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Julia Berman

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### Hellhole finder

I'd like to comment on your story "Time on the Line" ("The Sentri pass, crossing at Otay, the annoying seagulls," Cover Stories, August 3). I was in Mexico one summer afternoon in 1943. My father brought my mother, my two brothers, my sister and me to visit Tijuana from San Diego for the afternoon. That's the only time I have ever been in Mexico.

My daughter in 1985 snuck into Tijuana with a bunch of idiot college girls without telling us, her parents, and the idiot college girl driver got drunk, crashed the car, injuring my daughter. My daughter died subsequently in 1991. I can thank Tijuana for that. Anybody that goes there is crazy. That's what I have to say about Mexico.

Bob  
San Diego

### Dreaming America

It reminds me of "Walking the Line" by Johnny Cash ("The Sentri pass, crossing at Otay, the annoying seagulls," Cover Stories, August 3). My grandfather was Tex-Mex way back when. I'm addressing the regular border crossing, walking that line, reminds me of time on the line, regardless of immigration status. I just want to thank you for focusing on everyday people, just trying to make the American dream. Rollercoaster ride? There's no idea of what people can come through every day.

Cesar Lopez  
Chula Vista

**Comments from SDReader.com** — not edited for punctuation, spelling, or grammar.

"Going full grammar-guy on public radio"

Golden Dreams

August 3

At certain times of the day KPBS runs some NPR talk shows, and many are very hard to tolerate. A certain patter comes out, usually hosted by a female personality who interviews various, usually female, advocates and "experts" on a host of subjects. So, what's not to like? "Like" and "you know" are used to distraction by those who are talking, to the point where they mask the intent of the broadcast.

Can't those who are expected to speak with authority purge those verbal tics from their statements and replies? Seems that we have lost that fight, especially in the Gen-Y and millennial groups. Oh and lest I come across as sexist, there are males in abundance who do the same thing, and in some ways sound even worse. That's why I don't support or generally listen to KPBS.

—Visduh

I don't listen to KPBS. I like grammatical correctness myself, and I can see why some listeners are annoyed. Maybe the way it's said sounds smoother, and it rolls off the tongue easier. I believe they're well aware of it.

—Socks3742

Yeah! I've noticed too, and had the same thoughts. They could very easily re-record that.

—Leorah Gavidor

No, you are not the only one! Thank you for speaking up! Especially about a radio station which has a show about this very issue. Apparently the diminutive "to" has become wayward, like a middle school student skipping English class.

—Frederick Simson

**"Comic-Con covid protocols spark debate"**

Neighborhood News

August 2

MANY PEOPLE WHO I KNOW AND WENT TO COMIC CON THIS YEAR GOT COVID THERE! THE MASKS DON'T WORK! GET IT!

—Dennis Gulyas Sr

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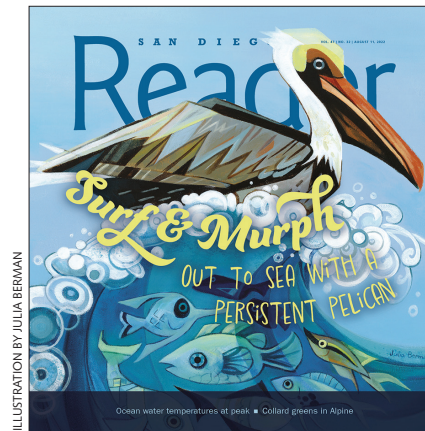


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# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Reader stringers

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## Covid-Con?

**Exhibitors exit over pandemic protocols, but some still succumb to virus**

Over the weekend of July 21-24, Comic-Con International returned to the San Diego Convention Center for its first full-blown four-day show since 2019. But it did so without at least one long-time attendee and vendor: CJ Smith. “I’ve been attending since I was almost 12,” said Smith, who has missed only three Cons in the last 40 years. “This year, I sat out,” because “they forced us to wear masks, show proof of vaxes, and a [covid] test. It’s totally un-American! If the scenario became a comic book, we’d call it *What If: Comic-Con Went Communist?* I’m not getting vaxxed, period. And honestly, the test is not always accurate. I personally won’t go back



CREDIT: TEER HALL

Grateful attendee Teek Hall met one of his heroes at the Con: director and podcaster Kevin Smith.

Palm 1 and 2 spaces at the Con itself.) Either of the two would get attendees the orange-colored wristband needed to enter the Con. Well, that and the badge that marked them as one of the lucky few to snag a ticket to the pop culture extravaganza.

San Diego Con for the first time this year; he hopes to bring more friends in the future. “I’ve always wanted to attend,” he told me on July 21. “I’ve been an artist, and I drew smaller comics when I was younger; I also have tried my hand at script writing.” Hall accessed the show as part of Geekscape, a group of writers and readers who adore geek culture — movies, video games, comics, and more — and talk about it on their social media pages and podcasts.

“They are strict here about the masking protocol,” Hall continued. “In Arizona, most people don’t wear facemasks. With all of these people, I understand and respect that.

“This year, I sat out; they forced us to wear masks, show proof of vaxes, and a [covid] test. It’s totally un-American.”

until it’s the way it was before November of 2019 — meaning, no bullshit rules to get in.” Smith even said there was talk of a “backup Con” at a local community center.

Smith is correct in saying that the Con requested proof of vaccination against covid, or, failing that, proof of a negative covid test taken within the past 72 hours. (If the person hadn’t a test, they could get tested in the

Like others who didn’t want to adhere to the Con’s covid protocol, Smith gave up his right to both attend and sell product at the event — likely losing rights to his booth and tickets for next year as well. Smith said four of his close buddies did not participate in the Con, and that conversations within his network had informed him that “about 70 dealers and acquaintances bowed out, too.”

David Glanzer, Chief Communication and Strategy Officer for the Con, said in a recent *Forbes* interview: “A few exhibitors pulled out but their spaces will be filled with new booths, and maybe some lounge space to give people a chance to sit down and rest.” He added that “there are some entities that decided they don’t want to do the show. [So] them losing their space is something they don’t care about.”

And it’s not like there aren’t plenty of people eager to take their places. Some fans wait years to get tickets via a lottery system; many of them are surely pleased to see people give up their grandfathered spots — for whatever reason. Teek Hall, a rapper and comic collector from Phoenix, was one of the attendees who got access to the



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Shredder and April O’Neal made an appearance.

convention I’ve attended,” he concluded. “I hope I can return.” While attending, Hall met one of his heroes: film director and podcaster Kevin Smith.

The covid protocols sparked considerable discussions on social media sites, including the San Diego Comic-Con Unofficial Blog and Reddit.

After the Con, Weaselbrau1, another dealer at the show, posted on Reddit: “My wife and two other people and I run an exhibitor booth at SDCC — we’ve had that booth for over a decade. We were worried about covid at this Con, but decided to go anyway. We were hyper-vigilant on care — masks, handwashing, bathing in Purell, etc. Two of us just tested positive this morning. [The] symptoms started between Saturday night and Sunday morning.” Many commenters also admitted to testing positive for covid days after attending the Con. The thread was quickly closed down.

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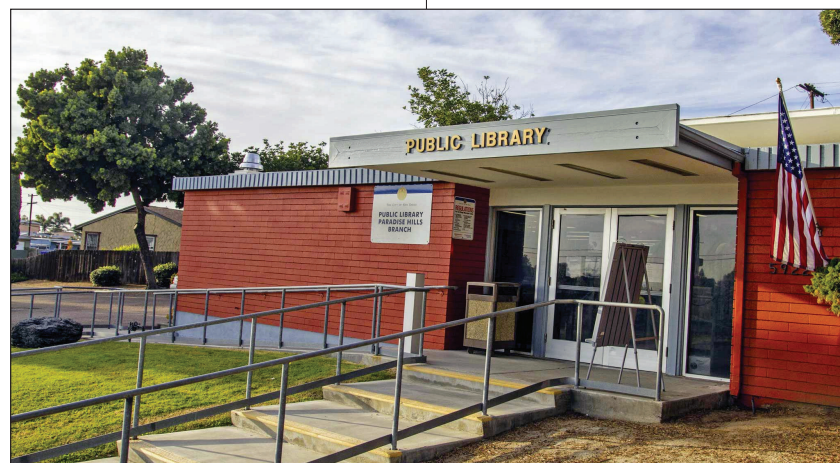
LIBRARY LAND

## Build Better by spreading the spend

**New initiative aims to move money where it’s needed**

On August 1, the City Council approved Mayor Todd Gloria’s Build Better San Diego, an initiative that will improve services and infrastructure in lower income communities. Last summer, the city took action on parks. This time, the focus is on fire stations, mobility, and libraries. The initiative creates a new citywide developer impact fee program, meant to distribute funds more equitably, and set to go into effect on July 1, 2023.

Under the old system, the fee funds



The only thing crumbling faster than our public schools: our public libraries.

This convention is way bigger than ours back home in Phoenix.” (The Con bounced back nicely this year, matching its pre-covid attendance numbers of 130,000.) Just then, security stopped Hall and asked if he had a mask, and he panicked when he couldn’t find one in his bag. The Con personnel provided Hall with a new mask. “This is the best comic

ended up being spent in areas that were the least in need of them, while communities that lacked the most basic infrastructure were neglected. Places that needed sidewalks, not bike lanes. “The amendments, I think, are long overdue,” said councilmember Vivian Moreno regarding the underinvestment

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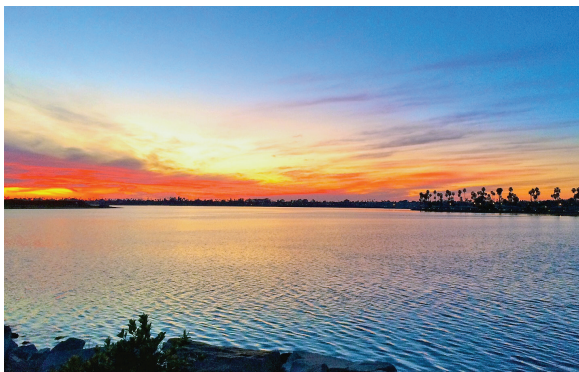


## Mission: save Mission Bay

Audit warns of empty coffers and poor oversight

When the flow of lease revenue once used by the city to maintain Mission Bay and its environs dried up during the Covid-19 pandemic, the cash wasn't replaced, leaving the one-time municipal jewel vulnerable to a cascade of maintenance failures. Exacerbating the situation, two citizen committees tasked with protecting the bay's fiscal status have been kept in the dark by officials about the leases and construction projects they are supposed to monitor. So says an August 2 report to the city council by City Auditor Andy Hanau regarding a looming crisis for the park, which has long been crucial to local recreation and tourism.

"The Mission Bay Park Improvement Fund's Oversight Committee and the San Diego Regional Parks Improvement Fund's Oversight Committee are responsible for overseeing revenues and expenditures associated with leases and capital projects within the boundaries of Mission Bay Park and San Diego Regional Parks," according to the document. But committee chairs told auditors they had received inadequate data. "Specifically, they requested the City provide more detailed project information regarding the cost for each phase of the project. For example, a breakdown between planning, design, and construction costs. The Committee Chairs also requested a cost breakdown within each phase to show the portion expended for City labor (inclusive of fringe and overhead) versus



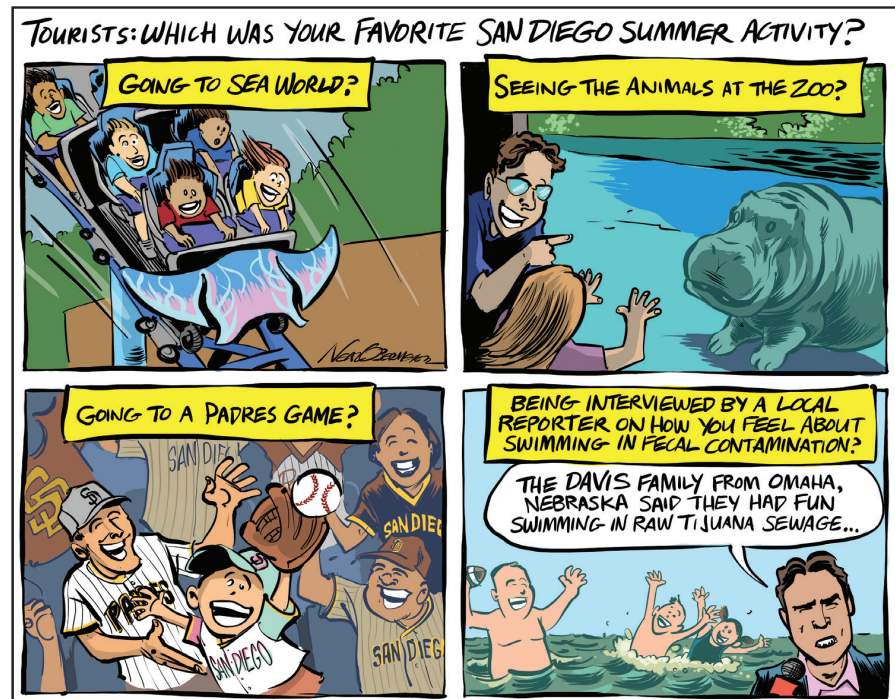
Mission Bay: "Don't let the sun go down on me!"

consultant and contractor costs. Without this information, the Committees are currently unable to assess the relationship between actual construction costs and the costs associated with planning and designing the facilities. Additionally, they are not able to assess what factors are driving cost increases."

With shortness of funds, the urgency for more transparency is growing, Hanau's report suggests. "Whenever a request is made to increase funding/budget of a project that requires committee approval, detailed project estimates including factors driving cost increases should be provided to the [oversight] committees," says the document. But some key information isn't available, even to city staff. "The City does not have documentation to show routine site visits of leased properties are occurring," according to the report. "Without these site visits, the City may be unaware of lease violations, including any potential safety hazards, poor maintenance conditions on properties that could have been visually identified, or any potential liability

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## Neal Obermeyer



# UNDER THE RADAR

**Fat cats' voting scheme** Proponents of an "instant runoff" voting scheme that once appeared destined for San Diego's November ballot ultimately failed to convince the city council of its merits — despite the influence of some big out-of-town money. A city-wide vote on whether to adopt so-called ranked-choice voting, as it is also known, was delayed at least until 2024 after the council's Rules Committee balked at rushing the proposal to a fall vote. The city currently holds city council, mayoral, and city attorney primaries in June, with the top two vote-getters facing off in November. The so-called instant runoff system is more complicated and controversial. "Generally, with [instant-runoff voting], voters rank candidates in order of preference," explains a June 2, 2022, report by the city's Independent Budget Analyst. "A candidate can win outright by receiving the majority of first-preference votes. If no candidate receives a majority, then



Mark Kersey says instant runoffs will help prevent nasty campaigns

the candidate with the fewest first-preference votes is eliminated, and voters who picked that candidate as their first choice will have their next choice counted. If there still is not a winner, then the candidate with the next fewest votes is also eliminated. This process continues with candidates eliminated one by one until one candidate has obtained a majority." Among downsides, per the report: "The tabulation process when multiple rounds occur will require additional time, perhaps even days or weeks, until results are available." In addition, "ballots and the counting of the ballots will be more expensive, due to the need for additional materials," and "education and outreach will be necessary to ensure all voters understand the voting system."

Costs to implement the scheme are estimated at \$3.5 million, per the analysis, including "\$2.8 million in ongoing costs per election for voter education and outreach, additional ballots, and voter information. The County [Registrar of Voters] noted that the robustness of the \$1.65 million outreach campaign included as part of this total amount may taper off as [ranked-choice voting] becomes more socialized, but expects a high-level of outreach to be required through at least eight election cycles."

So why consider such a radical switch? "Voters and candidates are tired of divisive and toxic campaigns," ex-councilman Mark Kersey told the Rules Committee, per an April 20 City News Service report posted online by KPBS. "[Ranked-choice voting] incentivizes more civility in politics. Because candidates need to win second, third and fourth place votes in ranked-choice voting elections, candidates run more positive campaigns

focused on the issues." Lori Thiel of the League of Women Voters told the committee, "Communities that use ranked-choice voting see more women and people of color run for office and see more women and people of color elected."

A campaign finance disclosure covering the first half of this year reveals that much of the cash behind the proposal is from out of town, including \$50,000 on March 17 from Denver, Colorado-based Unite America. Kathryn Murdoch, wife of James Murdoch, the liberal-leaning

son of conservative Fox News proprietor Rupert Murdoch, co-chairs the board and is a major financial backer of the group. John Palmer of San Francisco private equity boutique Hanover Partners had given a total of \$30,000 by March 28. "Prior to forming Hanover Partners, John was a Vice-President with Wells Fargo Bank, having held operating roles in strategic finance, marketing, and strategic planning," says Palmer's online bio.

More of the money to drive the effort flowed from the Independent Voter Project, which came up with a total of \$60,000 in March and April, and its affiliated Independent Voter PAC, which kicked in \$50,000 on February 14. That committee, associated with Democratic ex-state Senator Steve Peace, has been heavily funded by utility giant Sempra Energy, which furnished a total of \$135,000 in December of last year.

## Todd Gloria's Barona band of freebies

San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria and his deputy chief of staff Nick Serrano ventured beyond city limits on April 22 to chow down on meal freebies worth \$57 each provided



Nick Serrano, the happy recipient of a free lunch — or maybe dinner.

by the Barona Band of Mission Indians, according to the band's second quarter lobbying disclosure filed July 29. In addition to city hall Democrats Gloria and Serrano, the tribe spent a total of \$2685 in "activity expenses" on a host of Democratic state legislators and legislative hopefuls, with most of the money, \$2049, paying for the unidentified gathering attended by the mayor and his aide. The event's legislative roster included Democratic Assembly

candidates Georgette Gomez, Christy Holstege, James Coleman, Rick Chavez Zbur, and Corey Jackson, along with Democratic state senate hopefuls Daniel Hertzberg and Steve Padilla, Assembly Democrat Chris Ward, and state Senate Democrat Scott Weiner.

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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risks to the City that may have arisen on properties,” notes the audit. In addition, there may be instances of unapproved change in business operations or unapproved sublease operations.”

Pointing out that not all leases involving so-called in-water improvements require inspections of the properties, the audit advises, “Given the nature of Mission Bay land [and] a saltwater bay, the City should improve its oversight and ensure in-water improvements are being properly maintained.”

The integrity of two other committees vital to keeping the park intact is also called into question by the report. “The Mission Bay Park Committee currently has 1 vacancy, and of the 10 remaining members, 6 are serving under expired terms,” according to the document. “The Park and Recreation Board is currently fully staffed; however, eight members are serving under

expired terms.” Noting that city law “requires that an interval of four years must pass before a person who has served eight consecutive years on the Mission Bay Park Committee can be reappointed,” the auditors wrote that they “found the Mission Bay Park Committee has two members that are currently serving beyond eight consecutive years, in violation of the Municipal Code.”

With plunging lease revenue, the concerns are growing. “The Mission Bay Improvement Fund saw a 68 percent reduction in revenue from FY2019 to FY2020, from \$7.4 million down to \$2.4 million. In FY2021, the [Mission Bay Improvement Fund] did not receive any lease revenue. Without adequate funding, capital improvements in Mission Bay and San Diego Reginal Parks will be hindered. A possible source [of replacement funds] would be additional allocations from the General Fund, since the General Fund

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in older urban neighborhoods.

The developer fees, which range from a few thousand to over \$100,000 per home, are just one of several fees the city uses to support infrastructure. “The fees are very high in some communities and very low in others,” said city planning director Heidi Vonblum. When they’re low, very little infrastructure can be provided. And when they’re high, there are few opportunities to provide affordable housing, “creating two realities in the city.” So the goal is to make all developer impact fees consistent across the city. An annual report will keep track of the fees and amount collected.

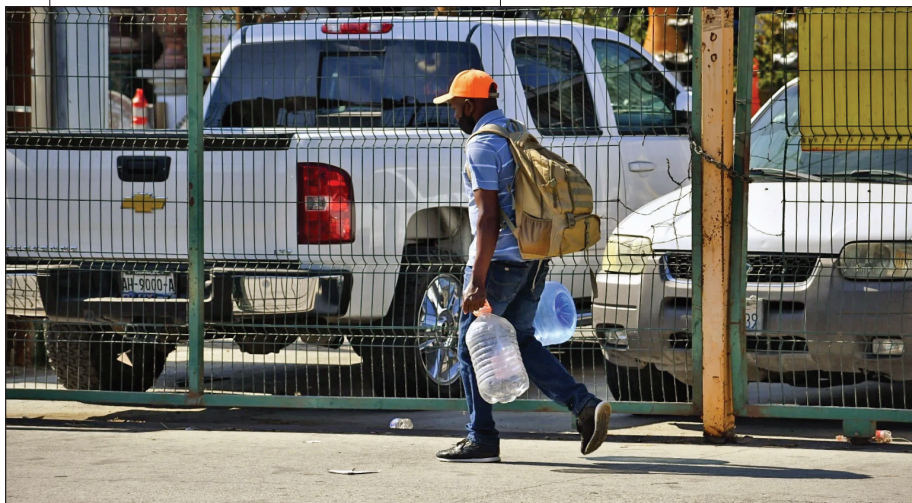
Libraries will benefit from a developer fee that will be used to fund various library capital improvements. The fee replaces the

of hoarding.”

The new fees won’t solve the deficit, noted Jillian Kissee, deputy director with the Office of the Independent Budget Analyst. That’s because the program doesn’t increase funds; rather, it prioritizes projects.

Jesse O’Sullivan, the policy counsel for Circulate San Diego, praised the fact that the new system incentivizes building smaller homes. Before, the fee was based on a building’s total volume rather than its total number of units, creating what councilmember Joe LaCava called “the era of large-scale master-planned communities in San Diego.”

Chris Cate, the only council member to vote against the program, said he hoped the city would prioritize communities targeted for density. According to Vonblum, the program will target investments in areas experiencing the most



Carry your own water, and then some: people are banding together to provide for older neighbors.

increased during the pandemic and haven’t stopped since. “You woke up ready to start the day, you want to take a shower, you think the water is flowing, and then nothing. It ruins your whole day. Can’t do the most basic stuff, like cleaning your house. A friend of mine had to install a water cistern in his house because cut-offs were so frequent in his area.”

Oscar said that neighbors have helped each other when this happens, especially

hygiene. Out on the east side of the city, in areas like Playas de Tijuana, inhabitants are struggling with the water situation. The water system infrastructure there is often less developed, so they use bottled drinking water instead of regular tap water for all their activities. But even for someone like Elena Flores, who lives in the private upper middle-class complex of Punta Bandera, there are difficulties. The complex has its own sewer and pipe system to provide

“Because we don’t have water, we buy disposable cookware, which is not good, but we have found no other way.”

older people. “I’ve seen people who store water in tanks sharing buckets of it with neighbors next door. Right now, we just have a small water stream coming out of the tap, but then we can be out of it for the next two or three days straight.”

Unlike San Diego, tap water is not safe for human consumption in Tijuana. So people there supply their need for drinking water with vessels of 20 liters each, or with smaller bottles. That’s the water that gets used for drinking, doing the dishes, and for personal

water and treat waste, but it is having serious problems getting enough water to supply its cistern. “Because we don’t have water, we buy disposable cookware, which is not good, but we have found no other way,” she explained. “Then we have this terrible smell of stagnated water or sewers everywhere.” Elena noted that they have no water for half of the month, and thinks moving out of the neighborhood is the only way to avoid this situation.

IVAN MOLINA



Colonia Ruiz Cortinez, Tijuana, B.C.



San Carlos Public Library, just one victim of the library maintenance backlog.

existing library component of community planning area-based development impact fees. It authorizes spending up to \$500,000 in citywide funds to help deliver infrastructure “where needed.” And it’s needed in lots of places: under the old Library Building Plan, more than half of the city’s 35 libraries were neglected. A 2016 facilities assessment found several branches in poor shape due to a library maintenance backlog: Kensington-Normal Heights, Linda Vista, Logan Heights, Ocean Beach, Paradise Hills, Rancho Bernardo, San Carlos, Serra Mesa, Skyline Hills, and University Heights.

Planning director Vonblum said the new program will create more efficiency and get projects done sooner. There is \$220 million waiting to be unlocked for certain communities, she said, and the Build Better program allows the city to use these funds. Those unspent funds come from fees that were placed into dozens of separate neighborhood funds over the years, money that never quite stretched to cover planned improvement projects. “Over time, the idea is we spend down that money,” Vonblum said, and “get out of the business

growth. Thomas Mulvaney, with Livable San Diego, criticized the city for “pushing huge amounts of density in the college area — taking developer fees with no guarantee any of it comes back.”

SHEILA PELL

## TIJUANA

### Water woes

#### Dam damage leads to serious shortages

The National Water Commission has declared a state of emergency due to a drought that has hurt five states in Mexico. Baja California is on the list. One month ago, an outage at the El Carrizo Dam, which stores water extracted from the Colorado River, affected its pumping machines. Tijuana’s local government deployed cut-offs in the residential water system to manage the reduction in the dam water. The rationing of water is taking place all around the city, including the outskirts, downtown, and Playas de Tijuana.

For Oscar Alvarado, who lives about 12 miles east of Tijuana’s downtown in the Estadio Toros neighborhood, those cut-offs



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# Richard Meltzer in Reader

## Meltzer Family Christmas Beer Bust

Carta Blanca's the best. I would stand behind Carta Blanca. It's the first one that's given me any sense of, you know, where I have conviction about it. Its taste is very good – it's round. It's got a very round combination of tart and sweet. But I just feel compelled to comment on the ludicrousness of putting words to an experience that's purely sensual or sensorial – or nourishment that's only, or biological satiation. **DEC. 23, 1993**

## Arnold, OJ, and the Brain

Ronald Schoenberg?...that's right: HIM. L.A. judge who let O.J. walk, no jail time – the time he just beat her up – Nicole. Uproar, furor; all the heat Ron has had to endure in the wake of u-know-what. Demands for his resignation. Is the SON OF MR. TWELVE-TONE.... 360 North Rockingham Ave., Brentwood – an address you know, right? O.J.'s estate, where they arrested him,, is not far from where the Family Schoenberg moved when daddy took the UCLA gig. **MAR. 16, 1995**

## Hey Mr. DeeJay, What's That Powder on Your Face?

Toward the end of the two hours – what the hey – I put on something from my waning days on the rockwrite dole, back when I was

still plugged into the food tube of the record industry, anyway still on mailing lists, *Royal Scam* by Steely Dan, which I'd saved for one cut: "Don't Take Me Alive." Good lyrics I thought, from the p.o.v. of this cornered rat, a cocky bozo about to be nailed by the cops. **JUNE. 22, 1995**

## Chump-Change Touchstone

The best of the Flash Gordons, and the best of the whole set, was the first of that series. *Space Soldiers* (1936), which in addition to giant standing lobsters, lion-men, a flying palace kept airborne, and Ming (the Merciless) had snippets of the first music I ever felt compelled to call exciting. Two years ago I was able to i.d. the snippets as having been lifted from *Les Preludes*, the 1854 tone poem by Liszt. **DEC. 21, 1995**



I really do think the aluminum version of Tecate is better than the old steel version, which had that acridness.

## The Tubes of My Life

1966, home from college. Nothing better to do than sit around with mom and dad and watch some wretched WW2 thingie with Jack Warden held captive in the South Pacific. Could very well have been some top-rated series 'cause that's all they watched I've easily overcome any addiction I might've had, and this one's so lame I'm ready for bear, laughing at all the wrong parts – i.e., all the parts (I've studied Dada so I know the triggers). **SEPT. 2, 1982**

## End without End

There are mornings and nights where I very much feel I have NOTHING to say. Nothing left to say. Nothing ever to say – never had it. Papers on the floor, covering my bed, table, chairs, every inch of horizontal space taken up by notes and sundry for chapters-in-progress. Haven't vacuumed or dusted since '91. Great for the lungs. I ask my gal Irene: "Is this the home, the cell, of a defeated man?" No, she says. **MAR. 11, 1993**

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has received funding from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program under the American Rescue Plan Act to compensate for lost revenues and associated impacts of the pandemic." To avoid a growing fiscal crunch, the report recommends that "the Department of Finance present an option to compensate the Improvement Funds for lost revenue to the Mayor for consideration as part of the mid-year budget update."

In a July 29 response, the city's Chief Operating Officer Jay Goldstone agreed with the audit's findings. "The Department of Finance will evaluate replenishing the Park Improvement Funds after considering the Mayor and Council's budgetary priorities and in compliance with the use of COVID-19 federal relief funds," wrote Goldsmith. "If approved by the Mayor, the budget amendment will be included in the

Fiscal year 2023 Mid-year Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report for Council consideration. Target Implementation Date: February 2023"

Matt Potter

## Pecunious police still depleted

Throwing money at the problem of reduced ranks

Last week's San Diego city council vote to hand out \$15,000 hiring bonuses to cops — funds poached from other government agencies — is just the latest public money-throwing action in the city's costly panic over diminishing police ranks. Notes a July 17 dispatch by TV station KNSD, "More officers have left SDPD this past year than in any year in the last decade. In fiscal year 2022, which ended June 30, 241 officers left the force. Another 12 officers have left since July 1. About 31% of those departures were retirements: 76 officers retired last year. But 66 of the officers who left

didn't retire; they just went to work at other law enforcement agencies."

Now comes California state Controller Betty Yee with her annual public agency salary survey, including self-reported 2021 data gleaned from "cities and counties on the Government Compensation in California website," according to Yee's June 28 news release. "The newly published data include 460 cities and 51 counties," the release notes. No names are named, but the figures alone are impressive. A police sergeant made the top of San Diego's list by pulling down a whopping \$359,138, including regular pay of \$119,798 and overtime of \$219,805, along with something called Lump-Sum pay of \$5,107 and Other Pay of \$14,428. A Police Officer II came in second at \$345,336. An Assistant Police Chief was third with \$336,250, including a Lump-Sum of \$93,42 and Other Pay of \$35,127.

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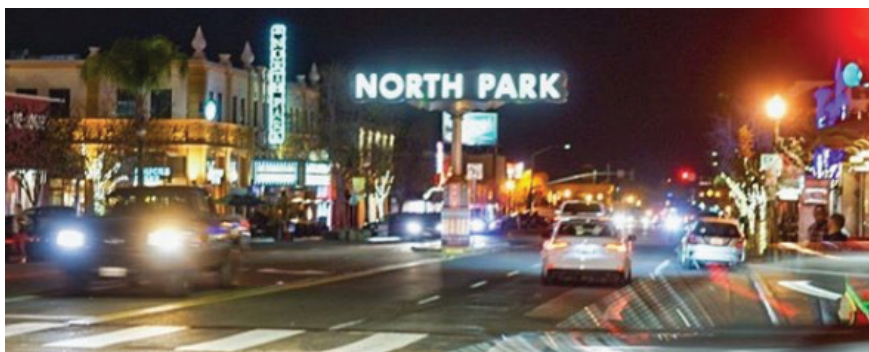
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"The Circle of Life," one of Stewart's favorite numbers.

## Swinging for the King

When the stage production of *The Lion King* arrives in San Diego on August 24th, T. Shyvonne Stewart will be arriving along with it. For Stewart, a swing player in the production who also covers the characters Sarabi and Shenzi as an understudy, the arrival is also a homecoming — to the last city that she and her family lived in when she was "a Navy brat." Her father, Capt. Richard G. Stewart Jr. Esq., was the first Black captain of the Navy Jag Corp, and finished the last of his 24 Navy years here on the Amphibious Base on Coronado before the family moved on to Dallas during Stewart's teen years.

Stewart lived in enough places as a child to attend 13 different schools, but San Diego holds some special memories for her. Here is where she joined Coronado's Speed Spinners jump-roping team, where she first learned to play piano after her mom made a friend on a neighborhood walk, where she was able to spend time on the Amphibious Base watching the resident SEALs dive and train. Here is even where she was allowed to try on the antique copper helmets used by an older Navy generation. And when she gets here, she'll be able to stay with a relative and eat fish tacos like she used to — and go to the beach: "I'm looking forward to the beach, absolutely. Beach baby all day."

Stewart talked to me over the phone from the road; she is currently in Tempe, Arizona. She says she loves traveling with the production, a group of people that includes the eight others who were cast at the same time she was, so the cohort has a special bond. She tells me about the first rehearsal that the current group completed together, remarking that their first time "being able to sit and watch the show was very emotional for many people." It was, she says, "a magical experience, noting that in

her world, "it's a lot of people's dream to be in *The Lion King*."

Stewart says that she has been singing and performing since she "came out of the womb," but that for a long time, she had "a hesitancy to do it professionally. Fear, if we're being honest." But at a certain point in her life — after

her time in college and graduate school, and after working for a number of years with college students, whom she encouraged to pursue their dreams and use their talents — she figured, "I should probably take my own advice."

She had a turning point experience in 2016 that sealed her commitment: a musical performance at church, after which she says she had a whole church family holding

her accountable. That led to her putting in her one month notice at Georgetown, where she was working as an administrator, and moving to New York City "with literally no job."

It's been hard but happy work, and she continues to be gratified for the chance to bring the magic of music and theater to crowds across the country.

## Signs of the (bygone) times

Anyone who has been in downtown El Cajon has probably noticed the large El Cajon Typewriter Co. sign at 130 E. Main that, alas, no longer announces a real live typewriter shop. Though the internet is surprisingly short on any information about the place, its demise, whenever that happened, has been noted by a single (unhappy) Google review for the business, which awards it one out of five stars: "NOT A TYPEWRITER STORE, anymore."

No, it's not. Instead, the nicely painted sign survives atop a number of small art galleries. But I think we should be glad that the lettering is still there. Old signs almost always outdo their more recent competition, and when they

remain as part of a neighborhood, they keep up some small sense of historical continuity.

When I first walked by, I thought the sign was the only remnant of the old business, but as I kept walking, and turned right on Magnolia, then right again into El Cajon's Arts Alley behind the building, I found myself facing a mysterious window on its weathered white back.

From the middle of the alley, you can't see much of what's inside, other than a large two-colored neon sign: "Office Machines." Underneath the window, hanging on the outside of the building, is a large rectangular sign: Smith Corona Factory Outlet.

I walked up closer to get a better look inside, and was delighted to find a well-preserved, cozy, low-ceilinged office, so filled with nostalgic feeling and alluring objects that it could have been an art installation. Maybe it was one. The atmosphere was mostly circa the early '70s. Back against one wall, past the Absocold fridge and under the Office

Station Zebra and one for 1970's Airport. A couple of tortilla-warming pouches from El Indio were hanging around as well. A clock with hands stuck at 8:40, two baseball hats (Heinz, Simpson's Nursery), more old signage from the typewriter business. There were also six chairs spread around. The desk supported a rotary phone, a barbell, and *An Introduction*



The view from Main Street

to *Physical Geography*. Behind the desk chair stood an illuminated globe.

Then there was all the Pittsburghiana: a black and white art photo of its skyline; banners for the Pirates, Steelers, Duquesne and Saint Francis University. Clearly, this guy left at least part of his heart in his old hometown.

In her world, she says, "It's a lot of people's dream to be in *The Lion King*."

Machines neon, stood a work table sporting a vise and a beat-up industrial lamp, plus various parts and gizmos for fixing typewriters, and a single-burner hot plate. Whether it was used for lunch or for some repair-related heating, I'm unsure.

Among the numerous decorations on the wall were two film posters, one for 1968's *Ice*

The most intriguing Pittsburgh items were a church bulletin on the desk from Blessed Trinity parish, which sat next to a calendar from the same. The calendar was open to July 2022 and the bulletin was from May 1. Someone was still using this place, at least sometimes. It must have been his buffalo check jacket that was hanging on the door. ■



The writer's son investigates.



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Paula performs her signature "penis pirouette" for students in her transgender tutu. "Some people will say that my presence is 'inappropriate,'" says Paula. "But that's only because of a cisgendered, heteronormative, biologically obsessed worldview that still fails to realize that biology does not equal gender does not equal sexuality. Severing the false connection between those things is a big part of my work, which is why it's so crucial that I be able to reach people when they're still young enough to hear my message."

## Hearts not Parts

*San Diego schools enlist Paula the Penis as part of gender-identity instruction*

Last week, conservative social activist Christopher Rufo — who attracted national attention with his crusade against Critical Race Theory in public school curricula before pivoting to what he terms "radical gender theory" — published a report on San Diego Unified documents that outline an effort to, in his words, "dismantle 'heteronormativity' and break the 'gender binary.'" Part of that effort included a sex-ed training module produced jointly between San Diego Unified and Planned Parenthood that

advised teachers to call biological males "people with a penis," because, says Rufo, "according to the district, some women can have penises."

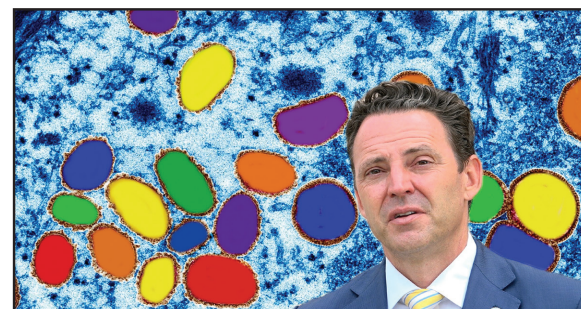
"That's where I come in," says Paula the Penis, a biological female who regularly dons an inflatable penis costume and performs for schoolchildren all over California. "Though I was assigned a sex - female - at birth by a gender-binary-dominated societal structure, and though there is a powerful cultural association

with being female and not having a penis, by putting on this costume, I can become a person with a penis, no matter my sex, or gender, or sexuality. I'm a walking, talking visual aid, doing my part to take the trauma out of childhood."

## A Pox on the Pox

*County Super-supervisor Fletcher says vaccines are not enough: "We must fight the real enemy."*

Last week, as case numbers in San Diego County continued to rise, San Diego public health officials declared a public health emergency in response to the recent monkeypox outbreak. In a speech praising the move, Super-supervisor Nathan Fletcher offered the following statement: "In January of 2021, as part of my declaration of racism as a public health crisis, I took the bold step of condemning the coronavirus for its racist behavior: infecting, hospitalizing, and killing Blacks and Latinx at much higher rates than whites. Sadly, it seems that history is repeating itself while at the same time moving backward, because now we face another pandemic, monkeypox, and another public emergency. This time, we have a disease that disproportionately infects gay



Super-supervisor Fletcher: "We must not let monkeypox make a monkey out of us. But it will be difficult. On the one hand, the coronavirus taught us that we must sometimes take drastic measures to stop the spread: closing businesses, churches, and schools; preventing public gatherings that are not political protests; and all the rest of it. On the other hand, the disease's outbreak in this case seems to be mostly spread through sexual contact, and it's not like we can ask people to stop having sex. This is America. And more to the point, this is California, which, as Governor Newsom has reminded us recently, is the Freedom State. How can we follow his call to Choose Freedom if we can't even Free Willy?"

men. Sometimes, I feel as though nature itself is not only racist, but homophobic. In that case, it is the duty of every San Diegan

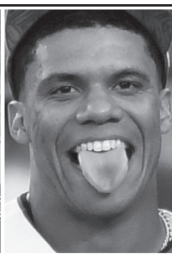
to take a stand against nature. Because if we don't, then even if we defeat the monkeypox, we will have lost."

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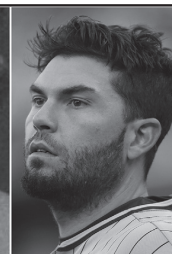
In *Black Panther*, **Daniel Kaluuya** played W'kabi, who was not the king of Wakanda but still proved a crucial leader.



The Padres' blockbuster trade for **Juan Soto** also brought them standout first baseman Josh Bell.



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# Surf & Murph



OUT TO SEA WITH A  
PERSISTENT PELICAN

## The whale

As we pass the furthestmost finger of Hospitality Point, where the cobbled jetties are populated with pelicans and cormorants, a gray whale erupts from the waters and draws sudden breath. That's when Yippers, in what seems like a stubborn rejection of the magnificent moment, asks me, "Do you get seasick?" Yippers is actually Yip — Keith Yip (though everyone refers to him as Yippers) — and he is piloting the boat. Our boat, anyway; there are two in this particular caravan. Yip and I have a pelican *en tote*, the boat ahead of us carries three

sea lions and a team of videographers from somewhere out of the country. In reply, I cock my head in a fake "Lemme think for a sec" gesture, but what I say is, "I dunno." Truth is, I've never been out on the open ocean before. Harbor excursions, sure, and kayaking around the same-said point we're now exiting, but never a venture too far beyond

the breakwater or past the white buoys that bob in cautionary stop-sign fashion: "Now Entering the Ocean."

This is ironic, because I've lived on the coast all of my life, and have worked at SeaWorld for half that time. Yippers registers surprise at my greenness; he has stories about weathering violent

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We named him Murph. Because of the Law and all.

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waters in half the world's oceans, while I, in comparison, just had a pretty good day, once, catching the surf at Tourmaline and landing a sunburn. But regardless of our experience gap and there being a jury out on whether or not I have sea legs, or, more importantly, a seaworthy stomach, Yip and I are on a mutual mission: we're out here today to release rehabilitated animals back out into the ocean. He's the charge of the sea lions. I've got the pelican.

There's linguistic play here. Sea lions are pinnipeds, which, when you boil down the Latin, means "feather-footed." My pelican is obviously and fetedly plumaged. So our adventure today is a return-to-the-ocean celebration for all manner of feathered things. The sea lion pups: they were nursed back to health after having been

rescued — debilitated and dehydrated — from San Diego shoreline. The pelican was rescued, too, but has proved stubborn about returning, flying back to SeaWorld often and therefore needing this final deep-sea release to remind him of his home out among the waves. We named him Murph. Because of the Law and all.

I don't get seasick upon exiting Hospitality Point, and it's a grand gesture that a gray whale has arced its back in acknowledgement.

### The shark

Fifteen minutes past the wave-breaks, there is only horizon: blue sky met by the denser blue of water. Well, not only horizon: there's something of a curiosity ed-dying the waters, and we cut our motors and circle the boats to investigate. It's a shark — or rather, half of one — some-

thing dredged up from somewhere deep, floating and purple at the top of the waves. The carcass is from somewhere in the cow-shark family — neither Yippers nor I can exactly identify it — but it's come a long way to the surface, seeing as it most certainly was a trench-dwelling thing. What's amazing is not only the fact that we came across this rarity (and quite by accident), but also the play of sunshine in this aqueous moment. The light is of remark: directly overhead and soundly noon-ish. We can see down and beneath this open-mouthed carcass to approximately thirty feet below the surface. With the motors of our SeaWorld boats extinguished and us just floating, there is the lapping of water against the hulls, unmistakable in its hollow, slapping sound, and there is

thirty feet of vision, revealing a virtual cyclone of blue sharks swimming below. They circle, scything tail fins cutting an underwater ballet made up of simple and practiced pirouettes. Occasionally, one breaks formation to nibble at the cow-shark which, though dead, is still the conductor in all of this: the carcass gives up meat. It's nature in its most present tense, and we're accidental witnesses to it. Yippers hauls the carcass halfway onto the boat — for a picture, at least — because despite our awe, we also want to document our find and report back to the shark experts at the SeaWorld campus. *What're we seeing exactly? What type of shark is this?*

### The gull

Our photos taken, our curiosity piqued, the boat plows forward; it's now

half-past noon. While lurching at the bow, I repeat to myself over and over like an excited school-child: "This is amazing, this is amazing..." The salt and iodine run their negative charge, and grebes dive into the swells, their red-feathered bottoms disappearing suddenly, just shy of the boat's edges. The grebes: they take advantage of the boat's surge and pulse downwards when the boat's wake lifts upwards. I see bottoms of feet and the constant disappearing act the grebes manage, pink toes folding accordion-fashion, green-water enveloping them. Occasionally, they surface, wide-eyed, pupils pinned, with crest feathers exaggerating their surprised expression. Then they simply dive again. It's only a clumsy gull that actually takes to the boat's wake, dumbly

shaking its feathers and clapping its red-spotted bill. *Clap-clap.* The gull is smart and lazy all at once, certainly expecting a meal out of this, expert at looking unperturbed in the white-froth aftermath of a motor. There are flashes of metallic fish along the sides of the boat, but otherwise, the ocean is calm. The gull constantly preens its feathers in the incessant back-spray, and, in doing so, looks fairly ridiculous. Murph the pelican taps at the front of the crate with his hooked bill. We're almost home. In the boat ahead of us, the sea lions bark.

The boats stop twelve miles off the coastline. To my eye, it seems a random place, because — left and right — it's just anonymously blue. In a way, though (and you would know this, were you to cast a weight on a mile-long string over the boat's



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rig), we're suddenly much further out than we were mere minutes before. Below us, there's an unexpected and precipitous drop. The ocean space beneath our hull is now thrice as deep: there's a trench made evident by SONAR. It can otherwise be known by aid of a precisely illustrated underwater topographical map, which we don't have at present. This is all to say, we're actually SOMEwhere, despite the above-water feeling to the contrary.

The gulls wheel overhead as if circling an abandoned Funyuns packet left on the beach as we bob up and down on a very specific coordinate in the middle of a blue nothing. We're miles away from the shoreline, yet the gulls don't seem to know it. To them, skiff equals shore. But we don't have fish, nor Funyuns. I begin feeling a slight bit nauseous.

#### La Jolla

Twelve miles to the right of us is La Jolla, out of sight at present, where I went to school. There are limestone cliffs there that run down to hidden beaches. Unlikely eucalyptus trees cap the in-

between ravines; there are otherwise seasonal sedges that can cut the hand in wintertime, and softer springtime flashes of mustard grass and sea fig. La Jolla is pretty. Some guidebooks translate "La Jolla" as "the jewel," which is an appropriate and tourist-friendly description. It's a misnomer, though: "*la hoyá*" is what translates to "the jewel." "La Jolla" is more properly rendered as "The Hole," perhaps in reference to its coves and caves, or perhaps to its mostly hiddenness: an oceanfront made up of reclusive pockets, despite the fact of its famous mile of shoreline — public and well-visited — just north of the SeaWorld campus. Twelve miles out, though, guidebooks don't matter: La Jolla serves only as a triangulation point, this time the easternmost one. Usually, for me, it serves as the westernmost one, given that I have been generally inland-bound most of my San Diego life. Also because I spent a lot of time on La Jolla's cliffs, looking out to the horizon, where our boats are currently staid. That horizon is actually only a mile distant. There's a



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simple math to this, but it's a math confounded by the arc of water, which feels big enough to defy measurement. It means I'm twelve times away from what I can see from the shore, and further out than I imagined I could be.

#### The blues

There's a sudden whale-spout, and Yippers and I take note. We don't see the exhalation; rather, we hear it. I'm fighting the nausea that sets in when a boat stops. The skiff is floating atop the waves rather than cutting

through them, and the loss of momentum has my stomach acting like a bolo bag: bloated and certainly changing shape. I'm without Dramamine. Yippers is at the wheel and my head is resting on my knees when the whale spout sounds north and to the right of us. We both look. "Lookit that, willya," Yippers says, quietly. We do, expecting another gray. An exhalative cloud breaks the surface, plumed. Then there's another. Two backs arc out of the ocean: leathery, smooth. The respirative spray dissipates and what seem like miles of backbone course the surface. We are in awe as the great mammals slip at last into the ocean. We spot the telltale caudal fins. "Blue whales. Those were blue whales," Yippers whistles. It's a moment. My stomach, in knots, flattens briefly. There's a long-ness to a blue which is an incomparable sight: the gray, in contrast, was warted, knobby and small, should you consider a school bus small. The blue is a feat of flesh, aquiline and steel-colored. Rivulets of water eddy about those last fins, telltale signs that there are

twenty extra feet of caudal mass piloting some submerged tail flukes.

This is the largest animal on the planet. Nothing else has been as big. When you see one, you know. The blue is big, and effortlessly so. And we're seeing two at once. In terms of cardiac-size, there are two VW Beetles afloat in sacks of blood and corpus, pumping away just yards from our boat. A person feels diminutive, a thimble to a large and impossible embroidery. I forget my stomach.

#### The crew

Murph is increasingly impatient. I can see the hook of his bill through the carrier's wire grating, poking curiously through. He's necessarily tucked back in his nook, the encumbrance of his beak and gular pouch taking up the majority of the space, but I peer in and see his eyes, placed comically on either side of his narrow head, like soap bubbles halved and affixed to his face, a googly-eyed cartoon. He doesn't blink. The gray-brown tuft atop his cranium is erect — and comical, too, a millenary mistake. It will be yel-

low two years from now, but at present, it is a dusty color and more of a cowlick than a coif. It grazes the roof of the carrier.

"It'll be just a few minutes," Yip says as he rests an arm on the boat's throttle. Across the water, camera crews — they're from the UK, I think — are readying cameras, adjusting light diffusers and reflectors, whipping up a busyness of charcoal scrim shades and tripods to capture the imminent release. The boat neighboring ours has three carriers, one sea lion apiece, arranged in a row at the back. I can't see them from where I sit, arms still wrapped around my midriff in pretend insouciance (I'm feeling every air bubble in my stomach), but I can envision their sea lion faces, vibrissae at attention and eyes all of dark soporific liquid. They are the epitome of cute: canine, with pointed faces, unlike the harbor seals which also frequent these waters. Their distinctive ear flaps are nominal things, like the ends of balloons tied off, and the auricles rest back on their skulls.

Jody is Yipper's counterpart on Boat #1, and she has donned a SeaWorld jacket and gone from *contrapposto* to camera-ready as the videographers give her the signal. Microphones are trained. Though we are only a few yards distant, Jody's words are lost in the oceanic lull. Sounds are erased out here in the soundless deep — the opposite of white noise. It's a clear afternoon, one o'clock now, and the marine layer is non-existent. The sky is cloudless, the sea not glassy but ripe for *Fata Morgana* as the horizon is thermally inverted; there is a band of haze above the mile-distant water. I do catch

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part of Jody's address: "Sea lions...health...why we do...best part...back into the ocean." I know this speech: I've heard it many times, and have experienced its import in full. Releasing healthy animals back into the ocean, back into the skies, back into whatever blue, is the best part of a rehabilitator's job. This is my first time with pinnipeds, but I've let loose hundreds of pelicans; plus ducks, a number of gulls, egrets, and Great Blue herons. The main culprits for debilitation in my line of work are twofold, and they are opposite: savvy and the lack thereof. Pelicans fill their pouches with fish, and what better place to find food close to surface than at the end of a fisherman's line. Savvy, kind of. I've disentangled scads of *Pelecaniformes* from nylon and barbed hooks, twists of wings and pierced gulars like grotesquely knotted marionettes. *Snip-snip*, scissoring wires and bolt-cutting hooks. As to the lack of savvy: the majority of pelicans that come in are juveniles who have not yet learned to fish. Nor have they found the convenience of the wharf or bait station. They plunge-



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**The pups take to the sea with aplomb, poking their heads above water in quick reconnaissance — or perhaps an impish good-bye — then as quickly disappear.**

dive fruitlessly, especially when the waters are warm and fish have run deep, and wind up emaciated for lack of nourishment. Two kilos sometimes — a third their weight down before becoming torpid and land-bound. Murph is the latter. Well actually, a little of both.

#### **Murph**

In true *My Fair Lady* style, Murph had grown accustomed to our faces. After a stint in rehab, he was released not once, not twice, but thrice — each release further away from the

SeaWorld campus. And each and every time, he would stubbornly return to perch atop the outdoor pens, floppy feet slip-slapping along the chain-link mesh, forever eyeballing the food trays of capelin. *Let me in, let me in!* He knew where to go — where to go to "diet," at least. He'd be allowed readmission once his weight dropped enough to warrant another round of calories. Murphy's Law: free bird doesn't like freedom.

The moment comes. I see Jody kneel to release the pins on her pinni-

ped carriers, so I ready myself at Murph's. The grates swing open for the sea lions and, on cue, the pups hobble out in goofy-flipped fashion. They wriggle with their little hind ends until they're at skiff's aft, then slip into the water seamlessly, as if transforming once aqua-bound. Suddenly, they are streamline and grace. I hope for similar grace from Murph, perhaps a winging away in low camber over the water. The pups take to the sea with aplomb, poking their heads above water in quick reconnaissance — or perhaps an impish good-bye — then as quickly disappear. There is applause.

"OK, Murph — your turn." Yippers looks

amused as he leans against the helm. It's not often we take to the trench to release birds; it's usually sea dogs and dolphins. Murph misses his cue as I swing the gate open. He slaps his feet — once, twice — then cocks his head. I have to wrest his beak gently and coax him out. He half-opens his wings in complaint, then acquiesces as I slide him from the carrier. Yip chuckles. The cameras are still, so there's no documentation as I pin Murph by his humeri and steady him over the ocean. I have one hand on his bill, finger slid in between his mandible and maxillae to allow him to breathe. I half-hoist him outwards and let go. I hope for some drama, but Murph just plops unceremoniously into the deep and sits. He bobs impotently and paddles his feet as if treading water (though he's perfectly buoyant), goes absolutely nowhere. I imagine he blinks, but I see only his back, and it takes him both gumption and a good three minutes to scoot. *Well, I guess I gotta go.* He swims toward the open sea. Then he stops and bobs again. It's the most undramatic release ever, but while it lacks theater, Murph is at least where he belongs. There is that.

#### **The dolphins**

We ready the boats to leave, camera equipment and refractors folded. I'm thankful to feel the thrum of a motor: movement will settle my discombobulated stomach. Carriers are stowed, and the sea lions have disappeared. Only Murph remains steadfastly motionless as the skiffs rev into an about-face and head back toward land. Twelve miles return trip; should take an hour or so. Another twenty minutes and we'd be in Mexican waters, the golden coastal bull ring and Tijuana glinting like a rhinestone tiara. Yip accelerates and we pull alongside Jody and crew as we cut across the glassy surface. We leave a wake, the only whitewater this far out, until — seemingly out of nowhere and behind us — tiny crests appear in the distance.

Jody is the first to notice, as she's not piloting, but taking in the view. She signals to Yippers, who peers over his right shoulder and smiles. "You're in for a treat," he draws as he slows the boat. He knows this is my first time — though he never tires of oceanic wonder, despite his veteran status — so he doesn't explain, just keeps peeking over his shoulder. "You'll want to lay down in front," he directs. I oblige, taking

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my place on the bow, and looking over my shoulder, too, as the crests materialize and multiply outward. Soon the horizon is glittery with flecks of white, and — wow — there are scything fins cutting the water, blunted gray triangles cresting and falling sinuously. They look like penny arcade horses, operating as if on rigs, up-down, up-down, fast approaching. We collectively decelerate, our own wakes slo-churning twin trails. We are beacons.

Quick as silver, they are upon us! Hundreds — literal hundreds! — of dolphins fast-tracking through the sea, metallic bombers with hourglass signatures on their sides. “Commons,” Yippers laconically says. *Delphinus delphi*, and a super-pod of them! They overtake us and we gas the motors slightly to keep up. I cross my arms beneath my chin and lay parallel with the water. There are dolphins within reach, all pulsing avian muscle, just feet from the bow. In, out, through: they dart intrepidly, no time for acrobatics, blurs of gray and white just speeding in one collective direction. I see their caudals pump up

and down in meter, their blowholes occasioning a quick exhale-inhale, backs occasionally cresting the surface, eyes determinedly open against the flow. They move like the hands of *kahiko* dancers, but in fast-motion: a perfect sine wave, graceful, lithe, and exceedingly able. I am dumbfounded. I remember something seemingly unrelated, something from adolescence: I saw the Grand Canyon when I was younger; the endless ravines of silt and ash and sedimentary rock; the limestone and basalt. It was too much for me to take in: sitting on the East Rim and looking out across the Canyon, the whole thing didn't fit my eye. And I'm used to things fitting in a viewfinder: <click>. I like taking pictures. But the Canyon scared me, kind of like looking at the sky and knowing it goes on forever, and feeling suddenly infinitesimal. The thing was just too big, with nothing to define the corners. Surrounded by the dolphins in their vast juggernaut forwards, I feel like I did then, not knowing in which direction to look. One can only be in it.

### The feeding

The dolphins are echo-locating something, it seems. They swing right, slightly east, but unwaveringly south. Jody and Yipper exchange shrugs, and off we tack to follow. It's apparent that we weren't their destination. We have time; we adventure. The dolphins lead us on a diagonally, then straight ahead for about twenty minutes. We're not too far off course, and the contagion of dolphins has us not caring either which way. This is a gift.

In the distance, a shape? This is *Fata Morgana* now, striations of lines — not static, though. White-water reflected up and down in the sky, floating waves — something is moving. Black specks rise and fall relative to the horizon. *What is it?* As we draw closer, the image snaps into focus. We are approaching a froth of water out here in the middle of nowhere. The black specks grow wings, and there is a flurry of activity close to surface. It is a feeding frenzy, and every animal in the area has somehow been alerted. There is probably some shallow-dwelling school of sardines or mackerel in

transit which has piqued the interest of not just the dolphins, but sea lions, harbor seals, and their aerial neighbors, the pelicans. The sea dogs somersault in the foam, creating hundreds of individual splashes, and the dolphins, too, are leaping and twisting back and forth, their acrobatics finally at play. Pelicans fold their wings tight to their bodies and plummet, seemingly buckshot from the sky, their pouches fully open and extended to swallow the water and whatever fish come with it. They break the surface post-dive and wing upwards, making a yo-yo of aviformes, plunging and rising, plunging and rising. The gestalt is incredible, and we stop our motors at a respectful distance to gawk.

Yippers gives another low whistle, and we are otherwise mute. Pods of dolphins are descending

from all directions — not just the pod we followed. How could a school of fish be so big as to sate so many appetites? The scope of the frenzy is big: Taj Mahal big, Mt. Rushmore big, just as monumental and just as beautiful, the animals competing in a mutual trapeze, a real-life Cirque de la Mer. We watch the water until it calms slightly, a boiling pot turned to simmer, and — respectfully — we idle away slowly, our senses having been satiated by this accidental and serendipitous feast. We tack left and return home.

*How could this be, I ask myself, that so much splendor was afforded us in three short hours?* A gray whale, two blues, a trench-dwelling shark, a megapod of commons, and the menagerie of every feathered and finned thing in the surrounding environs descended on one spot: it was

as if Poseidon himself were orchestrating a thank you for returning his children to the kingdom, the languorous Murph included. Speaking of: I look over my shoulder to see if our wayward pelican is hot-tailing it in pursuit of our wake, but no: just the erstwhile gulls again as we approach terra firma. They *clap-clap* their bills, the vermillion spots on their maxillae like red flares of greeting. Again, no Funyuns, sorry. We dock anonymously enough, empty crates and full hearts. My stomach is even normal by this point, and my legs have proven seaworthy. I de-boat comfortably, take one last look at the horizon. That faint black speck could be Murph. Maybe? The day has proven that, if anything, more fantastic things can happen.

Postscript: Yes, Murph did return.

— Thom Hoffman

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# Calendar

## Your Week

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### Thursday | 11

#### THIRD EYE BLIND AND TAKING BACK SUNDAY

San Francisco rock band Third Eye Blind is on their *Summer Gods* tour, subtitled *25 Years In the Blind*. They will play

songs from their entire quarter-century output, plus tracks from their newest album, *Our Bande Apart*. Co-headliners Taking Back Sunday, who formed in the late '90s in Long Island, are touring in support of their compilation album *Twenty*. The bill includes Australian duo Hockey Dad.

**WHEN:** Thursday, August 11, 7:30 pm  
**WHERE:** Open Air Theatre, SDSU. [as.sdsu.edu/calcoast](http://as.sdsu.edu/calcoast)

#### LINE DANCING LESSONS

Come get one hour of basic line dance instruction. Classes are free and alternate instructors, Connie or Rene. The venue, Comstock, is a neighborhood bar with food, cocktails, and happy

hour specials, karaoke, a dance floor, and both indoor and patio seating.

**WHEN:** Thursdays, 6 pm to 7 pm  
**WHERE:** Comstock Bar and Grill, 316 West Mission Avenue, Suite #115, Escondido. [comstockbarandgrill.com](http://comstockbarandgrill.com)

### Saturday | 13

#### LEMON FESTIVAL: LOCAL MUSIC, LEMON COOK OFF, BEER GARDEN

Chula Vista was once known as the "Lemon Capital of the World." Although the lemon groves are no more, many of the homes in the area still have their own lemon trees. Guests can enjoy lemon pie eating competitions, contests, local music on two stages, fresh lemonade, sweet and sour treats, lemon costumes, photo ops, a



lemon cook-off competition, kids zone, arts and crafts vendors, and a wine and beer garden.

**WHEN:** Saturday, August 13, 11 am to 6 pm



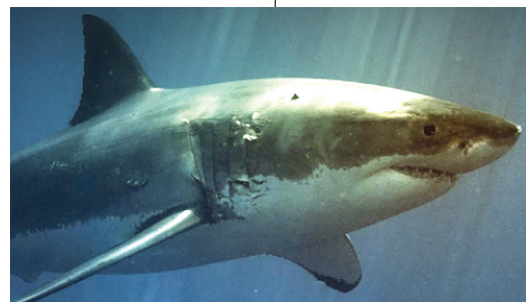
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14: PHILIPPINE CULTURAL ARTS FESTIVAL

### Sunday | 14

#### PHILIPPINE CULTURAL ARTS FESTIVAL

This one-day event showcases traditional performing arts and folk dances

from different regions of the Philippines. Come hear folk songs, *rondalla* strings, *angklung* (bamboo percussion instru-



#### SHARK SHACK AT TORREY PINES

A lab at California State University Long Beach is hosting "shark shacks" at beaches along the Southern

California coast every week to help build an appreciation for sharks by informing the public about them, and other marine life as well. There will be a children's beach scavenger hunt.

**WHEN:** Saturday, August 13, 11 am to 3 pm

**WHERE:** Torrey Pines State Beach and Reserve, 12600 N. Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. [parks.ca.gov](http://parks.ca.gov)

ment) and *kulintang* (gong) music of the Southern Philippines. Check out traditional and indigenous Filipino attire, and enjoy presentations of mainstream entertainment, such as contemporary dances and vocals, ethnic dances by Asian and Pacific Islander performers, and martial arts exhibitions.

**WHEN:** Sunday, August 14, 10 am to 7 pm

**WHERE:** Balboa Park Activity Center, 2145 Park Boulevard, Balboa Park. [balboapark.org](http://balboapark.org)





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## ART

**Albrecht Dürer: Breaking Boundaries** In this docent-led talk we'll join Dürer in his journey to celebrity status, gaining an understanding of why and how his art remains as important to us today as in his time. This virtual Timken Museum of Art event will take place over Zoom. Thursday, August 11, 11am; **free**. [timkenmuseum.org/calendar/list/](http://timkenmuseum.org/calendar/list/). (ONLINE)

**Ceramic Workshop: Earring Making** Each student will be introduced to sculpting technique to make their own earrings. Design and make 3 pairs of porcelain earrings in the class. Pick up after 3 weeks. Saturday, August 13, 10am; \$75. Teralta Art, 4105 El Cajon Boulevard. (CITY HEIGHTS)

**ESCO Alley Art Unveiling** ESCO Alley Art will unveil 15+ additional pieces that will be showcased in the alley south of Grand Avenue between Broadway and Kalmia. The project coincides with Escondido's monthly "2nd Saturday Art Walk," celebrating Escondido's

vibrant arts and culture. Saturday, August 13, 5pm; **free**. Alley, 421 Grand Avenue. (CARLSBAD)

**Harvard Din & Tonics** The Harvard Din & Tonics are Harvard University's signature a cappella group. The Dins' repertoire centers on the Great American Songbook, in particular, American jazz standards of the 1920s through the 1940s, as well as selections from other genres such as rock 'n' roll, disco, and folk. The event is going to be accompanied by an art show. Friday, August 12, 7pm; \$25. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

**Wine & Art in the Age of Temperance** Wine expert Rod Phillips will focus on wine and art in America and Europe in the age of temperance — a period that includes Prohibition in America. Sunday, August 14, 4pm; \$75-\$95. 21 and up. Timken Museum of Art, 1500 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

## AUTOMOTIVE

**Classic Car Show & Live Music** Enjoy a variety of classic cars parked along La Mesa Blvd (btwn 4th St. - Spring St.). Live music from local bands will play atop the La Mesa Lumber Truck Stage located at 3rd/La Mesa Blvd. August 11 - Love Is A Rose August 18 - Zeeland August 25 - The Farmers Thursdays, 5pm; through Thursday, August 25, **free**. La Mesa Village, Spring Street at La Mesa Boulevard. (LA MESA)

## BOOK SIGNINGS

**Bob Woodward: An Evening with a Legend** Bob Woodward gained international attention when he and Carl Bernstein uncovered the Watergate scandal in 1973. Since then, he's worked to shine a light on the inner-workings of secret government. Sunday, August 14, 5pm; \$36-\$121. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

**Gabino Iglesias** Gabino Iglesias in discussion with Christopher Reich: This event will consist of a 30 minute discussion with the authors followed by the book signing. Gabino Iglesias is a writer, journalist, professor, and literary critic living in Austin, TX. Monday, August 15, 7pm; **free**. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 3555 Rosecrans Street Suite 107. (POINT LOMA)

**Noah Isenberg** "Billy Wilder on Assignment: Dispatches from Weimar Berlin and Interwar Vienna," Billy Wilder on Assignment brings together more than fifty articles, translated into English for the first time, that Wilder published in magazines and newspapers between September 1925 and November 1930. Saturday, August 13, 7pm; **free**. D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Vera Strange (Jennifer Brody)** Vera Strange and Livia Blackburne in discussion: This event will

consist of a 30 minute discussion with Vera Strange and Livia, followed by the book signing. Friday, August 12, 6pm; **free**. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 3555 Rosecrans Street Suite 107. (POINT LOMA)

**Weekends with Locals: Ian Conner** Weekends with Locals will be hosting Ian Conner, author of *Cardinals and Skadegemut: Ghost Witch*. Sunday, August 14, 2:30pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Weekends with Locals: Shannon McNeill** Weekends with Locals will be hosting Shannon McNeill, author of *Wheels, No Wheels*. Sunday, August 14, 12pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**Argentine Tango Beginner Class** Learn the basics of Argentine Tango with an intuitive and friendly method. Wednesdays, 6:30pm; through Wednesday, August 31, \$15-\$20. Starlight Dance Studio, 6506 El Cajon Boulevard. (COLLEGE AREA)

**Making of a Super Hero: Fiction, Fantasy, & the Real World** In this interactive workshop, through video clips, presentations, discussions and group work, participants will learn about the concept of the hero's journey as

described by mythologist Joseph Campbell. This is an in-person workshop. Tuesday, August 16, 4pm; **free**. Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, 9005 Aero Drive. (KEARNY MESA)

**Space Out** Buckle your seatbelt and get ready to blast off as you plan your own mission to space. Explore our Earth and then move on to other planets, solar systems and faraway galaxies. Saturday, August 13, 1pm; **free**. Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

## COMEDY

**Follow The Monster Comedy** Hear stories about interesting relatives, then improvise scenes inspired by them. A night of synergetic improvised theater in an intimate, interactive experience. Saturday, August 13, 7pm; \$10. Template, 5032 Niagara. (OCEAN BEACH)

**Jim Gaffigan** Sunday, August 14, 7:30pm; Open Air Theatre, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

**Max Amini** Impressions, storytelling, enthusiastic interactions with the audience, and Persian upbringing. Max Amini blends social trends, cultural references, and side-splitting impressions. Saturday, August 13, 8pm; \$35-\$65. Laugh Factory, 432 F Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

## DANCE

**Beauty and the Beast Ballet** Experience the timeless beautiful story of true love and redemption full of humor, beautiful music, and stunning choreography; the perfect gift for the whole family. Saturday, August 13, 2pm and 7pm; Sunday, August 14, 4pm; \$25-\$35. Old Town Temecula Community Theater, 42051 Main Street. (TEMECULA)

**San Diego Ballet: The Moving Image Film Premiere** San Diego Ballet presents the world premiere of *The Moving Image*, a 30-minute film showcasing a collection of video projects created during the pandemic. This film will be shown at 6pm and again at 6:45pm along with a reception from 6pm-8pm featuring tasty bites and a signature drink of choice. All tickets include the access to the reception. Thursday, August 11, 6pm; \$40-\$60. LOT: Liberty Station, 2620 Truxton Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

## FILM

**San Diego International Children's Film Festival** The 18th San Diego International Children's Film Festival presents dozens of short films from around the world - narrative, animation, documentary - for all ages. Filmmaker and animator appearances. Saturday, August 13, 10am; **free**. Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)



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WIN TICKETS		Win a pair of tickets to see Dreamgirl at SOMA. Deadline to Enter: Thursday, August 18 at 1pm.
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## NATURE

**All About Eggs** Batiquitos Lagoon will be hosting a presentation titled "All About Eggs", presented by BLF Docent, Kathy Dickey and Barbara Wallach. A free, family event that will be interesting for both adults and kids. Meet at the picnic tables next to the Nature Center. Saturday, August 13, 10am; **free**. Batiquitos Lagoon Nature Center, 7380 Gabbiano Lane. (CARLSBAD)

**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 provided. Meet at the Preserve Sign at the west end of Canyonside Park Driveway, 12122 Black Mtn. Rd., Rancho Peñasquitos, 92129. Thursday, August 11, 7:45am; **free**. Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, 12020 Black Mountain Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

**Guided Evening Bird Walk: Old Mission Dam & Grasslands** Join MTRP birders Millie Basden and Cindy Cornelius for a guided bird walk along Father Junipero Serra Trail and the Grasslands area of the park. We avoid the summer heat on this evening bird walk. We'll look and listen for owls, night hawks, poorwills, bats, deer, and other creatures of the night. Meet in the dirt parking lot at the corner of Bushy Hill Dr. and Father Junipero Serra Trail. Attendance is limited to 25. MTRP-Bushy Hill Dr. and Father Junipero Serra Trail Saturday, August 13, 7pm; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

**Stars at West Sycamore:** Join members from the San Diego Astronomy Association at the West Sycamore area of MTRP to view the night time sky through telescopes. Telescopes provided or bring your own if you have one. It will be a Moonless night with Saturn rising at 7:10. The bright star, Vega, is at Zenith. Don't miss the Ring Nebula and the Double Double (pair of double stars.) Monday, August 15, 7pm; **free**. West Sycamore - Mission Trails Regional Park, 17160 Stonebridge Parkway. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

# OUTDOORS

## Extreme Low Tides for Sanderlings and Willets

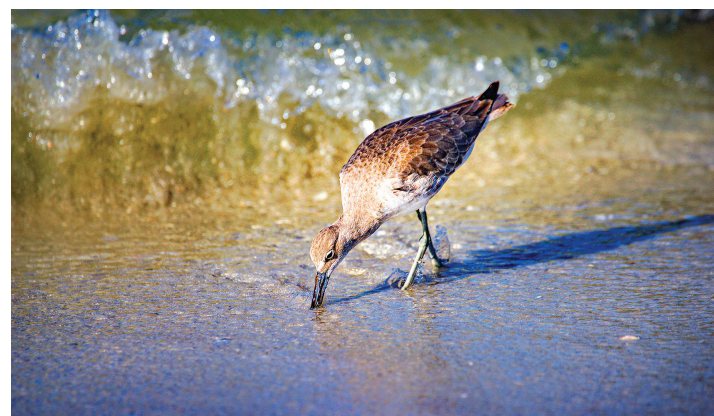
**Sandpipers Are Now Being Seen** in considerable numbers within San Diego County's coastal wetland habitats and along the ocean beaches. Some have just arrived from the north; others are juveniles that have bred locally. You'll find sanderlings and willets scurrying along the wet sand on the beaches. Several other members of the sandpiper family can be found in mudflat areas such as the Tijuana River Estuary, the south end of San Diego Bay, the San Diego River flood channel near Sea World, and the margins of most North County lagoons.

**Extreme Low Tides** early next week occur during the wee hours of the morning. Thursday, August 11, features a -1.56 foot tide at 3:43 am. On Friday, August 12, there's a -1.49 foot low tide at 4:23 am.

**Ocean Water Temperatures** are probably peaking now, the



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A WILLET TROLLS THE SURF AT LOW TIDE.

result of many weeks of summer sunshine and warm coastal air temperatures. While the water offshore seldom exceeds 70° Fahrenheit, shallow-water temperatures of 70°-80° are not uncommon on gently shelving beaches late in the day. Wide, sandy beaches such as Coronado, south Mission Beach, and La Jolla Shores are now at their best for comfortable bathing.

**August 11th's Full Moon** has many names, one being the Sturgeon Moon, and it rounds out this year's parade of four supermoons, which started in May. Supermoons are ever-so-slightly closer to Earth than the average full moon, which technically makes them extra large and bright from Earth's perspective. August's full moon was traditionally called the Sturgeon Moon because the giant sturgeon of the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain were most readily caught during this part of summer. Other names include: Corn Moon, Harvest Moon, and Ricing Moon, and signify the time to gather mature crops.

*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.*

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**CityFest** The celebration of community spirit will feature live bands, electric dance music DJ's, arts, crafts, with over 150,000+ visitors expected. Sunday, August 14, 12pm; **free**. Fifth Avenue and University Ave., Hillcrest

**El Portal Undercrossing Grand Opening** Join the City of Encinitas and SANDAG for the grand opening of the El Portal Undercrossing

in Leucadia. The ribbon-cutting ceremony includes a speaking program from local leaders. SANDAG project booths, giveaway items and face painting for all. Sunday, August 14, 10am; **free**. El Portal Street Undercrossing, Leucadia

**Vintage & Vinyl** Vintage & Vinyl, a vinyl record buy-sell-trade event with Weekend Records SD and pop-up shops Day to Day Vintage and Revival Vintage Eyewear. Saturday, August 13, 4pm; **free**. The Original 40 Brewing Company, 3117 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

## SPORTS & FITNESS

**Bicycle Warehouse** Bicycle Warehouse - Friday Morning Beginner Friendly Group Mountain Bike Ride Fridays, 8:30am; through Saturday, August 27, Sikes Adobe Farmhouse, 12655 Sunset Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

**Billie Jean King Girls' National Championships** USTA Billie Jean King Girls' 18s and 16s National Championships: Over 400 junior

tennis players in the country, aged 16 and 18 and under, will compete for the title of National Champion. Thur-Sun, August 11-14, 8am; Friday, August 12, 8am; **free**. Barnes Tennis Center, 4490 W. Point Loma Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

**Breath Fitness** Warm up, learn new breathing techniques, then go to battle and make peace with your nervous system. Fridays, 9am; through Thursday, September 1, \$15-\$20. Japanese Friendship Garden, 2215 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

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## MOVIE LISTINGS

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**Bodies Bodies Bodies** — Throw a group of rich and beautiful people in their twenties together in a remote locale and watch the dirty laundry (and blood) start to fly. Halina Reijn directs this horror comedy starring Amandla Stenberg, Maria Bakalova, and recent Kardashians outcast Pete Davidson. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Bullet Train** — Brad Pitt hinted recently that he may be making an early exit from acting. If that means no more *Bullet Trains* — easily the wormiest script he's hitched his star to since *Mr. and Mrs. Smith* — I'll hold the door for him. Pitt stars as a career hitman suddenly overcome by conscience and a desire to leave his gun at home. What appeared to be an easy task soon finds him trapped inside a high-speed tin can with no exit plan. If you want a little plot with your brainless bloodshed, you've come to the wrong place. This thing is so hell bent on violence, there's even a fistfight in the production company logo that opens the show. Director David Leitch's (*Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs*



**Easter Sunday: Koy gevalt!**

& Shaw, *Deadpool 2*) layered approach to exposition entails grinding the action to a halt and abruptly cutting away to a televised report of a poisonous snake that will later become a lethal traveling

companion for the 5 killers aboard the titular choo choo. What happens when stunt doubles write and direct? Leitch once "understudied" Pitt and that means the only thing that flies faster than a

speeding bullet is expository dialogue. Wait for it to hit VOD and refuse the download. 2022. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**DC League of Super-Pets** — The ScreenVision pre-show reel predicted a \$150 million opening. This must have been the same team of fortune-tellers hired by the Times that gave Hillary Clinton a commanding 11 point lead, for other than one family, I had the theatre to myself. (It fell short of their prognostications with a \$96 million take.) The real Krypto was a test animal who spent years drifting through space after the earthbound rocket that carried him was knocked askew. In this telling, were it not for the pup's pluck, Kal-El's callous super-parents would have left Krypto behind with them to face certain death. Krypto grows to love Clark Kent's solitary life and when Lois Lane begins spending the night, he becomes as protective of his master as Pongo was of Roger. When Lex Luthor kidnaps Superman, it's up to Krypto, with the aid of a group of orange kryptonite-enhanced shelter pets, to rescue his master. Duane Johnson has a ball putting on the dog, and is it me, or has Chris Rock's screeching delivery reached a level of annoyance on par with that of the late Gilbert Gottfried's unrelentingly kvetching Iago? Colorful, fast-paced, and better than Paws of Fury, but not by much. Directed by Jared Stern and Sam Levine. 2022. — S.M. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Easter Sunday** — Standup comic Jo Koy wanted so much to have a sitcom of his own that he pitched what is essentially an audition reel for a theatrical pilot — a bald-faced ripoff of an even more contemptible series of Greek nuptials — that was eventually produced



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# CURRENT MOVIES

on Spielberg's dime. It's *My Slight Flat Filipino Easter* when a standup comic (Koy) spends the holiday squabbling with his family and wondering whether or not he'll land a plum role in a TV show. Having seen him live in concert on several occasions, it's safe to say I'm a Koyim. Sadly, Koy's ability to convulse an audience from a stage didn't translate to the screen. It's not 100% his fault — as an actor, he brings with him an easygoing onscreen presence, difficult to dislike, that in more qualified hands might have had a fighting chance. What-ever happened to Jay Chandrasekhar (*Super Troopers*, *The Dukes of Hazzard*, *Beerfest*), asked no one ever. The man with no shame returns to the big screen to once again imbue every character in his film with one trait on which to hang their schtick. Next time, spare moviegoers and keep stuff like this on television where it belongs. And speaking of comic form, what better time than early August to release a comedy with this title? 2022. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Elvis** — Not the feature-length montage generally associated with Baz Luhrmann (*Moulin Rouge*, *The Great Gatsby*), nor is it a patch on the Kurt Russell, John Carpenter TV biopic from 1979. Austin Butler reported to work on time and fit the costumes, but for all impractical purposes, they might just as well have titled it *Col. Tom*. The center ring of this Vegas carnival belongs to Tom Hanks who filled out the fat suit with by far his most outlandishly cartoonish performance to date. This isn't the type of celebrity impersonation you've heard me bitching about these past few months — prior to this, who even knew what Elvis' manager sounded like? With a voice that lands somewhere between "Cuddles" Sakall and Dr. Mengele, Hanks waddles his way through the neon mist like a pregnant Godzilla looking for a gaming table on which to laze. 'Twas a foodie that killed the beauty, and as ludicrous as it is to blame the Col. for all of Elvis' woes — he's no more responsible for the King's drug addiction than Little Richard (superbly brought to life by Alton Mason) — it sure is fun watching the estate of the late singer try. And did we really need "Elvis has left the building" as the film's curtain line? 2022. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Emily the Criminal** — Will newbie director John Patton Ford's crime thriller be among the first directors to strip Aubrey Plaza of her sarcastic schtick long enough to produce a multi-dimensional character? And if so, will I miss the old Plaza when she's gone? 2022. (AMC MISSION VALLEY; EDWARDS MIRA MESA)

**Fire of Love** — They were the world's only volcanologist couple, and it was their mutual passion that ultimately brought about their demise. The love shared by Katia and Maurice Krafft wasn't going to burn out of them, it was only going to get hotter. They saw a side of the planet few will ever experience, and captured it on film for the world to see. Clad in comical tinfoil suits, they looked like actors in Grade Z sci-fi cast as the first humans walking on mars. They didn't take their work home with them so much as they returned to the real world long enough to pick up cash to finance their next venture. (Katia transformed her images into art books, while Maurice hit the lecture circuit with

his short films.) Maurice shrugged off any mention of being a filmmaker, but the imagery he brought back revealed the eye of a consummate artist. It's rare that I judge a film by its trailer, but by the fourth viewing of the preview for this one, my review was written. Sara Dosa was up to the task of shaping Maurice's footage into narrative form, while the narration — written by director Shane Boris, Erin Casper, and Jocelyne Chaput — and given voice by a decidedly dispassionate Miranda July, perfectly complements the mood of the piece. I couldn't wait to see this in a theatre, and neither should you! 2022. — S.M. ★★★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Free Chol Soo Lee** — At the time of his arrest, Chol Soo Lee had 41 rounds of live ammo and a 357 Magnum in his room and he was on probation for felony theft. He was a Korean punk living in Chinatown, but the gangs never bothered him. Lee confessed to firing a gun in his hotel room that accidentally killed the gang leader next door. All of that may be true, but was it enough to convict him of murder? In spite of an inaccurate ballistics report, the prosecution copped an "all Asians look alike" defense. Lee was found guilty and sentenced to prison. While in stir, he copped a self-defense plea to a second murder. The reason filmmakers Julie Ha and Eugene Yi never interviewed Lee and that his narration is spoken by someone else will surprise you. At the one hour point in the picture, and after a decade of retrials, the jury had finally decided on Lee's fate. The 30 minutes that followed are what separates this from an episode of *Dateline NBC*. One bright moment: a group of yahoos mistook a "Free Chol Soo Lee" sign to be a promotional offer for Chinese Food. 2022. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE AUGUST 17)

**Mack & Rita** — It's 30 going on 70 when a *Freaky Friday* wild weekend in Palm Springs goes vice versa and young Mack (Elizabeth Lail) transforms into her senior self, Rita (Diane Keaton). O originality, where is thy sting? 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Marcel the Shell with Shoes On** — Animation pioneer Max Fleischer was the first to let audiences in on the creative process; his live-action presence opposite his pen-and-ink prodigy, Koko the Clown, delighted viewers. A century later finds Dean Fleischer-Camp (no relation) sharing the frame with Marcel, a one-eyed mollusk with two red shoes. Rotoscoped Koko would do his best to fluster Uncle Max. Giggling in delight at his own stop-motion seashell, Fleischer-Camp made it too easy to spot the pea in his shell game. It began as a YouTube series created by the director and his then-wife Jenny Slate. The shorts hit big and this feature length release plays like a series of videos strung together. Isabella Rossellini delights as Marcel's world-weary grandma Connie while Slate gives voice to the monocular conch. Her squeaky-throated delivery was more in need of subtitles than early Guy Ritchie. Marcel felt like an equally benign, albeit more enlightened variation on Barney with enough topical asides thrown in to appeal to adults. Am I the only one not going sluggnutty over Marcel? I wish I was more enthused, but a little moralizing, a lot of sentiment, and a self-aggrandizing celebratory cameo by *60 Minutes'* Leslie

Stahl did me in. 2022. — S.M. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris** — The lengths some women will go to for a Christian Dior is the topic at hand. Lesley Manville stars as the titular cleaning lady, suddenly stricken with haute couture flashes, who will wash a million floors if it means getting her foot in the door of the House of Dior. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**My Donkey, My Lover & I** — The only person more excited about summer break than her students is Miss Lapouge (Laure Calamy), who asks the class to avert their eyes while she slips into something sparkly. The song she selects about forbidden love for the grade-school talent show is racy even by French standards, but it soon becomes apparent they're performing for an audience of one: Vladimir (Benjamin Lavernhe), the father of one of her students, the one with whom she's conducting a torrid affair. The promise of a romantic getaway is monkey-wrenched by unexpected news of a family vacation: a six-day hike through the Cévennes on which Lapouge impulsively books passage. She's the only one in the group to rent a donkey, a perspicacious ass called Patrick. By the time the group catches up with Vladimir's clan, Lapouge's inexperience with the sport, compounded by an eagerness to blurt her ulterior motive, makes for a pleasing running gag. Inspired by Robert Louis Stevenson's "Travels with a Donkey in the Cévennes," writer-director Caroline Vignal wisely limits the stubborn mule interplay, all of which we've seen before. Hers is a lovely summer romance, impeccably lit and designed with color in mind. And fans of Howard Hawks' *Rio Bravo* knew at the mention of the title what song would ring down the curtain. 2020. — S.M. ★★ (DIGITAL GYM CINEMA)

**My Old School** — My high school English teacher cautioned the class of graduating seniors never to return to the nest once they had taken flight. Brandon Lee could have profited from the advice. He walked away from the documentary halfway through production and his refusal to allow the right to use his likeness left writer-director Jono McLeod in quite the lurch. Here's something you don't see everyday. If imagination is key to originality, credit McLeod with the idea of introducing audiences to the ground-breaking concept of hiring an actor (Alan Cumming) to convincingly lip sync the role of his protagonist. (It isn't until well into the picture that we get around to seeing the actual Lee in file footage.) Lee, if that is his name, was the son of a famous opera singer who moved around a lot and a college professor from whom mum was separated. Or was he? The narrative unfolds in part from Lee's classmates — all interviewed in classrooms — and when there's no photographic evidence to draw from, McLeod relied on Wild Child Animation to fill in the gaps. It's a tale of what happens when a life doesn't go as planned. One key revelation was a bit creepy, but what McLeod uncovers isn't so much sinister as it is tragic. 2022. — S.M. ★★★★★ (LANDMARK HILLCREST)

**Nope** — The time was right for Jordan Peele to become the next M. Night Shyamalan, but first a word about a moment in the trailer piqued my interest. The

only black horse trainers in Hollywood, Otis "OJ" Haywood (Daniel Kaluuya) and his estranged sister Emerald (Keke Palmer), are the descendants of C. Martin, the driver seated atop *The Horse in Motion*, Eadweard Muybridge's series of 12 sequential photographs that led to the birth of cinema. Rather than using this arcane nugget of film history to kick off a sly commentary on reparations for Black Americans, Jordan Peele (*Get Out*, *Us*) sees it as a springboard to a murderously ungrateful chimpanzee sitcom star and alien spaceships that resemble wide-brimmed fedoras when viewed from the crown of your head. The siblings pay a visit to Fry's Electronics in search of electronic surveillance equipment for their horse farm. If every Fry's employee were as attentive as Angel Torres (Brandon Perea), the chain would never have gone belly up. Great directors grow and advance from film to film. Peele hasn't run out of things to say as proven by his stuffing 20 pounds worth of ideas into a 5 pound turkey. The true horror is that for the first time, his effects budget far exceeded his vision. 2022. — S.M. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

**Summering** — A group of small town teens happen across a corpse in the woods and try to solve his murder. Let's hope this time James Ponsoldt (*Smashed*, *The Spectacular Now*) stepped away

from the sermonising long enough to tell a story. 2022. (AMC FASHION VALLEY)

**Vengeance** — B.J. Novak the actor stars as Ben Manalowitz, a character who doesn't want to be a writer so much as he wants to be a voice. For his first feature as writer-director, Novak is more interested in arming his characters with clever cocktail party repartee than he is in shaping a satire. Ben receives a call in the middle of the night, asking that he attend the funeral of Abilene (Analeigh Tipton), an ex-girlfriend whose name he had to Google — that's how close they were. Why not a simple "I'm sorry for your loss, but no" for a reply? Because the victim's doofus brother Ty (Boyd Holbrook) hints that it was murder by O.D., the kind of story needed to help Ben make the leap from writer to celebrity podcaster. Drop a guy who writes for *The New Yorker* (read: Jewish intellectual) in East Bumfuck, Texas to deliver a eulogy for someone he barely knew? How can you miss with a premise like this? Start with the death of a young woman quickly becoming of secondary importance, and follow it up with a play-it-safe approach, tamping down the satire in favor of hammering home a one-joke premise. With Ashton Kutcher making a fine substitute for Sam Elliott as the soft-spoken, cowboy-hatted voice of reason. 2022. — S.M. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

## MOVIES@HOME

Democrats in Washington could stand to take a lesson from Hollywood's demise in the late '60s. Voters' cries for something new, something different, something progressive in a president were answered with a pair of starched career politicians.

Similarly, with the studio system in a shambles, tinsel town execs reasoned the best way to keep hippies from dangling off Paramount's Bronson Gate or scaling the Warner Bros. water tower was to offer up a pair of middle-aged entertainers.

— Scott Marks

**SALT AND PEPPER (1968) AND ONE MORE TIME (1970)**  
At first glance, a film starring



Salt and Pepper and One More Time: Sammy Davis, Jr. and Peter Lawford add flavor, artist Jack Davis kicks it up a notch.

Sammy Davis, Jr. and Peter Lawford, their careers in mid-flux, may have looked to have the makings of an ultra-mod, *au courant* comedy that borrowed heavily from the *What's New Pussycat?* school of sex comedies and TV's *Laugh-In*. Unlike Trump, Richard Donner's *Salt and Pepper* garnered enough

public favor to warrant a sequel, *One More Time*, directed by none other than Jerry Lewis! (This was the one time in his career that Lewis signed a picture in which he did not

appear.) It was only his second feature, but I'd argue the Donner cut — a comedy thriller about a pair of newly-teamed cops, one black, one white, who go undercover to thwart a murderous plot to overthrow the government — spawned four additional sequels that all had the words "lethal" and "weapon" in their titles. Meet me online for the rest of the review.

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**Cabaret: Everybody loves a show!**

## THEATER LISTINGS

### Cabaret

Karson St. John returns to the role that won her a San Diego Critics Circle Award 11 years ago. Her Master of Ceremonies at the decadent Kit Kat Club in '30s Berlin is also very much the Master of Ceremonies for the Cygnet Theatre in '20s San Diego, drawing the audience in with the promise of distracting naughtiness before baring her teeth and reminding them that you can't ever really leave your troubles at the door. It's one of the great and terrible parts in musical theater; not just amoral, but convincingly resolute that morality is little more than a luxury of the comfortable — rather like love. Not for nothing is her big torchy song titled "I Don't Care Much." She is the heartless world, the one set against lovers both young and old, the one that grinds the weak under its heel as it rewards the powerful. And Ms. St. John nails it. Not that the lovers both young and old don't do their best; otherwise, what would we do for a story? The production takes its time gathering the threads, but from the time the lederhosen-clad youth waft their angelic rendition of "Tomorrow Belongs to Me" from the balcony, the show marches with energy and purpose toward the inevitable. A couple of missed motivations and throw-away subplots (Bobby?) serve as minor stumbles, more than made up for by the versatile cast and creative staging. OLD TOWN THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS STREET, OLD TOWN. 619-574-0059. THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4

### Dial M for Murder

For the uninitiated: Alfred Hitchcock's 1954 film *Dial M for Murder*, about a man who attempts to blackmail an old schoolmate into killing his wife after he has discovered that she is having an affair with an American crime fiction novelist, was itself based on a stage play. So we're not cribbing from the movies here, people; we're getting back to the single-set heart of things. And

what a set: viewers of a certain aesthetic sensibility may find themselves wishing they could slip down the stairs, pour a hearty slug of something brown into a glittering crystal lowball, and ease themselves into one of the elegant Mid-Century seats that dot the stage. Maybe light up a cigarette while they're at it — everybody smoked back then! — and enjoy the elegant action in style and up close. And the action is *elegant*: fast-talking and intelligent, hurtling forward through its plot intricacies with such energy and aplomb that it sometimes forgoes any sort of pause for emotional effect.

For the initiated: the adultery that sets things in motion is here changed to a same-sex affair, and smartly so. An American crime novelist could probably afford to have a bit of personal naughtiness on his resume; but a lesbian romance with a married woman makes for a proper '50s scandal, and a ruined career gives our writer something extra with which to work when it comes to motives and machinations. Even so, this is a Bad Guy's Show — look at his intelligence and cunning, how awful and yet compelling — and Nathan Darrow commands both the role and the stage as the canny cuckold Tony Wendice. (Except maybe when Amanda Zieve's intense and effective lighting kicks in.) Fun stuff. THE OLD GLOBE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623, CALL FOR SHOWTIMES

### Here There Are Blueberries

An album of never before seen World War II-era photographs arrives at the desk of United States Holocaust Memorial Museum archivist Rebecca Erbelding. As Rebecca and her team of historians begin to unravel the shocking story behind the images, the album soon makes headlines around the world. In Germany, a businessman sees the album online and recognizes his own grandfather in the photos. He begins a journey of discovery that will take him into the lives of other Nazi descendants — in a reckoning of his family's past and his country's history. *Here There Are Blueberries* tells the story of these photographs — what they reveal about the Holocaust and our

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### The Remarkable Mister Holmes

It is surely a sign of Sherlock Holmes' greatness as a character that he can both flourish and entertain in modernized TV adaptations, big-budget action adventures, and here, in a comic musical that still manages to convey his appeal amid the frequently broad jokes and often clever songs. The Powers That Be at North Coast Rep looked back on their history and discerned that their audiences liked both Sherlock Holmes and musicals, and so Artistic Director David Ellenstein (who also directs here) signed up Omri Schein and Daniel Lincoln to write this, the story of the time Watson left town and was replaced by his sister Sheila, who admires Holmes but sings that he is *blinded by a vanity/ that borders on insanity/ you also lack humanity/ and haven't got a clue* — before turning to the audience and winking, "See what I did there?" She arrives in town at the same time as several other parties: a new manager at the Hotel Magnificent, plus a religious congress and a touring jewel exhibition at said hotel. When the various clerics (all played by one actor) start turning up dead, Holmes is brought on to help with the case, Sheila very much in tow.

Capable leads Bart Shatto and Sharon Rietkerk get the best and smartest of the songs, which is as it should be. (Some of the rest move the plot along and not much more.) There's probably more reliance on bawdy bits and the comedy of mispronunciation than is ideal, and the play seems much more interested in the dynamic between Holmes and Watson than the accumulation of corpses — but then, it is a comedy. Special mention must go to the boys and girls in the band, who make themselves sound much greater than the sum of the parts.

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**Alila Marea Beach Resort:**  
Saturday, 4pm — ZB Savoy.

**Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:**  
Friday, 7pm — Harvard Din & Tonics. \$25.

**Backyard Kitchen & Tap:**  
Thursday, 9:30pm — Trypbox. Free.  
Wednesday, 10pm — Jemille Violet.

**Barefoot Bar and Grill:**  
Friday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.  
Saturday, 6pm — Rene Fernandez.

**Bellamy's Restaurant:**  
Thursday, 6pm — Johnny Martin.  
Friday, 6pm — Weston Wilson.  
Saturday, 6pm — Farrah Camu.  
Tuesday, 6pm — Jemille Violet.

**Belly Up Tavern:**  
Friday, 8pm — Common Sense and Hazmatt. \$22-\$39.  
Saturday, 8pm — Tainted Love.  
Sunday, 8pm — Cracker. \$25-\$44.  
Tuesday, 8pm — Black Pistol Fire. \$22-\$39.  
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Six String Society ft. Anthony Cullins.

**Black Cat Bar:**  
Saturday, 9pm — Surf Farmer.

**Brick by Brick:**  
Wednesday, 7pm — Eyehategod and Mizmor. \$22-\$26.

**Cannonball:**  
Thursday, 5pm — Joanna Gerolaga.  
Tuesday, 5pm — Israel Maldonado.

**Casbah:**  
Thursday, 8pm — Christian Lee Hutson and Jodi. \$15-\$17.  
Friday, 8pm — Steve Von Till and Helen Money. \$18.  
Saturday, 8pm — Creepy Creeps and Mohama Saz. \$15.  
Sunday, 8pm — Tchotchke, Fatal Jamz, Dagger Polyester. \$12.  
Monday, 8pm — Ex-Porter and Howl'n Moon. \$7.  
Tuesday, 8pm — Buck Meek. \$15.  
Wednesday, 8pm — Little Bird.

**Civita Park:**  
Sunday, 6pm — The Mighty Untouchables. Free.

**Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center:**  
Wednesday, 7pm — Summerfest: Synergy Under the Influence.

**Coronado Library:**  
Friday, 1pm — The Young Lions Conservatory. Free.

**Deano's Pub:**  
Friday, 8pm — CCnE. Free.

**Death By Tequila:**  
Friday, 6pm — Gabriele Dagrezio.

**DiCicco's Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria:**  
Thursday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.

**Diversionary Theatre:**  
Friday, 7pm — Sue Palmer Quartet.  
Wednesday, 7pm — Karaoke hosted by Flamy Grant.

**Duke's La Jolla:**  
Friday, 3pm — Divina Jasso.  
Sunday, 4pm — Anna Ballew.  
Tuesday, 4pm — Johnny Martin.

**Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:**  
Thursday, 6pm — Helena Holleran.  
Friday, 6pm — Kristi Krause.  
Saturday, 6pm — Weston Wilson.  
Tuesday, 6pm — DevvLov.  
Wednesday, 6pm — Jay L. Henry.

**Fairmont Grand Del Mar:**  
Friday, 6pm — Helena Holleran.  
Saturday, 6pm — Joanna Gerolaga.

**Farmer & the Seahorse:**  
Thursday, 4pm — Robert Chini.  
Friday, 4pm — Dalton Gazette.  
Saturday, 11am — Adam Bergoch.  
Sunday, 11am — Puro Feeling.

**Garage Kitchen + Bar:**  
Thursday, 5pm — Jason Graham.  
Friday, 7pm — Adam Bergoch.  
Saturday, 7pm — David Shyde.

**Gaslamp Quarter:**  
Saturday, 4pm — Piano-monium. Free.

**Harrah's Resort Southern California:**  
Sunday, 7:30pm — Iya Terra. \$24-\$44.

**Highland Community Center:**  
Saturday, 2:30pm — Ross Moore plays John Prine.

**Hilton Del Mar:**  
Friday, 6pm — Jonny Tarr.  
Saturday, 6pm — Jason Graham.

**Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill La Mesa:**  
Friday, 8pm — The Mothmen.

**House of Blues:**  
Friday, 8pm — Emo Night Brooklyn.  
Saturday, 7:30pm — Giovannie & The Hired Guns. \$15.

**Humphreys by the Bay:**  
Friday, 7:30pm — Yacht Rock Revue.  
Sunday, 7:30pm — Little Feat and Hot Tuna. \$65-\$679.

**Kate Sessions Park:**  
Sunday, 4pm — Concerts on the Green: SM Familia. Free.

**L'Auberge Del Mar:**  
Thursday, 6pm — David Shyde.  
Friday, 7pm — Puro Feeling.  
Saturday, 7pm — Keni Yarbro.  
Sunday, 11am — Jay L. Henry.  
Wednesday, 5pm — Andrew Peña.



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**Finding gold at the end of the alphabet?**

For each successive rockin' out generation, the search for a band name grows tougher, as scourers claim all the common nouns. Hometown fellows Z Matrix were no exception. "It's very difficult to come up with a band name that hasn't already been thought of," says guitarist Kevin Monroe. "You'll think of something cool and original, only to do a Google search and find there's some cover band in Nebraska that's already thought of it. At any rate, my girlfriend at the band's inception was a chemist. Z matrix is a scientific term. If you think of the x plane as horizontal and the y plane as vertical, the z is the third dimension coming out at you. Or something like that."

The band recently finished their latest tune, "Blood, Bright Red." But don't expect an album anytime soon. "Personally, I think albums are pretty much an artifact of a bygone era. We've been focused on putting out the best individual singles we can. We've released six singles to date: 'The Angle,' 'Learn to Drive,' 'Far (And Farther Still),' 'Tokyo Rock,' 'Cups and Balls,' and 'Big Life.' They can be found on our website, as well as on your favorite music service."

They'll spend most of the summer getting new drummer Frank Rivera up to speed. Once that's accomplished, they look forward to live shows. "Deano's is one of our favorite venues," says Monroe (who was once fourth runner-up in



The album is dead, long live the single: Z Matrix

a featherweight arm wrestling world championship). "We also like playing Navajo Live and the 1st Street Bar up in Encinitas. I see the Salty Frog has reopened; that'd be fun. We also had the chance to play the OC Fair last summer. We'd like to do that again, as well as the San Diego County Fair."

— Andrew Hamlin

**Dubstepping to Step Brothers**

Much of the 140 beats-per-minute dubstep and hip-hop-fused stomper "Riddim And Blues," by Tyler "DJ Bassassin" Williams was



Never mind the formula, he's got the Serum: Bassassin

created on a computer in his Poway studio. It's where he pulls beats and oscillating electronic sounds from the Serum program, then tweaks them to generate his own repetitive "boom-tsika-boom" infrasound frequencies, the sort that'll wobble any fervid dubstepper's soul. As with most bass-bountiful dub-

step tracks, lyrics are sparse. Sample: "I am warning you now, if you touch my drums, I will stab you in the neck with a knife."

The vocals Williams added onto the 180-second thugstep track were all sampled "from one of my favorite movies ever, *Step Brothers*," says Williams, who used Covid downtime to develop his creative arsenal by modifying his modulated sounds. Another recent track, "Open Your Eyes," features System Of A Down singer Serj Tankian. The deep-bass laced 140 BPM dubstepper features samples of Tankian playing guitar, keyboard,

and live drums. "Again, I used Serum for the bass," says Williams.

As DJ Bassassin, Williams wasn't always as hardcore as on the dubstep-thugstep tracks he's producing. Prior to DJing at clubs and events throughout San Diego and LA, he paid his dues at underground parties. "I have had the cops shut down a warehouse party when the doorman wouldn't let them in and shut the bay door on them. I heard a welding torch at one point, and they tried to knock it

down with a battering ram until they got in."

Nowadays, he and his wife create videos to accompany his thugstep joints, including one for "Rage Room." "[The video] stars my wife and me, in a rage room in Murrieta," he says. "My wife and I

smash stuff and let our rage out." DJ Bassassin will hopefully keep his rage in check when he performs live August 21 at downtown's Donut Bar.

— Mike Madriaga

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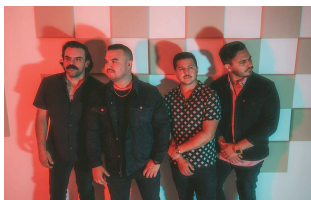
## DAVID J

"There's a lot of analog warmth to this album which will only be emphasized all the more on vinyl," says occasional Bauhaus bassist David J of the vinyl release of *A Free Society*, from his group Night Crickets, which includes Victor DeLorenzo (Violent Femmes). "Vinyl was the format that I initially listened to music on when I was a kid and when it first became so important to me. So there is a degree of nostalgia there, but what transcends that is the enveloping warm, rich quality of the sound."



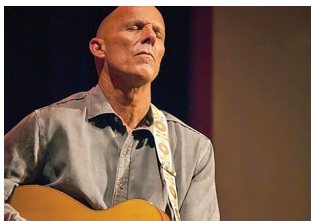
## THE SNODGRASS

Jordan Snodgrass, *aka* The Snodgrass, is a San Diego native, half of IDM group Calculator Man & Hangar, and Rocket From the Crypt's former web designer. "I'm releasing a digital compilation of remixes that I did back in 2002-2003 for local legends Ilya, Tristeza, and Via Satellite," he tells the *Reader*. "Some of them were previously released by the bands, but there are a couple additional remixes that had never seen the light of day until now."



## NITE LAPSE

With members based in Chula Vista and Tijuana, Nite Lapse released their debut EP *Ride With You* in 2018. After dropping a single in June called "Nonchalant," which they performed as part of a set for Jampak Sessions, they'll debut a new record September 2 at Soda Bar, on a bill that also includes Jara, Lee Wires, The Fazes, and DJ Uglatto.



## TIM FLANNERY

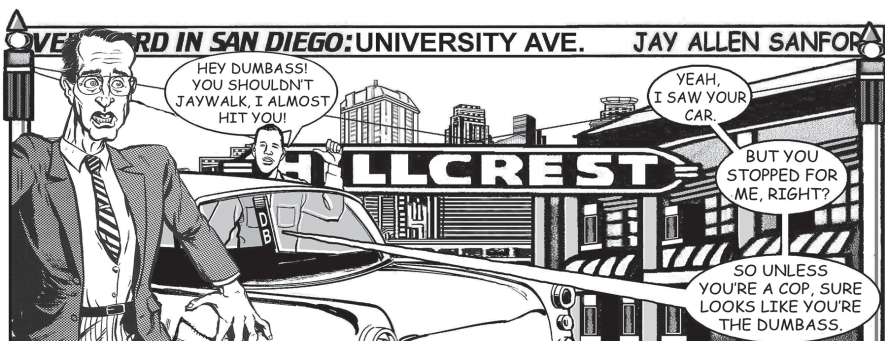
Tim Flannery is a former San Diego Padre and a longtime local musician. The son of a Kentucky preacher man, who plays an acoustic blend of folk and country music, will assemble his group Tim Flannery & The Lunatic Fringe to play a record release party for *Waiting On A Miracle* at the Belly Up on September 25. The benefit for The Love Harder Project includes Lisa Sanders and Brown Sugar.

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## RAYMOND RAPOSA

Raymond Raposa, the singer-songwriter behind psychedelic folk-blues band The Castanets, passed away July 28 at the age of 41. Championed by *Pitchfork*, Raposa was a San Diego native who surfed competitively as a teen, later relocating to New York City. After starting the Castanets in the early 2000s, he remained the only constant member of the band, backed on record and onstage by a fluid lineup known to change from night to night.



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*Saturday*, 11am — Sean McCole.  
*Sunday*, 11am — Orion Song.

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*Saturday*, 5pm — Summer Sunset Music Series: Tropi-Roots.

**Loews Coronado Bay Resort:**  
*Friday*, 7pm — TJ Moss.  
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**Martini's Bar and Grill:**  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Joe Iconis.

**Maurice Car'rie Vineyard & Winery:**  
*Saturday*, 7pm — Tris Imboden Yacht Stars. \$40-\$250.

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**Morgan Run Resort and Club:**  
*Friday*, 5pm — Johnny Martin.

**Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:**  
*Friday*, 9pm — The Traumatists. **Free.**  
*Saturday*, 9pm — The Whole Shebang. **Free.**

**Music Box:**  
*Thursday*, 7:30pm — She Wants Revenge. \$27.  
*Friday*, 8pm — Strangelove. \$22-\$82.  
*Saturday*, 8pm — Zeptune, Verado, Mood Lifters. \$10.  
*Sunday*, 6:30pm — No Bounds Artist Showcase.

**Nate's Garden Grill:**  
*Thursday*, 6pm — Zzymzzy Quartet.  
*Saturday*, 12pm — Tinkersmith. **Free.**

**Nick & G's:**  
*Friday*, 5pm — Perry O'Neal.  
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**North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:**  
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**Nova SD:**  
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**Observatory North Park:**  
*Friday*, 7:30pm — The Regrettes. \$25-\$49.  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Brooks Nielsen. \$35-\$50.  
*Monday*, 7:30pm — MUNA. \$35-\$101.

**Open Air Theatre:**  
*Thursday*, 7:30pm — Third Eye Blind and Taking Back Sunday. \$20-\$368.  
*Friday*, 7pm — Big Time Rush. \$44-\$850.  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Coheed and Cambria. \$20-\$45.  
*Wednesday*, 7:30pm — Why Don't We and the Aces.

**Panama 66:**  
*Sunday*, 3pm — Uptown Rhythm Makers. **Free.**

**Persian Cultural Center:**  
*Sunday*, 6:30pm — Electric Ud Trio with Hafez Modir. \$10-\$40.

**Petco Park:**  
*Friday*, 7pm — Bite This! Block Party Tour. \$36-\$79.

**Pilgrim United Church of Christ:**  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — MohaviSoul, Ramona Ault, Avery Ellisman.

**Pioneer BBQ:**  
*Thursday*, 7pm — Freddie Walton.

**Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:**  
*Friday*, 7pm — San Diego Symphony: Princess Bride In Concert.  
*Sunday*, 7:30pm — Trombone Shorty's Voodoo Threauxdown.  
*Monday*, 7:30pm — Robert Plant & Alison Krauss. \$54-\$290.  
*Tuesday*, 7:30pm — Psychedelic Furs and X. \$50-\$130.

**Rustic Root:**  
*Tuesday*, 6pm — Blaise Guld.

**San Diego Yacht Club:**  
*Friday*, 5:30pm — Mike Myrdal.

**SeaWorld:**  
*Saturday*, 6pm — Micky Dolenz.

**Seabird:**  
*Sunday*, 5pm — DevvLov.  
*Wednesday*, 5pm — Weston Wilson.

**Shoppes at Carlsbad:**  
*Friday*, 4pm — Ben Powell.  
*Saturday*, 4pm — Sean McCole.

**Side Yard:**  
*Saturday*, 6pm — Christian Taylor.  
*Wednesday*, 6pm — Blaise Guld.

**Soda Bar:**  
*Friday*, 7:30pm — Winter and Peel Dream Magazine. \$15.  
*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Shamir and Lance Redeker. \$18.

**Soma:**  
*Thursday*, 7pm — Tones And I. \$38.  
*Tuesday*, 8pm — Durand Jones & The Indications and Kiefer. \$32.

**Spin Nightclub:**  
*Friday*, 10pm — SIAN & Brennan Grey.

**Spreckels Organ Pavilion:**  
*Monday*, 7:30pm — Spreckels Organ Amanda Mole Concert. **Free.**

**Thornton Winery:**  
*Saturday*, 7pm — Mindi Abair & Euge Groove.

**Tidal:**  
*Thursday*, 4pm — Kristi Krause.  
*Friday*, 4pm — Jay L. Henry.  
*Saturday*, 4pm — Ben Powell.

**Til-Two Club:**  
*Thursday*, 8pm — Swedish Models and A Lense to the Sun. \$5.

**Tin Roof San Diego:**  
*Friday*, 7pm — Russ BLVD.  
*Saturday*, 7pm — Boon and Kiel.  
*Sunday*, 12pm — Jenny and the Tramps.  
*Wednesday*, 8pm — DJ Dirty D.

**Tio Leo's:**  
*Friday*, 7pm — Siers Brothers.  
*Saturday*, 7pm — Detroit Underground.  
*Tuesday*, 7pm — Sue Palmer & Her Motel Swing Orchestra. \$10.

**Town Center Community Park:**  
*Thursday*, 6:30pm — Santee Summer Concert: Cassie B's 90 Remix. **Free.**

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

**VFW Encanto Post 1512:**  
*Saturday*, 6pm — The 8 East Band. **Free.**

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*Sunday*, 6pm — Ellis Bryant.

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# THE GONZO REPORT

## Dark Euphoria leads to dim melancholy

Bondage, bitches, and Divine talk at Queen Bee's

Alma Rodriguez, owner of Queen Bee's, escorts me into the North Park venue for "Dark Euphoria." Before the end of this July 23 night, the pulse of gothic electronica will have carried me through lessons in BDSM, speed bonding with a fellow John Waters fan, a man showing off his handmade "bitch," and — when the music stops — an unexpected emotional crash.

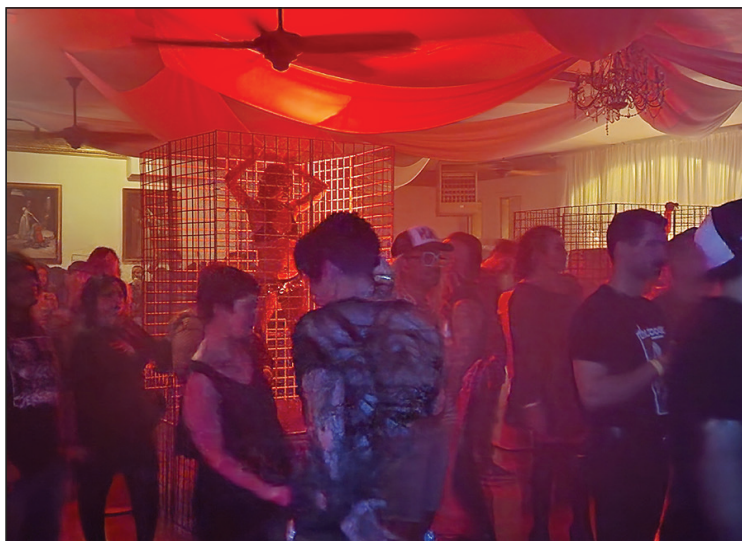
The volume of said music makes it impossible to have a casual conversation, but no one is talking anyway. There's a light show that pulsates with the undercurrent of layered rhythms, and we're allegedly entertained by two go-go dancers in cages, except no one bats an eye in their direction because they're all lost in their own go-gos. I see Jason, a professional sort from Texas who recently built a giant spider for a gaming company at Comic Con, transformed from the person I just met outside into a writhing mass of go-going energy. I know it's him, because he's the only other person besides me who's wearing white.

After I assure the stationary attendee who spearheaded the event that I'm not a cop, Alex Gonzales, singer for headliner Matte Blvck, is gracious enough to chat with me amidst the chaos of putting on a show. I remark that the scene has changed a lot since the subdivisions of the early days, when goths, punks, and metalheads rarely mingled without punches being thrown. "Everyone is welcome here," he assures.

"You'll see 21 year-olds that are more well-versed in the [musical] history than most people. Pretty much anyone that doesn't fit in gets to feel comfortable here."

When I ask about the connection between goth culture and BDSM, Alex doesn't answer directly — until I point out that the show was promoted with the promise of "submission demonstrations," and attendees have embraced that theme with fetish clothing, bondage gear, and lots of chains. He tells me that the creative minds behind the event thought it would be a good visual, and that some patrons like to indulge their voyeurism. He then introduces me to Matt Johnston, a practitioner of *shibari*, a rope bondage art form that he learned in Japan, where it originated. Just thirty minutes earlier, I'd seen Matt expertly tying and manipulating the limbs of a tall, thin woman named Muse, putting her into a suspended position. A little nervous-making, maybe, but the kiss he gave her in the midst of the exhibitionistic session radiated pure trust between the couple. Johnston notes that he manufactures his own rope in order to avoid contributing to the production of petroleum used in most commercially available rope. Also that until his retirement five years ago, he was in the closet about his lifestyle, because of the (understandably unnamed) conservative corporation that employed him.

A man in line for drinks is pulling hair from atop a faceless and only vaguely human doll that he has apparently brought as his date, then spreading the tufts ritualistically while mouthing something. He tells me it's his bitch, and I ask if that's why he's pulling her hair out. "One of the reasons," he responds, dismissively. After he tells me the 'do was made of masking tape and Korean hair, I'm relieved when he clarifies that the hair came from the salon floor of a Korean beautician, and not from a reenactment of the grindhouse



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Dark Euphoria: a fever dream at Queen Bee's.

film *Maniac*. (The title character in that one scalps his victims and dresses his mannequin collection with their hair and clothes.) He takes his hat off, and shows me how the doll doubles as a headdress, but my attention is drawn to a woman named Camilla who's reading (in a nightclub?!) a copy of *Role Models* by John Waters that she fished out of the library

no one seems to be doing anything or being anything different from a typical Saturday night. The inebriated posturing, the complaining about not being drunk enough to go home, it all seems so fucking pedestrian. Though I'm unlikely to go to another such event for pleasure instead of on assignment, I have experienced Dark Euphoria, and now the night is not dark enough.

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**Free.**  
Saturday, 1pm — Spike the Lemonade. **Free.**  
Sunday, 2pm — Woke Up Dead and Up The Irons. \$10-\$15.  
Tuesday, 9:30pm — The Freecoasters. \$10.

## UPCOMING SHOWS

**Balboa Theatre:**  
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — Pavement.

**Belly Up Tavern:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Dopapod.  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Beatles vs Stones.  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — The Real Fast Times: Clairemont High Reunion Concert.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Twisted Gypsy.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Ash Easton ft. Shane Hall.

**Brick by Brick:**  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Church of the Cosmic Skull and Psychlona. \$16-\$20.  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — Incantation and Goatwhore. \$20-\$24.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Sasquatch and Hippie Death Cult. \$12-\$15.  
Monday, Aug. 22 — Paradise Lost and Samael. \$35-\$45.  
Tuesday, Aug. 23 — Amenra and Liturgy. \$27-\$35.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Mglá. \$20-\$30.

**California Center for the Arts, Escondido:**  
Friday, Aug. 26 — Música en la Plaza: Los Montaña. **Free.**

**Casbah:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Then Comes Silence.  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Emo Nite. \$16.  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — Surefire Soul Ensemble.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Francis Blume and Lauren Leigh.  
Monday, Aug. 22 — Poison Hearts A.C. and Rogue Stereo.  
Tuesday, Aug. 23 — Frau Eva and Tuxedo Cake.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Audrey & The Sound Gallery.

**Embarcadero Marina Park North:**  
Saturday, Sep. 10 — San Diego Blues Festival. \$60-\$300.

**Encore Event Center:**  
Saturday, Aug. 27 — Uke-Con Summer Ukulele Music Festival. \$27-\$500.

# IMMORTAL BEAUTY

BY GARRETT HARRIS

## John Williams, last of the great movie composers?

The 90th birthday of John Williams will be celebrated by the San Diego Symphony on Saturday, August 13. In a previous article, I mentioned the lack of well-known composers after World War II. The one exception was John Williams.

With his 90th birthday in mind, I considered the topic further. I realized that John Willimas might be the last of the great movie composers. I began wracking my mind for the last movie I had seen with great music — John Williams-level music. Could Hollywood be following contemporary composers into musical obscurity? I would argue that this is indeed becoming the case. Let’s try a thought experiment. Think about a movie that has original music that you love. Not music that you like. Music that you love. Got it in mind? When was that movie

made? I rest my case.  
For me, the most recent movie with lovable music is *Gladiator*, I think. Maybe. I did buy the soundtrack back in 2000. But while *Gladiator* was great, the music didn’t quite have the lasting power of other movies with symphonic soundtracks.

In 2001, Peter Jackson’s *Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* came out, accompanied by a sweeping soundtrack by Howard Shore. *That* is music that I love. In the same year, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone* came out. The composer for that one was John Williams.

Since then, I have struggled to find film scores that offer music compelling enough to warrant listening to on their own. Even the music of John Williams seems to have lost its way.

He composed the music for the *Star Wars* sequel trilogy, but for the life of me, I can’t recall the music from those movies outside of the established *Star Wars* music from the original trilogy. Williams also composed the music for the Disney+ *Obi-Wan Kenobi* mini-series. (That show was more Disney Channel than *Star Wars*. It was written by children for children.)

Of course, it’s fair to argue that the point of a film score is to support the film, not to live on its own apart from the film. So I’m not here to find fault. But in decades past, it felt like every few years, a movie came out that had music that nevertheless exceeded the confines of the movie itself. The 1960s had *The Magnificent Seven*, *Doctor Zhivago*, *El Cid*, and *Lawrence of Arabia*, along with the obvious musicals



The man behind the music of your (moviegoing) life: John Williams

such as *The Sound of Music*, *West Side Story*, and *My Fair Lady*. The 1970s brought film scores such as *The Godfather*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Cabaret*, *Jaws*, *Star Wars*, and *Superman*. The 1980s had *Chariots of Fire*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *E.T.*, *Out of Africa*, and *Glory*. *Glory* might be the most underrated film score of all time. The hit parade continued in the 1990s with *Dances with Wolves*, *Schindler’s List*,

*The Lion King*, *The English Patient* — a towering accomplishment of film scoring — *Aladdin*, *Titanic*, and *The Red Violin*.

Once we get to the 2000s, the number of movies with great music starts to go down. In the 2010s, it almost stops. Don’t believe me? Take a look at the list of Academy Award winners and nominations for Best Original Score and decide for yourself.

## Classical Music this week

**Coterie Summer Festival Closing Concert** The Greater San Diego Music Coterie presents the Closing concert for the 17th Annual Summer Chamber Music Festival in a program performed by festival participants that includes Faure’s Piano Quartet No. 1, Mozart’s String Quartet No. 22, Schubert’s Trout, Dvořák’s String Quintet No. 2, Shostakovich’s Five Pieces, and Molbe’s Fête des Dryades. Free admission with free-will donation at the door.

Sunday, August 14, 3pm; free. St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church, 16275 Pomerado Road.

**Summerfest: Encounter - The Wagner Effect** Alex Ross, award-winning author and music critic for The New Yorker, draws from his new book, *Wagnerism: Art and Politics in the Shadow of Music*, and delves into the life and music of composer Richard Wagner. Thursday, August 11, 2pm; JAI at the Conrad, 7600 Fay Avenue.

**Summerfest: The New Romantics** Stirred by the Romantic era, the composers on this evening’s program display passionate intensity and striking emotional honesty. We begin with Schubert’s Quartettsatz, followed by the première of Marc-André Hamelin’s lush Piano Quintet, and we end with Dvořák’s Piano Trio in F Minor. Friday, August 12, 7:30pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

**Summerfest: The Wagner Effect** Richard Wagner’s compositions influenced the composers featured in this program. From Strauss’ Sextet from his opera *Capriccio* and a string version of Berg’s Piano Sonata to arrangements and works in honor of Wagner by his own father-in-law, Franz Liszt, this program is a testament to the dominant force of this Romantic master. The program ends with the rarely heard, Sextet by

Hungarian composer Ernst Von Dohnányi for strings, clarinet, and horn. Enjoy the Musical Prelude with the Pelia Quartet for their performance of Bartók’s String Quartet No. 3 in C-sharp Minor, Sz.85. Sunday, August 14, 3pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

**The Music of John Williams: 90th Birthday Celebration** Saturday, August 13, 7pm; Rady Shell at Jacobs Park, 200 Marina Park Way.

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**Gaslamp Quarter:**  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — Piano-monium. **Free.**

**Harrah’s Resort Southern California:**  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Gin Blossoms.  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — ZOSO: Led Zeppelin Experience.

**Holding Company:**  
Sunday, Aug. 28 — Nathan Raney. \$10.

**House of Blues:**  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — The New Respects.

**Humphreys by the Bay:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Shakey Graves and Jade Bird.  
Monday, Aug. 22 — The Head & The Heart and Dawes.  
Tuesday, Aug. 23 — The Head & The Heart and Dawes.

**Kensington Club:**  
Sunday, Aug. 28 — Spray Allen.

**Music Box:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Primavera and The Howls.  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Markus Schulz.  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — Klub Nocturno.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Billy Nation: Billy Joel Tribute.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Phora.

**North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:**  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — OneRepublic and NEEDTOBREATHE.

**Nova SD:**  
Friday, Aug. 26 — Madeon.

**Observatory North Park:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Geezyworld.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Echo & The Bunnymen.

**Open Air Theatre:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Tedeschi Trucks Band and Los Lobos.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Collective Soul and Switchfoot.

**Pala Casino:**  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Melissa Etheridge.

**Pechanga Arena San Diego:**  
Tuesday, Aug. 23 — Kid Cudi.  
Wednesday, Aug. 24 — The Killers and Johnny Marr.

**Petco Park:**  
Thursday, Aug. 25 — Koe Wetzell.

**Quartyard:**  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — Boombox.  
**Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Pink Martini.  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Disco Inferno:

A ’70s Celebration.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Gipsy Kings featuring Nicolas Reyes.  
Tuesday, Aug. 23 — Flying Lotus and Hiatus Kaiyote.

**Soda Bar:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Kiltro and Lucky Spell.  
Friday, Aug. 19 — The Bombpops and The Last Gang.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Spud Cannon. \$12.  
Monday, Aug. 22 — Loving.

Wednesday, Aug. 24 — Crywank & Chastity. **Free.**

**Soma:**  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Chase Atlantic.

**Spreckels Organ Pavilion:**  
Monday, Aug. 22 — Spreckels Organ Piano & Organ Buo Mus-Art Concert. **Free.**

**Tin Roof San Diego:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Trey Hill.  
Friday, Aug. 19 — Kenny Eng & Rob Dee.  
Saturday, Aug. 20 — Trey Hill.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Boon and Kiel.

**Tio Leo’s:**  
Thursday, Aug. 18 — Manzanita Blues. \$7.  
Sunday, Aug. 21 — Uptown Rhythm Makers. \$15.

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# Turkish Eggs delight

*Wild style, but also a kind of Cheers feeling*

**N**othing demoralizes an aspiring escoffier faster than requiring him to cook eggs over easy.” That’s Anthony Bourdain, quoted on the menu I’m looking at. Happily, I can see that this is not going to be a problem here. The menu looks, well, exciting. The whole place looks exciting.

I’m standing at the top of the stairs, overlooking Little Italy’s Piazza de la Famiglia. It’s 10 am. I had noticed this line of people standing on the stairs leading up above Farmer’s Table, the eatery on the corner of India and Date. I joined them, and finally got to the top, where I found cool folks sipping coffee

doesn’t look like a boudoir. It’s *muy original!*

So now I sit, facing the tiled roofs over India Street, and oh yeah, Savanna the barkeep, as she mixes wicked-looking breakfast drinks, like two “Orange Joolius” cocktails with flowers sprouting out of them. Or a clever Ramos Gin Fizz, a kind of milkshake cocktail which grows vertically out of its glass — and holds! (\$13 each.)

But hey: this is about breaking fast, and quick. The joint’s open only until three in the afternoon.

Still, even at this hour, it’s acting like a pub. Most folks seem to be drinking something exotic and alcoholic. Me: cawfee. And have to say, their coffee

(\$3.50) is so beautifully presented — in a stylish old mug, all in its own coffee set — that you want to keep on slurping. On the other hand, you’re sitting among downtown’s Beautiful People, so you’re not expecting bargain prices. Like, we’re talking around \$15 for a main breakfast dish.

Eventually, I am down to a couple of choices. First is the Morning Glory Fried Rice. Love fried rice, but as a breakfast idea? I see it’s a combo of pork belly, peas, bok choy, sesame seeds, broccolini, scallions, and a sunny side up egg. Perhaps with

a dollop of hot sauce, a fellow could fill up well on that one. Savanna says it’s their most popular breakfast dish. A “French omelette” with goat cheese, salad, toast and chives costs \$15 too. “Top toques will tell you a chef should be judged by the caliber of his/her omelet,” says the menu. “We’re trying to be more vulnerable in 2020. So we’re admitting that on our worst day, our execution is less than perfect. If we blow it, let us know it.”

I like their attitude. And I’m tempted to test them, but then Savanna pipes up about the last item. “Turkish Eggs is our latest and greatest,” she says.

“We’ve just added it. It’s poached eggs in a garlic herb Greek yogurt plus roasted cherry tomatoes with crunchy garlic, dill and mint.” Huh. Original. It turns out I know who the owner is, a guy who has set up a string of this town’s remarkable eateries. Think Neighborhood, Ironsides, Craft and Commerce, Born and Raised, Invigoratorium, on and on. He’s Arsalun Tafazoli. I talked to him once, soon after he’d opened his first place, Neighborhood, downtown. He’s Turkish-American, and that year, 2007, his parents thought he was going back to grad school. Instead, he ditched all that to pioneer his idea of what an eatery and pub should feel like: wild style, but also a kind of *Cheers* feeling. You might call it Turkish flair.



**Yogurty Turkish Eggs, brand new menu addition, reflect owner’s background**



**Coffee: so necessary, so well presented**

beneath salmon-pink umbrellas. Now a gal on the balcony leans over her iPad. She’s assigning tables to customers as we reach the top of the steps.

“Thirty minutes’ wait,” she tells me.

“Is it always like this?”

“It’s always like this.”

So half an hour later, I’m back again, and being led into this pretty spectacular space. Or spaces. One big red starburst dominates the middle, but tops of trees reach in, while what look like live hanging gardens ring an alcove with clusters of tall slim lamps that look like Martian bean sprouts. But what you notice is the pink. Salmon-colored copper, ruffled pink umbrellas, even the beansprout lamps. And it works! Despite the hue, the space

So now that I see “Turkish Eggs” are on this menu, I’m interested. “This is Day Three for that item,” says Savanna. That’s it. I order it. And the yogurt says it all: Turkish. Then I see the menu has a “pro-tip.” “Add bone marrow!” it advises. Love bone marrow. Savanna says it costs \$7. What the heck. I ask for that, too.

And I ask for an add of crispy scalloped potatoes (\$6), because they look so golden and, well, crispy. Marrow needs a touch of salt, but then it becomes squelchy and irresistible. And healthy!

Yes, I have spent way above my pay grade, but it’s worth it for the yogurt, garlicky eggs and tomatoes. Oh man, they are delicious. The scalloped potatoes are perfect for dipping in the eggy mess, and the bone marrow adds another layer of taste. The one mistake I make is to fall for the temptation of a breakfast beer. Honestly, the coffee was the perfect accompaniment to this food. The beer? Too much.

It dawns on me: it’s not just Turkish. This food has a Southern feel to it. Rich, gunky, addictive, a comfort-food way to start the day. Also, it turns out the Michelin spies have paid a visit, and given their seal of approval. Incredible, because Michelin was never known for taking San Diego food seriously.

Of course, this ain’t bargain eating. With tax, I end up spending, ulp, \$44.71. And yet it feels



**Pink is the color up on Morning Glory’s deck, from umbrellas to bean sprout lamps**



**Happy crew reflects inclusive vibe of this three-year-old restaurant**

worth it, even though I should have stuck to that one \$16 Turkish Eggs dish and a \$3.50 coffee. That would have been a pricey but proper \$20 brekky. Sigh. Next time. And there will be a next time. Why? Because there’s just enough fantasy in these surroundings and the slightly exotic food to make you feel part of a heightened, more colorful life.

In the pink, you might say. ■

**The Place:** Morning Glory, 550 West Date Street, at India Street, Little Italy, 619-629-0302

**Hours:** 8am-3pm (till 4pm, Saturday and Sunday)

**Prices:** Morning Glory Fried Rice, \$15; Turkish Eggs with Greek yogurt, roasted cherry tomatoes, \$16; Belgian Waffle, \$14; fried chicken and waffle, \$17; Morning Glory Fried Rice, \$15; French omelette (goat cheese, bistro salad, toast), \$15; Lobster Bennie (Eggs Benedict), \$28; steak and eggs (with hash browns, \$26; Granola (chia seed, maple syrup), \$9

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# Alpine's elevated BBQ

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## Jay's Southern Café brings BBQ and soul food to the outskirts

*Jay's Southern Café; 2169 Arnold Way, Alpine.* As I drive around Alpine, it starts to dawn on me that there are a lot more restaurants out here than I thought. Chalk that up to a decade-plus of going up that hill only for beers brewed by the McIlhenney family, I guess. Whenever I take the Tavern Road exit off the 8 East, I might as well be one of Pavlov's dogs, drooling at the thought of a decadently hopped IPA.



Coleslaw and a brisket sandwich smothered in BBQ sauce

Finally, with food on my mind, the blinders have come off, and I can see there are just enough options to be choosy. In addition to a bevy of taco shops, I pass an Italian restaurant, a sushi spot, and noodle bar. But how am I going to say no to Jay's Southern Café, a restaurant promising BBQ and soul food, out here, a half-hour east and a third of a mile above sea level?

Apparently, it's been around since 2015 or so, and just hasn't been on my radar. (It also managed to get left off of those Support Black-Owned Restaurants lists that were passed around a couple summers ago.) The counter shop is owned by a local bishop and his wife, and appears to be a family affair: their kids were the ones to bring food and drinks out to our table. And every ten minutes or so, the young daughter would reappear to rather sweetly ask whether everything was to our liking.

Most of it was. The dining room has a rustic look, only better organized. It's got wagon wheel chandeliers and a checkerboard tile floor. Framed posters from the New Orleans Jazz Festival line

walls of stained wood, and there's maybe a half-cord of chopped oak, stacked in one corner, just outside the kitchen.

That would be fuel for the smoked BBQ side of the menu, which covers chicken, brisket, pulled pork, and hot links. For \$17.59, I ordered a plate of the largest pork ribs I've ever seen, each some 9 or 10 inches long. Coated in a tasty dry rub, they didn't need any BBQ sauce, so it proved a wise move to have requested it on the side.

The same can't be said about the chopped brisket sandwich (\$14.50), which boasted juicy, flavorful meat but ate more like a sloppy Joe, due to loads of sweet BBQ sauce that spilled out onto the plate from a brioche-style bun. In

hindsight, I would have preferred the spicy version of the sauce, which subdues the sweetness with a fair amount of kick.

Sides available with each order include coleslaw, baked beans, and potato salad. I can personally recommend the collard greens, and so can my dining companion, who finished mine when I wasn't looking.

I couldn't rightfully call these Alpine-smoked meats the best example of San Diego County BBQ, but the soul food side of the menu might make a case. My most memorable order turned out to be a basket of chicken wings (8 for \$12.99). Southern fried, they came out superbly seasoned and crispy as could be. Again, I didn't make much use of the spicy sauce on the side, and that crispy batter crust left me wishing I had taken the counter clerk's advice to try the fried sea bass — served with fries (\$14), on a sandwich (\$10) or over grits (\$12 from 11am-2pm). It's something I'll think to do it next time I make it to Alpine. Because for me it's not just a beer destination any more.

by Ian Anderson

## FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

**Agave Dinner Series** a collection of seaside pairing dinners that explore the diverse range of spirits crafted from the agave plant. The series continues with Don Fulano Tequila and a five-course dinner by VAGA Chef de Cuisine Mark Enciso. Sip, savor and sway to live music — all on the open-air Oceana Terrace Overlooking the Pacific. Tickets include welcome cocktails, a five-course dinner and tequila pairings. Thursday, August 11, 6:15pm; \$179.21 and up. Alila Marea Beach Resort, 2100 North Coast Hwy 101. (ENCINITAS)



Huge pork ribs, smoked in Alpine

**Bacon & Legs Burlesque Brunch** Enjoy a savory breakfast and titillating burlesque dancers courtesy of Lola Demure, Sunday, August 14, 12pm; \$35-\$55. 18 and up. Jolly Joker Tavern, 5225 Kearney Villa Road. (KEARNY MESA)

**Chefcitos: Pizza with Pizazz** Chefcitos class crafting up snacks using fresh ingredients from the garden including tomatoes, eggplant, basil and Pizza with Pizazz and Caprese Salad. Chefcitos (ages 5-14) Saturday, August 13, 10am; \$10-\$20. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)



Crispy, southern fried chicken wings at Jay's Southern Café

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Anthony Bourdain and Andrew Zimmern showcased on their Travel Channel shows. Everything included: food, transportation, shopping, sightseeing, and a tour guide. Meet in San Diego at the McDonald's at the San Ysidro Trolley Station. Reservations and passports required. Saturdays, 12pm; through Saturday, December 31, \$69. San Ysidro Trolley Station, 700 E. San Ysidro Boulevard. (SAN YSIDRO)



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**AML...AML** You know who you are...you know who I am. XOXO

**ATTENTION SEARCHING FOR DAVID** that's retired form UPS and lives in Oceanside. We met on 7/22/22, you brought me a large bouquet of roses for my bday celebration. I lost your contact info, please call or write Ms. Carmen, (619) 269-3434.

**BEAUTIFUL** are you out there? Where have you disappeared to...I miss you so much! I miss us! xoxo

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY HUSBAND** Brian Jensen of Allied Gardens. Huff and Puff blow down the fire on all those candles.

**DEAREST KATHERINE Z.** the evening is fast approaching so I must type quickly please excuse any mis-spellings since there are no lights in this vacant yurt I was able to find in northern Oregon. I am heading to LAX in order to charter a plane to meet you. stay cool, Frank

**DRIVEWAY SOCIETY** hope I heard this right about the book club and am excited to join other like minded individuals who love to burn books. can't wait to join, I'll bring my own matches. Pyro Pete

**LOOKING FOR FEMALE FRIENDS** who love animals, especially cats to do things with. Please call Jean at (619) 952-5928.

**MISSED CONNECTION** We met at On a Roll Deli (Deli Done Right!). You were really sweet, didn't catch your real name, but the name on your biker vest said Shrek. Looking forward to splitting The Pile with you again! BeanMan69@myyahoo.com

**CHANGE MY ZIP CODE** mail me back to the 80's.

**CHRISTIAN MAN** 62 years old, seeks female Christian woman would was like to go to church with me. Cardinal Southern Baptist Church in Coronado. Friendship only, just looking for a friend. Call Travis (619) 706-7529. God bless.

**DO NOT JUDGE.** You don't know what storm I've asked her to walk through. - GOD

**HATE THEN PARTICIPATE** in making it not happen, it doesn't happen without a reason. Knowing this and showing it, most people don't recognize the paradoxical effect. Now u might and behold. Silence is not communicated as grace in a ignoring context either. Family value

**IF THEY STAND BEHIND YOU** protect them. If they stand next to you, respect them. If they stand against you, defeat them!

**IF YOU ARE NEUTRAL** in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor!

**MOBILE SWAP MEET** Hey! I'd love to do it, Mobile swap meet idea- I would love to do it too.

Car down for a while, though. darn smog! can't smog, if battery keeps getting drained! ugh. need mass infusion of cashish. we'll get that idea flying. someday soon. or I'll be living in the darn car! peace. mobile swap idea chick. lol

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**THIS TOO WILL PERISH** and remember there is no other likeness as mine. For what we share may be one day fine wine. A golden dream

**WHAT ONE PERSON SEES** as degrading and disgusting and bad for women might make some women feel empowered and beautiful and strong!

**LESLIE** you rock!

**BRIAN** I like your personal messages. I don't know why someone would be so bothered by them. After all they are personal. From a 2nd generation local and longtime reader of "the reader".

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**THE PACO SHOW IN TIJUANA** The Paco Show on Sept. 3 at Casa BadoAAh in Tijuana. www.facebook.com/CasaBadohMx casabadoh@gmail.com

**TIMO TOLKKI STRATOVARIUS IN TJ** Timo Tolkki Official STRATOVARIUS + VISIONS. 25th ANNIVERSARY concert in TIJUANA on September 10, 2022 @blackboxtj. TICKETS: arema.mx/e/8777. Event for over 18 + ID . 664-638-77-77 blackboxtj@gmail.com

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**SPECIAL ELECTION BLPG** The Barrio Logan Planning Group is hosting a Special Election at their September 21st Meeting. We are currently seeking candidates in the following areas: business owner & school/non-profit representative. If interested, please see poster info: (858) 228-6369 / [mrskatiepipes@gmail.com](mailto:mrskatiepipes@gmail.com)

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**DEMON SLAYER COSPLAY PARTY** We're having a Demon Slayer cosplay party on August 6 from 1-5 PM @ Balboa Park. For more info, follow us at [bit.ly/demon-slayer-sd](http://bit.ly/demon-slayer-sd)

**DINOSAURS FOR RENT** We have 5 dinosaurs to pick from: 1 t-rex, 3 velociraptors, 1 triceratops

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Karaoke at Club Shooters in Spring Valley on Sundays! 7PM-11PM (619) 660-1109

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**SAN DIEGO AUTO AUCTIONS**  
San Diego auto auctions are every Saturday at 11 am at 5801 Fairmont Ave, SD, 921 20 (619) 281-3333

**TENELLE PERFORMANCE AUGUST 13** There's a party going down August 13 where Tenelle will perform live. and will be keeping the place full of positive vibes. [linktr.ee/islandvibemusic](http://linktr.ee/islandvibemusic)

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**READER BEST OF SAN DIEGO PARTY** In conjunction with our largest issue of the year, the San Diego Reader is pleased to invite you to celebrate the BEST that San Diego has to offer at the first annual Reader Best Of San Diego Party. That's right, you voted for them and now it's time to celebrate with them. Join us on October 6, 2022, at the Fleet Science Center in Balboa Park and enjoy food and beverage tastings, goodies, shopping and giveaways from nominees, winners and Reader favorites featured in our 2020-2022 Best Of issues. This event will bring together the eats, sips and businesses that we know you love...because you voted for them! Enjoy live music, lawn games and all of the exciting hands on exhibits available at the iconic Fleet Science Center. Spend an evening basking in everything that makes good old San Diego the gem that it is. We are so excited to bring together the people, places and things that make this fine city the BEST!

**READER BURGERS AND BEER 2022** Join us in our continued search to find the best burger at the 5th Annual Reader Burgers and Beer at Golden Hill Park on Saturday, September 10th. Try unlimited gourmet burgers from more than 20 of the best restaurants as they compete to win the "Best Burger" award. No burger is complete without some great beer! Enjoy unlimited beer tastings from 40+ local breweries.

**RESEARCH STUDIES**  
Research that is available in Oceanside California. ADHD, schizophrenia and PTSD patients are needed. Compensation will be paid to qualified participants. Transportation will also be provided. Call Travis (619) 706-7529.

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## CLASSES / LESSONS

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**SALSA/BACHATA LESSONS**  
Schedule update and more instructors added - February Social featuring world champions Sergio Jasso & Mar'a Inés from México @. [www.facebook.com/LatinRhythmSociety](http://www.facebook.com/LatinRhythmSociety) (619) 431-0330 / [latin.rhythm.society@gmail.com](http://latin.rhythm.society@gmail.com)

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**ONLINE POOL LESSONS**  
Had great interest in my online pool training from players all over and am excited to help them improve. This flyer should answer a few questions regarding the format. Email Tanner for questions. [tpuess@gmail.com](mailto:tpuess@gmail.com)



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## ROOMMATES

**ISO ROOMIES IN MISSION VALLEY** Hi, I'm on the hunt for a room for me and my super-friendly cat, Ezra. I am a 26-year-old doctoral student studying acupuncture & Chinese Medicine. I am interested in yoga, meditation & love nature excursions. [www.facebook.com/gianna.rsmith](http://www.facebook.com/gianna.rsmith)

**LA JOLLA, PB, OB AREAS**  
ISO single room to sublease/rent in the PB, OB, La Jolla areas. Budget: \$780-1000. . Vaccinated/boosted, single and employed. Dm @ [www.facebook.com/alyssa.rivera.374](http://www.facebook.com/alyssa.rivera.374)

**PB, GOLDEN HILL, NORTH PARK** My budget is flexible: up to \$1,300 for a shared space or up to \$1,800 for a place of my own. I'm 27, LGBTQ+ friendly, 420 friendly, fully vaccinated, and have a full-time job working from home. I have two cats. DM on Instagram @avowels

**SPRING VALLEY** kitchen, private bath, male only, no drugs, no alcohol, no smoking \$650, non-driver preferred, references needed, Christian faith (858) 466-9729.

**I'M MOVING TO SAN DIEGO** and looking for a chill bunch to move in with. I work in advertising; I'm a supervisor. I do music stuff: a singer, lyricist, and guitarist. I'm cool with guy or girl roomies DM @ [www.facebook.com/shannon.doyle1693](http://www.facebook.com/shannon.doyle1693)

**STUDENT LOOKING FOR HOUSEMATES** I'm AnnaKaren and am 22. I'm currently looking for a room and roommates. Also trying to move closer to SDSU and to work (downtown). My budget is \$850. DM me @ [bit.ly/sdsu-anna](http://bit.ly/sdsu-anna)

**NP, MISSION VALLEY, OB OR PB** I am a 30 y/o professional working as an Interior Designer at a firm in Mission Valley. Currently in Temecula and looking to SD to be closer to work. ISO a master w/a private bath. \$1200-\$1700. DM @ [www.facebook.com/blk-bydesign/](http://www.facebook.com/blk-bydesign/)

**MIRA MESA, SCRIPPS, KEARNY, SD** Hello, my name is Jane. I'm seeking a roommate to share a 2BD/2BTH apt. or condo. I am 45 and a clean, reliable, respectful & drama-free roommate. I have a 5 LBS small service dog who adores everyone. Budget:\$1100-\$1500 DM @ [facebook.com/jane](http://facebook.com/jane)

**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.

**MOVING TO SAN DIEGO! PAWBLO!** Hey San Diego! I'm a 33-year-old barber moving from Santa Barbara with my medium-sized, quiet, awesome, ESA dog, Pawblo! My budget is 1300 and areas. I like are Mission Bay, OB, PB. [www.facebook.com/chris.krueger.756](http://www.facebook.com/chris.krueger.756)

**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. Thanks for looking.

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**FEMALE NEEDS ROOF OVER HEAD!!** I'm a SWF in major need of a place to live yesterday! I'm respectful.. real, polite, mature, quiet, clean, neat, trustworthy. Wanting only a platonic roommate (s) who don't have any anger/addiction issues. & can use a live in housekeeper/helper. Thanks [sandiegolady13@gmail.com](mailto:sandiegolady13@gmail.com)

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**LOOKING FOR 3RD ROOMMATE** Hi!! 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](mailto:mafer.barrera23)

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**LA MESA-MIRA MESA-CHULA VISTA** I'm looking to rent a

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**COUPLE LOOKING FOR ROOM 2 RENT** Hi there, we are a friendly couple without pets and bad habits. We are looking for a room with a private bath or studio in San Diego. The budget 1000-1300\$. We will consider different options and locations. [www.facebook.com/dashks.ttt/](http://www.facebook.com/dashks.ttt/)

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

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## COLLEGE ROOMMATES

**RELOCATING FROM SANTA BARBARA** Have an awesome ESA My budget is \$1300 and areas I'm looking at are Mission Bay, OB, PB, anywhere around Balboa but also open to different parts of SD. Send me a PM if you know of anything! Thanks! [www.facebook.com/chris.krueger.756](http://www.facebook.com/chris.krueger.756)

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

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**MOVING TO SAN DIEGO COLLEGE** I'm looking for a roommate / private room in an apartment or house. hoping to move in around early February. I'm Ten'oah. I'm from the Chicago area. I'm currently active duty army in Kansas but I'm getting out to go back to college. [www.facebook.com/tenoah.tatum](http://www.facebook.com/tenoah.tatum)

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**GASLAMP OR PACIFIC BEACH**  
Looking 4 a private room preferably close to PB or Gaslamp. I'll be looking for bartending/server jobs while working on building my real estate career. Just graduated from Sacramento State. DM on IG @ [elijah\\_c916](http://elijah_c916)

**DOG FRIENDLY ROOMMATES**  
I'm 25 & just 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. I'm clean and respectful of others' possessions/space. Also, ISO a spot for my dog, Rollo. Range: \$600-\$900 bit.ly/rollo-roommate

**MOVING TO SAN DIEGO** My name is Lauren. I'm looking for a roommate/room for rent for myself and my well-behaved, 11 y/o lab mix (ESA certified). Currently living in the LA area & looking to move to San Diego. I work full time from home and bartend. Budget: \$1200 www.facebook.com/lauren.gaglia

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



**APT COMPLEX NEAR SDSU** Hi all, I am looking for a roommate to share the bedroom with me in a 1 bedroom apartment. The complex is called Villa Del Sol. The area is off-campus of SDSU. www.facebook.com/Villa-Del-Sol-Apartments-106409991659182

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**STARTING SDSU, SEEKING ROOM!** Im looking for a private room close to SDSU, with or without roommates. Im 29 year old male music student, very sociable but quiet at home. I have a young friendly cat and my budget is \$1300. www.facebook.com/james.j.edmondson

**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. @ www.facebook.com/cappex www.facebook.com/cappex support@cappex.com

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**LOOKING FOR A HOUSE-MATE?** My name is Joao Pedro, I'm Brazilian and just graduated from college up in LA. But I'm doing an internship in San Diego so I want to move here. I love to surf, play soccer, and budget is around 1000\$. DM me www.facebook.com/joaoedro.intackli

**LOOKING FOR ROOMMATES** I just graduated with my master's in business analytics from Oregon and currently looking for a place in San Diego. My budget is \$700. Very welcoming your sublet, I don't mind sharing a room either. . I don't smoke and don't have a pet. www.facebook.com/eunjeong.heo.374

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**SDSU STUDENT ROOM/ HOUSEMATE** I'm looking for a single furnished room at PB/MB or near SDSU. I'm an international student studying at SDSU, so I'm looking for a room from

January till May. My Budget is around 1300\$. www.facebook.com/tim.ahlers.10

**27-YO MOVING TO SAN DIEGO** I'm looking for a studio, 1 Bedroom or even an open room in an apt/ house. I'm Meesh, 27, a freelance graphic designer, who just moved here from Philadelphia with my mini Aussie, Peep. DM on Facebook for any info/openings - thank you! www.facebook.com/michelle.scannapieco

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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. www.facebook.com/eunjeong.heo.374

**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. www.facebook.com/michelle.ramirez.39545

**STUDENTS MOVING TO SAN DIEGO** Myself and my friend Nina are relocating from Germany to San Diego to study at UCSD. We are interested in a shared apartment/house with 2 private bedrooms, preferably in Pacific Beach or La Jolla. FB us @ LinhVuKieu69. Thank you.

**SWC COLLEGE ROOMMATES?** Found this 1 bedroom apartment in Chula Vista, close to campus, for \$1,750. -Completely private unit. -Swimming pool. -Laundry. -Parking! www.apartments.com/540-c-st-chula-vista-ca/v2rxtee/

**VETERINARY MEDICINE STUDENT** I'm looking to find an apartment/rent a house with other girls. I'm 22 and studying veterinary medicine. I have 2 ESA certified dogs. Very clean, organized & down to make new friends! Msg me if you're interested! www.facebook.com/niana.allen/

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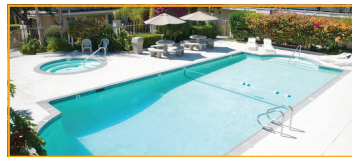
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# Another successful Bisbee's Tournament

**Dock Totals 7/31 – 8/6:** 4936 anglers aboard 227 half-day to 3-day trips out of San Diego landings this past week caught 124 barracuda, 1 black seabass (released), 917 bluefin tuna (to 207 pounds), 16 bocaccio, 45 bonito, 1248 calico bass, 4691 dorado, 1 halibut, 6 lingcod, 2 mako shark, 1065 rockfish, 102 sand bass, 42 sanddab, 59 sculpin, 47 sheephead, 1 thresher shark, 95 whitefish, 1 white seabass, 324 yellowfin tuna, and 15,760 yellowtail.

**Saltwater:** The ongoing yellowtail and dorado frenzy greeted anglers who made it out to the banks from the 9-Mile down the coast of Baja to about mid-peninsula. Bluefin tuna are still around our area and haven't vacated the near-coastal high spots for the cooler offshore areas of Cortez and Tanner banks, while yellowfin tuna have been slowly creeping into the counts. It is almost odd to catch so many dorado while yellowfin remain sluggish, as both usually stick to similar conditions and run together, but with yellowtail picking up the slack, nobody is complaining. La Niña, albeit a weak one, has been good to the San Diego fleet thus far in 2022.

6894 dorado and 30,454 yellowtail have been caught by the full-day to 3-day fleet over the past two weeks, and though most of those caught were school-sized fish averaging maybe 10 pounds per dorado and 12 pounds per yellowtail, that's still a lot of meat. Considering most of these fish were from Mexican waters and Mexican limits are 5 yellowtail and 2 dorado per angler per day, the counts could have been much higher if in US territory. The bag limit (total catch) in Mexico is ten fish, and no more than 5 of any one species.

Marlin, shark, grouper, bluefin tuna, and dorado all have lower limit numbers, with bluefin and dorado limit being two fish, and marlin, shark, and grouper limit at one fish. Any of the above species' per-angler-per-day limit counts as five fish, so for example, five yellowtail and two dorado equals the total bag limit of ten fish for the day. In U.S. waters, an angler may keep up to ten yellowtail (five must be 24" fork length or longer) and ten dorado per day. Thus, many of the boats fishing in Mexican waters over the past couple weeks had to pull in lines and head home early due to catching limits. Once dedicated to fishing Mexican waters, Mexican limits apply for the duration of the trip, so no stopping when back in U.S. waters to add to the catch once Mexican limits are met.

Further down Baja at Buena Vista Resort, Bisbee's East Cape Offshore Tournament was held this past week. Hot weather and great fishing are the usual highlights for the mid-summer event, and this year was no different.



The big winner of the Bisbee's East Cape Offshore Tournament was Team Stella June with this solid 375-pound black marlin worth 1.28 million dollars in prize money.

The billfish division was won by Team Stella June, with angler Hugo Pino landing a 375-pound Black Marlin, the only qualifying marlin of the tournament. The jackpot award for the fish was a whopping \$1.28 million dollars.

A 43.1-pound yellowfin caught by Emanuel Bernal of Team Crudo took the heaviest tuna for the tournament, fetching a prize of \$124,920, while Roberto Omar Garcia Formestic of Team Altamar grabbed \$50,000 for an impressive 54.7-pound dorado. Other notables included a first-day 52.5-pound dorado caught by Gilbert Castro of Team Tiger Spirit worth \$38,875. First place in the billfish release division went to Team Will To Win with 1,000 points earning them \$50,830, while second and third places went to Team Suertudo with 900 points, and Team Freebird with 700 points for a total of \$44,665 respectively. After 42 years, the Bisbee's tournaments are still growing, with a record of \$1,614,125 in prizes awarded to the 2022 tournament winners. Whether fishing for fun on the beach, for dinner from the boat, or for cash and prizes in an elite tournament, they're out there, so go get 'em!

**Notable catches this past week:**

**7/31** – The Liberty, out for a 2-day run with 22 anglers aboard, reported limits of 220 yellowtail along with 80 dorado caught.

**8/1** – 10 anglers aboard the *Outrider* limited out with 50 yellowtail and 20 dorado caught while on a 1.5-day trip.

**8/2** – The *Excalibur* called in with 270 yellowtail, 108 dorado, and 16 yellowfin tuna for 27 anglers aboard their 2.5-day trip.

**8/4** – 20 anglers aboard the *Pegasus* for a 3-day trip enjoyed great mixed-bag fishing, with 124 yellowtail, 25 dorado, and 80 bluefin tuna caught.

**8/5** – The *Legend* called in from their 2.5-day run with 29 anglers aboard and reported 186 yellowtail, 45 dorado, 28 bluefin tuna, and 3 yellowfin tuna in the hold.

**8/6** – 19 anglers aboard a 3-day *Pacific Voyager* trip caught limits of 190 yellowtail and 38 dorado, along with 16 bluefin tuna and 14 yellowfin tuna. The *Alicia* 1.5-day run with 10 anglers produced 32 yellowtail and limits of 20 dorado.

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## “When you mess up, you just need to acknowledge it.”



Elias Demers (23) surfs Windansea

### Local?

Yes, from La Mesa

### How long have you been surfing?

I first started surfing when I was like 11. I really started getting into it when I was 16 and I finally had a car and could drive myself to the beach.

### Who taught you?

My dad taught me. It was awesome, because I wanted to try my hardest and do a good job and show off every time we went out.

### What is your favorite break?

Lately, my favorite break has been the La Jolla reefs, but on days like today it does get a little crowded. So, you have to fight the crowd, but that is just another aspect of learning how to surf and getting better.

### What's the craziest thing you have witnessed in the water?

We saw some dolphins today. I was surprised to see

# SURF DIEGO

by SIOBHAN BRAUN

them so close to the reef. They were in pretty shallow water. Nothing too crazy happens here at Windansea, but I did see a fish completely surface, so there was a lot of wildlife out there today.

### What is some surf etiquette you wish others would follow?

There are so many! The biggest one is just acknowledging when you mess up. When you mess up, you just need to acknowledge it. If you do that, even the best guy out there is going to be okay with you, as long as you give an apology.

### What do you love most about surfing?

It can be a great workout because I don't like going to the gym. It is always a great time! No matter how bad I surf, no matter how bad the weather is, or how bad the conditions are, it is always a fun day just getting wet and getting in the water, swimming around and hanging out with my homies.

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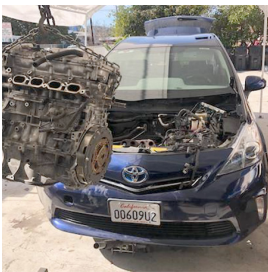
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## Ewwwww

— Big Ben, the London Eye, Buckingham Palace ... now tourists can add Wet Wipe Island to their lists of must-see attractions in England's capital. *The Times of London* reported on June 24 that an island the size of two tennis courts and composed entirely of used wet wipes has appeared in the Thames River that meanders through the city. Government ministers have asked people to stop using the wipes and are considering a ban on those that contain plastic. Fleur Anderson, a Labour Party MP, said she has visited the site: "I've ... stood on it – it's near Hammersmith Bridge in the Thames and it's a meter deep or more in places. It's actually changed the course of the Thames." Environmental minister Rebecca Pow asked citizens not to flush the wipes and said a proposal for dealing with the problem would be forthcoming "very shortly."

## It's Good To Have a Hobby

— Neruno Daisuki, a Japanese illustrator and manga artist, stumbled into a new hobby as he tried to pass the time during the COVID lockdowns of the past year, *Oddity Central* reported. He started collecting the various little items that become stuck in the tread of one's shoes -- pebbles, glass fragments, etc. -- and laying them out neatly on boards with grids. "When I was removing the pebbles caught in the groove on the back of my newly bought sneakers," he said, "I felt that it was a waste to just throw them away, and I thought, 'It would be interesting to collect them.'" He ended up with 179 pebbles,

32 glass fragments, and one nut. Now he's considering further categorizing his collection between his left and right shoes.

## Latest Religious Message?

— A family in Uttar Pradesh, India, believe they have been blessed by the gods after the mother, Kareena, gave birth to a baby with four arms and four legs, the *New York Post* reported. The otherwise healthy boy arrived on July 2 and weighed 6.5 pounds, doctors reported. Some believe he may be the reincarnation of the four-armed Hindu goddess Lakshmi, who rules wealth, fortune, power, beauty, fertility and prosperity. The extremely rare condition is called poly-melia and results in extra, unusable arms, legs, hands or feet.

## Weird Weather

— On July 5, residents of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, got a weather show that "felt like being in a teaser for *Stranger Things* Season 5," one Twitter user posted. Because of a phenomenon known as a derecho, the sky turned bright neon green as thunderstorms moved through the area, *People.com* reported. "The green in this thing is insane!" tweeted storm chaser Tanner Charles. The green occurs when blue light from the rain clouds combines with red and yellow light from a sunset, the National Weather Service explained.

## Government in Action

— Victor Roy, Oceanside, California's elected city treasurer, is in hot water after an

email from Treasury Manager Steve Hodges to Roy surfaced, *Voice of San Diego* reported. The June 6 email includes several allegations against Roy, but the most titillating details, in an anonymous complaint filed in June 2021, allege that Roy looked at pornography on the Mission Branch Library computers. The complaint stated that Roy was "looking at magazines that when he clicked on the cover, the images inside the magazine were full nudity." Roy was told by library staff that he couldn't view nudity on public computers, and he replied that "he knew, that is why he came when it was slow and that he was being cognizant of his surroundings," the complaint continued. Assistant City Manager Michael Gosman, who confirmed that the leaked email was authentic, said Roy had not repeated the inappropriate behavior at the library.

## Least Competent Criminals

— In Salt Lake City in mid-June, a couple of geniuses rolled up next to a company box truck in a parking lot in their own pickup truck. While one waited, KSL-TV reported, the other got under the company truck and drilled a hole into the gas tank, presumably hoping to steal fuel. But the perp's shirt caught on fire while he was under the truck, causing him to roll around the parking lot while trying to remove his shirt. He then jumped into the pickup, and the pair of would-be thieves drove away; the company truck still had flames and smoke billowing from underneath, as seen on a surveillance video. No arrests have yet been made.

## Bright Idea

— On June 26, when traffic came to a complete standstill on I-85 in Atlanta, many people left their cars to walk around, play Frisbee or – in Hailey Ann Smith's case – strum the harp. "I was in my concert gown and I had the harp in the car from a wedding ... so I parked myself in the very middle of the interstate and played a few songs for everybody!" she wrote on Facebook, according to *The News & Observer*. "It's not every day you get to play your baby grand harp on the middle of I-85." "Wow, what a great way to share beautiful music!" one Facebook user responded.

## Honesty Is the Best Policy

— After Michael Calvo, 51, of Cape Coral, Florida, crashed his semitruck into the back of a Publix grocery store in Haines City on May 26, he didn't immediately get out of the cab because, he told an officer, he thought he was being pranked for a reality TV show. When the officer was able to remove Calvo from the truck, Fox13-TV reported, he asked if he had fallen asleep or suffered a medical emergency, to which Calvo answered, "I was smoking my meth pipe." Calvo was arrested on multiple charges, although the deputy police chief did express his appreciation for Calvo's honesty.

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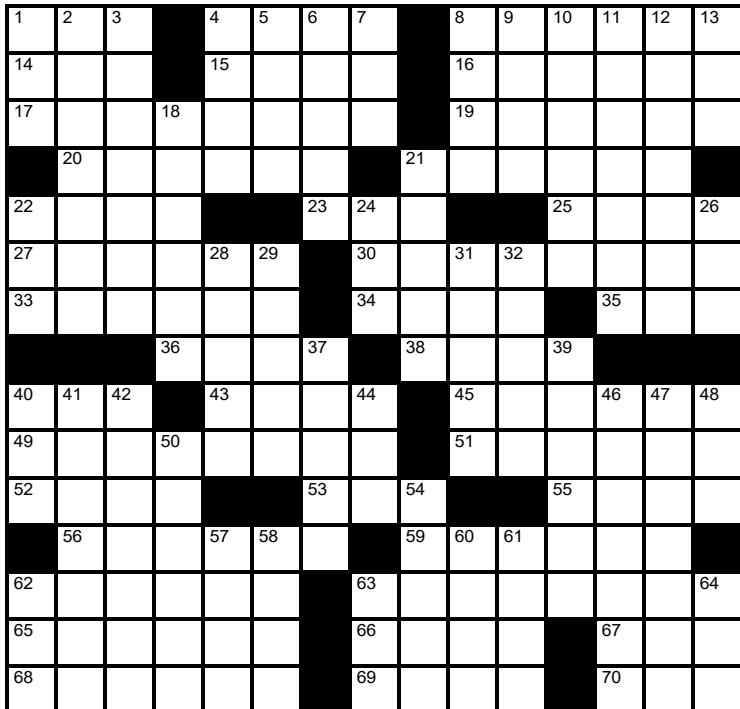
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## Across

1. Sch. with buildings named for George Lucas and Steven Spielberg
4. Foxx whose real last name was Sanford
8. "OMG, this party's poppin'!"
14. Alphabetically consecutive first name
15. Skin soother
16. "How thoughtful!"
17. The worst place for almonds, cashews and pecans to be?
19. Hostile feeling
20. Award won twice by Giannis Antetokounmpo
21. Insignificant
22. Petri dish filler
23. "Barry" network
25. Some, in France
27. Like many tours
30. Exposes a secret of a convenience store?
33. A-to-Z
34. About 5.88 trillion mi.
35. Powell's costar in the "Thin Man" films
36. Riverbank deposit
38. Red lightsaber wielder
40. Things "said" in doctors' offices
43. "Believe" singer
45. Perform something perfectly
49. Felines are lethal?
51. Proportionate size for some model trains
52. Taylor-Joy of "The Queen's Gambit"

## Down

1. "Anchors Aweigh" grp.
2. Immobilizing device
3. Fish alternative?
4. Obama chief of staff Emanuel
5. Abbr. on a mountain sign
6. Lundgren of "Rocky IV"
7. Marina \_\_\_\_ Rey
8. "No need to tell me what happened there"
9. Up \_\_\_\_ good
10. One whose life is going downhill?
11. In-between
12. Nirvana's final studio album
13. QBs throw for them

18. Manhattan eatery since 1927
21. Talks up
22. Go gray, maybe
24. La Paz's nation: Abbr.
26. Hog heaven?
28. Former MLB All-Star \_\_\_\_ Aybar
29. Home to the Indira Gandhi Memorial Museum
31. Getting even with
32. Some Latinas: Abbr.
37. Giveaways at the poker table
39. Minor setback
40. Obama health law, for short
41. Fictional pilot who says "Never tell me the odds"
42. Thwarts
44. Monogram of the "Treasure Island" author
46. "Grand" or "petit" crime
47. "Works for me"
48. QBs throw to them
50. Pan-fries
54. Some red carpet dresses
57. Dream, in Dijon
58. Armisen or Astaire
60. Fargo's state: Abbr.
61. D-Day crafts
62. Setting at 0 degrees long.
63. 4.0 is a great one, for short
64. TV's "American \_\_\_\_"

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📧 Jake Beckman, University City, 2.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# SUDOKU

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