West Sycamore area of MTRP to view the nighttime sky through telescopes. Telescopes provided or bring your own if you have one. Meet in the parking lot at the far east end of Stonebridge Parkway 17160 Stonebridge Parkway, Sunset at 6:49 pm-PDT. Rain or cloudy skies cancel event. Friday, March 18, 6:30pm; **free**. West Sycamore – Mission Trails Regional Park, 17160 Stonebridge Parkway. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

> SPECIAL EVENTS

Accessibility Mornings The Fleet Science Center invites guests who would benefit from a low-sensory experience to Accessibility Mornings. On the third Saturday of every month, visitors can enjoy admission to the exhibit galleries in a quieter setting, an hour before the museum opens to the public, and a special film screening with house lights on and a lower soundtrack volume. Visitors are welcome to stay and enjoy the museum all day. Saturday, March 19, 10am; free. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Stroll Thru Shushan: A Purim Promenade Join The Hive and Lipinsky Family San Diego Jewish Arts Festival for an experiential walking tour through the city of Shushan – filled with live dance, music, and merriment as we bring the ancient voices of the Purim story to life. Don't miss an entertaining afternoon, including original performances from San Diego Ballet and vignettes curated by the San Diego Repertory Theatre. Tickets are Pay-What-You-Can, valued at \$18/person, with a special ticket price for the last showing. Sunday, March 20, 1pm; **free**-\$18. Leichtag Commons, 800 Ecke Ranch Road. (ENCINITAS)

SPOKEN WORD

San Diego Storytelling Festival The most storied festival is back in person, up close and with a dynamic line-up of storytellers, workshops, an open mic session for attendees, three sessions for and by kids, with an open mic for kids to follow. Saturday, March 19, 10am; free. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

SPORTS & FITNESS

Chillin' Nude 5K Run This is a nude run. Sunday, March 20, 1pm; \$40-\$65. 18 and up. DeAnza Springs Resort, 1951 Carrizo Gorge Road. (JACUMBA)

Pilates in the Park Flow through a zenned out Pilates-based class in Friendship Park, a beautiful patch of green space located right next to Chula Vista Library. This community environment is open to all ability levels. Bring mat, water, and sunscreen. Class payment is a pay what you can slidng scale. Sundays, 10am; through Friday, April 1, \$2-\$15. Chula Vista Friendship Park, Fourth Avenue & F Street. (CHULA VISTA)







CURRENT MOVIES

MOVIE LISTINGS

All reviews are by Scott Marks, Matthew Lickona, and Duncan Shepherd. Priorities are indicated by one to five stars and antipathies by the black spot. Unrated movies are for now unreviewed. Thousands of past reviews are available online at SDReader.com/movies.

The Batman — With but one The Batman (Robert Pattinson, his costume overacting) to keep tabs on dozens of criminals, the signal that brands the night sky takes on the dual-function of batsummoner and criminal-beware alarm. As sure as the sun never shines anywhere in Gotham City - given their accumulated wisdom, the dumdum detectives can't figure out how to flip on a light switch at a murder scene - all characters, good and bad, speak in the same voice. Even when they yell, they do so in whispers, as though someone other than the audience might be listening. Holy convenience-plotting, Batman! Having just met Selina Kyle (Zoë Kravitz, an icky girl in the DC boy's club), how does Batman know where she lives and what apartment opposite hers offers a stalker the best view? For that matter, how did Riddler (Paul Dano, picking up the easiest paycheck of his career) anticipate the shootout with Carmine Falcone (John Turturro) unfolding on the street below his apartment window? I could go on, but that appears to have been director and co-writer Matt Reeves' job. Anyone who is bat shit lazy enough to require three hours to tell



this story deserves to have their Guild membership revoked. 2022. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

of features to his credit, DeMi-

lle had long since established

himself as a master showman,

schooled in the art of how to

read a paying public. In pre-code

times, he was known for devot-

time to sex and sin, only to pack

the censor board.

But what's racy

about the circus,

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Circus month continues! Those quick to peg Cecil B.

DeMille's The Greatest Show on Farth as the least deserving winner of a Best Picture Oscar must have been sick the week Chariots of Fire, Crash, and Forrest Gump played town. To be continued online.

— Scott Marks

he helped to create, with dozens

Cornel Wilde, Betty Hutton, in its center ring Charlton Heston and the the spotless Betty greatest reveal on film! Hutton — aka

> the human embodiment of the worst qualities of big mouth Martha Raye and professional virgin Doris Day combined? But get past that, and resist the urge to scan through the myriad of circus acts, and you'll find an entertainment truly deserving of its title. To be continued online.

Belfast - No sooner does a full-color drone's-eye-view offer up a glimpse of Belfast today, than we're whisked over a fence and 50 years into a monochromatic past. For a city beset by civil war, it's amazing how squeaky clean the streets look, as if set designers spent their evenings polishing each brick and curbstone. Everything is calculated so as not to challenge the easily engrossed: faces peer from windows like an advent calendar: an exploding auto is captured from four different angles; one slo-mo punch results in an artfully arching head, water spritzing from the mouth. And don't give me any of this, "Good acting at its finest" nonsense. With Judi Dench and Ciarán Hinds' names in the credits vou know damn well the acting will be first-rate. Alas, actors don't make movies, directors do. It's difficult to dramatize war from a child's point-of-view without resorting to sentimentality, a fact that's repeatedly illustrated throughout the picture. I have 3 words for writer/director Kenneth Branagh: Hope and Glory. 2021. — S.M. \bigstar (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Cyrano — It would be hard to top Fred Schepisi's Roxanne as the #1 film adaptation of Edmond Rostand's nasally enhanced romance, but the latest from Joe Wright (Adaptation, The Soloist) comes close. Time and again Peter Dinklage has proven to be more than just another Billy Barty, a character actor accepting any role that requires its performer to be under 4 5 Reimagined as a character who's as diminutive as the original Cyrano's nose was protruding, it's a role Dinklage was born to play. Cyrano suffers from a severe inferiority complex whenever he's around Roxanne. Surely a man capable of conquering 10 men with a sword can win the heart of one woman. Unlike those around him. Dinklage's libertine is scruffy and unpowdered. In a performance that is so powerfully seductive, Dinklage didn't even bother to attempt an accent. The score is lovely - leading lady Haley Bennett can actually sing - and cameraman Seamus McGarvey's color scheme and Sarah Greenwood's production design are as pink and bountiful as Roxanne's bosom. There are a couple of songs too many and it's doubtful that anyone in 17th Century France would ask what "God has been smoking." Still, in this day and age, a romantic fantasy for adults, shorn of spaceships and costumed heroes. is a picture worth treasuring. 2021. — S.M. $\star \star \star \star$ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Drive My Car — In the shadows of their bedroom, a Japanese power couple actor-director Yûsuke Kafuku (Hidetoshi Nishijima) and screenwriter Oto Kafuku (Reika Kirishima) - take advantage of their post-coital glow to hatch an idea for a TV pilot She is always with him: while driving, he runs lines off a tape of Uncle Vanva that she recorded for him. One day. he furtively happens upon Oto making love to her young protege Kôji (Masaki Okada) and says nothing. Two years after a cerebral hemorrhage takes Oto's life, Yûsuke accepts an Artist-in-Residence position to direct Chekhov's tragedytinged comedy. There are scars in life that refuse to heal. He still listens to Oto's tape. and would prefer to drive himself. But a fatal accident involving another visiting dignitary adds a contractual provision for the services of driver Misaki Watari (Tôko Miura) that is non-negotiable. (If they go to the expense of hiring a driver, why not supply a car as well?) A master at mounting multilingual productions, Yûsuke can't find the words needed to make sense of his own life. Add to that the appearance of Kôji's headshot in the stack of audition forms, and an unexpected bonding with Misaki... all that's missing is a will to survive. Ryûsuke Hamaguchi (Wheel of Fortune and Fantasy) takes us on an unnecessarily long ride that is ultimately a journey worth taking. 2021. — S.M. ★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Lost City — Channing Tatum finally achieves what may have been the goal all along: the role of book cover beefcake model. Sandra Bullock provides the wordy stuff inside. Dan Radcliffe provides the drama. And hopefully, directors Aaron

and Adam Nee provide some sense of fun 2022. — S.M. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Master — Two African-American women, breaking different ground: freshwoman Jasmine (Zoe Renee) is advancing up the road to academia, while Prof. Gail Bishop (Regina Hall) is the first black woman to assume the post of residence hall "Master" of a New England college. Her classmates snicker upon learning of Jasmine's accommodation, but won't say why. Every year since 1955 a witch targets one student to kill. It's a tradition as old as the halls of the elite (read: predominantly white) Ancaster College, a non-existent, but real-sounding institution said to have been founded around the same time as our democracy. Why should Jasmine live in fear of bad grades when it's the witch haunting her upstairs dorm room that's doing most of the expelling, head first and out the window? It was around the time Bishop winged us with, "It's not ghosts, it's America and it's everywhere," that the formula became clear. As if cross-burning and institutional racism weren't horrifying enough subjects to dramatize, writer-director Mariama Diallo's first feature relies heavily on bunkum and hoo-doo to underscore the obvious. It's a no-win situation: horror fans will be put off by the heavy-handed messaging, while those searching for social significance will

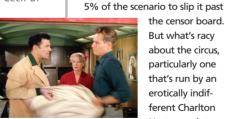
The Outfit — A pair of killers in need of a favor rely on Mark Rylance, a high class tailor in Chicago, to help them out. What follows is being described as, "a deadly game of murder and deception." Not again! Here's hoping screenwriter Graham Moore's (The Imitation Game) debut feature is an experience to remember. S.M. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

be left horrified, 2022. — S.M. ★ (LAND-

MARK HILLCREST, CINEPOLIS VISTA)

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 labyrinthian 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 costars as Cruz's maternity ward bunkmateturned-lover, and mother of Cruz's dead daughter. I warned you about the unwholesomeness. Not to be missed! 2021. - S.M. ★★★★★ (LANDMARK HILLCREST)

 \mathbf{X} — Mia Goth once again lives up to her name, this time as a young Texas churl in the late 70's whose willingness to make a porno gives new and terrifying meaning to the term "getting screwed." Co-stars Jenna Ortega, Brittany Snow, and Kid Cudi follow the lead of low-voltage shock-meister Ti West (Cabin Fever 2, The Sacrament). 2022. — S.M. (IN WIDE RELEASE)



Heston and stars The Greatest Show on Earth:

2022

ON STAGE IN SAN DIEGO

THEATER LISTINGS

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

12 Angry Jurors

A 19-year-old man has just stood trial for the fatal stabbing of his father. "He doesn't stand a chance," mutters the guard as the 12 jurors are taken into the bleak jury room. It looks like an open-and-shut case-until one of the jurors begins opening the others' eyes to the facts. "This is a remarkable thing about democracy," says the foreign-born juror, "that we are notified by mail to come down to this place-and decide on the guilt or innocence of a person; of a man or woman we have not known before. We have nothing to gain or lose by our verdict. We should not make it a personal thing."

PATIO PLAYHOUSE THEATRE, 116 S. KALMIA ST., ESCONDIDO. 7PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Abigail's Party

"We're not here to hold conversations, we are here to enjoy ourselves." So declares the hostess with the mostest Beverly. A working-class girl in 1970s England completely obsessed with appearances, what's "in", and having a good time no matter the cost, Beverly only wants what's best for everyone as long as what's best is based on Beverly. With an intimate gathering of neighborhood acquaintances, she mixes the cocktails, stirs the scandals, and shakes the sensibilities of their quiet suburban life with unintended consequences. This darkly comic tale on the outskirts of London in the 1970s has been described as the cocktail party from hell and the gathering gone wrong. By Mike Leigh directed by Rosina Reynolds. Cast: Francis Gercke, Jessica John, Carter Piggee Liliana Talwatte and Michelle Marie Trester.

TENTH AVENUE ARTS CENTER, 930 TENTH AVE., EAST VILLAGE. 619-920-8503. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, & SATURDAYS.

El Borracho

All the ingredients are there, starting with David Israel Reynoso's inspired set, which surrounds the play's small-apartment setting with a moat of boozy empties. All those bottles Dad drained, long since tossed but still hemming in our troubled trio: Mom, Dad, and their son the collegiate playwright. (The program's interview is titled "Making Art Out of Life," and in it, breakthrough writer Tony Meneses says that the story is based on "a lot of autobiographical stuff," and is what came to mind when his teacher talked about writing "the play that scares you.") Meneses' setup is another excellent ingredient: Dad is sick, so sick that he needs a caretaker, and the only real option is his long-suffering ex-wife, who was so adamant that she would never see him again that she missed her son's first play just to avoid any encounters with El Borracho, the loteria game's Drunkard come to loathsome life. Everyone is



trapped — Dad by his illness and macho denial, Mom by her pain and resentment, and son by his broken family and oh, yes, the big secret he is afraid to reveal to his immigrant parents. And the cast is capable; you can see it from the moment they appear, Dad and his swooping limp, Son and his sympathetic tones, Mom and her tightening jaw. All that remains is to stick them in a room together, either in pairs or all three at once, and let their mingling bring things to a boil. But ingredients are not a finished dish. Too often, the dialogue feels less like talk and more like expository writing, such that the characters have to act through the wordiness. Too often, the humor feels jokey instead of integral and leavening. ("Why is La Sirena, the mermaid, topless?" "Because Mexican men made it!") More than once, Dad insists he's changed, but he doesn't say or show how or why. And the big secret is...not that big, at least not in the world of the play. But the play is pleasingly ambitious, taking in as it does immigrant enculturation, familial drama, and generational mores, and slipping as it does into occasional flights of cleverly staged fancy (the slow-strobe effect at the climax is a bit of lo-tech wonder.) And often, it has the essential ingredient of felt life, which counts for so much. — Matthew Lickona OLD GLOBE - SHERYL & HARVEY WHITE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK, 619-234-5623, 8PM THURSDAYS &

PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS.

The Great Khan

Playwright Michael Gene Sullivan has said that "this play does not have a traditional villain." There are bad guys involved: the play's story is set in motion when a group of young men attempt to rape Ant, a girl who was a friend of theirs, up until the day she got titties and so became a target. Their attempt is foiled by our protagonist Jayden — a gamer at heart, a stinky teen boy in body — but by

the time the play opens, fear of violent repercussions has led his mother to move him to a new, considerably less Black school in a new part of town. The real villain, according to the program, is "the racist society that births stereotypes... which lead to a flattened expectation of people." But it's a tricky business, writing a play about racism without any racists or racist acts (unless you're going to count the white history teacher who can't manage to name 20 famous Black people who aren't athletes or entertainers). It can wind up getting pretty speechy - which is not to say preachy, since Sullivan is a good enough writer to make his monologues sound like genuine cries from the heart, and the show's polished and engaging cast can put that across — and those speeches can work to turn the play from a consideration of characters to an argument about History. What parts of whose history gets told, and who gets to tell it? Worthwhile questions, but perhaps a trifle academic, which is probably why the play's action centers around a presentation for a high school history class. It helps some that one of the characters is himself historical: the Mongol Temujin, who eventually became Genghis Khan. The Great Khan, who lost his family, who was enslaved as a boy, who loved what was his own, and who slaughtered his enemies on the way to conquering more land than anyone else ever. An attractive character to a boy living in fear. But that part gets tricky as well: Sullivan is canny enough to have one character compare Temuiin to Hitler - a man who rallied a suffering people to take vengeance on the world - but his defense...well, perhaps viewers ought to judge for themselves. Drama-wise, it's worth noting that the characters themselves are spared a reckoning, even as the audience is threatened with one. SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE.

SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-544-1000. 8PM FRIDAYS &

The Great Khan: Are we too quick to diss Genghis?

SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS. tl

There is a good deal of violence against women described in Nobel Laureate(!) Harold Pinter's sour, seething The Homecoming, much of it in friendly, conversational tones by canny Lenny, as he chats up his older brother Teddy's wife. (Teddy's the one doing the titular homecoming; for the past nine years, he's been as far from London's workaday West End as possible - Dad may have followed Grandpa into the butcher business, but Ted's left that fleshy world behind for the airy realms of philosophy and academy.) But the violence we get to see? That's done to the men, both then and now. Lenny may be a monster. Teddy may be a ghost, and younger brother Joey may be a dumb brute, but as Old Man Max declares, his sons learned everything they know about morality at their mother's knee - Max's dear, departed "slut bitch of a wife." Not for nothing do the only memories of actual physical affection involve, often uncomfortably, father and sons. Not for nothing does the play's opening include Max's fond recollection of his best friend Mac, who always had a kind word for Max's missus. Observations like these (such as they are), are not likely to occur during the actual performance, however, as its cavalcade of conflicts, hairpin turns of emotion, adventures in absurd humor, and barrage of self-serving stories amounting to a tragedy masquerading as a history - are likely to prove a bit dizzying. Perhaps calculatedly so. Richard Baird's Lenny is apt to attract the most attention, if only because fear is perhaps first among feelings, but Frank Corrado's Max, more riveting than attractive, still makes it clear that the story here is about him. And despite that emotional black hole at the center of things, most everyone gets their moment in the sun, even

and perhaps especially Melanie Lora as

Ruth, the new arrival who understands

the old ways. An unsettling, gripping, impressive affair.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS.

Into the Woods

New Village Arts partners with the Oceanside Theatre Company to coproduce Stephen Sondheim's Into the Woods, directed by Kristianne Kurner. Interwoven through fairy tales is the story of a baker and his wife, whose longing for a child is thwarted by a mischievous witch. Sondheim's songs, secamlessly melded to James Lapine's text, are perfect expressions of the complications of living in modern society and the difficult choices we encounter on the paths of our lives.

SUNSHINE BROOKS THEATRE, 217 N. COAST HWY, OCEANSIDE. 760-433-8900. 8PM FRIDAYS, SATURDAYS, & SUNDAYS.

Just an Idea

Julie Roland is an active duty Navy heli copter pilot moonlighting as the sole actor in this one-woman improvised musical. She is accompanied by oneman: Stu Shames, the pianist. Together they bring your suggestions to life, incorporating your ideas as they brainstorm the next Tony award-winning musical in front of your eyes. You can decide the setting, name the characters, throw wrenches into the plot, and more, as Julie and Stu find ways to weave the entire story together in 45 minutes of hilarious fun. By the end, you'll really imagine that what began as just an idea is destined for Broadway.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BL., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-728-7820. 10PM SATURDAY.

Love Song

You know about love songs, don't you? The way they're meant to capture a feel-

ing, say, about the way you look tonight? Or the way you wear your hat - you know, the sort of thing they can't take away from you? Except they do take it away, don't they? Time and tide, vice and vicissitude, the grim reality of reality, they all conspire to drive you to wind up like Joan - emotionally closed, endlessly frustrated - and her husband Harry, who views disagreement as the essence of conversation. Maybe they were in love once, but... well, it could be worse. They could be like Joan's brother Beane, a man upon whom the walls are closing in and for whom the lights are flickering out, so trapped in emotional solitude is he. How trapped is he? When Molly, a manic pixie dream girl who borders on the psychotic, comes to plunder his self-assigned cell, she's shocked to learn that it holds no closet of hidden sentiments. Shocked, and more than a little bit fascinated. What follows in John Kolvenbach's play about the lifesaving power of love in the face of the aforementioned reality might feel a bit precious were it not for the enormous charm and charisma of the play's two actresses, the engaging way the actors play off of them, and the inventive staging of director Claire Simba. (The entwining swirl of physical motions that accompany a late-stage recounting of The Night We Met redeem the scene's overripe dialogue.) In the end, the play itself is a bit like one of those famous love songs, capturing a feeling you may never have actually felt, but one which you nevertheless recognize, or perhaps aspire to -- "the secret ingredient that makes you think things are possible." SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 9783 AVENUE OF NATIONS, SCRIPPS RANCH, 858 578-7728. 8PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Mockingbird

The play Mockingbird tells the story of Caitlin. Caitlin is an 11-year-old girl on the autism spectrum. Not all things make sense to her. Emotions are mysterious and voices are almost always too loud. Suddenly, she must grapple with the unthinkable: a mass shooting has taken her brother away. He was the one person who helped her cope. Now she is alone with her grieving father and a cacophony of children at school. She struggles to understand empathy, what facial expressions mean and why a drawing might have more than one color. We see the world from Caitlin's point of view. We struggle as she does. We also take comfort in the times when she finds a friend, draws a multicolored mockingbird and can finally cry for her brother. MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N. ROLANDO, 858-598-7620. 7PM THURSDAY, FRIDAY, & SATUR-DAY, 2PM SUNDAY

Murder on the Orient Express

Just after midnight, a snowdrift stops the Orient Express in its tracks. The luxurious train is surprisingly full for the time of the year, but by the morning it is one passenger fewer. An American tycoon lies dead in his compartment, stabbed a dozen times, his door locked from the inside. Isolated and with a killer in their midst, the passengers rely on the famous Belgian detective Hercule Poiror to identify the murderer – before he or she decides to strike again. Everyone is a suspect in this celebrated mystery crime drama.

CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO. 619-435-4856. 8PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS. 2022

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Don't knock gnocchi

There's a kind of purring contentment about this place.

ome bars just get it. They know who they are. They make you feel you know who you are.

I walk into this place on Cañon Street in Point Loma and I feel congeniality wrapping

around me like a warm cloak. The space a cross between an elegant salon and a Cheers. Somehow, the name "Old Venice" fits. And the customers are not just oldies, but young arty types, mixed with people talking plumbing, electrics, franchise politics - at least here, tonight.

But I have to ask this gal Erin, because I notice they don't do lunch: "Do you guys have a happy hour still, since covid hit?"

"Oh yes," says Erin, "a good one if you're hungry."

Huh. Guess they had to drop lunch because, like everybody, they probably can't get enough staff. Whatever, I'm glad they let HH sur-

The \$1 garlic bread, a treasure of flavor and crispy tenderness

vive. In times like these, such little gifts to us working stiffs mean a lot. So, where to settle in? I know they have cute patios outside, and this bar isn't too big, but it is warm, and the cool outside has turned to a biting cold. Indoors is the scene to make. Specially as it looks like an interesting bunch hunched up there at the black marble bar.

I look around. This place is definitely classy. Some parts even have framed art on the walls and fluted columns. Makes you think of some Venetian aristocrat's drawing room. So I haul up to the last empty bar stool and order a house red. Erin brings me a glass of Bogle Cabernet. Costs \$9. Not sure if we're talking a HH price. Could be, this being Point Loma and all. But hey, they subtract \$3 on the check. So s₀ all. But hey, ☐ yes, HH \$6!

Erin also drops off a HH menu. Boy, not 👷 the cheapest, but certainly extensive. Right

off, being cold and all, I order a bowl of veggie soup (\$8. Cup would have been \$6. Garlic bread's \$1 extra. And this garlic bread! Crunchy, tender, a big golden stain of butter and garlic and green basil wiped into it. Deeelish. The actual soup becomes

secondary). But now it's a question of the main plate. Most expensive HH dish is the delicious-sounding stuffed shrimp in a Parmesan crust, \$17. Shrimp and artichoke

is \$16, and steamed mussels go for \$13. Of course, I could've just asked for more of that scrumbo garlic bread and called it a day at that. But tonight I'm determined to stuff myself like a cannoli. D'aaagh, lessee: Meatballs

(or sausage) in marinara, with Parmesan cheese, \$8; a garlic bulb with Brie cheese, \$11; focaccia with pesto, mozzarella, and Parmesan, \$14. But I have already made up my mind. For the first time, I decide to give gnocchi a chance. I know this is crazy, but I don't remember ever having had it, even once. I just know

it as some kind of

Another solid HH meal: meatballs, two for \$8

stuffed pasta. Think I thought it looked like a roll of tasteless carbs. But I find out that gnocchi got its name because it looks like a "knot" of wood. And that we can blame a particular Roman, Marcus Gavius Apicius, for inventing gnocchi, back in the 1st century AD. He created this mix of semolina, water, and milk, fried it, and seasoned it with honey and black pepper. "Gnocchi Romana" today is still pretty much exactly that same combination. Potato? I guess the potato stuffing came back to Europe with Columbus. When you think about it, these are really just mini-dumplings - very Italian, and yet quite Chinese, too.

There's a kind of purring of contentment about this place. You know people love it here when Larry, a music teacher sitting across the table, tells you he has been coming in for 42 years. He's eating the focaccia dish. And two seats up, Susan is singing the praises of the HH shrimp and artichoke. Her dinner buddy Gloria swears by the focaccia/pizza she got, and she should know: she teaches cooking herself.

This is about when bar guy Omar picks my gnocchi up from George the cook and gives it to Erin, who swings it over. My first gnocchi! The plate is stuffed with potato knots in a marinara sauce, topped with Parmesan and basil. Looks colorful, tasty. Costs \$11. And I



Gnocchi: Cheese dumplings, sausage, and plenty of sauce

don't know why, but I'm surprised at the potatoness of the flavors. Oh, and of course: the whole Polish dumpling thing. That's what these are! Pierogi.

Potato adds a lot of volume to each bite, and hey, cheesy! That Parmesan topping just seals the deliciosity. I mean, yes, it's mild, in an Italian way. I miss a bit of bite, until I find the li'l jar of dried crushed peppers to shake out, and discover the herby sausage chunks that ended up under all the cheesy

Erin with my gnocchi, veggie soup, garlic bread, Bogle Cab

Mushrooms - shrooms, snow crab, shrimp and

who invented them, Marcus Gavius Apicius.

provolone. A deal for \$11. Or maybe I'll dive into

gnocchi again, as a tribute to the epicurean Roman

He would have appreciated this place.

bundles. The veggie soup and the cabernet also make nice taste washes that help the gnocchi go down.

Next time, I'm a-coming back for their walnut gorgonzola salad. Something healthy! Or Magic

The Place: Old Venice Restaurant, 2910 Cañon Street, Point Loma, 619-222-5888 Hours: 4-8:30pm daily (till 9:30pm Friday, Saturday)

Happy Hour Prices: Potato gnocchi, \$11; Brussels sprouts, \$10; meatballs or sausage, \$8; Caprese salad, \$11; daily soup \$6 (cup), \$8 (bowl); steamed mussels, \$13; baked artichoke \$12; garlic bulb and Brie, (\$11); magic mushroom (snow crab, shrimp), \$11; caprese salad, \$11; walnut gorgonzola salad, \$12; focaccia, \$14; roast leg of lamb (Wednesdays only) \$18.95; Buses: 28, 84

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The kitchen god arrives

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Grandpa Táo Kitchen's beefed-up broth

1190 N 2nd St, El Cajon. Thank the kitchen god, our days of mediocre phở have come to an end.

One year ago, my family moved from central San Diego to East County. Though we occasionally miss the walkability of our old, urban neighborhood, the dearth of quality phở has proven

our most challenging adjustment. The noodle

BBQ pork spring rolls. soup is the preferred comfort food of my Vietnamese-American wife, so I've come to view any break of bad news, chilly weather, or malaise as opportunity to try out one of many phở shops nearby.

There've been more than a few such days, and we've tried more than a few local shops — none worthy of a repeat visit. Until the arrival of Grandpa Táo Kitchen.

Note that the place is not called Grandpa Táo's Kitchen. As the staff pointed out to me, Grandpa Táo is not the business owner, but a nickname of the Vietnamese kitchen god. At the beginning of Vietnam's annual Tet (lunar New Year) holiday, tradition holds that households burn paper votives in tribute to Ông Táo, a unique, mythic character said to wear rubber boots and ride a carp to heaven at the end of each year to report on each families' earthly goings-on to the Jade Emperor deity.

Which sounds like a pretty wild tradition to someone who grew up leaving cookies out for the portly, bearded man in a red suit who climbs in through a chimney in the middle of the night. But I digress...

Grandpa Táo opened a few weeks ago, in the former El Cajon location of Kip's Café, a Chinese restaurant that recently closed due to retirement after some 65 years doing business at multiple locations in El Cajon, plus a brief sojourn in Hillcrest. Kip's had added a sushi component at some point, and Grandpa Táo keeps that going with a limited menu of maki rolls. However, we happily stuck to the more robust Vietnamese menu. Because, aside from such items as bread and noodles, it's all made from scratch.



Rare beef phở, in a clear, ten-hour broth.

EVENTS

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FOOD & DRINK

Cars & Coffee All cars welcome

Sundays, 8am; through Sun-

day, August 24, free. Kit Carson Park, 3333 Bear Valley Parkway.

Chefcitos Meet in the garden to make green goodies like a healthy

green shamrock shake & avocado

ranch with oven-baked sweet pota-

toes and fresh cut veggies. Ages 5

- 14. Saturday, March 19, 10am;

\$10-\$20. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue.

Cocktail Workshop & Dinner Afterwards Learn how to shake

up two cocktails and then enjoy

a meal afterwards. All supplies and materials provided. Monday, March 21, 6:30pm; \$60. 21 and up. Slater's 50/50, 2750 Dewey Rd.,

Building 193. (LIBERTY STATION)

Corned Beef & Cabbage & Music Saint Patrick's dinner, fea-

turing corned beef and cabbage.

Plus enjoy the music of Alicia Previn's Irish Fiddlelicks. Thurs-

day, March 17, 5pm; free. Ebulli-

tion Brew Works and Gastronomy,

Dinner for Two Date Night Prix-

2628 Gateway Rd. (CARLSBAD)

In the case of its \$10-14 phở, that means broth that spent ten hours drawing flavor from beef bones and brisket, plus onions, ginger, and aromatic spices. We spent the past year tasting what comes from a quick and easy approach to *ph*^{*ð*}, and this tasty, clear broth was nearly good enough to right all those wrongs.

Grandpa Táo prepares its own meats and pickled vegetables, too, which yields a satisfying \$7-8 bánh mì, as well. All the standards are there: spring rolls (\$6.50), bun vermicelli noodle salads (\$11-12), and shaking beef (\$14), each offering protein choices of BBQ pork, chicken, beef. shrimp, and tofu.

by Ian Anderson

St. Patrick's

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(Serves 10)

\$199.95



Fixe \$90 includes; Choice of appetizer, Choice of entrée, Choice of bottled wine, and dessert. Tuesdays, 4pm; through Thursday, March 31, \$90. 21 and up. Shake & Muddle, 303 H St UNIT 109. (CHULA VISTA) Seasonal Fermentation Workshop: Strawberries Learn how to make fermented veggies and other dishes with strawberries. Sun-

day, March 20, 12pm; Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR) Winemaker Series Dinner: Lulu Martinez Valle continues their new Winemakers Series with

winemaker Lulu Martinez. Experience a four course wine pairing to complement Chef Roberto Alcocer's Baja inspired flavors. Thursday, March 17, 8pm; \$190. 21 and up. Valle Restaurant, 201 North Myers Street. (OCEANSIDE)

the inside track



BJ Jezbera wants to absorb from everyone and play everywhere.

The view from Chula Vista Asked for his most colorful stories about gigging around town, singersongwriter BJ Jezbera gives the impression that he knows just a little bit more than he's telling. "I feel like a question like this," he explains, "really deserves a face-to-face conversation in a dimly lit dive bar, over cheap beer and some Skrewball. Because that's the only way I can piece together the many memories I have made in this scene. A couple of my favorite stories are about the time I went on tour with Quel Bordel and we played Drinking Dreidel in our hotel, or the times I played the Anime Conji conventions and partied with people dressed as characters from every cartoon."

A lifelong resident of Chula Vista ("West of the 805!"), Jezbera recalls that he "started by stealing the acoustic guitar my older sister had in her closet, while she was out of the house. Eventually, I just stopped putting it back and she let me have it. The bands that influenced me as a 14-year-old to start a band and write my own songs were groups like Blink 182, Alkaline Trio, and Green Day. I've always been drawn to bands and musicians who can craft a story into their songs, where the lyrics are something you can really dive into. As I've gotten older, I've drawn

influence from so many artists who I view as storytellers, everyone from Johnny Cash to Snoop Dogg. I try to absorb as many different kinds of music as I can to stay inspired, sometimes even a jingle from a TV show like King of the Hill makes its way into my set."

As for songwriting, that too started out close to home. "I began when I was about thirteen or fourteen with my friend Indy in our band Element-X. The songs were exactly what you expect young teenage boys who were into Blink-182 and NOFX to write. Our two biggest songs were 'Army of Skanks,' plucked from the movie Mean Girls, and 'MILF.' I think I have always sung to myself, just whatever gets stuck in my head, but never considered myself a 'singer.' I was a theatre kid growing up, and, although I had to sing in the occasional musical, I never really liked it. It wasn't until I started playing in bands and getting to write my own lyrics and sing them how I wanted that I began to enjoy it. Right now, one of my favorite songs to sing is a song I wrote called 'Don't Go,' a sassy little emo-punk tune. Either that, or my death metal version of Britney Spears' '... Baby One More Time."

Jezbera describes his most recent release, the Canciones Con Queso EP, as a "very fun mariachi-infused folk album,"

recorded at Mannequin Vanity Records with both American and French players. He promotes his work by gigging as often as ten times per month, all while holding down a day job in Miramar at Cutwater

Spirits. "I just love what I do, and I am driven to keep pushing by peers and all the hard work I see them putting in. I'm not a very competitive person, but there is a part of me that wants to play every show, every venue, every night. That part of me keeps me hungry for more. That, plus a copious amount of coffee." – Andrew Hamlin

Recalling the

agony of XTC "I recall the show went very well, the band seemed to be in good spirits," remembers XTC drummer Terry Chambers about the final concert that band ever played — in San Diego, circa March 1982. None of them realized at the time that it would be their last public performance. "The audience was electric, everyone was on their feet and cheer-

ing throughout. It was the first date of our first major U.S. headlining tour, playing decent-sized venues, and the future looked good. I had no idea that Andy [Partridge, singer] was in such bad shape. Even after the gig, when we were travelling to LA, we had no clue that anything was wrong." He recalls that

XTC had previously played San Diego in 1980, a one-off date at the North Park Lions Club that has achieved somewhat mythic local status, given their rising stardom at the time. "In those days," recalls Chambers, "we never saw much of the cities we were playing in. We drove straight to the hotels, then from the hotels to the venues, then from the venues to the next town.

OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: BONITA



EARD? EMAIL JAS2669@AOL.COM

I would have loved to explore San Diego, but never had that opportunity." XTC would only play that one show of their 1982 American tour, April 3, before canceling the rest of the dates, reportedly due to frontman Andy Partridge's stage fright.

A stage-crashing incident during their song "Melt the Guns" may have contributed. Several people rushed onto the stage during Partridge's spoken-word anti-gun rant in the middle of the tune. One of the crashers managed to hand the singer a copy of a local radical alt-newspaper that had been littering the venue and parking lot all night, which Partridge flipped through while security removed the interlopers from the stage. After the show, the band cancelled their LA



EXTC, finishing what the originals started 40 years ago.

anywhere in North America,

with XTC or any other band.

His first time returning to

town will be a March 25 set

with his new tribute project

Andy Partridge") at down-

EXTC ("named and backed by

town's House of Blues Voodoo

Room, performing XTC songs

not heard live in 40 years. "It's

date, then the rest of the tour, essentially retiring from concert appearances forever, other than occasional TV show performances.

Partridge may never have performed in San Diego again, but he did record a collaborative album with local guitarist Mike Keneally, Wing Beat



Fantastic. Of its twelve songs,

Keneally and Partridge during

two writing sessions, two years

apart. "The chance to work

with Andy was absolutely a

Mayor of Simpleton" in his

his own 1992 debut album.

he demonstrated that there

song "Day of the Cow 2" from

"He's a true songwriting hero

of mine and, during the 1980s,

was still a place for truly high-

quality writing in pop music.

His songwriting gift is still as

Drummer Terry Cham-

bers, who was a member

XTC from 1972 to 1982 and

between White Music and

Mummer, never played in

San Diego again either, nor

appears on all of their albums

strong as ever."

who quoted XTC's "The

mind-blower," says Keneally,

eight were co-written by

I'LL NEVER EAT ANIX CHOCOLA PUDDING AGATN

JAY ALLEN SANFORD

strange that I'm back playing in the city where, almost 40 years ago to the day, XTC played their last gig," muses Chambers. "The other XTC members won't tour, so we're out there giving it our all. And we're loving every minute. Because that's where we want to be, on the road giving people the best night out we can." His backing group includes Steve Tilling (from the band TC&I, which Chambers formed with fellow XTC vet Colin Moulding), guitaristsinger Steve Hampton (Dead Crow Road), and Matt Hughes on bass and vocals.

He's looking forward to returning to the left coast of the USA. "I believe Frank Zappa spent some of his childhood in San Diego. He's a big inspiration to me. Whether

> you like his music or not, you can't help but admire his talent and creativity. It's maybe not the type of music you instantly love, but if you listen carefully, it's clear he was an incredible artist. I also understand that Ron Blair, the bass player for Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, was a San Diegan. He worked brilliantly with the band's drummer, Stan Lynch. They never overplayed. They were the icing on an already deli-

cious cake, doing exactly what was needed to make Tom's great songs even tastier." – Jay Allen Sanford 👷

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ZACH GOODE

A vet of local bands such as Secret Seven, Divided by Zero, Ghoulspoon, and octogenarian Weezer tribute Geezer, Zach Goode has been announced as the new lead singer of 1990s alt-rock icons Smash Mouth, replacing original vocalist Steve Harwell, who retired due to health issues. "I saw somewhere that they were looking for a new singer, so I sent an email as a flyer, not even expecting a reply," Goode tells the *Reader.* "They actually responded pretty quickly and had me send in a video of me singing 'Walking on the Sun' and 'All Star.' They liked what I did and I started talking to management about flying up to San Jose to meet bass player Paul to see how we vibed. I learned a bunch of songs, flew up, and sang while he played bass to a live recording with the vocals removed. We got to know each other, everything went great, and I started to think that this might actually be a possibility! It's my understanding that they had hundreds of applicants and narrowed it down to a final four. We all went back up to San Jose and auditioned and, the next day, they told me I was the unanimous choice." On March 1, the band premiered their new single, a cover of Rick Astley's "Never Gonna Give You Up." "Our first big show is May 21 and 22 in Mexico with the Strokes, Blondie, Kings of Leon, the Hives, and Death Cab For Cutie."



DARING GREATLY

Originally from Calgary, AB Canada, before relocating to OB, Daring Greatly has a new member from Wisconsin, bassist-singer Matt Spatol. In addition, "We have a new record coming out March 6," according to bandleader Dail Croome. "During the two years of lockdown, we played far less shows, which gave us a lot more time and space for writing and recording. We were lucky enough to live in a perfect house in Gird Valley, the name of this album, our fourth, for live broadcast shows and for recording." Regarding the album title, "Gird Valley is in the small town of Fallbrook, which is in North San Diego County. Fallbrook is full of fruit tree covered large properties, vineyard yards, and rolling hills. Nature is the dominant energy. And that is prevalent in the lyrics in most of the songs. Nature is our guide. Not the television or the government, but all the energies within the ecosystem of the Earth. Another dominant theme in the album is a call for freedom. Not in a political sense, but the transcendent form of freedom that calls us to cooperate on a deeper level, and especially with our own self, so that we can collectively move out of this 'mitote' and get back to our true nature." The band will play an record release party at the Belly Up on March 6.



FINE THEN

A relatively new group on the local scene, Fine Then features Hugh J. Noble (Slum Summer, Seance Weather) and Andrew Fitzgerald, who also plays in Bat Lords, and puts out his own music as Mr. Nobody and Biding Time. Their album *Could It Be Magic*, released last month, features guest contributions from Jacquie Bazinet (The Fictitious Dishes, Sleepy Hollow) and Sean Con (Bat Lords). According to Hugh J. Noble, "The sound references John Carpenter's soundtrack work, sad boy pop punk, Haircut 100 style synthpop, Jesu-esque dronery, and several points in between. There's a weird Heaven's Gateinfluenced website and a couple of DIY music videos online." The referenced videos are for the tracks "I Saw the Light, and It Looked a Lot Like an Existential Crisis" and "Nothingness Itself (feat Sean Con)."

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WHITNEY SHAY

"If you're watching the new Hulu show *Pam & Tommy* and you think you hear a familiar voice, you're right," says singer Whitney Shay of her newest song placement in the Motley Crue drummer-*Baywatch* actress biopic miniseries currently streaming on Hulu. "Super grateful to have 'Just When I Thought I'd Seen It All' from my first album *Soul Tonic* placed in an episode of this show. Another great collab with writer-producer Archie Thompson." Shay's groups have included Shay & the Hustle, the Whitney Shay Quartet, Whitney Shay & Robin Henkel, and the JazzKatz Orchestra, as well as fronting the blues/R&B group Whitney Shay & the Shakedowns. She won Best Blues Album at the 2021 San Diego Music Awards, and her album *Stand Up* earned a three and a half star review in the May issue of *Downbeat* magazine and topped Billboard's Blues chart. She'll be appearing at the Rolando Street Fair on Sunday, March 20, along with fellow locals B-Side Players, Sure Fire Soul Ensemble, and Boostive. You can also catch her at the La Valencia Hotel in La Jolla on March 31.



BLAISE GULD

Citing influences such as 311, Mike Bedard, Oingo Boingo, and Slightly Stoopid, singer-songwriter Blaise Guld first earned local notice fronting rock-n-reggae group Mad Traffic, later signing with Blindspot Records and releasing a number of solo works. His album *Past Forward* was nominated Best Pop Album at the 2014 San Diego Music Awards. Early 2016 saw Guld appearing on a vinyl-only local band compilation from Blindspot Records, *Sounds From the Stratosphere*, also featuring Manual Scan, Super Buffet, Pony Death Ride, and Satanic Puppeteer Orchestra. The record was released on splatter color vinyl in a deluxe sleeve, limited to 500 copies. His collaborative track with synth wave artist, Night Viber, a 4-song EP also named *Night Viber*, dropped in early 2021. His increasingly busy local booking schedule includes upcoming solo performances at PB's Backyard Kitchen & Tap (March 23), L'Auberge Del Mar (March 24), and Side Yard in Barrio Logan (March 26). You can submit a listing, download mp3s, watch videos, subscribe to event alerts, get directions, and find more information about these shows online at SDReader.com/music.

THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

American Legion Post 416: Friday, 7pm — The 8 East Band. Free.

Aztec Brewing Company: Sunday, 6pm — Aztec Jazz Jam. Free.

Backyard Kitchen & Tap: *Wednesday*, 5pm — Blaise Guld.

Balboa Theatre: *Thursday*, 7:30pm — José González.

Barefoot Bar and Grill: *Friday*, 6pm — Christian Taylor. *Saturday*, 6pm — Jarred Matthew.

Beaumont's: Friday, 9pm — The New Locals. \$5-\$10.

Bellamy's Restaurant: *Tuesday*, 6pm — Jemille Vialet.

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday, 7:30pm — The Sully Band Album Release. \$15-\$18. Friday, 8pm — Long Beach Dub Allstars and Vana Liya, \$25-\$44. Saturday, 8pm — The Main Squeeze. \$17-\$30. Sunday, 8pm — Patrick Droney. \$20-\$35. Wednesday, 8pm — Blackberry Smoke. \$45-\$79.

Brick by Brick: Thursday, 7pm — Bridge City Sinners and The Goddamn Gallows. \$20-\$25. Monday, 8:30pm — YOB and True Widow. \$20-\$24. Tuesday, 8pm — Riff Raff. \$20-\$25. Wednesday, 8pm — Baroness.

\$60. Cannonball:

Tuesday, 5pm — Andrew Peña. **Casbah:**

Thursday, 8pm — Geographer and Meija. \$15. Friday, 8pm — Emo Nite. \$16. Saturday, 8pm — The Blasters. \$22-\$25. Sunday, 8pm — Gang of Four. \$35. Monday, 8pm — Otoboke Beaver. \$18. Tuesday, 8pm — We Were Promised Jetpacks. \$22. Wednesday, 8pm — Geese. \$13-\$15.

Deano's Pub: Friday, 8pm — West of 5. Free. Dirk's Niteclub:

Saturday, 8pm — Nemesis.
Duck Foot Brewing

Company: *Tuesday*, 7pm — San Diego Jazz Collective Jam Session.

Duke's La Jolla: *Friday*, 3pm — Kai Kalama. *Sunday*, 4pm — Grant Muagututi a.

Ebullition Brew Works: Thursday, 6pm — The Drunk'n Leprechauns. \$7-\$10. Saturday, 5pm — Robert John & The Wreck and Filmspeed. \$12-\$15.

Ebullition Brew Works and Gastronomy:

Thursday, 5pm — Corned Beef & Cabbage & Music. **Free**.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa: *Friday*, 6pm — Johnny Martin. *Saturday*, 6pm — David Shyde.

Farmer & the Seahorse: *Thursday*, 4pm — Tim Rose.

Garage Kitchen + Bar: Saturday, 7pm — Jason Graham.

Harrah's Resort Southern California: *Friday*, 7:30pm — Flogging Molly. \$75-\$149.

House of Blues: Friday, 7:30pm — Aidan Bissett. \$22. Wednesday, 7:30pm — Laundry Day. \$12.

Jazz Lounge: Friday, 6:30pm — Gregory Page. \$40-\$60.

Jazzy Wishbone: *Tuesday*, 6pm — Adrienne Nims. Free.

Jolly Joker Tavern: Friday, 8pm — Halo Effect. Free. Saturday, 8pm — Dave Donner & the Dynamites. Free.

Ki's Restaurant: *Friday*, 6:30pm — Folklorick. **Free**.

L'Auberge Del Mar: Thursday, 5pm — Helena Holleran. Saturday, 7pm — Jonny Tarr. Sunday, 11am — Tyler F. Simmons.

La Valencia Hotel: Friday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro. Saturday, 11am — Jemille Vialet. Saturday, 6pm — Weston Wilson. Sunday, 11am — Jesse Johnson.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort: *Friday*, 7pm — Orion Song.

Mainstream Bar and Grill: *Thursday*, 5pm — Sonic Tonic.

Mission Bay Resort: Friday, 6pm — David Shyde. Saturday, 6pm — Jesse Ray Smith. Monday, 5pm — Justin Froese. Tuesday, 5pm — The Heart.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill: *Friday*, 9pm — California Sunshine Band. *Saturday*, 9pm — Custard Pie.

Museum of Making Music: Saturday, 7pm — San Diego Sound Project: Brenda Greggio. Free.

Music Box:

Thursday, 7pm — Slum Village and Kool Keith. Friday, 7:30pm — Nation of Language. \$20. Saturday, 8pm — ill Nicky and Rob Law. \$17-\$20. Sunday, 8pm — Bahamas. Monday, 7pm — Dorothy. \$22-\$25.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Gondwana and E.N Young.

Navajo Live: Sunday, 7pm — A Dan Sartain Tribute. **Free**.

Nick & G's: Friday, 5pm — Tim Rose. Saturday, 5pm — Sarah Ingraham.

Nova SD: Friday, 8pm — Joyryde. Saturday, 8pm — Steve Aoki.

Observatory North Park: *Thursday*, 7:30pm — The Pixies. \$200-\$450. *Saturday*, 7pm — Peach Pit. \$139-\$235.

Ocean Beach Pier: Saturday, 11am — St. Paddy's O'Beach Party.

Pala Events Center: Friday, 8pm — Grand Funk Railroad and Jefferson Starship. \$55. Saturday. 8pm — Dreaming of

You: Tribute to Selena. Park & Rec:

Friday, 10pm — Jonny Tarr. Pechanga Arena San Diego:

Thursday, 8pm — André Rieu & His Johann Strauss Orchestra.

Seabird: Sunday, 4pm — Johnny Martin.

Side Yard: Saturday, 6pm — Christian Taylor. Wednesday, 6pm — Andrew Peña.

Soda Bar: Thursday, 8pm — Slothrust. \$20. Friday, 8pm — Black Sabbitch. \$18. Tuesday, 7pm — We the Commas

and Friday School. \$25. *Wednesday*, 8pm — Ours. \$31.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion: Saturday, 5:30pm — Spreckels Organ Society Ukraine Refugees Tribute. Free.

Template: Sunday, 6pm — TunedUp Series: Helena Holleran & The Guest Room. \$10.

Thr3e Punk Ales: *Friday*, 6:30pm — Audio Karate and Go Betty Go.

University Club Atop Symphony Towers: *Tuesday*, 4:30pm — Johnny Martin.

Westfield University Towne Centre:

Thursday, 12pm — Ben Benavente. *Saturday*, 12pm — Joanna Gerolaga.





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UPCOMING SHOWS

13 Point Brewing Co.: Saturday, Mar. 26 - 3rd Anniversary Party. Free.

710 Beach Club: Saturday, Apr. 9 - Lost Monarchs. \$5-\$10.

All Saints' Episcopal Church Hillcrest:

Sunday, Mar. 27 - Greater SD Music Coterie: Prelude to Easter. Free

Balboa Theatre:

Friday, Apr. 8 — La Jolla Music Society: Chris Botti.

Bellamy's Restaurant:

Friday, Mar. 25 - Aaron Nichols Tuesday, Mar. 29 — Sarah Ingraham.

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday, Mar. 24 - G. Love & The Juice. \$13-\$70. Sunday, Mar. 27 - Thievery Corporation. Monday, Mar. 28 - Sarah Jarosz and Taylor Ashton. Wednesday, Mar. 30 — The Infamous Stringdusters and Dustbowl Revival. Friday, Apr. 1 — Roger Clyne & The Peacemakers. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Mustache Harbor and Metal Street Boyz. Sunday, Apr. 3 — Watkins Family Hour. Wednesday, Apr. 6 - Vista Kicks Thursday, Apr. 7 — Burlap The Sac and Primaveras. Friday, Apr. 8 — PIVIT and Agent 51. Saturday, Apr. 9 — Valerie June.

Brick by Brick:

Saturday, Mar. 26 - Monolord and Firebreather. \$18-\$22. Sunday, Mar. 27 — Gza. \$32-\$250. Thursday, Mar. 31 - Eyes Set to Kill. \$14-\$18. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Wacken Metal Battle. \$12-\$15. Sunday, Apr. 3 — Destroyer of Light and Formula 400. \$10-\$14. Wednesday, Apr. 6 — Gemini Syndrome and Pushing Veronica. \$18-\$22. Friday, Apr. 8 — Greet Death

and Infant Island Show. \$10-\$12. Saturday, Apr. 9 - Maiden USA and Mind/Crÿme. \$15.

Bridges:

Friday, Apr. 22 – Ultra Q and Benches.

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

Don't swear off Russian culture

Way back in October of 2018, Valery Gergiev stopped by San Diego with the Mariinsky Orchestra and performed Shostakovich's Symphony No. 7: Leningrad. The symphony was written between 1941 and 1942, during the German siege of Leningrad.

Today, Ukraine is under siege from Russia, and Maestro Gergiev has not made any public comments condemning Russia's actions. Long a favorite of Vladimir Putin, Gergiev has come under scrutiny in the past because of Putin's politics. Now the scrutiny has become definitive action: Gergiev has been released from his positions in Munich, Rotterdam, and Milan, He has been released by the Edinburgh International Festival and removed from

Classical Music this week

André Rieu & His Johann Strauss Orchestra Thursday, March 17, 8pm; Pechanga Arena San Diego, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard.

Bach Collegium San Diego - El Mesías: Messiah Bach Collegium San Diego presents the world premier of the entire Handel's Messiah, in Spanish, performed on historically accurate instruments. Friday. March 18 & 19, 7pm; \$15-\$55. Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 3459 Manchester Avenue.

California Center for the Arts, Escondido: Sunday, Apr. 10 — 8th Annual

Mariachi Festival. \$25-\$100. Cannonball:

Thursday, Mar. 24 - Israel Maldonado. Tuesday, Mar. 29 — Kai Kalama. Philharmonic in its upcoming five-concert tour of the U.S.. Switzerland's Verbier Festival requested that Gergiev resign as music director, and he did. This appears to be the end to Gergiev's career outside of Russia. If the war ends in Russia's favor, it is difficult to see Gergiev being welcomed back to The West. Should Ukraine prevail, perhaps Gergiev would be welcomed back in time, but he is 68 years old and time is not on his side

conducting the Vienna

There are some who are swearing off Russian culture in general. This is a mistake. If there is anywhere we should be looking, it is at hiah culture. Hiah culture is what endures after empires vanish into the mists of history. Can anyone name the Tsars who reigned during

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Tchaikovsky's life? Does anyone even care who the Tsars were during Tchaikovsky's life? I don't. Similarly, Does it matter who conducts Tchaikovsky? It might matter in the moment of the concert, but ultimately, it does not. Should Gergiev never conduct again, Tchaikovsky will remain — and remain undiminished.

BY GARRETT HARRIS

I am using Tchaikovsky as the example here because his Symphony No. 2: The Little Russian holds a pertinent position in the context of this struggle. Tchaikovsky used three different Ukrainian folk songs in his second symphony. At the time, Ukraine was often referred to as "Little Russia." The inclusion of the folk songs is what makes this symphony The LIttle Russian. In other words, this is the Ukraine



Putin praise may have ended Valery Gergiev's career outside of Russia.

Symphony by Tchaikovsky. Tchaikovsky received veneration from his Russian colleagues for including those folk songs. Previously, he had shown little interest in the nationalism favored by composers such as The Five: Mily Balakirev (the leader), César Cui, Modest Mussorgsky, Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, and Alexander Borodin. The Ukrainian folk songs suggested that Tchaikovsky was open to creating Russian music as opposed to absolute music — that is, music composed without any intention to represent or illustrate anything except itself.

The symphony had its premiere in 1872 and was an immediate hit. It is Tchaikovsky's happiest symphony, and has remained popular, if often overshadowed by his fourth, fifth, and sixth symphonies.

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 16275 Pomerado Road.

La Jolla Music Society: Arod Quartet The Discovery Series brings you the most exciting rising stars, and on March 20 that is the Paris-based Arod Quartet. The quartet made its Carnegie Hall debut in 2019 and has performed at the Verbier Festival in Switzerland, Wigmore Hall in London, the Berliner Philharmonie, the Concertgebouw of Amsterdam, and Oji Hall in Tokyo, and now

Monday, Mar. 28 — Hip-Hop

Tuesday, Mar. 29 — Half Hour

Wednesday, Mar. 30 - Steve

Thursday, Mar. 31 — Nebula

Saturday, Apr. 2 — Bob Mould. Sunday, Apr. 3 — Well Well

Wednesday, Apr. 6 — Rehab. Thursday, Apr. 7 — Mattiel. Friday, Apr. 8 — Riki and Choir

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La Jolla Music Society: WinterFest Gala International piano superstar Lang Lang headlines the WinterFest Gala, including a Piano Series concert featuring the Goldberg Variations, a milestone work he just recorded and released in 2020 to great acclaim. Friday, March 18, 8pm; Balboa Theatre,

868 Fourth Avenue.

San Diego Symphony: Jacobs Masterworks Jacobs Masterworks 11, Jonathon Heyward, conductor, Yeol Eum Son, piano, Ludwig van Beethoven: Leonore Overture No. 3, Op. 72b, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: Piano Concerto No. 24 in C minor, K. 491, Dmitri Shostakovich: Symphony No. 9 in E-flat Major, Op. 70 Friday, March 18, 7:30pm; Village Presbyterian Church, 6225 Paseo Delicias.

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Duke's La Jolla: Friday, Mar. 25 — Orion Song. Sunday, Mar. 27 — Keni Yarbro. Tuesday, Mar. 29 — Jehua Evans.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa: Saturday, Mar. 26 — Jarred

Matthew.

Fairmont Grand Del Mar: Saturday, Mar. 26 — Rebecca Iade.

Farmer & the Seahorse: Thursday, Mar. 24 - Tolan Shaw. Thursday, Mar. 31 - Orion Song

Fast Times: Friday, Apr. 15 — West of 5. Free.

Galley at the Marina: Sunday, Mar. 27 - West of 5. Free. Sunday, Apr. 24 — West of 5. Free.

Garage Kitchen + Bar: Friday, Mar. 25 — Christian Taylor.

Diamond. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Super Diamond.

House of Blues:

Friday, Mar. 25 - Terry Chambers and EXTC. \$25. Friday, Mar. 25 — Santa Fe Klan and C-KAN. \$42. Tuesday, Mar. 29 — Love Of Lesbian. Monday, Apr. 4 - Zero 9:36. Friday, Apr. 8 — Eric Bellinger. Saturday, Apr. 9 - Bad Religion and Slaughterhouse.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:

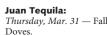
Friday, Apr. 1 — West of 5. Free.

Humphreys by the Bay: Thursday, Mar. 31 — The Go-Go's.

Jolly Joker Tavern:

Friday, Mar. 25 — The Whole SheBang. Free. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Bottomline. Free.

Thursday, Mar. 31 — Falling



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La Valencia Hotel: Thursday, Mar. 24 — David Shyde. Friday, Mar. 25 — Keni Yarbro. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Jemille Vialet. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Johnny Martin. Thursday, Mar. 31 — Whitney Shay.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort: *Fridav, Mar. 25* — Tolan Shaw.

Loft: Wednesday, Apr. 13 — Aoife O'Donovan.

Merrow: Saturday, Mar. 26 — Club Ascension. Saturday, Apr. 9 — Club Sabbat.

Mission Bay Resort:

Friday, Mar. 25 — Rebecca Jade. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Christian Taylor. Sunday, Mar. 27 — Johnny Martin. Monday, Mar. 28 — Aaron Nichols. Thursday, Mar. 31 — Kai Kalama

Molly Malone's Waypoint Saloon: Thursday, Mar. 24 — Still

Around. Free. Moonlight Amphitheatre in

Brengle Terrace Park: Friday, Apr. 22 — The Music

of Carole King & James Taylor. \$22-\$42.

Moonshine Flats: *Thursday, Mar.* 24 — Austin Burke. \$10-\$15.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill: Friday, Mar. 25 — The Reflectors. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Driving the Bus. Friday, Apr. 1 — FreeMartin. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Cadillac Fringe. Friday, Apr. 8 — Jim Allen Country Band.

Museum of Making Music: Saturday, Mar. 26 — Angels in the Architecture: Peter Sprague Plays Paul Simon. \$25. *Thursday, Apr. 7* — Time for Three. \$30-\$35.

Music Box: Thursday, Mar. 24 - Wet Leg \$23-\$26 Friday, Mar. 25 - Wet Leg. \$23-\$26. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Collie Buddz. Sunday, Mar. 27 - Rebecca Jade & The Cold Fact. Thursday, Mar. 31 — VCTRE and Sumthin Sumthin. Friday, Apr. 1 — Lars Fredericksen and Joe Sib. Saturday, Apr. 2 - Zeptune and Oceans. Monday, Apr. 4 — Mumiy Troll. Tuesday, Apr. 5 — Katastro. Thursday, Apr. 7 — Pink Froyd. Friday, Apr. 8 - Moans and Casual Yak. Saturday, Apr. 9 - White Denim.

Nick & G's: Saturday, Mar. 26 — David Shyde. Wednesday, Mar. 30 — Keni Yarbro.

Observatory North Park: *Tuesday, Mar. 29* — Inhaler. *Friday, Apr. 1* — Charli XCX. *Sunday, Apr. 3* — Teddy Swims. *Tuesday, Apr. 5* — Pinegrove. *Friday, Apr. 8* — Dylan Scott.

Old Town Temecula Community Theater:

Wednesday, Mar. 30 — Tribute To Mo Keale. \$25-\$40. Thursday, Mar. 31 — Queen Nation. \$20-\$25. Friday, Apr. 1 — Last Train to Memphis. \$20-\$25. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Greg Anderson & Elizabeth Joy Roe. \$15-\$35. Sunday, Apr. 3 — Swinging with Dean. \$25-\$37.

Open Air Theatre: Sunday, Mar. 27 — Ángela Aguilar. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Mercy Me.

Pala Events Center:

Sunday, Mar. 27 — El Coyote y Su Banda Tierra Santa. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Timeless Love Songs. Saturday, Apr. 9 — Sinatra Big Band.

Panama 66: *Sunday, Mar. 27* — Uptown

Rhythm Makers. Free. Park & Rec: Friday, Mar. 25 — Rock of Ages.

Pechanga Arena San Diego: *Friday, Mar.* 25 — alt-J and Portugal. The Man. *Thursday, Apr.* 7 — Toto and

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Pechanga Resort & Casino: *Sunday, Mar. 27* — The Go-Go's.

Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier: Saturday, Mar. 26 — Mustache Bash.



Poway Center for the

Performing Arts: Saturday, Apr. 9 — Drum Tao. Friday, Apr. 22 — Roger McGuinn.

Quartyard:

Saturday, Apr. 2 — Thee Sacred Souls and DEVVLOV. Friday, Apr. 8 — Big D & the Kids Table. Saturday, Apr. 9 — The Polish Ambassador.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park: Sunday, Apr. 3 — Ben Platt and Jake Wesley Rogers.

Ramona Ranch Winery: Saturday, Mar. 26 — The 8 East Band, Free.

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Seabird: Sunday, Mar. 27 — DevvLov.

Side Yard: *Saturday, Mar. 26* — Blaise Guld.

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Thursday, Mar. 24 - Doja Dance. \$15-\$20. *Friday, Mar. 25* — Lala Lala. \$20. Saturday, Mar. 26 - Molly Burch Sunday, Mar. 27 — Through Being Cool and Constellations. Monday, Mar. 28 — Kyle Gass and Trainwreck. Tuesday, Mar. 29 — The Ophelias and Storefront Church. Wednesday, Mar. 30 - Rodrigo Amarante. Thursday, Mar. 31 - Good Morning. Friday, $\check{A}pr$. 1 — Deap Vally and Dani Bell & The Tarantist. Saturday, Apr. 2 — Tennyson. Sunday, Apr. 3 — Mo Lowda & the Humble. Monday, Apr. 4 — Summer Salt and Renata Zeiguer. Tuesday, Apr. 5 — Delta Sleep and It Looks Sad. Wednesday, Apr. 6 - Never Come Down. Thursday, Apr. 7 - Sean

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Spin Nightclub: *Friday, Apr. 22* — SD Union: LTJ Bukem & Submorphics. \$20-\$30.

Starlight Theater: *Friday, Mar.* 25 — Strangelove.

Thornton Winery: *Friday, Mar.* 25 — Brothers Igniting a Groove. *Friday, Apr.* 8 — Soto Band.

University Club Atop Symphony Towers: *Tuesday, Mar. 29* — Tim Rose. **Viejas Arena:** *Tuesday, Apr. 5* — Aventura.

Vigilante Coffee: Saturday, Mar. 26 — The Soto Six. Free.

Waterbar: *Thursday, Mar. 31* — Gabriela Aparicio.

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Centre: Thursday, Mar. 24 — Ben Benavente. Saturday, Mar. 26 — Tori Roze. Thursday, Mar. 31 — Ben Benavente.

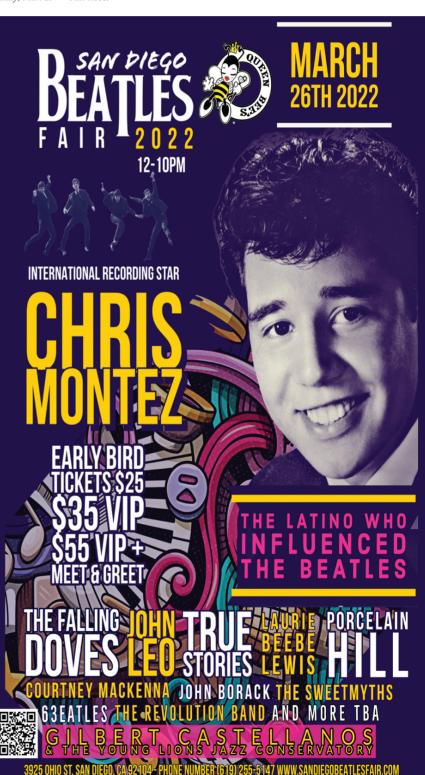
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Sunday, Apr. 3 — Trever Keith of Face To Face. Friday, Apr. 8 — Ed Schrader's Music Beat. Winstons Beach Club:

Thursday, Mar. 24 - Lost Monarchs and The Great North. Saturday, Mar. 26 - The Price of Dope Reunion Show, \$15. Sunday, Mar. 27 — The Hips. Free Thursday, Mar. 31 — Hip-Hop Social. Free. Friday, Apr. 1 — Badfish: Tribute to Sublime. \$25. Tuesday, Apr. 5 - Bluesday Tuesday Open Blues Jam. Free. Friday, Apr. 8 — Kitchen Dwellers. Tuesday, Apr. 12 - Punk Rock Tuesday. Free.

ZXQ Vineyard:

Sunday, Mar. 27 — Jazzy/Blue Band. Free.



Drinks All Around

NICK GERGEN Juniper & Ivy 2228 Kettner Boulevard Little Italy



Berries and cream, berries and cream, I'm a wee little lad who loves berries and cream," sang a colleague of Nick Gergen's when he told her about the strawberries-and-cream-flavored cocktail he was creating for Juniper & Ivy. "I was trying to come up with a name," he recalls, "and she started singing the 'berries and cream' song from Starburst... and that just kind of stuck." What he doesn't quite

recall is the precise inspiration for the Wee Little Lad's recipe. "I think I might've just been perusing the vast expanse that the internet is, and I came across strawberries and cream, and thought it might be a cool idea to turn that into a cocktail." He does know that he wanted to experiment with clarified milk punch. "It was a new technique for me. I had been trying to tinker around with it via other people, and then I really just wanted to get my hands dirty and try it myself."

He says he was surprised to learn that "it's a super old technique: the process of bringing milk to a steam and then removing it from heat," before adding the mix of other ingredients. "You pour it over the milk and it instantaneously curdles. And at that point, it looks very unappetizing," he jokes. "Then you let it sit for a period of time, and then you strain it through a fine strainer. And from there you begin the slow process of coffee filter straining... and it slowly starts to drip all the particles out. And when you're done, you get -" here he pauses, noting that the concoction would ordinarily end up clear, but since his version uses strawberry, "it's not the most

TASCHER

BY AMANDA

clear. But it has that cool little pink hue to it, which I was looking for — to play on the strawberries and cream characteristics."

Since the cocktail is pre-batched, he simply pours the finished product over a large ice cube that is copper-stamped with the Juniper & Ivy logo. "This one is [made with] Malahat spiced rum, milk, lemon juice, pineapple juice, and strawberry syrup." He chose Malahat spiced rum "because it had a lot of the ingredients that strawberries and cream call for, like vanilla and cinnamon, and other characteristics like that," And because, bewilderingly, "I also found out recently that vanilla, in particular, is more expensive than gold, presently. Pirates are stealing it off ships, and it's really hard to come by. This was a cool way to circumvent or side-step that issue and still get those same flavor profiles."

Leftover lactate certainly makes this drink non-vegan, but, Gergen clarifies, "the milk is more of a textural component, you don't really get much of the flavor behind that. It is more of a tart expression of the strawberries, rounded out by those warming spices like vanilla that you get from the rum."

JUNIPER & IVY'S WEE LITTLE LAD



- 16 oz. Malahat Spiced Rum
- 4 oz. strawberry syrup
- •10 oz. lemon juice
- 10 oz. pineapple juice
- •12 oz. milk

Pour milk into a saucepan and bring to a steam (do not boil). While the milk is heating, combine other ingredients in a pitcher. Once the milk begins to steam, remove it and pour into a glass/ metal mixing bowl. Then pour the rest of the ingredients into the milk; the milk should instantaneously curdle. Let sit for 30 min, then pour through a fine mesh strainer into a new bowl. Pour again through a fine mesh strainer lined with a coffee filter over another new bowl, and set in the refrigerator for up to 12 hours. Repeat 1-2 more times for a clearer cocktail. Once fully strained, pour into a resealable bottle and it will keep in the fridge for 1-2 weeks. When ready to drink, pour 2 oz. over a large ice cube and enjoy.

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EAST VILLAGE Bootlegger: *Tuesday*, \$10 buildyour-own-nachos and beer all day.

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HILLCREST

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

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

LA JOLLA

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

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

LITTLE ITALY

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

King and Queen Cantina: *Daily*, Noon-6pm: \$1 off drafts, \$4 beer bottles, \$7 well drinks, wine, sangria, \$8 margaritas. Appetizers \$5 to \$9.

MISSION HILLS

Cardellino: *Wednesday-Sunday*, 3-6pm: Drink specials and discounts on small bites and pizzas.

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.

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JOHN S IN LA MESA how's the new job going? Peace love your cool Aunt Leslie.

MIMI OF ALLIED GARDENS good curry, good ice cream, good company, thank you. The almond cookies were Delicious. Brian

OMG POPS I miss you so so much! You were the best father and my best friend. I am truly grateful. I feel your spirit daily. KK

PAT G OF EL CAJON Have a happy birthday, Brian B.

TAILGATING is aggressive behavior, please stop. The Driveway Society.

WOW Can't believe it's been one year! Mama Judy we miss you and miss your advice, your positive attitude and the comfort you always gave us. Your daughter and I think of you daily. We miss and love you more. Sarah and Kelly.

THE OLDER YOU GET The more you realize That it isn't about the material things or pride or ego. It's about our hearts...and who they beat for.

FRIENDS WHOM HAVE SEEN Ms. Tammy Wilson in Julian, CA please contact Mr. Keith at mkeith848@gmail.com.

I REMEMBER Cow farms on the 8E where Dave n Busters was. It just isn't the same here anymore. I miss SD of the 70's and 80's. Do you? Do you remember Doodle Burgers? Driving to TJ for lunch, with no wait to come home? Email me your memories yodster@gmail.com

R.M.O. Happy birthday.... (You can be the beauty... I will be the monster.)

SCORPION stings first, asks questions later. At that, it's mystery, alone, is only understood. A treasure, is the tremendous way, in which your beauty, has allowed me to live.

YOU ARE THE BEST SISTER in the world. I'm glad you're back in my life, stay strong and good health your brother mikiedee luv ya

SERVER JESSICA Ever since you got fired I've searched far and wide for you. No one can bring water to a table like you

BECKY & RUSTY Happy St Patrick's Day. Peace love Leslie.

HI PAULA IT'S SERGIO I'm wondering if you'll still let me take you out for a movie sometime? I'm separated from my old life and ready to enjoy the new. Lmk

KIESOWS AND THEIR OFFSPRING Happy St. Patrick's Day. Peace love Leslie.

RUSTY ROGERS Happy fricking Birthday! Have a good one. Peace love Leslie.

THERE IS NOTHING BETTER than a kind gesture! The Driveway Society.

TOMMY M. HELLO Haven't heard from you in a while hope everything is going well for you. Patti D

DRIVEWAY SOCIETY hope everyone is obeying the rules of the road as they traverse the highways and byways of our great city. slowing down and enjoying the ride is an important part of everyone's day as is putting a smile on your face as your navigate through the day

KATHERINE Z. not sure how long I was in captivity by the evil ones but I'm making my way to you on an E-Bike that I picked up along the way. It's got great power and I hope the battery will hold up until I reach you. keep the faith and keep smiling Frank Z

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"In my younger years, school wasn't my thing. Surfing was."

Local?

I am from Encinitas, and I work in Coronado as a lifeguard.

How long have you been surfing? Thirty years. My whole family surfs-my dad, my uncle, my cousins, my brother. I started when I was 6 in the whitewash, standing up on my boogie board, and then graduated to a surfboard. One day it just clicked. I started paddling out and catching waves. Little kids are easy to teach because they are sponges. Favorite beach to surf?

Swamis. It's probably the best right point in San Diego. I surf Coronado because I work here. If the waves look even remotely fun and I have the chance to, I'll get in. Have you had any cool wildlife encounters?

Oh, yeah, I see sharks all the time. There are a lot of great white sharks out here, juveniles. We (Coronado Beach Lifeguards) assist Cal State Long Beach in tagging them. It's interesting because there is all this mystique and lore about those animals. Once you finally get to see

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VET ASSISTANT ISO

ROOMMATES I'm a 25 year old who just recently relocated to SoCal from Portland to be closer to family. I'm a vet assistant but I'll be leaving this Sept. to vet school, bit.lv/rollo-roommate

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2022 SDSU ROOMMATE I'm a Senior at SDSU and I am looking

one, it's like running across a grizzly bear in the woods. You're shocked and amazed, and also scared at the same time.

Have you had to rescue many surfers out here?

Yeah, on the bigger days. People go out who aren't really experienced in large surf. The surf doesn't get large all that often [in Coronado]so when the opportunity arises, everyone wants to go out and see if they can handle it. Even people who have 4-5 years of surfing under their belts will go out there on a big day and can't handle it. On those days, [the lifeguards], will sit out there on jet skis just for safety.

Did you become a lifeguard so that you could surf more?

I mean, yeah. I would be on the beach anyway, so being a lifeguard was a natural progression. I did the junior lifeguard program as a kid. It's such a great thing for kids in terms of ocean awareness. It's important to learn how the ocean operates. Some people are deathly terrified of the ocean. And it is dangerous. But

> 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!

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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

PACIFIC BEACH OR MISSION VALLEY I'm moving to San Diego. I'm looking for roommates and a private room. My max 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.

BOOM, SOUTH SAN DIEGO We have one room that we'd like

once you get the hang of it and the rhythm, it really becomes a place of enjoyment as opposed to a place of fear

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Do you think you'll continue life-

guarding for the rest of your life? Yeah, this will be my career. This will be my life. I never went to college. It's never too late to get a degree and I am working on that, but in my younger years, school wasn't my thing. Surfing was.

How often do you surf?

I try to surf three times a week, conditions providing. If the surf is good, I go every day. It's unpredictable. The ocean is always changing. Surfing can be frustrating when the conditions aren't ideal. It's not all glitz and glam. It can ruin your day sometimes.

Do you ever compete?

In my younger years I did, but the kids these days have a new bag of tricks, and they are getting better all the time.

What advice would you give

new surfers?

Be kind. Be cool.

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STUDENT 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. facebook.com/tenoah.tatum

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

LOOKING FOR 3RD

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

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PB TO POWAY I'm Bafael. 30, and looking for a room w/ private bathroom. My budget is

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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! facebook. com/payton.renner

LA TO SAN DIEGO I'm Dominica, living in LA and I plan to move to San Diego. House preferably no more than a 15 min drive from the beach. Male or female roommates. My budget is under 1400. facebook.com/ dominica.davton

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PLACE BY OB/MB/PB I'm Nick, 31, from LA & moving to San Diego. I work remotely as a freelance documentary television producer. My budget is \$1K-\$1.5K. IG: ncrookshank. FB: crookshank1 nrcrookshank@ gmail.com

LOOKING A 1BR OR STUDIO Hi all! My budget is about \$1400. My ideal locations are OB, PB, Normal Heights, and Point Loma. I am open to other areas! Facebook: cameron.fenley.9

MOVING FROM BOSTON M roommate and I are looking for a 3rd roommate for an apartment in North Park for \$3300. Jackie (28) and I (26) are moving to San Diego from greater Boston. Please DM me a message with a blurb about yourself @ bit.ly/ NP-3rd-roomie

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LOOKING FOR HOUSEMATES 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. facebook com/eunjeong.heo.374

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

MESA COLLEGE ROOMMATE Hi, my name is Michelle, I'm @ 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. facebook.com/michelle ramirez.39545

MESA COLLEGE STUDENT ISO ROOM Ayo, I need a place to stay, preferably near SDSU, in a place where I have my own room. I'm chill with people from all walks of life. My budget is around 1600. Please DM me

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BLVD63 BY SDSU Asking for a friend: "Anyone looking for a 1 bed and one bath at Blvd63 by SDSU?" DM for info. facebook. com/ramandeep.jagdev

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

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GREAT FOR 2022 SDSU STUDENTS Furnished rental.

1 bedroom available. Rent: \$ 1226/month www.sublet.com/ property/3844762

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. facebook com/alex.orteig

NORTH COUNTY COLLEGE STUDENTS Hi, fellow college students1 I found this place on FBI The person wants \$800 for a room! bit.ly/esco-college-07

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

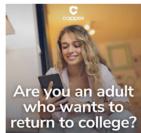
ROOMMATE/HOUSEMATE HOOMMALE/HOUSEMALE Posting again since it's so hard to find a place. Looking for a room OR roommates to find a spot with! Wanting to move in the next few months, My budget is around 1100. Females only, pls. facebook.com/Fischer.christina7

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

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/jacyesteves/

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, facebook.com/ Fischer.christina7



ADULTS RETURNING TO COLLEGE? If you are returning to college — check some of the resources out there to help you navigate through 2022 college life. @ facebook.com/cappex

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STUDENT ISO A PLACE Hi, I'm 34, work full time, and am a student. I am still desperately looking for a place for me and my dog, either a room or apartment, preferably with access to a yard or patio where there is not already another dog living there. facebook.com/perrapirata

⁽²² SDSU HOUSING IN MISSION VALLEY Reposting

MISSION VALLEY Reposing 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' x 8.75': \$700 + utilities 11.75' x 9.75': \$850 + utilities facebook.com/michael. phan 524 phan.524

CITY COLLEGE STUDENTS Reposting again: Open spot in an apartment located in downtown, high floor. 2 bedroom apartment, with individual bathroom and walk-in closet. Big balcony and windows on rooms. I have a dog. \$1900+ utilities. facebook.com/ piresrafaell/

CLOSE TO SDSU I'm looking to roommate w/ someone at Suites on Paseo at 5595 Lindo Paseo San Diego 92115. Check their photos, it's gorge and it's super close to campus, Call/text me — thanks! facebook.com/ SuitesOnPaseo (619) 583-1774

ISO HOUSEMATES I'm looking to rent a room asap since I'm to rent a room as a psince i'm couch surfing right now. I'm looking to spend around \$1000 but can maybe go a little more. I'm working 7 days a week and when I actually have free time I am gaming or watching ty. facebook.com/austin.krooswyk

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'd pay you partial rent for a place to park my van and a few basic amenities. ISO of a spot by Miramar College. facebook.com/ trinity.locker

A ROOMMATE I'm 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/

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) 489-1349

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! facebook.com/joshua.baldwin.18

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BOOMMATE OF HOUSEMATE HERE Posting till I find a spot. I am actively seeking a room to rent. My max budget is \$900-\$1000/utilities included. The location is pretty open so long as it remains within **Encinitas Del Mar, Rancho Peñasquitos. facebook.com/dezertdippin250

2022 MESA COLLEGE STUDENTS Private bedroom 10x10 (furnished). Kearny Mesa (92123). 3 bedrooms, 1/2 bathrooms townhouse... 2 people in the house. 900\$ month to month lease, 450 \$deposit (refundable). www.instagram. com/andersoon assis

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NORTH COUNTY COLLEGE STUDENTS Repositing: I'm looking for housemates at Tylee St, Vista, CA 92083, NOT a party house. The room is for one person, however friends. are welcome as long as it does not become a permanent thing. Rent is \$800 a month, plus a quarter of the utilities. facebook.com/dane.

2022 CSUSM STUDENTS

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2022 SDSU ROOMMATES

Apartment for rent at the Suites on Paseo by SDSU. Fully on raseo 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'm 22 years old, finishing up my last year at SDSU as an Environmental Science Major I'm tidy, respectful, and will give you space, without being a stranger. facebook.com/maren. appert

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. 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'm 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 :-) facebook.com/

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SURFER AND STUDENT ISO ROOM Hil Me and my girlfriend are looking for a place to rent in San Diegol We are looking to move in as possible. We're super friendly and clean people. I'm a surf instructor and my GF is studying, facebook com/iesse studving, facebook.com/iesse. hodsman

UCSD ROOMMATE Hi y'all! I'm a German grad engineering student visiting UCSD from mid-March to mid-June. I'm currently looking for accommodation and/ or some quality roommates. My budget is around 1300 monthly. facebook.com/benedikt.vomlehn/

UCSD STUDENTS MOVING

IN Myself and my friend Nina are relocating from Germany to San Diego to study at UCSD. 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 facebook.com/LinhVuKieu69

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 SDSU STUDENT ROOMMATE I'm Robert, I'm transferring from the Bay Area to San Diego for SDSU. I'm looking for 2-3 roommates who already have a place and are just looking for 1 more. FB: rohert. baghdasaryan.7 IG: _baghdasar www.instagram.com/_baghdasar/

'22 SDSU STUDENTS | am located in La Mesa. Rent/utilities is \$900/month. Room fits a queen size bed. The bathroom is shared

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with my 12 y/o son and another roommate. Access to main areas of house. FB for more info - thx! facebook.com/kristine.leigh.12

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

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/miramarcollege-room

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

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2022 SDSU STUDENT HERE Hey everyone, I'm doing my semester abroad at SDSU and still need a spot in a shared bedroom or private bedroom as I'm living in a hostel in downtown at the moment. Budget \$1000 per month. facebook.com/leonardo. cofone.3

ISO OF PLACE IN OB/MB/ PB I'm looking for a place semi-close to the beach in OB/ MB/PB. The budget is \$1,000 \$1,500 (could go higher for the right place). Please let me know if vou're interested and we can FaceTime www.instagram.com/ ncrookshank/ nrcrookshank@ amail.com

SDSU STUDENT ISO ROOMMATE I'm 22 years old,

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Copper Creek Apartments, a 204-unit affordable apartment community in San Marcos, is opening its waitlist for a limited time! This property is located near schools, grocery anchored retail and a park and offers 1, 2, and 3-bdr apartments. The community includes laundry facilities a swimming pool, computer lab. tot lot. BBO and picnic area. Pre-applications for the waitlist will be made available and also accepted starting Mon. March 7, 2022 at 9:00AM via 1) https://bridgehousing.com/ properties/copper-creek/ or 2) Contactless pick-up at the property.

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The leasing office is located at 1730 Elfin Forest Rd. in San Marcos CA. Office hours are Mon-Fri 9AM-5PM. For more info, call 760-510-0210. Income and other restrictions apply. Section 8 welcome. EHO.



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CLOSE TO SDSU This Encanto room is close to SDSU. The renter is asking \$1300. DM the OP for more details. bit.ly/ encanto-place

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. facebook.com/basheer. gatan/

COLLEGE STUDENTS SPENCER'S IS HIRING

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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 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! facebook.com/raguel ortega.31945

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. facebook. com/yessica.ramirez.39

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. facebook.com/ sophie.tokheim

LITTLE ITALY ROOM Little Italy room available for rent in 2B /2Ba apt for. \$1525 + utilities (electric & internet only) - you have your own private bathroom with a ton of space. DM the OP for more details. facebook.com/dan.rosin.9



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2022 LISD AND MESA STUDENTS Perfect for 2022 students at Mesa or USD students at Mesa or USD colleges because of proximity. There is a swimming pool on the property as well -). Check the Facebook page and message for prices and availability for the next semester. facebook.com/riviera. deville (858) 279-6186

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! facebook.com/sophie.tokheim

LOOKING FOR 3RD

ROOMMATE Hill Our names are Maria and Darlene and we are looking for a third roommate to move out with! We are both 19 and I choose to believe we are nice. facebook.com/mafer. barrera23

NURSING STUDENT ISO

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

CSUSM COLLEGE BOOM \$850 Room for rent in Escondido for \$850. Perfect for college students bit.lv/esco-college

FOR CSUSM STUDENTS

\$1,650, 2 people max, application fee \$28 per adult, security deposit \$750, no refrigerator. DM for more info. facebook.com/ marisa.ramos.180

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Dock Totals 3/6 - 3/12: 1003 anglers aboard 48 half-day to 1.5-day trips out of San Diego landings this past week caught 1 bluefin tuna, 20

calico bass 120 halfmoon 3 halibut, 11 lingcod, 10 lobster (26 released), 1 perch, 3.012 rockfish, 76 sand bass, 21 sanddab, 363 sculpin, 161 sheephead, 1 triggerfish, 731 whitefish, and 115 vellowtail.

Saltwater: The weather cleared enough for boats to extend their range, and the Old Glory out of H&M Landing decided to check out the waters some 60 to 70 miles west of Ensenada while out on a 1.5-day trip last Fridav-Saturday with 23 anglers aboard. The gamble paid off, with limits of yellowtail and one 150-pound bluefin tuna. Though one might assume that, like all tuna species, bluefin tuna are annual migrators and will be gone from our waters

when they spawn through the summer in a small area of the Sea of Japan, the truth is that they are around all year, and at the same time, they spawn annually. This is due to their feeding grounds, which result in juveniles being here off the coast of North America, from off Oregon south to off the southern stretches of the Baja Peninsula. As Pacific bluefin are endothermic, or warm-blooded, they are not subject to certain temperature ranges that triggers migrations of other pelagic species that the San Diego fleet targets. With freedom from the bonds that keep cold-blooded fish more predictable, bluefin tuna can be hard to find.

That they become sexually mature at a broad age range, from 3 to 9 years, and can be 120-300 pounds or more in that age range, means some stay in the eastern Pacific, and some return to Japan, travelling over 5000 miles to spawn every year. Once they return to spawn in the Sea of Japan, Pacific bluefin remain on that side of the ocean, and they can live up to 25 years. As they continue to grow throughout their lives, they can reach upwards of 900 pounds. (This is why we don't see many caught over 400 pounds.)

The world-record Pacific bluefin tuna landed unassisted (IGFA requirement for a record) was caught in the western Pacific by angler Donna Pascoe on February 19, 2014. The California record was caught this past summer by San Diego angler Floyd Sparks and weighed 395.4 pounds. Larger fish weighing just over 400 pounds have been caught in US waters, but those did not qualify for record submittal.

Though Pacific bluefin are from the same stock, there are many schools that migrate annually, based on sexual maturity. Think cattle from one bloodline on a ranch. You can have one stock, but many herds. Studies were few before the turn of

Bluefin don't swim alone

It took angler Robert Tressler over an hour to get this 147.5-pound bluefin tuna to the boat, and three gaffs to haul it aboard.

the century, but more recent tracking efforts using pop-up beacons that can be monitored by satellite shows that the bluefin tuna schools that remain in the eastern Pacific can be just about anywhere from a couple miles off the coast to over a thousand, and anywhere between Eugene. Oregon and Cabo San Lucas.

That they are widely-ranged and relatively unaffected by water temperature is why we don't see many caught during the winter months when fewer boats are running, and weather and distance makes looking for them unsustainable for sportfishing vessels. But, as with the Old Glory, when there is a sighting or a catch within range, they will go take a look. Bluefin tuna are not solitary swimmers and are typically caught in schools that ahve migrated together, so where

there is one in the hundred and fifty-pound range, there are more in that area. The one fish caught aboard the Old Glory was plucked out of a large, metered school of fish 250 feet below a hot yellowtail surface bite. It may have been just one fish hooked and landed, but seasoned Old Glory captain Kley Williams' decision to go offshore paid off with a brute.

As we had our first week of the season with over a thousand anglers and Spring Break is near, along with the great seasonal rockfish numbers. I expect we will see more yellowtail, bonito, and bluefin in the counts in the coming weeks with more boats out looking.

Freshwater: As the trout season is winding down, anglers who want to continue catching the tasty stockers through spring and into summer can focus on the one lake in our county that stocks trout 10 months out of the year: Lake Cuyamaca. Trout fishing is still good at the other county lakes being stocked, but that bite will wane quickly once the last plants are delivered by late March through early April and the lower elevation lake waters warm.

Cuyamaca does not publish its trout stocking schedule as do most county lakes. But as it stocks most of the year and has cooler water at over 4600 feet in elevation, trout can be caught there in any month. The lake also offers good largemouth bass fishing, along with a small population of smallmouth bass, plenty of channel catfish, bluegill, crappie, and occasionally, white sturgeon, making Cuyamaca one of the more species-diverse lakes in our area.

Fish on!

Fish Plants: March 20 - Lake Wolhford, trout (1500), March 21, Lake Jennings, trout (2000), March 24, Lake Poway, trout (1500)

DANIEL POWELL

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police won't respond. Also within earshot are a five-story condominium and fourstory apartment."

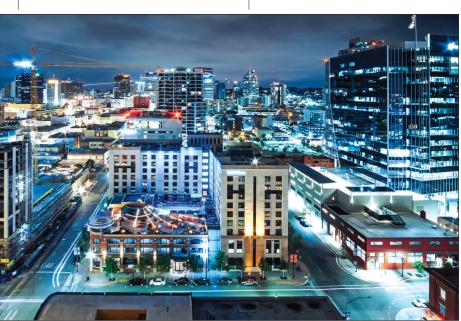
"Rooftop noise has been a huge issue for us," said Tony Khalil, the city's noise administrator. "It truly is a nuisance." Enforcement is hit or miss, since code enforcement from being brought in for events, require a noise study, and establish a process for revoking the permits of bad actors. But neighbors say noise pollution in the area remains extreme, from pedicabs to live street musicians on 5th and Market. At least one bar violates the ordinance by keeping their windows and doors open.

No permit is required for ambient or background noise, which is higher in

"Every room in our small condo faces this venue...." having DJs and sound directed their way was "like having a live band right outside your window."

ment staff doesn't work at night when the racket occurs, and the San Diego Police Department often has bigger priorities than noise complaints.

According to a report, the city has approved only six conditional use permits for outdoor live entertainment over the last 15 years: Andaz; Omnia; Quartyard II; Pendry Hotel Pool Deck; Fifth & J Restaurant; and AC Hotel. The permits set strict requirements on sound system levels, prohibit outside sound and amplification equipurban areas — and that includes recorded music played by DJs. The city's noise ordinance limit is 50 dB, which they compare to "Quiet Urban Daytime" outdoors. The Sugar Factory's 3000-square-foot rooftop deck has a permit that allows ambient recorded music no later than 1:30 am. Hours for live entertainment were proposed until 2 am, seven days a week. Permits were also sought by the owner, Oliver McMillan Gaslamp Theatres, LLC, to allow live entertainment indoors on the ground floor and



second floor, as well as sidewalk café and street-level outdoor dining.

The project had the support of the Downtown Community Planning Council, which praised the new venues it would bring to the Gaslamp and recommended limited hours for live entertainment. Commissioners approved everything except the amplified outdoor live entertainment, citing the unneighborly history. According to Javier

Nicholas, a San Diego police detective who fielded multiple violations by the restaurant from April to October, the business blatantly ignored warnings. Live entertainment was going on the entire time they were applying for a permit. During one visit, the plainclothes detective was met by security who told him to move aside as they rushed to pull the DJ off the stage.

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This Gig Stinks

- Omni, a plant-based pet food company in Britain, is offering a lucky(?) few dog owners more than \$6,000 to "record their experience of introducing their dog to a plant-based diet, monitoring their bowel movements, stool odor, health, energy levels, behavior, sleep pattern and physical attributes, such as weight, skin and fur condition" over a period of two months, according to the company's website. Omni will provide a free supply of its pet food for the gig and will cover the cost of visits to a pet nutritionist, who will oversee the pets' transition to plant-based food. Those dog owners who successfully complete the poop-monitoring period will earn the afore-mentioned cash for their work, while their dogs will receive a supply of dog toys and vegan treats. Applications will be accepted on Omni's website through March 31.

Check, Please!

- Michael Spressler, 58, of Brick, New Jersey, thought he had broken a tooth when he bit into a raw clam and felt something hard in his mouth during a Presidents Day weekend visit to his favorite Jersey Shore seafood restaurant, The Lobster House. "I thought one of my molars cracked," Spressler told NJ Advance Media. But instead of one of his own pearly whites, Spressler found a perfectly round white pearl. "I've been eating clams all my life. This is the first time this ever happened to me," Spressler said. Indeed, the odds of finding a pearl in a clam are said to be roughly 1 in 10,000, and The

Pearl Source website says the little gem, which Spressler's wife, Maria, would like to have set in a piece of jewelry, could be worth anywhere from \$50 to \$100,000.

Golden Ticket

- On Oct. 26, 1984, Northwestern student Michael Cole attended a basketball game alone, having been unable to find a friend to use the extra ticket he had purchased for \$8.50. Thirty-eight years later, on Feb. 27. Cole. now 55, watched that spare ticket, which he had held onto as a keepsake, sell for \$468,000 at auction. What was so special about the ticket? It just happens to be the only known intact ticket from Michael Jordan's debut game with the Chicago Bulls. Cole, whose 2012 Kia Sorento died just one week before the auction ended, said he plans to use some of his earnings to replace it with "a sensible used car."

A Little Faith in Humanity

- Perhaps it's a sad critique of the world we live in when a story like the following is classified as "weird" -- but greed abounds in this modern age, so when an act of kindness rises above the usual dreck, it is weird news indeed. Eduardo Martinez of Honduras, who works near Broadway in New York, probably expected a more typical ending to his story: On March 2, as he rushed to get to work through jam-packed Times Square, Martinez dropped his wallet. Losing his IDs and personal effects would have been devastating enough, but Mar-

by the editors at Andrews McMeel Syndication

tinez also had \$4,000 in cash inside his billfold. As he waded through the crowd of tourists and searched the ground, two police officers approached and informed him that the wallet had been picked up by a fellow commuter and turned over safe and sound -- with all \$4,000 intact. Here's to happy endings!

Animal Adventures

- A 15-year-old poodle named Snowball has been reunited with his owner, Kathy, of Norfolk, Virginia. What kept the two apart? Only about five years and more than 900 miles. Snowball, who arrived recently at the Cape Coral Animal Shelter in Florida with matted fur, infected eyes and ears and severe dehydration, had gone missing from Kathy's home in Norfolk some five years ago. But thanks to the microchip Kathy had implanted in her bestie, the poodle was quickly identified, and Kathy booked a flight shortly after receiving a call from the shelter. Fox 4 Southwest Florida reports that Snowball's eyes have been treated, his vaccinations have been updated, and his new health certificate will allow him to fly home with Kathy.

Did Somebody Say "Shot"?

- On Feb. 27, The Smoking Gun reported, Christina Blair, 33, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, began honking her horn and yelling obscenities at Gabriel Chavez while the two drove their cars on an Albuquerque road. Blair told police she had become enraged upon seeing Chavez's "Vaccinated" bumper sticker. After Blair hit Chavez's car with an object (later revealed to be a water bottle) at a red light, Chavez accidentally backed into Blair's car. The two pulled into a Walgreen's parking lot, where Chavez expected to exchange insurance information; instead, Blair pulled a handgun from her car and racked the weapon. Chavez called 911, and police were able to use Chavez's cellphone video to acquire Blair's license plate info and track it to her residence. Blair was taken into custody and booked on a count of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Two-Drink Minimum

- The buggy-drifting skills of Ray Byler, 20, of Sigel, Pennsylvania, sound impressive; his alcohol tolerance, not so much. Byler was charged with a misdemeanor for driving under the influence and also was cited for careless and reckless driving. Police began following the Amish buggy he was driving and watched as Byler sped up at a turn and locked the brakes, sending sparks flying. According to Trib Live, when Byler pulled over to let the officers pass and they asked if he was OK, Byler's response was slurred, and he smelled of alcohol. When asked if he'd been drinking, Byler told the g officers he'd had "a couple of beers." Byler was allowed to stand by his agitated horse's side after the field sobriety test; police said he refused to take the blood draw test at the hospital.

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39. Be down with something **40.** Household skills class, for short

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the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor (2010) **13.** Country that's got Meg 42. Scoundrel Rvan all mixed up? **43.** "Blood hath been shed **15.** Self-referential now": Macbeth **16.** Bit of stage scenery **21.** Form 1099 agcy. **46.** Like a good workout **23.** Sealing ring **25.** Toothpaste additive ___ board **26.** Tuskegee ____ (Second World War regiment) **29.** Small rowboat 30.___ Eauis **31.** Seeds some put in vogurt 32. *Way to kick a habit **34.** Opposite of WSW 36. Lobbying grp. **37.** Regarding that matter **41.** Pot-au-____ (French stew) **45.** Peter with the debut solo album "Legalize It" **47.** Out crv? **48.** Stop producing water, as a well **50.** In need of calamine lotion **51.** "The Two ("Chinatown" sequel) **52.** ____-deucey **53.** Clean Air Act target 54. Henry VIII's sixth **56.** What's pulled through a pulley 57. Weighs (down) 61. "How was _____ know?" **10.** Egyptian fertility goddess

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- 62. Language in which

- 65. Jennifer of "Dirty Dancing"
- 66. "Without a doubt!"
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