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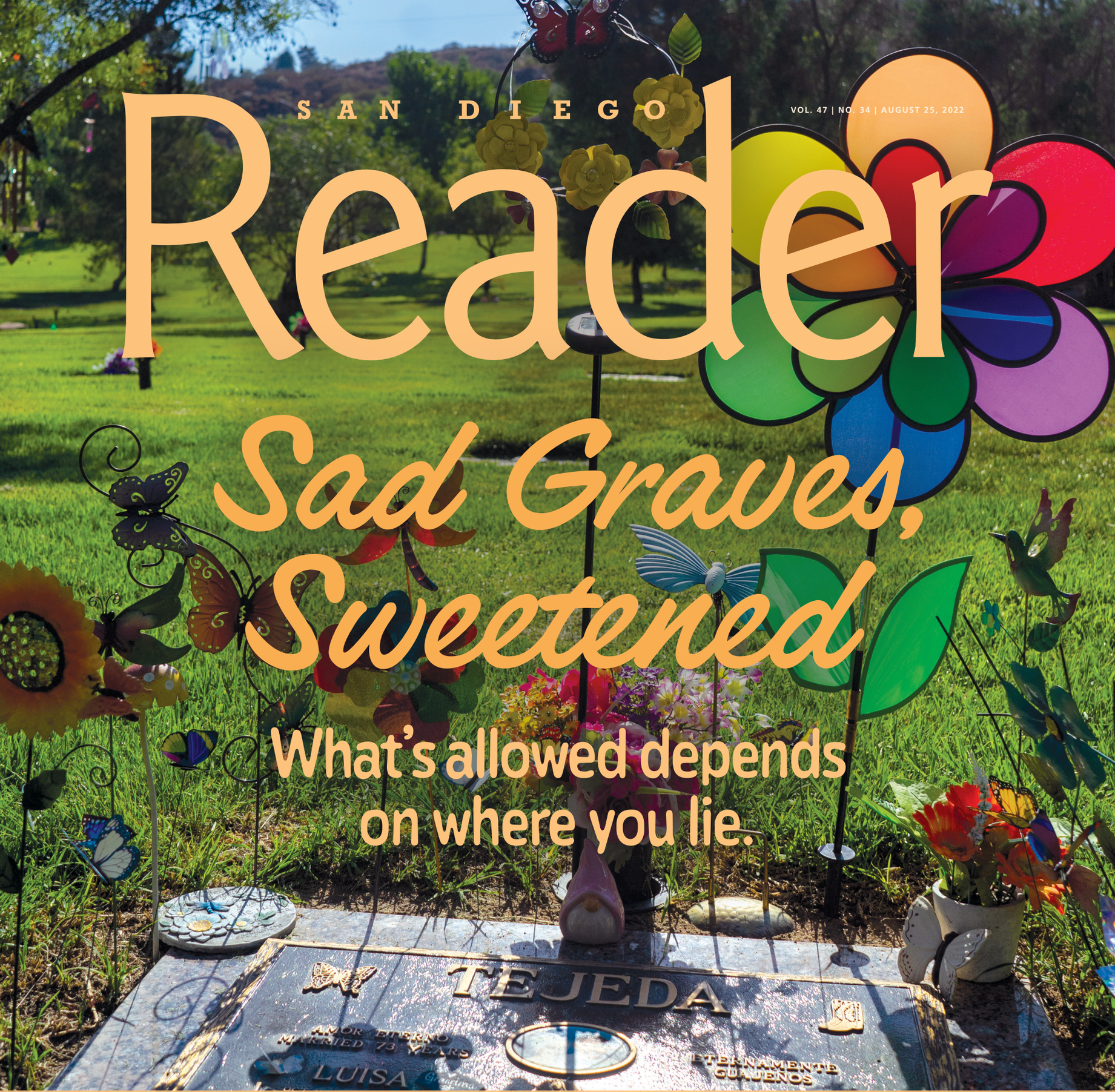

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TCHAIKOVSKY'S SYMPHONIC TALES

Rafael Payare, *conductor*
Jesse Perez *and* **Shana Wride,** *narrators*
San Diego Symphony Orchestra

TCHAIKOVSKY: "Waltz" and "Polonaise" from *Eugene Onegin*
TCHAIKOVSKY: *The Tempest* Fantasy Overture
TCHAIKOVSKY: *Francesca da Rimini*
RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: *Russian Easter Overture*

Music Director Rafael Payare leads the Orchestra in Tchaikovsky's symphonic tone poem *Francesca da Rimini* that will have you gripping your seat, his fabulous Waltz and Polonaise from *Eugene Onegin*, and much more in this spectacular evening of symphonic storytelling. *Photo: J. Henry Fair*

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This may be misleading

I am the Director of Communications for County Supervisor Nathan Fletcher.

On August 13, 2022 your paper published a satire piece by Walter Mencken titled: "County Super-supervisor Fletcher says vaccines are not enough: 'We must fight the real enemy.'"

Given the nature that monkeypox is a public health issue, it is extremely inappropriate to do a made-up piece on this topic when the community needs factual information, this may be misleading to people.

I am requesting that you:

1.) take it down completely so as not to spread public health misinformation; however if for some reason you are not willing, then please

2.) make it more clear that Supervisor Nathan Fletcher never made any of those statements as your paper has quoted.

Thank you,
James Canning

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"Monarch butterflies in San Diego up against the wall"
Neighborhood News
August 16

I guess the researchers have never been to my yard! Yes, some die at all stages along the way... but I have about 6-10 flying adults at any given time all during the temperate months. Actually, I see so many that I take them for granted...

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Reader stringers

CHULA VISTA

Cops opt for OD spike spotter

App helps tell where the fent went

Fentanyl leaves a deadly trail, but its overdose spikes and clusters in a given area can predict where the drugs will show up next, and police are turning to an app that can hopefully help with that. The Overdose Detection Mapping Application tracks the location of fatal and nonfatal overdoses, and is already being used in San Diego and other counties and states. Chula Vista will be the first city in the region to use it in both its police and fire departments. As more counties make use of the free app, which was developed in 2016, police can better analyze how overdoses move along drug corridors from one neighborhood, county, or state to another, experts told the Chula Vista City Council last week. "What we're talking about is joining a nationwide database, and the real key element is the overdose spike alerts," said David King, the director of San Diego–Imperial Valley HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas).

Over 85 percent of total fentanyl seizures happened at San Diego border crossings.

Last month, the county addressed the wave of local fatalities from illegal painkillers by declaring fentanyl a public health emergency. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, fentanyl overdose deaths are the top killer of people 18-45. "That's more deaths attributed to fentanyl than Covid, heart disease, gun violence or car accidents," said Ray Smith, Chula Vista deputy chief of emergency services. The main purpose of the OD app is to support public safety efforts — "to mobilize immediate responses to sudden increases and spikes in overdose incidents."

> "Fentanyl overdose deaths are the top killer of people 18-45. "That's more deaths attributed to fentanyl than Covid, heart disease, gun violence or car accidents."

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Smith: "This program would add that extra little step we're looking for to really save lives."

The app can be used by all state and local authorities. The data it uses are the date and time of the overdose, the approximate location, whether the overdose was fatal, and if the medication naloxone, or Narcan, was administered to reverse the overdose, Smith said. "Up to this point, we have used a medication, Narcan, but this program would add that extra little step we're looking for to really save lives. We can respond through public safety alerts or internet awareness messages."

According to the map's website, spike alerts can be set up to notify an agency by email, if the total overdoses in an area exceeds a predetermined threshold within a 24-hour period.

Sandy Tutt, a public health analyst with the CDC Foundation, responded to data use concerns regarding the tool. "ODMAP only collects very limited data fields," she reiterated, things such as date and time and the use of medication. "They never collect addresses. All the addresses will get geocoded, so it never lands on a business or a house. It will land in the middle of the street and you can't zoom in to a certain extent, so it just obscures that data more." In addition, the app, which she called a harm reduction tool, isn't available to the public.

Tutt has worked with the program in Ohio, where she said it was extremely helpful in outreach efforts, and showing in just how many areas of the city fentanyl had taken hold. "In very affluent areas that we thought weren't being affected by overdose, the data actually showed that they were."

SHEILA PELL

PACIFIC BEACH

Anti-fascist, pro-social media

Instagram post contains incriminating boast

An Instagram post and a *Reader* cover photo helped police identify five Antifa activists who allegedly attacked people in Pacific Beach on January 9, 2021, according to redacted transcripts of the May 2022 grand jury proceedings that resulted in indictments against eleven defendants for conspiracy and assault.

Deputy district attorney William Hopkins alleged that defendants Luis Mora, Bryan Rivera, Martin Talab, and Christian Martinez are shown attacking a victim in the cover photo for the story "San Diego antifascists turn fascist" in the February 25, 2021 *Reader*, and that they posted the photo and bragged about it on the Instagram page of defendant Brian Lightfoot.

The cover photo was taken by JC, a photojournalist who is named in the indictments as one of Antifa's victims. It shows a scene from a five-on-one fight with an elderly man (another named victim). A detective alleged that Martinez is pictured on the left, holding out pepper spray, Rivera is in the middle kneeing the man, Mora is on the right punching him, and Talab is behind Martinez, having swiped at the man.

A DA investigator explained the Instagram chat to the jury. "It starts out with Rivera saying, 'We made the front page, boys.' Mora replies, 'Whoa! F__ the San Diego *Reader* for false info, but this shot is pretty.' Rivera makes the statement, 'I kneed that MF.' Martinez replies, '..We made it. I was there tryna spray his a__.' Mora

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Brian Lightfoot allegedly spraying victim.

NEWS TICKER

By Reader staff writers

Can GOP avoid the Boyd-Hodgson?

Throw cash around and find out

It may be the dog days of summer, but San Diego's pro-Republican Lincoln Club is casting a wide net for cash with which to knock off an effort by Tiffany Boyd-Hodgson to unseat Fifth District GOP County Supervisor Jim Desmond. A cascade of filings this month by a campaign committee calling itself the North County Leadership Council Opposed to Boyd-Hodgson for Supervisor 2022, sponsored by the Lincoln Club of San Diego County has revealed some of the Republican's monied base behind the effort, virtually sure to guarantee an avalanche of political hit pieces from the rough-and-tumble club.

The committee's creation was filed with the county Registrar of Voters August 12. Notable donors include GOP ex-Assemblyman Martin Garrick of Rancho Santa Fe, listed on an August 18 disclosure as an investor in Admiral Property Company, with $25,000 on August 17. Garrick became known statewide when he was busted by the California Highway Patrol for driving under the influence on July 15, 2011. The inebriated Assembly member "was spotted by California Highway Patrol bicycle patrol officers at 9:36 pm Wednesday as he was heading north on 11th Street in Sacramento in his state-issued Toyota Camry, driving 45 mph in the 25-mph zone," wrote *SFGate.com* "He ran a stop sign at O Street and did not slow when the officers tried to stop him, driving into the Capitol parking garage. The CHP report says Garrick was released to the custody of Derek Radey of the Assembly Special Services Unit by 11:30 pm, ninety minutes after his arrest," per an account of the incident cited by Sacramento TV station KCRA on July 22, 2011

Republican County Supervisors: once thriving, now endangered, and soon … extinct?

Another August 18 contribution to the anti-Boyd-Hodgson cause was $25,000 from San Diego Mission Valley developer Tom Sudberry. And $15,000 arrived on August 15 from a political committee registered as the Community Leadership Coalition sponsored by The Lincoln Club of San Diego County. Earlier this year, that committee took a $20,000 contribution from a firm run by Ventura car racing magnate Gene Haas. The money was ultimately intended for an "Independent Expenditure Committee supporting Jeff Gorell for Ventura County Supervisor in District 2," according to a Haas major donor filing with the California Secretary of State.

According to the so-called leadership coalition's first half disclosure filed with the San Diego County Registrar of Voters, $29,750 went to Gorell's committee on May 26. Gorell, an ex-GOP Assemblyman, achieved a barely second place finish in the race and is headed for a November runoff against Democratic front-runner Claudia Bill-de la Peña.

Matt Potter

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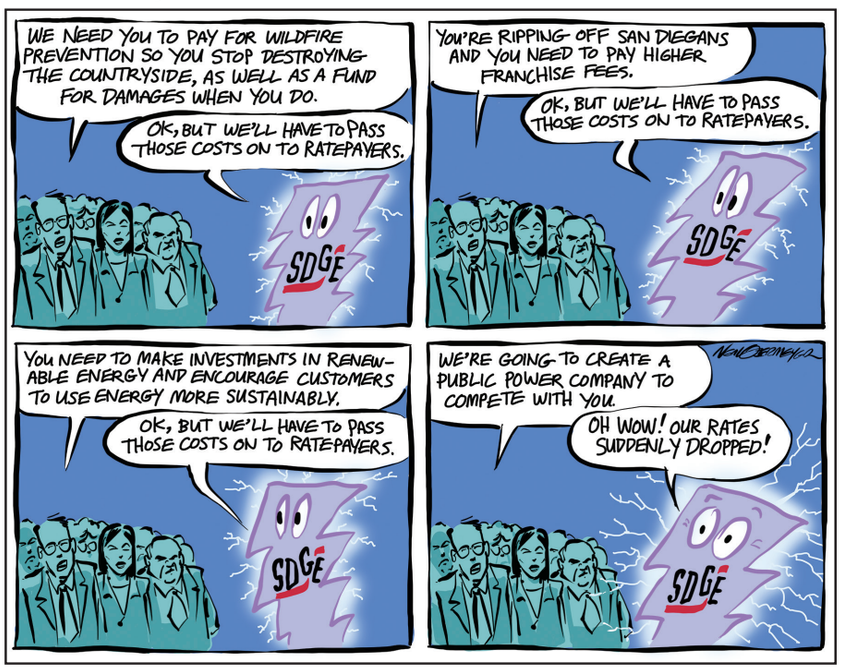

UNDER THE RADAR

Too Short's Bash cut What used to be known as the Back to Session Bash changed its name to simply Bash this year, but the extravagant blowout, funded by special interests, still draws a big crowd of California legislators and their staffers. The event, staged by the California Tribal Business Alliance, was held June 29 at the posh Park Ultra Lounge near the Capitol. "For more than a decade the extravagant Back to Session Bash — with cocktails flowing from ice sculptures and hip-hop beats pulsating across the dance floor — was a place to let loose. Debauchery at the Bash, insiders joked, ended at least one career annually," according to a January 17, 2018, dispatch by *CalMatters.com*. Continued the item: "The party's tab is picked up by interest groups that lobby in the Capitol — several Indian tribes that run casinos, a cigarette company, a slot machine manufacturer, and a council of trade unions. Providing a memorable evening of free booze and entertainment is one way the groups try to wield influence — not only on the Capitol's power brokers, but on the junior staff, who are frequently gatekeepers." The story went on to say that "Party organizers decided to scrap the rapper they had planned to bring as the headline performer — **Too Short**, known for songs like 'Blowjob Betty,' 'I'm a Player,' and 'Call her a Bitch' — after learning he was accused last year of rape, an allegation he denies." Added lobbyist **Paula Treat**, "We want it to be a safe and fun event," But the week before this year's party, lobbyist **David Quintana** appeared on a podcast run by Capitol Weekly, media sponsor of the event, praising Too Short and the band Hip Service, who had ended up appearing together at last year's Bash. "Too Short did great!" said Quintana of Gonzalez, Quintana & Hunter LLC. "Honestly, Too Short's version of his big hit 'Blow the Whistle,' was better with Hip Service than it was on the record, and I keep saying he should release that with a live band, 'cuz they just killed." Financial backers of the Bash included the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, which kicked in a chunk of money per the tribe's latest quarterly lobbying report, filed July 31. According to the disclosure, Sycuan "paid $15,000 Of The $274,808.58 Total Event Costs. Total Combined Gift Amount to Each Official from All Giftors Is $287.46."

Too Short (but not too racy for political parties).

Soon-Shiongs' jet cooling A longtime political nemesis of *Union-Tribune* and *Los Angeles Times* owner **Patrick Soon-Shiong** has gathered 1000 signatures on a petition urging the billionaire physician to reopen L.A.'s St. Vincent Medical Center in Westlake as a care center for the homeless. "Angelenos want St. Vincent to reopen immediately as an acute facility for people experiencing homelessness," Los Angeles city councilman Mitch O'Farrell said in a statement. "There's no more time to waste. Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong could help us rebuild the lives of hundreds of Angelenos at a time — if only he would come to the table." Soon-Shiong bought the hospital for $135 million in April 2020 in a bankruptcy purchase. The property was previously owned by Verity Health System of California Inc. an El Segundo-based non-profit into which Soon-Shiong had infused more than $300 million so that his for-profit Integrity Health could continue to manage it. Despite Soon-Shiong's attempted bailout, Verity had careered into bankruptcy in 2018. "Prompt closing of the sale is necessary given the estate's precarious financial position," wrote Judge **Ernest M. Robles** in his hurry-up 2020 tentative ruling authorizing the sale of St. Vincent by Verity to Soon-Shiong. "In addition, there is a risk that the purchaser will walk away if the sale does not close promptly, since the purpose of the sale — establishing a research center to address the COVID-19 pandemic — would be defeated absent a prompt closing." The pandemic research failed to materialize, leaving the complex vacant and Soon-Shiong skeptics questioning his high-dollar promises, including the preservation of his San Diego newspaper as an independent daily.

Meanwhile, Soon-Shiong's daughter **Nika**, once a major player at both the *Times* and *U-T*, is heading to England to finish her PhD. "Society's inheritance of patriarchal, white-led institutions shouldn't condemn us to pernicious cultures or processes," Nika told the *Daily Beast* in April of last year regarding the motive for her then-growing role at the papers. Now, however, in a July 21 interview for the website *Witness*, she says she is leaving West Hollywood's Public Safety Commission, where she led a successful battle to cut funding for the L.A. County Sheriff's city law enforcement contract. "I'll be stepping down from the Commission to finish my PhD. at Oxford but hope to engage other contract cities around the process that was taken in WeHo."

Proud Papa: Patrick-Soon-Shiong

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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it's the swallowtails, mourning cloaks, hairstreaks and blues that I get excited about!

—Charlene Kasian

its our fault, we're destroying the earth

—Alma Fischer

"Toni Atkins plays the NFL"
News Under the Radar
August 17
Bribes, bribes and more bribes! The people hope the corrupt and dishonest sauteé in the sewers they dwell in. How do you sleep at night?

—rplm

"Barefoot Bar & Grill, six decades and counting"
Feast! Restaurant Reviews
August 16
I'm happy to learn that they won't be changing the name and I hope that they don't change the menu either. They used to have a Pina Colada crème brûlée which was soo good. I hope they bring it back.

—Kymberrly Scott

I love Barefoot!.. one of the Paradise Point staff told me the name would be changed to "Land Shark"?!

—Lisa Schneider Silvestro

I worked banquets there years ago. Their food is the real deal.

—Carolyn Ashley

"Chula Vista first to try fentanyl tracking app"
Neighborhood News
August 16
This info about where ODs occurred seems like too little too late. how is this info actionable in preventing more ODs?

—PassionatelyModerate

"Ken Harrison R.I.P."
Neighborhood News
August 15
I enjoyed his articles. Rest in Peace Mr. Harrison.

—Socks3742

"OnlyFans site pushes adult content from home"
Cover Stories
August 17
Sad

—Jonathan Gerbracht

"Geezyworld, Point Break at Rooftop Cinema Club, Festival of Books"
Your Week
August 13
This is cool and all that but to really celebrate Patrick Swayze's bday we should all park a bunch of cars on the sand at Mission Beach, turn on the headlights while draining our car batteries while playing football in the dark all while some dude is spitting his drink in the bonfire.

—Raymond Padilla

"Morning Glory: breaking fast, and quick in Little Italy"
Tin Fork
August 11
Nothing fast and quick about trying to get in there

—Adam Reker

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replies, '…He got decked.' Martinez replies, 'Bro, we've got to re-live this moment again.' Talab then says, 'Got caught slipping street fight mode…My dogs have my back.' Rivera says in capitals, 'WE'VE GOT TO GET OUR HANDS ON THIS ARTICLE.'"

On the day the *Reader* cover came out, a Facebook user with the profile name Indigo Curtis posted, "There will be *Reader* bonfires tonight." A person named Lisa Burgess responded, "Oh I will burn that free rag." Some posted that their local *Reader* stands were empty. Curtis replied, "I have one for each of you…I have a buttload."

EVA KNOTT AND ERIC BARTL

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Masks: how do they work?

Hopkins told the jury that because of the social media gloating, law enforcement was able to get search warrants for the participants' social media, find out who they were, then get search warrants for their cell phones and houses.

A detective said, "[The Instagram chat] was very helpful, because many of the group members identify themselves as being involved in that particular attack… I was able to go back through numerous hours of video and numerous photos that were taken on January 9th and identify what other incidents they may have been involved in…"

Prosecutor Hopkins told the jury that after the suspects from the cover photo were identified, most were traced to an Antifa cell in Los Angeles. San Diego police worked with Los Angeles County Sheriff's detectives to serve search and arrest warrants.

Another detective described executing a search of the home of defendant Samuel Ogden about a year after the PB riot and finding copies of the *Reader* with the riot cover story. "I located multiple copies of this specific edition throughout the residence, and the majority, like a bulk of them, were in one box in the living room close to Ogden's living space."

Defendant Jesse Cannon allegedly put a photo of the *Reader*s with the Antifa cover story into an advertisement for a bonfire. A detective testified, "It appears to be a flier that reads, 'Antifa bonfire… Bring you know what. #F___ the *Reader*.'"

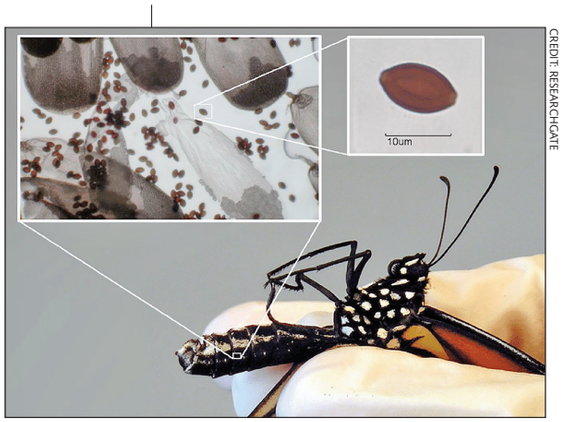
BUG WORLD

Monarchs under siege

How all occasions do inform against them

Experts say that just one in ten monarch butterflies survives its life cycle, and the numbers are worsening. In July of this year, the monarch butterfly was added to the IUCN Red List as "now endangered." For starters, the insect is eaten at every stage of its life — as an egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, and bright orange and black butterfly. An IB dweller notes that birds and wasps eat the caterpillars, and "the wasps are so bad this year. I keep the plants covered with burlap landscaping fabric, but a wasp found its way inside and killed one of my chrysalises."

And there are other factors contributing to their decreasing numbers throughout San Diego County. Lizette L., a former teacher, is currently guarding the two surviving monarch caterpillars in her North Park garden. Until recently, she had 10. One of those she lost "succumbed to what I believe is the tachinid fly," she said. To feed the caterpillars, "I have about seven narrow-leaved [milkweed] plants." The distinction is important. "The California Department of Food and Agriculture states that *tropical* milkweed has been designated a destructive weed," Lizette continued. "It reported that tropical milkweed is host to a protozoan parasite of monarch butterflies called *Ophryocystis elektroscirrha*, which are carried on adult monarchs as they migrate."



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The protozoan parasite of monarch butterflies.

The milkweed plants in Lizette's garden are native and supposedly do not host the parasite. But the tropical milkweed, sold to and implemented by many San Diegans in their yards, is home to "dormant [parasite] spores and infect caterpillars that eat the plant," Lizette explained. "CDFA said that parasite infections have been linked to [the monarch butterflies'] lower migration success, reduction in body mass, lifespan, mating success, and flight ability. It's so sad to witness the demise of these beautiful creatures. I'm going out to check on the last two caterpillars now."

> "The tropical milkweed, sold to and implemented by many San Diegans in their yards, is home to "dormant [parasite] spores and infect caterpillars."

On August 15, I communicated with Sarah Crane, who tries to protect the monarch caterpillars and butterflies in her San Diego yard. "You should see what white fly did to our garden," she said. "I spray Dawn dish soap water over the fence to kill them. These will be parasite free!" Crane sprays the dish soap water to get rid the flies before they lay their eggs on monarch caterpillars, which can become hosts to the parasites. If she doesn't, the flies' larvae will feed from inside the caterpillar and kill it, usually right before the caterpillar pupates.

Another factor that caused local butterfly lovers to panic was that "monarchs arrived later this year versus last year," according to Emily Sluiman from Moosa Creek Nursery in Valley Center. Happily, she says, "The monarch butterfly [being] added to the IUCN Red-list will help bring awareness to their threat of extinction. The list is a way to encourage conservation and promote preserving our natural resources. With community awareness and action, we can bring forth change."

One change that local gardeners and butterfly lovers make is to purchase native milkweed plants, such as the narrow-leaf milkweed Lizette planted in her North Park yard. Sluiman added that monarch butterflies can also live off nectar plants such as Yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*), Black Sage (*Salvia mellifera*), Coyote Mint (*Monardella villosa*), and Gumplant (*Grindelia camporum*). And while Moosa Creek Nursery is strictly wholesale, over 30 retail stores throughout southern California carry their brand of the aforementioned plants.

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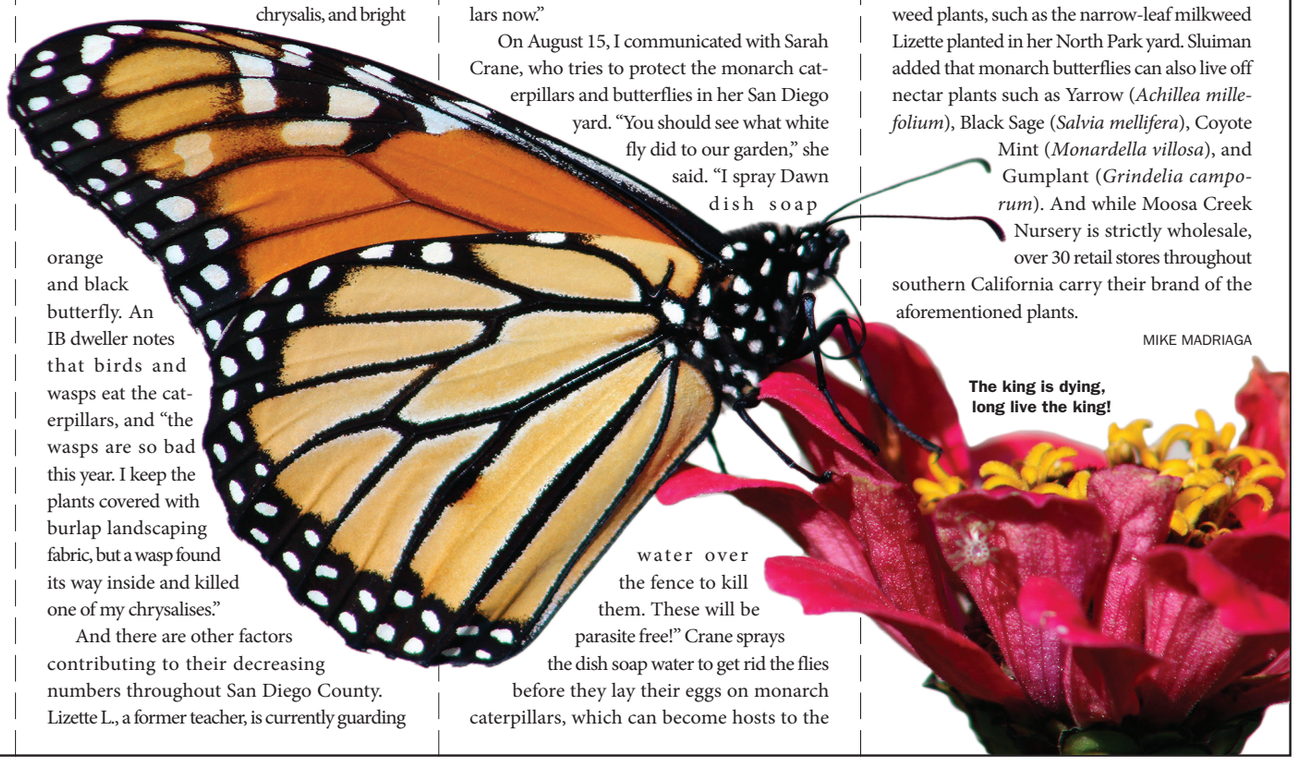

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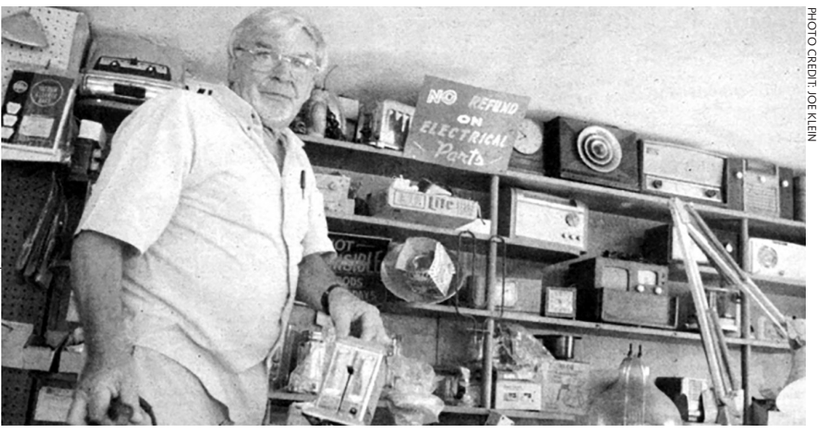

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Tom Jones at his Mission Hills repair shop: clock radios, coffeemakers, water filters, humidifiers, and an Electro-Lux vacuum-cleaner cylinder that is so old it looks like something from Jules Verne's imaginary sketchbook.

Whiskey and Water and the 11:00 News

He's not the only older person in the neighborhood who lives alone, and they all get together from time to time. But mostly they spend their evenings at home, separated by the habits and conveniences of their own houses. He has some friends who entered convalescent homes, but they had to sell everything they owned to pay for it, and then didn't get the prices they should have for land they'd owned most of their lives. – *Steve Sorensen* **JAN. 27, 1977**

Beneath the Bunya Bunya

They lived on the ranch [Scripps Ranch] for six years. He supervised teams of men in planting thousands of eucalyptuses, all together about forty percent of those that were set out on the ranch. (A good deal of planting had gone on before he arrived.) They planted the slender, sky-lining lemon gums on the hills and canyonsides, and the thick, shaggy blue gums on the mesas where the chaparral had been cleared away. – *Joe Applegate* **FEB. 17, 1983**

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One problem money has caused for Gagliardi is he can't trust women who seem to like him. "I've dated a lot of girls," he explains, "and you can't tell if they like you or they like the money. It's kind of screwed because you finally meet someone, and you think it's the one, and then you check up on them, and you find out that they are lying to you. It's terrible." – *Ernie Grimm* **DEC. 11, 1996**

The Last Vaquero

I'd tell Mollie where I was gonna camp, and she'd pack the ol' mule and drag him around till I got to that camp, and she'd have it all set up. The camps were at different springs where you knew the water was good and there was a little bit o' feed for your horse. We'd sleep there under just a few blankets and quilts. It was really some beautiful country, and Mollie liked it. – *Neal Matthews* **MAY. 17, 1984**

Cowboys, Cattle, and Time

This year he is a full month behind schedule. The market has been slow, a late-season heat wave made it inadvisable to ship the animals down to the Imperial Valley feedlots, delaying him further. Now it is almost December and there are cattle to be rounded up in Pine Valley, cattle to be brought down from the Laguna Mountains before the first snow, cattle to be tended in Jacumba and in the Campo Valley. – *Gordon Smith* **JAN. 8, 1981**

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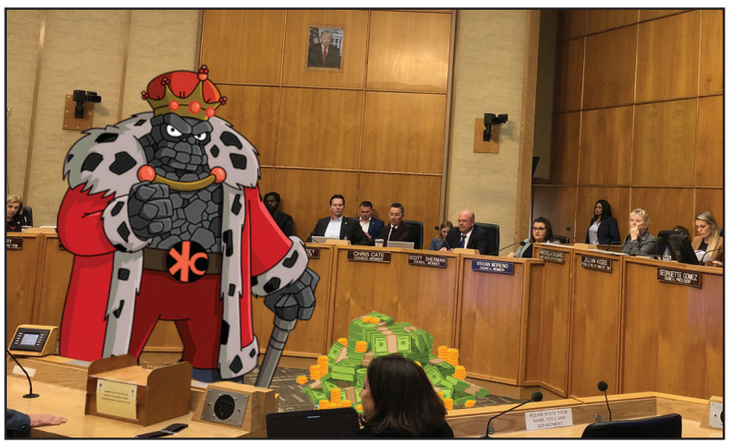
King Coal pays visit to San Diego City Council to celebrate plan to eliminate natural gas

Excerpt from address of Old King Coal to San Diego City Council, August 19, 2022: "Right now, California gets fully 37% of its electricity from natural gas, compared to just 34% from renewables and a measly 3% from coal. The Kingdom of Coal has always regarded this as a deeply unfortunate situation. We - and by 'we,' I very much mean the royal 'we' - could not be happier to hear that the City Council has pledged to eliminate nearly all natural gas by 2035 - not only in new construction, but in existing construction as well. That's barely more than 10 years away, and unless there's some secret plan to rebuild San Onofre, that's going to mean lots and lots of electricity for heating and cooking in California homes will be produced by…you guessed it. Us. There's not enough room the desert for all the solar panels you'd need to do without our lovely black gold. Fortunately, there just isn't that much coal in California, so it will have to be burned elsewhere. You'll get the nice clean electricity, and some poor schlep in Pennsylvania will get the particulates in the atmosphere. That's why they call you the Golden State!"



"Really now, is there any other sort of green that matters?"

Drug Enforcement Agency Special Agent Ron Bozo apologizes to the American people at a San Diego press conference last Thursday: "P.T. Barnum once said that nobody ever went broke underestimating the intelligence of the American people. But it seems we may have broken the American people by underestimating their insatiable desire for drugs at any cost."

Tijuana move back?

American expats in Mexico reconsider their decision in light of country's low cost of dying

Two weekends ago, the Jalisco drug cartel shut down the city of Tijuana in retaliation for the capture of a high-ranking cartel member. They blocked roads by setting fire to vehicles, and posted warnings for people to stay indoors — warnings that people largely obeyed. For some American expats who had moved to the city to enjoy its cheaper cost of living, the weekend served as a grim reminder that Tijuana is still the murder capital of the world.

Fiery and not at all peaceful protests

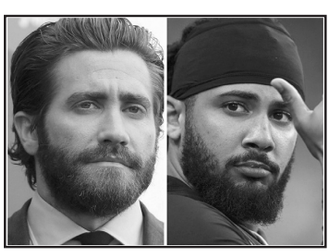
Operation Fast and…Fentanyl?

Border bust leads to exposure of botched battle in the War on Drugs

A recent seizure of 238 pounds of fentanyl-laced drugs at the San Ysidro border checkpoint produced an unexpected bit of paperwork: documents suggesting that the epidemic, which claims more and more lives every month in the United States, may be the result of a well-meaning ploy by the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency to reduce demand for drugs by making them exponentially more dangerous. "We're still trying to get answers," says drug-use advocate Bill Popper, "but it's starting to look like the idea was that if people know their drugs might kill them after a single use — you know, the way cocaine laced with Fentanyl might do — then they would think twice before using them. Unfortunately, this is what comes of having people making policy about cocaine who don't have much first-hand experience with cocaine." More on this story as it develops!

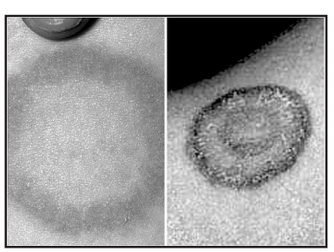
WHO PLAYS WHO

FERNANDO TATIS, JR. SUSPENSION EDITION



In *Brokeback Mountain*, **Jake Gyllenhaal** played a tough character with a dangerous secret and a hidden wound.

Padres star **Fernando Tatis, Jr.** has been suspended for 80 games after testing positive for performance-enhancing drugs while recovering from injury.



Tatis claimed that he took medication containing Clostebol to treat his ringworm.

The steroid only made his ringworm into the stronger and faster "double ringworm."

In *The Godfather*, **Al Pacino**'s crime boss told an underling, "Only don't tell me you're innocent. It insults my intelligence."

Padres GM has met with Tatis after making a statement that "these things only work when there's trust both ways."

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Sad Graves, Sweetened

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One day in late March, I got a call from Louise Wyatt. I had just interviewed her for a story on how genetic genealogy had enabled detectives to solve the murder of her daughter Michelle, forty years after the pretty young college student was found strangled to death in her Santee condominium. A few days after the interview, I had accompanied Louise to Mount Hope Cemetery. She has visited Michelle's grave there every Sunday morning since October 1980, when her daughter was buried. Now, Louise wanted to know if I could help her with a vexing, on-again,

What's allowed depends on where you lie.

off-again dispute with the cemetery over the flowers she brought to decorate Michelle's grave.

Initially, she said, she would bring fresh flowers on her weekly visits. But after noticing that by the time she returned to the cemetery, the flowers she had brought the previous week had wilted and were falling apart, she switched to silk flowers from Michael's: a colorful mix of daisies and roses. All was well and good until one Sunday morning a few months later, when Louise arrived at the grave and found her flowers gone. She contacted the cemetery office and was told that new management had come in. Silk flowers — or any other sort of artificial flowers — were no lon-

ger welcome. "I wrote letters," she explained. "I sent all kinds of letters — personal, you know — to the manager. And they told me there are no exceptions: 'No one will have silk flowers.' I told them, 'There will be one.' And from that point on, they left the flowers alone — until one day, they started disappearing again." Since then, she said, it's been something of a roller-coaster, as she has dealt with a succession of managers. Her impassioned letters have received responses that ranged from defiant to sympathetic. But either way, the dynamic was liable to change once a new manager arrived.

When she called me in March, Louise had just had what she considered a particularly unnerving exchange with the latest managerial arrival. "He was very rude," she said. "He told me if I bring those silk flowers again, they're going to be gone. Well, that just set me off. I can't buy Michelle a pretty little dress, or a new car, or anything like that. Bringing her flowers is all I can do. So that's why I do it. And I told this guy, 'Do not bother the flowers.' And the next time my husband and I went, yep, her flowers were gone."

I promised Louise I would look into the matter, but then I forgot about it until June. When I called her, she said everything was fine again. "I sent the manager a registered letter, telling him to leave my flowers alone. Then I went down there and talked to him. He was not a nice man. He told me, 'You can call the city if you want.' Then I said, 'No, I'm not going to call the city. I'll call the news media.' And he didn't like that. He just looked down real quick and didn't say a darn word. So he didn't like that at all. But so far, the flowers are there, and the cemetery is not bothering me. So I'll wait and see what happens. I just don't want them touching her flowers."

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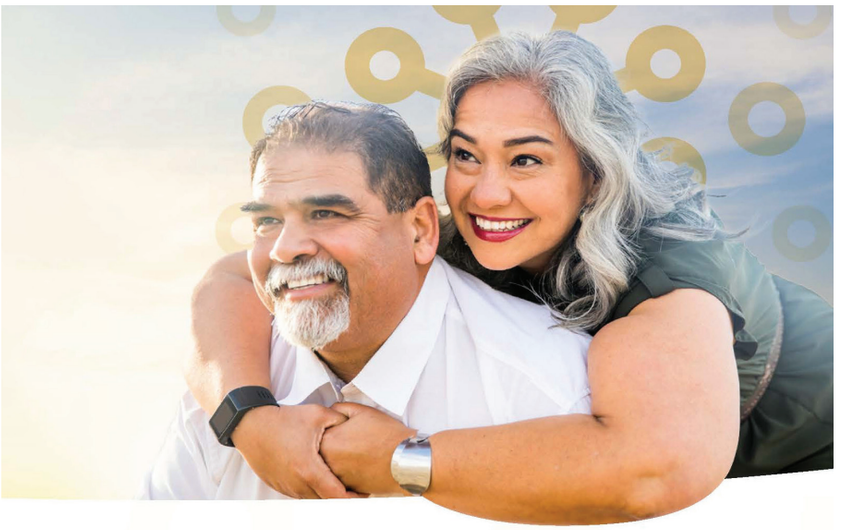
Life's a bitch, as the expression goes, and then you die. But it seems that even after you're dead, the bullshit may not stop. Cemeteries may offer their permanent residents the opportunity to Rest in Peace, but for the living who visit them, there are rules and regulations. And according to several cemetery operators with whom I spoke, these rules and regulations are becoming increasingly stringent (a word the dictionary defines as strict, precise, and exacting) as more and more people push the limit on how they choose to honor their loved ones after they have been laid to rest. Even though Louise's situation seemed to have stabilized, I called Mount Hope Cemetery and asked for the manager. Lo and behold, they seemed to be undergoing yet another transition in that department. After being bounced around a bit, I was put in touch with Kim Mathis, district manager of community parks for the city of San Diego. She said she was unfamiliar with Louise Wyatt's forty-year ordeal, but that all flowers, artificial as well as real, are welcome at Mount Hope — provided they are put in a regulation vase, which is available for purchase, and which are removed once a week on mow date. "If our staff has to remove them, they are thrown away," Mathis said.

Mount Hope is the largest public cemetery in San Diego County, covering 110 acres in southeast San Diego. Mathis didn't know how many people are buried at Mount Hope, but according to *BillionGraves.com*, there are currently more than 45,000 "headstone records" there. (The site claims to be "the world's largest resource for searchable GPS cemetery data.")

"When someone comes up to do their contract at Mount Hope, they are provided with this whole handbook of rules and regulations," Mathis said. Aside from flowers, visitors are not permitted to decorate graves "with anything that might be dangerous, such as candles with glass around them, or artificial lights, because they stick in the ground with spikes and somebody could fall on them. And no fencing around graves, because people could trip on them." As she mentioned, all decorations, flowers and everything else, must be removed before each weekly mow date, since the mowers need a clear, unobstructed path when mowing across the flat monument markers. "That's the responsibility of the grave owner, but we're removing stuff all the time," she said.

I looked at Mount Hope Cemetery's FAQ, and it seemed the cemetery's official flower policy wasn't quite as liberal as Mathis said. According to the "permissible decorations" section, "Artificial flowers are [only] permitted from November 1 through March 31." But visitors *are* allowed to plant flowers around the memorials, as long as they get permission from the cemetery office. "Recommended are annuals,



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Adjacent to Mount Hope Cemetery is Greenwood Memorial Park, a privately owned cemetery with more than 95,000 headstone records, according to *BillionGraves.com*. Greenwood was opened in 1907 and currently covers 125 acres of land. Repeated attempts to reach general manager Corretta Farmer were unsuccessful; however, according to the rules and regulations PDF available on Greenwood's website, both live and artificial flowers are permissible, as long as they are less than 18 inches in height and placed in "the permanent vase purchased from the cemetery, or one of equivalent quality and construction." Also allowed are potted plants and "decorative items like solar lights, flags, windmills, etc." — again, as long as they don't exceed 18 inches in height. Not permitted: "Adhesives, wires or strings to secure items to the ground or face of memorials, niche or crypt fronts. No writing, carving or sculpting of any design on the ground, memorial, niche or crypt fronts. No flowers, plants or trees allowed to be permanently placed (planted) in the grave space. No erected items like crosses, stars, statues, frames, etc. No glass/breakable items – all glass items will be removed for safety reasons. No candles." The only exceptions are in December, when visitors are allowed to bring live or artificial trees (no more than four feet high) or wreaths (no more than three feet).

Holy Cross Cemetery is another of the county's biggest cemeteries. Located in Southeast San Diego, the 40-acre site is owned by the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego, which established the cemetery in 1919. Since then, according to *BillionGraves.com*, more than 52,000 people have been interred there. Mario DeBlasio, who oversees the ground crew, said only fresh flowers are permitted in the section of the cemetery that features flat markers. "We have an area which has upright monuments, and there, families can place whatever they want," he said. "But the reason we don't allow artificial items on the flat areas is the lawn mower has to cut the grass every couple of weeks, and we want to be sure there's nothing that can interfere with the mower blades. Fresh-cut flowers are easy to take care of." Seasonal decorations are permitted two weeks prior, and two weeks after, Memorial Day, Easter, Mother's Day, and Christmas. The rest of the time, DeBlasio says, the fresh-flowers-only rule is strictly enforced, "with no exceptions. Once you make an exception for one person, then you have to make exceptions for other people."

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Mount Hope's FAQ states "the placing of personal effects, including, without limitation, photos, balloons, stuffed animals, lights, greeting cards, art objects, religious articles, emblems, memorabilia and the like, are not permitted and will be removed by the Cemetery Association."

Douglas Trobaugh is the Location Manager for another of San Diego County's bigger cemeteries, the privately owned El Camino Memorial Park in Sorrento Valley. Founded in 1960, El Camino covers 220 acre of the land and is he final resting ground for such San Diego luminaries as Jonas Salk, Ray and Joan Kroc, singer Patti Page, and actor Milburn Stone (Doc on *Gunsmoke*). *BillionGraves.com* says there are more than 52,000 "headstone records" at El Camino. Here, the cemetery flower policy does allow for artificial flowers, but only if they fit into an installed vase and are eight to ten inches high. Potted plants, too, are permitted, up to a six-inch pot. "We're probably one of the strictest parks, because we don't allow balloons, windmills or wind chimes," Trobaugh says. "A couple of weeks ago, somebody put up a wooden cross that was four feet high – we just don't allow that." And twice a year, Trobaugh says, the entire cemetery is swept clean and all decorations are thrown away, although families are encouraged to remove any artificial flowers or potted plants beforehand, and bring them back when the park's clean-up crews are done.

Despite this strict policy, El Camino does allow gatherings. "If you come through here on a Saturday, all the visitors are doing their own kind of traditions," Trobaugh says. "I've seen where I come in and they have big setups, popups, and they might bring bags of McDonald's and they're here for hours. Sometimes we get calls — the little old lady down the row from them thinks it's offensive — but they have the right to visit the way they need to."

Up in Oceanside, the Mission San Luis Rey cemetery is one of the county's smaller burial grounds, with just over 6000 headstone records, according to *BillionGraves.com*. Director Danielle Napoli responded to an interview request with an email: "Unfortunately, we are very busy with funerals and assisting grieving families, which is our priority.... Have a blessed day." Still, she sent along a copy of the cemetery's rules and regulations, which say both fresh-cut and artificial flowers are allowed as long as they are placed in the vases installed at each gravesite. Items not allowed at Mission San Luis Rey: "Potted plants or other floral containers, candles, glass jars

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El Camino Memorial Park in Sorrento Valley allows for artificial flowers, but only if they fit into an installed vase and are eight to ten inches high. "We're probably one of the strictest parks" says Location Manager Douglas Trobaugh.

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Of all the cemetery folk with whom I spoke, none was more helpful than Scott Prine, general manager of Singing Hills Memorial Park in El Cajon. Having just opened in 1996, the thirty-five-acre cemetery is the county's newest. Prine said about 6500 people are interred at Singing Hills, and notes that the privately owned cemetery has plenty of room to expand: the present memorial park is adjacent to a sixty-five-acre natural preserve, "and we own all that land, so some of that will be developed."

Prine filled me in on some other interesting details about cemeteries – specifically, their density. "A rule of thumb is 1200 caskets per acre of land," he says. "California is the most regulated state, and the law requires you to have at least 18 inches of earth between a vault and the surface, so in the case of a first burial, it's not really 'six feet under,' it's more like four and a half, or five." As for the number of bodies per grave site, Prine says most cemeteries limit it to two caskets, although he does note that "each cemetery is allowed to make its own rules." Years ago, some cemeteries would bury up to ten caskets in a single gravesite, but due to the depth of the hole and resulting concerns about the safety of the grounds crew, that practice was abandoned. Now, if someone dies and the surviving spouse (or other family member) wants to be buried on the same site, then the initial hole is dug deep enough to accommodate an additional casket – or more, if cemetery rules permit.

Our conversation shifted back to decorations, beginning with flowers. All flowers are permitted, fresh as well as fake, as long as they are less than 18 inches in height. They also must be placed in a permanent vase purchased from the cemetery. "I would never tell families they can't bring artificial flowers," Prine said. "Silk flowers won't stay there forever – we have a cleaning schedule — but they can come and remove them." Singing Hills also permits potted plants, both live and artificial, as well as such decorative items as solar lights, flags, and windmills, as long as they adhere to the 18-inch

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Singing Hills is more liberal about decorative items than other cemeteries, Prine said, in keeping with the cemetery's philosophy "that we receive everyone, no matter what your status in life was, no matter what you were or weren't – and everyone has a right to honor their loved ones in their own unique way."

Prine said the rules are designed with safety in mind. "That's why you can't have glass, which can break and hurt people, or wires and fences, which people can trip over," he says. But the height rule is mostly due to county restrictions. "As part of the agreement we went through to develop the land for the cemetery," Prine said, "we're not allowed to have upright monuments. So families bringing six-foot crosses or things that mimic an upright monument are not allowed." Even so, Singing Hills is more liberal about decorative items than other cemeteries, Prine said, in keeping with the cemetery's philosophy "that we receive everyone, no matter what your status in life was, no matter what you were or weren't – and everyone has a right to honor their loved ones in their own unique way." Such a liberal policy on occasion leads to complaints. "Some families come in and say, 'This is getting a little crazy; we just want a neat little cemetery with no decorations other than flowers.' Others want pinwheels, lights, and tchotchkes – things that remind them of their loved ones. And I tell our families that not everyone is going to agree, but we have to learn how to respect each other." Singing Hills also celebrates major holidays such as Memorial Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Day of the Dead, and Christmas with barbecues and raffles. "Not everyone wants to participate, but that's their right," Prine said.

From time to time, policies change, Prine said — and sometimes visitors have a hard time adjusting to these changes. "I managed Greenwood when we had a major change to our flower and decorations policy, and we got death threats. It was really just getting things more under control – people were putting up fences and bringing in rocks and building borders around graves, which got in the way of the mowers, and then we had some people bring in these huge two-foot-by-three-foot photos staked into the ground. We posted signs informing people of the new rules months in advance, but still we had quite a bit of opposition."

Have their ever been altercations between families? "From time to time, yes," Prine said. "We had one family, back at Greenwood, that came out to visit their loved one and some other family visiting the grave right next to it had set up a barbecue and chairs right on their space. Fortunately, as soon as they realized this, they packed it all up and moved it over a few feet and apologized."

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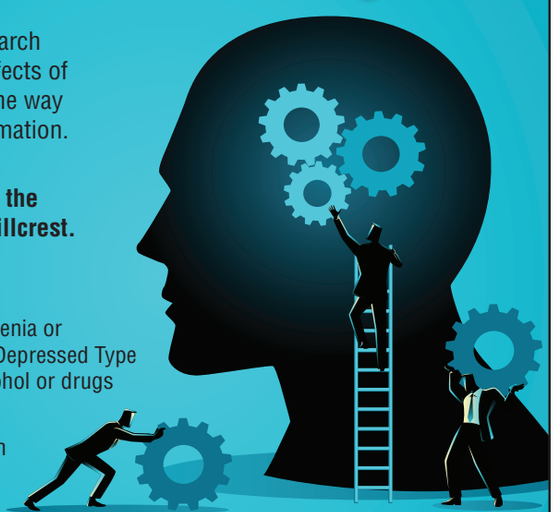

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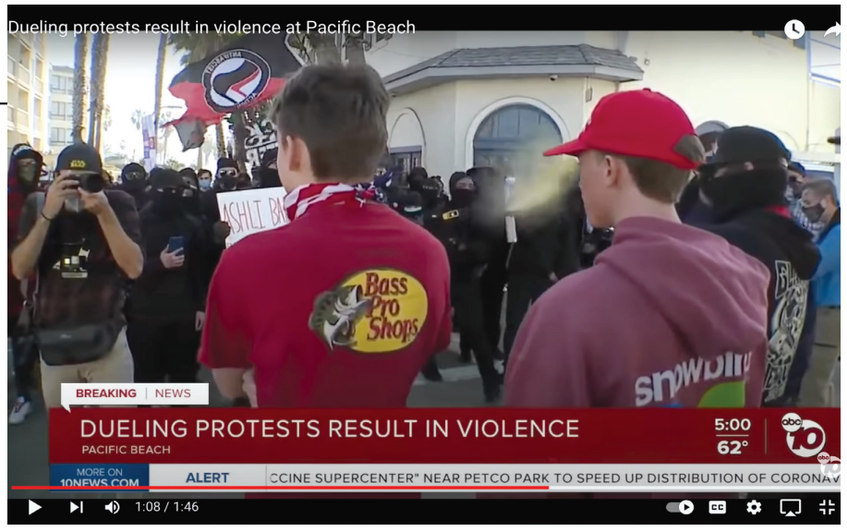

The Antifa group was ordered to either disperse or face getting arrested. "There's a certain verbiage we have to say, it's a script that we read from," said Captain Novak.

On January 2 of 2021, a Patriot March in San Diego was announced on social media, to begin at 2 pm on January 9 at the foot of Crystal Pier in Pacific Beach. The flier billed it as a peaceful protest, but in the end, it was not peaceful: members of the activist group Antifa clashed violently with the Patriot March protesters before they even began marching.

In December of 2021, prosecutors in District Attorney Summer Stephan's office charged at least seven people on the Antifa side in connection with the events of that day. And in June of this year, those charges were dropped in favor of a grand jury indictment that included 29 felony counts, including the conspiracy to commit riot. The indictment came after the grand jury heard 13 days' worth of testimony about the events surrounding that day, including testimony from police who were on the scene.

Captain Matt Novak told the grand jury that in his 28 years as a police officer, he had never experienced that level of rioting. He said that he had responded to more than 25 protests since Febuary of 2020 in his areas of command, which included downtown San Diego. Usually, that meant shutting down streets and walking alongside the demonstrators in order to maintain public safety. His experience with counter-protestors? "Sometimes one or two people would come by to heckle the group." He noted that when 300-400 Black Lives Matter supporters had marched down Pacific Beach's Garnet Avenue, the event was "very peaceful, all individuals coming to peacefully protest through the area. No problems."

This time, he said, "We did have some indication that Antifa might be coming" — vague intel about people coming down from Los Angeles. However, "I didn't expect any more from Antifa than I had at any of the other [protests]." He put his SWAT team on standby near (but not next to) the rally's start point, and put 20 patrol officers off to the side. In addition, he arranged for nine motor officers, eight bike officers, and an additional 22 officers in case they were needed. "We don't want to intimidate anybody, and what we don't want to do is deplete the entire city of officers, because we're still responsible for the entire city."

An Antifa Twitter account called SDAGAINSTFASH sent out messages the night before the rally, including this: "Plan to arrive an hour early to already have [Patriot] meet point occupied." Antifa apparently wanted to assemble first on the spot, so that arriving Patriots would have to walk toward them. "The MAGATS don't plan to be there before 2, so hopefully we'll have a decent crowd for them to approach."

Captain Novak said he was just finishing giving a

briefing to his officers at around 12:30 pm when he heard over the radio, "Hey, there's some crowds down here." He was at Belmont Park, a little south of the pier at that moment, still trying to stage his officers.

Then he heard, "There are people dressed in black."

"Which immediately tells me a lot," said Novak, "that we may have Antifa black bloc there."

Then he heard, "There's a fight at the pier."

"It started earlier than we thought it would," said Novak. Radio reports described black bloc persons moving in small groups over several blocks. Witnesses heard some of them directing their comrades, "Keep moving, keep moving." Police had access to a helicopter, but it did not arrive until about an hour after the first radio calls about trouble, about 1:34 pm.

Sergeant Ross Bainbridge, a 17-year veteran of the SDPD, was scheduled to begin his shift that day at 2 pm, but he told the grand jury he got caught in heavy traffic trying to get to the beach. The prosecutor asked, "Why didn't you use lights and siren to pass through traffic?"

He replied, "They hadn't called for an emergency response at that point. So I was listening to the [radio] calls as it was transpiring and it was obvious that things weren't going well rather quickly, as we were getting updates on the crowd being agitated, and a large crowd. And I could sense there was not enough cops where they needed them, and that things were kind of happening more quickly than they had anticipated. I think the idea was that all of this was going to happen later in the afternoon, and it happened earlier than they expected." Sgt. Bainbridge didn't make it to the designated staging area at Belmont Park before his order changed, "They changed it to, everybody respond Code Three, which is lights and sirens, back up to Hornblend and Mission." When he arrived at about 2:15 pm, there was already a line of officers spanning the street. He put on his riot gear, which includes a special helmet, a riot baton, and a gas mask, and got into the line facing the Antifa group. He said they were aggressive: "They had basically formed their own spanning line in front of us and had refused to back up or move."

Officer Jonathan Swankosky was also in the line, and he described the initial launch of projectiles. "It just started off with rocks here and there, and eggs, bottles, trash can lids, sticks, anything commonly found or seen that's throwable and not secured." He saw people in an alley trying to roll out a dumpster into the middle of the roadway, but added, "I don't know if that was going to be pushed towards us." Then he saw a glass bottle coming at him. It broke on the ground next to him; a shard of glass flew up and cut his hand. "The crowd had become hostile towards the police and were attacking us," he said.

Captain Novak said that after Antifa had gathered, police had been able to form a line to block them. He ordered another police line to form in front of the Patriot group, thus creating a buffer zone between them. He said he was in the center, between the two police lines, and that the Patriots yelled at Antifa across the buffer zone, but did not throw anything or commit any violent acts. The Antifa group, meanwhile, used shields and skateboards and "people up front to protect themselves and to block our view. So people in the back are throwing objects and we can't see where they come from." At first, the captain was not wearing riot gear. "I had my officer go get it for me when I had those rocks bounce next to me," he said. The grand jury saw bodycam footage showing police getting struck by rocks, glass bottles, eggs, and water bottles. "As soon as we stabilized in this area and we started receiving the bottles, the rocks, and the eggs had started hitting our officers, I called an unlawful assembly," Novak testified.

The Antifa group was ordered to either disperse or face getting arrested. "There's a certain verbiage we have to say, it's a script that we read from," said Novak. He directed a motor officer to use his radio so the whole crowd could hear. The official statement was read three times in both English and Spanish. Then the police helicopter repeated the order. Altogether, the official riot declaration was made more than nine times.

Officer Swankosky saw "one of the protestors with pepper spray in their hand, spraying it towards my officers." So he called that out to the SWAT team, which then deployed pepper balls — powdered pepper spray — at 3:25 pm, roughly one hour after the first declaration of unlawful assembly. Swankosky said that when that happens, "It gets really hot." He said Antifa are experienced with police tactics, and they wear gloves, which enables them to handle the balls. "They would typically throw it back at us." Antifa used shields and skateboards and a trash can lid to block the pepper balls.

Popping sounds could be heard in police bodycam video. Sergeant Bainbridge said that was the sound of SWAT shooting pepper balls. Pepper balls hit the ground and break, and a dust cloud rises to drive people away, he said. Or, if a rioter is holding an object and is ready to throw it, a pepper ball could be fired to directly hit that person to prevent him from throwing it, the sergeant testified. Reviewing the video, Bainbridge noted that one rioter was "up closer to us, making that, like, punching motion or jabbing motion with his skateboard." The rioter retreated more slowly than the rest of his group, "His gas mask is helping him defeat the pepper ball," the sergeant noticed. Then he said, "Well, he was holding a skateboard, and it appears he dropped his skateboard and then grabbed his genitals afterwards, it looked like." The rioter then dropped to the ground.

Sergeant Bainbridge guessed that he was there an hour before he got the order to move forward and start taking people into custody. "I know that it's a big decision to make," he said, "It's going to get pretty ugly." He said he "attempted to make two different arrests." His attempts were not successful. The sergeant said he grabbed the Antifa member nearest him. Then, "the rioters, from behind this person, grabbed onto them by both their arms and their legs. So they had several different people pulling this person away from me, and they were able to kind of pull him down and back into the crowd rather quickly." (He said he was unsure if the person was male or female.)

While Bainbridge was trying to make that first arrest, he saw another Antifa person rush him, "I saw him coming towards me fast." His bodycam video was played: it showed a tall man with a stick, wearing all black and a helmet, and with a balaclava over his face. The attacker took hold of the sergeant's riot baton."You can see that the suspect has got a grip on it, on the forward part of it." With his other hand, he brought his stick forward. Bainbridge said he took hold of this second person, but Antifa grabbed him away too, pulling him

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WHEN: Thursday, August 25, 7 pm
WHERE: Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main Street, Julian. *eastcountyarts.org*

Saturday | 27

THE GREAT SAN DIEGO SCAVENGER HUNT

Neighborhood will host five scavenger hunt stops, providing the opportunity to complete a mission. Decipher riddles, tongue twisters, and pop quizzes. Photo, video, text, and GPS check-in will be assigned a difficulty level and corresponding point value. Free swag bag filled with socks, a backpack, and snacks. Afterparty locations will offer food and drink specials from 4 pm to 7 pm. Win staycations, gift cards, and local experiences.

WHEN: Saturday, August 27, 8 am to 7 pm
WHERE: North Park Mini Park, North Park Way, North Park. *greatsdscavengerhunt.com*

ARTS IN THE PARK: CIRCUS, FACE PAINTING, CRAFTS

Come to a free community event to celebrate the end of the covid shutdown. Circus acts from Fern Street Circus, musicians, singers, comedians, dance, and theatrical performances. Art walk, crafts, and family activities such as face painting, giant puppets, hat making, stilt-walkers, and a story-time tent.

WHEN: Saturday, August 27, 10 am to 6 pm
WHERE: Memorial Park Bowl, 373 Park Way, Chula Vista. *chulavistaca.gov*

Sunday | 28

SPRAY ALLEN

Spray Allen is an alternative rock band with a "new psychedelic" blend of '70s and '90s influences. Founded by drummer Wade Youman (Unwritten Law, Demasiado) and bassist Eric Wilson (Sublime, Long Beach Dub Allstars), the group has two singer-guitarists formerly with Late Night Episode, Daniel Lonner and Eric Sherman.

SPRAY ALLEN

WHEN: Sunday, August 28, 8 pm
WHERE: The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. *kensingtonclub1935.com*

Monday | 29

BEER & WINE FESTIVAL AND SILENT MOVIE

Gather at the Japanese Friendship Garden to taste locally brewed beers from Mike Hess Brewing and Fall Brewing Company, plus wines selected by Robert Pizzuto of Hughes & Pizzuto. Heavy *hors d'oeuvres* and souvenir wine glasses. Admission price guarantees you preferred seating at the concert. Clara Gerdes will be the concert organist — it's her debut concert at the Pavilion. The program will include movies from Buster Keaton and Charlie Chaplin, and some virtuoso solo pieces by Liszt, Duruflé, and Dvôrak.

WHEN: Monday, August 29, 5:30 pm
WHERE: Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 1549 El Prado, Balboa Park. *spreckelsorgan.org*

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ANIMAL FRIENDS

Zumpaw Class: National Dog Day To celebrate National Dog Day, bring your leashed pup and dance the day away in a "Zumpaw" (Zumba) class on Valley Promenade. Friday, August 26, 10am; $20. Omni La Costa Resort and Spa, 2100 Costa del Mar Road. (CARLSBAD)

ART

Acrylic Pour Workshop Create abstract masterpieces by letting pigment run amok. Materials included. Friday, August 26, 2pm; $10-$20. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

Arts in the Park A free day of art and entertainment includes Circus Acts, musicians, singers, comedians, dance and theatrical performances as well as arts, crafts and family activities-face painting, giant puppets, hat making, stilt-walkers, a Story Tent and more. Saturday, August 27, 10am; **free**. Memorial Park Bowl, 373 Park Way. (CHULA VISTA)

Carolina Caycedo: Aesthetics of Commodity A solo exhibition, by Los Angeles-based artist Carolina Caycedo features a unique series of digital collages in which Caycedo overlays 19th and 20th-century stocks and bonds from the commonwealths of Puerto Rico, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. Governments sell bonds to private parties for public programs like water, energy, housing, health, and education. Friday, August 26, 12pm; **free**. ICA North Institute of Contemporary Art San Diego, 1550 South El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

LeucadiART Walk Enjoy fine art, live art demos, live dance performances, and live music, as well as a libation garden along N. Coast Hwy. 101, between 1900 and 434 N. Coast Hwy. 101 Sunday, August 28, 10am; **free**. Leucadia Roadside Park, 860 N. Coast Highway 101. (LEUCADIA)

Little Fish Comic Savvy: August Edition Enjoy comics, good conversation, and of course donuts. A large library of comic books and graphic novels has just about a little of everything for everyone, so please feel free to peruse stacks. Large amount of free comic books and graphic novels for attendees to go through and take home. Saturday, August 27, 7pm; **free**. Little Fish Comic Book Studio, 6822-B El Cajon Boulevard. (ROLANDO)

Summer Adult Drawing Classes Adult drawing classes with personalized instruction from a master of fine art with 10+ years of instruction experience. Students work on what they want at their own pace. Reservations 888-847-8993 Thursdays, 6pm; through Friday, August 26, $80. 18 and up. Art Scene West Gallery, 312 South Cedros Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

Summer Art Mini Daycamp Students will receive hands-on experience in an art gallery, young artists will learn creative and technical skills of being a professional artist and art dealer. Kids will learn a fine art approach that fosters creativity and skill, not just 'arts and crafts' projects. All materials provided. Saturdays, 12pm; through Saturday, September 3, $100. Art Scene West Gallery, 312 South Cedros Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

AUTOMOTIVE

Cars & Coffee Cars & Coffee discounted admission price or free event outside with coffee and donuts (while supplies last) for guests to enjoy while browsing the vehicles. The public is also invited to bring their own cars to display in the parking lot for other spectators to enjoy. Sunday, August 28, 7:30am; **free**. San Diego Automotive Museum, 2080 Pan American Plaza. (BALBOA PARK)

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 25 - The Farmers. Thursday, August 25, **free**. La Mesa Village, Spring Street at La Mesa Boulevard. (LA MESA)

BEER

7th Anniversary Party The dog-friendly event includes a charity cornhole tournament with an entry fee of $20 per team of two. The price includes one pint of beer per person. A portion of all beer and event sales donated to San Diego dog rescues The Animal Pad and Second Chance Dog Rescue. Saturday, August 27, 4pm; **free**-$51. Second Chance Beer Co., 15378 Avenue of Science #222. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Cali-Reggae BrewFest The all-day music festival will showcase more than 10 SoCal reggae bands, in addition to art, jewelry, and clothing vendors, as well as food, beer and hard kombucha for purchase. The event is for all ages; however, persons must be 21+ with valid ID to purchase alcohol. Saturday, August 27, 12pm; $35-$40. Local Roots Kombucha, 1430 Vantage Court Suite 101. (VISTA)

Sour Sunday Score five tasters for the price of four, plus enjoy 20% off sour bottles to go all day. Sunday, August 28, 11am; Pure Project Vista, 1305 Hot Spring Way. (VISTA)

Spreckels Beer & Wine Festival Tastings of wines and beers, paired with tapas and finger foods. Monday, August 29, 5:30pm; $50-$60. 21 and up. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Adalyn Grace: Belladonna Adalyn Grace discussing *Belladonna* with Kiersten White. The event will consist of a 30 minute discussion with the authors, followed by a book signing. Adalyn Grace is the author of *All the Stars and Teeth.* Tuesday, August 30, 7pm; **free**. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 3555 Rosecrans Street Suite 107,. (POINT LOMA)

Leslye Penelope: The Monsters We Defy This is a free in-store event will consist of a 30-minute discussion with Leslye Penelope about *The Monsters We Defy*, followed by a book signing line. Leslye Penelope is an award-winning author of fantasy and paranormal romance. Thursday, August 25, 6pm; **free**. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 3555 Rosecrans Street Suite 107,. (POINT LOMA)

Matt de la Peña Warwick's, in partnership with La Jolla Riford Library, will host Matt de la Peña as he discusses and signs his new book, *Patchwork*. Friday, August 26, 10am; **free**-$18. La Jolla Riford Library, 7555 Draper Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Storytime Storytime with a bookseller or author Thursdays, 10:30am; through Tuesday, August 16, Diesel, A Bookstore, 12843 El Camino Real Suite 104. (DEL MAR)

The Lumberjack Book Launch & Concert Local author and musician Beau Gray will debut and sign his book *The Lumberjack*, as well as performing with his band Lexington Field. Saturday, August 27, 11am; New Children's Museum, 200 W. Island Avenue. (EAST VILLAGE)

Weekends with Locals: Jasmine Jimenez Weekends with Locals will be hosting Jasmine Jimenez, author of *Eugenia Hunts for Gemstones.* Sunday, August 28, 12pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Adult Performance Workshop Join others in working out a short set for a live performance at Queen Bees, as the opening band for Dirty Cello at an October 1st fundraising event. You will learn to play with others in a live band, focus on a short set of songs, rehearse for 8 weeks for the performance. Thursdays, 7pm; through Thursday, September 29, $250. 18 and up. Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 4011 Ohio Street. (NORTH PARK)

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)

Digital Art Creation Using iPhone/iPad Bring your device and photos to learn how to merge 2-3 images into 1, using the elements of each picture that you love! Bring two pictures already in your photo gallery; 1) a picture of the sky with clouds, 2) a picture of a tree, or your favorite picture. This class is led using an iPhone. Apps required to take the class: Distressed FX &* Reflect. Snapseed Class requirements: iPhone, Apple ID and Password. Tuesday, August 30, 1pm; $10-$20. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

Hands-on Kombucha Workshop This class will cover how to make kombucha safely at home, including secondary flavoring and carbonation. Includes your own SCOBY and a take-home swing-top bottle of seasonal kombucha. Saturday, August 27, 11am; $59. Venue, 2995 Commercial Street. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

Leyenkrayz for Intermediate & Advanced In this course conducted entirely in Yiddish with Tanya Yakovleva, students of intermediate II level will practice reading and translating skills without judgment and comparisons. You will learn a new vocabulary and have an understanding of the Yiddish history and culture. Wednesdays, 12pm; through Wednesday, September 7, $20-$230. Yiddishland California, 1128 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

Peering into the Profession of Pharmacy Students will explore several foundational topics, including what pharmacists do, the numerous pharmacy career pathways, and the healthcare professionals who work with pharmacists. Saturday, August 27, 2pm; **free**. Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market Street. (VALENCIA PARK)

Summer Youth Improv Classes Ages 7-10 on Wednesdays and Pre-teen Ages 10-14 on Thursdays Thursdays, 5pm; through Thursday, August 25, $69-$220. Mockingbird Improv, 2590 Truxtun Road #200. (LIBERTY STATION)

Surviving Space Students will research the environment of space, different types of planets, and the current technology keeping humans alive both on earth and outer space. Furthermore, this class will also touch upon basic research including identifying authoritative research materials, search methods, and database research. Saturday, August 27, 1pm; **free**. Linda Vista Library, 2160 Ulric Street. (LINDA VISTA)

COMEDY

Cabuguas & Rosen: From the Ground Up Best friends Angelo Cabuguas and Liam Rosen present a completely improvised, two-person comedy show based entirely on a brief conversation with the audience. This is a show that will never be recreated or experienced by any other audience ever again. Friday, August 26, 6:30pm and 8:30pm; $5-$7. 18 and up. Old Town Temecula Community Theater, 42051 Main Street. (TEMECULA)

Chris Rock Saturday, August 27, 7pm; Harrah's Resort Southern California, 777 Harrah's Rincon Way. (VALLEY CENTER)

Comedy Night: Mark Christopher Lawrence Mark Christopher Lawrence headlining, with Dave Bressoud and Laura Hayden also performing. Friday, August 26, 7pm; $25. 21 and up. Blue Door Urban Winery, 4060 Morena Boulevard. (CLAIREMONT)

Frankie Quinones Saturday, August 27, 7:30pm; California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

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

Margaret Cho Comedian. Actor. Musician. Advocate. Entrepreneur. Five-time Grammy and Emmy nominee. Friday, August 26, 7pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, August 27, 7pm and 9:30pm; $35. 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

PB Backyard Comedy Thursday, August 25, 8pm; $10-$25. 18 and up. Kate Sessions Park, 5115 Soledad Road. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Pretty Funny Women Hosted by Lisa Sundstedt. With Kim Jones, Lin Sun, Gabby Lamb, Asher Mac, Linda Schwartz, Esme Gregson, Jenny Mullaney, Lynne Goodman, Kristel Dela Rosa and headliner Bobbie Oliver. Wednesday, August 31, 8pm; $25-$30. 21 and up. Comedy Store, 916 Pearl Street. (LA JOLLA)

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DANCE

The Art of Flamenco Dinner Show Enjoy a three-course dinner menu combined with a two-part Flamenco Dance performance. Saturdays, 6:30pm; through Saturday, September 3, $89. Cafe Sevilla Tapas Bar, 353 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Alzheimer's Research Town Hall Hear about new discoveries and scientific breakthroughs from researchers dedicated to creating a world without Alzheimer's. Thursday, August 25, 5:30pm; **free**. Handlery Hotel and Resort, 950 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

Conscious Men's Coalition Attendees will network with like-minded peers, de-stress before the weekend, and meet other local, good-hearted men pursuing self-betterment. Thursday, August 25, 6:30pm; $20. Wellness Lounge Mission Bay LLC, 1548 Quivira Way. (MISSION BEACH)

Conserving Habitat for Species in the Andes Join conservation NGO Nature and Culture International for a free virtual discussion on a 3 million-acre connectivity corridor and the incredible wildlife it will protect in Ecuador and Peru. Thursday, August 25, 4pm; **free**. give.natureandculture.org/event/room-to-roam/e417896. (ONLINE)

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Empty Nests & Retirement: The Next Chapter Roundtable discussion about how to cope, manage, and thrive in the next chapter of your life. Saturday, August 27, 2pm; **free**. 18 and up. Carmel Mountain Ranch Library, 12095 World Trade Drive. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Major Wine Regions of California This class will familiarize you with the six major California grape-growing regions to aid you in making the best choices when purchasing California wines. This event is free and open to the public, and there is no need to pre-register. Tuesday, August 30, 1pm; **free**. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

San Diego Assess-a-thon Get ahead this school year and understand your child's baseline for learning, social skills, behavior, focus, and more. Assessment by appointment only for kids, teens, and adults. Limited availability RSVP via email to sandiego@brainbalancecenters.com. Saturday, August 27, 9am; Brain Balance Center, Rancho Carmel Plaza, 10175 Rancho Carmel Dr., Suite 124. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

San Diego Young Professionals Summer Mixer Meet young professionals, enjoy a complimentary drink, grow your social/professional network, and discover new opportunities. Be sure you have registered on Eventbrite in advance: https://bit.ly/3AcVc1p. Wednesday, August 31, 6pm; **free**-$10. 21 and up. Local Pacific Beach, 809 Thomas Avenue. (PACIFIC BEACH)

FILM

SD International Children's Film Festival: Teen Program The San Diego International Children's Film Festival presents short films from around the world - animation, live action, documentary - for an audience ages 12 and older (all ages welcome). Filmmaker appearances and discussion. Comedy, drama, suspense, and more. Sunday, August 28, 2pm; **free**. Digital Gym Cinema, 1100 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

FOR KIDS

Back to School Kids Sustainable Fashion Show Join Little Phee and prepare to go "Back to School" affordably and sustainably. Each ticket includes one bag of clothes & one pizza. Sunday, August 28, 12pm; $45. Pizza Cassette, 5322 Banks Street. (BAY PARK)

Dance Pants Party Recommended for toddlers, preschoolers and early elementary school-aged kids, this simple dance program will feature "The Wheels on the Bus," "Baby Shark," and more. This program will be held outdoors. Wednesdays, 10:30am; through Wednesday, August 31, **free**. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

OUTDOORS

Shorebird Migration begins and Wafting Jasmine

Shore Birds Migrating Southward are beginning to arrive in San Diego County. Through fall and winter, various ducks, sandpipers, and plovers will be spotted in increased numbers in the county's coastal wetlands. Best bird-watching spots include the Tijuana River estuary, south San Diego Bay, the San Diego River flood channel, Peñasquitos Lagoon, San Elijo Lagoon, Batiquitos Lagoon, and Buena Vista Lagoon.

Jasmine's Thick, Sweet Odor wafts on the night breezes this time of year, especially throughout the older, well-landscaped neighborhoods of San Diego. The exotic odor is produced by the flowers of true jasmines (genus *Jasminum*), as opposed to the so-called "star jasmine" (genus *Trachelospermum*) which blooms in the late spring and early summer.

THE SCENT OF "TRUE JASMINE" (GENUS *JASMINUM*) IS STRONG THIS TIME OF YEAR.

SHOREBIRDS VIEWED THROUGH A FENCE AT FAMOSA SLOUGH.

Grunion Season Ends during the late evening hours (generally after 10 pm and before 2 am), following the nocturnal high tide, August 27 though August 30. Grunion tend to spawn on wide, gently sloping beaches such as Silver Strand, Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, La Jolla Shores, and Del Mar. New regulations have been approved that allow a daily bag and possession limit of 30 grunion per person, effective June 1, 2022. The fish can be collected using the hands only (fishing license needed for persons 16 years of age and older). For more information, visit *wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Ocean/Grunion*.

The Milky Way Appears at its most glorious during August and September evenings free of moonlight (this year, the most favorable evenings occur from August 30 through September 11). You'll need to be in the mountains or the desert to see it clearly; too much artificial light in or near the urbanized parts of San Diego County renders it all but invisible.

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.*

Girls Inspiring Real Leadership in STEAM Conference Eastlake High School's robotics team, TitanBot, is a FIRST Robotics Competition team run entirely by students hosts an annual G.I.R.L.S. Conference (Girls Inspiring Real Leadership in STEAM). Saturday, August 27, 9am; **free**. Ruth French Chapman Performing Arts Center at Eastlake High School, 1120 Eastlake Parkway. (EASTLAKE)

Kids Happy Hour Enjoy kid-friendly entertainment and snacks to create a festive event for the whole family. Entertainment options include magic shows, storytime, a ventriloquist, puppet shows, and more. Thursdays, 3pm; through Thursday, August 25, **free**. One Paseo, 3725 Paseo Place. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Kids! San Diego Poetry Annual Workshop The Kids San Diego Poetry Annual offers writing activities that stimulate creativity and self-expression. This workshop is free and open to children and youth (ages 6 - 12). Poems and artwork produced during the workshop will be considered for publication in the upcoming Kids! San Diego Poetry Annual. Please register Saturday, August 27, 11am; **free**. Escondido Library, 239 South Kalmia Street. (ESCONDIDO)

NATURE

Birding Basics Class Join MTRP Trail Guide and experienced birder Winona Sollock for an educational bird identification class. Increase your enjoyment of Nature by learning 5 simple techniques to identify birds at a glance. You will also learn how to use a field guide, so bring one along if you have it. Classes meet at the Visitor Center in Classroom A on the last Saturday of every month. Saturday, August 27, 1pm; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Farm Tour Adventure 2-hour guided activity tour includes archery, tomahawk throwing, slingshot gallery, petting zoo, and reptile show. Guests are welcome to stay afterward to enjoy the lilac maze, playground, walking trails, and more. Prepaid reservations are required. Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; through Sunday, September 18, $22. Fort Cross Old Timey Adventures, 4425 Highway 78. (SANTA YSABEL)

Free Moderately Strenuous Guided Hike Moderately strenuous, long distance educational hike. Hiking groups will depart from the Interpretive Center at 8:15am (please arrive at 8:00am) and will return to the main lot approximately three hours. Sunday, August 28, 8am; **free**. 18 and up. Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve, 8833 Harmony Grove Road. (ESCONDIDO)

Guided Nature Walk Join an MTRP Trail Guide on a guided nature walk and learn about the plants, animals, geology, history, and ecology of the park along a scenic trail. Walks start from the Visitor Center, are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. Saturdays & Sundays; through August 30, 9:30am; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

San Diego Iris Society Annual Rhizome Sale Annual Iris Society Rhizome Sale. Iris rhizomes and potted iris will be on sale. There will be iris for every type of climate condition in the San Diego Region. Members of the San Diego Iris Society will be on hand to assist and answer any questions. Saturday, August 27, 10am; Sunday, August 28, 10am; **free**. Casa del Prado, 1650 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Wheelchair-Accessible Botanical Tour Join a Park Ranger for an exciting journey through a lesser known botanical treasure. This easy, 1/4 mile trail is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Bring water and sun protection. Leashed, friendly dogs are welcome. Meet near the playground. Please arrive early to find street parking. Contact Ranger Goldstein for more information: cgoldstein@sandiego.gov Saturday, August 27, 11am; **free**. Charles Lewis III Memorial Park, 4639 Home Avenue. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Wildlife Kayaking Eco Tour A marine biologist guide will point out marine and bird life and teach you about local ecology and conservation efforts. All equipment is provided: kayak, life vest, binoculars and field guides. A portion of your Eco Tour ticket goes to nonprofit environmental education programs. Saturday & Sunday, August 27 & 28, 9am; $35-$50. Bayside Park, 999 Bayside Parkway. (CHULA VISTA)

SPOKEN WORD

VAMP Storytelling Night: Comedy of Errors August's VAMP stories celebrate the great screw-ups, the absurdity of good intentions gone wrong, and the best laid plans brought to disaster so bad, it's hilarious, at least in retrospect. Thursday, August 25, 8pm; 21 and up. Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street. (SOUTH 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)

Deep Stretch & Sound Healing This is a therapeutic stretching class that targets primary muscle groups surrounding the hips, hamstrings, lower and upper back that tend to be tight for everyone. Monday, August 29, 7pm; $40. Buddhi Yoga, 7843 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Deep Stretch Workshop Flexibility + Mobility | Hips & Low Back | Deep Stretch Workshop Saturday, August 27, 1pm; $65-$75. Buddhi Yoga, 7843 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

New Moon in Virgo Breathwork & Sound Healing Workshop Join Kate and Chechi for a soul connecting journey to discover, heal and transform through breathwork and sound healing. Sunday, August 28, 6pm; $70. Yoga Arts 3017 Canon St San Diego, CA 92106

MOVIE LISTINGS

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

***Beast*: 2000 lbs. of raging pixels!**

Beast — Dr. Nate Samuels (Idris Elba), guilt-stricken over his handling of his wife's passing, escorts his two teenage daughters, the rebellious Meredith (Iyana Halley) and her younger, within-an-inch-of-rebelling sister Norah (Leah Jeffries), on an African safari near their mother's village. Rather than mending fences, the trio and friend of the family Martin Battles (Sharlto Copley), fall victim to a king size king of beasts. Before the action kicked into overdrive, one wondered why the filmmakers insisted on interrupting the engrossing interplay between father and daughters with rumblings in the jungle. Once the CG cat was out of the bag, the family interplay became a drag. The effects can be convincing (Copley being nuzzled by a pair of Leos fooled me), but more often than not, the distracting long shots make Victor Mature's tussles with a stuffed wildcat in Samson and Delilah look like the National Geographic Channel by comparison. The main reason Beast roars to be seen on the big screen are cinematographer Philippe Rousselot's (*Diva, Thérèse, The Tailor of Panama*) and his first time DP Baltasar Breki's night work and their fleet, airborne long-takes through the African bush. Who needs special effects with such assured camerawork doing the lion's share of the work? Baltasar Kormákur (*101 Reykjavík, Jar City*) directs. 2022. — S.M. ★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Bodies Bodies Bodies — Images of Sophie (Amandla Stenberg) and Bee (Maria Bakalova) tonguing in tight close-up soon give chase to a "Hurricane Party" where our nascent lovers are greeted by bodies suspended in a swimming pool like grapes in Jell-O. In fact, Jasper "Lighting By Glowstick" Wolf's cinematography is the most ferocious aspect of this otherwise glib Gen-Z sendup of Agatha Christie. The title refers to a violent party game that begins with a slap, followed by two-faced accusations, that in no time give way to backstabbing both verbal and physical. There's something for everyone. Climate change deniers will no doubt delight in the celebration of a natural disaster. And who doesn't enjoy watching a group of well-heeled twenty-somethings get systematically picked off simply for being spoiled rotten? The biggest selling point in this celebration of paranoia is the film's overall lack of redeeming characters. Imagine directed your eyes to the top of a building where a group of suicide victims stand poised to jump while you stand below cheering for the ground. And for once, a climactic sight-gag is as amusing as it is unexpected. A superb sophomore film directed by Halina Reijn whose Instinct still gives me the creeps just thinking about it. 2022. — S.M. ★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Breaking — John Boyega stars in this fact-based, one-location drama about a war veteran who, upon finding the mental and emotional challenges of life as a civilian to be too much, straps a bomb to his body and heads to the nearest Wells Fargo. If the trailer is any indication, prepare yourself for a thrilling time at the movies. Abi Damaris Corbin directs. 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 right 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 & 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 when it comes directing the only thing that flies faster than a speeding bullet is expository dialogue. 2022. — S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Emily the Criminal — From Life After Beth to Black Bear, Aubrey Plaza had gradually stripped herself of the deadpan zingers and callous indifference that factored into her early comedies. A fuzzy criminal record is all that stands between Emily (Plaza) and a job that's more rewarding (and financially lucrative) than delivering trays of food, prepared by others, to catered affairs. Emily isn't a criminal so much as she is a student. A co-worker hips her to a credit card scam that in no time positions Emily in a higher tax bracket (and the danger that comes with the profession). It's here that faulty foreshadowing joins the fray. Emily is cautioned against shopping in the same store twice in one week as well as allowing clients into her home. Needless to say, both rules are broken long before the fadeout. (Please resist the impulse to yell at the screen while Emily watches helplessly as a pair of thugs ransack her apartment.) The one bit of professional advice Emily failed to catch wind of involves the perils inherent in fraternizing with the boss (Theo Rossi). It's hard not to fall in love with Plaza's face, but one wishes first-time writer-director John Patton Ford would have resisted the temptation to keep the camera so close that Emily practically fogs up the lens with each passing breath. 2022. — S.M. ★★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Invitation — An African-American woman (Nathalie Emmanuel) is invited by a distant cousin to a swanky gathering of the clan. Before the night's over, there will be blood. Gallons of it. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Laal Singh Chaddha — Hollywood generally casts the intellectually challenged in either a pitiable light or one that makes a lack of intelligence look like an advantage. If one must remake a movie, make it a bad one. And then do it one better. That is precisely what director Advait Chandan did with this Hindi-language variation on *Forrest Gump*. It took 20 years for screenwriter Atul Kulkarni's dream project to make it to the screen: a decade to write and another 10 years to raise funds needed to purchase the rights from Paramount. Director Advait Chandan can't overcome all of the pitfalls inherent in the material — leading man, Hindi superstar Aamir Khan, pitched his titular *naif* somewhere between overnice Rowan Atkinson and goggle-eyed Benny Hill. From the technological feather that greets us and Laal's mom's credo that "Life is like golgappas" (Delhi's answer to a Whitman Sampler), Chandan borrows heavily from Robert Zemeckis, stopping just short of trading on historical coincidence for comedy, a fault that plagued the original. Neither film succeeds in sparking a romance for their protagonist, although Kulkarni tries a bit harder to make his Jenny something more than an indecisive flower child. Zemeckis couldn't see the empathy in his cold and superior Forrest whereas Chandan's characters exude warmth and charm. 2022. — S.M. ★★★ (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 slugnutty 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. ★★ (AMC FASHION VALLEY; LA PALOMA)

Orphan: First Kill — A prequel to 2009's *Orphan* finds 25-year-old Isabelle Fuhrman stepping out of a time machine to once again play Esther Albright, the 31 year-old woman born with proportional dwarfism, a physical disorder that allows her to pass for 12. The first thing you notice about the Estonian hospital that houses Esther is they can't afford to pay their light bills. It's also run by licensed shrinks more mentally incapacitated than the patients they treat. (The staff doesn't alert a new hire to the dangers of the psychiatric facility until she arrives, and what kind of guard is going to respond to the sexual advances of the asylum's most dangerous patient?) Julia Stiles and Rossif Sutherland replace Vera Farmiga and Peter Sarsgaard, and in both cases the adult female leads own the proceedings. While I'm all for films that pit adults against children to dramatize how much grown ups hate and envy children for their youth, this isn't David Cronenberg's *The Brood*. Don't miss the climactic blaze that torches a hilariously obvious miniature. Considering the source material, this was a major letdown. William Brent Bell takes over the directorial duties from Jaume Collet-Serra. 2011. — S.M. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Three Thousand Years of Longing — If you could make one dream come true, what would you wish for? An R rated romantic fantasy from George Miller (*Mad Max*[es], *The Witches of Eastwick, Babe: Pig in the City*) starring Tilda Swinton and Idris Elba. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

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After what management said, I found it impossible to continue any further as *The Reader*'s film critic. What did they say? "Scott, I'm sorry to say we're laying you off." The real shocker is that, at a time when print journalism is in greater need of a ventilator than Katherine Heigl's career, I could until this week still be held in your hand on a weekly basis.

— Scott Marks

***THAT'S ALL, FOLKS!* (2022)**

The *San Diego Reader* had its origins as a sort of sister-paper to the *Chicago Reader*, a weekly that I grew up with, and one that had a tremendous influence on my cinematic sensibilities. I learned more about movies from their trio of critics — Jonathan Rosenbaum, Terry Curtis Fox, and my persnickety, auteur-fired pal Dave Kehr — than anyone short of Andre Bazan and Andrew Sarris. It's been a great 12-year run, the length of which I attribute to not having a cubicle to feng shui. (If I had to report into the office, my meshugganahkop would have been shown the door after two weeks.) Dear readers, whether we agree or not on a given film is of no importance. I'm as much a PR man as I am a critic, and my goal has always been to perpetuate the beauty and indispensability of theatrical exhibition. Even the shittiest movie smells better on a big screen. I leave you with what has become a Holy Grail of cinema, a historical landmark that, just months ago, appeared to have as much chance of resurfacing as did the missing reels of *Greed*. But you're going to have to visit us online to find it. Thank you, my readers. Follow me on Twitter (@scottmarks) to see where I land.

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ON STAGE IN SAN DIEGO

THEATER LISTINGS

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The Pleasure Trials: **What do women want?**

Cabaret

Karson McGinely 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. McGinley 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 moment the lederhosen-clad youth waft their angelic rendition of "Tomorrow Belongs to Me" from the balcony on, the show marches with energy and purpose toward the inevitable. A couple of missed motivations and throwaway subplots (Bobby?) serve as minor stumbles, more than made up for by the versatile cast and creative staging. (Loved the tap-dance beatdown!)

CYGNET THEATRE, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 3PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS.

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

Fandango for Butterflies (and Coyotes)

Fandangos are vibrant gatherings in which music and dance bring stories of a community to life. For a group of immigrants gathering in a community center on the eve of a city-wide ICE raid, this night's fandango serves a vital purpose: to resurrect the culture they left behind. Inspired by interviews with Latin American immigrants – many of whom made a dangerous journey to the United States – Fandango for Butterflies (and Coyotes) is a celebration of the resiliency and camaraderie that can be built as strangers become friends, friends become family, and the music plays on.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 7:30PM TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS.

The Lion King

Giraffes strut. Birds swoop. Gazelles leap. The entire Serengeti comes to life as never before. And as the music soars, Pride Rock slowly emerges from the mist. This is Disney's THE LION KING, making its triumphant return to San Diego! More than 100 million people around the world have experienced the awe-inspiring visual artistry, the unforgettable music, and the uniquely theatrical storytelling of this Broadway spectacular – one of the most breathtaking and beloved productions ever to grace the stage.

SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-570-1100. 1PM & 7:30PM THURSDAY, 7:30PM FRIDAY, 2PM & 7:30PM SATURDAY, 1PM & 6:30PM SUNDAY, 7PM TUESDAY, AUG. 30 & WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31.

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Director Patricia McGregor writes that she'd "love for it to feel at first like you've been dropped in the middle of a big Marvel fight scene," one heavily populated by ninjas. "Marvel movies and the timeless world they create" are much on the her mind; she chose Afrofuturism as her guiding design aesthetic, and the program invokes *Black Panther*'s Wakanda to help understand the blend of "futuristic technologies with Black culture and aesthetics." (Also Burning Man and Alexander McQueen.) It works best here when we're out in the woods among the faeries.

The innovation: casting the able Bernadette Sefic as Lysander, to give the play's "forbidden romance" (and some of the dialogue about men and women) a bit of tang . The revelation: Celeste Arias' spurned Helena, who grounds the comedic madcappery in Shakespeare's love potion comedy without yielding any of her own funniness to the antic antics raging about her. (And rage they do; director Patricia McGregor's production is hungry for audience response: any trick in the book, etc. Most of the physical comedy works. Some of the other bits feel grasping.) The interpretation: having Jamie Ann Romero play the virginal Hermia as *deeply* young — in costume, in vocal manner, in carriage and character. (How else to explain her reticence?) The met opportunity: understudy Jude Tibeau's display of kingly bearing as Oberon. The old reliable: Jake Millgard's outsized self-regard as Bottom. THE OLD GLOBE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623, CALL FOR SHOWTIMES

Million Dollar Quartet

It's a genius premise: take a real-life Big Moment — the one time that King of Rock and Roll Elivs Presley, Man in Black Johnny Cash, Father of Rockabilly Carl Perkins and The Killer Jerry Lee Lewis met and played together at Sam Phillips' famed Sun Records recording studio in Memphis — and weave a story around it that can serve as a showcase for the music. The odds are pretty good that you know the songs, which include Perkins' "Blue Suede Shoes," Lewis' "Great Balls of Fire," Cash's "Folsom Prison Blues," and yes, Presley's "Hound Dog." It's better than going to see a cover band, because the actors aren't just imitating the real-deal pop-culture giants (the outfits, the hair, the dancing, and oh yes, the music) they're *portraying* them. And it's better than a biopic, because you get that live-music thrill — doubly so, because it's played in the context of when it was shaking the foundations of society. It's not remember when, it's you are there. The thing is brilliantly designed to feel good, and it does, which is all the more remarkable considering just how sad the story is. (As narrator and protagonist Phillips puts it, "I wish those boys had had a little more happiness in their lives." And he's in for a rough night of his own.) Such is the power of the musical Muse; we clap and cheer at stuff born from poverty and pain. (Phillips again: "I ain't never heard a rich man make a good record," and dead brothers abound among our stars — for starters.) Ben Van Diepen's Lewis seems designed to steal the show, and he obliges in acrobatic fashion, but Lance Arthur Smith's Phillips grounds the proceedings and keeps it from becoming a Greatest Hits album.

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 4PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

The Pleasure Trials

The promo copy that calls Sarah Saltwick's play a "delicious comedy about what and who we want, and when and how we want it" is one of the only missteps here. There are laughs to be had in this story of a (female) doctor's attempt to develop a drug that will address what her overeager and ambitious (female) assistant has termed Female Desire Deficit Disorder (the doctor herself states merely, "I know we were built all wrong"), because sex and its discontents are funny. Example: an early success at the animal testing stage gets normally monogamous voles to "screw like rabbits." But even that throwaway line hints at the real and dramatic difficulties of medicating desire — you have something acting like something else. The play is full of these thoughtful touches: the lovely flowering tree beside cellist/accompanist Sharon Taylor is hooked up to an IV; nature, but tinkered with for a more pleasing effect. Comedy can of course treat serious stuff, but when you get trial patients coming in and very earnestly pleading that they hate feeling like a failure, that they just want to be normal, and that they don't want to lose the way their man looks at them, well...a zany laff riot, it ain't. (All those trial patients are played by one actor, Andrea Agosto, and the range of character and performance proves a highlight without becoming a distraction.) And I would argue that the play is less about "what and who we want," etc. than it is about what the sympathetic doctor calls the "hundred obstacles between yourself and pleasure." It's a complicated business —even the trial charts themselves have to be adjusted as the investigation proceeds — but Saltwick & Co. are very much up to the task. The result is not a tragedy, but it's definitely a drama, one that is not afraid to mix science and philosophy in its pink-lit pharmacy, and perhaps arrive at something profound.

MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N, ROLANDO. 858-598-7620. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8AM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

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 the boys and girls in the band, who make themselves sound much greater than the sum of the parts.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM WEDNESDAYS.

Silent Sky

Lamplighters Theatre presents Silent Sky by Lauren Gunderson. At the center of Silent Sky is the true story of Henrietta Leavitt, a passionate and inquisitive "computer" at the turn of the 20th Century. She trades the comforts of home for a job at the Harvard observatory, though as a woman, she is not allowed to so much as touch a telescope. Staying long after hours to pursue her own work she discovers a technique that makes it possible to measure the distance to stars by the pulsating light. Astounding truths cascade from this single shocking discovery, upending her colleagues' view of themselves, each other, and the universe itself.

LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 5915 SEVERIN DR., LA MESA. 619-303-5092. 8PM FRIDAY.

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THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

Air Conditioned Lounge:
Thursday, 6pm — SubPortal.
Saturday, 6pm — Homegrown.

Alila Marea Beach Resort:
Friday, 4pm — Divina Jasso.

Backyard Kitchen & Tap:
Thursday, 9:30pm — TimeLiss. **Free**.
Wednesday, 10pm — Lauren Leigh.

Bang Bang:
Saturday, 8pm — Lauren Lane.

Barefoot Bar and Grill:
Friday, 6pm — Israel Maldonado.
Saturday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.

Beach House Grill:
Saturday, 8pm — Walker & Royce.

Bellamy's Restaurant:
Thursday, 6pm — DevvLov.
Friday, 6pm — Brandon Diaz.
Tuesday, 6pm — Jemille Vialet.

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, 8pm — The Bacon Brothers. $50-$88.
Friday, 8pm — Steve Earle & The Dukes. $45-$79.
Saturday, 8pm — The Devastators and Ginger Roots & the Protectors. $18-$32.
Sunday, 8pm — The Young Dubliners. $23-$40.
Tuesday & Wednesday, 8pm — Tab Benoit and the Whiskey Bayou Revue. $40-$70.

Break Point:
Thursday, 9pm — Project Seismic: Autokorekt. $15-$25.

Brick by Brick:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Tribulation. $20-$30.
Sunday, 7pm — Elder and Belzebong. $20-$30.

California Center for the Arts, Escondido:
Friday, 7:30pm — Música en la Plaza: Los Montaño. **Free**.

Cannonball:
Thursday, 5pm — Ben Benavente.
Tuesday, 5pm — Kai Kalama.

Casbah:
Thursday, 8pm — The Kabbs, Moans, Leavers. $10.
Friday, 8pm — The Volclays and Imagery Machine. $10.
Saturday, 8pm — Scary Pierre and Mistress 77. $10.
Sunday, 8pm — Fruition and Goodnight Texas. $18.
Monday, 8pm — Axxident and Hawk Auburn. $7.
Tuesday, 9:30pm — Death Bells. $15.
Wednesday, 8pm — Spacewizardinspace, Johno Wells. $10.

Che Café:
Friday, 7pm — Beach Bums.

Coronado Library:
Friday, 1pm — Summer Festival Jazz Concert Series: Joe Bourne. **Free**.

Del Mar Plaza:
Thursday, 5pm — Rebecca Jade.

Diversionary Theatre:
Wednesday, 7pm — Karaoke hosted by Flamy Grant.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:
Thursday, 6pm — Blazing Jane.
Sunday, 1pm — Bluegrass Jam.

Duke's La Jolla:
Friday, 3pm — Casey Turner.
Sunday, 4pm — Keni Yarbro.
Tuesday, 4pm — Johnny Martin.

Encore Event Center:
Saturday, 12pm — Uke-Con Summer Ukulele Music Festival. $27-$500.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:
Thursday, 6pm — Tyler F. Simmons.
Friday, 6pm — Farrah Camu.
Saturday, 6pm — ZB Savoy.
Tuesday, 6pm — Blaise Guld.
Wednesday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.

Fairmont Grand Del Mar:
Friday, 6pm — David Shyde.
Saturday, 6pm — Nathan Welden.

Farmer & the Seahorse:
Thursday, 4pm — Casey Turner.
Friday, 4pm — Weston Wilson.
Saturday, 11am — Sarah Rogo.
Sunday, 11am — Freddie Walton.

Fraternal Order of Eagles National City:
Thursday, 5pm — Erratic Impulse. $10.

Galley at the Marina:
Monday, 5pm — West of 5. **Free**.

Garage Kitchen + Bar:
Thursday, 5pm — Jason Graham.
Friday, 7pm — Blaise Guld.
Saturday, 7pm — David Shyde.

Gaslamp Quarter:
Saturday, 4pm — Pianomonium. **Free**.

Hilton Del Mar:
Friday, 6pm — Orion Song.
Saturday, 6pm — Puro Feeling.

Holding Company:
Sunday, 4pm — Nathan Raney. $10.

Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill La Mesa:
Friday, 6:30pm — Steven Langdon & Jack Butler.

House of Blues:
Friday, 8pm — Gasolina. $15-$35.
Saturday, 7:30pm — We Three. $25.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Summer Salt. $22-$65.
Wednesday, 7pm — Michelle and Isa Reyes. $20.

Humphreys by the Bay:
Friday, 7:30pm — Jessie James Decker. $59-$141.
Sunday, 7pm — Courtney Barnett and Indigo De Souza. $41.
Tuesday, 7:30pm — Colbie Caillat.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Jackson Browne.

Jacumba Hot Springs Resort:
Saturday, 8pm — Clinton Davis. $20.
Saturday, 8pm — Clinton Davis by Candlelight. $20.

Jolly Joker Tavern:
Friday, 8pm — Chickenbone Slim.

Kensington Club:
Sunday, 8pm — Spray Allen.

Ko Underground:
Sunday, 8pm — Knockout Sundays. $20-$25.

L'Auberge Del Mar:
Thursday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.
Friday, 7pm — Matt Heinecke.
Saturday, 7pm — Jarred Matthew.
Sunday, 11am — Anna Ballew.
Wednesday, 5pm — Jemille Vialet.

La Jolla Community Center:
Friday, 7pm — Fourth Friday Jazz Series. $22-$30.

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Tahsa Smith Godinez: from plucking to penning.

Beauty in the Desert

Harpist Tasha Smith Godinez took advantage of her pandemic downtime to begin writing original music. "Before, I never really felt I had enough time," she explains. "So I started writing these ideas down, and I ended up amassing 13 tunes, and I decided to go ahead and record them." The result is *Out of the Desert*, self-released on her own Ennanga Records. "It's a combination of some pieces for solo harp and a trio with Christopher Garcia on percussion and Domenico Hueso on viola. I didn't try to write in a specific style, but I've been told by others that they hear it as a jazz-classical crossover album."

A Professor of Harp at USD, Godinez managed to survive the last few years by concentrating on teaching rather than performing. "I actually have more students than I did before the pandemic, which is great." (She says it's around 30) "Now that gigs are coming back full force, I find that I'm being more selective about what I'm taking, rather than just filling up the calendar. I realized during the pandemic how wonderful it was to have more time to spend with my family and to work on writing and arranging music, which I really love."

Godinez will be highlighting music from the new album on September 11 at Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center in North Park. "Christopher Garcia and Domenico Hueso will be performing with me and [dancer] Camille McPherson will be a special guest on a few of the tunes." She expresses no misgivings about performing on what has become an infamous date. "We can honor the memory of those lost through our music as well. I've played a quite a few concerts on September 11, and we've always treated it as an opportunity to spread some beauty."

— *Robert Bush*

Pattern for success?

Performing Hawaiian slack key guitar music takes dedication, focus, respect, and of course, only the best Hawaiian shirt patterns. "I really like our white-and-red rayon and beach-green shirts with outrigger canoes," enthuses Kamaka Mullen, co-founder of Slack Key 'Ohana. "Both of those were straight from Hawaii. Brian [Witkin, co-founder] and his *ohana* [family] picked them up in March when they were there last. I love rayon, because it just feels so good on my skin and is light, which is good for gigs. Hawai'i is for sure the best spot to get unique Aloha shirts. However, you can get lucky at stores like Kohl's, and even Amazon. It's hard finding a good print in all our sizes, but matching Aloha shirts is our thing and I love it."

The San Diego natives met when Witkin was searching online for a slack key teacher and found Mullen. "Eventually," says Witkin, "I ended up tracking and producing one of his solo albums at my home studio. After that, we started collaborating and performing together. So it happened over a period of years, organically. From there, we expanded from a duo to include both of my parents, Carol Witkin on ukulele and Joe Witkin" — who played with Sha Na Na at Woodstock — "on keys, Rand Anderson on pedal steel, and sisters Alana and Alyssa Godoy as hula dancers. So, there's literally a lot of *ohana* in Slack Key 'Ohana."

May 2022 saw the release of a limited edition vinyl run of their self-titled debut album specifically mastered for vinyl, with each disc pressed in a unique red and yellow "lava" pattern. Upcoming gigs include September 14 at the Carlsbad Camp Store, and The Pacific Islander Festival on September 24. Their residency at the newly opened Luau in La Mesa finds them performing at the former Go Lounge as a duo most Saturdays from 8-10 pm.

PHOTOGRAPH BY PETER DOMINGUEZ

Slack Key 'Ohana after their performance at the "Concert's at the Cove" series presented by Belly Up and the City of Solana Beach.

— *Andrew Hamlin*

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ASH EASTON

"I play original Americana, blues rock-style music, as well as cover songs," says Ash Easton, who learned her craft performing at local breweries, wineries, bars, and restaurants. Easton's highly-trained and wide-ranging vocal style was inspired by artists such as Aretha Franklin, Whitney Houston, and Brandi Carlile. Her third studio album *Rough & Tough* is previewed so far by a single for "Blow My Mind."

WILD WILD WETS

Wild Wild Wets is a duo featuring Mike Turi and Taejon Romanik. They have a new video streaming online for their track "The Cut," from their recent *Love Always* album, featuring stop-motion animation created by Sierra Waller. Turi's first self-animated video was created for their single "The Seer." They'll appear at the Adams Avenue Street Fair, happening September 24 and 25.

ZACH PHILLIPS

"I'm releasing my fourth album, *Goddaughters*, a song cycle with hints of folk, indie and even dream pop, all channeled through cinematic California roots-rock," says Zach Phillips, whose 2020 album *The Wine of Youth* was nominated Best Americana Album at the San Diego Music Awards. "As the songs began coalescing, I noticed that they shared the same threads: legacy, transcendence, and being in the moment. And I realized, this sounds like a final album. If not my final album, the kind music someone would leave to the world when making a swan song."

PETER BOLLAND

"All these TikTok/Instagram/YouTube/Facebook videos of young musicians shredding on their guitars/basses/drums leave me worried," says singer-songwriter and music teacher Peter Bolland. "A new zeitgeist of music-making is emerging, the odd notion that virtuosity is a gymnastics exercise performed in solitary isolation. It also helps if you have affluent parents who can set you up with tens of thousands of dollars' worth of gear and tech…a whole generation of kids is coming up who think that making music is something you do alone with a laptop."

EARTHLESS

"We're stoked to be hitting the road in a month around the Midwest, East Coast and up to Toronto," reports Earthless, whose sixth studio album *Night Parade of One Hundred Demons* debuted January 28 via Nuclear Blast. "Excited to see a lot of old friends and new faces along the way." The tour opens September 1 in Chicago and wraps September 13 in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

La Valencia Hotel:
Thursday, 5:30pm — David Shyde.
Friday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.
Saturday, 11am — Jemille Vialet.
Saturday, 6pm — Ray Williams.
Sunday, 11am — Jesse Johnson.

Lakehouse Hotel & Resort:
Saturday, 12pm — Blaise Guld.

Layover:
Saturday, 5pm — Summer Sunset Music Series: Sounds of the 80s.

Local Roots Kombucha:
Saturday, 12pm — Cali-Reggae BrewFest. $35-$40.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort:
Friday, 7pm — Ke'Ahi.
Saturday, 7pm — Weston Wilson.

Mission Bay Resort:
Thursday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.
Friday, 6pm — Sarah Rogo.
Saturday, 6pm — Andrew Peña.
Sunday, 6pm — Jonny Tarr.
Monday, 6pm — Jesse Ray Smith.
Wednesday, 6pm — Tyler F. Simmons.

Molly Malone's Waypoint Saloon:
Friday, 9pm — Nemesis. **Free**.

Moonshine Beach:
Thursday, 8pm — Love and Theft. **Free**.

Morgan Run Resort and Club:
Friday, 5pm — Rachel Jay.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Friday, 9pm — Bobby Detroit Band. **Free**.

Music Box:
Thursday, 7:30pm — UH2BT KPOP. $15.
Friday, 7:30pm — Feels So Close. $7-$10.
Saturday, 9pm — DJ Quik. $35.
Sunday, 8pm — Graceband. $20.
Wednesday, 8pm — Josue Vazquez and Limon Limon. $12.

My Yard Live:
Saturday, 6pm — Sonic Tonic.

Nate's Garden Grill:
Thursday, 6pm — Zzymzzy Quartet.

New Children's Museum:
Saturday, 11am — The Lumberjack Book Launch & Concert.

Nick & G's:
Friday, 5pm — Nathan Welden.
Saturday, 5pm — Anna Ballew.
Wednesday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.

North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:
Saturday, 7:30pm — Thomas Rhett. $30-$550.
Sunday, 7pm — Incubus and Sublime With Rome. $18-$450.

Nova SD:
Friday, 8pm — Madeon. $65.

Observatory North Park:
Tuesday, 7:30pm — Sasha Alex Sloan. $25-$28.

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

Park & Rec:
Saturday, 7pm — The Girl Rapper.

Patricks Gaslamp Pub:
Saturday, 8pm — Chickenbone Slim.

Pechanga Arena San Diego:
Friday, 7:30pm — Ghost and Mastodon. $34-$74.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Pepe Aguilar. $35-$1200.

Petco Park:
Thursday, 7pm — Koe Wetzel. $40-$84.
Saturday, 7pm — Grupo Firme. $53-$834.
Sunday, 7pm — Motley Crue and Def Leppard. $67-$3706.

Pioneer BBQ:
Thursday, 7pm — Blaise Guld.

Quartyard:
Thursday, 5pm — Barks 'N Blues. $25-$30.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
Saturday, 7pm — George Benson, WAR, The Commodores. $60-$85.
Sunday, 7pm — Jennifer Hudson. $70-$95.
Wednesday, 7pm — Elvis Costello & The Imposters.

Rustic Root:
Tuesday, 6pm — Lauren Leigh.

San Diego Yacht Club:
Friday, 5:30pm — Perry O'Neal.

Seabird:
Sunday, 5pm — DevvLov.
Wednesday, 5pm — Farrah Camu.

Seaport Village:
Sunday, 1pm — Adrienne Nims. **Free**.

Shoppes at Carlsbad:
Friday, 4pm — Adam Bergoch.
Saturday, 4pm — Debora Galan.

Side Yard:
Saturday, 6pm — Johnny Martin.
Wednesday, 6pm — Blaise Guld.

Soda Bar:
Friday, 7:30pm — Mr Twin Sister. $25.
Saturday, 8pm — Thee Sinseers and Jehlad. $27.
Sunday, 7:30pm — River Whyless. $21.
Monday, 7:30pm — Vicky Farewell and Jared Mattson. $15.
Tuesday, 7pm — Breaking Sound. $25.
Wednesday, 7:45pm — Jagged Baptist Club and Dream Burglar. $10.

Soma:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Dreamgirl. $15.
Friday, 9pm — Wavves. $25.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion:
Monday, 7:30pm — Spreckels Organ Clara Gerdes Concert. **Free**.

Templar's Hall at Old Poway Park:
Friday, 7:30pm — Joel Rafael & Dana Cooper. $15-$18.

Template:
Sunday, 6pm — DharmaDen: TunedUp Live. $12-$15.

Thornton Winery:
Friday, 6pm — Journey Captured.
Saturday, 7pm — Gerald Albright & Adam Hawley.
Sunday, 7pm — Jesse Cook.

Tidal:
Thursday, 4pm — TJ Moss.
Friday, 4pm — Dalton Gazette.
Saturday, 4pm — Divina Jasso.

Tin Roof San Diego:
Thursday, 9pm, *Saturday*, 10pm — Diana & the G Strings.
Friday, 8pm — Trey Hill.

Waterbar:
Thursday, 6pm — Helena Holleran.
Sunday, 6pm — Marcela Mendez.

Westfield University Towne Centre:
Thursday, 12pm — Ben Benavente.
Friday, 12pm — Orion Song.
Saturday, 12pm — Jesse Johnson.
Sunday, 12pm — Blu Gruv.

Winstons Beach Club:
Thursday, 9pm — Palmer Anthony. $5.
Friday, 9:30pm — Pato Banton & Now Generation. $20.
Saturday, 3pm — Karl Dring's Birthday Blues Bash. **Free**.
Sunday, 4pm — The Hips. **Free**.
Tuesday, 8pm — Sara Jade and Lords of the Satellite. $5.
Wednesday, 9pm — The Ries Brothers. $12-$15.

UPCOMING SHOWS

1st Street Bar:
Thursday, Sep. 22 — Sonic Tonic.

Absolute Tattoo:
Friday, Sep. 23 — Jake La Botz.

Air Conditioned Lounge:
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Elevate.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — DJ Mancat.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — DJ FlavreSprings.
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Homegrown.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Elevate.

Alila Marea Beach Resort:
Sunday, Sep. 4 — Brett Dennen and Damian DeRobbio.

Backyard Kitchen & Tap:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Backyard Noize Part 6. **Free**.

Balboa Theatre:
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — Pavement.
Wednesday, Sep. 14 — Home Free and Maggie Baugh.
Thursday, Sep. 22 — Joe Satriani.

Beach House Grill:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — The Movement and the Expanders.
Sunday, Sep. 4 — The Magician and Heminguey.

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Easy Wind.
Friday, Sep. 2 — Wild Child.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — The Fabulous Thunderbirds.
Sunday, Sep. 4 — FABBA and High Tide Society.
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — Cayucas and Trouble in the Wind.
Thursday, Sep. 8 — Cults.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Daring Greatly and Yovee.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — The Samples.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Shellac and Shannon Wright.
Wednesday, Sep. 14 — Circles Around The Sun.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Brawley and Buzz Campbell & the Heartaches.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Katchafire and Gonzo of Tribal Seeds.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Dry Cleaning and Fake Fruit.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — Groundation.
Tuesday, Sep. 20 — Eric Gales.
Wednesday, Sep. 21 — Kikagaku Moyo.
Thursday, Sep. 22 — Trentemøller.
Friday, Sep. 23 — Wild Rivers.
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Sudan Archives.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Tim Flannery & The Lunatic Fringe Record Release.
Monday, Sep. 26 — Christopher Cross.

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Tuesday, Sep. 27 — Cate Le Bon.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — Julian Lage.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — Suzanne Vega.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Don Carlos.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Too Many Zooz.

Brick by Brick:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Monuments and Sammy Boller. $18-$22.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — John 5 and Krashkarma. $22-$26.
Monday, Sep. 5 — Moonspell and Swallow the Sun.
Thursday, Sep. 8 — Sick of it All and Agnostic Front.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Last of Our Kind and Cultist. $10-$12.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — 9/11 Benefit Show: Squirrelly Arts. $10.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Crossfaith and Limbs.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Incite. $15-$18.
Friday, Sep. 16 — 8 Kalacas. $18-$22.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — The Contortionist and Rivers of Nihil. $25-$149.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — Mars Red Sky, Greenbeard, Olds. $12-$15.
Tuesday, Sep. 20 — Stöner and Mario Lalli & the Rubber Snake Charmers. $15-$20.
Friday, Sep. 23 — Full of Hell and Blood Incantation. $20-$25.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — Revocation. $22-$25.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — Warbringer, Heathen, Misfire.

California Center for the Arts, Escondido:
Friday, Sep. 30 — Música en la Plaza: Mariachi Garibaldi. **Free**.

Casbah:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Presser and Mouth Guard.
Friday, Sep. 2 — Pixel Grip and Nuovo Testamento.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Kontravoid and La Pregunta?
Sunday, Sep. 4 — DJs Dmitri, Rob, Chulita Vinyl Club.
Tuesday, Sep. 6 — Porridge Radio.
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Thursday, Sep. 8 — Sean Hayes.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Pink Turns Blue.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Stella Donnelly.
Monday, Sep. 12 — Special Interest.
Tuesday, Sep. 13 — Josie Cotton and Soraia.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — The Brevet Share.
Thursday, Sep. 22 — The Avengers.
Friday, Sep. 23 — Schizophonics.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — William Fitzsimmons and Stuart Smith.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — Narrow Head and the Berries.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Plague Vendor and Mistress 77.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Thick and Skating Polly.

Coronado Library:
Friday, Sep. 2 — Autumn Concert Series: Irving Flores. **Free**.

Deano's Pub:
Friday, Sep. 16 — West of 5. **Free**.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Deadheads Night.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Hood: Phish Tribute.
Tuesday, Sep. 13 — San Diego Jazz Collective Jam Session.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Bluegrass Jam.
Tuesday, Sep. 27 — San Diego Jazz Collective Jam Session.

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

Finest City Improv:
Sunday, Sep. 11 — VoiceBox Storytelling Night. **Free**.

Harrah's Resort Southern California:
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Anuhea.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — Panteon Rococo.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Foreigner. $39.

Hive:
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Namkook-Bangtan Nights. **Free**.

Hornblower Cruises:
Sunday, Sep. 4 — Goldroom.

House of Blues:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Murder by Death and Amigo the Devil.
Friday, Sep. 2 — Bowling for Soup and Less than Jake.
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — Bino Rideaux.
Thursday, Sep. 8 — The Pretty Reckless.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Sa-Roc and Sol Messiah.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Little Jesus and Divino Niño.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Kennyhoopla.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Chai.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Alemán.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — Good Kid.
Wednesday, Sep. 21 — Dragged Under.
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Kamaiyah.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Addison Grace and Sydney Rose.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Miguel Mateos and Mikel Erentxun.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — Sad Park and Heart To Gold.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Heaven 17.
Friday, Sep. 30 — UPSAHL.

Humphreys by the Bay:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Jackson Browne.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Hanson.
Tuesday, Sep. 6 — Peter Hook & The Light.
Wednesday, Sep. 21 — Sarah McLachlan.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — Kenny Wayne Shepherd and Samantha Fish.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Declan McKenna.

Jolly Joker Tavern:
Friday, Sep. 9 — West of 5. **Free**.

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Clannad.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — Steve Vai.

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

BY GARRETT HARRIS

Not a hater, not a liar, just a critic

San Diego Master Chorale aboard the USS Midway, May, 2021

I've come to the conclusion that August and September are, by far, my least favorite months of the year. There are several reasons for my disdain for these miserable months; not least among them are the disgusting weather, preseason football, and summer pops concerts.

The San Diego Symphony has added to my anticipation of October by releasing their fall schedule at The Rady Shell and Jacob's Park. Friday, October 1, 2022, could be the most excellent symphony concert The Shell has hosted. It could also be a disaster. Giuseppe Verdi's *Requiem* is scheduled to be performed. Verdi's *Requiem* is a vocal *tour de force*, not just for the soloist, but also for the chorus. The San Diego Master Chorale will be providing the chorus.

I started writing this column in October of 2010. In all that time, I've yet to be impressed by the San Diego Master Chorale. I've been satisfied, I've been disappointed, and I've been nonplused by the praise lavished upon them by other publications, but I've never been impressed. There is nothing I want more than to be impressed by the Master Chorale. However, I don't foresee that being the case with Verdi and his masterful *Requiem*. I assure you, I'm no hater, but I'm also no liar. I'm also not very popular with the members of the Master Chorale.

The phenomenon is not just limited to The Master Chorale. The San Diego Symphony Chorus isn't what it used to be. And the local church music programs that used to be quite prominent have also declined.

The San Diego Symphony will need to find a fix for this. The Los Angeles and Orange County Master Chorales are excellent. They are also well funded and pay for union singers to be a part of their respective choruses. This gives The LA Philharmonic and The Pacific Symphony access to what amounts to professional choruses. The San Diego Symphony does not have that luxury. The consequence is that The San Diego Symphony's performances of the great choral masterpieces will be unbalanced. The gap between the abilities of the orchestra and chorus will continue to grow as the San Diego Symphony refines its music-making abilities.

The solution isn't an easy one. I don't foresee the San Diego Symphony spending the money to create a San Diego Symphony Chorus, although that would be incredible if it happened. Until the Symphony decides to take action, I will be forced to continue the unpleasant practice of criticizing a group of singers who love music, who are dedicated to music, and who provide a vital element for the San Diego classical music community.

Classical Music this week

San Diego Symphony: Tchaikovsky's Symphonic Tales Friday, August 26, 7pm; $40-$90. Rady Shell at Jacobs Park, 200 Marina Park Way.

Summerfest Finale: Metamorphosis An orchestra transformed into a trio, a string orchestra to a septet, and a quartet to a string orchestra—these powerful works not only transform themselves but transport the listeners. The merry pranks of Till Eulenspiegel are followed by the stirring postwar elegy of Metamorphosen in two of Strauss's most ingenious works, and we close the festival with Schubert's dramatic and powerful String Quartet re-envisioned by Mahler as an even more dramatic and powerful symphonic worke. Enjoy the Musical Prelude with Pelia Quartet for their performance of Ravel's String Quartet in F Major. Friday, August 26, 7:30pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

Summerfest: New Wine, Old Bottles Using the instrumentation of some of the most iconic pieces in music—Mozart's Clarinet Quintet and Schubert's Octet and "Trout" Quintet—composers Brahms, Françaix, and Chris Rogerson create their own unique and masterful works. Enjoy the Musical Prelude with Aestas Trio for their performance of Schoenberg's Verklärte Nacht (arr. for piano trio by Eduard Steuermann). Thursday, August 25, 7:30pm; Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Avenue.

Villa Musica Summer Orchestra: Pipes with Picard The Villa Musica Summer Orchestra, now in its 9th year, is comprised of musicians from symphonic and wind ensembles around San Diego County. Every summer, the group puts on two concerts, and this is the final concert for the season. Join 40 musicians for a free programme: Concertino para Órgano y Orquesta - Miguel Bernal Jiménez Theme from Star Trek: The Motion Picture - Jerry Goldsmith Theme from Star Trek (2009) - Michael Giacchino Symphony No. 3 in C Minor, "Organ" - Camille Saint-Saëns Saturday, August 27, 7:30pm; **free**. St. Paul's Cathedral & Episcopal Church, 2728 Sixth Avenue.

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Saturday, Sep. 24 — Mission Bayfest.

Market Creek Plaza:
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Jazz at the Creek: We Are One. $65-$120.
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Moonshine Beach:
Thursday, Sep. 22 — Tyler Rich.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — Maddie & Tae.

Mountain View Community Church:
Friday, Sep. 30 — The Side Street Strutters. $20.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Sonic Tonic.

Music Box:
Friday, Sep. 2 — ShineBox and ne Last Caress.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Mahalia.
Thursday, Sep. 8 — Cat Power.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Yachtley Crew.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Hello Seahorse.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Tom Sandoval & The Most Extras.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Monophonics, GA-20, Kendra Morris.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Ibeyi.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Red Not Chili Peppers and Fooz Fighters.
Thursday, Sep. 22 — Propagandhi and TØRSÖ.
Friday, Sep. 23 — black midi.
Monday, Sep. 26 — Joshua Bassett.
Tuesday, Sep. 27 — Joshua Bassett.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — Kes.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — San Diego Gothic.

Navajo Live:
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Garrison Bailey Album Release. $5.

North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:
Friday, Sep. 9 — Keith Urban and Ingrid Andress.
Tuesday, Sep. 13 — Imagine Dragons and Macklemore.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Morgan Wallen and Hardy.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Dave Matthews Band.
Wednesday, Sep. 21 — Pitbull and Sean Paul.
Friday, Sep. 23 — The Interrupters and Flogging Molly.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Iron Maiden.

Nova SD:
Friday, Sep. 23 — Tchami.

Observatory North Park:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Umphrey's McGee.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — iDKHOW and Joywave.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Fontaines D.C.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Stereolab.
Wednesday, Sep. 21 — Toadies and Reverend Horton Heat.
Tuesday, Sep. 27 — Benee. $25-$99.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — Silversun Pickups.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — PJ Morton.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Henry Rollins.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Leprous.

Oceanside Pier:
Friday, Sep. 16 — Super Girl Surf Pro Series.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Super Girl Surf Pro Series.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — Super Girl Surf Pro Series.

Old Town Temecula Community Theater:
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Ticket To Ride. $39-$69.

Open Air Theatre:
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — LANY.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Alicia Keys.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Lauv.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Kehlani and Rico Nasty.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Maren Morris and Lone Bellow.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Wilco.
Friday, Sep. 30 — The Doobie Brothers.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Kolohe Kai.

Our Lady of Light:
Sunday, Sep. 4 — 85th Annual Deep Pit BBQ & Community Event. **Free**.

Patricks Gaslamp Pub:
Friday, Sep. 23 — Russ BLVD.

Pechanga Arena San Diego:
Sunday, Sep. 4 — Swedish House Mafia.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Christian Nodal.
Monday, Sep. 19 — Shawn Mendes and Tate McRae.
Wednesday, Sep. 21 — Michael Bublé.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — Why Don't We.

Petco Park:
Friday, Sep. 2 — Carl Cox, Sasha, Chelina Manuhutu, Lee K.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Slightly Stoopid and Pepper.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Bad Bunny.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — Bad Bunny.
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Wild Horses, Cody Jinks, Midland.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Wild Horses, Cody Jinks, Midland.

Poway Center for the Performing Arts:
Friday, Sep. 2 — Shine On Floyd. $30-$35.

Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center:
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Tasha Smith Godinez.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
Friday, Sep. 2 — Flume.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Ben Platt and Aly & AJ.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Classic Albums Live Performs Pink Floyd: The Wall.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Classic Albums Live Performs The Beatles: Let it Be.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Broadway Sings & Swings.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Arturo O'Farrill and the Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — CeeLo Green and Karl Denson's Tiny Universe.
Tuesday, Sep. 27 — Bonnie Raitt and Mavis Staples.

Red Brontosaurus Records:
Sunday, Sep. 4 — End of the Line Record Release Preview Party. **Free**.

Salty Frog:
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival. **Free**.

San Diego Civic Theatre:
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Natanael Cano.

Scripps Miramar Ranch Library:
Sunday, Sep. 11 — San Diego Jewish Men's Choir. **Free**.

Ski Beach:
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Pacific Islander Festival.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Pacific Islander Festival.

Soda Bar:
Friday, Sep. 2 — Nite Lapse Record Release.
Saturday, Sep. 3 — SEGA Genecide: 90s Night.
Sunday, Sep. 4 — Vein.fm and Candy.
Monday, Sep. 5 — Flasher.
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — OWTH ft. Seth Anderson.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Hip-Hop & Poetry Night.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Flipper with Mike Watt.
Tuesday, Sep. 13 — Kate Clover.
Wednesday, Sep. 14 — Foreign Air.
Thursday, Sep. 15 — Veni Sun.
Friday, Sep. 16 — Summer Years.
Sunday, Sep. 18 — The Lagoons.
Friday, Sep. 23 — Chase Petra and French Cassettes.
Wednesday, Sep. 28 — String Machine and Orson Wilds.
Thursday, Sep. 29 — SUSU and Broken Baby.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Forever Came Calling.

Soma:
Friday, Sep. 2 — AJJ.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Blackbear and Heart Attack Man.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Sabrina Claudio.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Pixies.

South Carlsbad State Beach Campground:
Friday, Sep. 30 — Russ BLVD. **Free**.

South Coast Winery Resort & Spa:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Beth Hart.
Friday, Sep. 2 — 98 Degrees.
Sunday, Sep. 11 — Michael Paulo, Blake Aaron & Tateng Katindig.
Friday, Sep. 23 — Los Lobos.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — Steve Oliver & Michael Lington.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion:
Monday, Sep. 5 — The Organ Pavilion Rock Band Concert. **Free**.

Thornton Winery:
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Jeffrey Osborne.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Brothers Igniting a Groove.

Tio Leo's:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — Chickenbone Slim. $7.
Tuesday, Sep. 6 — Sue Palmer & Her Motel Swing Orchestra. $10.
Wednesday, Sep. 7 — The Sea Monks. $5-$10.
Thursday, Sep. 8 — Gino & the Lone Gunmen. $5.
Friday, Sep. 9 — Siers Brothers.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Detroit Underground.
Tuesday, Sep. 13 — Big Time Operator. $10.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Kicks.

Tower Bar:
Thursday, Sep. 1 — 13 Wolves and Bleach Party USA.

Union Kitchen & Tap:
Saturday, Sep. 3 — It's Just Noize & Friends. **Free**.

Urban Mo's Bar and Grill:
Saturday, Sep. 24 — Flamy Grant.

Viejas Arena:
Saturday, Sep. 3 — Sebastián Yatra.
Tuesday, Sep. 6 — Kendrick Lamar.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Los Ángeles Azules.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — Jack Harlow and City Girls.
Friday, Sep. 30 — Gloria Trevi.
Saturday, Oct. 1 — Scorpions and Whitesnake.

Waterfront Park:
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Boots In The Park.
Saturday, Sep. 24 — CRSSD Festival.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — CRSSD Festival.

Winstons Beach Club:
Tuesday, Sep. 6 — Bluesday Tuesday. **Free**.
Friday, Sep. 9 — The Coffis Brothers. $10-$12.
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Sun Dried Vibes. $14-$18.
Saturday, Sep. 17 — The Kevin Thomas Band. **Free**.
Sunday, Sep. 25 — The Hips. **Free**.

Wong's Dragon Room:
Saturday, Sep. 10 — Sonic Tonic.

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THE GONZO REPORT

GABRIEL GARCIA

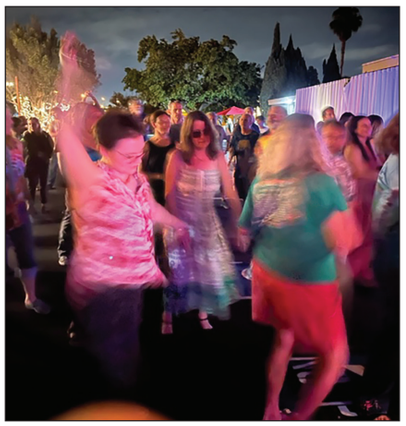
Into The Days Between

Sippin' and spinnin' with Jerry jammers at Del Mar Social

Jerry Garcia was born on August 1, 1942 and died on August 9, 1995. He was best known for being a founding member The Grateful Dead, a band born in the days of '60s counterculture in San Francisco's Haight-Ashbury district, for which he played lead guitar and served as a vocalist. He would have turned 80 this year. The nine days between the dates of his birth and death is known in Deadhead circles as The Days Between.

I decided to kick off this seasonal Jerry celebration with Mystery Train and Easy Wind at the Del Mar Social. Mind you, the Del Mar Social is not to be confused with the Del Mar Social Club at the Fairmont Hotel. I had a feeling that my ride had brought me to the wrong place when I was informed of its mandatory valet parking. I chuckled at the thought of a bunch of Deadheads handing over the keys to their beaters and VW buses and wandering around the hotel grounds. Then my ride and I got back on the road.

Exit the 5, get on Tripp Court, and drive to the end of the street into a realm of industrial buildings, and you will find the Del Mar Social at which I was looking to socialize. It's a pop-up event venue converted from a car garage. The alcoholic beverage station was located at the corner of the parking lot: beer was $8 and wine was $9. The stage was at the adjacent corner. At the entrance of the structure, I found a patch fake grass and a vendor selling grilled cheese sandwiches for $10. (Loaded with ham & tomato, $14.) The summary I heard from multiple event-goers, verbatim: "This place is very comfortable, with a nice vibe." The main structure (the garage) offered a lounge feel, with sofas, bar tables, and chairs, plus vendors selling clothing and crafts, and a mint-condition vintage Jeep in the left corner. There was a back bar area decorated with surfboards, guitars on the walls, a conga drum, and a Harley Davidson Motorcycle (also in mint condition).



The spinners were in full effect.

I did observe that some people were willing to share hugs, while some did not want to be touched, even for a handshake. I don't think I have to get into the particulars about that.

I arrived as Easy Wind was completing their soundcheck — a good time to go talk to some of the band members. Patrick Brown, vocalist and rhythm guitar player, told me that he discovered the venue after he got a haircut across the street and wandered in to talk to the owner. He also let me know he wanted Easy Wind to kick off San Diego's Days Between celebration with Mystery Train. That band, which primarily performs Jerry Garcia Band covers, started the show with some soulful (and yet sometimes powerful) Jerry grooves. They're up and coming in the Dead scene. As they finished their set, I had the sense of something starting, not ending.

I could feel the energy polarizing as the sun began going down and more people started coming in. I did not see any one person pull out a joint or pipe, but a few (present company included) did pull out the ol' vape cartridge. No words exchanged, but some implications of psychedelia in effect, judging by the darkness in some of the attendees' eyes.

As the sun set, Easy Wind started playing. Patrick Brown and Rosy Dawn did double duty after singing back up vocals for Mystery Train. As the time eased from day to night, the band eased into "Cold Rain and Snow." The crowd was a mixture of younger and older generations, all dancing together in harmony. Dominic Estes sidled up to Brown and Dawn as he played his own guitar, but it was impossible to not hone in on Dawn. She hits high notes like no other female vocalist, and her hip shaking and pointing to the sky got the crowd frenzied. The spinners (a straightfoward

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BOOZE NEWS

BY MATTHEW FLYNN

Eppig's new digs

"As soon as we saw the space," recalls **Eppig Brewing** co-founder Todd Warshaw, "we knew it was ideal for a new Eppig tasting room: proximity to La Jolla Cove, neighboring some of the best restaurants and views in town, solid local and tourist traffic, and a virtual beer desert of local craft beer locations in the area," He's talking about the brewery's decision to open a new tasting room at 1273 Prospect Street, and he has a point: the La Jolla Cove area has been one of the few neighborhoods in town without a local brewery presence since **Karl Strauss** closed its brewpub there back in early 2021.

Eppig Brewing La Jolla Bierhaus, located in a former art gallery space across the street from Eddie V's, is set to open imminently. Warshaw continues, "We've completed the ABC licensing, and are just waiting on furniture to arrive while putting the finishing touches on décor. I'm confident we can say 'by the end of August.'" The brewery's third location features an intimate patio and views of La Jolla's coastline, but unlike real estate, in the craft beer world, location isn't everything. There's also the beer to consider. That being the case, Eppig has a few new releases for guests to sample when checking out the new locale.

One recent release, Elegant Solution Rosé Ale, seems like an ideal fit for the Prospect Street crowd: a light, easy sipper meant to be reminiscent of a rosé wine. The 4.5% ABV ale achieves its lightness by starting with a Kölsch base and adding wheat, then fermenting with raspberries and stone fruit. The result is crisp, with a slight tang and plum notes on the nose.

Two recent IPAs will also be on tap: Rise Together and Just the Facts. Rise Together might seem familiar to fans of Eppig's popular 10:45 to Denver IPA, as it features a similar malt bill. However, the 6.3% IPA is Citra dry-hopped to elicit a light resinous dankness along with notes of passionfruit, plum, and honeydew. The release celebrates women's equality, and sales benefit women's charities. The other new IPA, Just the Facts, is a hoppy 6.5% IPA brewed with Strata, Mosaic, and Citra hops. It features the strong citrus and tropical fruit profile beer lovers have come to expect from local IPAs.

COURTESY EPPIG BREWING

Eppig brings its trove to the Cove.

Finally, Eppig's biggest seasonal release, Festbier, will also be ready for the La Jolla opening after hitting the taps on August 23. Each year, Eppig's annual Oktoberfest release is one of its most popular. Warshaw notes, "Our Principal Brewer Nate Stephens has put a lot of effort into our Festbier recipe to make it authentic to the Weisn style (not to be confused with weisse) that Germans currently drink at Oktoberfest in Munich, so the beer shouldn't change much year to year. We use a blend of Weyermann Pilsner, Vienna, and Munich malt with German noble hops to create a beer that's lighter than a marzen, but more complex than a pilsner."

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CARDIFF-BY-THE-SEA

Tower 13: *Monday*, 4-10pm half off all tequilas

CARLSBAD

Boar Cross'n: *Tuesday*, 7pm to close: $5 beer & a shot *Wednesday*, Open-close: $2.75 domestic bottles, $3 well drinks *Sunday*, Open-7pm: $2.75 domestic bottles, $3 well drinks

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

CARMEL VALLEY

Death By Tequila: *Monday*, 3-6pm: $9 classic margaritas, $18 margarita Flights, $10 cocktail of the month, $6 Mexican lager, $9 select wines, $8 DxT Micheladas. Michelada Monday all day - $2 oysters, $6 Micheladas, $9 Campechana *Tuesday*, Tequila Tuesday: Half off most Tequila shots all day *Wednesday-Friday*, 3-6pm: $9 classic margaritas, $18 margarita Flights, $10 cocktail of the month, $6 Mexican lager, $9 select wines, $8 DxT Micheladas

CHULA VISTA

Shake & Muddle: *Monday*, 4pm-close: $2.00 off all signature drinks, $5 Pacifico, $7 Mondavi Red Blend, $7 Mondavi Chardonnay. Happy hour menu available all night

CORONADO

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

DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

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

Gaslamp Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: $2 off drafts, wine, specialty cocktails, $5 wells. $2 off appetizers.

Greystone: *Monday-Thursday, Sunday*, 4-6:30pm: Whole dedicated menu for happy hour

Madam Bonnie's: *Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday*, 4:30- 6:30pm: $5 Madam Bonnie's Blonde Ale and 13th Step Shot, $6 house wine, $12 signature cocktails. *Wednesday*, All Day: One third off all wine bottles, $20 flight of three wine barrel finished whiskeys, $10 whiskey barrel aged wine by the glass. $15 chef's cheese plate.

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

Tin Roof San Diego: *Tuesday-Friday*, 4-7pm: Half off all spirits and draft beer

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

Werewolf American Pub: *Tuesday-Friday*, 3-6pm: $4 drafts, house wines, and wells.

Whiskey Girl: *Monday*, 7-9pm: $3 off drafts, $4 wells, $4 Stella, $5 select wine, $6 Don Julio Tequila. *Tuesday*, 7-9pm: $3 off drafts, $4 wells, $4 Dox XX, $5 select wine, $6 El Jimador Tequila. *Wednesday*, 7-9pm: $3 off drafts, $4 wells, $4 Firestone Walker 805, $5 select wine, $6 Sailor Jerry. *Thursday*, 7-9pm: $3 off drafts, $3 Truly Hard Seltzer, $4 wells, $5 select wine, $5 Patron Tequila.

EAST VILLAGE

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

El Dorado Cocktail Lounge: *Tuesday-Thursday, Sunday*, 7-9pm: $6 signature cocktails. *Friday-Saturday*, 5-9pm: $6 signature cocktails.

ENCINITAS

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

ESCONDIDO

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

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

HILLCREST

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

KENSINGTON

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

LA JOLLA

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

LA MESA

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

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

LAKESIDE

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

LEMON GROVE

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

LITTLE ITALY

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

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

MIRAMAR

Duck Foot Brewing Company: *Monday*, 12pm-8pm: $4 pints with Grotto membership card *Tuesday*, All day: $12 two Fish Tacos and pint of draft beer *Thursday*, Save 20 percent on Growler and Grumbler fills

MISSION HILLS

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

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

MISSION VALLEY

North Italia Fashion Valley: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: $5 glasses red wine, white wine, sangria, beers, $16 wine bottles and beer pitchers.

NORMAL HEIGHTS

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

NORTH PARK

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

OCEAN BEACH

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

Lucy's Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 12pm-6pm: $5 Espolon blanco, $5 Mellow corn, $5 Skrewball, $1 off wells and pitchers. All day $7 12oz PBR or BUD cans & mellow corn whiskey shot. *Saturday-Sunday*, All day: $7 12 ounce PBR or BUD cans & mellow corn whiskey shot.

OCEANSIDE

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

OLD TOWN

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

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

PACIFIC BEACH

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

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

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

POINT LOMA

Catalina Lounge: *Monday-Friday*, 3pm-7pm: $1 off beer & wine, $5 Espolon blanco, $5 Highwest bourbon, $5 Skrewball. All day $7 Estrella lager & Mellow corn whiskey combo. *Saturday-Sunday*, All day $7 Estrella lager & Mellow corn whiskey combo.

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

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

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

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

SAN CARLOS

Navajo Live: *Monday-Thursday, Sunday*, 4-7 pm: $3 well drinks, $3 domestic beer, $1 off all other alcoholic beverages

SAN MARCOS

Churchill's Pub and Grill: *Monday-Friday*, 4-7pm: $1 off appetizers, drafts, wells. *Sunday*, All day: $1 off appetizers, drafts, wells.

SOLANA BEACH

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

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

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

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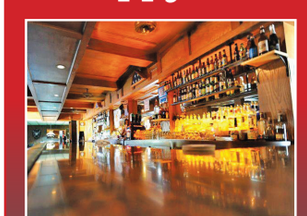

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"Oh no!" This is Diane. New to 'Diego. She has just picked up her *gobernador* taco, chomped in, and watched a splot of orange taco juice squirt out onto her shirt. Her white shirt. "Tacos!" she says. "I knew this was going to happen."

Five minutes ago, we were walking along National Avenue, wondering where we could get something to tide us over until tonight. Because, truth be known, it's lunchtime, but this is gonna be brekky.

"How far are we from downtown?" she asked.

"Hey, this is better than downtown," I said. "It's the Barrio. All kinds of interesting food."

"All kinds of interesting tacos?'"

So hey, menu-wise, she asked for it. And wouldn't you know it, just now we're walking past a fish market that is... well, was. Fish market ain't no mo'. Now it's been gussied up; now the sign says "Karina's Ceviche Bar'n Tacos."

"OPEN," says another sign.

"*Abierto*," says Diane, to show she knows some Spanish.

"*Loncha*?" I say.

"*Almuerzo*?" Diane says.

"*Bocadillo*?" I say.

"*Comida*?" she says.

"You win," I say. "Hungry?"

"*Loncha, si. Desayuno no*! Last one in pays!"

***Gobernador* taco (left), all shrimp and cheese, and the *pulpo* (octopus)**

Surf and Turf, $6.50 and worth it

OK, so all this results in both of us struggling to be first through narrow entranceway, and both of us bursting into this large space where the fish market used to be. Now, *wow*, it's this blue-gray space with a counter on the right, a fish counter behind, and long community tables filling up where the fish displays used to be. One or two people are hanging out at the counter.

"For here?" says Alejandra, and she hands us menus.

Being seafood, things are not always cheap, but I see plenty of deals. And exotic-sounding stuff: Mango Tuna Jalapeño Sashimi, anybody? Costs $12. It's ceviche, and as Alejandra's friend Rosa points out, lemon juice acids serve to "cook" the tuna flesh, so you don't have to worry about the dangers of eating raw. A plastic cup of *Campechana* (shrimp, octopus, and scallops) costs $13, a whole *pescado frito* is $13 per pound, and quesadillas start at $10 for cheese, go up to $12.75 for *al pastor* chicken, thru $13.75 for rib eye, to $14.25 for shrimp. And a usual array of ceviches, seafood cocktails ($13), and even surf & turf fries ($15).

But it is the tacos that catch my eye. Why? *Precios*! Here we're talking $4.50 for fish tacos, and $5.50 for a whole array of other tacos: shrimp, rib eye, marlin, bacon-wrapped shrimp, seared ahi tuna, and Del Mar: a combo of octopus, scallops and shrimp. "You choose," says Diana. She doesn't know so much about tacos or more specialized Mexican dish presentations like *Molcajetes* — the $22 volcanic rock bowl filled with grilled shrimp, steak, mushrooms, and cheese — or my other favorite, fajitas (a combo of shrimp and rib eye, sautéed with tomatoes, onions and bell peppers, which they serve on rice with tortillas, for $17.50). Not cheap, but almost worth it, just for the sizzling hotplate presentation. Pretty sure they'll do that. Everybody else does.

So I am suggesting taco ideas to Diana: "How about shrimp, Baja-style? Or *pulpo* — octopus?"

"No octopus," Diana says. "Too intelligent."

"Seared ahi tuna?"

"Too intelligent."

"Tuna? They're just fish."

Ms. D's eyes light up. "Fish learn faster than dogs! Don't you keep up with research? Lemme look it up…yes. Oxford University: 'In many areas, such as memory, fishes' cognitive powers match or exceed those of "higher" vertebrates, including non-human primates.'"

Alejandra's got her electronic order pad suspended in front of her as she watches the ping-pong match. Diana finally compromises on a *pulpo* taco, *gobernador* (shrimp and cheese), and a surf and turf (steak and shrimp). That one costs $6.50. Diane's also desperate for a Mexican Coke (a large plastic bottle of it for $4), and I get a *Sangria Señorial*, that wine-tasting grape juice Mexican classic ($4).

Have to say, these tacos are exceptional. Big, fresh-cooked, and full of flavor. The *pulpo* is not too rubbery, but the cheesy *gobernador* is Diane's fave. "This is against all my principles. I usually don't like to mix cheese with fish, but this worked." For me, it's the surf & turf. Scrumptious marinated steak with, yes, shrimp. Something about the squelchy but utterly seductive shrimp, c/w the stronger steak flavors, and avocado — a lot of avocado — all in a golden, marinated corn tortilla. And this sells it to me: the wild pile of crispy fried onions on top.

So we finish all that, and then I get greedy. I see Alejandra stepping by with a mess of seafood on an enamel plate on a bed of ice in a bowl. The Ceviche *Mixto* plate. Oh man. "Let's split it!" I say. Diane nods. I order, and we get this great sea of cooked shrimp and octopus, plus bay scallops, onions, tomatoes, cilantro, cucumbers and serrano peppers, all "cooking" in lime juice, with a pile of tostadas on the side. It's good, but it's too much. "Way too much," says Diane. "Whose idea was this anyway?" Worst is, we ordered the plate ($14.50) and not just the tostada ($6.50).

We box it up, and start to head out. "This is the Contreras family's new place," says Rosa. "They started in Chula Vista maybe 30 years ago. Now they have six places around the county. All run by the family. This is the newest. They get all their fish from Ensenada."

"This was the most delicious meal since I arrived in California," she says. "Except…"

"Except what?"

"Except I spilled that sauce on my white shirt! Do you people all eat with your hands in Southern California?"

"Speaking for myself, yes," I say. ■

Alejandra (left) and Rosa: Life of the party!

Marina *Mixto*: Shrimp, octopus, bay scallops. Serrano peppers, lime juice: *sabroso*!

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Barefoot Bar & Grill, six decades and counting

Barefoot Bar & Grill; 1404 Vacation Road, Mission Beach. Idling into the golden hour of another sunny afternoon on Mission Bay, we sat down to dine at a prime table, only a few feet from the water. "What's popular here?" I asked, out of food writer habit.

As most servers do these days, ours pointed out a couple of the menu's premium offerings first: in this case, the Baja Crab Louie (add shrimp) and a top sirloin served with blue cheese. He also pushed the brussels sprouts appetizer, which I think has become casual dining's answer to "Do you want fries with that?"

A cheeseburger in Paradise Point, served by the Barefoot Bar & Grill, 60 years old this summer.

Speaking of which, he finished with another bona fide classic: "We're kind of known for our burgers…." It's a claim I've heard many times over, except here it holds weight. Because, as of June, Barefoot Bar & Grill has been known for its burgers for a full 60 years.

It sits at the western edge of the Paradise Point Resort, and its 44 acres of man-made island, smack in the middle of the bay. Built by a movie producer and inspired by the Hawaiian islands, the mid-century resort has seen plenty of changes over the years. When it opened, back in the summer of 1962, it went by an entirely different name: Vacation Village. But its casual bayfront restaurant was called Barefoot Bar & Grill from day one.

Given that it overlooks a small lagoon and marina, Barefoot's focus is understandably on the view from its patios. However, its simple architecture reflects the maudlin humor of those times: it's nestled into a small hillside, bunker style, designed to resemble a bomb shelter.

It wasn't only tourists gathered around the bar area when we showed up for dinner. Plenty of San Diegans have caught on to the Barefoot Bar over six decades, I just haven't been one of them. And I have to admit, it took a free meal to get me here.

In my life outside of *Feast*, I work part time as a travel book author, which occasionally affords me a complimentary stay at nice hotels in the name of research. When that landed me in a Paradise Point bungalow for a couple nights, the stay included a free meal.

Since I didn't pay, I won't remark too much about the food, except to say the "Classic barefoot burger," topped with caramelized onions and American cheese, presents a worthy excuse to come enjoy the outdoor dining and view, even at $19. Plus, my wife enjoyed her Crab Louie, and the crispy brussels tasted fine.

The real reason I decided to write about Barefoot, other than its 60 year milestone, is to talk about two mistaken impressions that kept me away from the place so many years.

Number one would be parking: I assumed only hotel guests were permitted in resort parking lots, but that's not the case. Because this whole island took shape when the city created the modern Mission Bay during the 1950s, the resort's main parking lots are free and open to the public. You can park here to visit the restaurant, to visit the beach, or to find boat and paddle board rentals at the marina beside the restaurant. We took a spin in what they call a Funcat, a small, electric boat that looks like someone put a lounge chair on an catamaran, and cuts through the water with all the grace and power of a lazy boy recliner.

The other thing keeping me away was a maybe outdated aversion to resort restaurants. I'm trying to be less snarky about such things these days; to embrace the idea that sometimes, properties like this serve decent food, and most times, they possess some of the city's best dining *spaces*.

That said, it looks as though my snark will be put to the test here, pretty soon. Vacation Village/Paradise Point is due for another name change, and within a couple years it will be rebranded as a Margaritaville. Yes, Jimmy Buffet's Margaritaville.

When that happens, it's all too easy to imagine the Parrot Head powers that be, taking a look at Barefoot Bar & Grill, and deciding to revive the old "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" chain. But word is, that's not going to happen. Margaritaville will bring an updated poolside bar and other upgrades, but this little restaurant, known for its burgers, will continue to be known as Barefoot Bar & Grill, as it has for 60 years and counting.

by Ian Anderson

Built like a bunker, early in the nuclear age.

Baja crab louie ($20), with shrimp added for $10.

FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

Muscles & Margaritas Muscles & Margaritas with Kim Kelly Fit and Patron Tequila: one-hour sculpt class led by Kim Kelly followed by a pop-up trunk show with wellness vendors and a pool party with Patron. Ticket includes access to the workout class and trunk show, one complimentary cocktail and a full pool day pass. Pacific Terrace and Pool Bar. Sunday, August 28, 10:30am; $55. 21 and up. L'Auberge Del Mar, 1540 Camino Del Mar. (DEL MAR)

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CAITLIN MARIE AND BARBARA MARIE I am so proud of you both, you are wonderful mothers and exceptional people.XOXO. Mom

DON'T SEEK REVENGE. The Rotten fruit will fall by themselves.

GHOSTING fills in the blanks with assumptions and in bad context. Silence isn't communication. Lies? Are they? They are answers to things that shoulda been corrected if they're wrong. Not doing so just says they're true. Its hate too. Ghosting is the lowest hate of all and people whom do so deserve lies and bad raps.

I LOVE YOU HERB RODRIGUEZ. Please be safe. Joyce, will one day see each other again. Take me up to your domain and shed some light. Dear God. Amen.

LEAH couldn't leave you out… Hello, hello, hello. m

RAMON RAMON RAMON… didn't forget you… just didn't think it was appropriate. Michelle says OK so hello hello Ramon… How you doin?

THANK YOU Universe, Angels, God, Fate, Lucky charm's… whoever, whatever, didn't let my son and only child die in a motorcycle accident last Wednesday! Thank You!

TOMMI MARIE Grandma hopes you had a wonderful first week in kindergarten… I am so proud of you! I love you so much!

WHEN have I ever lied?

DRIVEWAY SOCIETY We at the Driveway Society want to give a tip of the hat to all those kind hearted folks out there who have observed the new ordinance that went into effect last week. It was a great feeling of joy to see how good life can be if rules are observed.

KATHERINE Z. can't begin to tell you how great our reunion was even though it only lasted a few very short hours. My 'overseer' said he would never interrupt my 'free time' unless it was a national emergency so I had no choice but to leave your side at 4am. Frank

GOT integrity?

I CAN RESPECT ANY PERSON who can put their ego aside and say, I made a mistake, " I apologize, and I am correcting the behavior."

TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE in someone's life. You don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. You just have to care.

BRAD? Where's Brad? Have you seen Brad? When's Brad coming in? Where did Brad go? We have to go, Brad! Brab!

PADRE GAME AUGUST 3RD I met you at a Padre game on the 3rd. We were really vibing on Jomboy Media and Baseball in general. If this was you and you want to reconnect send an email to lancerinss@yahoo.com with the seat location we had.

AML…AML… XOXO I love you…me.

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HATE IS A FAMILY VALUE thats what family is there for u learn who loves u when its all u feel.

KNAKS Just wanted to say thank u truly I appreciate u...u are a good friend much love and respect, thank you for everything, Mollie.

LOVE ALWAYS LOSES its the hater who loses nothing in love.

MICHELLE WATERMAN I just wanted you to know that you have truly turned out to be my only friend…I can never thank you enough!!!

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SCRUFFY want a treat? ring the bell!!

SHAKEY PUDDING Misses being in love with you Pink Steel!

EVEN WHEN YOU ATTEMPT to justify it is a bold out lie. Devil with blue eyed. Only cry's at his own told lies.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY you have took your gifts through the years. Every time you chose to take with out permission to. It's not your right when you've wronged.

INSTEAD OF YOUR NOSE getting longer your teeth rot away this is because of your lack of consideration to others when you lie. Lies rot your teeth away. Caring involves cleaning your mouth.

ATTENTION SEARCHING FOR DAVID that's retired from 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.

LOOKING FOR ARTIST NEAL, roommate John, Fred, Doug Sweda, Pacific Beach, house on alley, between Thomas and Reed. 1977. Also, Jackie Feitler. (619) 917-6975

THE FIRST THING THAT EXISTED had no beginning or created itself from nothing or Jesus said "I am the beginning…" Revelation 22:13

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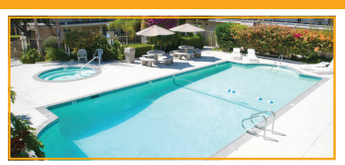

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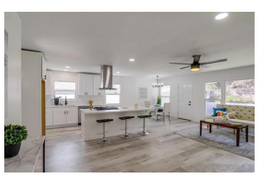

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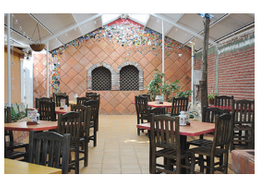

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Saltwater: It has been a dorado and yellowtail bonanza, some within extended half-day range, for the fleet over the past couple weeks, while the bluefin tuna bite has been on and off for the boats chasing them. There are still masses of bluefin offshore sliding north from off Ensenada up to just off the southern California coast, though given the numbers sighted, the bite has been a bit slow. Yellowfin are biting mostly south of the border, but the usual accompanying dorado seem to have no qualms with international boundaries. Even so, most of the dorado in the counts were caught in Mexican waters, just across the line outside of the Coronado Islands.

Given there is a two-fish per angler, per day, limit on dorado in Mexico and a ten fish limit in U.S. waters, the count could have been much higher. Yellowtail still represent the bulk of the catch, though their numbers have been tapering off as dorado numbers climb. Both dorado and yellowtail are mostly coming off kelp paddies, while bluefin tuna are either found by sight when a school is feeding on top, by trolling, or by meter.

The boats concentrating on bluefin have been working north of the border towards San Clemente Island and the channel between there and Catalina Island. One notable catch was an estimated 60-pound bluefin caught by the crew on the Catalina Flyer ferry while they were waiting between runs at Catalina Island. With a couple hours to kill before the return trip to Newport, and after seeing foaming schools of bluefin during their runs, the crew decided to take the speedy catamaran-hulled boat out to see if they could catch one. The catch is a first in the 35-year history of the Flyer.

Speaking of firsts, I have never taken a black seabass before this past week. Giant black seabass (not the Atlantic version that that grows to about the size of a largemouth bass) are protected in California waters. Due to overfishing through the late 1970s, black seabass were nearing extinction and protected from take in 1981. As they are large, long-living apex predators that inhabit rocky reefs and kelp beds, they are usually spread out through their range that runs from central California to the Sea of Cortez. In Mexican waters, where their numbers are healthier, recreational anglers are allowed to take one per day.

As general rule, I have always released black seabass wherever caught. Usually, as they are big heavy fighters that put on a prolonged battle, it takes a bit of reviving to successfully release a good-sized seabass. I spent nearly a half-hour reviving one in La Jolla before it could swim away upright. It was a lot of work on the kayak. I thought. I was much younger then, in my mid-thirties, and it was shortly after I had taken up kayak fishing. I'm 60 now, and a little beat up.

While kayak-fishing on Saturday in a spot in the San Quintin Bay mouth that has produced my personal best white seabass at 55 pounds and my personal best halibut at 44 pounds, I caught my personal best (only one kept) black seabass that tapped out at around 80 pounds. After a morning that was relatively slow, catching mostly one to two-pound sand bass while targeting halibut that didn't bite, I decided to do one last drift across the 50-foot-deep channel and call it a day.

CREDIT: DANIEL POWELL

A beautiful day on the water turned into a lot of work for this kayak angler.

I was 'dead-stick' bouncing a heavy plastic tube bait made by San Diego's Master Baits Fishing Lures on a medium-light G Loomis 8.5-foot rod with 20-pound test wound on a Daiwa Saltist reel. Dead sticking is basically leaving the reel in gear while raising and lowering the tip to make the lure hop along the bottom. About mid-channel in 45 feet of water, the rod loaded up heavy with what I thought might be one of the many large bat rays that inhabit the bay. The fish seemed to settle into the bottom as big rays tend to do, I thought about just thumbing it off; I had no desire to spend two hours getting dragged around the bay just to release a giant ray from the kayak. Even so, I couldn't escape the thought that it might indeed be a gamefish, so I leaned hard on it and it came up a couple feet from the bottom, but that was it.

The skinny Loomis rod was bent hard, most of it buried deep in the water while I used the rail edge of the kayak for support at the grip. I figured I would eventually wear out the knot on 20, but it held, and after 25 minutes or so of not being able to gain a foot while being dragged in circles, I started taking in line. As the fish came up into view, it bloated and rolled. Thoughts of reviving and releasing it were dashed as it burped up a bit of blood, and I sunk the gaff into the swollen placid beast at the side of the yak and it exploded into a flurry, nearly tipping me out into the drink.

I got the fish under control, but given its razor-sharp gill plates and rakes, I couldn't feed the leash through to secure it. I wound up paddling with one hand while holding the fish on the gaff with the other. It was a long quarter-mile paddle back to the beach, even if the breeze was helping push me in the right direction. I hopped out once I was in two feet of water and dragged the kayak and the big fish ashore before I collapsed onto the sand. My muscles were trembling from the exertion an hour and a half after hooking the fish, but I had done it! Another personal best big fish by kayak from Bahia San Quintin. Wherever you are, they're out there, so go get 'em!

Notable catches:

8/7 – The *San Diego* called in from their full-day trip with 103 yellowtail and limits of 70 dorado for 35 anglers.

8/10 – 26 anglers aboard the *Ocean Odyssey* caught limits of 260 yellowtail and 104 dorado, along with 10 yellowfin tuna and 6 bluefin tuna.

8/12 – Full limits of 390 yellowtail and 156 dorado for 26 anglers aboard the *Excalibur* 3-day trip into Mexican waters.

8/15 – An odd mixed bag during a great 3.5-day run aboard the *Top Gun 80* for 16 anglers, with 170 yellowtail, 30 dorado, 100 calico bass, 1 bluefin tuna, and 1 striped marlin caught. Calico bass and marlin on the same trip!

8/17 – 39 anglers aboard the Dolphin extended half-day trip had amazing fishing close to home, with 122 dorado and 1 yellowtail caught.

8/20 – limits of 64 dorado, along with 4 yellowtail, 4 yellowfin tuna, and 2 bluefin tuna were caught by 32 anglers aboard the *Liberty* overnight trip.

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enough name for people who spin around while dancing at a Grateful Dead concert) were spinning hard in the middle. They took over that area for a bit, their pace increasing to a dizzying pace to keep up with "Franklin's Tower." They were spinning so fast it made the room feel like it was moving — even though I was outside.

Here's where I stop the bus, because I'd like to wish Walt Burenin a happy birthday. He turned 69 on July 28th. He could have written this story better than I can, due to his uncanny ability to spot minor details. But he asked me not to share them, so I'll respect his wishes. I'm also grateful for the graciousness, time, and insight that Patrick Brown and Rosy Dawn provided. Finally, a special thanks to drummer Frank Lazzaro of Easy Wind and Travel Agents. He's been around the local Dead scene for a long time, and provided me my first ever Dead cover band experience almost 30 years ago. Finally, a special happy birthday to Jerry Garcia, and fare you well. ■

Protecting Peace

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by his backpack. The sergeant could hear directions from the Antifa crowd: "Somebody yelling like a command for them to back up." The attacker dropped his stick during the melee, and it disappeared under the police line. The stick was later collected by police and shown to the grand jury as evidence.

Besides the police body-cam video, there was also aerial video taken from the police helicopter, which eventually arrived. The video confirmed that the first arrest attempt was made at 3:32 pm, one hour after the first "unlawful assembly" declaration was made at 2:34 pm. The "de-arrested" persons could be seen changing clothes as they were pulled back through the Antifa crowd.

The police were there to protect the public, but several members of the public did get attacked. Later, some people complained bitterly that police officers who were on scene saw those individuals being attacked and did nothing. Captain Novak admitted that he has seen videos of his officers not responding to violence happening in front of them. "We did pull some victims out of the crowd, but we weren't able to get to some of them," he testified. The captain said that the police used military-style tactics, meaning, "You have to work together as one entire team. You can't just have one officer or one team go off on their own, because what can happen is they can get drawn into something."

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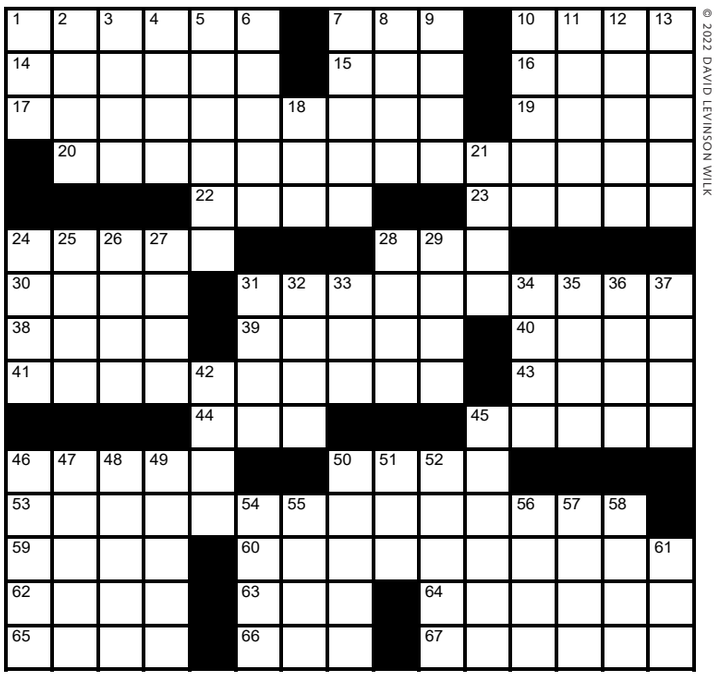

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Across

1. Online company whose freelancers offer services starting at $5 ... or, read another way, this puzzle's theme
7. Undetermined: Abbr.
10. Like many cellars
14. First name in mystery
15. Brought home the gold
16. Sign of a gas leak
17. Human pretzel's act
19. He escapes from a Sydney dentist's aquarium
20. Classic children's TV show whose theme song included the lyric "Take a look, it's in a book"
22. Sinusitis-treating MDs
23. Deadly
24. Wheelchair access routes
28. [shrug]
30. Dairy-free spread
31. Pan's opposite
38. "Be ____!" ("C'mon, help me out!")
39. Ferrell's "SNL" cheerleading partner
40. One-point lead, e.g.
41. Its hood ornament is called The Spirit of Ecstasy
43. Piglet's milk source
44. ____ contact
45. They catch flies
46. Philosopher with a "razor"
50. "Mi casa _____ casa"
53. Going unchecked
59. Balloon or snowball
60. Ingredient in varnishes and glossy paints
62. "The Thin Man" dog
63. Chain with MinuteClinics
64. Longtime "Sesame Street" actress _____ Reed Hall
65. ____-do-well
66. Use curlers on, say
67. Cocktail named for a Scottish hero

Down

1. Univ. staff
2. Composer Stravinsky
3. It tells you which way the wind blows
4. "At Last" singer James
5. _____ scholar
6. _____ to go (eager, informally)
7. Nest material
8. Ill-mannered sort
9. "Pitch Perfect" actress Kendrick
10. Summer of music
11. "I owe you _____ of gratitude"
12. Jason who played Khal Drogo on "Game of Thrones"
13. Do some skulking
18. Looney Tunes explosive
21. "_____ hollers, let ..."
24. Katy Perry hit with the lyric "Louder, louder than a lion"
25. Iams competitor
26. Brunch, e.g.
27. Market research tool
28. Chicago exchange, in brief
29. City halfway between Buffalo and Cleveland
31. "Gilmore Girls" girl
32. Stick _____ in the water
33. "Oy _____!"
34. Nix
35. Inkling
36. "Zounds!"
37. Soaks or sprinkles
42. Big rig
45. Mississippi city where Elvis Presley was born
46. Liver or lung, e.g.
47. Use salty language
48. $100 bill, in slang
49. Egypt's Sadat
50. Accounting giant _____ & Young
51. Airline with hubs in Copenhagen, Oslo and Stockholm
52. Makeup mishap
54. World Series qualifying matchup, briefly
55. Donate
56. Not much
57. Film style with a French name
58. Former Yankee and 4x World Series winner Martinez
61. Put (down)

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Oh, the Humiliation

— Bianca Chambers wasn't going to leave the sleuthing to the Detroit police after her Mercedes-Benz was stolen. Using social media tips, she tracked her car all over the city, but each time she'd call 911, police would be too late to nab the thief. On July 13, though, she got lucky: The man who was driving her car parked and went to get his dreads twisted, and Chambers pounced. She walked into a barbershop, Fox2 Detroit reported, and confronted him. When he denied stealing her car, Chambers took him down by his dreadlocks. Customers subdued the unnamed man while Chambers slashed her own tires: "I thought he was gonna take off and I didn't know how long it was going to take for the police to pull up," she said. "You're just the dumbest criminal, that's all. You're joyriding in my car like nobody was going to see," she told the perp. Police said the man has a history of car theft.

The Litigious Society

— Kent Slaughter of Springfield, Missouri, filed a class-action lawsuit against Bass Pro this month, alleging that the outdoor equipment superstore is not honoring its lifetime guarantee on the Redhead All-Purpose Wool socks, the Springfield News-Leader reported. Slaughter says the warranty influenced his decision to buy the socks, and until 2021 he was able to return them when they wore out for another pair with the same promise. However, last year, the store changed the merchandise; the new socks feature a distinctive stripe design and offer only a 60-day warranty. Slaughter's suit notes that the store's "The last sock you'll ever need to buy" claim is no longer true. Bass Pro didn't comment.

Who Knew?

— More heat wave fun: University of British Columbia researcher Alison McAfee told *Metro News* that when outdoor temperatures exceed about 107 degrees Fahrenheit, drone (or male) bees begin to convulse, forcing their sex organs to explode from their bodies, an event that causes them to die from shock. "It's pretty extreme," McAfee said. "That's a temperature they shouldn't normally experience, but we were seeing drones getting stressed to the point of death." She believes drones are one of the most effective indicators of climate change.

News You Can Use

— It's hot everywhere, but Texas is showing off with consecutive days above 100, or even 110. Some wild animals have a unique way of dealing with the heat, and it even has a fun name: splooting. WFAA-TV in Dallas reported on July 21 that squirrels are taking to the street, literally: lying facedown with all their limbs spread out. The rodents don't sweat or pant, so splooting in the shade helps them cool down. One little guy was even spotted splooting on a sidewalk vent.

The Entrepreneurial Spirit

— Jim Battan, 57, of West Linn, Oregon, figured out a way to pay off his $110,000 backyard luxury pool: Since September 2020, Battan has hosted about 9000 swimmers through an app called Swimply, NBC New York reported, making $177,000. Battan admits there's more to the job than providing towels. He and his wife spend 12 to 14 hours a week managing bookings and doing maintenance. "I love the income, but I generally caution people from it," Battan said. "It takes a lot of time to learn about pool chemistry and maintenance. I look at my pool chemicals probably five to 10 times a day." But at $70 per hour for five people, it's worth it to him. And his customers like it, too – he has a high return rate.

Awesome!

— Ultra-marathoner Dave Proctor, 41, set a cross-Canada speed record on July 21 when he arrived in Victoria, British Columbia, the CBC reported. Proctor, of Okotoks, Alberta, set out from St. John's, Newfoundland, 67 1/2 days earlier, running an average of 66 miles per day. "I feel like I'm on top of the world," Proctor said upon his arrival. "I've just seen the most beautiful country in the world." Proctor ran through 12 pairs of shoes and consumed 9,000 calories per day. "Cinnamon buns and scones, I'm still not sick of it," he said. Achieving his "lifelong dream" came on his second attempt; in 2018, he succumbed to a back injury after 32 days of hitting the pavement.

Ewwww

— In southwestern Idaho, an annual phenomenon is creating slick spots on the highways, CBS2-TV reported. The Idaho Transportation Department headed out on July 21 with heavy equipment to scrape Mormon crickets off Highway 51. When the crickets are crushed by cars, the resulting goo can become hazardous for motorists. The department posted a video on its Facebook page, but warned viewers: "If you get queasy easily, don't watch this with the volume on." Crunch!

Here Come Da Judge

— KDKA-TV reported on July 19 that attorney Lauren Varnado, who was defending a Pittsburgh corporation in a courtroom in New Martinsville, West Virginia, accused Judge David W. Hummel Jr. of pulling a Colt .45 pistol out of his robes during the proceedings in March. Varnado alleged that Hummel pointed it "in a waving motion, like he was scanning, first at the defense counsel, and then (placed) it on the bench and slowly (turned) it to make sure the barrel of it is pointed at me." Because of the trial's contentious nature, Varnado had a security detail, but Hummel wouldn't allow them into the courtroom, saying, "I have bigger guns than they have." Varnado said she is working with the FBI and the West Virginia Judicial Investigation Commission. "He cannot stay on the bench," she said.

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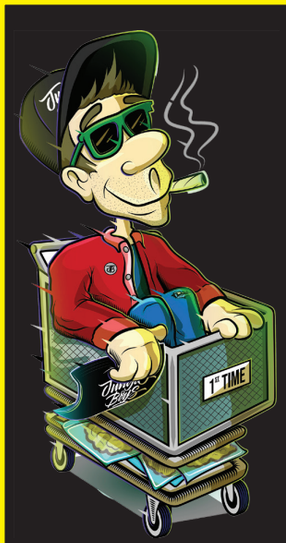

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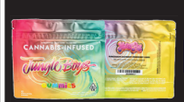
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