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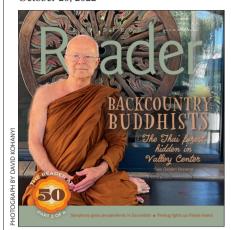
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Fiesta Island and other hotspots

Fall brings out the firebugs

On October 5, someone called the Chula Vista Police Department regarding a burglar alarm on 3rd Avenue and F Street, reported 911 Video News in one of their YouTube videos. The police found a fire at the address, and fire department units were deployed. The raw footage, partly titled "Chula Vista: Suspected Arson," depicts three fire engines and at least a dozen fire department personnel assessing the smoky building that housed the Labor Finders employment



It's supposed to be Enchanted Isle, not Fire Island.

On the morning of October 1, someone in the Grant Hill neighborhood called the fire department about a house burning on

the 2800 block of K Street. The firefighters arrived shortly after 4 am and extinguished the fire within 25 minutes, according to the same YouTube account, which added, "Firefighters made their way inside the structure but did not find any victims. Firefighters

"The robot found the male deceased inside the house. Firefighters then went in to put out the fire."

agency's office.

"Upon arriving at the scene, just out of the smell of smoke in the air, crews investigated and located an exterior fire in one of the commercial structures behind me," said the Battalion Chief Brendan Barahura in 911's posted clip. The firefighters had already put out the fire in the office. Still, it was smoldering, and the smoke from the office was wafting upwards into the second floor's businesses. Happily, no injuries were reported. The cause was deemed "suspected arson."

stated the residence has a history of squatters living inside." Meanwhile, SDPD assisted in evacuating the homes surrounding the now-burned-down single-story home. "The Metro Arson Strike Team (MAST) is on the scene investigating the cause of the fire."

MAST investigators, who were called in for most of the incidents in this article, are cross-trained to achieve expertise in fire and explosives investigation and police procedure. The investigators are peace officers, are armed, and have powers of arrest. MAST was formed in 1980 in response to a

increased from 21,829 incidents in 2020 to 26,491 in 2021 throughout the U.S., according to the National Incident-Based Reporting System Tables. And while no available stats show 2022 numbers, it seems that in August, in San Diego, there was a surge of alleged arsons, and that two locals have died because of them. On August 29, a man swam to an island

growing arson problem in the city. Now, the

problem seems to be growing afresh: arsons

called Enchanted Isle near Fiesta Island in Mission Bay and set it on fire, according to the SDPD Facebook page. Lifeguards boated in, and while fighting the fire; they saw that the alleged arsonist was still on the island and called in SDPD. "Our beach team officers hitched a ride with lifeguards on their boat to arrest the man," said the SDPD. The Metro Arson Strike Team responded and determined the fire was arson. The fire did not spread beyond the island.

According to mainstream news outlets, on August 19, in El Cajon, a 58-year-old man said he would commit suicide by firearm and allegedly set fire to his home's detached garage. The unidentified man's family was evacuated, but the fire department had

difficulty putting out the fire because of the armed man holed up in the home. Firefighters from San Miguel Fire & Rescue and Heartland Fire-Rescue sprayed water from a distance for hours in an attempt to extinguish the fire. They also brought in a hook-and-ladder truck, then extended its ladder and, via remote control, sprayed water on the burning garage. Once again, 911 Video News was on location, and reported that "the SDSO SWAT came to the scene. SWAT

moved in as the fire rekindled, and a robot was sent into the house to look for the male. The robot found the male deceased inside the house. Firefighters then went in to put out

On the morning of August 18, just north of the San Diego River by Friars and Napa, the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department extinguished a brush fire and discovered "what appeared to be a deceased female on the ground," reads a recent SDPD report. "Due to the suspicious nature of the fire and the death of the female, detectives from the San Diego Police Homicide Unit and the Metro Arson Strike

Team [also] responded to the location and assumed responsibility for the investigation." No updates were posted online.

On August 10, on the 100 block of South Rancho Santa Fe Road, a man set a San Marcos business on fire; the event was caught on video.

MIKE MADRIAGA

THE RETAIL LANDSCAPE

From stage to cage Business alliance sees to it that artful thief comes to grief

Ever since California lawmakers changed the threshold for felony theft to \$950, the surge of shoplifters has worsened dramatically. But it seems that retailers in Southern California have organized in an effort to survive. At a recent court hearing, it was revealed that San Diego has an Organized Retail Crime Alliance, which is itself part of a national task force. The area covered by the Alliance extends from South Orange County, east to Indio, and south to the border in San Ysidro. Private investigators gather evidence, which is presented to law enforcement and shared with retailers.

A witness identified as "Dee Dee" said at the hearing that she is an investigator for this alliance, and that she studies surveillance videos from stores that have stationary and "hand-tilt systems." She said she researches crimes which target certain stores — even across multiple counties. Dee Dee said that organized thieves resell the stolen goods: at swap meets, on online platforms, and in Mexico. Photo evidence was collected from 62 stores, including JCPenney, Macy's, Marshalls, and TJ Maxx. Dee Dee said that it was in mid-2021 that she first identified a thief who was affecting stores in Chula Vista and San Ysidro. The thief filled shopping carts with goods and then pushed the loaded cart out a back door; his trademark was always kicking open the emergency door in the back. Sometimes he worked alone, and sometimes with an accomplice. Dee Dee gathered 17

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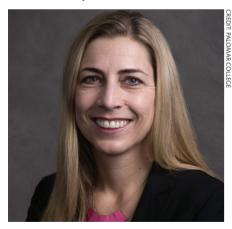
October 1 Grant Hill. "The residence has a history of squatters living inside."

Print's peril persists

Will digital's day take the "paper" out of "newspaper"?

The fate of traditional newspapers in San Diego appears to be on the line in more ways than one, as two North County colleges are shuttering their print editions and a chain of weekly county papers owned by Los Angeles billionaire Patrick Soon-Shiong says his *L.A. Times* has had to come to the "rescue" by printing the San Diego papers at that paper's ultimately closing Olympic Boulevard plant in Los Angeles.

"San Diego's sole offset printer went out of business in August, causing printing chaos among local publishers," writes Phyllis Pfeiffer, publisher of the U-T Community Press, in an October 7 note to readers of the Encinitas Advocate and other weeklies of the chain, including the Rancho Santa Fe Review, Poway News Chieftain, Rancho Bernardo News Journal, Del Mar Times. Ramona Sentinel, Carmel Valley News and Solana Beach Sun. "The Los Angeles Times has come to the Advocate's rescue," says the statement, a similar version of which appeared in all the papers, advising that the format of the publications had to be changed to accommodate the newsprint size required by the L.A. presses. "Your Encinitas Advocate is now taller so that we can run on the presses of our parent company We've had to make this change almost overnight. so watch during the next few weeks as we enrich the design and bring you even more news in our expanded format."



Palomar's Erin Hiro worries that without a print version, "the campus community will forget that we have a campus newspaper."

The chain's flagship, the La Jolla Light, shifted its printing to Orange County, per an August 31 missive to readers of that publication about delivery changes. "Papers are now printed in Anaheim, and we've had to adjust our delivery windows to compensate for the trucking times," reads the note. "It has been a challenging few years for newspapers, compounded by a pandemic, supply chain disruptions, rapidly escalating costs, and staffing and paper shortages.



Expression of gratitude: *U-T* Community Press publisher Pfeiffer writes, "The Los Angeles Times has come to the Advocate's rescue."

The *Light* has weathered these storms and is stronger than ever."

The shift of the *U-T* Community News printing to L.A. comes at a less than propitious juncture, as plans to redevelop the facility as a film studio, with former press rooms slated to house luxury bars and restaurants for stars and producers, according to plans approved by the L.A. planning commission earlier this year.

Meanwhile, the Palomar College Telescope has terminated its print version, the North Coast Current has reported in an October 12 online dispatch. "After two years of careful thought and discussion, Palomar's campus newspaper will no longer have a print edition delivered to campus. Instead, the independent student newspaper will publish only on its website and social media," says an October 12 statement by Professor Erin Hiro, on the paper's website. Hiro worries in the statement that without a print version, "the campus community will forget that we have a campus newspaper. We don't want to bombard your inbox, but we have important stories that the students are writing about Palomar. We hope you will routinely check our website, sign up for our newsletter and follow us on social media."

California State University San Marcos's paper, the Cougar Chronicle, has also dropped print, according to the Current story. "'The Cougar Chronicle has ceased print publication,' a rolling banner across the student news site's front page states. 'We will be moving to an online-focused model until further notice." According to an October 7 account by the Current, "Advantage ColorGraphics purchased the last printing plant for newspapers in San Diego County — Advanced Web Offset of Vista — in August. Almost immediately, as Encinitas-based Coast News reported, operations shifted to Advantage's home location in Anaheim. At the time, the Coast News quoted the company's management as saying they 'will continue to service your account as we transition each of you into Advantage's modern expansive operations."

Matt Potter

UNDER THE RADAR

What Twitches stays in San

Diego It's been said that San Diego media protects conventions here from getting bad ink, so it was the *New York Post*, the Manhattan tabloid owned by Rupert Murdoch, that covered the story of a porn star's painful plunge on the first weekend of October into a foam pit sponsored by computer maker Lenovo at a gathering here called TwitchCon. "The convention is organized by Twitch Interactive and focuses on the general culture of live streaming and video gaming."

according to Wikipedia. "Twitch-Con also serves as an opportunity for streamers and creators to improve their stream quality and grow their brand." But promotion turned to near disaster when porn star and Twitch streamer **Adriana Chechik** put down her keyboard and picked up an air-filled pole to engage in some jousting before being toppled into a real-world arena. "Well, I broke my back in two places and am getting surgery

to put a meter rod in for support today," The Post quoted Chechik as tweeting. "Send your support. When it rains it pours, and I am definitely feeling the rain right now. Special shout out to the random off-work EMT who got the workers at the booth to realize how bad I was injured and to make them keep me still and calm me down until others got there. [You really] kept me from crying badly." Washington Post reporter Nathan Gravson, who covers Twitch, live-streaming and digital culture, and has a BA in New Media Journalism from Austin College according to the paper's website, reported on Twitter after the incident that "the foam pit is now closed. They shut it down at noon bc people were breaking rules (and bones)." "We are aware of the incidents of TwitchCon visitors who sustained injuries in the gladiator game soft foam pit at the Lenovo booth," a spokesperson for the company told NBC News in a later statement. "The area has since been closed for any further use while we work with event organizers to look into



the incidents."

the prize-winning Border and Baja California reporter at the *Union-Tribune*, has announced on Twitter she is moving on. "So, I think the cat's sort of out-of-the-bag here, so I'll go ahead and announce that this will be my last week at the @sdut, which has been an amazing experience

for me." says Fry's October 8 post on Twitter. "I'm thrilled to be joining the California Divide team at @CalMatters, reporting from here in San Diego." No word yet on a replacement. "CalMatters is a nonpartisan and nonprofit news organization bringing Californians stories that probe, explain and explore solutions to quality-of-life issues while



Charles T. Clark, is now in law school at the University of Michigan, per his Twitter profile, and U-T digital creative director **Beto Alvarez** has moved up the Los Angeles Times, also owned by Soon-Shiong, to become deputy editor on the News Desk, the paper announced.



"Backbreaking PR work" is not supposed to be literal: Adriana Chechik

Facebook politics

Sheryl Sandberg, until the beginning of this month Chief

Operating Officer of Meta, formerly Facebook, kicked in \$10,000 on October 7 to the Prop 1 proabortion committee run by ex-San Diego city council Democrat and California state Senate Pro Tem **Toni Atkins**. That was far less than the \$3 million Sandberg gave the American Civil Liberties Union on October 4 for abortion rights advocacy, as reported by Politico. Meanwhile, Sandberg, facing "continuing threats to her safety," is getting her security detail paid for by Meta through next year, according to a Reuters report of September 30. "The company, however, did not elaborate on the threats that Sandberg, one of the most powerful women in Silicon Valley, faces," per the story. "Sandberg, a close associate of Meta's Chief Executive Mark Zuckerberg, said in June she would depart the social media giant after a 14-year stint when she led the company's often-criticized ads-based business model. Under Sandberg, the company was also buffeted by revelations in 2018 that U.K. consultancy Cambridge Analytica had

improperly acquired data on millions of its U.S. users to target election advertising." According to the website *Engadget*, "It is not unusual for Facebook to invest heavily on personal security for its top executives. In 2020, the company reportedly spent \$23.4 million in 2020 to protect CEO Mark Zuckerberg. However, the board's announcement on Friday comes days after Meta was reported to have suspended all hiring, with



Wendy Fry: talent too hot for the local daily.

a warning of possible layoffs on the way, making for some potentially awkward optics."

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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-Strelnikov

"The *Union-Tribune* meets its match"
News Under the Radar
October 12

I think it might be wishful thinking by Matt Potter, no matter how much he would love to see the *Union-Tribune* go under, to believe that the hiring of one reporter to cover San Diego will do the trick. Heck,, the homegrown *Voice of San Diego* can't even cover the region with a staff of four or five. Critics are right in saying the *U-T* doesn't even do a decent job anymore with its shrunken staff of 25 or so.

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"JCPenney, Macy's, Marshalls, TJ Maxx push back against thieves" Neighborhood News October 11

Shoplifting has always been a serious problem. Prop 47 made it a lot worse. Why anyone voted for this is beyond me. Repeal Prop 47.

—Socks3742

Finally!!

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"Gnarly Girl Pizza trades in garlic knots, beer, and nostalgia" Feast! Restaurant Reviews

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this looks so damn good...

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videos as evidence against the suspect. "His body type and clothing and jewelry were identifiable," Dee Dee testified in court on September 29. Also, "he is very tall," she said. The suspect wore gold chains and a gold watch on his left wrist, and he often wore the same eyeglasses and clothing. In the earliest videos, he wore a facemask, but eventually, he stopped.

Dee Dee said the suspect pillaged stores in Mission Valley, Plaza Bonita, Point Loma, Carmel Mountain, Solana Beach, Carlsbad, and Laguna Hills. Over time, he refined his technique, using luggage from the store to hold his loot, then using it to open the store doors — careful to never use his hands. He and his accomplices allegedly chose certain designer items, such as a particular women's red shoe; then they would collect the item in multiple sizes and "stage" a pile of them inside the store. (Multiple brands of men's shoes were also stolen, along with Polo shirts, women's handbags, men's wallets, and popular fragrances.)

Dee Dee testified that in early March of this year, the suspect entered a store in Point Loma. His accomplice came in after him,

and together, they piled up their selected shoes. The suspect then left the store and changed some of his clothes, switching out his hat and shirt. Then he came back into the store and took the staged loot. Dee Dee said, "He changed the top part of his clothing, but his pants and shoes stayed the same. Sometimes he would add or remove a hat. Sometimes he wore reading glasses."

After she noticed that this suspect often looted a particular Marshalls in Carmel Mountain Ranch on Wednesday nights, Dee Dee made arrangements to go to that store. She arrived on March 9 after coordinating with the store's Loss Prevention Associates. When her target came into the store about 9 pm, she was able to recognize him, noting later, "I had seen him in person myself." The suspect collected items and staged them, but then purchased one hat and left the store. "He got into a red Jeep," said Dee Dee. Then an accomplice came into the store, put the staged items into a hamper, and left without paying. He then got into the passenger side of the red Jeep. Dee Dee and the store cameras were able to see the license plate, and this led to the identification of Manuel Espinoza Alvarez, 24.

A law enforcement officer who testified said he checked the license plate and found the registered owner. The officer then

searched the border crossing history of that license plate for March 9, 2022. It had entered into the U.S. at 6:14 pm and exited back into Mexico at 10:44 pm. The officer said he was able to see photos taken by a customs officer, and that the person who was driving the red Jeep was visible. This officer reviewed mugshots of Manuel Espinoza Alvarez

from his previous arrests in San Diego County. He later identified defendant Alvarez in court as the driver of the Jeep, and the man arrested for the previous thefts. In addition, many photos were entered into evidence at the pre-trial hearing, and witness Dee Dee identified defendant Alvarez as the suspect she saw, both in person and in many store surveillance videos.

Manuel Espinoza Alvarez, 24, was most recently arrested by the U.S. Border Patrol on September 7, 2022. (He has been arrested in San Diego County at least five times in the last two years.) He is now being



The alleged Backdoor Bandit, Manuel Alvarez,

held in San Diego's downtown Central jail. Dee Dee said she was able to document the total losses to a chain of retail stores over a three month period from this one suspect: \$9,323.65.

Judge Laura Duffy ordered Alvarez to answer the three felony theft charges plus ten misdemeanor shoplifting charges. The judge also revoked his probation on two prior felony theft convictions; he was charged for those in 2020. Alvarez pleaded not-guilty to all charges and is next due in court October 27 to confirm a date for trial.

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From Oberlin to the Forest

Back in the late 1960s, when Thanissaro Bhikkhu was a college student at Oberlin and was still called Geoffrey DeGraff, he signed up for an inter-term practicum taught by two visiting Buddhist monastics, one Thai and one Japanese. He took a more-than-usual interest in the class: "For me, it just made a lot of sense. I was particularly attracted to the idea of meditation as a skill — there is a skill to

being happy. It's not just a shot in the dark."

As he would later put it in a set of "Basic Breath Meditation Instructions" that he wrote in 1993: "If you try to base your happiness on things that change - sights, sounds, sensations in general, people and things outside — you're setting yourself up for disappointment, like building your house on a cliff where there have been repeated landslides in the past. So true happiness has to be sought within. Meditation is thus like a treasure

hunt: to find what has solid and unchanging worth in the mind, something that even death cannot touch."

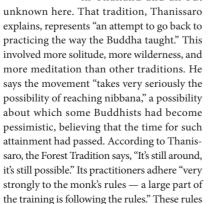
Unlike many Westerners who are attracted to meditating, he was also attracted to what was behind the practices he was learning: the doctrines of Buddhism, the Dhamma. He had already become intrigued with basic Buddhist concepts like the Four Noble Truths in high school, when he heard about them from two students who had been to Thailand. But the practicum was his first time getting a real taste of Buddhist teachings and practice, and it awoke in him a desire to go deeper. In 1972,

after college, he traveled to Chiang Mai to teach English at the university there. In addition to pursuing a job, he was also hoping to pursue a meditation teacher. He found one: Ajahn Fuang, and so found the path that would lead to the rest of his life.

Meeting Fuang after two years in Thailand was what confirmed his commitment to Buddhism: Fuang was "a living example — "This is what the training can produce." Thanis-

saro says that when you merely read about an arhat (an enlightened person), "someone without any greed, aversion, or delusion sounds awfully dull, but he was very much alive. He had a really nice, lively sense of humor and he was very, very compassionate." Thanissaro says, with notable understatement, that he saw that "this training creates good people."

Fuang was part of the Thai Forest Tradition, little-known at the time in Thailand and all but



pertain to nearly every aspect of life: speech, dress, socializing, eating, not handling money.

"I didn't jump into this because of the rules, that's for sure," Thanissaro tells me. Yet he couldn't help but see that the commitment and rigor demanded by this way of life seemed to be part of what made both his teacher and the tradition powerful. It all came together as a package.

bhikkhus, a novice, and two candidates. In a reversal of the monastery's original make-up, only one bhikkhu is Thai.

The day begins early here, and evinces an elemental simplicity throughout. The bhikkhus rise around four in the morning and meditate until dawn. Then come the morning chores: sweeping around the meditation hall, cleaning

"Meditation is thus like a treasure hunt: to find what has solid and unchanging worth... that even death cannot touch."

He was ordained in 1976, and lived in Thailand for 14 years after that. Over the decades, he has become well-known in Buddhist circles for his prolific writing and translations and his talks, which he delivers with sonorous tones and calm eloquence, casually wielding a deep knowledge of Buddhist scripture, the distinctive teachings of the Ajahns in his lineage, and insights from a lifetime of practice. He says: "I'm just trying to represent the Dhamma."

The Forest in Valley Center

Thanissaro tells me that when he found the want ad for Metta Forest Monastery's property around 32 years ago, it read: "Own your own mountain." That mountain was just the spot for the forest monastery that the highly regarded

the dining hall. At 8:30, they begin the alms round, a reminder that the title each man here uses means "beggar." In Buddhist countries of Southeast Asia, the alms round could happen in the streets; here, it means a stylized version of the begging that Buddhist renunciants have been practicing for two millennia. Attending laypeople wait in a line and ceremonially fill the bhikkhus' bowls with rice. The non-rice portion of the meal is prepared in the kitchen, and eaten in the dining hall from the same the begging bowl. This will be the only meal eaten in the day. After the meal, the monks have a relatively free period, during which they can meditate or read. Thanissaro often writes during this time. At five, there is a daily question and answer session with the abbot which is open to the public, followed by a work



Approaching the Metta Forest Monastery

Ajahn Suwat had come to the United States to found, and the land was gifted to Metta by a benefactor. Thanissaro, who would soon become the abbot, was there from the outset. His master, Ajahn Fuang, who had died in Thailand in 1986, "had said that my work was not going to be in Thailand, it was going to be here." And he was ready to come back.

Buildings were done without permits — "a very Thai way of doing things," Thanissaro says. Soon he was told: "Now you negotiate with the county."

At the beginning, there were seven bhikkhus, six of them Thai. Now there are nine period, then evening chanting, meditation, and a Dhamma talk.

For the monks, this is home, and the place in which they work to grow continuously as practitioners. But, Thanissaro tells me, "Ajahn Suwat said that the monasteries are not just for the monks. They're for lay people as well." The Dhamma, Thanissaro says, "is kind of like a buffet table — you're welcome to take what you find. The Buddha taught people to be generous. He taught people to be virtuous. He taught people how to have a happy life, how to have a happy family life. He taught everything."



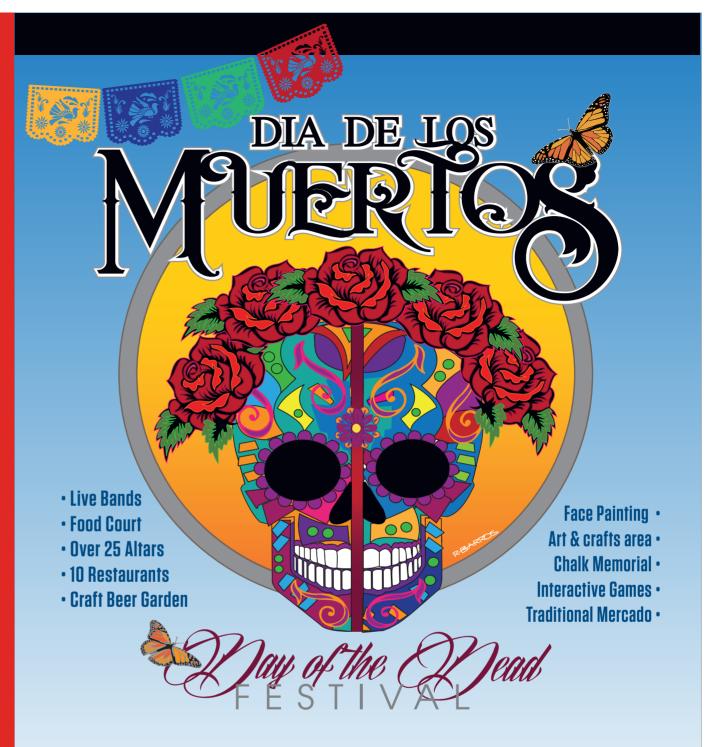
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High Time for Equity

Local cannabis activist praises new city policy





Sir Smoke-a-Lot: "Thank you. Todd G., for helping to put the 'we' back in 'weed.' Thanks to this program, we are one step closer to a world in which, in the immortal words of Bob Dylan, everybody must get stoned."

Last week, San Diego formally instituted its cannabis equity program, aimed at aiding people of color with previous drug convictions to enter the legal cannabis industry. The program will facilitate loans, help provide startup funding, and remove bureaucratic red tape in an effort to atone for the fact that people of color in San Diego have suffered a disproportionate share of cannabis arrests, while whites own a disproportionate share of cannabis enterprises.

"It's not like white folks m haven't been getting high just as much as black folks," argued longtime cannabis activist Sir Smokea-Lot, who shared his feelings during a Zoom call with Mayor Todd Gloria. "Anyone who says otherwise is just blowing smoke, if you know what I mean. Now, at last, black people will be able to sell weed and get high without having to get all paranoid about whitey crashing through the door and harshing the mellow. Unless...wait a minute. Is this just another plan to keep the black man down, but with taxes and fees and shit instead of cops and cuffs? Dammit, I knew it!"



The Boo Bash flyer linked to the transfamilysos.org website, which included this image promoting the event's Disney Villain Drag Show - billed on the flyer as "family-friendly."

Disney Disses Drag Divas

Company condemns "kid-friendly" show. citing need for more "positive portrayals."

Last week, concerned parents gathered in Encinitas to protest a flier that had been posted on the school district's information hub Peachjar, advertising an October 29 Boo Bash in Hillcrest — "The Queerest Free Halloween Party for Youth & Families." The event, hosted by San Diego's Transfamily Services, is not sponsored by the district, but community members were still upset by the posting. Also upset was The Walt Disney Company,

which issued a rare public comment on the matter. "What kind of message are we sending to kids when the drag role models they are offered are all villains?" it began, addressing the Bash's planned Drag Show. "Maleficent, the Wicked Oueen Grimhilde, and Ursula the Sea Witch? Trans and questioning youth already face enough claims that they're somehow bad or monstrous. We don't need the drag community getting in on the act."

Hello, Nurse!

Art for blink-182's long-awaited comeback album pays tribute to 1999 breakthrough



Left, blink-182's 1999's Enema of the State, featuring adult performer Janine Lindemulder. Right, 2023's Rock 'n Rollonoscopy, also featuring adult performer Janine Lindemulder.

"2022 was a huge year for the band," says Travis Barker, longtime drummer for San Diego pop-punk giants blink-182. "First, [bassist and founding member Mark] Hoppus got cancer — which, thankfully, was diagnosed and successfully treated. Then, we got to announce the return of [twicedeparted singer Tom] DeLonge in October. Just awesome, earthshaking stuff. Of course, we had to take advantage of the energy brought on by those momentous moments and record an album. It felt like a return to the good old days. That, combined with Hoppus' health scare, got us thinking about Nurse Janine from Enema of the State. We looked her up, and it turns out she's still doing her thing just like we're still doing ours. Putting her on the cover of our latest just made sense."

PADRES EAR CHECK EDITION



In There's Something About Mary, **Ben** Stiller gained fame for a scene in which a sticky substance was found hanging from his ear



playoff, the Mets sent an umpire to look for sticky substances in Padres pitcher Joe Musgrove's ear



Ray Liotta played Shoeless Joe Jackson, a man many associate with the infamous Black Sox baseball cheating scandal.



Mets Manager **Buck** Showalter asked the umps to check Musgrove's ear. perhaps because the pitcher was associated with the Astros baseball cheating scandal



On The Three Stooges, Moe Howard played Moe, the group's ringleader in their



Alfonso Marquez was the crew chief for the umpires, and so had to undertake the adventure of inspecting Musgrove's

The TJ you've never seen

Destination Tijuana

"Don't let them tell me the bus is new. Of course, we always get there on time; it's just on the way there are, well, complications. It's in the nature of the route. God didn't intend a road through here — look around you. If you stopped for an hour, the forest would eat you. Now, Nature takes care of these things. All these people hurtling to the north: it's madness." - Lawrence Osborne APR. 2, 1992

Myths and Margaritas

"Now, I first visited Tijuana and Ensenada in 1937 and spent a lot of time there in the late '30s and the '40s, when I was working for CBS in Los Angeles. I first encountered the margarita cocktail around 1940, and I've watched its whole progress as it made its way up Baja and into California. Back in the '30s and '40s, Americans did not drink cocktails — bourbon, scotch, rye whiskies were what Americans drank." - Margot Sheehan MAY. 21, 1992

The Big Casa

The guy who did the shooting was taken to Las Tumbas. The *comandante* interviewed him personally. He told the *comandante* that he expected to spend the rest of his life in the Tombs, and there was no way

he was giving up his Uzi. He will do better than most guys there. The guards and the other prisoners respect him. The last time I saw him, he had the first cell in the Tombs all to himself. - Anonymous JUN. 25, 1992

TJ is the Haunted City

The banana trees in the yard bore fruit; the trapezoidal neighbor's house refused to fall; Margo developed a marvelous skill for talking to birds — she could make them land on her fingers. Ernesto James ran out of bullets. Tijuana's Christmas decorations got fancier year by year, then grew old and faded and tattered. Margo moved away. Her mother moved away. The second-story dogs grew old and died. The tortilla shop's women were replaced by a machine. - Luis Urrea OCT. 8, 1992



"I take this bus twice a year. I take the kids back from their holidays with me to my daughter's house in Riverside."

Tijuana Mi Amor

Marcos lived for months at the Hotel San Francisco, on Calle Primera, across from La Funeraria San Martin. His room was littered with Argentine novels and Communist literature from Latin America. The hotel was clean, cheap. Walk down the hall, doors open behind you, and guests observe your passage down the hall. You spend many nights at this hotel. You will listen to the cathedral nearby ringing each hour. - Judith Moore FEB. 25, 1988

Little Room

"They hit me in the bathrooms of the [judicial police] office. They grabbed me by the shoulders and kneed me in the chest, and they lifted me up and punched me in the stomach. They slapped me a lot and kicked me in the legs and shins. In the bathroom they took a water hose, a tube, and turned on the water and put it up my nose and left it on for a minute." -Abe Opincar JUN. 14, 1990

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"Lifestyle and slice-of-life themes, often written in free-form styles that border on the bizarre."

n May of 1989, the Los Angeles Times published a profile of Jim Holman and his newspaper, the 17-year-old San Diego Reader. Holman had returned from a year long sabbatical in France two years earlier, a year he spent studying French literature. He also spent it studying the Reader, which he had sent to him overseas, and had decided his teenage creation needed to cut loose a bit. "I was amazed how resistant people were to change, to almost any new idea," Holman said, "as he sat in a tattered chair in his temporary office, amid newspapers strewn across carpeting with holes

hastily patched with duct tape. 'I think it shows how susceptible any organization is, even if it looks at itself as young and alternative. There is a certain natural conservatism.'" The profile described the change thusly: "Many of the features focus less on news angles and more on lifestyle and slice-of-life themes, often written in free-form styles that border on the bizarre. Sentence structure and basic grammatical forms are often ignored. Perhaps more so than in the past, features are often written in first person, such as Abe Opincar's recent trip to see a colonic administered in a 'confessional,'

or regular contributor Judith Moore's recent first-person search for fleas." Neither of those stories appear in this issue's look back on the *Reader*'s best from 1986 through 1994, but you will find Abe Opincar on the death of his psychiatrist and Judith Moore on San Diego's best tomato varieties, plus gonzo writer Richard Meltzer on his five days in the Navy, and the confessions of a border coyote. "Very few people really read things," Holman told the *Times*. But by that point, he could afford to run adventurous, even outrageous material for those who did.

—Matthew Lickona

Great top spin never stops

2.13.86

STEVE SORENSEN

Maybe it's sad that a sixtyseven-year-old man is still so obsessed with pursuing the elusive image of a "winner," particularly if he's already known such success in his youth. Or maybe his determination is inspiring, maybe Bobby Riggs is the champion of the golden years, bravely refusing to age gracefully.

Slow dirge for Steve and Susan

5.8.86

DAVID STEINMAN

Sherry Richardson wanted a change in her life, wanted to get away from the States for a while. She had a woman friend in Mexico she could stay with as long as she wanted, so during the early summer of 1984, Richardson, who was thirty-seven at the time, sold her downtown cosmetology shop and laid out the plans for a trip south. She intended to live in Yelapa, a tiny, isolated fishing village in the state of Jalisco, sixteen miles by boat south of Puerto Vallarta.



Graig Nettles (center): "They want to know what makes me tick, but I don't want people to know that."

Escape!

5.15.86

DUONG PHUC WITH VU THANH
THUY AND NEAL MATTHEWS
I can still recall the date,
May 19, 1977, because that
was Ho Chi Minh's birthday. The entire camp was
taken out to the fields to
clear away the elephant
grass — to "compete with
each other for Uncle Ho's
birthday." The grass grew
head-tall alongside the
main road.

Like wind through the canyon

6.5.86

STEVE SORENSEN

As for me, I was staring up at the magnificent block of white granite that overlooked the head of Canon Tajo. It was as large and impressive as Half Dome in Yosemite, and it could be seen from almost anywhere in the canyon.

Foul territory

7.3.86

STEPHEN MEYER

"Sports writers have tremendous penis envy," says San Diego Padres catcher Terry Kennedy. "They're envious of our position, and they're envious of our salaries. Every time they write about us, they rip us." Kennedy, though he is perhaps the most outspoken critic of sports writers on the Padres ball club, is by no means the only one.

Richard Meltzer's Navy

7.10.80

RICHARD MELTZER

Okay. I spent five-six days with the U.S. Navy. It didn't kill me. As "mixed" an encounter as any I've had as a writer, some parts were wretched, ghastly, distressing; others, ethereal, effervescent, exhilarating. Mostly it surprised me at every turn.

Mystery of the Gypsy Song 8.21.86

STEPHEN MEYER

It's the fourth of July at 6:30 am, and we're driving down the twenty-sevenmile highway between Tapachula and Puerto Madero, the southernmost port on Mexico's Pacific Coast. Ken Franke is at the wheel of a red Nissan he rented in Guatemala City. His mission is to find out what happened to the Gypsy Song.

The girls of summer 8.28.86

JUDITH MOORE

Nearly naked in two-piece bathing suits, with flawless, smooth browned bodies that might have been turned and sanded and varnished in advanced woodshop, in trios and pairs, the girls began to drift down the stairs next to Pacific Beach's Crystal Pier and onto La Jolla Shores' wide flat beach as early as ten o'clock.

My life of crime 10.9.86

X

At the age of about fifteen, I started stealin' cars and stealin' beer and all that stuff. Well, one night three of us stole a car from the Mobil gas station in Ocean Beach, and we were ridin' around, and coming through Old Town, a police officer pulled up next to us in an unmarked car.

Snakebite

11.5.86

JEANNETTE DEWYZE

Every person in the group had encountered the local vipers on many occasions. One man, Glen Conklin, even liked to catch wild rattlesnakes with his bare hands.

Big beef in Mission Valley

11.13.86

STEPHEN MEYER

At midnight on Friday, April 25, 1986, Robert DeFilippis and about thirty employees, family members, and patrons of the Butcher Shop wielded sledge hammers, knives, shovels, and other implements of destruction, and they annihilated the restaurant.

The wild horses of Coyote Creek

11.20.86

STEVE SORENSEN

Vern had been chasing wild horses all his life, in Texas, Oklahoma, and now California. There weren't many wranglers who knew more about the subject of wild horses than he did — and none who knew more about the herd on Coyote Creek.

Welcome to Johnny's 11,26.86

JUDITH MOORE

"I've come down here every morning for twenty-

seven years. To this day, I like it. My wife comes in every afternoon. She's the soup maker and waitress. Only once, for two days, that's the longest time we were ever closed," said Dee Binder, owner, with his wife Jeanette, of Johnny's Cafe, an eatery on the north side of the 300 block of West Broadway.

You can run but you cannot hide 12.4.86

STEPHEN MEYER

When two Mexican police officers and two FBI agents showed up at his beachfront Playas de Tijuana apartment on October 17, James Gibson had reason to suspect that his attempt to start a new life south of the border had been foiled.

Life on the crest 4.2.87

STEVE SORENSEN

Jerry Schad once hiked the entire crest of the Santa Rosa Mountains — 40 miles from Highway 74, near Anza, to the Borrego Valley — in two days. Another time, he ran from the north rim of the Grand Canyon to the south rim in less than four hours — a record at the time. Yet another time, he rode a bicycle from Ocean Beach to Gila Bend, Arizona, in 20 ½ hours.

So what are you looking at?

4.9.87

BOB MCPHAIL

Unlike those whose religious beliefs add spiritual peace to their lives, I found that mine did nothing to assist me in accepting myself or winning the acceptance of others. And as far as my peers were concerned, my condition had worsened. Not only was I fat, I was fat and religious. Not a winning combination with which to enter adolescence.



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Billy Idol, The Whiplash Smile Tour

Thoughts on the passing of a friend 4.30.87

GENE MARINE

I was once in a war, a war of which people now in their forties have no memory. It is The War to those of us of a certain age and beyond, but to everyone else, it must be as remote as the First World War — in which my father served — is to me.

The Bible tells me so 5.14.87

JUDITH MOORE

"If you go to church," he said, "sometimes the preacher might get up and say something about abortion or homosexuality. Usually, he won't, because he's afraid he'll run somebody off from his church. I've had a lot of people leave this church because of stands I've taken."

The priority of gardens 6.11.87

SCOTT SADIL

I grew up in Southern California suburbia and hated gardening. It was called yard work, which pretty much explains why any kid would feel about it as I did. The brunt of the work was in the form of mowing the lawn, edging the lawn, trimming around trees in the lawn, and weeding.

Undercover Klansman 6.25.87

IM BERNS

Seymour recalls that the decision to accept the Klan assignment was an easy one. In early February of 1979, the thirty-six-year-old reservist applied by mail for Klan membership; and six weeks later, he received a phone call from Tom Metzger, Grand Dragon for the State of California for the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

An encounter with Bill Coulson

8.20.87

JEANNETTE DEWYZE
Coulson and Rogers
founded the Center for
Studies of the Person in
La Jolla, where Rogers
presided as chief eminence
until his death just this
past February. But some-

thing happened to Coul-

son. One day he began to

think Rogers had made terrible mistakes.

The way we worked 9.17.87

STEVE SORENSEN

"I went to a CCC camp [at Cuyamaca Rancho] in November of '37. First they taught me to dig holes." He said this with a straight face and a sigh, which brought a laugh and a shake of the head from some of the others. ""Finally, I got on the fire crew. In the summer, we'd fight fires, and in the winter, we'd build dams."

Mission over the mountains

10.29.87

STEVE SORENSEN

By late September, my plan for entering the Chocolate Mountains had developed to the point that my backpack was packed with food, water, maps, and binoculars; my truck was fueled; and I was trying to decide whether I should tell my wife where I was going or if that would only cause her to worry.

Explosion!

11.12.87

MARK LINSKY

For dozens of men, however, all worry was over. The sailors stoking the boilers were dead. Dead also were most of those exposed to the blasts of steam that continued to pour from the ruptured boiler and broken pipes throughout the length of the ship.

I shot down Japan's Admiral Yamamoto

1.21.88

KATHLEEN BETH MIX

The Yamamoto mission was critical to our war effort. In war, soldiers die, and that's just the way it is. As a pilot, it was an impersonal thing for me; almost machine against machine. The only action I regret in the war was in a combat mission when I saw

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a downed Japanese pilot running along the beach. I dove my plane and strafed him, killing him.

The doctor is dead 2.4.88

ABE OPINCAR

Such are the conceits of first-world living — they follow you. A late-night call from San Diego slips through a satellite onto the shore of a beleaguered nation with the news of my psychiatrist's death. My upbringing hadn't prepared me for this.

Confessions of an illegal alien smuggler 2.25.88

RAY MONROE

A young man I taught how to cross the border from Playas, Tijuana to Imperial Beach got on the wrong bus and wound up back at the border, where he was promptly arrested by the "Migra."

Tijuana mi amor 2.25.88

ABE OPINCAR

You see a time and a place, and for a while it was everything you knew. Irrevocably. Beyond measure. Zona Norte hasn't changed. It is still the wild side. Desperate; sure of itself. Dark-skinned guys



It was a sharp descent off the ridge, over rotten scree, but Schad soon found a sheep trail to the bottom. As he bounded down the canyon side, he shouted back to me Schad's Rule of Thumb: "I figure I can go anywhere a sheep can go!"

from the interior still come here for one last sinful evening before crossing to the other side.

The unbearable rightness of being Roger Hedgecock

3.24.88

RICHARD MELTZER

What?! Can this be right? Actual, literal Q & A with R * O * G * E * R H * E * D * G * E * C * O * C * Kwho you thought would rather lose his dingus than submit to another, ulp, ordeal by newsprint???

Broken chain

4.7.88

MATT POTTER

Edward Wyllis Scripps, the premier newspaper

baron of nineteenth-century America, took pen in hand and deprived all but one of his children of the legacy of his vast media empire. By then he was forced to desert Rancho Miramar, the sprawling 2100-acre ranch he had blasted out of the dusty scrub country north of San Diego.

The deadly view from Sunset Cliffs

5.19.88 CAROL BOWERS

Off-duty sailors and marines saw the landslide, called police, and started

digging frantically with their hands. Then Engine 15 of the Ocean Beach Fire Department arrived.

Everybody who's anybody 6.30.88

JUDITH MOORE

Queried as to why he asked Mrs. Jackson to come out of retirement and resume writing. Neil Morgan said. "The thing any community that grows like a rocket needs is roots. And that's in very short supply in San Diego."

Was Ramona real?

9.29.88

ROGER ANDERSON

Ramona was published in 1884 and became almost instantly popular. A kind of Ramona-mania took hold of the country during the 1890s that went a very long way toward giving the region an aura of storied loveliness.

The commercialization of surfing

10.20.88

STEVE SORENSEN

The DuPont Corporation was looking for a way to market its new nylon clothing material, Catalina saw the new and explosive popularity of surfing as a way to hype its flashy new swimwear. They hired Mike Doyle, then the most popular surfer in the world.

White on white

11.10.88

ABE OPINCAR

John Metzger: "I learned about the Klan by being at a lot of the socials and meetings. But I think that the only thing that I really registered as a kid was the cross lightings. Now, that was fire — it was impressive."

Speedy claims Lomas, the Law claims Speedy 1.19.89

RORY PERRY

The Lomas gang, of which Speedy and Huero are both members, claims this section of the park and the rest of Golden; its territory, which extends from Highway 94 north to the park and from 22nd Street east to 30th Street.

One evening in a life of selling lies 2.9.89

JULIAN B.

I am going to work Mariners Point, a section of Mission Bay Park in vogue this year with San Diego's young revelers. The crowd at Mariners was so large and chaotic that I could make one sweep of the point without much chance of discovery.

The blood upon his hands

3.9.89

SUE GARSON

He became an altar boy at Saint Brigid's, joined the Cub Scouts (Mary was den mother). Later, when he entered Saint Augustine High School on Nutmeg Street, he was elected commissioner of athletics.

John Steinbeck was my father

3.30.89

JOHN STEINBECK IV

If you look at *The Grapes* of Wrath, closely, nobody talks like that. It's a big kind of cartoon in the fresco sense of the word, an overdrawn image of the way people might talk.

Taken by a shark 6.15.89

ED DAVIES

June 14, 1959, a 33-year-old Convair engineer named Robert Pamperin went skin diving for abalone off La Jolla Cove and was never seen again. A friend later would claim to have witnessed Pamperin being swallowed by a shark.

Survivor

7.27.89

KURT SNIDER

Most who've seen Bridge on the River Kwai remember the prisoners whistling a tune. Hank Allen, a resident of Lakeside, often heard Australian prisoners of war whistle the "Colonel Bogey March" during his own time as a POW.

Till death do us part 11.16,89

JEANNETTE DEWYZE

Betty Broderick wanted to tell the story of their divorce and the injustice because of her ex-husband's influence within the legal community. Reporters want to interview her, now that Dan and his second wife are dead and Betty is under arrest for their murder.

The unlikely rescue 1.11.90

JOE APPLEGATE

Mike Carrasco returned to the outcropping at 10:30 and called about for his father. His concern grew, and around noon, Mike drove eight miles down to Lake Henshaw for help in finding his father.

Dots on the map

2.22.90

ROGER ANDERSON

A drive along Old Highway 80 takes you through a string of towns — Guatay, Buckman Springs, La Posta, Live Oak Springs, Boulevard, Bankhead Springs,

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and Jacumba — past clusters of houses, ranches, gas stations, post offices, cafés, and trailer parks.

A spear in the dirt 3.8.90

JOHN BRIZZOLARA

By 4:30 a.m., I am a little desperate. No one will take me on. Later, a foreman tells me that it's very rare that gringos seek out this work. When they do, they're invariably crazy, union activists, or both, and most contractors avoid them.

Everybody onstage for the forgiveness and reconciliation number

3.18.90
JOE APPLEGATE

Lamb's Players is not in the same league as the Old Globe, the La Jolla Playhouse, and the San Diego Rep, with their out-of-town guest artists and subsidized summer seasons. But it has come to be regarded as one of the best locals.

I ran drugs for Uncle Sam 4.5.90

NEAL MATTHEWS

He says he didn't cut side deals with drug runners, so he didn't make a lot of money. Why didn't he? "Sheer stupidity on my part. Looking back on it, I sometimes wish I'd taken the money like a lot of these damn mercenaries."

Jorge Hank finally talks 5.10.90

NEAL MATTHEWS

By the time El Gato was murdered and two of Hank's security men were charged with the crime, Hank was already experiencing some personal and professional difficulties.

Little room

ABE OPINCAR

"They shoved my shirt in my mouth so I wouldn't scream very loud, and I was tied really tight to the chair so I couldn't move.... They attached electrical cables to me."

Real Seal

8.2.90

BILL SALISBURY

Rick Trani, the Annapolis graduate, got hit by a claymore. Lost his legs. But he made it back to the hospital at Bien Hoa. Then he died when they gave him the wrong blood. I try to remember Rick before we went to Ranger school, the Rung Sat, and the Delta.

Famous San Diegans recite poetry

10.18.90

SUE GREENBERG

A number of San Diegans were called on the telephone and asked to recite, on the spur of the moment, any poem they might know by heart. Some were up to the task; Laura Buxton didn't miss a beat. Michael Davidson immediately launched into Middle English; Jim Sills rattled off "Invictus" with dramatic flair. But a few struggled and were allowed to call back.

As we round Pt. Loma

11.21.90

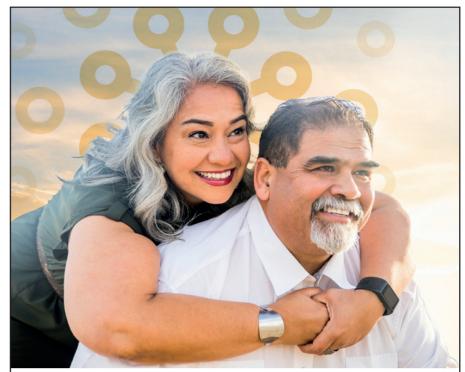
JOE APPLEGATE

He shipped out of Boston, spent 18 months loading ships with cowhides taken from the wild California coast, and narrated his adventure in *Two Years Before The Mast*. Richard Henry Dana Jr. was revisiting San Diego.

San Diego man hunted pandas for Roosevelts 11.29.90

MICHAEL KIEFER

They sighted a giant panda emerging from a hollow spruce tree on a snowcovered mountainside. They shot simultaneously, or so they claimed, and brought the animal down. (Quentin Young dismisses their claim.)



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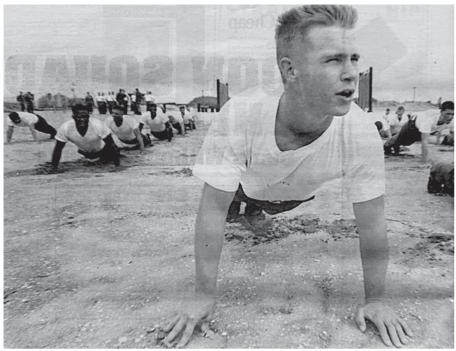
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Fifty push-ups was the standard. The standard has now been limited to ten push-ups with tanks on.

The Hale blinks

12.13.90

NEAL MATTHEWS

Skeptics believe in 20 years Palomar will go the way of Mt. Wilson in Los Angeles. For the last five years, the Mt. Wilson telescope, which began operation in 1917, has been shut down because of light pollution.

Whatever I'm reading is what I like best

12.20.90

JUDITH MOORE

I have stretched out on the couch — a plumpish welllit haven upholstered with rough, nubby cotton, ivory in color. In the kitchen the man I love shuts and opens and shuts the oven door. He's baking brownies. I can smell the chocolate.

Class wars

1.17.91

BRAE CANLEN

Most public high school instructors in the San Diego Unified School District deal with 150 kids a day in need of some kind of attention. "Even the sales clerks in Macy's wait on less people than that," comments one instructor.

Peace be still 4.18.91

KATHY MILLER

My mother removed herself by degrees from our middle-class tract house, our neighborhood's PTA housewives and welders and four-wheel-drive clubs. She founded a local chapter of NOW, began reading Psychology Today and Ms.



"Another lesson I try to impress upon my clients is that you just don't walk across the border."

A son by any other name

MATT POTTER

6.20.91

Helen and her mother bought a small house on 54th Street. Helen married her boss, Jim Copley, and David Hunt became David Copley, who would grow up to be president

of the Copley newspaper chain, heir-apparent to a troubled dynasty.

On the noir side of town

6.27.91

ADAM PARFREY AND OTHERS These places are stubborn totems of our city's pre-suburban past. These are scenes where Raymond Chandler would have lingered, a Southern California James M. Cain would have written home to Baltimore about.

Don't pitch your tent on San Clemente Island 8.22.91

STEVE SORENSEN

Until the mid-1800s, San Clemente Island had not been inhabited by any land mammal (except for humans) larger than a fox. The island's fragile plants had evolved without pressure from hoofed herbivores of any kind.

Like your road widened, Mister?

9.5.91

NEAL MATTHEWS

In San Diego County, a few medium-size jobs remain, such as completion of the seven-mile stretch of state route 52 between Tierrasanta and Santee and the nine-mile route 56 connection between I-5 and I-15 through Carmel Valley.

The hermits of **Ghost Mountain**

10.17.91

JEANNETTE DEWYZE

To choose this place for a home, to try to survive here month after month, year after year, building a mud-walled shelter, conceiving children, raising them up from infancy, for most people, would be unthinkable.

I just smoked a Camel and watched him die 10.24.91

LINTON ROBINSON

As a tank for violent criminals and repeat offenders, about a third murderers, 6D was a lot calmer, more respectful environment than those gladiator schools full of little rat-pack gangbangers.

The diva of Grossmont 11.7.91

RICHARD W. AMERO Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink began her opera career modestly in Austria at age 15, but by the time she moved her family to San Diego, at 48, she was one of the most famous and revered women of her time.

Rebels without an engine 11.14.91

RAY WESTBERG

Standing on Pringle Street near Kettner Boulevard,

looking up a precipitous grade of snaking asphalt, I tried to imagine Freddie Hafner's thoughts — aged 41 — one second before his death. At 45 miles an hour, Freddie swerves, loses control — bam!

O we sail the oceans blue and our amphipod's a cutie 11.27.91

JOHN BRIZZOLARA

Our departure from the end of Rosecrans has been delayed. Aristides Yayanos, who leads a scientific team from UCSD Scripps Institution of Oceanography, has had difficulty locating a forklift for his fiberglass shed full of research equipment.

Satan chasers

12.5.91

MARY LANG

San Diego has many experts who say the county is a hotbed of Satanic activity. The hidden canyons of the back country, Ramona,

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Santee, Escondido, even Oceanside, are said to be riddled with ritual sites of devil worshippers.

They jump at night 2.20.92

NICK DIGIOVANNI

Fences surrounding construction sites are rickety. I roll into a shadow, willing the clamor to subside. A security guard stands 20 yards away watching the girls walk by on Broadway. He doesn't hear me. A real Pinkerton man.

Goon squad in Hell Week

3.12.92

BILL SALISBURY

Sometimes trainees do die, or come close, during their 25-week ordeal. But you seldom learn much about this unless you are in the Teams and drink at bars like McP's in Coronado or the Far East Rock in IB.

C. Arnholt Smith in his own words

3 19 92

LINDA NEVIN. NEAL MATTHEWS Smith held political influence unmatchable today. The San Diego Union once declared him "Mr. San Diego of the Century." But in the early 1970s, Smith's empire collapsed. He eventually spent a year in jail

San Diego's first schoolmarm 4.9.92

JEANNETTE DEWYZE

The story of Mary Chase Walker is recounted often at the schoolhouse in Old Town. Students are told that Walker got married and for that reason had to quit her job. The teachers believe this. But it isn't true.

Michael Reagan's out in the cold again

JOHN BRIZZOLARA

"We had just everybody vou've ever seen from those days when we had parties. I opened the front door one night, and in came Marilyn Monroe. I'd just seen her in the famous [Life magazine] velvet nude shot that day."

Die free! Bataan Death March survivor

4.23.92

LEON BECK. NEAL MATTHEWS I found two gallon cans. We carried them several days until we got so hungry we had to open them with a bayonet. One was a gallon can of beets, and the other was a gallon can of ketchup. That's what 30 men ate for six days.





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The saucer-eve orphans have lost their father

5 14 92

ADAM PARFREY

For more than 30 years, ex-realtor Walter Keane sold himself as the progenitor of the Keane kid. But as a result of several acrimonious trials, Walter's ex-wife Margaret has been judged the true and lawful originator.

Spud Murphy's **Boxing Gym**

7.9.92

PATRICK DAUGHERTY

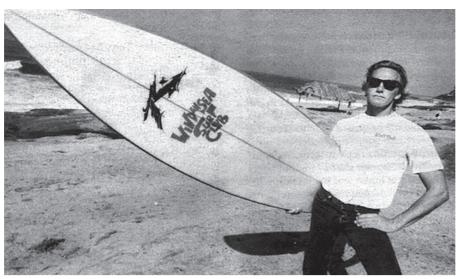
In here, it could be 1949. One thinks of the movie The Champion, starring Kirk Douglas. Or it could be 1976 with Rocky Balboa in South Philly. This place smells of a boxing gym, which means sweat and plaster.

The Frontier they want us to forget 9.10.92

MARGOT SHEEHAN

San Diego Reader October 20, 2022

The Frontier Homes Housing Project — 3500 "temporary" dwellings constructed in 1944. One of the largest developments of its kind ever built in the USA — Designed to last for two years and enduring (parts of it, at least) for 20.



Scot Cherry, Mike Hynson, the surfer from Bruce Brown's movie The Endless Summer, said, "Are you Scot Cherry? I understand if I have a problem around here I should come to you."

Lie down in darkness 9.10.92

BOB OWENS

The night sea off the coast of La Jolla was smothered in fog on December 18, 1917, and in those pre-sonar days the American submarine F-1 had no way of knowing that she was on a collision course with her sister ship.

Mechanical man

10.1.92

IOHN BRIZZOLARA

"But that lonely Maytag repairman thing? That's funny. I was a Maytag dealer for four years, and it was one of the busiest times of my life. It's not

a lot, it's just that there are a lot of them out there."

Wave gangsters 11.5.92

HOYT SMITH

Except perhaps for Malibu Beach, Windansea was the epicenter of California surf culture during this golden age of surfing. Many who surfed Windansea in the 1950s had already left to pioneer big-wave riding on the North Shore of Oahu.

Lost roads of San Diego 11.5.92

MARGOT SHEEHAN

In the early 1940s, the city wanted to build a Washington Street extension

2330 Main St., Ramona 92065

(next to Pinto Thai)

of a new highway cutting the neighborhood in two.

Mother Teresa's Tijuana legacy

The Missionary Fathers of Charity live about a half mile from the Terminal Central de Autobuses. The colonias that surround the seminary are called Marua and Arenal. Out behind the bus terminal is a large swampy pond.

Born to kill 3.18.93

JEANNETTE DEWYZE

One of the most famous bullfighters working in Spain today recently stepped into a small, stonewalled ring on a ranch not

through Mission Hills to the Pacific Highway. The locals balked at the notion

1.7.93

KEN KUHLKEN

I grow Sweet 100." The impossible shore

10.7.93 LARRY SIEMS

The bow of the To Ching No. 212 looks like the nose of a fighter who should have quit sooner. Pinned between a 60-meter patrullero and the Ensenada Naval Pier, she's no longer a danger. Mexico officially seized the ship, its crew, and 254 undocumented Chinese passengers.

Eating people is the ultimate control

10.14.93

far from Tecate. Two vet-

eran Mexican matadors

accompanied him, as

did two promising Mexi-

Traveling north on foot

from that section of San

Diego called Little Italy.

My destination is Balboa

Park. My goal is to seek out

and live among San Diego's

homeless. Another goal is

Baseball will humble you

"Ted Williams says, 'Come

here, mark on that wall.

Where you think my

knees are?' And I do, and

he goes over and stands

next to my mark. 'Now,

you fucking pitch on that

goddamn mark.' 'Yes, sir!""

Pat Welsh plants Early Girl

tomatoes for a June crop,

then for August, Celebrity

and Better Boy. "I always

grow Better Boy," she says.

"That's the one I like best.

For a smaller, cherry type,

San Diego's best

tomato breeds

JUDITH MOORE

7.8.93

PATRICK DAUGHERTY

truth. The one absolute.

can novices.

radiant city

DAVID RIOUX

6.2.93

7.1.93

Labyrinth of the

JOHN BRIZZOLARA

At 11:00 pm, the bad boys — among a handful of not-very-good-in-thefirst-place boys — of San Diego's punk scene take the stage like a patrol of long-range reconnaissance grunts seizing a hot landing zone.

Tarawa

11.88.93

RAY WESTBERG

I enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1942, at the Federal Building on Market and 12th Street. From there I was dispatched to MCRD. The training program in boot camp, because of the war, was reduced from 12 weeks.

In time for the morning glass

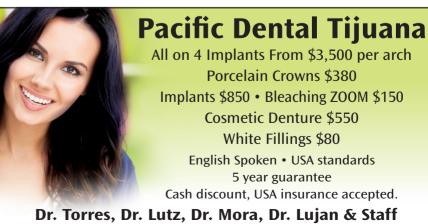
12.2.93

MIKE DOYLE, STEVE SORENSEN I saw that filmmakers Bud Browne and Bruce Brown were there showing their movies, and Dick Dale and the Deltones were there playing surf music. Tom Morey had a booth at the



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trade show, too, so I went over to say hello.

San Diego Texas

1.27.94

ABE OPINCAR

What's most important to remember about San Diego, other than its scrub, is its sky. It is a big, luminous sky that seems to shimmer. Nobody knows why. Perhaps it's the moisture from the nearby gulf that causes it.

Far from the enormous past

3.31.94

BILL MANSON

"When the Khmer Rouge came for me in the morning, they had to tear me away from them, screaming. I hung on to my mother's legs till they ripped me away. When they got me back, they tied me to the post like an animal."

Chinese hiding under a rock in Baja

5.6.94

FRANK CHIN

So when I ask people in the Imperial Valley and Mexicali and Tijuana about the toad, I don't want to be alone. I'll get my friend Pokchi to ask about the toad. The question will sound a lot better in Chinese.

San Diego's secret gardens 6.2.94

ROBERT GLUCK

Why palms and cycads? "They're permanent. The begonias are like a candy fix. The bromeliads are the same. Temporary plants. But palms and cycads can be generations old. Cycads were here with the dinosaurs — the oldest living plants."

Roommates from Hell 6.16.94

ELAYNE KETCHER

My high school girlfriend Carolee became a constant



Wild horse roundup, "Some people call them horses up there 'mustangs,' but that ain't right."

visitor at our place. Soon she was having Rick work on her car and often borrowed his. She asked questions about what kind of lover he was, and about his likes and dislikes.

Ramona then. Ramona now

7.14.94

SHARON DOUBIAGO

Ramona: land of the car wreck. I have lived in many remote small towns since, accessible only by two-lane mountain roads. I know these towns do not have the car accidents or fatalities that Ramona has. Or had. Why?

Dear Dick

7.28.94

MATT POTTER

In your campaigning, I certainly hope that you will not overlook San Diego. I believe I can swing a lot of the votes into

your column. However, I feel it is imperative that you include this city on your schedule.

Spanish Village shaken by mystery stabbing 8.4.94

BILL MANSON

"Then I heard male voices outside on the patio. I didn't look up. The voices moved left to right. I never looked up. The sounds went back around the right

side of the Potters' Guild. A few minutes later I heard a fight starting up."

Bridges of San Diego County 9.15.94

PETER JENSEN

I drive the roads of San Diego County with an agenda: you don't know when you might spot another canyon dancer, a concrete Nureyev. I hike gorges and find them in places called Goat Canyon and Pine Valley Creek.

San Diego's flamenco sub-culture

10.13.94

FRANK CHIN

"The girls that were from Mexicali, performing at the feria, they came last year and saw what our club was doing, and they were going, 'Wow! We've never seen anything like this! We wanta come!"





Calendar

AND WELCOME TO I

Thursday | 20

ONE BODY TOO MANY AT THE **DAVIS-HORTON** HOUSE

Come watch the classic horror film One Body Too Many (1944) in a spooky setting. (Next week, it's 1959's The Bat.) Event includes movie, soda or water, snack, and an exclusive afterhours self-guided

haunted stories tour of the candlelit Davis-Horton House. Participants will have access to the House for their self-guided haunted stories tour until 7:15 pm.

WHEN: Thursday, October 20, 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm

WHERE: Gaslamp Museum at the Davis-Horton House, 410 Island Avenue, Downtown. gaslampfoundation.org

Friday | 21

STARS AT WEST SYCAMORE

Join members from the San Diego Astronomy Association at the West Sycamore Staging Area to view the nighttime sky through telescopes. It will be a dark night, good for observing the parade of the planets (Jupiter,

your chairs and blankets to a viewing that will take place outdoors on Midway's

flight deck. Plus; costume contest, dancing, themed cocktails, and movie snacks for sale.

Neptune, Saturn, Pluto). Learn about

the Owl Cluster in the constellation Cassiopeia. Note: rain or cloudy skies cancel event. Sunset takes place at 6:53 pm. Viewing begins at dusk.

WHEN: Friday, October 21, 6:30pm.

WHERE: West

Sycamore - Mission Trails Regional Park, 17160 Stonebridge Parkway, Scripps Ranch. sdaa.org



Prove you ain't afraid of no ghost: come enjoy a Halloween party and a





special showing of Ghostbusters! Bring



WHEN: Friday, October 21, 6:30 pm to 10 pm

WHERE: USS Midway Museum, 910 N. Harbor Drive, Downtown. midway.org

Monday | 24

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NICK MASON'S SAUCERFUL OF **SECRETS**

Nick Mason's Saucerful of Secrets offers what may be the last chance to see an intimate performance by approximately half of Pink Floyd (bassist Guy Pratt has been with Floyd since Roger Waters' departure decades ago). Anchored by Pink Floyd drummer Nick Mason, the band plays pre-*Dark Side of the Moon* music and previously unfinished bootleg staples such as "Vegetable Man".

WHEN: Monday, October 24, 7:30 pm WHERE: Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue, Downtown, sandiegotheatres.org

Saturday | 22 **HAUNTED GHOST**

TOWN SPOOKTACULAR

The San Dieguito Heritage Museum preserves the history of the San Dieguito River area — roughly, the area between the Batiquitos Lagoon and the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon. The Museum's 1.5-acre property on Quail Gardens Drive is full of artifacts and exhibits. Student actors from Ovation Theatre will guide you

through the Heritage Ranch property,

with haunted tours every thirty minutes.

WHEN: Friday, Saturdays, and Sundays, 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Through October 30.

WHERE: San Dieguito Heritage Museum, 450



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42nd International Exhibition juried by award-winning artist, Linda Daley Baker. This highly competitive Exhibition represents the very best of water-based media art from around the world and runs from October 2-31. Sundays, 12pm; through Monday, October 31, free. San Diego Watercolor Society, 2825 Dewey Road #202. (LIBERTY STATION)

Acrylic Pour Workshop Call it fluid art, liquid art, or acrylic pouring, there's nothing more satisfying than creating abstract masterpieces by letting pigment run amok. There are endless creative possibilities thanks to different ways to combine acrylic paints. Materials included. Painting will be wet after class. Pick-up is available during the week. Friday, October 21, 2pm & Monday, October 24, 6pm; \$20-\$30. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (IA JOLLA)

Comic Savvy: Halloween Edition! As always, you can look forward to the promise of comics, good conversation, and of course donuts. A large library of comic books and graphic novels has just about a little of every-

thing for everyone, so please feel free to peruse the stacks. A large amount of free comic books and graphic novels for attendees to go through and take home. Free and pet friendly. Friday, October 21, 7pm; **free**. Little Fish Comic Book Studio, 6822-B El Cajon Boulevard. (ROLANDO)

Fiber & Book Arts Exhibition Regional artists elevate fiber works to the ranks of fine art in this annual juried art exhibition of traditional and innovative works. Textiles and natural materials are used in sculptures, garments, basketry, installations, book art, and more. Saturdays, 11am; through Friday, November 4, free. Escondido Arts Partnership Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

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The Groovy Artshow A retro themed group exhibition. Get your bell bottoms, polyester shirts, platform shoes and go back in time. Retro artwork in exhibit will be for sale by local artists along with 60s & 70s Music, fashion show and more. Colorful and fun attire is encouraged. \$20 suggested donations with two free beverage tickets. Blacklight afterparty, tacos by Lola. Saturday, October 22, 6pm; 21 and up. In Gallery, 1878 Main Street.

What the Heck is Contemporary Art?! Conversation-based exploration of contemporary art through the work of Ghanaian artist Yaw Owusu. Enjoy an organically grown conversation around value and its perception, with a casual way to look at art and a way to meet other art-minded people. Thursday, October 20, 5pm; free.

ICA North Institute of Contemporary Art San Diego, 1550 South El Camino Real. (ENCINITAS)

AUTOMOTIVE

Cars & Coffee All cars welcome Sundays, 8am; through Sunday, August 24, free. Kit Carson Park, 3333 Bear Valley Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

BEER

Beer Choir San Diego: BOO Choir Juan Carlos Acosta and his band, Potterwatch, will perform. Costumes encouraged but not required. Wednesday, October 26, 7pm; \$12-\$15. 21 and up. Societe Brewing Company, 8262 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard.

Craft Beer Trivia & Sing Along Night Come for the resident trivia master and piano man for one funfilled Thursday night. Thursday, October 20, 6pm; free. Ebullition Brew Works, 2449 Cades Way, Suite D. (VISTA)

Fall Festival Musical performances by The White Collars, Y3K, Siers Brothers, 3 Car Garage, SD Grooveline, and more. Beer garden, food, inflatables, craft faire, carnival games, and classic car show. Friday, October 21, 6pm; Saturday, October 22, 12pm; Sunday, October 23, 11am; free. St. Columba Catholic Church, 3327 Glencolum Drive.

Great Pumpkin Beer Festival Enjoy pumpkin themed brews, live entertainment, twisted experientials, squash-based foodie creations, hidden surprises, and more. Saturday, October 22, 3pm; \$45-\$95. 21 and up. Gaslamp Quarter, Fifth Ave., between Broadway and Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Pumpkin Carving with Beer-Candy Pairing Ticket includes a pumpkin to carve, tools for the carving, along with a flight of beers and candy pairing. Wednesday, October 26, 6pm; \$20. 21 and up. Rouleur Brewing Company, 2899 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Rancho BEERnardo Festival 11th annual tasting event with 35 top breweries and 5 regional wineries. Food, music and fun included in ticket price. VIP tix will include early admission, a highly select group of tastings and delicious food pairings. BEERnardo is an adult only event and cannot accommodate pets or children. You must be 21 years of age to participate. Saturday, October 22, 2pm; \$65-\$90. 21 and up. Webb Park, 16826 Bernardo Center Drive. (RAN-

SDFD Mustache Madness Show your support for the San Diego Fire Department with firefighter's fun including a mustache competition, silent auction, live music performances and entertainment, raffle, and drink specials. Thursday, October 20, 5pm; \$20. 21 and up. Mavericks Beach Club, 860 Garnet Avenue. (PACIFIC BEACH)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Ariel Lawhon, Kristina McMorris and Susan Meissner: When We Had Wings Warwick's will host Ariel Lawhon, Kristina McMorris and Susan Meissner as they discuss and sign their new book, When We Had Wings. To ensure admittance, we encourage you to reserve seating for everyone in your party by pre-ordering one book per seat through Warwick's. Monday, October 24, 7:30pm; free-\$27. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (IA JOLLA)

Celeste Ng: Our Missing Hearts Warwick's & University of San Diego's College of Arts and Sciences present Celeste Ng in conversation with Leeva Chung, USD Professor of Communication studies. Friday, October 21, 7pm; \$29. Joan B. Kroc Institute

for Peace and Justice, USD, 5998 Alcalá Park, (LINDA VISTA)

Coffee with Kafka and Bernhard Schlink Germany's most successful living author, Bernhard Schlink will be talking about his latest book, Olga, and his connection to Franz Kafka, one of the greatest writers in literary history, in conversation with Kafka's Last Love author Kathi Diamant. This intimate event held in a private garden marks one of the few stops on his U.S. book signing tour. Refreshments will be served. Reservations are required. Seating is limited. Sunday, October 23, 1pm; free-\$10. Pan's Garden, 506 21st Street, (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

Leslie Klinger: Annotated Jekyll & Hyde Leslie Klinger discussing *The New Annotated Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.* Saturday, October 22, 4pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 3555 Rosecrans Street Suite 107,.

Major Garrett: The Big Truth Warwick's, in partnership with the School of Journalism at San Diego State University, the San Diego Press Club and Coronado Public Library, presents Major Garrett as he discusses and signs his new book, The Big Truth: Upholding Democracy in the Age of "The Big Lie". Saturday, October 22, 12pm; free. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

T. Greenwood: Such a Pretty Girl Warwick's will host T. Greenwood as she discusses and signs her new book, *Such a Pretty Girl*. To ensure admittance, we encourage you to reserve seating for everyone in your party by pre-ordering one book per seat through Warwick's. Tuesday, October 25, 7:30pm; free-\$16. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (IA JOLLA)

Vaughn Scribner: Merpeople: A Human History Vaughn Scribner traces the long history of mermaids and mermen, taking in a wide variety of sources and using 117 striking images. Monday, October 24, 5:30pm; free. University

of San Diego, 5998 Alcalà Park.

Veronica Roth: Poster Girl Veronica Roth, in discussion with Cindy Pon. Monday, October 24, 7pm; \$27. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 3555 Rosecrans Street Suite 107. (POINT LOMA)

Weekends with Locals: Brianne Grajkowski Weekends with Locals will be hosting Brianne Grajkowski, author of Cooking with Kids: Fun, Easy, Approachable Recipes to Help Teach Kids How to Cook. Sunday, October 23, 12pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (IA 1011A)

Weekends with Locals: Mike Branon As part of our ongoing Weekends with Locals Program we will be hosting Mike Branon, author of *The Joy of Pickleball: The Definitive Instructional Guide for the Senior Player.* Sunday, October 23, 2:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

5-Week Beginner Wheel Throwing Course Learn the basics of throwing pottery on the wheel. Materials included. No experience necessary. Ages 16+ Saturday, October 22, 1pm; \$300. 18 and up. San Diego Craft Collective, 2590 Truxtun Rd., Studio 106.

Alzheimer's San Diego: Maintaining Your Brain Health Learn about the latest research on lifestyle changes and strategies that everyone can use to maintain their brain health. This class is presented by local nonprofit Alzheimer's San Diego. Pre-registration is recommended. Thursday, October 20, 10am; free. 18 and up. Grossmont Healthcare Center, 9001 Wakarusa Street. (IA MESA)

Backyard Composting Basics Join Solana Center for this 2-hour workshop at Weidner's Gardens



where you will learn the basics of traditional backyard composting. Using trial-tested advice and demonstrations, our experienced educators will teach you all you need to know to get started with a bin that fits your needs and lifestyle. Saturday, October 22, 10am; free. Weidner's Gardens, 695 Normandy Road. (ENCINITAS)

Ekphrastic Poetry Ekphrastic Poetry with Sarah Sleeper Sunday, October 23, 5:30pm; \$27-\$31. Ink Spot, 2730 Historic Decatur Rd., Barracks 16 #202. (LIBERTY STATION)

Find Balance with Ayurveda Ayurvedic workshop: Arlene explores the origin of Ayurveda. Learn about the Doshas (Vata, Pitta, Kapha), and discover your unique constitution (dosha). This workshop is for all levels and new students. Saturday, October 22, 10am; free-\$37. San Diego Made Factory, 2031 Commercial Street. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

Learn to Make Kombucha Kombucha is a tasty, fermented tea beverage that has gut health benefits. Learn how to brew your own. You'll leave with your very own scoby, jar, a swing top bottle & supplies to make your first batch. Saturday, October 22, 3:30pm; \$25-\$75. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)

Meditation Trikaya Buddhist Healing Practices & Meditation with Varada Sunday, October 23, 11am; 18 and up. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue.

Shrink Wrapping Soap Class Soap Business 335 is a soap wrapping class, in which students learn how to apply shrink wrap film to soap quickly and effectively so little or no film is wasted. Sunday, October 23, 3pm; \$34. Soapmaking



Studio, 7301 Mount Vernon Street.

Soap Labeling & Marketing Class Soap Business 330 is an intermediate business class that covers the federal and local regulations for labeling soap. Sunday, October 23, 11am; \$85. Soapmaking Studio, 7301 Mount Vernon Street. (LEMON GROVE)

Wheel Throwing Beginner-Intermediate This class brings together individuals of various skill levels who wish to learn or improve their abilities on the pottery wheel. Thursdays, 10am; through Thursday, October 20, \$315-\$350. ICA San Diego (North)

COMEDY

Gabby Lamb AS SEEN ON: Slick Talk is back and we're excited to have Gabby Lamb as seen on King & the Sting, Tea Time & more! Wednesday, October 26, 8pm; free. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIFGO)

Gaslamp Comedy Open Mic & Happy Hour Tuesday, October 25, 7:30pm; free. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Jeremy Piven AS SEEN ON: Entourage, Tonight Show w/Jimmy Fallon, PCU, Ellen, Mr. Selfridge, Wisdom of the Crowd, Cars, Smokin' Aces & Very Bad Things! Thursday, October 20, 8pm; Friday, October 21, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, October 22, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; \$30. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIFGO)

PMan's Raw Comedy Show Urban raw comedians performing live. Hosted by PMan Saturday, October 22, 8pm; \$20-\$25. 21 and up. Shooters Bar and Grill, 28950 Old Town Front Street. (TEMECULA)

Pod Meets World Live Hosted by Rider Strong, Danielle Fishel and Will Friedle, Pod Meets World is available wherever you listen to podcasts. We're sending you to 1993 when TGIF reigned supreme and *Boy Meets World* first premiered. Relive your first crush, first kiss, favorite moments and all the life lessons with Topanga, Eric, and Shawn. Saturday, October 22, 7:30pm; Magnolia Performing Arts Center, 210 East Main Street. (EL CAJON)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Art Of Marketing Conference

Learn what the future holds for marketing. Select from four accelerated marketing education tracks: The Future is Now, Amplifying DEI, Like, Tweet, Snap, Tik ... What's Next, The Future is Wow. Friday, October 21, 8am; \$15-\$299. University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalà Park. (LINDA VISTA)

Compassion in the Technical Workplace Network with technologists from San Diego Tech Hub and learn about practicing compassion in the workplace with guest speaker April Wensel, Founder of Compassionate Coding. Tuesday, October 25, 5pm; free. Brain Corp, 10182 Telesis Ct, San Diego, CA

Councilmember Joe LaCava (District 1) Councilmember Ioe LaCava (District 1): Overview & Priorities for La Jolla: The Councilmember's top two priorities for La Jolla (during the FY23 budget formation) were streets and code enforcement. He'll discuss budget allocations for La Jolla roads and his support (related to code enforcement) of pay increases for police to help fill vacant positions and additional funding requests to the Parks and Recreation budget. Thursday, October 20, 10am; free. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

History Roundtable Lecture: Fabulous Foothill-ers Hear the heritage of Grossmont's century-old High School "castle", and its surrounding "foothill" communities architectural heritage reflected in this year's tour, including the story of the long-gone La Mesa Knolls neighborhood that featured noted local architect Lloyd Ruocco's seminal work. Thursday, October 20, 6:30pm; free. Grossmont Healthcare Center, 9001 Wakarusa Street. (LA MESA)

Meet Your Friendly Neighborhood Horror Author The San Diego Chapter of the Horror Writers Association (HWA) and San Diego Public Library present an evening of macabre fun and hijinks with a live virtual panel featuring San Diego area horror writers: Brian Asman, Theresa Halvorsen, James Jensen, and Chad Stroup. Moderated by award-winning author Dennis K. Crosby. Tuesday, October 25, 6:30pm; free. 18 and up. Online Internet Events, All over the world from. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

MiraCosta College Community Leaders Breakfast Attendees will receive a complimentary breakfast (must RSVP https://bit.ly/3yKq21s) and hear from the college's Superintendent/President Sunita Cooke about the District's accomplishments and vision for the future. Friday, October 21, 7am; free. Cape Rey, 1 Ponto Road. (CARLSBAD)

San Diego Vaccinated Singles Mixer Inviting singles 25-47 from anywhere in San Diego. Thursday, October 20, 5:30pm; free. 21 and up. Monarch Ocean Pub, Camino Del Mar Suite 322. (DEL MAR)

FOOD & DRINK

Artisan Table Signature Wine Series: Silver Oak Artisan Table Signature Wine Dinner featuring Silver Oak. Executive Chef Kelli Crosson and Advanced Sommelier Paul Krikorian are joined by Tim Duncan, Silver Oak's Proprietor and Chief Revenue Officer, for a memorable multi-course communal meal with wine pairings from Silver Oak. Thursday, October 20, 6pm; \$350. 21 and up. Lodge at Torrey Pines, 11480 N. Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

Celebrating Cultura con The Kitchenistas Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month sponsored by Maker's Mark. In honor of the Kitchenistas, celebrate culture with an evening of dinner, drinks & camaraderie. Chef & Kitchenista Aureny Aranda will whip up a gourmet dinner & dessert to complement drinks from Maker's Mark and a Q&A with Kitchenistas. Friday, October 21, 6:30pm; \$50-\$100. 21 and up. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)

Cocktail Exploration Series: Batch 22 Enjoy cocktails from the first featured spirit of this series, the award-winning new American aquavit, Batch 22. Tickets include

three specially crafted cocktails, small bites, and a chance to mix and mingle with the founders of Batch 22 during a tasting demo where guests can sample the spirit on its own. Saturday, October 22, 7pm; \$35. 21 and up. Guild Hotel, 500 West Broadway. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIFGO)

Dauo Wine Dinner Chef Christophe Cevasco as he hosts dinner paired with wines from winemaker Dauo Vineyards. Every guest gets a raffle ticket (wine, merch, gift certificates, etc) - wines to be sold after the dinner for a reduced price. Wednesday, October 26, 7:30pm; free-\$100. 21 and up. Beeside Balcony, 1201 Camino Del Mar #200. (DEL MAR)

Hallo-Wine Fall Festival Home Start, a nonprofit child abuse prevention and treatment agency that has strengthened and developed San Diego's families and communities since 1972, will hold its 15th Annual Hallo-Wine Fall Festival. Guests can savor a variety of gourmet hors d'oeuvres, boutique wines, hand-crafted beers, and local spirits, while enjoying live entertainment, a silent auction, client testimonials, and many more interactive games and activities. Saturday, October 22, 3pm; \$70-\$140. 21 and up. Burnham House, 3565 Seventh Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Sabores De México Sabores De México will be a full-immersive culinary experience! Join us for a 4-course dinner as we showcase IZO's incredible spirits and pair them with delectable plates inspired by the flavors of each region. Wednesday, October 26, 6pm; \$100. 21 and up. Alce 101, 243 North Highway 101. (SOLANA BEACH)

Thursday Night Dinner Special Dinner for two special with a bottle of your choice of wine. Thursday, October 20, 8pm; \$49. 21 and up. Martini's San Diego, 3940 Fourth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Vinyl & Vines The Shore Room at The Seabird Resort is hosting Vinyl & Vines, offering tastings from an array of wine brands paired with the sounds of local DJs spinning tunes on vinyl. The event is free and open to the public. Wednesday, October 26, 5pm; free. Seabird, 101 Ocean Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

FOR KIDS

Beginner's SketchUp: Designing 3-D Graphics With 3D modeling, you can design a house, a bridge, a monster – or anything else you can dream up. Learn to use SketchUp Make 3D Modeling to create all sorts of three-dimensional graphic models. Allowed Grades: 3rd Grade to 5th Grade. Saturday, October 22, 1pm; free. Rancho Peñasquitos Library, 13350 Salmon River Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

Being Sherlock: The Science of Forensics The art of the mystery and the science of forensics: Students will explore the exciting world of forensics, including DNA evidence, fingerprints and handwriting analysis. Students will also

learn how mystery writers incorporate this science into their books. Allowed Grades: 6th Grade to 8th Grade Saturday, October 22, 3pm; free. La Jolla Riford Library, 7555 Draper Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Dance Pants Party Recommended for toddlers, preschoolers and early elementary school age kids, this simple dance program will feature "The Wheels on the Bus," "Baby Shark," and more. Please note: this program will be held outdoors. Wednesdays, 10:30am; through Wednesday, October 26, free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Fall Fest The park will transform into Mr. Jack O Lantern's Pumpkin Patch, open daily, enjoy free Trick-or-Treating every Sunday in October, live acoustic performances and a festive beer garden on Friday nights along with specialty treats from Belmont Park's most popular shops, iconic rides, attractions and more. Belmont Park's seasonal Go Kart track will also be open throughout October. Fridays, 11am; Saturdays, 11am; Sundays, 11am; Mondays, 11am; through Monday, October 31, free. Belmont Park, 3146 Mission Boulevard, (MIS-SION BEACH)

Garden Explorers: How Does Your Garden Grow? Garden Explorers (grades K-5) will be learning about how to help plants and flowers grow through handson activities in an outdoor garden. Saturday, October 22, 9am; \$10-\$20. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)

Grand Opening Family Fun Day Family Fun Day With Robots, Virtual Reality, Coding, and 3D Printing Free For The Community Saturday, October 22, 10am; free. Code Whiz, 10425 Tierrasanta Boulevard Suite 110. (TIERRASANTA)

Halloween Spooktacular Guests can enjoy trick-or-treating, a special pumpkin scavenger hunt, hay maze, Halloween dance party with colorful characters and more fun family-friendly activities. Spooktacular is included with park admission. Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; through Sunday, October 30, SeaWorld, 500 Sea World Drive. (MISSION BEACH)

Haunted Ghost Town Spooktacular Otherworldly theatrical production will turn, what during the day, is an innocent stroll through the artifacts and exhibits of the ancestors, into a 25-minute spine-chilling tour of the pranks and secrets of the departed at night. Friday, October 21, 5:30pm; Saturday, October 22, 5:30pm; Sunday, October 23, 5:30pm; \$10-\$20. San Dieguito Heritage Museum, 450 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Haunted Harvest Special evenings in October at Fort Cross will entail some seasonal spooky fun. Activities include: Jug Band Music, Hoedown, "Ghost Stories", and Haunted Hayride Saturdays, 8pm; through Saturday, October 29, \$30. Fort Cross Old Timey Adventures, 4425 Highway 78. (SANTA YSABEL)



Howl-O-Ween Harvest Get into the Halloween spirit with your little ghouls and goblins as you enjoy hands-on animal encounters trick or treat stations, crafts, a hay maze, face painting, a mini pumpkin patch, and a trip to the Midnight Mystery Laboratory if you dare. Animal ambassadors are excited to show off their spook-tacular attire. Saturday, October 22, 9am; \$50-\$64. Helen Woodward Animal Center, 6461 El Apajo Road. (RAN-

Julian Autumn Jubilee Cider Pressing, Pumpkin Patch, Hayrides, Hoedowns, Crafts, Candle Dipping, Farm Animals, Reptile Interactions, Archery, Tomahawk Throwing, Slingshot Gallery, Maze, Treasure Hunt, and more. Prepaid reservations are recommended. Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 11am; through Sunday, October 30, \$20-\$25. Fort Cross Old Timey Adventures, 4425 Highway 78. (SANTA YSABEL)

Kids San Diego Poetry Annual Workshop Free poetry workshop for children ages 6 to 12 years old. Join poet and educator Jen Laffler for an inspiring day of word-play. Poems and art created during the workshop are eligible for publication in the Kids San Diego Poetry Annual. Register at https://bit. ly/3VJQjHh. Saturday, October 22, 1pm; free. Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Opera4Kids: The Enchanted Tail Spreckels Organ Society, and Opera4Kids, will host a free, family friendly performance of "The Enchanted Tail" for young audiences and their families! Performed by top opera singers from Southern California. Sunday, October 23, 2pm; free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Little Wonders Halloween Class Small group Halloween-themed 1-hour class (9-10am or 10:30-11:30am) Ticket includes: goodie bag, sensory play, and arts & crafts Wear clothes that can get messy and come and play with us. Best for ages 1-5 but all ages are welcome. Saturday, October 22, 9am and 10:30am; \$40. Allied Gardens Park, 5155 Greenbrier Avenue, (ALLIED GARDENS)

Talls & Smalls Talls & Smalls is a 1-hour garden class for children ages 2-5 years with accompanying adult. They'll explore gardens, use their senses to smell, taste, see, and listen, and taste a garden snack. Friday, October 21, 10am; \$15-\$20. Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center, 2525 N Avenue. (NATIONAL CITY)

The Count's Halloween Spooktacular Enjoy trick-or-treating around the park, Halloweenthemed shows, the Sesame Street Halloween Parade, an interactive Spot-The-Ghost Scavenger Hunt, Chilling Tales with Big Bird, Sesame Street-themed dry & wet rides, special retail, and unique photo opportunities with everyone's favorite furry friends dressed up in costume. Saturdays, 10am; Sundays, 10am; through Sunday, October 30, Sesame Place San Diego, 2052 Entertainment Circle. (CHULA VISTA)

The Haunted Forest An approximately half mile Halloween Walk decorated with graveyards, ghosts, and ghouls. Costumes encouraged. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 7pm; through Monday, October 31, \$13-\$15. Banner Ranch Julian, 36342 Highway 78. (JULIAN)

Toddler & Preschool Storytime Recommended for ages 2-5, this storytime program includes books, songs, games and early literacy fun. Please note: this program will be held outdoors Thursdays, 10:30am: through Thursday, October 27,

free. Mission Valley Library, 2123

Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Trail Tykes Program Created for children 2 to 5 years of age, Trail Tykes takes place at 10AM every second and fourth Sunday and Monday of the month. The free program includes a read-aloud story, and a craft/activity or a short walk with MTRP Foundation staff and volunteers. Please register at https://bit.ly/3MArYz8 to reserve your space. Sunday, October 23 & Monday, October 24, 10am: free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Virtual Electric Vegetables Create your own vegetable batteries. After learning about how batteries work, students will use hands-on problem-solving techniques to figure out how to assemble components into a working battery and how to measure the voltage created. Allowed Grades: 6th Grade to 8th Grade Thursday, October 20, 3pm; free. Online Internet Events, All

over the world from. (DOWNTOWN

HALLOWEEN

Bearcat BOO! Halloween Tours Flashlight tour of nocturnal animals. Whose big eyes are those? Who's making that sound? Is that the Banshee of Borneo???? Are those the Ghosts of the Amazon?? With candy stations (individually wrapped pieces of course), apple cider, and flashlights. Saturday, October 22, 5:30pm; Sunday, October 23, 5:30pm; \$20-\$39. Wild Wonders, 5712 Via Montellano. (BONSALL)

NATURE

Birds, Bees, Flowers and Trees San Diego Floral Association presents Birds, Bees, Flowers and Trees A Celebration of Nature and the Environment. Meet floral, horticulture, and eco-friendly societies in San Diego. Enjoy the festival and meet with the experts in their fields. Browse the vendor booths. Saturday, October 22, 10am: free Casa del Prado, 1650 El Prado.

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 approxi-







mately three hours. Participants are urged to come prepared for a moderately strenuous hike that will maintain a pace of 2.5 mph. Sunday, October 23, 8am; free. 18 and up. Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve, 8833 Harmony Grove

Guided Nature Walk: Fall Season Join a MTRP Trail Guide on a guided nature walk and learn about the plants, animals, geology, history, and ecology of the park along a scenic trail. These interpretive nature walks are offered to enhance your appreciation of the unique beauty of San Diego's natural environment. Observe current berry and seed production in the latest stage of the plant life-cycle. Birds and mammals are enjoying the fall feast. The Broom Baccharis is about to burst into glorious bloom. Walks start from the Visitor Center, are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. The trails used are easy, but have uneven surfaces and some involve steps, so be sure to wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes and bring along water. A hat and sunscreen are also recommended. Walks are canceled if raining. Saturday, October 22, 9:30am, Sunday, October 23, 9:30am or Wednesday, October 26, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Stars at West Sycamore Join members from the San Diego Astronomy Association at the West Sycamore Staging Area to view the nighttime sky through telescopes. Rain or cloudy skies cancel event. Sunset 6:53 pm. Viewing Begins at Dusk. Park on the paved street and walk past the gate into the park where telescopes are set up. 32 55' 59.6"N 117 00' 01.5"W Friday, October 21, 6:55pm; free. West Sycamore - Mission Trails Regional Park, 17160 Stonebridge Parkway. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Wheelchair-Accessible Botanical Tour 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 allow time to find street parking. Contact Ranger Herrera for more information: gherrera@sandiego. gov Saturday, October 22, 11am; free. Charles Lewis III Memorial Park, 4639 Home Avenue.

OUTDOORS

The Floss Silk Tree shows off and **Tidepool season begins**

The Floss Silk Tree, a conspicuous "autumn bloomer" here and there around San Diego, has been showing off its pinkish (or purplish) hibiscus-like flowers for at least a month now. The broad, heavy trunks of this South American import, which are studded with fat, cone-shaped spines, makes it easy to identify.

October's Lowest Tides, coinciding with afternoon hours several days in a row, usher in several months of excellent tidepooling opportunities. A -0.4 foot tide occurs at 4 pm on the Tuesday, October 25. A -0.6 foot tide occurs at 4:43 pm on Wednesday, and a -0.6 foot tide occurs at 5:31 pm on Thursday. The region's best-known places to view intertidal life include Cabrillo National



A GRAY MORNING LOW TIDE AT THE LA JOLLA COVE.



THE FLOSS SILK TREE HAS FLOWERS SIMILAR TO HIBISCUS FLOWERS AND ARE ATTRACTIVE TO POLLINATORS.

Monument and various rocky stretches of coastline near La Jolla.

The Tawny Hues of the Black Oak Tree are just beginning to highlight the slopes of San Diego County's higher mountains. Named for the dark coloring of its bark, especially when wet, the black oak is the only deciduous oak native to the county. Associating with pines, firs, cedars, various evergreen oaks, and occasionally chaparral, the black oak lends a true autumn coloring to the Cuyamaca, Laguna, and Palomar mountains.

The Orionid Meteor Shower, one of the year's five best annual showers, peaks on the morning of Thursday, October 21. Unfortunately, the nearly full moon's glare will hamper observations of the meteors all night long. But despite the moon glare, and even the bright city lights, you might spot five or ten meteors per hour during the most favorable hours of 4 am to 6 am. The Orionids seem to radiate from the constellation of Orion, hence their name.

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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

CRC A Celebration of Community Community Resource Center, widely recognized as the primary provider of social services and domestic violence programs in coastal North County San Diego, is launching a \$10.5 million capital campaign to renovate its current campus including a new food and nutrition center. To kick off the capital campaign, CRC is hosting "A Celebration of Community" as a thank you for the community support and to

share about CRC's future. The family friendly event will include music, snacks, activities for kids and a short program about the capital campaign. Sunday, October 23, 2pm; free. Coastal Roots Farm, 441 Saxony Road.

Celebrate Clean Water Join San Diego Coastkeeper on October 26 at the beautiful Bali Hai Restaurant as we raise a glass to celebrate clean water. San Diego Coastkeeper is a 27-year old local environmental nonprofit that works to protect and restore San Diego County's rivers, streams, beaches, bays, and ocean. Enjoy

a night of mixing and mingling with environmental advocates, community leaders, elected officials, and Coastkeeper supporters. Drink in the sunset overlooking San Diego Bay with a classic Mai Tai cocktail in hand. Wednesday, October 26, 5pm; free-\$25. 21 and up. Bali Hai, 2230 Shelter Island Drive. (SHEL-

Fall Fest This family-friendly event will include a Fall Market featuring local vendors, food trucks, live music, and more. Saturday, October 22, 11am; free. Pure Project Vista, 1305 Hot Spring Way. (VISTA)

Fall Fest This family-friendly event will include a Fall Market featuring local vendors, food, and more Sunday, October 23, 11am: free. Pure Project at the Park, 2865 5th Avenue. (BANKERS HILL)

San Diego Press Club Excellence in Journalism Awards The San Diego Press Club will host its 49th annual Excellence in Journalism awards program on the lawn among the International Houses in Balboa Park. The program will recognize award recipients in more than 180 categories and 10 divisions. Tuesday, October 25, 5pm; \$60-\$75. 21 and up. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard,

SPORTS & FITNESS

Birding and Biking Eco Tour Bike along the San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge while learning about native and migratory bird species as well as local ecology and conservation efforts. All equipment is provided: bikes, helmets, binoculars, and field guides. Thursday, October 20, 9am; \$35-\$55. San Diego Bay Refuge, 535 Florence Street. (IMPE-RIAL BEACH)

Exposure 2022 The 11th annual Exposure event will showcase female, trans and nonbinary skateboarders from all over the world and raise money and awareness for the Community Resource Center's domestic violence program. Saturday, October 22, 9am; Sunday, October 23, 9am; free. Encinitas Community Park, 425 Santa Fe Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Meditation Meditation, Awareness and Awakening with Turiya Saturday, October 22, 11am; 18 and up, Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

Monday Night Football Mondays, 6:15pm; through Friday, December 30, 21 and up. Johnny WAHOO! Golf Bar, 527 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Rhythm & Motion Dance Workout At the core of this follow-along dance workout class is choreography highlighting a wide range of dance forms inspired by a soundtrack of songs from across the globe. R&M welcomes students of all levels, ages. Your first class is free. Sundays, 9:30am; through Sunday, December 18, free. Dorothea Laub Dance Place Studio, 2650 Truxton Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

San Diego Gulls Home Game Friday, October 21, 7pm; Wednesday, October 26, 7pm; Pechanga Arena San Diego, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

The Art of Spinal Flexibility Class for all levels, offered by Jaruska Solyova, M.A. E-RYT 500, Certified Yoga Teacher. Come to learn how to relief your neck and shoulders tension; and prevent/heal injuries. RSVP: solyoga@yahoo. com Tuesday, October 25, 9:30am; \$20. La Jolla Cove Bridge Club, 1160 Coast Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

The Lake Hodges Trail Fest The Lake Hodges Trail Runs is an annual trail running experience you don't want to miss. Choose from the Lake Hodges 50K, 15K, 10k, 5k and bring the kids for the the 1 Mile Fun Run! Introducing the NEW Off Road Challenge Run/Bike/ Run compete as an individual or a start a team with friends. Saturday, October 22, 7am; \$15-\$145. Lake Hodges, Lake Drive at Via Rancho Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)



ON STAGE IN SAN DIEGO

THEATER LISTINGS

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

Raskerville

Yes, yes, this is a retelling of Arthur Conan Doyle's famous mystery The Hound of the Baskervilles, featuring his even more famous creation, the brilliant and cantankerous consulting detective Sherlock Holmes, But really it's the second stop on the Omri Schein Sherlock Super Show, which started out this summer up at North Coast Rep with the musical The Remarkable Mr. Holmes. (It is perhaps worth noting that Baskerville is considerably less bawdy; Coronado is not Solana Beach.)

There, Schein was content to toil as a book and lyrics man, letting Andrew Ableson take on the sweet comedic gig of playing multiple characters with multiple accents sporting multiple arrangements of facial hair. But if memory serves, Ableson was what, four people, all of them clerics? Child's play. Here, Schein lets Ken Ludwig do the word-work — though there is a similar reliance on Old World mispronunciations and humor of both the broad and self-conscious variety to lighten the murderous mood of what is an especially bloody and even scary Holmes story — and steps onto the stage, into the quick-change costume room, and behind the whiskers to play. off the top of my head, a country doctor, a Russian butler, a Russian butler's insane brother in law, an Italian hotelkeeper, an operatic tenor, a cockney street urchin, an English butterfly collector, a flirtatious old woman, a Nietzsche-quoting cab driver — you get the idea. The remarkable thing is the riveting combination of gung-ho energy and yes, dramatic skill he brings the task. He has help in presenting the 37 characters who are not Holmes and his partner in solving crime John Watson, but it's Schein who has the audience smiling in recognition at each new iteration

LAMBS PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE. CORONADO, , 619-437-6000. CALL FOR SHOWTIMES.

Carmen

Pacific Lyric Association (PLA) presents Georges Bizet's opera Carmen. The performance will feature an exceptionally talented team of cast and artistic staff who will perform the opera comique that tells of the downfall of Don Jose, a naïve soldier seduced by the fiery gypsy, Carmen. PLA is donating 20% of the production's proceeds to Ukrainian refugee families with children living in Poland. PLA is an independent Southern California opera company that present fully staged operas with orchestra, accessibly priced to the general public. The signature format of PLA's opera productions includes spoken narrative in English



Baskerville: A very dramatic reading.

before each large scene. These narrative vignettes, performed by a professional actor, are designed to keep the audience engaged without being distracted by super titles.

JOAN B. KROC THEATRE, 6611 UNIVER-SITY AVE., ROLANDO. 619-269-1552. 7PM FRIDAY SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Come Fall In Love -The DDLJ Musical

Globe artistic director Barry Edelstein writes that Come Fall in Love, the theater's ginormous new musical based on the hit Indian film DDLJ (and directed by the film's writer/director Aditya Chopra), "delivers a gentle and sweet story of star-crossed love, family, and tradition. And music. And dance." That mention of "star-crossed love" brings Romeo & Juliet to mind, and what do you know, the play gets mentioned early on, as part of our Harvardeducated heroine Simran's sung thesis rejecting "storybook love" in favor of something more active and heroic. But while there is a star set against the union of the mutually stunning Simran and Rog, it's not the enmity of two families. Quite the opposite: it turns out that Simran's immigrant father left his heart back in India, as well as a promise to his dear friend that their children would one day marry.

Oddly, it seems that his plan to raise a perfect Indian bride involves getting her a top-flight American education and sending her on a cultural tour of Europe before taking her back to the old country. And it's there she gets to know Rog, the rich kid with a heart of gold to match. But don't fret: the culture clash and generation gap are just a scaffold for goings-on that really are gentle and sweet. You're here for the comedy and costumes, the fun and froth, the music and dance. The first act delivers in fine fashion, especially the title number, a brilliantly backdropped siren song from hedonist Rog as he squires the museum-minded Simran around the Continent. (A close second is "Like You That Way," in which the pair adorably start to realize what the audience has known all along.) What the second act's songs lose in craft and catchiness they sometimes make up for in humor, notably "Hot and Independent and Hot," the intended groom's fantasy of what his American bride will be like. And while the inevitable turn toward dramatic tension and resolution may not make you weep, the preceding proceedings will almost surely make you smile.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Haunted Circus

Join us for the 1st annual Haunted Circus at the Magnolia in El Cajon! Taking place during the city of El Cajon's HauntFest event. You can RSVP to watch the circus style performances in the Magnolia's historic theater. Family friendly fun, playful Halloween themed

MAGNOLIA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, 210 EAST MAIN ST., EL CAJON. 619-440-2277. 4:30PM FRIDAY

Into the Breeches!

Into the Breeches! transports audiences to a small American playhouse in 1942. With the actors and director off at war. a group of passionate women face the daunting challenge of preserving the theatre's reputation for mounting outstanding Shakespearean productions. Crammed with laughs and an abundance of visual humor, their fierce determination and unbridled enthusiasm will have audiences cheering as they prove that art and community triumph even in times of peril. Reserve your seats now for this powerful, witty

play that captures the true meaning of being an American. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THE-ATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS,

Little Shop Of Horrors

The meek floral assistant Seymour Krelborn stumbles across a new breed of plant he names "Audrey II" - after his coworker crush. This foul-mouthed, R carnivore promises unending fame and fortune to the down and out Krelborn as long as he keeps feeding it, blood. SAN DIEGO MUSICAL THEATRE, 4652 MERCURY ST., CLAIREMONT. 858-560-5740. 7PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS 3PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS

Tuna Does Vegas

Tuna Does Vegas re-unites the lovable and eccentric characters from the 'third smallest town in Texas' as they take a rambling romp in Sin City. The hilarity begins when oddballconservative radio host Arles Struvie announces on air that he and his wife Bertha Bumiller are heading to Vegas to renew their wedding vows...but everyone in Tuna, Texas goes along for the ride! Written by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears and Ed Howard, Tuna Does Vegas festures the favorite characters from the award-winning Greater Tuna productions with some new characters too! CLAIREMONT ACT ONE, 4324 CLAIRE-MONT MESA BL., CLAIREMONT. 7:30PM

FRIDAY, 2PM & 7:30PM SATURDAY. What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank

Read: What We Talk About When We Talk About Being Jewish. Debbie and Lauren were best friends when they were young and Orthodox, but that

was 20 years ago, before Lauren got religion and Debbie lost it, before Debbie married Phil and moved to Miami and Lauren married Mark and moved to Israel. But today, the religious Jews are stopping by to visit the secular Jews, and vodka or no vodka, very little time is spent on the usual pleasantries. Instead of the standard, "What a lovely home!" Phil leads with "All this house and one son?" Never mind the extravagance: he's got 10 daughters, you see, and isn't afraid to use a term like "living Holocaust" to describe Jewish couples failing to make more Jews and Jewish singles failing to marry other Jews. After all, the result is the same: fewer Jews! Not to be outdone in the Department of Outrageous, Outlandish, and Outre, Mark is ready with his own riff on the restaurants at an imagined Holocaust-themed addition to Disney World. Vietnamese? "Never Pho Get." And it goes on from there. Of course, it's not all arguments over history and Israel and right living; it isn't even mostly that. Playwright Nathan Englander only turns to an issue when it helps to illuminate a person, or, failing that, their worldview. It's fast and furious going, almost too much at times for the cast to fully inhabit unless maybe it's a directorial choice to take it easy on the audience by not letting them luxuriate in the emotion inherent in their dazzling, devastating words. Even so, it's a riveting ride, ably depicting both those who have found a happy home in God and tradition and those for whom those things feel like a perverse and primitive prison - right up until the curious, even frustrating ending. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK, 619-234-5623.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Ain't Too Proud: Life and **Times of the Temptations**

Follow The Temptations' journey from the streets of Detroit to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. With their signature dance moves and unmistakable harmonies, they rose to the top of the charts creating 42 Top Ten Hits with 14 reaching number one. The rest is history - how they met, the groundbreaking heights they hit and how personal and political conflicts threatened to tear the group apart as the United States fell into civil unrest. This story of brotherhood, family, loyalty and betrayal is set to the beat of "My Girl," "Just My Imagination," "Get Ready," "Papa Was a Rolling Stone" and more. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-570-1100. JAN. 3 THROUGH JAN. 8.

Hamilton

HAMILTON is the story of America then, told by America now. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, R and Broadway, HAMILTON has taken the story of American founding father Alexander Hamilton and created a revolutionary moment in theatre-a musical that has had a profound impact on culture, politics, and education. With book, music, and lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO, 619-570-1100, NOV. 9 THROUGH NOV. 20.

Honky Tonk Laundry

Move over Thelma and Louise! When Lana Mae Hopkins owner of the Wishy Washy Washateria hires Katie Lane Murphy to help out in the laundromat, they soon find themselves up to their elbows in soap, suds, and cheatin' hearts. Take a ride to Nashville heaven in this toe-tapping jukebox musical. Featuring the music of Carrie Underwood, Trisha Yearwood, Martina McBride, Reba McIntvre, Sara Evans, The Chicks, Chely Wright, Dolly Parton, Pam TIllis, Gretchen Wilson, Terri Clark, Tammy Wynette, Patsy Cline, and Loretta Lynn. PATIO PLAYHOUSE THEATRE, 116 S. KALMIA ST., ESCONDIDO, NOV. 11.

Not Working (a Musical)

Presented by the Asian Story Theater, Teatro Máscara, and the San Diego Black Ensemble Theatre, the musical takes a spirited and sometimes humorous look at how Covid has altered the lives and careers of those from diverse communities, as reflected in the story's main character, Anqa. She is a young American-born woman who returns to America for the first time after her parents were deported years prior. Upon Anqa's return to the U.S., the pandemic hits. Lockdowns and restrictions ensue. And despite near pestablish herself, she develops uncompected empathy for new friends facing pected empathy for new friends facing and losses from a laws for three And despite her personal quest to re-establish herself, she develops unexconsecutive weekends through Nov. 13
at three different community venues: El
Salon Cultural Center; the Diversionary Theatre;, and Chula Vista Library lecture hall. Tickets range from free to \$10 and \$20.

EL SALON CULTURAL CENTER, 114 WEST HALL AVE., SAN YSIDRO. OCT. 28.

CURRENT MOVIES

MOVIE LISTINGS

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

All Quiet on the Western Front —

Tells the story of a young German soldier on the Western Front of World War I. Paul and his comrades experience firsthand how the initial euphoria of war turns into desperation and fear as they fight for their lives, and each other, in the trenches. The film from director Edward Berger is based on the book of the same name by Erich Maria Remarque. 2022. — Sgt. Tiki (LANDMARK HILLCREST; VINTAGE VILLAGE THEATRE)

Amsterdam — Director David O. Russell returns from an extended absence (after the oddflop Joy) with an extended.. well, it's hard to say what, exactly. A spoof on the hard-boiled works of Humphrey Bogart? That would explain the Maltese Falcon voiceover, the Big Sleep meetup with the rich family trying to control its wild daughter, and of course, the strange Casablanca triangle of dear friends overseas, two white (Christian Bale, Margot Robbie) and one black (John David Washington). Bale works pretty well as an anti-Bogey: a half-Catholic, half-Jewish doctor with a glass eye, a back brace, and a pain pill problem thanks to the Great War who is nevertheless unembittered and a regular champion of kindness and decency. He'll stick his neck out for anybody, if he can manage to stand up. And a spoof would explain the weirdly weightless character of the drama, which ought to feel more dramatic, given the film's urgent warning against anti-democratic forces at work right here in the good old USA, even as it bares its teeth at American businessmen who are willing to profit off fascism. Those who refuse to learn from history, etc. And it would explain the almost embarrassing sincerity of sentiment and nigh-inhuman displays of virtue. ("Whoever is shooting at me right now is a coward!") But a spoof could never be this indulgent of its whimsy, this sloppy about its story, this careless with its characters. Pity, that.— M.L. ★ 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Babadook — If you want horror to be horrifying - scary, as opposed to simply tense or shocking — then it helps to shine a light into the those real-life dark corners that people would rather not investigate. The Babadook does just that, gazing steadily upon the strained and fraying mother-love that the widow Amelia (a stellar Essie Davis) bears her troubled son Samuel. Samuel is forever a encountering a monster, you see — or is it just that he's sneaking down to the o basement to go through (dead) Dad's things? Either way, he's very hard to live with, especially without a sympathetic grownup by your side. The shadowy Babadook shows up a little ways in via a silly-but-chilling children's book, but Sam knows the shadows were already there in their unhomey home. Writer-director Jennifer Kent lets the dread creep in slowly and wisely goes easy on the effects; she knows that hand-drawn pop-ups can be more than enough to unsettle things.
Also, that sympathy is what makes horror



The Banshees of Inisherin: When the glass is considerably less than half full.

truly harrowing. 2014. — M.L. $\bigstar \star \star \star$ (DIGITAL GYM CINEMA)

The Banshees of Inisherin — What happens you have two longtime friends living in a tiny town on a tiny island and then one of them decides they don't want to be friends any more? Martin McDonagh directs Brendan Gleeson and Colin Farrell. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Beetlejuice — Tim Burton oversees a lavish and garish horror comedy that captures the spirit of Halloween as deeply as, but no deeplier than, the Woolworth's costume department. Not for lack of expenditure. The best special effects that money can buy do not, however, come with any guarantee of charm - one of the prime commodities of Burton's earlier work (Pee-Wee's Big Adventure, the short films Vincent and Frankenweenie) and a virtual sine qua non of this sort of supernatural whimsy. And the effects here, though far from cheap, are singularly ugly. Michael Keaton, Alec Baldwin, Geena Davis, Winona Ryder. 1988. — D.S. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Don't Look at the Demon — Led by a medium with a haunted past, a team of paranormal TV investigators visit the home of a couple who claim to have experienced inexplicable, threatening disturbances. Delving into the mystery, they encounter possessions and apparitions more terrifying than any they'd witnessed before. Directed by Brando Lee, starring Fiona Dourif, Harris Dickinson, Jordon Belfi, and Randy Wayne. 2022. (REGAL PARKWAY PLAZA)

Halloween Ends — Jamie Lee Curtis returns for the last time as Laurie Strode, who faces off for the last time against the embodiment of evil, Michael Myers, in a final confrontation. 2022. (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Interview with the Vampire — Say this much for Anne Rice: she takes her vampires seriously. Even religiously. Not, however, docilely. Neil Jordan's screen treatment of her cultish novel rummages through the received lore as though try-

ing on skirts and blouses, deciding against this one and for that one, and branching out experimentally into unexplored departments of hats and scarves as well. (Forget crucifixes and stakes through the heart. Sunlight, meantime, is still to be avoided, along with, less fearfully, food and wine. Blood of course remains the staff of life, or rather, of living death. Except: "Never drink from the dead." Etc.. etc.) The pick-and-choose, add-and-subtract approach to the subject, undertaken with all the commitment of a kindergartner putting together a Halloween costume or constructing a "fort" out of sofa cushions, yields an intense interest in the lifestyle. Or to say it another way, an interest in the How-To's of everyday bloodsucking: the handiness of servants, slaves, prostitutes, or, in a pinch, rats, chickens, dogs. And the richly textured décors and costumes (late-18th-century New Orleans and on into 19th-century Paris) feed into this interest with almost anthropological authentication: Lifestyles of the Rich and Fiendish. The drawback of this area of concentration, though, is its inherent stagnancy. No moral or dramatic counterweight has been provided: no vampire hunter, no exponent of Christianity, no imperilled honeymooners — in sum, no balance and no tension and no impetus. With Tom Cruise, Brad Pitt, Kirsten Dunst, Antonio Banderas. 1994. - D.S. ★★ (DIGITAL GYM CINEMA)

 ${\bf Moonage\ Daydream-} \ {\bf The\ latest}$ documentary film about English singersongwriter David Bowie utilizes previously unreleased footage from Bowie's personal archives, including live concert footage. Written, directed, produced and edited by Brett Morgen. 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Night of the Living Dead — A blinding quick start, a blistering blitzkrieg pace, and a sincere determination to drive the viewer to panic, to nausea, or to suicide, have earned this semi-professional shoestringer a high place among the midnight cult movies. Among its more notable attributes (going from bad to better) are some atrocious amateur acting, some technical crudity, some gruesome makeup, some unexpectedly funny and

accurate parodies of TV-radio news coverage, and some sleep-preventive aftereffects. Made in Pittsburgh, Pa.; directed by George A. Romero. 1968. — D.S. ★★★ (DIGITAL GYM CINEMA)

Saboteur — Hitchcock's formula for cross-country hide-and-seek, tested earlier in The Thirty-Nine Steps and Young and Innocent, lends itself readily to The War Effort in this alarm-ringer about The Enemy Within. In the course of it, Hitchcock finds room for numerous bright ideas that make you sit up in your seat: an impossible camera angle from the fugitive hero's point of view beneath the surface of a rippling creek; a fire extinguisher diabolically filled with gasoline; a truckload of circus freaks who democratically decide to offer the hero asylum; a latent homosexual spy; and a patriotic climax atop the Statue of Liberty. Robert Cummings, Priscilla Lane. 1942. — D.S. ★★★ (ANGELIKA FILM CENTER AND CAFÉ)

The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry - A.J. Fikry's wife has died, his bookstore is in trouble, and now his prized rare edition of Poe poems has been stolen. However, when a mysterious package appears, its arrival gives him the chance to start his life over and see things anew. Directed by Hans Canosa, starring Kunal Nayyar, Lucy Hale, and Christina Hendricks. 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

 $\mathbf{T\acute{ar}}$ — From producer-writer-director Todd Field comes TÁR, starring Cate Blanchett as the iconic musician Lydia Tár. If you want to dance the mask, you must service the composer. TÁR examines the changing nature of power, its impact and durability in our modern world. 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Terrifier 2 — After being resurrected by a sinister entity, Art the Clown returns to the timid town of Miles County where he targets a teenage girl and her younger brother on Halloween night. Written and directed by Damien Leone, starring Felissa Rose, David Howard Thornton, Lauren LaVera, Elliott Fullam, and Chris Jericho 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The African Desperate — It's a very long day for Palace Bryant, a new MFA grad whose final 24 hours in art school becomes a real trip. She needs to get home, back to Chicago from upstate New York But that means surviving a hazy, hilarious, and hallucinatory nightlong odyssey, stumbling from academic critiques to backseat hookups. The feature debut from artist Martine Syms. 2022. Sgt. Tiki (DIGITAL GYM CINEMA)

Till - The true story of how, in her darkest hour, a Mamie Till-Mobley's love opened the world's eves with her quest for justice for her son, Emmett, Directed by Chinonye Chukwu, starring Danielle Deadwyler, Whoopi Goldberg, Jalyn Hall, Frankie Faison, Jayme Lawson, Tosin Cole, Kevin Carroll, Sean Patrick Thomas, John Douglas Thompson, Roger Guenveur Smith, and Haley Bennett 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Top Gun: Maverick — The "uncompromising style" referred to in director Joseph Kosinski's (Oblivion) biography involves more closeups than a flight simulator cockpit and an ability to do what you're told by keeping one's yap shut when the media mentions scientology. Don't let the mumbo jumbo regarding a mission to prevent the opening of a foreign country's unsanctioned uranium plant fool you: this isn't a plotless sequel, it's a plotless remake geared to meet audience expectations with mindless mimeography. The only survivor of the original not asked back was Kelly McGillis who told E.T., "I'm old, and I'm fat, and I look ageappropriate." How many millions would have been shaved from the box office had Captain Mitchell (Tom Cruise) gone gunning for a geriatric? (The gravity-defying Jennifer Connelly was recruited to play Maverick's beard.) And what would a remake be without a bevy of ripped hunks sweat-polishing their washboard abs in the burnt afternoon sun? On a note of originality, volleyball has been replaced by touch football. And for those drooling over the aerial footage, I submit Anthony Mann's Strategic Air Command and Josef von Sternberg's Jet Pilot for further study. With: Miles Teller and Val Kilmer cometh back as "Iceman." 2022. - S.M. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Triangle of Sadness — In Ruben Östlund's new comedy, social hierarchy is turned upside down, revealing the tawdry relationship between power and beauty. Celebrity model couple, Carl (Harris Dickinson) and Yaya (Charlbi Dean), are invited on a luxury cruise for the uberrich, helmed by an unhinged boat captain (Woody Harrelson). What first appeared instagrammable ends catastrophically, leaving the survivors stranded on a desert island and fighting for survival. 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Woman King — A historical epic inspired by true events that happened in The Kingdom of Dahomey, one of the most powerful states of Africa in the 18th and 19th centuries. The film tells the story of the Agoji, a real-life army of women warriors who defended the powerful West African kingdom of Dahomey. Oscar-winning actress Viola Davis plays General Nanisca. Other featured stars include Thuso Mbedu, Lashana Lynch, Sheila Atim, Hero Fiennes Tiffin, John Boyega, and Adrienne Warren. Directed by Gina Prince-Bythewood. 2022. Sgt. Tiki (IN WIDE RELEASE)

THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Miguel ZenónL Música de Las Américas.

Balboa Theatre:

Sunday, 8pm — Adam Lambert. \$77-\$245. Monday, 7:30pm — Nick Mason's Saucerful of Secrets. \$50-\$125

Bang Bang:

Thursday, 10pm — No Mana.

Bates Nut Farm:

Sunday, 12pm — I Know Jack. Free

Beach House Grill:

Friday, 5pm — Kyle Watson, Chapter & Verse, Miss Dre.

Bellamy's Restaurant:

Saturday, 6pm — Dalton Gazette. Tuesday, 6pm — Jemille Vialet.

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday, 8pm - Ripe and Windser. \$22. Friday, 8pm — The English Beat. Saturday, 8pm — Little Hurricane and The Silent Comedy. \$20. Sunday, 8pm — Halluci Nation.

Wednesday, 8pm — Candlebox. \$35-\$62

WED. OCT. 19

MADBALL

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All Beat Up.

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THU. OCT. 20

SHADOW OF

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The Zenith Passage,

Wormhole

FRI. OCT. 21

HELL FIRE

Screamer,

Intranced, Nightshadow

SAT. OCT. 22

A SKYLIT DRIVE

(ORIGINAL LINEUP)

Sullen Eyes,

Super Destroyer,

Nights Like Thieves

Brick by Brick:

Thursday, 8pm — Shadow of Intent and Wormhole. \$16-\$20. Friday, 8pm — Hell Fire. \$14-\$18

Saturday, 8pm — A Skylit Drive and Sullen Eves \$18-\$22 Sunday, 8pm — Julien-K and Priest. \$18-\$22.

Monday, 7pm — Thursday and Hail the Sun. \$35.

California Center for the Arts. Escondido:

Sunday, 7:30pm — Chad Lawson Trio \$25-\$50

Cannonball:

Thursday, 5pm — Ben Benavente.

Casbah:

Thursday, 8pm — Fiji Blue. Friday, 8pm — Otoboke Beaver. Saturday, 8pm — The Magnificent. \$12. Monday, 8pm — Gone Pontos and Coastal Wolves. \$7-\$10. Tuesday, 8pm — The Todds and Second Devine. \$7. Wednesday, 8pm — Hocus, Lord Howler, Grahzny. \$7.

Coronado Library:

Friday, 1pm — Autumn Concert Series: Joshua White. Free.

Death By Tequila:

Friday, 6pm — Debora Galan.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:

Collective Jam Session.

Thursday, 6pm — Deadheads Night. Sunday, 1pm — Bluegrass Jam. Tuesday, 7pm — San Diego Jazz

Duke's La Jolla:

Friday, 3pm — Mario Marauak.

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MON. OCT. 24

THURSDAY

Hail The Sun,

The Homeless Gospel

Choir

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Morning In May,

Sleep It Off

Sunday, 4pm — Divina Jasso. Tuesday, 4pm — Farrah Camu.

Ebullition Brew Works:

Saturday, 3pm — Skatoberfest: The Untouchables, more. \$20-

Encore Event Center:

Thursday, 7pm — Halloween Costume Dance.

Epstein Family Amphitheate:

Thursday, 7pm - Niki and Paravi Saturday, 7pm — Death Cab for Cutie

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:

Thursday, 6pm — Farrah Camu. Friday, 6pm — Anna Ballew. Saturday, 6pm — Jason Graham. Wednesday, 6pm — Natalie Aley.

Fairmont Grand Del Mar:

Saturday, 6pm — Jarred Matthew

Farmer & the Seahorse:

Friday, 4pm — Sean McCole. Sunday, 11am — Jonny Tarr.

Galley at the Marina: Friday, 7pm — The New

Cadillacs. Saturday, 7pm — Breez'n. Wednesday, 5pm — Christine & Ed.

Garage Kitchen + Bar:

Friday, 7pm — Adam Bergoch.

House of Blues:

Friday, 7pm — Four Year Strong & Real Confidence. \$25-\$65. Friday, 7:30pm — Peach Tree Rascals and Miles. \$54-\$104. Saturday, 7:30pm — Sophie B. Hawkins. \$40.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Glaive. \$86. Monday, 7pm — Riz La Vie. \$15.

FRI. OCT. 28

MIDNIGHT

Saber,

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SAT. OCT. 29

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Satyr,

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SUN. OCT. 30

BIZZY BONE

with special guests

TUE. NOV. 1

ACE HOOD

Slim Diesel

the inside track

Homegrown Blend

Musicians worry about money. They worry about gear. They worry about the van. They don't usually worry about the horn player falling over a cliff. But to hear it from Ryan Hughes of Crucial Blend, they should have spared a thought for

supported the record with their first west coast tour in 2016, doing dates from San Diego all the way to Seattle. Their 2017 EP Full Grown (which includes a cover of Black Sabbath's "Sweet Leaf") was followed in late 2018 with the Enough Already EP. Their next full-length

scouting local musicians in the Ocean Beach music scene. When putting the band together, I wanted to incorporate all the genres of music that I loved and give people a diverse and well-rounded So-Cal sound. I didn't want to discount anybody. We bounce between a lot of different sounds, and I feel like that has given us a sort of advantage. We have played reggae shows, punk shows, ska shows, and even hip-hop shows. I don't know a lot of bands that can do that. And that's how we also got our name. It

Blend was founded "just by

was crucial for us to have a blend of differ-[≥] ent musical genres."

The blended approach also opens crucial doors. "We've definitely had a bunch of interesting experiences. Some great gigs that come to mind were opening for Mickey Avalon at The Holding Company, and also opening for H.R. of Bad Brains. Those are two artists we really

like, so it was an honor. Winstons' reggae night shows that Carlos Culture used to host - RIP - were some of our best gigs coming up in the scene. We really cut our teeth on those Wednesday night Club Kingston shows after the Farmers Market in OB. It was always a great time with great bands and they gave us a lot of exposure. Our worst gig is still our early show at the Andaz in downtown San Diego, where the whole band got drunk. The epitome of a shitshow! The weirdest show in recent years was probably playing at Pure Platinum, the strip club in Kearny Mesa. Mainly because we played in a separate room from all the dancers and we would have preferred to play

smiley face. – Andrew Hamlin

Find Blurt online at SDReader.com/blurt

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Robert Bush, Andrew Hamlin, Dryw Keltz, Jay Allen Sanford, Spike Steffenhagen



appeared in April 2020, No

Bad Daze, while a late 2021

EP called Cruel World was

nominated for a San Diego

Music Award — their third

years, they've shared the stage

locals such as Mike Pinto and

E.N. Young, as well as Morgan

lyhoo, Tunnel Vision, Bumpin'

Uglies, and others. However,

the band's trademark swirl

of reggae, ska, and hip-hop,

didn't occur to Hughes right

away. "Growing up, I was first influenced by the classic rock

my parents were playing as

a kid — the Doors, Grateful

Dead, Pink Floyd — then the

grunge scene that was big on

MTV at the time, [with] Nir-

vana, Alice in Chains, Pearl

Jam, etc. Then later, I started

'90s ska revival. Some specific

records that heavily influenced

Oz.to Freedom, and Rancid, ...

The sound evolved as the

our sound were Sublime, 40

And Out Come the Wolves."

band was forming. Crucial

to get into hip-hop and the

Heritage, Marlon Asher, Bal-

with fellow reggae-inclined

SDMA nod. Through the

that possibility. "We had our friend Sean [Lambert] fill in on saxophone for us during we were exploring Big Sur, by the edge of a cliff, and he lost his footing and unfortunately tumbled down the cliff into a river. Thankfully, he is thicker than a Snicker, and managed to walk away with only a few scrapes and

Hughes was happy to get back home with Lambert and everyone else in one piece. But

our last tour in March. While we were taking a group photo bruises. Surprisingly, we were able to continue the tour with no medical attention. We love

Crucial Blend released Disconnected in 2014 and

SE GOLD NECKLACE A Different King of Giant you, Sean!"

he's noticed a lot of changes in his hometown. "San Diego has always had a vibrant music scene in my opinion. Over the years, I've only seen it grow, with more and more great acts and diversity. As far as other changes in San Diego, rent is a lot higher, burritos have gone up, a lot more Zonies, and a lot more homeless."

on stage with them." That last comment is offered with a

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MARUJAH

Originally based in Nashville, Marujah took home San Diego Music Awards for Best World Music Album twice in four years. Their sound is a cultural melting pot of street music and political commentary, sung in English and Spanish. Their album Henry 619, due October 31, was produced by John Avila from Oingo Boingo, "The album is dedicated to my father who passed this year, and to our great city San Diego, hence the name Henry 619," says singer Comandante Kalavera.



OUOR

Originally known as We Are Going To Be Awesome, Quor got its name around 2011 when singer-guitarist Brian Corn was driving down the PCH on a foggy night and spotted a giant liquor store sign glowing in the distance, with the "L" and the "I" blacked out. They have a new video streaming online for their recent track "Twiddle in the Middle."



TOM WAITS

This month, Tom Waits (a 1968 graduate of Chula Vista's Hilltop High) is releasing 20th anniversary limited vinyl reissues of his 2002 albums Alice and Blood Money. New live renditions of five tracks per record will be available digitally in a digital deluxe variant. The live version of the Blood Money song "God's Away On Business" from a 2008 Scotland concert, is streaming online, as is a concert version of the Alice track "Lost In The Harbour."



SUPERSONIC DRAGON WAGON

Supersonic Dragon Wagon plays in-your-face rock and roll with heavy psychedelic stoner riffs. Their album Heavy Groovy Nasty was released in 2015. The band is working on a lyric video for their track "Sleeping Bridges" and a new single and video is online for "Riptide."

PHOTOGRAPH BY ROB PETERSON



GARY WILSON

The documentary film You Think You Really Know Me: The Gary Wilson Story, details the life of the eccentric indie-punk pioneer best known for his highly sought 1977 LP You Think You Really Know Me. Beck mentioned his name in 1996's "Where It's At" ("Passin' the dutchie from coast to coast, like my man Gary Wilson rocks the most"). With a new album in progress called The Marshmallow Man, Wilson and his band The Blind Dates will share a bill with Rocket From the Crypt and The Dickies at Observatory North Park on October 29.

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Sunday, 11am — Tori Roze. Landings at Carlsbad:

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Magnolia Performing Arts Center:

Monday, 7:30pm — Yes. \$55-\$424

Tuesday, 7pm — Belinda Carlisle.

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Saturday, 6pm — Carol Whitener: The Story Goes On.

Mellano Farm Stand:

Sunday, 10:30am — Cowboy Jack. Free.

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Wednesday, 7:30pm — Car Seat

Ocean Beach Playhouse:

Saturday, 3pm, Sunday, 2pm, Monday, 7pm — Always a \$20.

Panama 66:

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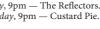
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Saturday, 7pm — Conan Gray.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — Jessie Reyez.

Friday, 8pm — Kyle Watson and

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Sunshine Brooks Theatre:

Friday, 7pm — Carvin Jones.

Saturday, 7pm — Boney James.

Tuesday, 4:30pm — Brian Pierini.

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Wednesday, 7:30pm — Negative

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Wasp and Hembree. \$18.

Shoppes at Carlsbad:

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Thursday, 7pm — Kaelen Mikla

Wldlfe. \$20-\$70.

Nick & G's:

Headrest. \$30-\$71.

Banana, Never the Bride. \$15-

Open Air Theatre:

Friday, 7:30pm — Omar Apollo. \$30-\$470. Saturday, 7:30pm — Raphael. \$25-\$140.

Makers. Free.

DJ Dynamiq.

Pioneer BBO:

Friday, 8pm — Donald Glaude.

Tuesday, 6pm — Mike Myrdal.







GONZO REPORT

The pros keep going

DJ Dopamine returns to Oceanside's Super Girl competition

The 16th annual Nissan Super Girl Surf Pro contest and concert series ran from September 16 to 18, and played host to events such as Saturday's Super Girl Sound Session, an all-female DJ competition. Booming bass trap frequencies shook the cement as I descended the stairway leading to the Oceanside boardwalk and pier. Roller skaters, dog walkers, groms, skateboarders, strollers, concertgoers, and surfers all packed the waterfront thoroughfare. As I zig-zagged through the boardwalk crowd, the DJ combo put me in mind of an electronic dance music event, or maybe the DMC (Disco Mix Club) World DJ Championship. Even so, this was its own thing. The multi-cultural surf extravaganza, which draws about 250,000 visitors from all over the world, created a novel platform for female DJs, where the fans vibed differently than the folks at EDM and DMC events.

DJ Dopamine flew in from Calgary, Canada with laptop in hand; it stored her 130-song playlist of '90s remixes and house and hip-hop mashup joints. "I came into San Diego at about 3:30 this morning," she told me, "so I haven't slept yet." Judging from the Instagram flicks of her DJing at sold-out venues all around Canada and the U.S., it appears she's accustomed to performing while jet-lagged. Or road weary: "So the first year of this competition, I drove down 27 hours non-stop and laid in Oceanside for a half hour, competed, and then I won it."

That was pre-pandemic. Could DJ Dopamine produce that same euphoria on the dancefloor

again, against this year's other top seven DJs? By 2 pm, four of them were out: DJ Beatrix, DJ Krista Mac, DJ Tigerlily, and Lily Jade. The crowd at ground level filled the space to less than half capacity. More folks sat and stood along the coliseum-style cement seating backed up against North Pacific Street. The four DJs who made the semi-finals paced around backstage; DJ Dopamine was among them. "We're creating a constant beat you can dance to," she said. "We're beat matching."

To understand how a DJ wins in battle competitions, one must understand the purpose of a DJ: to entertain folks in a specific way. It starts with making them dance by playing the right choice of music, and involves engaging them by interacting with the crowd via the microphone. Then there is onstage showmanship and mixing. When you're playing music via a computer, turntables, CD players, and cellphones, creative and technical tricks involving timing and blending come into play. Add a dope intro and outro to round out your three to four-minute allotted set, and that's a wrap.

DJ Jane was up first, blending Meek Mill and Drake's "Going Bad" lyrics over what sounded like a traditional soundtrack from Asia. It sort of worked: the crowd recited Meek Mill's verses while swaying, but seemed dubious about the soothing background track. Jane then dropped a flurry of dubstep bass and saw-wave snippets. cueing the concertgoers to hop while fist-pumping to the now-blaring, 140-beats-per-minute dubstep joint. Finally, she backed up and jumped with the dancers in unison. This might've been detrimental to her set: when she returned to the equipment, she accidentally switched over the mixer, and remnants of another song seeped through the loudspeakers. Some dancers froze, and the set ended. Afterward, one of the three judges concluded, "I like your energy, your energy is awesome, but a little bit sloppy there."

Next up was DJ Patty Clover, who took the stage with two pink-colored vinyl records on top of Technics 1200 turntables, but not the cartridge and needles needed to play the spinning vinyl. She explained the hi-tech setup to me; "The phasers are just an interactive way of moving



DJ Dopamine (middle, DJ Patty Clover (left), DJ Jenny Pocket (right)

a record. It's just like a needle; it has an exact precision to it when you juggle. But you don't have to worry about the tone arm coming up." Even so, Patty and Jane lost in the semi-finals to DJ Dopamine and San Diego-based DJ Jenny Pocket. Jenny was on the ones-and-twos (two turntables), spinning vinyl records and finishing out her three-minute set with "Moment for Life" by Nicki Minaj, Jay Rock's "Win," and "Move" by Ludacris. Many in the crowd cheered for Jenny's use of vinyl.

DJ Dopamine hopped onto the Pioneer professional all-in-one DJ system, connected her laptop computer, and went to town. Initially, she played a remix of "The Wall," a Pink Floyd classic, fused with several electronica tracks. Then, she yelled into the mic, "What's up, Oceanside?"

The crowd cheered, which was what the judges were looking for. Then Dopamine played a Ciera dance song and looped a house track that chanted, "Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday." When she closed her set, and the crowd cheered.

Antonio Aguilera of Global BPM, one of the judges, noted one blunder, but even that showed her skills. "When you left the filter on, and the bass was not coming out, did you see how you didn't shake your head, and went straight through it? Like it was pro. Pros hide it, then blend it in and keep going." The judges proclaimed DJ Dopamine the champ, and Aguilera cited the hiccup as a factor in her win. "That's when you see a professional DJ: when they mess up, you can't even tell."

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Winstons Reach Club:

Thursday, 9:30pm — Zach Bellas. Free.

Friday, 9pm — Shwayze, Synergy. Azuare. \$20-\$25.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday, *Oct. 27* — The Motet. \$25-\$44.

Friday, Oct. 28 — Dead Man's Party. \$25-\$44.

Heat Sunday, Oct. 30 — Langhorne

Monday, Oct. 31 — Dave Mason.

Thursday, Oct. 27 — Makeout,

Saturday, Oct. 29 — Gold Necklace and Andrés. \$18-\$22. Sunday, Oct. 30 — Bizzy Bone.

California Center for the Arts. Escondido:

Friday, Oct. 28 - Música en la

Casbah:

Friday, Oct. 28 — T.S.O.L. and Skullbusters. \$20-\$22. Creeps and Low Volts. Sunday, Oct. 30 — The Bomboras.

Thursday, Oct. 27 — Las Cafeteras. Saturday, Oct. 29 — Blacktronika.

F6ix Niteclub:

Saturday, Oct. 29 — Halloween

Slim.

Brick by Brick:

408, Morning In May. \$16-\$20. Friday, Oct. 28 — Midnight. \$22-\$25.

Plaza: DJ Zuni. Free.

Saturday, Oct. 29 — The Creepy

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IMMORTAL BEAUTY

When Rafael Payare The concert opened conducts the San Diego with the overture from Der Symphony, it's not a concert, Freischütz by Carl Maria it's an event. Such was the von Weber. Weber often case on Saturday, October 8, gets lost in the Reethovian at The California Center for shadow; he was born 16 the Arts Escondido. The first years after Beethoven, virtues of this concert were but died a year before its indoor setting and the Beethoven did. To my mind, Weber's music has always feeling of return to what felt like a normal concert felt as though he composed in the generation after atmosphere. There were no overwrought security Beethoven, leading directly measures. There were no into Richard Wagner, but mask requirements for the this is not the case. The performance was audience (although the orchestra was masked), and

carefully executed, vet exciting. The tuning of the opening chorale section was so precise that it created a sonority beyond the sum of the individual notes. I'm not sure that effect would have come across in an outdoor setting. The conclusion of

Rafael Payare makes concerts into events

the overture blasted off with a massive tutti chord by the orchestra. As always, Payare kept the momentum until the final notes of the piece.

Cellist extraordinaire Alisa Weilerstein then played Sergei Prokofiev's Sinfonia Concertante for Cello. Weilerstein is a performer who understands that physical expression is an important part of the audience's understanding and enjoyment of a piece of music. Her playing is spectacular, and is made all the more accessible by her physicality. Whenever I hear Prokofiev's music, I am overwhelmed by the amount of melodic genius he displays. I might tend to think of tone color or rhythm when I hear his

Rafael Payare: a scorched-earth, take-no-prisoners approach to rubato.

name, but the melodic quality of his music is paramount. Nowhere was this more evident than in the exquisite second movement. Both orchestra and soloist produced gorgeous melodic phrasing throughout, but that slow movement was special.

When Payare conducts a piece of music such as Beethoven's Symphony No.

5, which concluded the concert, I am always impressed with his scorched-earth, take-no-prisoners approach to rubato. There are no grandiose pauses or operatic fermatas. The music tumbled forward from start to finish, leaving the audience breathless and convinced that something important had iust happened — as indeed was the case.

Classical Music this week

Bach Collegium San Diego: Blow by Blow Bach Collegium San Diego launches is 2022-2023 musical season presenting Blow by Blow. The performance will explore the music and relationship of John Blow and Henry Purcell, two of England's most influential composers of the 17th century. Friday, October 21, 7pm; \$15-\$55. All Souls' Episcopal Church, 1475 Catalina

there wasn't a proof of vac-

cination requirement. It felt

like October of 2019, and

it felt good. The CDC has

is over, so hopefully this

now on.

declared that the pandemic

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Carmen Pacific Lyric Association presents Georges Bizet's opera Carmen. The performance will feature an exceptionally talented team of cast and artistic staff who will perform the opera comique that tells of the downfall of Don Jose, a naïve soldier seduced by the fiery gypsy, Carmen. PLA's opera productions includes spoken narrative in English before each large scene. Friday, October 21, 7pm; Saturday, October 22, 7pm; Sunday, October 23, 7pm; \$60. Joan B. Kroc Theatre, 6611 University Avenue.

Chad Lawson Trio Sunday, October 23, 7:30pm; \$25-\$50. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard **Evening of Celebration**

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Opera4Kids: The Enchanted **Tail** Spreckels Organ Society, and Opera4Kids, will host a free, family friendly performance of "The Enchanted Tail" for young audiences and their families!

Sunday, October 23, 2pm; free.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 1549 El Prado

Philippe Jaroussky & Ensemble Artaserse:

Baroque Gems The San Diego debut of Philippe Jaroussky and his Ensemble Artaserse in a program of baroque opera arias and instrumental pieces by Handel and Vivaldi alongside rarely heard gems by Hasse, Piccinni, and Ferrandini. Sunday, October 23, 7:30pm; \$10-\$50, St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 743 Prospect Street.

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Weekend. \$5-\$50. Saturday, Oct. 29 - SAW VI.

Fairmont Grand Del Mar: Friday, Oct. 28 — Jemille Vialet.

Friday, Oct. 28 — David Shyde. Farmer & the Seahorse:

Friday, Oct. 28 — Jay L. Henry. Saturday, Oct. 29 — Olivia Rohde.

Sunday, Oct. 30 — Shay Skylar. Galley at the Marina:

Friday, Oct. 28 — It's Never 2L8. Saturday, Oct. 29 — Sidetraxx.

Sunday, Oct. 30 - The New

Garage Kitchen + Bar:

Friday, Oct. 28 — Adam Bergoch. Saturday, Oct. 29 — Adam Bergoch.

House of Blues:

Friday, Oct. 28 — Black Flag. \$25-\$85

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Bluegrass. \$45. Friday, Oct. 28 — Greensky Bluegrass. \$45.

L'Auberge Del Mar:

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Saturday, Oct. 29 — Keni Yarbro.

La Valencia Hotel:

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Sunday, Oct. 30 - Dalton Gazette.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort: Friday, Oct. 28 — Gabriele

Loft:

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Saturday, Oct. 29 — Xenia

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:

Sunday, Oct. 30 — Blue October.

Mission Bay Resort:

Thursday, *Oct. 27* — Kai Kalama. *Friday*, *Oct. 28* — Weston Wilson Sunday, Oct. 30 — Ben Powell.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:

Saturday, Oct. 29 — Pounding

Music Box:

Thursday, Oct. 27 — Orgōne and Elektric Voodoo. \$22. Friday, Oct. 28 — Taylor Swift Night. \$15-\$25. Saturday, Oct. 29 — Sunset Rollercoaster. Sunday, Oct. 30 — Alice Glass and Uffie. Monday, Oct. 31 — Babe

Observatory North Park:

Friday, Oct. 28 — TR/ST. \$20. Saturday, Oct. 29 — Rocket From the Crypt, Gary Wilson, Dickies. Sunday, Oct. 30 - Alvvays.

Rainbow and Seventies Tuberide

Old Town Temecula **Community Theater:**

Friday, Oct. 28 — Motown Mania. \$39-\$69.

Petco Park:

Saturday, Oct. 29 — Dreameaters.

Poway Center for the Performing Arts:

Friday, Oct. 28 — Taj Mahal. \$55-\$85.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:

San Diego Maritime Museum:

Saturday, Oct. 29 — Sea Monster Saloon Halloween Party. \$40-

Soda Bar:

Thursday, Oct. 27 — Molly Nilsson. \$25. Friday, Oct. 28 — Jacob Turnbloom Album Release. \$12. Saturday, Oct. 29 - Harry Styles Halloween Dance. Sunday, Oct. 30 - No Age and Behavior. Monday, Oct. 31 — King Buffalo and Spirit Mother.

Soma:

Saturday, Oct. 29 — Foals. Sunday, Oct. 30 - King Princess and Em Beihold. Monday, Oct. 31 — Surf Curse.

University Club Atop Symphony Towers:

Saturday, Oct. 29 — David Shyde.

Winstons Beach Club:

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Wetter is better

You'd swear you'd just stepped into a 1960s movie set.

e's waiting as we come in: my windowcleaner friend Tim. His motto is "Your Panes Are My Pleasure." Cheeriest chappie I know. He gets around, and he's always

steering me to the places near where he cleans windows, places like this one. But it's more than that: "This is where I come after I do my local contracts," he says.

A big oval sign perches atop a 20-foot mast outside, but honestly, it's been blitzed by so

many years of Escondido sun that it's hard to read. I cross onto Ivy Street from Valley Parkway, and ah, finally decipher it: "Charlie's," it says. Oh yeah. And once I get inside, it's fresh and clean, but still definitely your old-school coffee shop. You'd swear you'd just stepped into a 1960s

Step-daughter Mag's waiting, tapping her

dishes cost more. "Reckon on twice that," says Tim, adding that steaks are a risky deal. "I don't mean here, but we've all had 'guaranteed tender' steaks that turn out to be chewers," says Tim.

> Still, have to say, Charlie's offers a tempting Spencer breakfast steak ("Spencer" turns out to be a West Coast term for a usually-tender rib-eye). It comes with two eggs and potatoes for \$18.95. Or a top sirloin for \$15.55. Good price! We're tempted, but we head for

other fields.

Tim's the first to decide, because he always chooses the same thing, no matter where he goes: omelet. "I'm hoping for a wetter omelet than the last place I was at," he says. "As my ma used to say, 'A wetter omelet is a better omelet." He goes for the ABC omelet: Avocado, Bacon and Cheese. Dang. Sounds good to me too, except I'm also

tempted by something called Charlie's Special. "Two eggs, two pancakes, two sausage, two slices of bacon," it says. And wow, costs \$8.25 till 11 am, and then \$9.15 for the rest of the day. Either way, deal! There's only one thing, says the menu: "NO SUBSTITUTIONS." In



Tina brings my California Benedict breakfast

watch as I come in. "I thought we said four o'clock, Khun Paw," she says, slipping into the Thai we sometimes use.

California Benedict: avo,

plus bacon instead of ham

"Hey, that was some walk up from the transit center," I reply. "And besides, there was action on Grand Avenue. They're lining up a bunch of ancient tractors. Looks like the whole farm's coming to town."

"Welcome to Escondido," says Mag.

"Anywhere is fine!" calls Tina from behind the counter. And yes, they do have plenty of spare booths, all cocoa-colored. We decide to sit up at the counter, where the action is.

Hm — action? This is 4:30 pm. Action's on pause. But Tina the waitress says they've been at it since they opened at six this morning. I have to remind myself what a miracle it is for a big ol' place like this to have gotten through the two years of Covid shutdowns and distancing rules. A lot of places didn't. Good news, per Tina: they serve their breakfasts all day. And that's what we want. It's a good array, too. Omelets, hot sandwiches, burgers, steaks. Prices: reasonable. Looking through the menu, we note that even though you can get away with a breakfast of one egg, potatoes, toast and jelly for \$6.55, most

the end, I hanker for that hollandaise flavor of the Benedict with the ham. Costs \$11.95. And hey, they also do a California Benedict which replaces the ham with bacon, and throws in avocado for \$12.65. That sells it. I order one.

But it's Mag who comes up with the most original meal. A true blast from the past. She's been asking Tina what the daily specials are and Tina mentions something about "yesterday's special. We have a few left over." She's talking about a plate of stuffed peppers and gravy mash. It turns out stuffed bell peppers are a traditional dish that has spread, more or less unchanged, over centuries and continents, everywhere from Khazakstan to Beirut to, by the 1890s, Boston, Massachusetts. The whole world seems to have adopted stuffed peppers. Bahrawn Shimla Mirch is an Indian version, pepper stuffed with spiced mashed potatoes, pimientos (or chiles) rellenos



Ancient American veggie dish: Mag's Chile relleno

in Mexico. (And let's remember, bell peppers originated from the Americas). Spain finishes in second place behind Mexico in doing this, but it was still one of the earliest adopters in Europe,

specially in their Basque Country, with dishes like peppers stuffed with rice and saffron and maybe with chicken or cod, followed in the east by Turkey, where Dolma developed. (Dolma means "something stuffed" in Turkish and Arabic.)

"Ours are stuffed with hamburger meat, cheese and tomatoes," says Tina. "That's pretty

And when Mag gives me a nibble, it's nice and tasty, but you'd never know the incredible journey it took to get here. Same with my California Benedict. Excellent hollandaise sauce, generous amount of avo, but nothing revolutionary. I mean, ves, the dishes we get this afternoon are muy tradicional. Coffee shop fare. Enough to give me a lightbulb moment. Wake up, man, it's comfort food! Sometimes, it's good to get



chomping on stuff you've known all your life.

The one grizzle-grouse I hear comes from Tim. He's looking at his split-open omelet. "See? A little dry," he says. "Did I tell you about my ma...? She said 'A wetter omelet is a better omelet..." ■



My buddy Tim mugs a freakout at his ABC omelet. But he ate the

The Place: Charlie's Family Restaurant, 210 North Ivy Street, off Valley Parkway, Escondido, tel 760-738-1545 Hours: 6am-8pm daily (Sundays, from 7am)

Prices: one egg, potatoes, toast and jelly, \$6.55; Spencer breakfast steak, with two eggs, potatoes, \$18.95; top sirloin, \$15.55;ABC omelet (with Avocado, Bacon, Cheese), \$11.75; Charlie's Special (2 eggs, 2 pancakes, 2 sausage, 2 slices bacon), \$8.25 till 11am, \$9.15 after; eggs Benedict, \$11.95. California Benedict (with bacon, avo), \$12.65; $stuffed \ bell \ peppers \ and \ gravy \ mash, \ \13.45

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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

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

Vogue Tavern: Monday-Friday. 3-5pm: \$5 all draft beer pints, well cocktails, Patron shots, micheladas, Jameson shots, burgers, kielbasa sandwiches. Sunday, 9-11pm: \$5 all draft beer pints, well cocktails, Patron shots, micheladas, Jameson shots, burgers, kielbasa sandwiches

Stone gets hard

Stone has thrown its longtime fans a few curveballs over the past couple of years, from its release of hard seltzers to its \$165 million buyout by Sapporo USA in early September. Clearly, they are not done with surprises: Stone has now entered the canned cocktails field with its Buenafiesta Margaritas

The margaritas join Stone's "Buena" line, which includes the Buenavida Hard Seltzers and Buenaveza Salt & Lime Lager, but at 12.5% ABV, they are considerably more heavy hitting than the previous entries. According to Steve Gonzalez, Stone's Brewing Senior Manager of Brewing and Innovation, that became part of the plan after sampling other canned margaritas. "We were disappointed in the lack of tequila taste — or real tequila for that matter — in so many of them, so making a tequila-forward margarita was a priority."

Unsurprisingly, the search for the right tequila took Stone south of the border. "Our tequila supplier makes a wide variety of tequilas," explains Lizzie Younkin, Stone's Director of Communications. "They are based in the town of Tequila in the State of Jalisco, Mexico. Of the suppliers we sampled, this one had the most character. A little bit of sweetness, some complex resin-y character, and that agave flavor came through in a really special way. Some subtler notes of olive and an herbaceous quality are there as well." The supplier, who remains unnamed, has been in the tequila business for more than 150 years and owns over 1000 hectares of blue agave farmland. Its tequilas come in between 52 and 55% ABV.

Nearly two years of development has yielded four flavors of Buenafiesta Margaritas. Two flavors will be familiar to anyone who's been to local Mexican restaurants: Classic Lime and Strawberry. Classic Lime has the feel and look of a standard margarita, with lemon, lime, and salt, and even a hint of orange liqueur. Strawberry is also similar to what you'd find down in Old Town, but refreshingly less sweet, thanks to aloe vera juice, which offers a bit of bitterness to cut through the strawberry.

The most interesting Buenafiesta options,



Stone brings you Old Town in a can

however, are Passion Fruit and Pineapple Habanero. Passion Fruit is sweet like the strawberry margarita but offers a tropical taste and aroma. Additionally, the character of the passion fruit helps to bring out more of the tequila flavor than the other varieties. Pineapple Habanero is certainly the most complex of the four. Its 19 different ingredients include habanero, jalapeño, pineapple, lime and chili; the flavor was inspired by dishes such as the salmon tacos served in Mexico City and al pastor tacos found more locally, both of which feature pineapple chunks. Pineapple Habanero boasts a nice kick without



Stone's latest surprise is a line of canned

being overly spicy, despite the habanero and jalapeño, and finishes smoothly without lingering heat.

Stone Buenafiesta Margaritas are canned and available in four-packs. It remains to be seen if Buenafiesta's popularity will come close to matching that of Buenaveza Salt & Lime Lager, which Stone's top-selling beer on draft. But at least the margaritas will be available year-round.

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Alcove Wine & Beer: Monday-Friday, Sunday, 4-7pm: \$1 off beer, \$2 off wine & appetizers.

CORONADO

McP's Irish Pub and Grill:

Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: Half off House Chardonnay & Cabernet by the glass, \$1 off beer or cocktails

The Goat: Daily, 7-9 pm \$3 beer, \$2 tacos, \$3 off all menu items.

DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

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

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

Johnny WAHOO! Golf Bar: Monday, \$5 house drafts, \$6 all other drafts, \$7 well cocktails. \$2 off appetizers.

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

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

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

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.

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

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MIRAMAR

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Shortbill spearfish off Washington another first

Dock Totals 10/2 – 10/15: 7358 anglers aboard 372 half-day to 3-day trips out of San Diego landings over the past two weeks caught 4065 bluefin tuna (to 250 pounds), 864 bonito, 515 calico bass, 10,203 dorado, 5 halibut, 6 lingcod, 135 spiny lobster, 1 mako shark, 384 rock crab, 2542 rockfish, 1 rock sole, 120 sand bass, 1635 sculpin, 102 sheephead, 42 skipjack tuna, 14 treefish, 448 whitefish, 8282 yellowfin tuna, and 451 yellowtail.

Saltwater: Another rare catch in a standout season was recorded near Westport, Washington, when the first known shortbilled spearfish was landed 45 miles west of the Columbia River. Shortbill spearfish usually enjoy a more tropical marine biosphere and are common in Hawaii or the Mediterranean. There was one caught in California waters in 2017, but even that was a remarkable catch. In a twist of irrony, maybe, the once plentiful albacore within 50 miles of Point Loma have been mostly absent here and common further north over recent years, with the meat of the recreational albacore catch now centering off of Westport.

The dorado bite in U.S. water may have tapered off a bit over the past two weeks, but they are still out there in 'never seen before' numbers. Since the incursion into US waters in early August, over 70,000 dorado have been reported by boats fishing within 3-day range or less, and many of those caught were caught north of the border. Given the difference in California and Mexican limits of 10 and 2, respectively, we have never seen these kinds of numbers for the prized and normally sustainable species (also known as mahimahi in Polynesia and most menus in the U.S. where it is served).

The question now, if these kinds of migration shifts become more normal, as has that of albacore over the past decade and a half, will a ten fish limit on one of fastest-growing and short-lived gamefish species be a sustainable model? In Florida, where dorado (more commonly called dolphinfish there) are more present in warmer waters, as average catches were growing smaller in both size and number caught, they eventually lowered the limit from 10 to 5 on the Atlantic side and imposed a minimum size of 24 inches. On the gulf side, where the fish are more plentiful, the limit is still 10 fish, but the minimum size is still 24 inches, and there is a boat limit of 60 total for all of Florida. No other state or city hosts a fleet like San Diego's; Florida recreational charters are smaller boats carrying fewer anglers. Californians who don't own boats or cannot afford chartering smaller yachts have much more access to offshore fishing, and the species usually not caught from shore, pier, or jetties.

Here, boats have been posting catches in the hundreds per day, with many of these fish being young 3- to 4-month-old fish and up to 12 pounds. As an anomaly, it might not be an issue in the long run, but given the size and average load of the San Diego fleet, if it becomes a new normal, the Department of Fish and Wildlife may need to set new guidelines concerning dorado size and possession limits. A plus for dorado and their sustainability, they can begin spawning at a very young age, and even a small 24" fish has had a chance to spawn.

Speaking of changes by the CDFW, the long-awaited year-round fishing licenses will be on sale by mid-November. As per their recent announcement, "Beginning November 15, 2022, California anglers will be able to purchase a



Another happy angler with a dorado and a tuna caught while fishing aboard the *Dolphin*.

2023 fishing license that will take effect on January 1, 2023, and last the entire year. All licenses purchased on or after January 1, 2023, will be effective from the date of purchase for a continuous 365 days." Many folks buy their licenses on the first of the year and this wouldn't affect them much, but folks who fish during specific seasons can purchase their licenses to better suit their habits.

With the old system, if you bought an annual license, say, in June, it was only good until the end of the year, and the angler would be paying a full annual fee for six months of fishing. It only makes sense to go 365, and finally California stepped up to the plate. Will it cost or produce more funds for the CDFW? Well, considering the financial bottom line for the department, other states that have gone to the 365-day format realized a drop in license fees over the first year following the change, but an increase going forward from there.

Fishing over the past two weeks has been up and down per species, with bluefin, dorado, and yellowfin counts still high, while yellowtail, a normal summer/fall standout, have been waning. With many boats rounding Point Loma to seek out the more glamorous tunas and dorado, this is probably more of a reason than a decline in yellowtail numbers in the fishery. As we progress toward winter, rockfish numbers should rise as the targeted fishery changes toward groundfish, but if the tuna bite wanes fast with cooling water, yellowtail should rise a bit in the counts before they thin out.

Lobster season kicked off with a bang, and as is normally the case, legal sized lobsters have been about 40% of the catch of those hoop-netting them. That number has historically dwindled as the season

progresses to around 20%. Still, the numbers are good, and the population of California spiny lobster seems healthy. All in all, just another great two weeks in the fishery.

They're out there, go get 'em!

Notable catches:

10/2 – 8 hoop-netters aboard the *Alicia* caught 37 lobster (27 released) and 3 rock crab during their evening run.

10/4 – Productive local fishing aboard the *Dolphin ½*-Day PM run for the 14 anglers aboard, with 25 rockfish, 10 sheephead, 8 sculpin, 3 sand bass, 2 bonito, and 1 calico bass caught.

10/6 – The *Oceanside* 95, now fishing out of San Diego, called in with 189 yellowfin tuna, 116 dorado, 25 bluefin tuna, and 10 skipjack tuna caught by 29 anglers aboard their 1.5-Day run.

10/9 - 27 anglers aboard the *Excaliber 2-*Day trip caught 270 dorado, 63 yellowfin tuna, and 2 bluefin tuna.

10/12 – The *Poseidon* reported 162 dorado (Mexican 3-day limits), 40 yellowfin tuna, 20 yellowtail, and 3 bluefin tuna.

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Creme de la Weird

 Ranjita Kundu of Kodameta, India, has accused her husband of stealing and selling one of her kidneys four years ago, Oddity Central reported. Kundu recently discovered after visiting the doctor that she has only one kidney; she believes that when she was treated for kidney stones four years ago, her husband secretly arranged for one of her kidneys to be removed and sold on the black market. "I was unaware of the whole incident," she said. She even knows who he sold it to: Asim Haldar, who also lives in her district. Kundu and her husband were married for 12 years before he took off with another woman eight months ago. Kundu said with help from his sister, he sold the organ to make up for dowry money he believed he was owed. Police have taken him into custody and are investigating.

What's in a Name?

- Al Pacino, admittedly, has committed a whole lifetime of crimes on the screen. Now, Alpatchino Jeune, 25, is following in his footsteps in real life, The Smoking Gun reported. Jeune was arrested in early June for beating up his pregnant girlfriend, who was driving him to work. She told police she asked him to "think of his unborn child," but he went on hitting her -- so she jumped out of the car and ran to an emergency room across the street. When Jeune didn't show up for his Sept. 1 court date, he was arrested again in Orlando, Florida, and his bond was revoked.

Florida

- Officials in Miami Beach, Florida, are weighing their options for dealing with the serious problem of invasive iguanas, Local 10 News reported. The city has quadrupled its budget for iguana removal and paid a hunter to shoot and collect the pesky and destructive reptiles. On Sept. 14, city commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez suggested a bounty. "I don't know - dead or alive. But if we pay per iguana, we're going to get more iguanas. People are going to go out and hunt them for money," she said. A committee has been formed.

The Aristocrats

- The Kitchen at London House, a popular restaurant on the Isle of Wight in the United Kingdom, put their foot down in August when they rolled out their new menu with no vegan items, the Daily Mail reported. The eatery used to feature some vegan selections, but owner Sally Cooper said they stopped because of a "militant minority. ... (W)e got fed up with the arrogant, 'holier-than-thou' attitude. ... If you want vegan food, go to a vegan restaurant. ... Your choice does not fit with our style of cooking.'

Bright Idea

 Noise complaints are way down at a restaurant in Singapore after it implemented a "screaming children surcharge" of \$10, Yahoo! News reported. Angie's Oyster Bar & Grill said that before the new policy was put in place, they were receiving complaints on a weekly basis about children running around unattended or disturbing other tables. Now, parents are trying harder to control their children and "99%" of patrons are respectful and understanding.

Vintage Weird

- Our Weird readers are no doubt aware that the Harvard-Yale football game is a big deal -- a longstanding rivalry. In 1982, another prestigious university inserted itself into the game, Boston.com reported, as part of another long tradition. On Nov. 20, 1982, a group of MIT students -- members of Delta Kappa Epsilon, but still known as the Sudbury Four -- hatched a brilliant prank. After five years of scheming and eight sneaky overnight visits to Harvard Stadium, the plan was in place: bury a weather balloon beneath the turf, then blow it up using a vacuum cleaner motor during the game. Players stood around with hands on hips and watched as the 6-foot-diameter globe inflated, marked prominently with "MIT," and then exploded. Harvard went on to win, 45-7.

Haven't Had My Coffee Yet

- On a Sept. 21 flight from Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, to Los Angeles International airport, passengers got a ringside seat (and video!) as Alexander Tung Cuu Le of Westminster, California, lost his cool over coffee service. Shortly after takeoff, as flight attendants were serving drinks, Le approached an attendant and grabbed his shoulder while asking for coffee, KTLA-TV reported. Then Le walked to the front of the plane and

sat down in a seat near first class. When a flight attendant asked him to return to his own seat, he "assumed a fighting stance toward the flight attendant by making closed fists with both hands," according to court documents. When the attendant turned away from him, Le slugged him in the back of the head. Le then ran to the back of the plane, where passengers detained him; his hands and ankles were cuffed, and he was restrained with seatbelt extenders. If convicted of the felony charge of interfering with flight crew members and attendants, Le could face a maximum of 20 years in federal prison. All for coffee.

Oops

■ In a "my bad" for the ages, the City of Philadelphia erroneously chopped down 60 pounds of hops that belonged to the Philadelphia Brewing Co., Fox29-TV reported. "Despite our clear signage and fenced-off area," the company wrote on its Instagram page, "the city ... took it upon themselves to completely destroy our hop garden," which they claim will cost them tens of thousands of dollars. A spokesperson for the city said the incident was the result of "miscommunication and staff error" and "it appeared the lot was overgrown."

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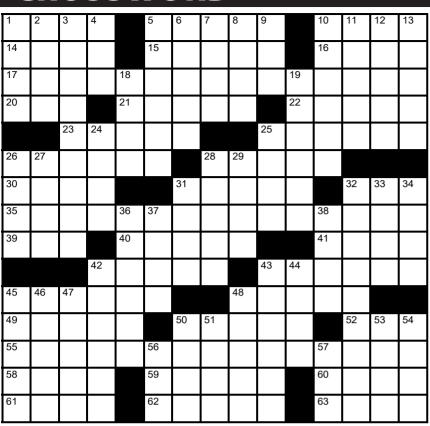
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- **1.** Spanish painter Francisco
- 5. Audibly astonished
- **10.** Tiara go-with
- 14. Unlock
- **15.** buddies
- 16. Hathaway of "Ocean's 8"
- **17.** Smallest product from a popular winter apparel brand?
- **20.** ____ de plume
- **21.** Memoir that led to the movie "What's Love Got to Do With It"
- **22.** Willow used in basketweaving
- 23. Mete out
- 25. Charades players, e.g.

- **26.** Last word of a famous FDR quote
- 28. Steakhouse order
- **30.** Tiny arachnid
- **31.** "_____ you clever!"
- **32.** About 98% of Antarctica's surface
- **35.** Something worn when stealthily pursuing a popular brand of tractor?
- **39.** "It's c-c-cold!"
- 40. Accomplishing
- **41.** The "C" of BBC: Abbr.
- **42.** Inits. that often precede "+"
- 43. Doozies
- **45.** Celestial circles

- **48.** Von Trapp daughter who sings "Sixteen Going on Seventeen"
- **49.** "What a kidder!"
- **50.** Elbow room
- **52.** Clunker
- **55.** Advice given to someone antagonizing a popular brand of paint?
- **58.** Adjective for a "shoppe"
- **59.** Very, in music
- **60.** Cause of ruin
- 61. Bring up, as a child
- **62.** Eco-friendly
- **63.** Put in the overhead bin, say

Down

- 1. Enter
- 2. Vision: Prefix
- 3. Genie's affirmative
- **4.** Vague amount
- **5.** Some, but not much
- 6. "Duly noted"
- **7.** Org.
- **8.** Bean used to make miso
- 9. 10 Downing St. residents
- **10.** "I do, that's who!"
- **11.** MacDowell of "Groundhog Day"
- **12.** Draco Malfoy expression, often
- **13.** Mannheim misters
- **18.** Send an invoice
- **19.** Ballet position on tiptoe
- 24. Creepy look
- **25.** Title whose name comes

- from the Greek for "alone"

 76. Wobsite that lets users
- **26.** Website that lets users assign movies up to ten stars (except for "This Is Spinal Tap," which goes to eleven)
- **27.** Level
- **28.** Sedative, for short
- **29.** E.U. country where Hoegaarden beer is brewed
- **31.** Fighting
- **32.** "Not hungry, but not not hungry either"
- **33.** Vendor's vehicle
- **34.** Omar of "Love & Basketball"
- **36.** Gradually increase
- **37.** Has a good cry
- **38.** Some HDTVs
- **42.** Riot opportunist
- **43.** ____ Frisé (dog breed)

- **44.** Extra-wide shoe spec
- **45.** "Game of Thrones" character who only says his own name
- **46.** "I need that like I need in the head"
- **47.** Carter who portrayed Wonder Woman
- **48.** Starbucks offering
- **50.** Candy bar with a Nordic name
- **51.** Soccer great nicknamed "O Rei"
- 53. "Hmm ... I doubt that"
- **54.** Bob's successor on "The Price Is Right"
- **56.** "That. Did. Not. Just. Happen."
- **57.** Projectiles from a pellet gun

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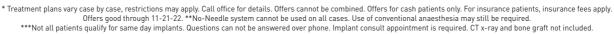
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