SAN DIEGO
Reader
VOL. 48 | NO. 9 | MARCH 2, 2023



From TJ to Truck

The international adventures of Tony Tee

Heavy winds vs. light semis ■ $4 million fixer-upper in La Jolla ■ Max Nash's noshes

Choose San Diego's

Breast Augmentation Specialist

Steve Laverson, MD, FACS



We Take Your Safety Seriously with the Cleanest and Most Sterilized Facility

- Easy payment plans, as low as $199 OAC
- Fully accredited on-site surgery center, Board Certified Plastic Surgeon in San Diego for 28 years with hospital privileges: safety and quality are our priorities
- Large online gallery at feelbeautiful.com
- Centrally located in Sorrento Valley at I-5/805 merge, between La Jolla and Del Mar
- Try implants on for size in the office, and simulate your result in 3-D!
- Up to ***twenty year warranty*** on implants
- WARNING: Do NOT have breast augmentation unless you can handle more attention

Mention The San Diego Reader ad for
$500 OFF Your Procedure
(restrictions apply, call for details)

FEEL BEAUTIFUL

Aesthetic Wellness & Plastic Surgery

STEVE LAVERSON, MD, FACS

(858) 295-3130

11199 Sorrento Valley Rd., Ste. 202 San Diego

WINNER Reader BEST of 2021 Best Plastic Surgeon

CERTIFIED BY The American Board of Plastic Surgery Inc.

Member AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLASTIC SURGEONS

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR AESTHETIC PLASTIC SURGERY

WINNER Reader BEST of 2022 Best Cosmetic Surgeon Breast Augmentation



Steve Laverson, M.D.

Storage Delivered!

1



Have one or more Big Box storage units delivered to your apartment or house.

2



Load the Big Box at your convenience. Each measures 8'x5'x7' (LxWxH) and can hold up to a room and a half.

3



The Big Box will be picked up for secure indoor storing. Free storage access available 7 days a week.

~~$99~~ **free**

Delivery & Pickup

with three-month minimum storage.

BIG BOX storage

NEED STORAGE?

Schedule a Big Box delivery by calling **800-355-7120** or online at **www.BigBox.com.**

Rates as low as $64 per month, backed by a **low price guarantee!**

LETTERS

We welcome letters pertaining to the contents of the Reader. *Submit them at sdreader.com/letters or phone them in at 619-235-3000. Include your name and neighborhood. Letters may be edited for length and clarity.*

Quatro bad for algo?

So, it's nice that you mention local bands sometimes in "Local Five"(Local Five, February 9) — but, for example, recently "Quatro" was mentioned — but there is no indication of if or when they might ever put on a show... That particular band has a bad name if they ever want to be able to be found on Youtube (=~ mandatory for any "up and coming band" to upload videos of them playing)... but the name has to be searchable (Quatro is particularly bad name for that).

If a band is worth mentioning, one would presume its so readers could find out how to listen to them – right? So, maybe do something more about that in the column? OR why mention them if they have no music online or gigs coming up?

Steve Votaw
Solana Beach

Wrong robin

I'm glad you mentioned the large numbers of American Robins, as their recent invasion is highly unusual ("Manzanitas bloom, American Robins head west, measure trees", Outdoors, February 16). However, you printed a picture of the wrong species. It would be helpful to the reader, who may be seeing these birds in their neighborhoods, to post an American Robin, not a European one. Feel free to reach out for your bird identification needs at any time.

Jennifer
Oceanside

Typo or no?

Interesting typo (I guess it's a typo) from the cover story of the Feb 15th issue ("Midlife Mountain", Cover Story, February 16). "It didn't help that my sister, who was just 19 months older than me, had recently secured her hoity-toity dream job with Amazon up in Seattle. She was climbing the corporate leader, wowing everyone she met." I'm sure HR addressed the situation.

Howard Labow
Rancho Penasquitos

More Stumping for Trump

Thank God for Vic Santos in Lakeside and A Proud Conservative in San Marcos! ("Trump 2024", Letters, February 23) President Donald Trump was the best president in my lifetime, with Ronald Reagan a close second. He loves this country and ran for office to help save it. He took not a dollar in compensation, his entire salary donated to charity, in stark contrast to the current occupant of the WH. The installed president has enriched himself on the backs of the American taxpayers for a half a century. He has undone much of the good Trump managed to accomplish in four short years while under constant attack and sabotage, from his known enemies as well as inner circle traitors.

I also greatly admire him for being the first POTUS to attend the March for Life in Washington DC. Trump Derangement Syndrome is like a major personality disorder, as resistant to treatment as it is rational explanation. I have yet to encounter a Trump hater who can intelligently, and factually, articulate a reason for the obsessive hatred.

I don't buy the story of the guy who claims his lifelong friend called him the "N" word, it didn't ring true at all. In my personal experience, Trump haters have extended their venom to me as a proud supporter. At my last workplace the bullies were taking pictures of my car (Trump 2020 license plate frame) and ridiculing me behind my back.

Funny how the freeways were being obstructed in

continued on page 4

San Diego
Reader

SanDiegoReader.com
619.235.3000

March 2, 2023



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

Food truckin' ain't easy — page 10



An 8-topping Lebanese flatbread — page 25



Mexican coral trees bloom all over — page 17

ADVERTISING

Display Ads

Automotive *28*
Cannabis *33*
Classifieds *26*
Events *17*
Health and Beauty *13*
Legal Solutions *9*
Music *20*
Research Studies *6*
Restaurants *25*

NEWS & FEATURES

Letters **1**

Neighborhood News

San Diegans staying put, trucks toppling in the breeze **2**

From the Archives

Food memoirist Max Nash **5**

Unreal Esate

A waterlogged Green Dragon in La Jolla **6**

SD on the QT

Almost factual news about Dr. Seuss **8**

From TJ to truck

The international adventures of Tony Tee, by Matthew Suárez **10**

News of the Weird **31**

Puzzles **32**

CALENDAR

Events

Art, Book-signings, Classes & Workshops, Comedy, Dance,
Discussion Groups, Food & Drink, For Kids, Lectures, Movies
Outdoors, Special Events, Spoken Word, Sports & Fitness,
Streaming, Theater **15**

Outdoors

Why so windy? **17**

Music

Blurt: The metamorphosis of Proteus **20**

Local Five: San Diego acts you ought to check out **21**

Immortal Beauty: Lapse puts ladies on list **22**

The Gonzo Report: Air Conditioned Lounge heats up to the beat **23**

Drinks All Around

Verbena's El Nino **24**

Restaurants

Feast: a smorgasbord of slices at Furnsaj **25**

Earn up to $125 for your story and photos. Go to *sdreader.com/write*

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Reader stringers

HOME SWEET HOME

Happily housebound

San Diegans slow to sell

The old axiom is that you should wait at least five years to sell your home after buying it, in order to let prices rise enough to recoup all the costs involved. And while some Californians decided to ignore that counsel during the recent housing price spike, San Diegans were often not among them. A study of the state's 30 largest cities by *Point2Homes*, a real estate listing website, found that the average time an owner kept their home in 30 cities across the state was between 2.3 years (Elk Grove) and 9.3 years (Salinas, one of the more expensive areas for housing). (The study notes that many Californians may be selling after a short period — as in the Sacramento area, which includes the suburb of Elk Grove — and leaving the state.) But San Diego property owners in 2022 kept their homes for six years before selling — California's third longest tenure. In Oceanside and Chula Vista, some of the more affordable places in the county, people are holding out even longer.



BEACH CITIES REAL ESTATE

The thing about paradise is that you tend to stay if you can.

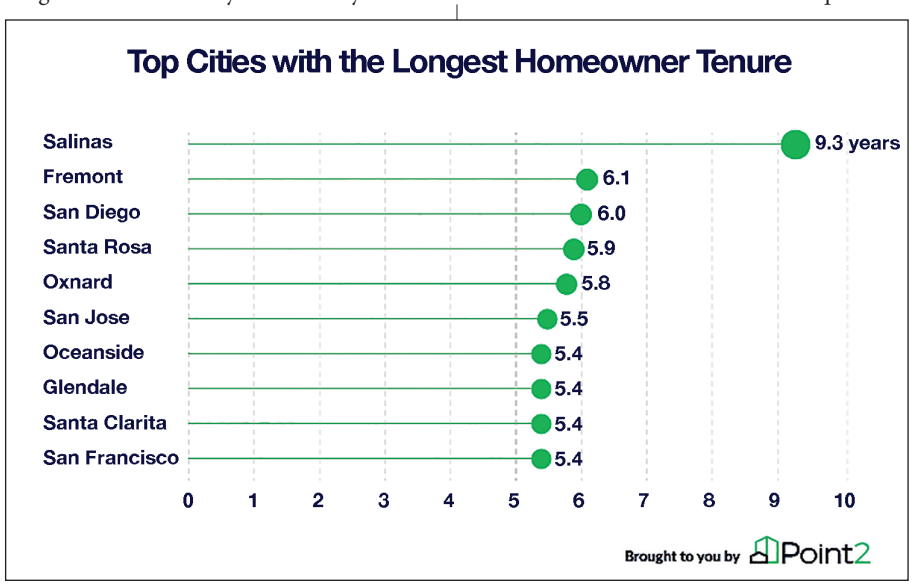
The company used its own data from local home sales in 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. It isn't clear how many of the properties were owner-occupied, as opposed to being owned by investors — only that owners are waiting longer to sell than they are in many other places. "What we wanted to determine was how long owners held on to a home before selling, and especially how that has changed compared to pre-pandemic times," said Carmen Rogobete from *Point2Homes*. The study found that, compared to 2019 — "The last year before the pandemic brought about the avalanche of change people are still trying to adapt to" — San Diego property owners are dragging their heels about selling these days. (Although prices have tilted towards buyers of late, with homes taking almost twice as long to sell in January 2023 than they did in January of last year, they are still out of reach for many. According to the Greater San Diego Association of Realtors, the median price of sold homes is $767,000.)

> "New homes are usually starter homes. First-time buyers are willing to sacrifice for a lower price."

Among the other findings: condo owners kept their units longer than those with single family homes. And smaller homes weren't quick to be swapped for bigger ones; their owners didn't budge for five years — almost as long as the owners of mansions. According to the study, Californians live longest in homes that are either at least 5000 square feet or 500-1000 square feet.

Newer houses, less than five years old, were sold only about two years after purchase, while people held on to middle-aged homes more than twice as long. "This could be because new homes are usually starter homes," the report says — which are typically cheaper. "As such, they're extremely attractive to first-time buyers, who are willing to sacrifice location and even square footage for a lower price." In San Diego, there aren't nearly enough of them to go around.

SHEILA PELL



ON THE ROAD

Semis, sideways

Wind warnings warrant wariness

On February 12, a wind advisory was made for I-8 between Willows Road in Alpine and the Imperial County line a little past Jacumba, according to *CA-17.com*. The wind advisory was in full effect until the morning of Valentine's Day — with good reason. Just over a couple of weeks ago, before noon on January 26, the California Highway Patrol assessed "multiple semi trucks that [had] been blown over," according to a CHP El Cajon Instagram caption under a video. "There are heavy winds in San Diego county with gusts reported to be over 80 mph." In the compelling video, taken on the I-8 in Jacumba by Officer T. Neibert's onboard camera, two semis could be seen lying on their sides. Next to one of the toppled 18-wheelers, three firemen were shoveling gravel and dirt from the shoulder and covering a liquid which had spilled onto the freeway. The CHP warned drivers, "It will take a while to get these vehicles out of the road, so expect major delays on I-8 between E. Willows Rd. and the San Diego county line with Imperial County."

Lisa H., a seasoned second-generation Valley Center truck driver, saw the CHP video, and offered this comment: "The trucks you see toppling are more likely empty or loaded with a light load. The company I work for shuts us down when the wind conditions are bad and we are empty." Lisa said that trucking companies would rather not risk the equipment and driver, and so they have them shut down and park. This explains why you may notice plenty of 18-wheelers parked at the rest stops, the gas station with the helicopter on its roof, the Golden Acorn Casino, and other places in the Jacumba area, more than 4000 feet above sea level. "It costs less to shut us down, and pay us to do so, and then reschedule the load appointment than it does to pay the cost to lose a truck, trailer, and a load."

But not all trucking company supervisors are as easy on their drivers. Lisa continued, "Some [bosses] push their drivers to get the load delivered no matter what. But in my opinion, no load is worth that risk. Even when I was loaded with 43,000 pounds of product in the van, I was pulling. I could feel the crosswind push me with some of the high gusts I'd experienced. It's like having a big old sail behind your truck."

In 2020, about 440,000 large trucks around the U.S. were involved in police-reported traffic crashes and collisions, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration site. That's why Lisa monitors her phone apps — things like Trucker Path, Google Maps, and Drivewyze — to see and hear what's ahead. She also listens out for truckers' warnings on her old-school CB radio. "There are still drivers out here that will take the time to warn others of conditions," she said. "I appreciate them." If there are gusty winds ahead, she'll pull her big rig off the road and park somewhere safe. She added that during downtime in their tractors, most truck drivers play video games and movies, and cook. "When I shut down for weather, I will talk on the phone, listen to music, audiobooks... Rest is a huge thing most of us don't get enough of, so it's good to take advantage of it."

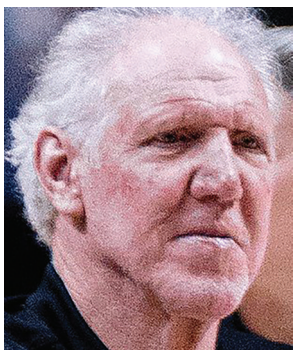


"It's like having a big old sail behind your truck."

MIKE MADRIAGA

UNDER THE RADAR

Media shipwreck Can Downtown's homeless woes be linked to softball lighting in Clairemont? So argues the non-profit Lucky Duck Foundation, which has bestowed its latest "Shipwreck" anti-homelessness award on the City of San Diego for banning homegrown sports lighting at a neighborhood softball field. "After parents installed lights at a city-owned park so their kids could play softball after dark, the City of San Diego informed them they could not use the lights, even though the parents covered all costs to improve the city's asset," says a February 21 Lucky Duck online post, apparently based on a February 15 account by KUSI, the TV station owned by longtime GOP stalwart **Mike McKinnon**, which frequently bashes Democratic mayor **Todd Gloria** for not doing enough about the city's homeless crisis. "It appears the city is more focused on removing safe and healthy opportunities for youth rather than focusing on removing the criminal element surrounding the homeless population. Few activities are more safe, healthy, and enriching than competing in youth sports. Few things are more dangerous than failing to address the continued criminal behavior surrounding San Diego's unsheltered homeless population." Per Lucky Duck, "Reducing the criminal element by removing criminal behavior and the criminals who are committing crimes will immediately reduce the number of people on the streets, while also protecting the public and those who are literally homeless, such as youth and seniors." The post goes on to say that "removing opportunities for youth to participate in sports rather than removing the criminal element is, in our view, significantly missing the mark."



Former Celtic Bill Walton knows a thing or two about shamrocks.

One of KUSI's latest direct salvos against Gloria came on February 14, when the station's website reported, "As we all know, San Diego's homeless crisis is only getting worse under the leadership of Mayor Todd Gloria, who continues to pretend like he is working to fix the issue. In September of 2022, local icon **Bill Walton** partnered with the Lucky Duck Foundation to call out Gloria's failures, which made national news." Lucky Duck announced its first "Shamrocks & Shipwrecks" awards last September, saying, "We have established this scoring system in order to publicly highlight tangible, positive action and to call out shortcomings of elected leaders for addressing homelessness throughout San Diego County. It is compiled and organized by the Lucky Duck Foundation, which meets weekly to follow facts, collaborate with and survive generations of politicians, and apply sound business principles to fund, activate, and lead high-impact programs designed to immediately help those suffering from homelessness."



Did Bill Gore fumble the handoff?

Loose guns and unsafe cash Last April's handoff of the Sheriff's Office from the early-retiring Sheriff **Bill Gore** to interim Sheriff **Anthony C. Ray** revealed some potentially dangerous deficiencies, according to a recently posted November 18, 2022 review of the leadership changeover by the county's chief auditor, **Juan Perez**. "We sighted 1050 weapons pending destruction that were not outlined in the [Minor Equipment Inventory Listing]," says the report, noting that such lethal items should stay in the official inventory until they are actually destroyed, lest they inadvertently disappear or get stolen. "These weapons are maintained inside one of the Weapons Training Center buildings and secured by a metal gate inside the building. Only full-time sworn Weapons Training Unit staff have access to that building. However, they do not keep an access log recording the access to that location." The story was the same with the handling of a horde of cash and other valuables. "Civil Division does not change the combination of their safe box regularly and does not have a Safe Activity Log," according to the audit. "The Licensing Division did not have a Safe Activity Log to record safe activity. Additionally, the cashier drawer is shared by all the employees working at the front counter." Sheriff's officials told auditors that "the deficiencies noted were the result of staff not receiving proper cash handling training," but the report warns that any lapses could be costly. "Improper internal controls over revolving funds management increase the risk of mishandling or misappropriation of funds." In a November 10, 2022, response, Ray agreed with most of the auditor's findings, promising a fix by September of this year. He disputed an auditor's observation that "a Glock, asset tag 870292, was sighted but not listed on the [Minor Equipment Inventory Listing]." According to Ray's letter, the Sheriff's "Weapons Training Unit confirmed the Glock identified as unlisted, waiting for disposal is included in

continued on page 7

* THIS WEEKEND ONLY *

GEM FAIRE

America's Premier Jewelry & Bead Faires

GEM FAIRE®

MARCH 3, 4, 5

DEL MAR

Del Mar Fairgrounds

{ 2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd., Del Mar }

FRI 12pm-6pm | SAT 10am-6pm | SUN 10am-5pm

(No admittance after 4pm Sunday)



*Bring this ad to receive $2 OFF admission

***** Admission $7

Buy directly from Wholesalers & Importers Open to the public

Jewelry Repair | Largest Selection | New Vendors!

* Not valid with other offer. ONE per person. Property of Gem Faire, Inc, can be revoked without notice. Non-transferrable.

Sponsored by GEM FAIRE, INC | (503) 252-8300 | GEMFAIRE.COM

LETTERS

continued from page 1

2016 when Trump "unexpectedly" beat the unlikeable Hillary Clinton, who as I recall had a hard time conceding to the messiah Obama back in 2008. There was no lootings, rioting, standing on the I-5 like a pack of rabid and confused wild dogs, or in general throwing tantrums. I endured 12 years of Clinton and Obama. It was my turn to be happy when President Trump won. And he won again in 2020, and his detractors know it. Which is why they continue to obsess over him and hate him for no reason.

Biden was demonstrably a racist, particularly in his younger years, mentored by KKK Senator Byrd of WV. He opposed school busing and didn't want his kids' schools integrated. He mocked India immigrants in PA in 2004, I heard it on the radio myself.

I have been following politics since I was 13 years old and I'm a PA native. Joe Biden has never had a good reputation and he was a mediocre politician at his best.

I am a proud Trump supporter and am not ashamed to showcase it. Whoever doesn't want to associate with me, relative, coworker, or false friend, that is fine. I have never held it against anyone that they voted for the worst presidential candidate in American history despite the fact that it has raised my cost of living, deeply cut into my retirement accounts, and made it overall much harder for those of us who actually work for everything we have as he has expanded programs the slothful and the takers.

But I have been unfriended and "canceled" for openly supporting Trump as well as vocally opposing abortion. President Trump is still my president!

Lagertha Gunderson
Chula Vista

Low, Low Car Rental Rates

Buy Here, Pay Here. Rent-to-Own.

Daily from $20 | Weekly from $100 | Monthly from $350







Rent for only $100/day



Harley-Davidson Road King®

SUVs • Navigators • Expeditions • Suburbans • RVs • Explorers
15-Passenger Vans • Minivans • Luxury Cars • Motorcycles
18 years & older | Cash deposits | 100 free miles/day
Open 24-7 | All major credit cards accepted

Car Rentals, Inc.
3006 Barnett Ave, San Diego, 92110
760-633-3552 | 619-233-8300
Auto Sales & Rentals | Airport | Encinitas | Oceanside



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

I try to be a Certified Nursing Assistant in El Cajon

Cover Story, February 15, 2023

This is a superbly written article - thank you so much!!

-Fellow Smurf
February 17, 2023

CNA work is very difficult indeed. Overworked, underpaid, warehousing the elderly until they die.

-Smurfing ain't easy
February 21, 2023

Please proofread before publishing... the correct term is "climbing the corporate ladder" not "leader." "It didn't help that my sister, who was just 19 months older than me, had recently secured her hoity-toity dream job with Amazon up in Seattle. She was climbing the corporate leader, wowing everyone she met" (As posted on a way with words website)

-Carlton Johnson
February 23, 2023

"Corporate Leader" comment aside, this article was one of the best composed stories the Reader has published in a long while, and an enjoyable read!

-Vincent Vella
February 27, 2023

Cuyamaca Peak in Winter

Roam, February 15, 2023

What an overwritten article.

-Hiking Unenthusiast
February 15, 2023

^ What an underwritten reply. Stay anonymous.

-Take a Hike
February 20, 2023

Anti-Trump, pro-pal

Letters, February 8, 2023

Yes you are right, all the Anti-Trump people don't get it, Our Great America is being destroyed by Biden and the Liberal mentality, all of our big cities are being ruined and destroyed, lunatics are running the asylum, even the Pelosi family suffered from their nonsense mentality, this should never happen to happen to anyone, but they created insanity and all good, people, children are suffering, America has to take care of America, why do we have to take care of the other counties who do not care about us, and we send money to them.

-KevinD
February 23, 2023

Why those big rigs are parked on the side of I-8

Neighborhood News, February 20, 2023

Not trying to be too nitpicky but the Golden Acorn Casino is not in Jacumba. Also, Jacumba is just over 3000 foot elevation and the Golden Acorn is over 4000 foot elevation. There's also a rest stop in Buckman Springs that gets quite a bit of 18-wheelers.

-Nit Picker
February 21, 2023

Turo car sharing, under fire elsewhere, greases Toni Atkins machine

News Under the Radar, February 15, 2023

Toni Atkins has been a great friend to San Diego, the environment, and justice causes. Fundraising is a part of moving forward with any measure, and I'm pretty sure that Uber and

continued on page 7

EDITOR
Jim Holman

NEWS & FEATURES EDITOR
Matthew Lickona

SENIOR EDITOR
Matt Potter

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT
Chris Woo

CONTRIBUTORS
Chris Ahrens, Ian Anderson, Thomas K. Arnold, Ed Bedford, Robert Bush, Joe Deegan, Dave Good, Moss Gropen, Dryw Keltz, Thomas Larson, Ken Leighton, Ivan Molina, Mike Madriaga, Bill Manson, Derek Pike, Ian Pike, Elizabeth Salaam, Jay Allen Sanford

SENIOR ACCOUNT EXECUTIVES
Eduardo Bravo, Brett Flynn, Holly Micelli, Graeme Storey, Todd Westfall

DIGITAL AGENCY MANAGER
Daniela Penkova

SOCIAL MEDIA SPECIALIST
Kristine Fuentes

OPERATIONS MANAGER
Amanda Stevens

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
Stephen Hatch

DIGITAL MARKETING COORDINATOR
Amanda Tascher

PRODUCTION COORDINATOR
Mike Brown

ART DIRECTOR
Jessica Wentzel

ACCOUNTING & HR MANAGER
Ruta Stecher

STAFF ACCOUNTANTS
Rosa Villareal

DISTRIBUTION MANAGER
Marina Bahena

All advertising in the *Reader* is subject to current rate card. The *Reader* reserves the right not to accept an advertiser's order. The entire contents of the *San Diego Reader* are copyright 2022, SDReader, Inc. All rights reserved.

NATIONAL ADVERTISING
VMG Advertising - 888-278-9866

OFFICE
Reader, 2323 Broadway, suite 200
San Diego, CA 92102

619-235-8200
Paid Classifieds

OFFICE HOURS
By appointment only

GENERAL INFORMATION
619-235-3000

What to do with a fat child, Jews, and pork

The fat boy and his tortilla

As a proactive measure she enrolled me in a diet program called TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). Members who either gained or failed to lose weight were obliged to stand before their weekly meeting and sing the Pig Song. There are, of course, "experts" who might suggest that humiliating a fat and high-strung child wasn't the best way to help him lose weight. – *Max Nash* **JULY 30, 2000**

Jews, Christians, and the pig

My friend's sister as a teenager began to complain that her nose was large, that her hair was kinky. She started reading books by Christian author C.S. Lewis. She saved her allowance to have her hair straightened. One evening my friend and his mother went to a movie. When they returned, they heard Handel's *Messiah* blaring from their home. – *Max Nash* **JULY 27, 2000**

The gruesome heritage of the avocado

While they would have appreciated the spirit of the Super Bowl, the Aztecs might have wondered why the winning team didn't sacrifice at least one of the losing players. The Aztec diet wasn't limited to tortilla chips and avocado sauce. The Aztecs loved turkey, duck, tomatoes, and plump hairless dogs with floppy jowls. – *Max Nash* **FEB. 1, 2001**

No Mexican food without epazote

When I finish cutting back my epazote, I can't get the smell off my hands. It reminds me of a friend who, while living in rural Mexico, once purged herself of hookworm by every day eating an epazote-and-papaya-seed paste. *Ascaridol* is deep in my skin. If I have worms in my gut, they must be, I think, nervous. What is he up to with that stuff? – *Max Nash* **JUNE 14, 2001**



A corn tortilla is no Twinkie.

Grape leaves and the Gulf War

The week 150,000 Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait, Leah's father in Melbourne was diagnosed with cancer. I almost felt relieved when I went with Marc and Leah to the airport Security was tight. A lot of plainclothesmen in bulky Israeli sportscoats stood around the lobby. They carried briefcases we all knew contained Uzis. It wasn't a time for long goodbyes. – *Max Nash* **FEB. 3, 2000**

A roasting hen and divorce

"He monopolized my time on my honeymoon" is what my wife told Star and Bob, our marriage counselors, by way of expressing her past and present dissatisfactions. I sat there and wondered about my wife's use of the possessive, "my honeymoon." But what did I know? – *Max Nash* **MAY. 4, 2000**

Read full articles from the archives at sandiegoreader.com/news/from-archives

A California Distinguished School

KIPP: Adelante PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Joyful.

Academically Excellent.

Committed to a More Just World.

GRADES 5-8 | 426 Euclid Ave., San Diego
619-233-3242
kippsocal.org/adelante



1424 OLIVET LANE | LA JOLLA, 92037

CURRENT OWNER: Jane Ryan | **LISTING PRICE:** $4,395,000 | **BEDS:** 6 | **BATHS:** 4 | **HOUSE SIZE:** 3568 sq ft

UNREAL ESTATE

by Dave Rice



Craftsman-style architecture with Tudor Revival influences...and copious water damage.

We don't seem to care very much about old buildings here in San Diego. I spent some time looking for a nice old home to write about here, as I tend to do every couple of months, and what I found was a touch disappointing. I asked my search tool to show me houses for sale that were built before 1950 (which isn't all that old, really) and priced at $2 million or more. As of late February, there were only 43 such properties to be found.

Worse, it doesn't seem like people have much interest in making sure most of these older homes endure — listing after listing began with a headline like "Development opportunity!" or "Build your dream home!" or some similar invitation to tear down any building that's surpassed a human's life expectancy and so make way for an ultra-modern cube of enclosed luxury that stretches far too close to your neighbor's lot line for comfort. Well, my comfort, anyway.

As I scrolled through the listings, my interior landscape grew bleak. Have I already showed you, dear reader, all of the cool old houses that San Diegans are selling? I hope not, but... Perhaps we'll get some more offerings in the spring, when "real estate season" starts in earnest. For now, I'm going to show you an old house that has seen better days, but still, it seems to me, looks like it deserves a happier fate than complete demolition.

Zillow pitches 1424 Olivet Lane as a "hidden gem looking for the right person to transform or recreate this wonderful property in the heart of La Jolla." The listing goes on to say that both the main house and detached garage (built somewhere between 1914 and 1918, apparently) were "part of the Green Dragon Colony of artists and educators established by Anna Held."

Held came to San Diego as a governess for the family of Ulysses S. Grant Jr. in 1894 (coincidentally, we looked at his house almost exactly a year ago), who purchased an undeveloped hillside in what would become La Jolla Village for a reported $165. Yes, one hundred sixty-five dollars. She then hired an architect to build her a cottage around a stone fireplace she had herself built from rocks gathered along the bluffs.

More guest cottages followed between 1895 and 1906, and Held began hosting gatherings of famous and influential artists, writers, actors, and musicians from around the world. British novelist Beatrice Harraden is said to have coined the "Green Dragon" moniker for the enclave, and for many, visits there served as an introduc-

continued on page 7

Do you plan to receive a COVID-19 booster shot?

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
for
COVID-19 STUDY

For more information
or to get involved:

lji.org/study
donors@lji.org
(858)-255-0680

You may be eligible to participate if you:

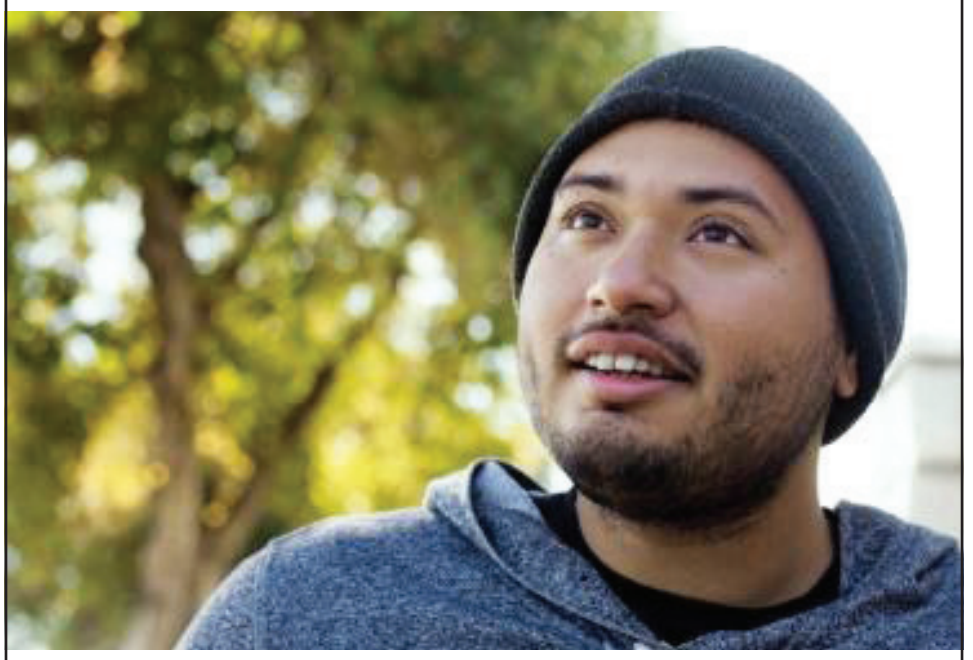
- Are over 18 years of age
- Received original series of the Moderna/Pfizer/J&J COVID-19 vaccine.
- Plan to receive a booster shot of the COVID-19 vaccine.

Participation:
Consists of a brief health questionnaire and 3 study visits which will include blood draws. Volunteers will be contributing to scientific research. Compensation up to $300 for time and effort.

La Jolla Institute
Institutional Review Board
Approved for use until: 5/19/2023
Protocol # VD-214-0522 A2

La Jolla Institute FOR IMMUNOLOGY | Life Without Disease.®

Schizophrenia Research Study



Learn about an investigational study for adults 18-65 with schizophrenia taking place near you.

Compensation up to $6725 is available to those who qualify.

For more information please contact us
855-367-8834 artemis-research.com

ARTEMIS INSTITUTE FOR CLINICAL RESEARCH

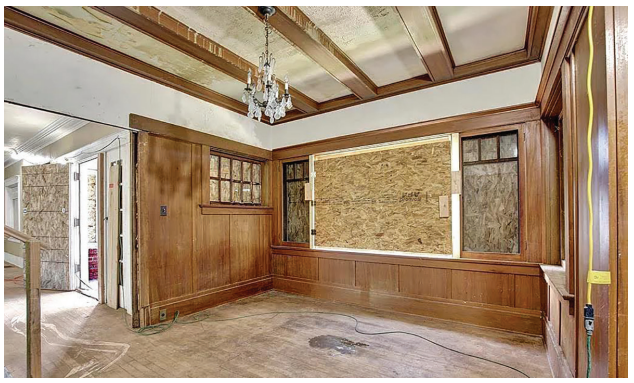
UNREAL ESTATE

continued from page 6

tion to La Jolla — and to San Diego more broadly.

Alas, the build dates don't quite match up here: Held sold out in 1912 for a reported $30,000 (not a bad return on that $165), and our Olivet Lane home was built after that. So was this really a Green Dragon house? It's hard to know, but the Zillow remarks do say that "Harry Child, President & Co-founder of the Yellowstone Park Co., used this as his Winter home," There's another Grant connection, as the president (not the son who settled in San Diego) signed a law in 1872 that paved the way for the creation of that park.

Let's have a look at the buildings, which the listing says feature "Craftsman-style architecture with Tudor Revival influences." Oh dear, this does not start well. There's a bunch of staining on the red brick that covers the first half of the lower level exterior, nearly all of the front windows are boarded up, and most of the roof is covered in a sad blue tarp. (And what isn't under the tarp does not look to be in good shape at all.) The next picture, taken from a slightly higher elevation, only makes things look worse. From the gated driveway at the street, things look a little better, but only because the house is farther away. Also, a chain link fence wrapped with construction privacy fabric is not what I would expect for a multi-million dollar house — though upon consideration, it's probably more of a deterrent, meant to keep people away from the dilapidated structure.



Maybe some of the timber can be saved, despite the water damage.

The grounds look pleasant, if a bit derelict. There are some good old-growth trees spread across the lot, which spans nearly two-thirds of an acre. And maybe a little water and seed could bring the vast lawn back to life — though that might not be the best idea in Southern California, anyway.

The detached garage, which looks like a house unto itself that happens to sport a couple of small garage doors, doesn't look much better. There are no roof tarps, but the windows are still boarded up, and I'm wondering if the absence of tarps just means there's nothing worthy of preservation inside. There's also a boarded-up studio that looks like it might feature some rustic wood siding, but don't be fooled: a closer look reveals that there's no siding at all; we're just looking straight through the exterior wall.

We get another dozen or so depressing shots of the exterior before we're finally invited inside. First up is the massive living room. The fireplace looks good: old and regal, what we'd expect of a house of this age. It looks like someone has tried to freshen up the paint on the walls and maybe update the lighting fixtures, but there's also evidence of a pretty bad roof leak, and I'm not sure if any level of sanding and polishing can save those hardwood floors. A wood-paneled dining room has coffered ceilings and a chandelier that looks old if not grandiose, but there's water damage here, too. It's not as bad as the living room, so maybe some of the timber can be saved?

Next we get to another wood room, this one with an interesting hexagonal shape and what look like some disused built-in bookcases. There are the makings of a home office here, and I find I'm getting either more hopeful or more delusional as we look around. I'm starting to imagine the stately bearing this home once possessed — and might someday again.

My hopes are somewhat dashed when we get to the first of four bathrooms. The stains on the walls here (the walls that still exist, anyway) are overwhelming, and the flooring has been ripped up, exposing lots of rotten wood. The light fixture dangling from a cord in the shower adds to the overall creepiness of setting. Our dejected tour continues from there until we reach the kitchen, where we find signs of life. It looks like, at some point in the last 15 years or so, someone attempted an update, with newer stone countertops and glass-faced cabinets. Maybe the level of seemingly years-old decay isn't really the result of decades of neglect? Or maybe I keep reassuring myself for no good reason.

We continue through a parade of abandon: there's the studio guest house, ripped down to the studs almost everywhere. A bathroom addition on the garage probably was undertaken with great intentions, but even when it was functional, the plumbing would have looked amateurish. One window on the top floor of the main house has had the strand board pried away so that we can look out at the ocean.

Then we get to something entirely unexpected: a weird plaster-walled passageway with a curving ceiling and openings in the wall placed seemingly at random. One leads us to a tile-floored room with round walls – is this the "oversized 'crawl' space/basement" the listing promised us?

Alas, that's it for items of interest, aside from more devastation. I guess we'll never know the story of this house, or whether any of the famous minds of the Green Dragon collective actually spent any time here. The listing does say that "this house has POTENTIAL Historical Significance," but based on the all-caps shouting, I think "potential" is doing the heavy lifting here.

Public records list a Jane Ryan as the home's owner. Given the incredibly low tax basis of $287,000 and no history of other sales, the home has likely been in the family for a very, very long time. And despite all of its many failings, homes in La Jolla still don't come cheap. Listed for the first time in mid-February, the asking price of $4,395,000 remains unchanged to date. Start with that much, and then plan on doubling your investment to get this property back into shape. But please, don't knock it down and build another McMansion.■

LETTERS

continued from page 4

Lyft donated to a lot of ballot initiatives and other political actions to get where they got. Give Toni the credit she deserves. If you want a crappy article about Turo, then write it, but $7500 is a giant – so what.

-Joni Shmatkins
February 18, 2023

Actually, $7500 is not a miniscule bribe. And Ms. Atkins seems to accept just about any contribution from anyone (or any company/organization), as long ss the check will clear. And that was NOT a "crappy article about Turo" you read. Matt Potter is a highly-reputable and experienced reporter who delivers the facts in whatever he writes about.

-Potter Fan
February 21, 2023

SDSU iNewsource draws contrast with U-T, pulls in $500K

News Under the Radar, February 8, 2023

Maybe this column should be titled, Corruption Central.

-Namer in Chief
February 13, 2023

WTF? "San Diego State University-based inewsource"? SDSU has become a little socialist bastion under the new President. The community dislikes her and until there are no waiting lists for classes, she needs to spend SDSU funding on CLASSES, not on her personal ideology news rag.

-iM-not-happy
February 18, 2023

Are there camouflaged bridges off the Del Dios Highway?

Matthew Alice, August 12, 1999

I always thought it was old abandoned train tracks.

-Trainspotter
January 3, 2023

"Shit-eating grin" – a complicated history

Matthew Alice, August 5, 1993

When I was about 7 years old we visited my favorite 17 year old cousin on his dad's dairy farm. To show how tough he was, he would take dried up cow chips off the barnyard ground and eat them in front of us... with a shit eating grin!

-Not a Kissing Cousin
December 29, 2022

Under the radar

continued from page 3

the [Minor Equipment Inventory Listing], and has not been removed from [Minor Equipment Inventory Listing] pending disposal or destruction."

...**Kelly Martinez**, Gore's Undersheriff, who won a four-year term as permanent San Diego Sheriff in November of last year, disbanded her election committee on February 9, paying out a $25,000 election win bonus to political consultant **Jennifer Tierney**'s Gemini Group and spending $4435 on a swearing-in blowout at downtown's Westin Hotel. Just before closing the books, Martinez personally gave $2100 to her committee on February 7. According to Tierney's website, "Jen splits her time between San Diego and Williamsburg, Virginia. When she isn't working in California, Jen stays busy in Virginia, where she is chair of the Historic Triangle Democrats, a member of the Virginia Democratic Party Central Committee for the 1st Congressional District, and Vice Chair for the Eastern Region of the Virginia Association of Democratic Chairs. She volunteers for many candidates on the Peninsula and has helped guide the campaigns of Monty Mason for Delegate (93rd) and State Senate (1st) and Mike Mullin for Delegate (93rd)."

— Matt Potter
(@sdmattpotter)

The *Reader* offers $25 for news tips published in this column. Call our voice mail at 619-235-3000, ext. 440, or sandiegoreader.com/staff/matt-potter/contact/.



SD ON THE QT

Almost factual news

Grinching Pennies

Dr. Seuss publisher and estate announce plan to produce sequel to beloved book



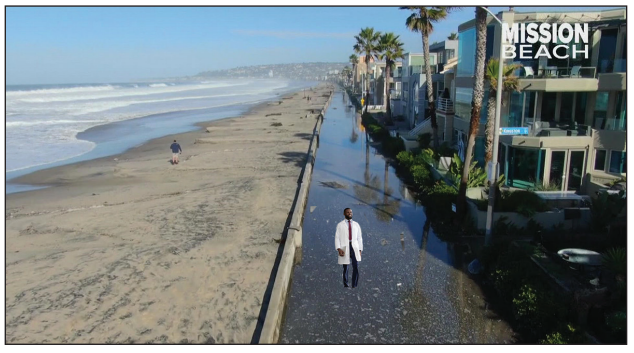
You're a green one, Mr. Grinch. (Sample page from the upcoming *How the Grinch Lost Christmas!*

Last week, Random House Children's Books announced its plan to release a new Grinch story later this year. Titled *How the Grinch Lost Christmas!*, it tells the touching story of a desperate industry's attempt to squeeze a few more dollars out of a beloved cultural touchstone. Explained Executive Editor Alice Avarice: "*How the Grinch Stole Christmas* has sold nearly 10 million copies in North America alone. It has been made into the only TV special that can compete with *A Charlie Brown Christmas* for enduring appeal. The Grinch survived the live-action Jim Carrey adaptation, and he survived being voiced by Smaug. Not making a sequel would be a small-hearted, Grinchy disservice to our stockholders. You can't think about what Dr. Seuss made as the concrete expression of an artistic vision. You have to think of it — the rhyme-scheme, the madcap action, the trippy imagery — as a sandbox, or a set of tools. A set of tools that we can use to make something beautiful: stacks and stacks of money. The book comes out September 5, and let me tell you, we expect our profit margin to grow three sizes that day!"

Climate Change of Address?

Scientists urge beachfront property owners: "Donate to science! Or at least scientists!"

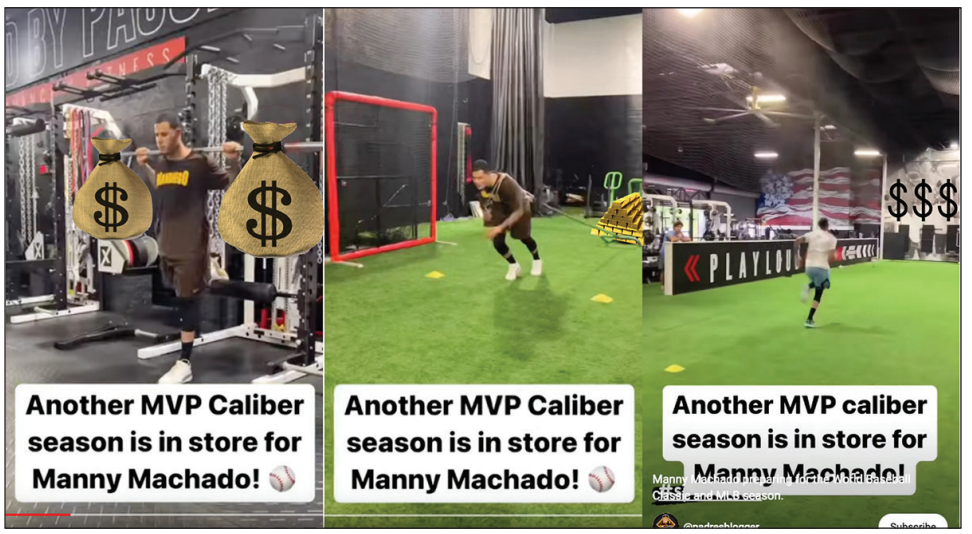
"Look, it just makes sense," said National Ocean Level Academy President Reginald Smart in his address to the California Coastal Commission on Monday. "Scripps Institute of Oceanography is where? On the ocean. Because that's where it needs to be in order to properly do its work. Nobody begrudges them that, even if they do occupy prime La Jolla real estate. Well, we're scientists who study the rising of ocean levels. It seems clear to us that the best way for us to do our work is to work, and even live, right up against the ocean. Just look at the recent flooding in Mission Beach — clearly, the effect of ocean level rise. Those properties are going to be worthless pretty soon, anyway. Why not give owners the chance to at least get a tax write-off by giving them to us? Trust the science, people — and move inland as soon as possible."



A cheerful scientist studies the effects of climate change on sea level rise in front of his new Mission Beach condo.

Mach-ado About Nothing?

Padres GM dismisses criticism of star after he announces plan to opt out of contract



Eyes on the prize: "One of the ways that Manny leads is by example," says teammate Hernando Gratis. "His focus on the ultimate goal and the intensity and drive he demonstrates in his pursuit of that goal, is incredibly enriching."

In 2019, Manny Machado signed a 10-year, $300 million contract with the San Diego Padres; at the time, it was the largest free agent contract in American sports history. But that was then. In the years that followed, other players signed larger contracts, and other teams won the World Series. And as he says, "It's about the fans," but also, "at the end of the day, sometimes business is business. The price of eggs, it's… how much?" So he announced his intention to opt out of that contract at the end of the season. Some fans expressed dismay that the Padres' leader was threatening to become the Padres' leaver, but General Manager A.J. Preller was unperturbed. "Manny does eat a lot of eggs," he said in comments to his bathroom mirror this morning. "Who am I to begrudge him those extra millions? So yes, let's pay him $350 million to stay here until he's 41. We're not just buying talent, we're buying time. When you think about it, this is actually a win for us. Eggs, eggs, eggs." Preller's comments were then cut short as he cut his wrist shaving.

WHO PLAYS WHO — BIDEN BORDER EDITION



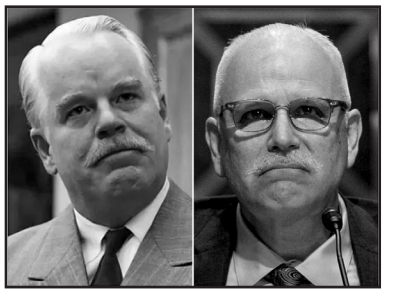
In *Titanic*, **Billy Zane** played an American who denied people a chance to seek safety and freedom in the lifeboats.

Immigration advocate **Sergio Gonzalez** used to work for Biden, but now says he's denying people a chance to seek safety and freedom in America.



In *Falling Down*, **Barbara Hershey** plays a woman who finds a white man's brutal treatment of others unacceptable.

Refugee advocate **Laurie Ball Cooper** says Biden's denial of asylum for refugees is "unconscionable."



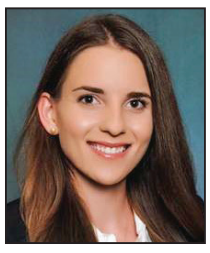
In *The Master*, **Philip Seymour Hoffman** plays a popular leader who is nevertheless accused of making things up as he goes.

Former Biden border official **Chris Magnus** is confused by the conflict between Biden's commitment to "asylum values" and his policies.

FREE Legal GUIDE

619-780-2470 • SDReader.com/Legal

Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. At the prompt, enter the 4-digit extension of the category that interests you.



EMPLOYMENT LAW • Extension 5609

Sponsored by Cohelan Khoury & Singer
605 C St., Suite 200, San Diego • 619-595-3001 • ckslaw.com

1 Wage & Hour Violations
2 Unpaid Commissions
3 Expense Reimbursements
4 Wrongful Termination
5 Misclassification
6 Improper Deductions
7 Discrimination and Harassment



SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY

Extension 5610
Sponsored by The Law Offices of Cory A. DeLellis • 619-567-0595
3949 Clairemont Dr. Ste. 10, San Diego • corydelellislaw.com

1 Overview of Social Security
2 Filing a Claim
3 Survivorship Benefits
4 Representation at Hearing Level
5 Disability Benefits
6 Social Security Disability Appeal



INSURANCE CLAIMS • Extension 5604

Sponsored by The Law Office of Robert Bruce Arnold
2329 India St., San Diego • 619-233-1096 • www.arnoldlawoffice.com

1 Insurance Bad Faith and Duties of Insurance Company
2 First Party Claims / Health / UM / UIM / Auto / Property
3 Time Limits
4 Disputes with Insurance Company
5 Department of Insurance Help Line
6 Do I need an attorney?
7 Background/Experience/ Philosophy



WILLS, TRUSTS, & ESTATE PLANNING

Extension 5623
Sponsored by the Law Office of David Sean Dufek • 619-222-5886
3772 Clairemont Dr., San Diego • www.dufeklaw.com

1 Do I need a Will?
2 Do I need a Trust?
3 What is the difference between a Will and a Trust?
4 What is Probate?
5 What do you do when a parent or loved one passes away?
6 I already have a Will and/or a Trust. Do I need to update these documents?



PERSONAL INJURY • Extension 5601

Sponsored by Bender Kurlander Hernandez & Campbell
501 West Broadway Suite 1500, San Diego • 619-842-3232

1 Do You Need an Attorney?
2 Vehicle Accidents
3 Medical Care
4 Wrongful Death Claims
5 Dog Bites
6 What is My Case Worth?



WORKERS' COMPENSATION • Extension 5605

Sponsored by The Law Offices of Matthew E. Russell
2445 Fifth Avenue, Suite 350, San Diego 92101
619-544-1506

1 Your Work-Related Injury
2 Workers' Comp Benefits
3 Third-party Accidents
4 Unsafe Working Conditions
5 Wrongful Discharge
6 Harbor & Longshoreman's Act

Any person who makes or causes to be made any knowingly false claim obtaining workers' compensation benefits or payments is guilty of a felony.

The attorneys and law firms who provide this information are solely responsible for its content. This information does not address all legal situations, nor is it intended to replace legal counsel.

Legal SOLUTIONS

All Personal Injury Cases
Car, slip & fall, burn, head injury. 30 yrs. exp.
Law Office of Neal Gibbons, 619-850-6325.

Criminal Defense Attorney
DUI, possession, domestic violence, etc. Visa/MC.
Free consult. Scott Salmu, Esq., 619-232-4LAW (4529).

Personal Injury Attorney
Car accidents, dog bites, etc. Free consultation.
Scott Salmu, Esq., 619-232-4LAW (4529).

STOP FORECLOSURES! GET HELP NOW!
Act Now to Resolve Real Estate Issues
Proceedings can be STOPPED!
WE CAN HELP! CALL NOW!
Call Now For Consultation (858) 879-0362.

Divorce. Family Law Call Now!!!!
(858) 304-7409

AVOID COSTLY LITIGATION!!!
TRUST/PROBATE ISSUES!
Avoid Delays, Expenses,
Long Lines, Unknown Court Dates.
GET EXPERIENCED RESULTS FAST,
PRIVATE, CONFIDENTIAL AFFORDABLE.
(858) 779-2785 • DON'T DELAY, CALL NOW!

CRIMINAL 24/7
General Practice Law Firm
DUI, DV, WARRANT RECALL! Reasonable Retainer
CALL FOR IMMEDIATE HELP!!! (858) 923-4841

DUI and Criminal Defense
Affordable rates. Visa/MC, flexible payment plans.
Free consult. Attorney David Boertje, 619-229-1870.

Criminal Defense Attorney
DUI, possession, domestic violence, etc. Visa/MC.
Free consult. Scott Salmu, Esq., 619-232-4LAW (4529).

Personal Injury Attorney
Car accidents, dog bites, etc. Free consultation.
Scott Salmu, Esq., 619-232-4LAW (4529).

Divorce. Family Law Call Now!!!!
(858) 304-7409

STOP FORECLOSURES! GET HELP NOW!
Act Now to Resolve Real Estate Issues
Proceedings can be STOPPED!
WE CAN HELP! CALL NOW!
Call Now For Consultation (858) 879-0362.

AVOID COSTLY LITIGATION!!!
TRUST/PROBATE ISSUES!
Avoid Delays, Expenses,
Long Lines, Unknown Court Dates.
GET EXPERIENCED RESULTS FAST,
PRIVATE, CONFIDENTIAL AFFORDABLE.
(858) 779-2785 • DON'T DELAY, CALL NOW!

CRIMINAL 24/7
General Practice Law Firm
DUI, DV, WARRANT RECALL! Reasonable Retainer
CALL FOR IMMEDIATE HELP!!! (858) 923-4841

DUI and Criminal Defense
Affordable rates. Visa/MC, flexible payment plans.
Free consult. Attorney David Boertje, 619-229-1870.

All Personal Injury Cases
Car, slip & fall, burn, head injury. 30 yrs. exp.
Law Office of Neal Gibbons, 619-850-6325.

From TJ to Truck

The international adventures of Tony Tee



PHOTOGRAPHS BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

"I'm doing this guerrilla-style!" shouts Antonio Ley, also known as El Tony Tee, as I approach his taco truck. "We got kicked out because of the stupid bike lane last week, and I have to park here for now."

The stupid bike lane in question runs along 30th Street as it cuts through North Park, and its installation in February of 2022 cost the street nearly 400 parking spaces, including the one right in front of Fall Brewing, where Tony liked to park his taco truck, Corazón de Torta. So now he's set

up in a nearby residential spot. "The cop told me to move anywhere, just as long as I didn't block the bike lane. And I know the girl who lives here. She's celebrating her birthday in Valle de Guadalupe. I keep texting her, but no answer." (Eventually, the brewery will have to sacrifice some patio space to accommodate visiting food trucks.)

I'm here because I work in Tony's truck from time to time. He calls me whenever his main cook is on vacation, or when he is in between workers. If I'm not available, he has several friends in rotation. Sometimes, he ends up asking a family member to cover for him. But I try to be available.

When I work the truck, I do a bit of everything — from cleaning, to making salsa, to prep work, to cooking, to photographing the food for marketing purposes. Mostly, I man the cash register and take tacos to the customers. But even though I am the one in the window taking orders, most of the customers want to talk to Tony — and he is eager to talk back.



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

A carne asada taco.

Tony Tee is vociferous, and a natural entertainer, happy to talk to everyone and no one about everything and nothing. Today, he will tell every customer that same story about the stupid bike lane, asking if they are for or against the lane, and how many bikes they've seen go by. A while back, he told everyone that he had gotten tickets to the Bad Bunny concert. Why wouldn't they want to know?

I've known Tony for nine years, but I knew of him years before that. Part of Tony's celebrity is the sort that comes when you bump up against a superstar and get a little stardust rubbed off on yourself: when chef-turned-author-turned-food-adventurer Anthony Bourdain visited Tijuana in January 2012, Tony acted as one of his tour guides. "I didn't know I was going to tour him until a few hours before!" says Tony when I ask him about it. "Yeah, people give me shit because of the places I took him, but I had no time to properly prepare."

Bourdain visited Tijuana for Episode 9 of Season 8 of his Travel Channel show *No Reservations*. It aired on May 27, 2012. The episode started with Bourdain crossing the border and eating a basic *torta* at one of the stands near the old San Ysidro gateway. That was followed by a Baja-Med style meal of *sous vide* beef tongue served by Javier Plascencia in one of his restaurants, Mision 19. The restaurant celebrated its 12 anniversary in January 2023 — it was only a year old when Bourdain visited. Bourdain seemed delighted with every plate he sampled.

Later in the episode, Tony and Bourdain met on Calle Sexta near Avenida Revolución to check out Dandy del Sur. "Tijuana grew up as a reaction to Prohibition," said Bourdain. "When you couldn't get a drink in California, Americans came here, wanting gambling, horse racing, and hookers, along with their cocktails."

Added Tony, "What Tijuana is slowly starting to realize is that the old concept of tourism here, a $10 all-you-can-drink, nasty bar full of Marines, is not going to fly anymore," He took a drink from his beer and continued: "[Tijuana]is in its beginning phases of re-inventing itself. There's avant-garde restaurants over here now; there's tiny little dive bars. It's not for the tourist, the Yankee *gringo* tourist we are all used to. It's for the locals. It's all local kids, having a great time."

"Well, there's money here now, Mexican money, a lot," answered Bourdain. "Dandy del Sur, a go-to for locals. An institution for casual consumption of liquor. And mostly, almost entirely Mexican. This is a reputable establishment." And it got a whole lot more reputable after it was visited by foodie royalty. A photo of Bourdain and Tony still hangs in Dandy del Sur, just to the side of the jukebox.

From there, the two slipped across the street to La Mezcalera, which Bourdain called a place



Abbott is currently enrolling adults (18+) to participate in sample collection studies.

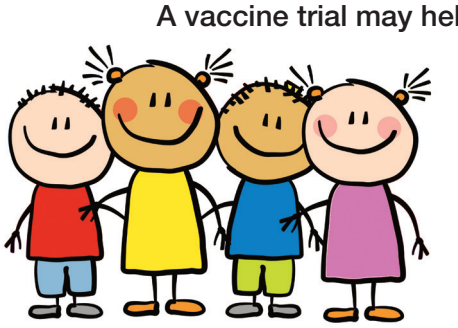
Compensation for your time and travel will be provided.

Abbott
Sponsored

For more information or to enroll, please contact us at:
ARDx-Research@Abbott.com
619-210-9882 or (619) 240-4815

Vaccine Trials for children 6 months and older

Kids bring home all kinds of germs & illnesses.
A vaccine trial may help protect them!



California Research Foundation
4180 Ruffin Rd, Suite 255
San Diego, CA 92123

We have vaccine research studies for healthy volunteers, 6 months and older. Participants can receive up to $2,640 in compensation

Please call for more information
(619) 732-3299



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

Tony serves up food during the pandemic.



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

Tony's truck outside Klover.

for crazy young hipsters where he felt like someone's creepy uncle Fred. The flight of mezcals and the *chapulines* in the bar put him in a fine mood, but it was soured when they left the bar to find a bright pink limousine awaiting them — a relic, a hangover from the stupid old *gringo* tourist days. Bourdain described it as "a kick in the nuts." Even worse, the limousine wouldn't start. (Today, that limousine is parked in the back patio of La Mezcalera; its roof has been removed and there is a table set in the middle. No sense in wasting good kitsch.)

Once they got the limousine going, Tony took Bourdain to Las Ahumaderas, also known as taco alley. On the way, he claimed that Tijuana had the best tacos in the country. Bourdain disputed the claim, with good reason. The tacos in taco alley are average at best, and Tony still gets criticized for his choice of taquerias. To a regular tourist, they can seem amazing. But Anthony Bourdain was not a regular tourist. Still, he seemed happy enough in taco alley, eating *campechano* tacos with chorizo and asada, and *pastor* tacos with plenty of guacamole, "I like taco alley," said Bourdain as the screen fadesdto black. And a photo of Tony and Bourdain still hangs in the third taquería in taco alley.

Tony's role in the episode ends there, though deleted scenes can be found on the Travel Channel website. He also took Bourdain to see the greyhound dog racing in the Hipodromo Casino. It's clear that the scene was deleted for good reason: Bourdain seemed uninterested in the *tostilocos* he was served, and disgusted rather than charmed by the idea that the dogs used to have monkeys riding them like jockeys.

Tony was chosen to serve as Bourdain's Tijuana tour guide because Tony touts Tijuana tirelessly. The son of a Tijuana lawyer, he is himself a law graduate from Universidad de Monterey. But, he says, "at some point, even while still in law school, I knew I wouldn't be a lawyer for a living." The city offered too many intriguing alternatives. "I went from law school to becoming Tijuana's most famed underground dance party promoter — from 2005 to 2010 and beyond. I was renting out old abandoned movie theaters to throw all-night dance parties, with DJs from all over the world. And at the same time, I was involved in politics," stumping for independent mayoral candidate Gaston Luken. "Then I started promoting the Zonkeys basketball team around 2009." His campaign work took him to San Diego and Hollywood; eventually, he found work as a fixer for international media, wrote for various reputable and not-so-reputable media outlets, got paid by the big beer companies to put on shows, briefly set up cannabis tours in San Diego, and generally promoted Tijuana events. All the while, he enjoyed the party lifestyle of a local celebrity.

And all the while, he dreamed of owning a restaurant. Originally, he says, "I wanted a restaurant under the Chiki Jai." Chiki Jai is a Tijuana restaurant that has been open since 1947. It used to be situated on the corner of 7th and Avenida Revolución, but it moved across the street after a fire in 2018. Legend says that Ernest Hemingway used to have lunch at the original Chiki Jai with *jai alai* player José Garate, but there is no proof of this. At any rate, the site is now host to the newest and tallest building in downtown Tijuana; a generic coffee shop occupies the restaurant's former spot. Before the fire, says Tony, "there was an old underground men's club there called El Unicornio."

That was his dream spot. "But the idea mutated into a food truck in San Diego, at a muffler yard that my wife's family owns. It was all I could afford. The truck cost around $50,000. It's a 1997 GMC made by LA Catering. Pretty standard lunch truck from that era. I'm not sure how many previous owners it had before me, or how many different things got made in it. But many." Corazón de Torta food truck opened on May 5th, 2017. Tony lived in Tijuana at the time, and crossed the border almost daily, riding the trolley to get his taco truck by the muffler shop near 25th Street and Commercial.

"The first year was a learning experience," says Tony. "We got popular quickly, at least among some of the San Diego food people, taco lovers, and local media. All of that helped, but if making money in the food business was easy, everybody would do it. It's been a lot of hard work." Tony often posted stories on Instagram of his tired face riding the trolley back to Tijuana late at night.

Working the truck is a two man job, and, he says, "I had to fire my first worker. He was pounding beers inside the muffler shop's bathroom like some sort of crackhead. Luckily, I've had Mario from almost the beginning." For most of Corazon de Torta's history, it's been Tony and Mario, the man who cooks while Tony

Compensated Vaccine Trials



We have vaccine research studies for healthy volunteers of all ages, including Flu, Pneumonia, Covid, HPV, Monkey Pox & Dengue Fever. Call for information & priority status. Participants can receive up to $1,060 in compensation

Call (619) 658-5418

California Research Foundation

mans the cash register, talks to customers, and promotes his food. "We got tacos, tortas, and quesadillas!" Tony will cry, anglicizing the "dillas" part of "quesadillas" when he tries to entice Americans. "*Tortas, tacos y quesadillas con todo!*" he shouts when Mexicans approach the truck.

However, Mario has a full-time job at a rental car company. He can work with Tony only on the weekends. That means Tony must recruit part-time help. A cross-border artist painted both the truck and the muffler yard, then worked the truck sporadically before deciding to live solely by her art. Damian, a psychedelic rock musician who looks like a cartoon version of the Ramones mixed with a space cowboy, worked at the truck for most of 2020. Now he works at the Levi's Store in Plaza Las Americas while still playing shows. That first guy Tony fired (I won't name him) is a musician and a rapper. He is a proud drunk who jumps from taco shop to taco shop, getting fired from each job for the same reason. DJs, models, photographers, writers, musicians, artists, and more folks who are between gigs have all ended up lending Tony a helping hand.

The first menu was made by Tijuana chef José Figueroa, aka Chef Joe. It included a meatball chipotle sub (the specialty *torta*), a dirty taco (filled with crispy cheese, carne asada, and chipotle ragu), varied *guisados* (beef short rib with salsa *guajillo, chicharrón* in *salsa morita*), and the vegan specialty roasted cauliflower with Oaxacan *mole*. "Cooking comes from the *corazón*," says Tony. "Chef Joe learned from his grandmother Carmelita. Joe made one of the most authentic home cooking menus in San Diego of *guisados* for us." Corazón de Torta's slogan is Authentic Abuelita Cooking.



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

A quesadilla on the grill.

Chef Joe rose to fame with his own taco truck, "La Carmelita," situated in Tijuana's Teléfonica Gastro Park. It was once featured in the *New York Times*, in an article called 52 Places to Go in 2017. Tijuana came in at #8; Chef Joe's food truck was a featured attraction. But his truck left the food court in 2021; now, Chef Joe plans to open a *tortillería*, restaurant, and hotel experience in Colonia Independencia. But he still helps Tony from time to time, improving his menu or helping him come up with specials for important events.

It's those events that first enticed Tony to venture away from the muffler shop. "The first place that invited me was Por Vida Coffee shop on Logan; it was for a Wednesday Low Ride Cruise they do call La Vuelta," recalls Tony. After that, the truck started getting invited to different breweries and farmer's markets, to different neighborhoods, and to special events, like the *Reader*'s Tacotopia. "It got to the point where we sold more leaving the muffler shop than staying there, so we made the operation mobile" — that is, after all, the glory of a food truck. That was summer 2018; these days, instead of parking in the muffler yard, the truck spends its nights in a San Ysidro food truck parking lot.

Other changes: his longtime girlfriend gave birth to their daughter Frida in October of 2018. Now a family man, he moved in 2019 from an "old, big, and cold house" to a modern and more expensive apartment in Tijuana with excellent views. "But the place had its issues: lack of insulation made it cold, it had some major leaks when it rained, and we had perverted upstairs *gringo* neighbors that loved drugs and prostitution. Worst of it all, they were loud as fuck. Still, I threw some great parties in there."

Until July, anyway. Diagnosed with Diabetic Ketoacidosis, "I stayed in the hospital for five nights. It changed many things about my lifestyle." Life got serious: he stopped partying, changed his diet, and started playing tennis. The next year, he moved his family to Chula Vista. He had crossed the border daily for almost three years, but he couldn't make the lifestyle work any more. "*Ya tiré la toalla con TJ,*" he says meaning he has given up on Tijuana. "Goodbye, international border commute! Goodbye, TJ traffic! Good riddance, TJ chaos! I moved my family to San Diego. Now I can just go there to eat tacos every now and then, or go to the baseball game with you, and then come back to San Diego."

He landed in San Diego just as the pandemic was shutting things down. But luck was with him. Pandemic regulations required establishments that served alcohol to serve food as well. That meant breweries were eager for food trucks to post up outside. "We were posting up at Fall Brewing four times per week at one point," he recalls. Besides the usual menu, Tony's truck also served $2 chips and salsa — technically, patrons were still getting food with their beer.

Post-pandemic, "I still go to a few breweries here and there, but luckily, Fall Brewing has been our weekend anchor for five years. They are family now." Nowadays, it's common to see Tony and his truck at Fall Brewery every weekend. On Wednesdays, he is usually outside Klover dispensary. Some Thursdays, he parks outside Pure Project in North Park. Caterings and special events take the truck everywhere else in San Diego. (The best way to find where the truck is going to be slinging tacos from is to follow them on Instagram: @corazondetortasd.)

I met Tony in 2014,





PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

Tony on the grill.

during a music festival called the Tijuana Rumble Fest. I was one of the main organizers, and it was my job to take concertgoers from the border to the festival on a bus. It was a quarter past noon when Tony jumped on the bus and yelled, "Who is ready to do a shit ton of *yayo*?" The bus was mostly filled with Americans crossing the border for the first time, and it made for a memorable introduction to both the man and the city. Tony was only half kidding: that festival was a mess of art, noise, and drugs. Maybe that's why doesn't remember that meeting; he just remembers that our relationship grew through the comments in Tijuana threads online, through attending the same parties, through mutual friends, and through our shared love for Tijuana baseball.

On September 2 of 2021, Tony texted me, "You wanna make 100 bucks tomorrow? I need a cashier, everybody canceled on me. Fall Brewing from 3 pm to 9 pm. Plus, I'll give you some beers." By then, he knew me well enough to entice me with beers. The next day was my first shift in a taco truck.

Working as a helping hand for Tony is a simple job. It's mostly taking orders, charging the customers, and doing whatever Tony asks. *DING DING!* "Tacos for Josh, asada tacos for Josh," I ring the bell and yell through the truck's window. If the person doesn't show up, I carry the tacos around, yelling their name. *DING DING!* "Chicken quesadilla for Peter! You want extra salsa with that? Potato tacos for Meghan, no guac! *Tres de asada para* Brian!"

"I had a catering event up in La Jolla, so I got the nice meat for asada this time," Tony informs me. "I had to cook birria for a special event. Try it; I make it better than anyone in Tijuana. And there's some leftover



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATTHEW SUÁREZ

Taco platter with asada and pastor.

cauliflower *mole* from the festival, it's still good. Prices went up again: it's $5 a taco now, or three for $14." The menu and prices change every time I go to work, but it usually includes three basics: tacos ($5), quesadillas ($14), and tortas ($14), with a choice of meats: chicken, beef, pork, or special of the week. There's also usually a vegan choice: golden potato crispy tacos, mushroom birria, or the popular cauliflower mole. And weekly specials: beer battered fish, pork belly tacos, meatball chipotle *torta*, bluefin *sopes*, breakfast *chilaquiles*, vegan *ceviche*, or whatever chef Joe and Tony happen to create together.

"We only got, what, nine orders, and it's almost rush hour?" he laments. "Time to entice them." Tony tosses two or three sliced onions covered with oil on the grill and turns on the truck's fan, sending the seductive smell of carmelizing onions in the direction of the beer drinkers. Then he collects the grilled onions and offers them to clients as freebies. Tony is a sloppy but generous cook. The tacos are small but packed with meat, sometimes more than necessary, like a pastrami sandwich from a New York deli. If he makes a mistake — something gets burnt, or a tortilla breaks — he tosses it in the direction of a box under the stove. But his aim isn't great: it tends to go everywhere in the food truck, sometimes hitting me. "Don't worry, it gets fully cleaned in San Ysidro," says Tony as I pick up after his mess.

If we get more than 50 orders in a shift, Tony is happy, and shows off how much money the truck made that week or month. "I shouldn't have called you, didn't even need you," he'll say. If it's slow, Tony gets stressed and tells me all about his money issues, how he overspent on Bad Bunny tickets, or how the truck needs repairs yet again. When Tony gets mad for my bad handwriting, for the lack of customers, or for other things for which I'm not at fault, I remind him that I would rather be his friend than his employee.

At the end of the shift, I do some light cleaning and menial tasks. Whichever brewery the truck is parked at usually offers us free beer. A mutual exchange: beertenders get free food and give generous tips. Food runners or chefs get free beer and give the same tips back. Most people in North Park are generous tippers. This time, I go home with $100 plus in tips and a four-pack of beer, just for hanging out for a while with my friend Tony while we work a food truck.

Anthony Bourdain once said, "Food is everything we are. It's an extension of nationalist feeling, ethnic feeling, your personal history, your province, your region, your tribe, your grandma. It's inseparable from those from the get-go." In essence, the food truck is an extension of what Tony is: a loud cross-border entertainer with a passion for being a people pleaser, whether it's through his jokes, his stories, or his food.

— Matthew Suarez

Immediate Tooth Replacement with Dental Implant!



All-ON-6
$12,000
No More Dentures!

Root Canal Special
starting at
$500
Extra treatment for additional cost.

Start to Finish!
(Implant, Abutment, Crown)
Immediate Load Dental Implant
$3800

Delayed Load Dental Implant
$2200

We accept all major PPO insurance plans

CareCredit
Making care possible...today.

Ask About **0%** Interest for 24 months

Dr. S. T. Sawa
Call for Additional Services and Specials

Multilingual

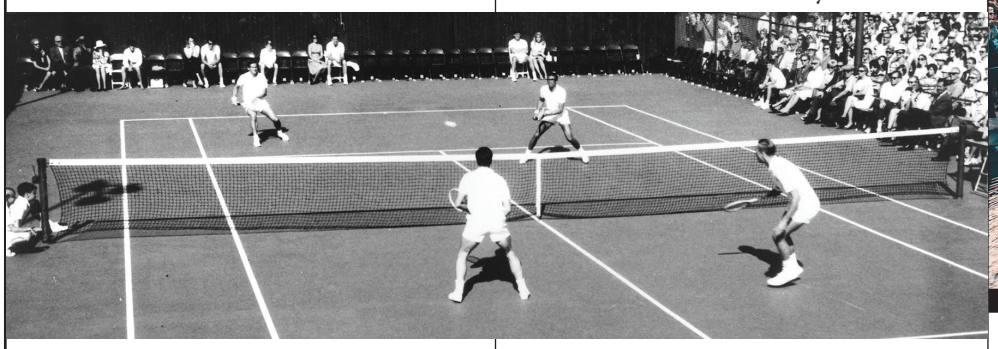
CALL FOR A FREE CONSULTATION **(619) 346-7483**
407 W. Madison Ave. • El Cajon, CA 92020 • drsawa@sbcglobal.net
www.immediatetoothreplacement.com

Your Week

AND WELCOME TO IT

Thursday | 2

PACIFIC COAST MEN'S DOUBLES TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP



The La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club has hosted tennis tournaments and tennis pros from around the world for 80 years. First matches for this doubles championship are expected to take place on Friday. If the draw exceeds 64 teams, they will hold three rounds of play on Friday, using a shortened match format. Engraved trays will be awarded to the first and second place finishers in the main and consolation draws. Winners of the main draw will have their names inscribed on the perpetual trophy.

WHEN: Thursday, March 2 through Sunday, March 5
WHERE: La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club, 2000 Spindrift Drive, La Jolla. *ljbtc.com/tennis/tournaments*

Saturday | 4

ART NIGHT ENCINITAS

Enjoy an evening of visual art as Encinitas civic and local art galleries open their doors. Enjoy live music by the Bud Brothers, plus light refreshments. Meet Sarah Miller, the featured artist at Off Track Gallery. Catch a free ride on one of the shuttle buses, which will transport you to and from several stops.

WHEN: Saturday, March 4, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm
WHERE: Off Track Gallery, 937 South Coast Highway 101, suite C-103, Encinitas. *encinitasca.gov*



FESTIVAL OF SCIENCE & ENGINEERING



Come down to Petco Park for a day filled with 100+ hands-on activities, stage performances, music, and science experiments. All ages, free, and no registration or tickets required.

WHEN: Saturday, March 4, 12 pm
WHERE: Petco Park,100 Park Boulevard, East Village. *lovestemsd.org*



SUNDAY, MARCH 5: CRSSD FESTIVAL AT WATERFRONT PARK

Sunday | 5

WATERFRONT PARK CRSSD MUSIC FEST

The two-day CRSSD Festival electronic music showcase returns to Waterfront Park with three stages of continuous performances. The Ocean View stage headliners include ODESZA, Polo & Pan, Channel Tres, Becky Hill, Biig Piig, and Luna Li. The Palms stage features Mall Grab, Kavinsky, Beduin, Purple Disco Machine, Ben Sterling, and Chaos in the CBD. The City Steps stage will host Deborah de Luca, Anfisa Letyago, Maya Jane Coles, Bloody Mary, Brina Knauss, and Kittin & the Hacker.

WHEN: Saturday, March 4 through Sunday, March 5, 4 pm
WHERE: Waterfront Park, 1600 Pacific Highway, Downtown. *crssdfest.com*

DIM SUM TOUR

Take a walking tour in pursuit of traditional Cantonese *dim sum*. Enjoy the small plate experience, chopsticks, steam-heated carts, stacked steamer baskets, and tea. Learn the history involved with *dim sum* (which means "to touch the heart") from a Cantonese-American guide and pick up some traditional Southern Chinese etiquette. Pick classic specialties like barbecue pork buns, rice crepes, *siu mai*, and egg tarts. After the meal, tour will take you through the heart of Asiatown and end at a popular Asian supermarket for some quick shopping.



WHEN: Sundays, 10 am to 12:30 pm
WHERE: Jasmine Seafood Restaurant, 4609 Convoy Street, Suite A, Kearny Mesa. *wildfoodietours.com*

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

ART

Art & Wellness Day Local artist showcase, music, chair massage, bath potions, energy healing, custom jewelry. Saturday, March 4, 12pm; **free**. Shanti Spa & Gallery, 4685 33rd Street. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Decisive Moments Opening Reception View over 95 ready-to-hang original paintings plus enjoy refreshments. The exhibit runs from February 26 through April 1. Friday, March 3, 5pm; **free**. San Diego Watercolor Society, 2825 Dewey Road #202. (LIBERTY STATION)

Mandala Painting Class Learn basic steps to draw the Mandala, such as sketching the outlines, painting with acrylic and using a dotting technique. Supplies included. Wednesday, March 8, 10:30am; $65-$74. Bravo School of Art South Park, 2963 Beech Street. (SOUTH PARK)

March Art Night Enjoy an evening of visual art as Encinitas civic and local art galleries swing open their doors at Art Night Encinitas. Enjoy live music by the Bud Brothers and light refreshments. Saturday, March 4, 5:30pm; **free**. Off Track Gallery, 937 S. Coast Hwy. 101, suite C-103. (ENCINITAS)

Story: Real or Not So Much This exhibition seeks raw, psychological, primal work in any medium or form, except installations. Fridays, 11am; through Friday, March 17, **free**. Escondido Arts Partnership Escondido Municipal Gallery, 262 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

The Gaslamp Artisan Market More than 30 local artisans will offer carefully-curated homemade and unique local products. Situated in the heart of the historic Gaslamp Quarter, with jewelry, hand crafted items, and home goods to be on display. Saturdays, 11am; Sundays, 11am; through Sunday, December 31, Fifth Ave from Island Ave to J St. and Island Ave from Fourth Ave to Fifth Ave

The Possibility of Something Happening Opening The Possibility of Something Happening explores the phenomenological nature of chance across art practices and human encounters. Show runs March 3 through April 15. Friday, March 3, 2pm; **free**. Art Produce Gallery, 3139 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

UCSD Visual Arts Graduate Open Studios See research, scholarship, and artistic practices with over 30 MFA & PhD artists' open studios, exhibitions, screenings, and publications produced in the Department of Visual Arts. The artists will be present in their studios throughout the afternoon. Held in conjunction with We Are Not Drawn Onward To New Era at Mandeville Art Gallery. Saturday, March 4, 2pm; **free**. Visual Arts Facility Performance Space, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

We Are Not Drawn Onward To New Era The first UC San Diego Visual Arts faculty show organized since 2015 presents work by new faculty who have joined the department over the past eight years. Saturday, March 4, 2pm; **free**. Adam D. Kamil Gallery, Mandeville Center, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

AUTOMOTIVE

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

BEER

1st Anniversary Party Celebrate with space-themed decor, beer slushies, beer cocktails, and more. Saturday, March 4, 11am; **free**. Pure Project North Park, 2867 El Cajon Boulevard. (NORTH PARK)

Sour Cherry Limeade Beer Slushies Release Introducing the Sour Cherry Limeade. Thursday, March 2, 12pm; Friday, March 3, 12pm; Saturday, March 4, 12pm; $5-$12. 21 and up. Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

BOOK SIGNINGS

John Sayles: Jamie MacGillivray, The Renegade's Journey Warwick's, in partnership with Coronado Public Library, will host John Sayles as he discusses and signs his book, *Jamie MacGillivray: The Renegade's Journey*, in conversation with Merridee Book. This event is free and open to the public. Limited preferred seating available with book purchase @ warwicks.com/event/sayles-2023. Wednesday, March 8, 7pm; **free**-$32. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

Rebecca Makkai: I Have Some Questions for You Warwick's bookstore presents Pulitzer and National Book Award finalist Rebecca Makkai as she discusses and signs her new book *I Have Some Questions for You* with author Lacy Crawford. Friday, March 3, 7pm; **free**. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

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

Warwick's Author Livestream: Emilia Hart Warwick's, in partnership with Book Carnival, Novel Neighbor, and Roundabout Books & Cafe, will host Emilia Hart as she discusses her new book, *Weyward*, in conversation with Abigail Dean. Tuesday, March 7, 12pm; **free**. warwicks.com/event/hart-2023. (ONLINE)

Weekends with Locals: Ken Schmitt Weekends with Locals will be hosting Ken Schmitt, author of *The Practical Optimist: An Entrepreneurial Journey Through Life's Turning Points.* Sunday, March 5, 12pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Weekends with Locals: R. D. Kardon Weekends with Locals will be hosting R. D. Kardon, author of *Flying Home (Flygirl #3)* Sunday, March 5, 2:30pm; **free**. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Adult Performance Workshop Join others in working out a short set of songs to perform for a live audience at the end of the workshop. This is an eight-week intensive seminar led by Genevieve Storm. Adults Ages 18+. Thursdays, 7pm; through Thursday, March 2, $200-$250. 18 and up. Mid-City Community Music, 4011 Ohio Street. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Alzheimer's SD: Dementia 101 An introduction to mild cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, and other dementias. Learn information about risk factors, common symptoms, and resources for help. This class is presented by local nonprofit Alzheimer's San Diego. Registration is recommended. Wednesday, March 8, 2pm; **free**. 18 and up. One Safe Pl., 1122 Broadway UNIT 200. (SAN MARCOS)

Energy Balancing for the Public Integrative Chakra Therapy (ICT) is very powerful subtle energy medicine. Mondays, 6pm; through Monday, June 26, **free**. Bamboo Garden Wellness Center, 162 South Rancho Santa Fe STE A30. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Essential Oil Candle Making Workshop Make your own hand poured soy candle set. Each ticket includes 3 hand poured soy candles. Thursday, March 2, 6pm; $45. Original 40 Brewing Company, 3117 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Free Tax Preparation Clinic The San Diego Public Library has partnered with the nonprofit Home Start to offer free basic tax return preparation to qualified individuals. Appointments are required at 619-952-7684 or email VITAASSISTANCE@HOME-START.ORG Mondays, 1pm; through Monday, March 27, **free**. 18 and up. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Home Improvements Learn what Home Improvements have the best return on investment with Farima Tabrizi (DRE Broker # 01341835), a real estate advisor. Saturday, March 4, 2pm; **free**. 18 and up. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Improv Classes Taught by Chris Shurland, founder of Santa Barbara's Irreverent Improv. Tuesdays, 7pm; through Tuesday, March 21, **free**-$10. Twilight Stage, 219 N. Coast Hwy. (OCEANSIDE)

Kimchi Workshop Kimchi is a Korean style of fermented vegetables. Saturday, March 4, 11am; $64-$69. Maya Moon Collective, 3349 Adams Ave. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Learn Yiddish Through Songs Learn some well-known and some lesser-known Yiddish tunes with local Yiddishist Jana Mazurkiewicz Meisarosh. Imagine a night in a shtetl, learning, analyzing, singing, and schmoozing with friends with a glass of wine in hand. The class will take place in-person and on Zoom. Mondays, 6:30pm; through Monday, April 3, $20-$30. Yiddishland California, 1128 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

Poetry for the People Workshop This course will feature poems, both historic and contemporary, which enjoy iconic status. These poems, as well as their authors, are acknowledged as widely recognized and admired as having exceptional influence. All class members are encouraged to contribute their ideas and perceptions of the poems, enriching the discussions for everyone in attendance. Wednesdays, 11am; through Wednesday, March 8, **free**. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

Ukulele Class Learn to play the ukulele or improve your skills. Bring your own ukulele or borrow one from the library. All skill levels welcome. Wednesday, March 8, 5pm; **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Watercolor Workshop Two: 4-Week Course Taught by Minnie Valero, students gain confidence and an understanding of watercolor as they play and paint. Thursday, March 2, 3pm; $79-$109. La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Boulevard. (LA JOLLA)

Yiddish Art Classes for Children This class is aimed for children of all backgrounds, ages 5-10. The class will involve art making and interpretation, based on the rich cultural heritage represented at Yiddishland. No electronic devices are allowed in the classroom. Class materials are included in the price. Wednesdays, 12:45pm; through Wednesday, March 8, $25-$150. Yiddishland California, 1128 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

COMEDY

Adrian Uribe and Adal Ramones Saturday, March 4, 7:30pm; $49-$249. Magnolia Performing Arts Center, 210 East Main Street. (EL CAJON)

Brian Regan Thursday, March 2, 7:30pm; $69-$79. Magnolia Performing Arts Center, 210 East Main Street. (EL CAJON)

Chula Vista Comedy Club Wednesday, March 8, 9pm; **free**-$10. 21 and up. Gentle Penguin, 289 3rd Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

Comedy Heights: Benji GarciaReyes Clean show, No cover, No minimum. BYOB. Saturday, March 4, 8pm; **free**. 21 and up. Twiggs Bakery Coffeehouse, 4590 Park Boulevard. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Free Comedy Night Featuring Kazeem Rahman, Danny Ragu, Ombretta Di Dio, Phil Korz, Colton Harpie & Alex Petit. Friday, March 3, 7pm; **free**. 18 and up. Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

Gianmarco Soresi Gianmarco's stand up has been featured on *The Late Late Show with James Corden* and *Real Housewives of New York*. His first special, *Shelf Life,* was nominated for three NY Emmy awards and was selected as an NPR 2020 comedy pick. Thursday, March 2, 7:30pm; $20. 18 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Open Mic Thursday, March 2, 6:30pm; **free**. 18 and up. Grand Comedy Club, 340 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

Pete George With Mary Upchurch and Rene Lancaster. 2 Item minimum purchase per person (food or drink). Friday, March 3, 6:30pm and 8:30pm; Saturday, March 4, 6:30pm and 8:30pm; $17. 21 and up. Grand Comedy Club, 340 East Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

T.J. Miller AS SEEN ON: HBO's "Silicon Valley" Deadpool, Big Hero 6, The Emoji Movie, Ready Player One, Office Christmas Party, Conan, Comedy Central & more! Thursday, March 2, 8pm; Friday, March 3, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, March 4, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; $30. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)





DANCE

Belly Dance Showcase: Wiggles & Wine Middle Eastern dance showcase featuring performances by Rachel George, Vilia, Ami, Lorena, Shani, Arabina Dance Company and the Salimpour Collective San Diego. Sunday, March 5, 3pm; **free**. Vinya: vino + vinyasa, 6185 Balboa Avenue. (CLAIREMONT)

Free Inclusive Ballroom Dance Class Free Inclusive Ballroom Dance class Tuesdays, 10:30am; through Tuesday, March 21, **free**. 18 and up. Park De La Cruz gym, 3911 Landis St. San Diego 92105

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Artificial Intelligence & Anthropogeny CARTA presents UC San Diego/Salk Center for Academic Research and Training in Anthropogeny Virtual Public Symposium. Friday, March 3, 10am; **free**. carta.anthropogeny.org. (ONLINE)

Festival of Science & Engineering Free for all ages. Saturday, March 4, 12pm; **free**. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Gem Faire Fine jewelry, precious & semi-precious gemstones, millions of beads, crystals, gold & silver, minerals & much more at manufacturer's prices. Buy direct from the importers & wholesalers. Jewelry repair & cleaning while you shop. Friday, March 3, 12pm; Saturday, March 4, 10am; Sunday, March 5, 10am; **free**-$7. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

FOR KIDS

Art Club for Children 5-10 This art class is designed for children ages 5-10 at any level and of all backgrounds. The objective is to engage participants in the culture and heritage of Yiddishland through art. Learn: Painting, drawing, sketching, basic jewelry making, and book making. Class materials are included in the price. Mondays, 3:30pm; through Monday, March 6, $25-$210. Yiddishland California, 1128 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

Baby Storytime Enjoy songs, fingerplays, books, and more with your baby. All children are welcome. Geared toward pre-walkers. Tuesdays, 1pm; through Tuesday, December 19, **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Crafternoon Come and make crafts every Thursday after school. These crafts are geared toward children ages 6-10. Thursdays, 1pm; through Thursday, May 25, **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Dance Party Storytime All children are welcome. Geared toward toddlers - 3. Saturdays, 10:30am; through Saturday, December 30, **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Jurassic World: The Exhibition a family-friendly immersive 20,000-square-foot experience. Visitors walk through the world-famous "Jurassic World" gates, explore richly themed environments and encounter life-sized Velociraptors, a Brachiosaurus, and the most fearsome dinosaur of all, the mighty Tyrannosaurus rex. Monday-Sunday, 11am; through Sunday, April 16, Westfield Mission Valley Center, 1640 Camino del Rio North. (MISSION VALLEY)

Library NExT: Electric Vegetables Create your own vegetable batteries. Students will learn how batteries work, then use hands-on problem-solving techniques to assemble a working battery and measure the voltage created. Registration is required, Regiser @ sandiego.librarymarket.com/event/electric-vegetables-3. Recommended for kids grades 3 through 5. Monday, March 6, 12:30pm; **free**. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Love on a Leash Enjoy dogs with Love on a Leash. This program is geared toward children ages 6-10. Fridays, 3:30pm; through Friday, May 26, **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Poway Youth Theater: Rumpelstiltskin Monday, March 6, 4pm; Poway Center for the Performing Arts, 15498 Espola Road. (POWAY)

San Diego Junior Theatre: How I Became A Pirate Sail off on a fantastic musical excursion when a band of comical pirates lands at North Beach looking for an expert digger to join their crew. Recommended for all ages. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 2pm; Sundays, 2am; through Sunday, March 19, $16-$18. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1600 Village Place. (BALBOA PARK)

Thursday Storytimes Preschool Storytime on the patio. All children are welcome. Books, songs, and more are geared toward 3-5 year-olds. Thursdays, 10:30am; through Thursday, December 21, **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

LECTURES

Dr. Neil Degrasse Tyson: Astronomy Bizarre Astrophysicist Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson dives deep into these mysteries in Astronomy Bizarre, which covers the strangest phenomena in the cosmos. Tuesday, March 7, 7:30pm; $50-$206. San Diego Civic Theatre, 1100 Third Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

La Jolla Seals & Sea Lions Lecture and Tour Sierra Club Seal Society Docents present a talk about the La Jolla Harbor Seals Pupping Season and Sea Lions followed by a short walk for viewing at Children's Pool and Point La Jolla. Saturdays, 2pm; through Saturday, April 1, **free**. Mangelsen Images of Nature Gallery, 7916 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

UCSD Visual Arts Doctoral Research Colloquium UCSD Visual Arts Doctoral Research Colloquium with Keynote Emily Eliza Scott. Design and Innovation Building, Rm 208. Friday, March 3, 1pm; **free**. University of California San Diego, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

US Amb. Francisco Mora US Amb. to the Organization of American States Francisco Mora will be part of a free meeting on migrant human rights and will speak on The U.S. and the Inter-American System-Challenges and Opportunities. Register via fcarrillo-diaz@iamericas.org. Tuesday, March 7, 5:30pm; **free**. 18 and up. Institute of the Americas, UCSD, 10111 N. Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

NATURE

Springtime Guided Nature Walk 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. The recent rains have made the park very green, yellow California Sunflowers are starting their bloom as are the (invasive) mustard plants, CA Poppies should be close behind. Walks start from the Visitor Center, are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. Walks are canceled if raining. Wednesday, March 8, Saturday, March 4 & Sunday, March 5, 9:30am; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Happy Houseplants, Happy Home This class will provide an overview of houseplants and their care. Saturday, March 4, 10am; $12-$18. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Stars at Mission Trails Join members from the San Diego Astronomy Association at the far end of the Kumeyaay Lake Campground's Day Use Parking Lot to view the nighttime sky through telescopes. Telescopes provided or bring your own if you have one. Near full moon. Rain or cloudy skies cancel event. Kumeyaay Lake Campground (2 Father Junipero Serra Trail, San Diego, CA 92119) Sunset 5:46. Friday, March 3, 5:30pm; **free**. Kumeyaay Lake Campground, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

Wildlife Tracking Join experienced MTRP Tracking Team members for an adventure in wildlife tracking on the Oak Grove Loop Trail. Learn the art of discovering and identifying tracks and other signs left behind by the park's seldom-seen wildlife. Recent rains make for good tracks. These easy walks are suitable for the whole family. Walks are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. Walks are canceled if raining. Saturday, March 4, 8:30am; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Brazilian Carnaval Saturday, March 4, 6pm; Break Point, 945 Garnet Avenue. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Friendship Pop Up Shop Market Vendors with candles, crystals, soaps, pet attire, handmade items, home decor and more. Sundays,

OUTDOORS

Windy March, Mexican coral, and peach trees bloom

March Is the Proverbial Windy Month here in San Diego, as it is in many places. From midday to late afternoon, sun-warmed air expands and rises over the county's interior, drawing an influx of cool air from the coast to replace it. These afternoon sea breezes will continue at peak strength until well into the summer, providing dependable conditions for such sports as sailing, kite flying, and para-sailing.

Mexican Coral Trees or "Naked Corals," are showing their stuff this season by bearing and baring scarlet, flame-like flowers on the tips of their twisting, leafless branches. Commonly planted as park and freeway landscaping, this and other species of coral are blooming along Freeway 94, Interstate 5 through Oceanside, along Harbor Drive near the airport, at the San Diego Zoo, on the lawns in front of San Diego City College downtown, and on the San Diego State University campus. The bloom may continue into late spring, when the naked corals will cover themselves with eight inch-long leaves, just in time to provide shade for the warm months.



MEXICAN CORAL CONTINUES TO BLOOM UNTIL LATE SPRING.



PILES OF PALM FRONDS LITTER THE STREETS IN MARCH.

Ornamental Peach Trees with radiant white and pink blossoms are lighting up the manicured landscape around Sixth Avenue and Laurel Street in Balboa Park. These and other "stone-fruit" trees, with and without edible fruits, belong to the genus *Prunus.* Several native *Prunus* species contribute to San Diego County's natural vegetation as well -- among them, hollyleaf cherry, choke cherry, desert almond, and desert apricot. The desert apricot, now blooming on the rocky hillsides of the Anza-Borrego Desert, attracts swarms of bees with its sweet-smelling nectar.

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.*

11am; through Sunday, December 31, **free**. Chula Vista Friendship Park, Fourth Avenue & F Street. (CHULA VISTA)

SPOKEN WORD

Storytelling Institute: Learn the Art of Storytelling! The Storytelling Institute, a free six-week course presented by the Storytellers of San Diego, is open to everyone who would like to hone their skills in this ancient art form. The Institute culminates in a storytelling slot for each participant at the San Diego Storytelling Festival at the Coronado Public Library on March 18. Tuesdays, 6:30pm; through Tuesday, March 7, **free**. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

Voicebox San Diego Voicebox is a program where a song leads to a story and a story leads to a song. Séamus Scanlan joins Dave Bowers for live music as well as improvised songs. Storytellers Matthew Sadeh, Anushree Singh and Jillanne Arden will use the song "Blue is the Eye" by Ye Vagabonds as a proper Irish beginning. Sunday, March 5, 7pm; $10. 21 and up. Finest City Improv, 3746 Sixth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

SPORTS & FITNESS

Cage Warriors 149 Cage Warriors is back in San Diego on March 3rd and live from Sycuan Casino Resort. Beamed live into 180+ million homes and online via UFC Fight Pass. Friday, March 3, 5pm; $95-$250. 21 and up. Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way. (EL CAJON)

Pacific Coast Men's Doubles Tennis Championship NCAA Men's college teams compete. Thursday, March 2, 4pm; Friday, March 3, 8am; Saturday, March 4, 9am; Sunday, March 5, 9am; **free**. La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club, 2000 Spindrift Drive. (LA JOLLA)



PHOTO CREDIT: RICH SOUBLET

***Under a Baseball Sky:* Ghosts and gentrification**

San Diego Loyal Kit Release Party The San Diego Loyal is hosting its 2023 CHARLY Fútbol Kit Release Party, presented by BluePeak. Season Ticket Members and will have exclusive access from 5pm to 7pm Saturday, March 4, 5pm; **free**. Adams Avenue Theater, 3325 Adams Avenue. (KENSINGTON)

Secrets of South San Diego Bay Bike Tour CA State Park interpreter, Laura Dulin, will be leading a small group of people on a bike tour of the South San Diego Bay. You will learn a little bit about the "secret" history of the area, as well as learning about different little-known animals that live in the bay. Registration required, sign up at link of via laura.dulin@parks.ca.gov Saturdays, 10am; through Thursday, June 1, **free**. 18 and up. Silver Strand State Beach, 5000 Highway 75. (CORONADO)

Spring Into Fitness "Spring Into Fitness" week of free classes and activities, click link for schedule and details. Monday, March 6, 9am; Tuesday, March 7, 9am; Wednesday, March 8, 9am; **free**. Otay Ranch Town Center, 2015 Birch Road. (EASTLAKE)

THEATER

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.

Anything Goes

The S. S. American is sailing between New York and England with a comically colorful assemblage of passengers. Song, dance, and farcical antics ensue in this hilarious shipboard romp wrapped in one of Cole Porter's most magical scores. Anything Goes is delightful, delicious and de-lovely. "Cole Porter songs and tap-dancing sailors? What's not to love?… The show is so packed with daffy physical shtick, comical dialogue and those still dazzlingly clever Cole Porter lyrics that it's impossible not to surrender." -The Hollywood Reporter Music & Lyrics by: Cole Porter Original Book by: P.G. Wodehouse, Guy Bolton, Howard Lindsay & Russel Crouse New Book by: Timothy Crouse & John Weidman Director: Omri Schein Choreographer: Xavier J. Bush Music Director: Van Angelo. Rating: PG-13
SAN DIEGO MUSICAL THEATRE, 4652 MERCURY ST., CLAIREMONT. 858-560-5740. 7PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 3PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7PM WEDNESDAYS.

Birds of North America

MOXIE's mission statement is to "create more diverse and honest images of women+ for our culture using the intimate art of theater." But when you're on as solid a run as the theater has been of late, you can afford to be generous and put on a show like *Birds of North America*, one that puts a man at its center and then lets a woman — in this case, his adult daughter — go to work on him.

Not "go to work" in the sense of attacking or teaching or even consciously influencing — if anything, their conversations here — undertaken over the course of many autumns as Dad espies and catalogues the birds in his backyard — are marked by the man's efforts to impress his carefully considered brand of liberal environmentalism upon his disappointing offspring. First, she's content do copyediting for a conservative news outfit, happy to take their money whether or not she agrees with their product. Then she finds herself grieving for a miscarriage as if it were a baby and not merely a clump of cells, an admission that brings forth from the Old Man the horrified suspicion that she may be *pro-life*.

That's Dad: sticking to his principles no matter the emotional cost to those around him — and ultimately, to himself. Eager to save the world, unsure how to preserve his family. Daughter "goes to work" simply by being a person, by being honest, and by being there. The conversation ebbs and flows — now meandering, now rushing ahead, always helped along by the birds: something to notice during an awkward silence, something to distract from a heated moment, something to see together even as you're being driven apart. Lisa Berger's direction is elegant and unobtrusive, as it should be: this is an actor's showcase, with Farah Dinga ably holding their own against Mike Sears' towering presence and performance.
MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N, ROLANDO. 858-598-7620. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Company

Stephen Sondheim's beloved musical Company features universal themes of love and longing, marriage and mistakes, and regret and redemption. In many ways, Company was the precursor to treasured romcoms featuring flawed characters gallivanting through posh bars and restaurants while contemplating their love lives. Directed by Blake McCarty, Music Direction by Michael Tyree, Choreography by Chelsea Zeffiro.
CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO. 619-435-4856. 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

The Ferryman

New Village Arts' production of Jez Butterworth's celebrated Tale of the Troubles is stuffed to bursting and as subtle as a punch in the on-the-nose, right down to the soundtrack's inclusion of The Cranberries' "Zombie," a song written in the aftermath of an IRA bombing that killed two children in 1993.

Nearly the whole thing takes place in the downstairs of the Carney family farmhouse, but it feels more like an epic film than a single-setting play, in part because of all the stories that get told, in mellifluous brogue, of action taking place elsewhere — very often, violent action. We open with the finding of a body: Quinn Carney's brother Seamus, dead lo these many years, with a bullet hole in his head. Seamus was once in the IRA (and what do you know, so was Quinn), and the details surrounding his death are as murky as the bog in which he was found. It's bad timing, what with the attention on Irishmen starving themselves to death in prison to protest their status as criminals as opposed to political activists. (It's a precient scenario, given that the play won a Tony in 2019, before the destruction that followed in the wake of George Floyd.) Quinn will need talking to, as will Seamus' wife Caitlin, who's been living with him ever since her husband's disappearance.

But that talk is a long way off: first, there's the life of the Carney farm to share in: the Ireland that isn't at war, that's content to ship its grain to Poland as pig feed, because that's all it's allowed to do. It's harvest day, and the clamorous clan is all abuzz — all except wife Mary, who is upstairs (and offstage) with a virus. But it's hard to miss her, given the crowd that *is* present: this is a huge show, generous with its characters, indulgent in its scenes (the post-harvest dance is a production unto itself), and ambitious in its mounting. Thomas Edward Daugherty's Quinn has the charisma to not only carry the action but also serve as its center of gravity. Still, the play makes it tough for him to show his evolution as a character. The viewer must be content with his many interactions with others, and the tales told by those in the generations above and below him, to help understand the nature and effect of the gradually mounting tension within his breast.
NEW VILLAGE ARTS THEATRE, 2787 B STATE ST., CARLSBAD. 760-433-3245. 7:30PM SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS.

The High Table

Tara and Leah are planning their perfect wedding: The dresses are chosen, the venue is booked, and the invitations are mailed. But when Tara's Nigerian parents refuse to attend, it's not just the RSVP list that is thrown into question. Meanwhile, suspended in the stars, three of Tara's ancestors are jolted from their rest to decide whether or not to bless her wedding. A hilarious and heartfelt story of lineage and love is played out between the heavens and earth in this debut play from British playwright Temi Wilkey.
DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BL., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-728-7820. 7PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY, MAR. 5.

Lucky Stiff

This co-production of OTC and Scripps Ranch Theatre tells the story of Harry, an English shoe salesman who receives the unexpected news that he has inherited a fortune from his late Uncle Anthony, on the condition that he takes his uncle's dead body on a special trip to Monte Carlo.
SUNSHINE BROOKS THEATRE, 217 N. COAST HWY., OCEANSIDE. 760-433-8900. 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Mean Girls - The Musical

Mean Girls is a ferociously funny new musical from an award-winning creative team, including director Casey Nicholaw (Aladdin, The Book of Mormon), composer Jeff Richmond ("30 Rock," "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt"), lyricist Nell Benjamin (Legally Blonde), and book writer Tina Fey ("30 Rock," Bossypants).
SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVE., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-570-1100. 7:30PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAY, 6:30PM SUNDAY, MAR. 5.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T

When I was a boy, I used to visit an elderly neighbor to keep her company. She liked to listen to a radio station that played what I would come to know as "oldies" — Frank Sinatra, Perry Como, etc. The station's tagline, repeated *ad infinitum*, was "The Music of Your Life." This was baffling to me, until I got a little older and figured out it was The Music of *Her* Life. The music she had grown up



with, swooned over, fallen in love to, and wept along with, and which now took her back to those halcyon days, so long ago and far away.

I thought of her as I soaked in the sonic memory machine that is *R-E-S-P-E-C-T*: six women taking the audience back, back, way back to songs of the '60s, with a little help from the band. Every now and then, we heard a bit of biography or a dollop of history: Buffy Sainte-Marie's "Universal Soldier" even got some politically-tinged backstory. (Who sends the soldiers to do their killing? The politicians. And who elects the politicians? Why, we do!) But for the most part, there was no story at work, just time passing, from Lesley Gore and "Teen-Pan Alley" up through Joni Mitchell's "Woodstock," with chronological detours here and there to highlight particular artists (The Supremes, Dionne Warwick, songwriter Laura Nyro). And as the title might indicate, Aretha got to close the show with "the #1 song of all time as ranked by *Rolling Stone*."

The theatrical magic came from the performers' embodiment of so many different artists — not just the vocal invocations, though they were impressive, but hair, makeup, movement, *manner*. They got help from the artists themselves, whose images were projected bigly on the beaded backdrop. It probably helps if you know most of the songs, since very few of them are presented *in toto*. It probably helps even more if you lived with them, if they were The Music of *Your* Life.

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

Under a Baseball Sky

Barry Edelstein's note in the program sums it up: "Now, thanks to tonight's play, *Under a Baseball Sky*…I know about…Barrio Logan…And I know that baseball thrived in San Diego's Mexican American community from the earliest decades of the 20th century. It's a fascinating history, rich with themes of family and immigration and assimilation and the forging of American identity…Playwright José Cruz González, an old friend of the Old Globe, accepted our commission and took a deep dive into those themes…talking with the leading historians of the region, baseball, and the Mexican American story there."

The actors — particularly Diego Josef as troubled teen Teo, all gangly limbs and flailing emotions — do their best to provide felt life to this spooky story of a haunted baseball diamond, and the production — scene, sound, and light — is as good as anything I've seen. But this is first and foremost a history lesson, complete with long, expository speeches that sound less like conversation and more like What You Should Know About Barrio Logan Before Gentrification Sets In.

It's a pity, because they distract from the narrative framework that González built to house them, turning a dark drama about the guilt that follows from good intentions into something closer to a cheerful celebration of the past — even as that past is being erased. Some of the characters may finish the play in a better place than they started, but the place where they interact — a trashy vacant lot with a tragic past — well, you can judge for yourself. As Edelstein notes, there's fascinating material in this world, and yes, rich themes. But for a play with violence at its heart, it's strangely bloodless.

OLD GLOBE - SHERYL & HARVEY WHITE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS.

STREAMING

Severance — If you haven't watched *Severance* yet, you're really missing out on something to write home about. It's not so sci-fi that it's unapproachable for people who aren't into that genre, but it's such a unique story concept that is really gonna make you think. Good acting, the characters, the feeling of being stuck at work - it's both haunting and hilarious at times. If Apple TV only has 3 worthy shows, this is one of them. (2022) — A.T. (APPLE TV+)

Abbott Elementary — We're mid-season 2 on this ABC show that just won multiple Emmys. It's an easy watch and those awards were well deserved. The formula has been done before, a mockumentary about coworkers with a 'will they won't they' romance. But I'm not hating! It's definitely funny and feel-good, and it's a peek at what teacher life is like. If you liked *The Office* or *Parks and Rec*, this is a shoo-in. (2021-23) — A.T. (HULU)

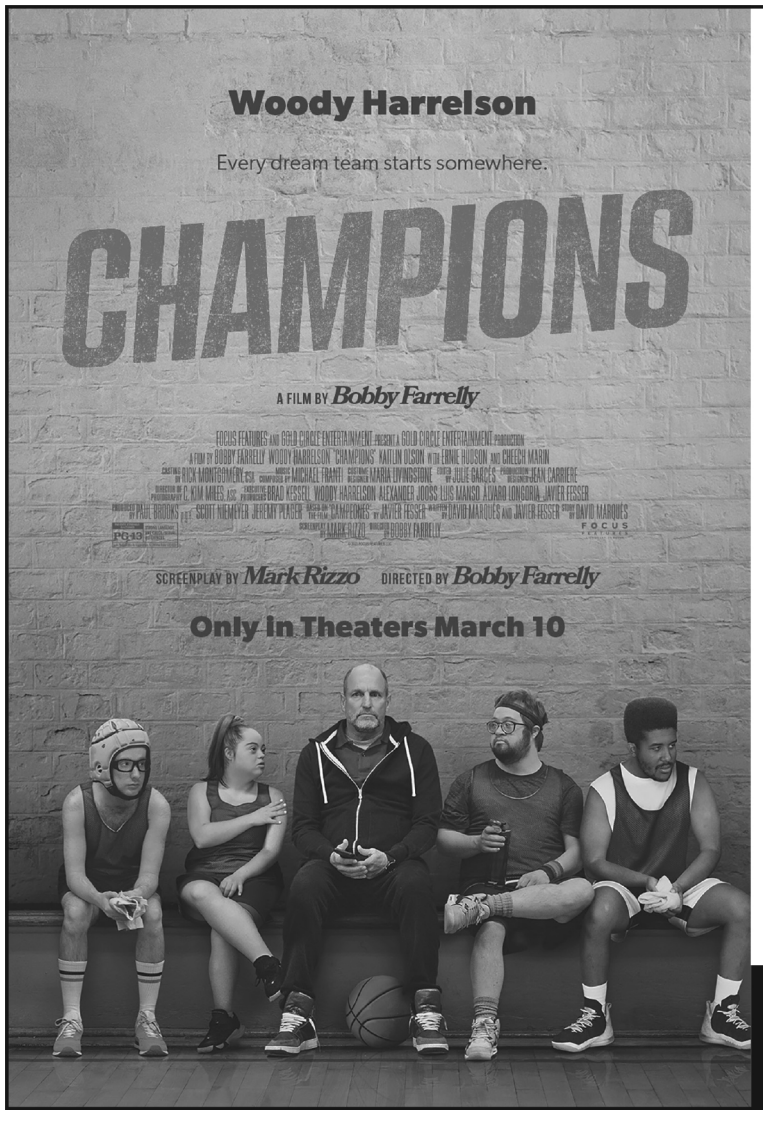
The Last Of Us — If you're living under a rock, there's been a ton of hype about this show. I, personally, am missing some of the excitment here because it's based off a video game I never even knew about. Still, it's been really good so far... as good as, say, *The Walking Dead*. Great story, great acting — I'm also kind of a sucker for anything post-apocalyptic. I'll for sure watch til the end, but I probably won't be a fan girl about it. (2023) — A.T. (HBO MAX)

MOVIES

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.

Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania — My first thought as the credits rolled was, "I didn't feel a thing." But that's not fair. I did feel stuff. Disappointed by the clichéd staging, lazy effects, and incoherent action of the brief opening sequence (set against an admittedly dramatic nebula-filled sky). Bemused by Ant-Man's rambling, maybe-supposed-to-be-charming introduction about how his life doesn't make sense — but that's okay! Annoyed by his teenage daughter's faux-righteous rebellion against the mean cops using tear gas to clear out a homeless encampment in the middle of the night. Dumbfounded by the fact that Ant-Man's Father Figure has been Ant-Man's helping teenage daughter do research on the realm in which his wife was trapped for 30 years without telling said wife (or Ant Man). Queasy about how much anti-aging CGI may or may not have been lavished upon the actors' visages. Frustrated when disaster strikes, daughter repents, and Ant-Man insists she's done nothing wrong. Angry when the film pulls a lead-weight tone reversal in a seemingly dramatic scene in order to illustrate the difficulties that arise from a failure to communicate. Off-put when Father Figure and Wife talk about the other people they banged during their separation ("I had needs!"). Still more off-put when a sweet lil' alien keeps asking about people's holes — their number, uses, and emanations. Sorry for the Bad Bitch whose character trait is Oppressed Indigenous. Fascinated by the bad guy's simple trick of slowing his speech to lend himself menace. Amused by the desperate effort to up the stakes, post-Thanos ("Trillions will die!") And then baffled: by the reduction of a universe-destroyer to just another punch-and-hand-ray baddie, by the lame deus ex machina during the final fight, by the utter meaninglessness of the hero's sacrifice… And yet, there it was, that thought, overarching and overwhelming: "I didn't feel a thing." 2023. — M.L. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Cocaine Bear — There's a moment in director Elizabeth Banks' *Cocaine Bear* when said bear, having gone a little too long without cocaine, passes out atop a dude who then reveals that the bear is a she. He knows this because "her vagina is pressing against my face." It's a telling moment, for a number of reasons. First, because the film loses its oomph at this point right along with the bear, slipping from a story that puts numerous parties — a lusty park ranger, a drug runner, a recent widower, a decent cop, a couple of latchkey kids, a worried mom, a trio of delinquents, etc. — on a collision course with a coked-up black bear and lets mayhem reign, to a plodding tale of good moms and bad dads, with the murderous bear on the appropriate side. Second, because it's delivered like a joke, but it just isn't funny, partly because it's impossible: the bear's pelvis is lined up roughly with that of the dude she's smothering. Third, because that little detail is indicative of the movie's deep laziness when it comes to things like character and motivation — even when it comes to a coked-up bear. (Why does it kill everyone it meets during its drug rampage except for the one person it decides to kidnap? Why don't people with guns shoot the bear when they have the chance? Because the movie needs to happen, that's why!) Fourth, because why is this kind of goofy, aimless conversation happening in a movie outfitted with the ironclad premise of a bear that happens upon a massive quantity of hastily airdropped cocaine? Why indeed. And the premise isn't the only thing that's wasted: this movie makes misuse of Keri Russell with a Southern accent, O'Shea Jackson's effortless charm, Ray Liotta's final appearance, and Margo Martindale as the badass minor character who should have been the star — after the bear, of course. 2023. — M.L. ● (IN WIDE RELEASE)



FOCUS FEATURES A COMCAST COMPANY

San Diego Reader

ENTER TO WIN TICKETS TO A SCREENING OF

CHAMPIONS

TO ENTER, VISIT SDREADER.COM AND CLICK "CONTESTS."

DEADLINE TO ENTER IS MONDAY, MARCH 6 AT 1PM

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. Seating is first-come, first-served and cannot be guaranteed. Theater is overbooked to ensure a full house.

Rated PG-13 for for strong language and crude/sexual reference

ONLY IN THEATERS MARCH 10

@ChampionsTheFilm | @ChampionsMovie | #Champions

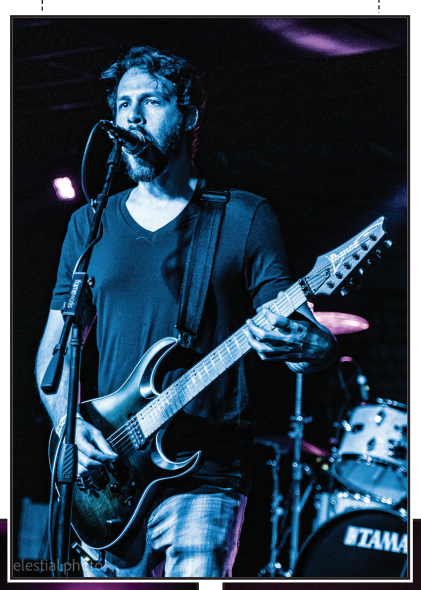
blurt

the inside track

The protean Proteus

Remember Corduroy? They were a local Pearl Jam tribute act, active for around three months in summer 2019. Joe Moese recruited the musicians, they worked up a set, and then Moese up and moved to Chicago a few months after they started playing out and about. Moese went on to form a Chicago version of Corduroy, while the remaining members of the San Diego iteration ditched the name and continued on as a cover band — with the notable absence of any songs by a certain famous grunge act in their repertoire. "We pretty much never played Pearl Jam again, to be honest, after we switched over," former Corduroy guitarist Sam Friedman says. "We changed our name to Minus One at that point. It was sort of a bit of a joke about [Moese] leaving right after the beginning. We continued as Minus One for a decent while. Our rhythm guitarist also left at the very end of that year, so we went from five members to three members by the end of 2019. That's really where we became our core group."

While many performers and musicians were crippled by covid restrictions, the 2020 lockdowns created the perfect creative space for the power trio to abandon covers and find their own way. "We sort of went into the pandemic and came out a fairly different band with a new sound," Friedman says. "It was exciting to just use that time to write." They worked on songs throughout 2020 and even performed some of them on their Twitch channel, "which had at most like ten viewers at a time," according to Friedman. The band enjoyed being able to stream performances straight from their living room. Once live music kicked back into gear, the trio — still known as Minus One — got back to playing local clubs.







Proteus's Sean, Sam, and Cody: a changed band.

They had about 45 minutes of original material, but they were still evolving. "Our sound has changed pretty dramatically from what we are currently writing to what we were writing then. I think back then, it was a little more of a traditional rock sound. My favorite band growing up, and what originally got me into rock and metal, was Metallica. For Sean [Curry, bassist and backup singer], it was more Black Sabbath and some Rage Against the Machine. We drew a lot from those influences, and I think a lot of the stuff we were playing, you could tell it came from those periods and those bands. I think what we are doing now is a little more modern. It's a little more on the metal side."

One influence that is immediately apparent is Tool, which Friedman acknowledges makes the band, now called Proteus, a bit of an outlier. Despite Tool's popularity, it's rare to find San Diego acts that are Tool-esque. As a result, Proteus tends to get billed with groups from across the musical spectrum. "It's really all over the map, to be honest," Friedman explains.

"When we play [Brick By Brick], it'll often be more like rock and metal, but we've played with more indie bands. Honestly, we like playing with bands in different genres from us as well. It just adds some diversity to the show. It's not just every band trying to go hard. I think it kind of fits with who we are as people. I'm not sure that any of us are really the quintessential metalheads. I've never really pegged us as 'part of the scene.'"

Minus One officially morphed into Proteus around a year and a half ago. They have one four-song EP, *Origins*, and are working on material for a full-length, *Come Clean*, which they're aiming to release by the end of 2023. "We're gonna have a couple of our older songs that we are gonna incorporate into the full-length," says Friedman, "and then we're planning to do three more of our original tunes that we played out at the bars every single time. We'll put those into a little EP and probably call it *Minus One*, as sort of a tribute to those days."

— *Dryw Keltz*

Find Blurt online at SDReader.com/blurt

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

You can submit a listing, download mp3s, watch videos, subscribe to event alerts, get directions, and find more information about these shows online at **SDReader.com/music**.

THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

Alila Marea Beach Resort:
Thursday, 5pm — Christian Taylor.
Friday, 5pm — Israel Maldonado.

Barefoot Bar and Grill:
Friday, 6pm — Matt Koelsch.

Beaumont's:
Friday, 9pm — Cash'd Out. $5-$10.
Saturday, 9pm — The Marcus Syndicate. $5-$10.

Bellamy's Restaurant:
Thursday, 6pm — Sarah Ingraham.
Saturday, 6pm — Andrew Peña.

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, 8pm — War.
Friday & Saturday, 8pm — The English Beat.
Sunday, 5pm & 8pm — Preservation Hall Jazz Band. $40-$70.
Tuesday, 8pm — American Authors. $25-$44.
Wednesday, 8pm — Gone Gone Beyond. $20.

Black Cat Bar:
Friday, 10pm — Clinton & Kyler. **Free**.

Break Point:
Saturday, 6pm — Brazilian Carnaval.

Brew Coffee Spot:
Friday, 5:30pm — Java Jazz Quaret. **Free**.

Brick by Brick:
Thursday, 7:30pm — The Spill Canvas and Arms Akimbo. $26-$30.
Friday, 7:30pm — He Films the Clouds and I Sank Atlantis. $10-$12.
Saturday, 7pm — The Atomic Punks and Murder of Five. $27-$30.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Visions of Atlantis and Helsott. $18-$23.

Cannonball:
Thursday, 5pm — Jemille Vialet.

Casbah:
Thursday, 8pm — S.G. Goodman. $15.
Friday, 8pm — Pleasure Pill and Nitefire. $8-$10.
Saturday, 8pm — Cass McCombs. $20-$22.
Sunday, 8pm — The Deslondes. $18.

Che Café:
Wednesday, 7pm — Suppression, World Peace, Violencia. $15.

Crafted Culture:
Friday, 6pm — Mike Myrdal.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:
Thursday, 6pm — Deadheads Night.
Saturday, 7pm — Phantom Twins and Rank Ocean.

Duke's La Jolla:
Friday, 3pm — Kekoa.
Sunday, 4pm — Kai Kalama.
Tuesday, 4pm — Ben Benavente.

Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve:
Sunday, 12pm — Free Eco-centric Concert: Dryad. **Free**.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:
Friday, 6pm — Jonny Tarr.
Saturday, 6pm — Farrah Camu.

Fairmont Grand Del Mar:
Friday, 6pm — Johnny Martin.
Saturday, 6pm — David Shyde.

Farmer & the Seahorse:
Thursday, 4:30pm — Alex Elisabeth.
Friday, 4:30pm — Gabriele Dagrezio.
Sunday, 11am — Jonny Tarr.

First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego:
Saturday, 7:30pm — Melanie DeMore's Community Singalong. **Free**.

Garage Kitchen + Bar:
Friday & Saturday, 7pm — Adam Bergoch.

House of Blues:
Friday, 7:30pm — Caye. $15.
Friday, 7:30pm — Fan Halen.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Arlie and Whitehall. $15.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Jake Wesley Rogers. $37-$124.

L'Auberge Del Mar:
Thursday, 5pm — David Shyde.
Friday, 7pm — Marelle.
Saturday, 7pm — Johnny Martin.
Sunday, 11am — Keni Yarbro.

La Valencia Hotel:
Thursday, 5:30pm — Andrew Peña.
Friday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.
Saturday, 11am — Mike Myrdal.
Sunday, 11am — Whitney Shay.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort:
Friday, 7pm — Nathan Welden.

Madam Bonnie's:
Thursday, 7pm — Mar Picao Jazz Fusion. **Free**.
Friday, 7pm — SD Jazz Trio. **Free**.
Saturday, 7pm — Liquid Bricks Jazz Trio.

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Regina Spektor. $72-$347.

Mesa College:
Wednesday, 3pm — Michael Espar. **Free**.

Mission Bay Resort:
Thursday, 6pm — Mike Myrdal.
Friday, 6pm — Anna Ballew.
Saturday, 6pm — Jason Hibler.
Sunday, 6pm — Farrah Camu.
Monday, 6pm — Jesse Ray Smith.
Wednesday, 6pm — Casey Turner.

Morgan Run Resort and Club:
Friday, 5pm — Joanna Gerolaga.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Thursday, 9pm — Big Boss Bubeleh.
Friday, 9pm — Tube Amp'd.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill, 136 Encinitas Boulevard. :
Saturday, 9pm — Harmonica John.

Museum of Making Music:
Saturday, 7pm — Tinsley Ellis & Marcia Ball.

Music Box:
Friday, 7:30pm — Little Brother. $25.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Kimbra and Tei Shi. $28-$128.

Nick & G's:
Friday, 6pm — Helena Holleran.

Nova SD:
Friday, 8pm — Said The Sky. $45.

Observatory North Park:
Friday, 7:30pm — The Wonder Years and Hot Mulligan. $40-$103.

One Paseo:
Saturday, 4pm — Sounds & Sips. **Free**.

Pechanga Arena San Diego:
Friday, 7pm — The Eagles. $149-$3133.

Poway's Irish Pub:
Saturday, 8:30pm — West of 5. **Free**.

SODA BAR
Wed, 3/1 @Soda
N8NOFACE
OLIVER SLIME • APOC
Wed, 3/1 @ Casbah
KING TUFF
TCHOTCHKE
Fri, 3/3 @ Soda
LOSTBOYCROW
BROOKE ALEXX • KID CADAVER
Sat, 3/4 @ Soda
BRAXTON COOK
Sun, 3/5 @ Soda
DAWSON HOLLOW
NITE TIDES
Tue, 3/7 @ Soda
DAYGO FATTS
RIC SCALES
Wed, 3/8 @ Soda
TROPA MAGICA
MAUSKOVIC DANCE BAND
Thu, 3/9 @ Soda
BAD BUNNY
BIRTHDAY BASH
Fri, 3/10 @ Soda
DEATH CAB FOR KARAOKE
Sat, 3/11 @ Soda
DUMBO GETS MAD
SEA MOYA
SODABARMUSIC.COM
3615 EL CAJON BLVD. 92104

the TOWER
• COCKTAILS
619-284-0158
4757 UNIVERSITY AVE.
SAN DIEGO
Fri, 3/3
JCCC
Rapid City
Sat, 3/4
LEAVERS
Crooked Rulers • Holy Tears
Mon, 3/6
LADY DOTTIE & THE DIAMONDS
Tue, 3/7
SOMETHING FUNKY
Funk, Jazz, Blues, Soul, & Boogaloo
Fri, 3/10
STRYCHNINE NINETY NINE
Carpet
Gentrocide • The Calvins
Sat, 3/11
MATT CASKITT & THE BREAKS
A Different Kind Of Giant
Deadbed • Omarrr
Sun, 3/12
MOOD OF A SINNER
The Junkys • The Overdrives
www.TheTowerBar.com

Prohibition:
Monday, 9pm — Liquid Bricks Jazz Trio.

Pure Project Vista:
Saturday, 7pm — Saturday Sessions: Francis Blume. **Free**.

Quartyard:
Friday, 6pm — Jawny and Wallice. $20.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Maggie Rogers. $49.

San Diego Marriott Del Mar:
Friday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.

Seabird:
Sunday, 4pm — Joanna Gerolaga.

Seaside Center for Spiritual Living:
Saturday, 6pm — Bowling for Peace: The Guitar Prasanna Experience. $30-$40.

Side Yard:
Wednesday, 6pm — Alex Elisabeth.

Soda Bar:
Friday, 8pm — Lostboycrow. $18.
Saturday, 8pm — Braxton Cook. $21.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Dawson Hollow and Nite Tides. $18.
Tuesday, 7:30pm — Daygo Fatts and Ric Scales. $18.
Wednesday, 8pm — Tropa Magica. $25.

Sound:
Monday, 7pm — The Flaming Lips. $52-$192.

South Carlsbad State Beach Campground:
Friday, 5pm — The Kasavas. **Free**.
Saturday, 5pm — The Surf Birds. **Free**.
Sunday, 5pm — Lee Melton. **Free**.
Wednesday, 5pm — Dylan Holt. **Free**.

St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church:
Saturday, 7:30pm — Emi Ferguson & Ruckus: Fly the Coop. $10-$50.

Sycuan Live & Up Close Theatre:
Saturday, 7:15pm — Joey G & Jinky Vidal. $78-$128.

Tio Leo's:
Friday, 8pm — 3 Car Garage.

University Club Atop Symphony Towers:
Saturday, 11am — Jarred Matthew.
Tuesday, 4:30pm — Jemille Vialet.

Waterbar:
Thursday, 4pm — Ryan Hiller.
Sunday, 4pm — Mockery.

Waterfront Park:
Saturday & Sunday, 4pm — CRSSD Festival.

Westfield University Towne Centre:
Thursday, 12pm — Ben Benavente.
Saturday, 12pm — Joanna Gerolaga.

Winstons Beach Club:
Thursday, 8:30pm — The Metropolis Man & Ultraviolet Communication. $5-$10.
Friday, 9pm — Drug Hunt and Wild Wild Wets. $15.
Saturday, 8:30pm — Cubensis. $15.
Saturday, 4pm — Surf Farmer and Super Buffet. **Free**.
Tuesday, 8pm — Eddie 9V. $15-$18.

Wong's Dragon Room:
Saturday, 8pm — The Mothmen. **Free**.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Art Produce Gallery, 3139 University Avenue. :
Monday, Mar. 13 — Amy Cimini, Go By Land, Judith Hamann. $5-$20.

Balboa Theatre:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Mania: The Abba Tribute. $35-$70.

Barefoot Bar and Grill:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Casey Turner.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Zach Churchill.

Beaumont's:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — The Voices. $5-$10.

Bellamy's Restaurant:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Jake Taylor Smith.
Thursday, Mar. 16 — Jake Taylor Smith.

Belly Up Tavern:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — DakhaBrakha. $35.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Pine Mountain Logs. $22-$39.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — The Church.
Monday, Mar. 13 — Tank & the Bangas.
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — North Mississippi Allstars.
Wednesday, Mar. 15 — Vancouver Sleep Clinic.

Brick by Brick:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Bleeding Through. $25.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Death To All, Suffocation, Nukem. $35-$40.
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — Hällas and Danava. $16-$20.
Wednesday, Mar. 15 — Fleshgod Apocalypse and Obscura.

Cannonball:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Keni Yarbro.
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — Ben Benavente.

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Annual Winter Benefit: Alicia Olatuja. $250.

Casbah:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Choir Boy. $22.
Friday, Mar. 10 — The Legendary Shack Shakers. $20.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — EXTC.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Ebaugh and Pruitt Igoe.
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — The New Amsterdams and Kevin Devine.
Wednesday, Mar. 15 — Hot Club of Cowtown and Tyler Hilton.

Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Community Arts Open House. **Free**.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Open Mic Night.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Kevin & Latifah. **Free**.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Night Swims and 1019 & the Numbermen. **Free**.
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — SD Jazz Collective.

Duke's La Jolla:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Ke'Ahi.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Jehua Evans.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:
Friday, Mar. 10 — David Shyde.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Rachel Jay.

Fairmont Grand Del Mar:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Jemille Vialet.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Helena Holleran.

Farmer & the Seahorse:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Justin Froese.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Sean McCole.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Puro Feeling.

GRAND COMEDY CLUB



PETE GEORGE
(National Headliner)
Mary Upchurch • Rene Lancaster
Fri, 3/3 @6:30pm & 8:30pm
Sat, 3/4 @6:30pm & 8:30pm



JC CURRAIS
(Conan, Comedy Central, NBC)
Fri, 3/10 @6:30pm & 8:30pm
Sat, 3/11 @6:30pm & 8:30pm



ZOLTAN KASZAS
(Fox, YouTube)
Fri, 3/17 @6:30pm & 8:30pm
Sat, 3/18 @6:30pm & 8:30pm

340 East Grand Avenue, Escondido, CA 92025 • 760-741-LAFF (5233)
GrandComedyClub.com

TAANG! RECORDS



NEGATIVE APPROACH
Tied Down Demo
LP



LEMONHEADS
Lick
LP

WE SELL VINYL LP'S
45'S CD'S CASSETTES 8 TRACKS
DVD'S VHS LDS
HUNDREDS OF ROCK T-SHIRT'S
TURNTABLES BOOMBOXES WALKMAN'S

WE BUY RECORDS !!!
HIGHEST PRICES PAID
AS WELL AS GUITARS !!!

JOB OPENING / WE ARE NOW HIRING
TAANGMUSIC@GMAIL.COM

3834 5TH AVE.
LOCATED IN THE HEART OF HILLCREST
WE DO SPECIAL ORDERS
WE HAVE A LARGE SELECTION OF HOODS/CAPS
HOODS ON SALE

858-880-8754

TAANG.COM

LOCAL five

JAY ALLEN SANFORD

Find LIVE FIVE online at sandiegoreader.com/music

COURTESY CONSTANT CONTACT



DALLAS MCLAUGHLIN

Dallas McLaughlin was known as Dr. Cliff Mixtable when he was in the local rap spoof Bad Credit, who toured with the Aquabats, a ska band that dressed like superheroes for *The Aquabtas! Super Show*. McLaughlin also wrote animated segments for that TV show, as well as contributing music to Nickelodeon's *Yo Gabba Gabba*, co-created by the Aquabats' Christian Jacobs. His first standup LP *An Evening of This!* debuted on the Apple Music Comedy charts at number nine. He'll follow-up in April with a new LP called *I Didn't Start the Fire (And Other Lies)*.



SCHIZOPHONICS

Founded in 2009, the Schizophonics play fuzzy, psychedelic rock. Their new album *Hoof It* was recorded by Dean Reis (Plosivs, Rocket From The Crypt) at Singing Serpent studio and mixed by Steve Kaye at Sun King Studios. The album was preceded by singles for the title track, "Desert Girl," "Under The Moonlight," "Creature," and a video and single for "Won Your Love." They're currently preparing to tour Australia and New Zealand.



DAVID J

David J. Haskins, better known as David J, was the bassist for the gothic British rock band Bauhaus and a co-founder of Love and Rockets. To celebrate its 30th anniversary, David J's album *Urban Urbane* will be released for the first time on vinyl on Record Store Day, April 22. The reissue comes as a 2xLP gatefold record, with a second LP of unreleased outtakes, demos, and a download code. The outtakes feature guests appearances by T-Bone Burnett, Steven Perkins (Jane's Addiction), and covers of tracks by T-Rex and John Cale.



DANE TERRY

Bassist, harmonica player, and singer Dane Terry was killed in a February 13 motorcycle accident. He also performed in a duo with Chris Clarke (a bandmate from Zapf Dingbats), as well as being a veteran of acts such as Snakedrivers, A 5th of Blues, Jukeville, Jack City Blues Band, and Cadillac Wreckers. He has also performed with Jeffrey Joe Morin, Gregory Page, Rusty Jones, Folding Mr. Lincoln, Robin Henkel, Chet Cannon, and others.



OTIS BARTHOULAMEU

Otis Barthoulameu, aka O, has passed away. The singer-guitarist, photographer, and skateboard enthusiast also played with Makeup Sex, Systems Officer, and Olivelawn, among others. "He tour managed lots of bands from the UK when they came to play in SD," recalls Casbah operator Tim Mays. "He was the guitar master of loud heavy chords." Barthoulameu also wrote and arranged for various artists, and he helped Blink 182 secure their first record deal, producing records for them including their 1995 EP *They Came To Conquer... Uranus*.



Sunday, Mar. 12 — Danielle Angeloni.

Five Suits Brewing:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Into The Void. **Free**.

Garage Kitchen + Bar:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Adam Bergoch.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Adam Bergoch.

Grand Ole BBQ Flinn Springs:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Clinton Davis String Band. **Free**.

Guggenheim Theatre:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Adam del Monte.

Holding Company:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival and Gypsy Sally. **Free**.

House of Blues:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — DVSN.

L'Auberge Del Mar:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Andrew Peña.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Shay Skylar.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Jarred Matthew.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Kai Kalama.

La Valencia Hotel:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — David Shyde.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Keni Yarbro.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Mike Myrdal.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Casey Turner.

Mesa College:
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — Jazz in the Courtyard. **Free**.
Wednesday, Mar. 15 — David Raiklen. **Free**.

Mission Bay Resort:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Kai Kalama.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — DevvLov.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Whitney Shay.
Monday, Mar. 13 — Andrew Peña.

til-two CLUB
4746 El Cajon Blvd.
619-255-1481
facebook.com/tiltwoclubsandiego
KARAOKE EVERY MONDAY!
Wed, March 1, 7pm
TRIVIA NIGHT
Thu, March 2
NOTHING FOR YOU
Aphasic · Vedic · The Provoked
Fri, March 3
MEET ME IN THE BATHROOM
w/ DJ Mike Delgado
Sat, March 4
BETA 7
Wheelchair Mosh Pit · Matters Most
Sun, March 5
TARYN DONATH TRIO
Featuring Laura Chavez
Tue, March 7, 6pm
TKO VIDEO GAME NIGHT
Wed, March 8
DJ WENZO AND HER VEGAN BURRITOS
Thu, March 9
TAKING ON WATER
Corporate Citizen
Blue Elephant & The Seven Snakes
Dying Species
Fri, March 10
COMA TWINS
Some Gifts · Still Missing
Night Swims

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

BY GARRETT HARRIS

Inclusion and greatness, considered

While scrolling through my Google feed, I saw an article entitled "15 Greatest Symphonies of all Time." Of course, I clicked on it, and was taken to Great Britain's *Classic FM* website. Mozart's *Symphony No. 41* was the first piece listed. Based on that, I assumed the pieces were in no particular order, because as good as the "Jupiter Symphony" is, it's not the greatest symphony of all time.

The next entry both confirmed my suspicion and made me realize that these *weren't* in fact the 15 greatest symphonies of all time. Number 2 was *Symphony No. 1* by a composer named Florence Price. The piece hailed from 1932 and won a competition. I sighed. *Here we go.* The piece is only about 20 minutes long. Around the six-minute mark of the video, I could have sworn I was listening to Antonin Dvorak's *Symphony No. 9*.

Also on the list was a composer named Louise Farrenc. Farrenc lived from 1804 to 1875. The article points out that she was unable to attend the Paris Conservatory because composition classes were for men only. Damn you, patriarchy! You robbed the world of a great symphonic composer. Well, maybe. Farrenc's *Symphony No. 3* is considered, by *Classic FM*, to be one of the top 15 of all time. Yet, when I listen to it, I hear Mozart. I don't hear the entire 19th Century.

I've long felt that William Grant Still needs more attention from American orchestras. His *Afro-American Symphony* is a great American symphony — maybe it's the greatest symphony by an American. But top 15 of all time? No.

All three of these pieces are good and enjoyable. I am thankful for the article, because I was unaware of both Florence Price and Louise Farrenc. However, let's take a look at a list of symphonies that these three are supposed to be greater than.

They are greater than Jean Sibelius's *Symphony No. 2*, Pytor Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 4* and *5*, and Johannes Brahms' *Symphonies Nos. 1-3*. They surpass all of Joseph Haydn's symphonies. They eclipse Mozart's *Symphony No. 29*, *35*, and *40*. They outshine all of Anton Bruckner's symphonies. They exceed all of Robert Schumann and Felix Mendelssohn's symphonies. They dwarf Camille Saint-Saëns's *Symphony No. 3* and all of Sergei Prokofiev's symphonies. They outstrip all of Dimitri Shostakovich's symphonies, save his *Symphony No. 5*. They outshine all of Gustav Mahler's symphonies save his *Symphony No. 2*. And Florence Price's 20-minute symphony even beats Mahler's *Symphony No. 9*. Finally, they are greater than Ludwig Beethoven's *Symphony No. 5*, *6*, and *7*.



Louise Farrenc made the list, but the list made mistakes.

It is true that Louise Farrenc didn't have equal opportunities because of her gender. William Grant Still didn't have equal opportunities because of his skin color. Florence Price didn't have equal opportunities because of both her gender and skin color. However, declaring their work as equal or superior to the aforementioned is ludicrous. This type of totalitarian thinking is making some headway in classical music and opera. I, for one, still believe that 2+2=4.

Classical Music this week

Ching-Ming Cheng: Piano for Two Dr. Ching-Ming Cheng will present a piano recital alongside pianist Dr. Janet Kao. They will perform repertoire written specially for four hands on one piano. Arts Building In Room 111 Friday, March 3, 7pm; **free**-$10. CSU San Marcos, 333 S. Twin Oaks Valley Road.

Le Salon De Musiques Introduced by musicologist Nuvi Mehta – P. TCHAIKOVSKY: "Souvenir d'un lieu cher" for violin & piano Op 42 – S. RACHMANINOFF: Trio "Elegiaque" No.2 in D minor Op 9 – P. JUON: Piano Trio No.1 in A minor Op 17 "San Diego Premiere" Performers: Kyle Gilner, violin, Yoshika Masuda, cello, & Tae-Yeon Lim, piano. Including high tea buffet after the performance. Sunday, March 5, 4pm; $45-$95. La Jolla Woman's Club, 7791 Draper Avenue.

North Coast Symphony: Saint-Saens Spectacular Dedicated to the music of French composer Camille Saint-Saens, the performance includes the Organ Symphony, featuring organist Sarah Amos, as well as the Cello Concerto No. 1 with soloist Peter Ko, principal cellist with the La Jolla Symphony and Chorus. Saturday, March 4, 2:30pm; $10-$12. San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena.

Our Planet Live in Concert The Emmy Award-winning Netflix series that took the world by storm is now a live concert event. Our Planet Live in Concert combines breathtaking HD cinematography with all-new orchestrations by Oscar-winning composer Steven Price performed by a live onstage orchestra. Narrated by David Attenborough and William Shatner. Sunday, March 5, 7:30pm; $45-$100. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue.

See more CLASSICAL MUSIC at *SDReader.com/classical*

Tuesday, Mar. 14 — Helena Holleran.

Mission Trails Regional Park:
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Native American Flute Circle. **Free**.

Moonshine Beach:
Thursday, Mar. 16 — Mike Ryan. $15-$20.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — James Allen Country.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Paradise Live.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — 8 East Band.

Music Box:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Adam Melchor. $27-$77.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Otoboke Beaver. $24.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Ibeyi.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — The PettyBreakers.
Wednesday, Mar. 15 — Max Cooper.
Thursday, Mar. 16 — OTT and Soohan.
Friday, Mar. 17 — Moontricks and Equanimous.
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Los Amigos Invisibles.
Sunday, Mar. 19 — Brujeria and Dwarves.

Nate's Garden Grill:
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Tinkersmith. **Free**.

Nick & G's:
Friday, Mar. 17 — David Shyde.

Observatory North Park:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Cradle Of Filth and Devil Driver. $39.

Ocean Beach Pier:
Friday, Mar. 17 — St. Paddy's O'Beach Party.
Saturday, Mar. 18 — St. Paddy's O'Beach Party.

Panama 66:
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Uptown Rhythm Makers. **Free**.

Pechanga Arena San Diego:
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Marc Anthony.

Pilgrim United Church of Christ:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Cindy Lee Berryhill. $15-$18.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Casino Royale In Concert.

Seabird:
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Keni Yarbro.
Sunday, Mar. 19 — Farrah Camu.

Side Yard:
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Jemille Vialet.

Soda Bar:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Bad Bunny Birthday Bash. $18.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Death Cab For Karaoke.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Dumbo Gets Mad and Sea Moya.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Emily Wolfe and Big Mother Gig.
Monday, Mar. 13 — Taleen Kali and Night Swims.
Tuesday, Mar. 14 — Forty Feet Tall & The Bots.
Thursday, Mar. 16 — Deathchant and Spirit Mother.
Friday, Mar. 17 — Ash Williams and Toxins.
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Teen Mortgage.
Sunday, Mar. 19 — True Loves & City Soul Collective DJs.

Soma:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Joyce Manor. $35.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Drug Church and Prince Daddy & The Hyena.
Thursday, Mar. 16 — Vance Joy.
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Nav, RealestK, SoFaygo.

Sound:
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Jason Mraz with his Superband.

South Carlsbad State Beach Campground:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Jason Jenkins. **Free**.
Friday, Mar. 10 — Slack Key Ohana. **Free**.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Signal for Pilot. **Free**.
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Riley Hoover. **Free**.
Wednesday, Mar. 15 — Jimbo Trout. **Free**.

Sycuan Casino:
Friday, Mar. 17 — Queensryche.

Sycuan Live & Up Close Theatre:
Friday, Mar. 17 — Queensrÿche. $59-$69.
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Glenn Miller Orchestra. $39-$49.

University Christian Church:
Saturday, Mar. 18 — A Million Ways to Cry in the West. $12.

Viejas Arena:
Monday, Mar. 13 — SZA.

Waterbar:
Sunday, Mar. 12 — Jemille Vialet.

Westfield University Towne Centre:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Ben Benavente.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Zach Churchill.
Thursday, Mar. 16 — Ben Benavente.
Friday, Mar. 17 — Olivia Rohde.

Whistle Stop Bar:
Thursday, Mar. 9 — Charlie Parr & Marissa Anderson.

Winstons Beach Club:
Friday, Mar. 10 — Shwayze and Of Good Nature. $22-$25.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Side Hustle. **Free**.
Saturday, Mar. 11 — Wreckless Strangers and Tecolote Canyon. $12.
Thursday, Mar. 16 — Rose Ganache. $7.
Friday, Mar. 17 — Zeptune and Verado. $10.
Saturday, Mar. 18 — Jack Strong and Birds Kill Bugs. **Free**.
Sunday, Mar. 19 — Limited Jurisdiction. **Free**.

Yiddishland California:
Sunday, Mar. 19 — Songs of The Jewish Ukrainian Heartland. $18-$40.

THE GONZO REPORT

Robo-butt

The electronic meets the organic at Air Conditioned Lounge

On the night in question, The Air Conditioned Lounge in North Park is offering "Bootydew feat. Booty Selectors," an electronic dance night featuring genres described on the venue's website as "Electronic, Latin, Ass Shakers." Which, to my carnival mind, sounds like Hispanic androids twerking. Unlikely, but I'm clinging to that image, because it's more alluring than the prospect of air conditioning on this chilly February evening. A sign in the enclosed entry leading to the club warns you must be 21, that a dress code will be enforced, and that you must be nice or leave. I'm over twice the age of 21 and dressed in shorts and an Iron Maiden soccer jersey, but I can probably manage to be nice.

Arriving a little after eight o'clock, I find myself wondering if the website was mistaken, because the small space is so sparsely populated. The place has a feel that calls back to mafia meetings and back room gambling, so I'm surprised to find the club has existed for less than 20 years. Only a couple of tables have anyone occupying them, and the couch that sits in a recessed part of the floor is nearly empty. It's easy to get to the bar and order a diet soda, which the bartender gives me on-the-house. She doesn't know what the dress code is, but suggests that if clothing isn't extreme, there are no issues. I suggest that a T-shirt with a dick on it might be a violation, and she looks around, asking if I saw someone wearing that. I tell her I haven't seen one, and she directs me to security before I can ask about twerking robots.

Two men enter the venue and approach an elevated stand, so I ask one of them, Adam Villarreal, if he's the DJ. He's not. Instead, he's the former guitarist of punk band Sustivity, which now goes by the name Sadie Hellfire. He introduces me to his friend Marcellis, *aka* Ranger Verde, named after a *Mighty Morphin Power Rangers* character. The television program is represented on Marcellis' body by three different tattoos. Verde introduces me to Karley Fregoso, who goes by the moniker DJ Kale, and another performer, DJ Lossy. Fighting my revulsion at the mention of the so-called "super vegetable," I ask Kale about Latin robots dancing,



DJ Ranger Verde and an array of ass shakers.

earning only a blank stare that requires me to pull up the club's website on my phone.

I read aloud the description of tonight's events — disregarding the punctuation — in my best Christopher Walken impression: "Electronic Latin Ass Shakers." Adam Villarreal agrees that it sounds like Latin robots dancing, but it turns out the trio of DJs are unaware of how the festivities were billed. They have no robots, androids, or other artificial life forms in their sets, though Kale does tell me that *she'll* be the Mexican robot shaking her ass.

I equate making music with hours of practice, bleeding fingertips, blisters, and calluses — sacrifices made for the chance to make the same sounds as Geddy Lee (Rush) and Verdine White (EWF). I fail to see the challenge in plugging in a hard drive and calling it art. But Kale explains that being a DJ, like any other form of music, results in a wave that is created when someone is putting their heart into the set. She works with Umbrellavation, a community-building health and artistic charity collective doing desert festivals where wellness is a top priority for attendees. Her talk of yoga and meditation spaces is at odds with the sorts of festivals that I've gone to, where survival becomes a priority over the music. She also assures me that the music continues without pause in order to keep the energy moving forward, not because someone may yell "Freebird" between songs.

As I turn from the platform booth, I see the club has filled up, though there's still plenty of room to move. The security guard has no time for my questions about the dress code, only describing what I'm wearing as a violation. He says something about "back in the day," and I'm left to wonder what day that was, as he offers only "A lot of young people here tonight" as an explanation. When the music starts, the promised ass-shaking begins. People pour from their tables in a stream as Ranger Verde gets the crowd pumped. Well, most of the crowd, anyway. I'm not particularly pumped, nor moved to shake my ass, but the energy makes me smile. The music may be electronic, but the reaction is both warm and organic.

Find The Gonzo Report online at sandiegoreader.com/gonzo

FULL CONTACT ROCK-N-ROLL
CASH PAID
RECORDS CASSETTES CD'S
VINTAGE + MODERN BAND TSHIRTS
GUITARS MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
RECORD PLAYERS
ALL THINGS ODD WEIRD AND STRANGE
(619) 414-7352
2834 NORTH PARK WAY
SAN DIEGO CA 92104
OPEN
12PM - 8PM
EVERYDAY
HTTPS://FULLCONTACTROCKNROLL.COM

Thanks for the votes for
Best Piercing Studio!
FINALIST Reader BEST of 2021 Best Piercing Studio
enigma.
professional piercing studios
3041 Adams Ave.
San Diego,CA • 619-516-4343
1972 Garnet Ave.
San Diego,CA • 858-274-9950
APP PROUD MEMBER VERIFY AT SAFEPIERCING.ORG
enigmapiercing.co

BRICK BY BRICK
THU. MAR. 2
THE SPILL CANVAS
Arms Akimbo, Sleep it off
WED. MAR. 15
FLESHGOD APOCALYPSE
Obscura, Wolfheart, Thulcandra
FRI. MAR. 3
HE FILMS THE CLOUDS
I Sank Atlantis, The Undertaking, Good For Nothing
FRI. MAR. 10
BLEEDING THROUGH
Thrown Into Exile, Shawshank
THU. MAR. 16
KEN MODE
Frail Body
SAT. MAR. 4
THE ATOMIC PUNKS:
Nightshadow, UAP - Unidentified Audio Phenomenon, Pandemic Unleashed, Syndicate 4
SAT. MAR. 11
DEATH TO ALL
Suffocation, Nukem
FRI. MAR. 17
CANDLEMASS
Early Moods, Emily Jane White
SUN. MAR. 5
VISIONS OF ATLANTIS
The Spider Accomplice, Helsott, AndEver
TUE. MAR. 14
HALLAS
Danava
SAT. MAR. 18
WACKEN BATTLE FINAL ROUND
Fadrait, Godhammered, Corpsemaker, Druide, Maskeratt, Mister Fister
FOR TICKETS & INFO VISIT WWW.BRICKBYBRICK.COM
1130 BUENOS AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA 92110

Drinks All Around

BY AMANDA TASCHER

DALLAS JUANES
Verbena Kitchen
3043 University Avenue
North Park



'One unique part about our cocktail program," says Dallas Juanes, General Manager for Verbena Kitchen, "is that we're changing what it is to be a low-ABV cocktail bar. We have only a beer and wine license. With that said, we can use certain kinds of spirits, only distilled to certain percentages."

According to Juanes, a loophole within California law allows them to use a fermented spirit up to 24% alcohol content. "What we do is double that volume in the cocktail so that you get a full strength beverage, using low-ABV spirits. We're probably one of a handful of bars in the US that is utilizing its beer and wine license to its fullest capabilities."

One of their top sellers, El Niño, is comparable to a margarita. "I didn't want to do the classic," says Juanes of the drink. "I wanted to do something unique that was seasonally-driven and had some fun profiles in it. You're tasting persimmon, chocolate bitters, chili agave, lime, and our house barrel-aged tequila."

Junes had to get creative on the "tequila" component. "It's agave wine. We throw it in the barrel and let it sit for about 30 days. What that does is it gives it a little more character: caramelized notes, you get a little smoke. It just really changes the agave wine to something a little more refined."

Fuyū persimmons from Fallbrook add a fruity element for vibrancy. "When we cut them open, they were juicy, they were ripe, and we were like, 'These are out of control, they're so good!' So Chef and I worked together on a recipe for persimmon purée, and bada bing, bada boom!" The winter fruit looks like an orange tomato and offers a "luscious, honeysuckle kind of profile. It's really tasty, it's also very earthy. And then to pair that with chocolate — it's like, *what*?!"

When testing which flavor of bitters worked best, "chocolate really stuck out to me; I think it kind of matches with the earthiness and the acid. It counteracts the sweetness of the agave wine and persimmon, but also adds the fun component — the left-field ingredient that makes you go, 'Wow, it works!'"

For the final kicker, Juanes applies a little heat to the drink. "The chili agave is gonna hit that one part of the tongue that's not being tantalized, which is the spice. So that brings it all full circle on the palate."

VERBENA KITCHEN'S EL NIÑO



- 3 oz barrel aged agave wine (or 1.5 oz reposado tequila)
- 1.25 oz lime Juice
- 1 oz persimmon purée
- .75 oz chili agave
- 4 dashes Angostura Chocolate Bitters

Add all ingredients to a shaker tin and shake gently, incorporating all the flavors together and ensuring proper dilution and chill. Strain into glass over fresh ice. Garnish with chili threads and dehydrated lime.

HAPPY HOUR

You can submit a listing or find more information about these establishments online at **SDReader.com/drinks**

BANKERS HILL

Barrio Star: *Monday, Wednesday-Sunday*, 3-5pm: $6.50 beer and wine. $8.50 margarita, Sangria, michelada, $18 margarita flight. $5 a la carte tacos. *Tuesday*, 3-close: $6.50 beer and wine. $8.50 margarita, Sangria, michelada, $18 margarita flight. $5 a la carte tacos.

BAY PARK

Off Shore Tavern: *Monday-Friday*, 3-6pm: All beer $1 off, $4 house wine, $4.25 well drinks. *Saturday*, 9pm-close: All beer $1 off, $4 house wine, $4.25 well drinks.

CARLSBAD

20|Twenty at Westin Carlsbad: *Tuesday-Friday*, 4:30-6:00 pm: $2 off wells, signature cocktails, and wines by the glass. $10 off cheese and charcuterie.

7 Mile Kitchen: *Wednesday*, 5-10pm: $2 off glasses of wine, half off select wine bottles.

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

CHULA VISTA

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

DEL MAR

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

DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

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

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

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

EAST VILLAGE

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

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

KENSINGTON

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

LA JOLLA

Sandpiper Wood Fired Grill & Oysters: *Wednesday-Sunday*, 4-5:30pm: Buy a bottle of champagne and get a dozen oysters free. $4 Baja fish taco, $8 rosemary parmesan fries, $8 crispy mozzarella sticks.

LA MESA

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

LEMON GROVE

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

LITTLE ITALY

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

Cloak & Petal: *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: $5 sake, $7 glasses of wine, $10 specialty cocktails. $3-$6 appetizers, $10 specialty rolls.

MIRAMAR

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

MISSION HILLS

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

MISSION VALLEY

Lazy Dog: *Monday-Thursday*, 3-6pm and 9pm-close: $3-$8: Housemade sangrias, well drinks, drafts, house wine, Asian pear martini. *Friday*, 3-6pm: $3-$8: Housemade sangrias, well drinks, drafts, house wine, Asian pear martini. *Sunday*, 9pm-close: $3-$8: Housemade sangrias, well drinks, drafts, house wine, Asian pear martini.

NORMAL HEIGHTS

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

NORTH PARK

Original 40 Brewing Company: *Monday-Friday*, 4-6pm: $2 off all beer and wine.

Rouleur Brewing Company: *Tuesday*, 9pm-close: $5 pints *Wednesday*, All day: $1.50 Beast Mode Wings (minimum 4)

Second Chance Beer Lounge: *Monday*, 3-8pm: $6 pints

OCEAN BEACH

The Joint: *Monday, Thursday*, 2-6pm: $5 all local drafts. *Tuesday*, 2-6pm: $5 all local IPAs. *Wednesday*, 2-6pm: Rotating $4 draft selection. *Saturday*, 11am-2:45pm: $7 bottles of bubbles and OJ with brunch entree. *Sunday*, 2-6pm: $7 bottles of bubbles and OJ with brunch entree.

OLD TOWN

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

PACIFIC BEACH

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

Ambrogio15: *Monday-Friday*, 3-5pm: $19 per person biodynamic (organic) wine flight with three selected biodynamic wines (two ounce pour) and focaccia bread, olives, artichokes.

Bub's Dive Bar: *Monday, Thursday-Friday*, 3-5pm: $5 select drafts and wells. $1 wings, half off Red Baskets. *Tuesday*, .

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

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

The Turquoise Café-Bar Europa: *Tuesday-Sunday*, 5-9pm: Bottles cocktails to go.



Baked bonanza

For the latest reviews from Reader *writers and a complete searchable list of 2000 restaurants, please visit* **SDReader.com/feast**

It's not pizza, but FurnSaj makes the city's most photogenic flatbread

FurnSaj Bakery & Restaurant; 3888 Fourth Ave., Hillcrest. You'll need to be familiar with at least two types of Mediterranean cooking appliances to understand what's happening at FurnSaj Bakery & Restaurant. A *furn* may be thought of as similar to a clay pizza oven, while a *saj* is a convex griddle — it looks more like an upside-down wok, even though it's also frequently used to cook flatbreads.



The cocktail *mana'ish*, a Lebanese-style flatbread featuring eight different sets of toppings. Clockwise from the top: olives mix, *za'atar* spice blend, *keshik*, *kafta*, spicy tomatoes, spinach and sumac, *soujouk* and cheese, parsley and cheese.



Lebanese croquettes, known as *kibbeh*.

So FurnSaj, a ten year old Mediterranean restaurant chain out of suburban Los Angeles, suggests a menu that employs cooking techniques involving both. But after only a moment inside its new Hillcrest location, I could tell there was more going on here, even if only by the collection of rotisseries spinning slowly behind the counter, roasting stacked wheels of chicken, beef, and lamb.

Walking into most Mediterranean restaurants, meats might command most of my attention, and indeed, the menu here includes a variety of kebab, shawarma, and gyro options. For sure, I enjoyed my $13 beef shawarma wrap. Simply made, with little more than hummus, tomato, onions, and tahini to go with the shaved beef, rolled up skinny — but about a foot long — inside fresh-off-the *saj*-flatbread.

However, I wound up ordering this almost as an afterthought, given the display of baked goods before me. Whereas most baking traditions would have me sampling sugary, fruity, and chocolatey pastries, inside FurnSaj's glass display case, they go decidedly savory.

There are both beef and vegan (potato or jackfruit) *sambouseks* ($3), which are small meat pies closely related to *samosas*; and cheese or spinach *boreg* (sometimes known as *fatayer*), which are smaller hand pies ($1.50 each). Most distinctive in this format are the Lebanese croquettes called *kibbeh*. Here, they featured seasoned ground beef and pine nuts, stuffed inside a crust of fried bulgar wheat ($3). Because FurnSaj seems to offer vegan alternatives across the board, there's also a version made with Impossible faux beef ($3.49). When I tried them side by side, I did manage to tell them apart, but couldn't decide which I liked better.

The chance to nab *kibbeh* in Hillcrest proves one of the better reasons to pay a visit to FurnSaj, but top of the list has to be the menu of *mana'ish* (sometimes called *manakish*). These flatbreads, baked in that pizza oven-like *furn*, resemble pizzas, but with a fairly different approach to toppings.

My favorite thing about FurnSaj is that they make it easy to try out most of the topping options in one sitting. Simply order the cocktail *mana'ish* ($12), to get a small, 8-slice pie, where each slice features toppings distinct from the others.

One slice features the classic Middle Eastern spice blend *za'atar*, easy to spot due to its potent mixture of green herbs and sesame seeds. There's an olive mix, featuring five different varieties of diced olive, along with mushrooms and roasted red bell pepper. One slice looks very close to pepperoni pizza, but actually features slices of the beef sausage *soujouk* (and no tomato sauce under the melted cheese). Others feature spinach with sumac and onion, or spicy diced tomatoes with onions, and there's a cheese covered slice made green with diced parsley and onion.

I was lukewarm on spinach and sumac in combination, but would order every other slice a second time, even a couple that surprised me: the *keshik* flatbread, topped with dried yogurt mixed with onion and tomato; and the lumpy looking *kafta*, which spreads out the seasoned, minced beef of *kafta* kabobs as a flatbread topping.

I want to order most of these as whole *mana'ish*, but even more, I want to take a friend over to FurnSaj, so we can each order one of these photogenic pies and discuss which slices we like best. It's one of many reasons FurnSaj is an excellent place to start for anyone curious to try Lebanese cuisine.

by Ian Anderson



A new counter shop serving Mediterranean baked goods in Hillcrest.

FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

Picnic At The Park Enjoy free music and signature dishes for purchase from Rady Shell restaurants Biga, Lola55, Kitchen for Good, Minocqua Popcorn and Urban Kitchen Group as well as Blais Kitchen with an appearance by Chef Richard Blais. Sunday, March 5, 11:30am; Rady Shell at Jacobs Park, 200 Marina Park Way. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

San Diego Dim Sum Tour Enjoy a walking tour through the heart of Asia-town and end at a popular Asian supermarket. Trip length 1.5-2 miles. Sundays, 10am; through Sunday, December 31, $69. Jasmine Seafood Restaurant, 4609 Convoy St., Suite A. (KEARNY MESA)

WE'RE OPEN FOR INDOOR DINING, OUTDOOR DINING, AND TAKEOUT!

FINALIST Reader BEST of 2022 Best Late Night Menu

HUNGRY?



$2 OFF any entree $10 and up when you show this ad. Dine-in only. Not valid on weekends or holidays. Valid for up to four entrees. Must present this coupon at the time of your order. Expires 3/17/23.

$2 OFF any entree $10 and up when you show this ad. Dine-in only. Not valid on weekends or holidays. Valid for up to four entrees. Must present this coupon at the time of your order. Expires 3/17/23.

Traditional diner favorites, home-style classics, a true American Diner

Rudford's Established 1949

Open 24/7
2900 El Cajon Blvd.
619-282-8423 • Rudfords.com

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

Three easy steps:

1. Take a picture of what you want to be in your ad.

2. Post it on SanDiegoReader.com (25-word limit).

3. You're done — you can edit or delete it any time.

You can still call in your ad (619) 450-4293, text it to (619) 272-2772 or drop it in the drop box at the front door of the Reader office, 2323 Broadway, San Diego, CA 92102, by 12pm Monday

PERSONALS

JOE HERE. When you're with someone you love, your heart has truly come home.

POST SCRIPS MISSISSIPPI BLVD parish, one remembered with respect no senseless violence of this world 1,001 crosses in Memphis, doves be upon you, peace.

ROMANS 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son. For who so believed in him shall not perish have everlasting life. Please accept Jesus into your heart today and confess sin to him so that you may go to heaven. I pray that you do this, amen.

INTELLIGENT AND NATURAL Any highly intelligent women out there with hairy armpits? I'd like to hear from you. So few women are natural anymore.

BEULAH, watching the Connors.

CHEATERS & KHARMA J & K cheaters always get caught and karma is real.

FRANK DARLING, I should have heard from you by now!

BEULAH, Seen Polly Purebred on TV.

MAY THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS be adore, glorify, love and preserve throughout the world now and forever. Sacred heart of Jesus, pray for us. San Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. San Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Amen. Need to pray nine times during the day. By the nineteenth day, your will see the miracle. IAM

DEAR JOE I wish I had the skills to recognize and tell you how important you were to me when we were together. Therapy, self-reflection and mindfulness has been helpful. I'm committed to growing. Still, I miss you.

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST your sponsorship in helping me to secure 4 dental implants on the top. Keith, (619) 551-6368, thanks!

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

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

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

DOWNTOWN $650-$750



Classic building in downtown San Diego. Nice sized private rooms share common bathrooms. Property is well maintained with friendly staff. Peaceful and comfortable building with cable TV hookups and on-site laundry. Close to work. MTS trolley stop very close with easy access to the downtown free shuttle.

Southern Hotel
1159 Sixth Ave. and B St. • 619-239-3808

DOWNTOWN $590-$900



In the heart of San Diego Gaslamp Quarter!

Newly renovated and furnished rooms for rent. Utilities included and controlled building entry. Conveniently located near public transportation, grocery stores, restaurants, shopping and more.

720 4th Ave., San Diego, 92101
(619) 233-7594

NOTICES

SELLERS ADVERTISING IN THE READER-BEWARE! Accept only cash from the number(504)384-5361. He's a fraudulent-check scammer!

FINE RIDES & FRIENDS CAR SHOW. March 19, 2023 1 PM to 5pm. Location: Pacific Islander Beer Company 8665 Argent St. Santee, CA 92071 (619) 253-0524.

ACTUAL ATTORNEY NEEDED, NEW OK I have a medical malpractice case. It will require discovery and actual filings. This is a contingency case. I can give road map, multiple defendants. Conspiracy to defraud me. Direct efforts to cover up and long series of malpractice. Call me. (619) 796-8558 / hlmcclus-key@gmail.com

BEWARE THE IDES OF MARCH! Beware the Ides of March! Go directly to iTreasure-SanDiego.Com

YOUR OPINION Should human beings have the legal right to marry animals, even wild ones? The Center for Applied Critical Thinking CACT (619) 428-1274.

ARE YOU INTO CRAFTS? Doing mosaic work? Free broken Mexican color tiles for your craft project. Call now 1-858-484-4483.

"OVERCOMING BETRAYAL IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM" written by free spirit unique….Available Now at… iTunes Amazon Xlibris and Barnesandnoble.com

CLASSES / LESSONS

TAI CHI AND QI GONG CLASSES, Meditation In Movement. First class is free. Join us outdoors Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings or indoors for Qi Gong 6pm Tuesday and Taiji 6pm Wednesday. Taoist Sanctuary. Sign up on our website. Taoist Sanctuary of San Diego, (619) 692-1155. taoist-sanctuary.org.

ENHANCE YOUR LIFE NOW preview of faculties meditation series, developed & taught by Dr. Erhard Vogel-meditation master teacher- author-speaker. March 13, 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. RSVP for details. (858) 337-7963 / info@yogameditationnataraja.org

DO YOU WONDER ABOUT LEMURIA? Discover the Mystery of Lemuria and its Ancient Wisdom Teachings based on Universal Laws. Bring more success and satisfaction into your relationships, career and daily life. All this begins when you ask for a Free Brochure. www.lemurianfellowship.org/freebrochure

CREATE YOUR OWN GLASS VASE! Learn to create your own Glass Wall Pocket Vase. Beautiful on their own or with spring flowers, incense, herbs, these vases are water tight & uniquely yours. Each student will make 1 larger vase or 2 smaller ones. Visit us at sandiegocraft.org today! (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

PUPPET MAKING FUN THIS APRIL! Fun for all ages! Learn to make your own unique puppet with colorful, surprising supplies with a teacher who learned the art of puppet making from a Jim Henson Muppeteer. You're never too old to have fun! Visit us at sandiegocraft.org today. (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

SPRING BREAK KIDS CRAFT CAMPS! Come craft with us this Spring Break! Camps are filling up fast! We offer week-long, half-day crafting fun for your child, with a mix of ceramics, woodwork & more. Kids make quality, take-home projects each day. Ages 6+years. Visit sandiegocraft.org! (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

TEEN TRADITIONAL CRAFT CLASSES Is your teen interested in exploring woodworking &/or ceramics? San Diego Craft Collective offers weekly classes for teens in traditional craft. New, high-quality projects each month with professional teachers. Visit sandiegocraft.org for more! (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

KID & TEEN CRAFT CLASSES! San Diego Craft Collective offers a wide variety of afternoon craft classes—woodworking, ceramics, craft studio & garden club—for all ages, 3 years+, taught by professional craftspeople. We offer weekday & weekend workshops at sandiegocraft.org. (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

HORTICULTURE, LANDSCAPE DESIGN, redesign, troubleshooting, diagnostics on the spot. Solve your problems, improve your design, improve your maintenance today - no guessing! Educated, trained and experienced, 6th generation native, 6th generation horticulturalist in San Diego County. No sales, no installation, no maintenance. Check me out at EdwordsHorticulture.com, then call (619) 402-8670.

ROOMMATES

LOOKING TO RENT MOBILE HOME Free money and help. Caregiver and service wish to rent your mobile home on your secure property. Contact Michelle (619) 228-5843. Mindful and military preferred.

I NEED A PLACE TO LIVE NOW!!! Single female Seeking a private room/space in trade for me. providing domestic chores such as cleaning, laundry, pet care. etc… I'm free of drama or addictions & I'm polite, respectful,. quiet, real, easygoing & trustworthy. Prefer safe walkable area. sandiegolady13@gmail.com

LOOKING TO RENT ROOM 64 year old male looking to rent room anywhere in san diego county. $750 a month max. Great sense of humor. Easy to get along with. Employed full time. Clean quiet and respectful. jeffwray@live.com.

COMPOSER SEEKS assistant/ copyist/ piano/ sightreading. Room / board/ stipend, composition lessons. Busco musico assistante que sepuede leer musica/toca piano. Cuarto, comidas, felia. (619) 457-8516 jebroe5@gmail.com.

ROOM FOR RENT Independent living. Nice view home. Quiet. Wi-fi, TV, meals, laundry. Shared room $800 La Mesa (619) 750-4447. A place to call home!

TINY ROOM TO LIVE PLEASE 64 year healthy single, no family, never married non-smoker. Clean SoCal native low income full time job, male high school/ college graduate. Seeking somber room in Solana Beach, Cardiff, Leucadia, Encinitas, Carlsbad. Dale Hauskins (858) 401-2973

SANTEE, $750 2/2 home w/ homeowner, dog. Same price furnished/unfurnished. No kids under 18. Pools, spas, clubhouse, tennis. AC & heat, kitchen, W/D. No tobacco, or add'l pets. Share util. (619) 499-9663, phone calls preferred.

RENTALS

NEWLY REMODELED 3 BEDROOM 1 BA Amazing 3 bedroom 1 bath home, 1100 sf. All new appliances. Full washer and dryer inside the unit.$2500 monthly. danielaguajardo@outlook.com

LA MESA RENTAL I bedroom, 1 bath, 600 sq ft. cottage with parking and small storage. $1800 per mo. Gas and electric, water and trash included. Available now. Laundry available for additional $50. (619) 697-4708 / lmpetrucelli@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR A GREAT LANDLORD That takes section 8 studios and one bedrooms I'm looking for. I'm a great tenant. Thanks. Contact me at (619) 309-5486.

3BR HOUSE FOR RENT $3000 per month. 3 BR, 1 BA, den and a living room, 3/4 of an acre of a yard. Available now. In San Marcos. (619) 952-0426.

LA MESA, $2199-2699. 3BD+2BA ($2699) and 2BD+1BA ($2199) apartments. Welcome to Mt. Helix Gated Community! New kitchen. Stainless steel appliances. Spacious. Clubhouse. WiFi. Air conditioning. Laundry. Garages. Balconies. Pool. Hablo Espanol. (619) 646-8670.

LA MESA, $2199-2699. 3BD+2BA ($2699) and 2BD+1BA ($2199) apartments. Bienvenido a la privada Mt. Helix! Espaciosos. Cocina nueva. Electrodomesticos de acero inoxidable, Casa club. WiFi. Aire acondicionado. Lavanderia. Garage. Balcones. Picina. Mascotas OK. Espanol. (619) 646-8670.

$400/MONTH long-term directly in front of the river ocean five minutes away 13 month contract. Ensenada a Rosarito LA mission 30 minutes across the border. (760) 250-7055.

FOUR BEDROOM TWO BATHROOM with a Jacuzzi 1 acre of property $1200 month 13 month contract we also do daily and weekly rentals $100 a night $500 a week Rosarito and Ensenada La mission (760) 250-7055.

MEXICO ENSENADA ROSARITO La mission three bedroom two bathroom directly in front of the river five minute walk from the ocean $1200 a month (760) 250-7055.

MEXICO ENSENADA ROSARITO two bedroom two bathroom directly in front of the River ocean five minute walk bring your motorcycle pets we call this Rancho Santa Fe south of the border exclusive neighborhood Gated and garden (760) 250-7055.

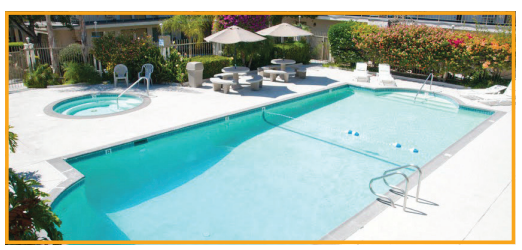
PENTHOUSE two bedroom two bathroom Jacuzzi directly in front of the river and ocean the ocean five minute walk away $1500 a month Rosarito and Ensenada La mission 30 minutes across the border (760) 250-7055.

STUDIO FOR RENT directly in front of the river the ocean five minute walk away completely furnished wash machine and dryer 750 a month long term 13 months Mexico 30 minutes from San Diego borderline to Ensenada rosarito La mission. (760) 250-7055.

NEED AN APARTMENT SHORT TERM? Make your reservations now and Get $200 OFF every month. Studio+1BA available.

Need an Apartment Short Term?

CALL NOW FOR THE BEST AVAILABLE RATES



Call for Daily Specials
Up to **15% OFF** Daily Rates
Call Now



Weekly starts @ $500
Call directly for more details.

California Suites Hotel
Apartment prices with hotel perks
www.californiasuiteshotel.com
Sorry we do not accept pets.
Monthly rental maximum 2 people including children.
*Some hotel amenities included. Please call for details.

Free Continental Breakfast
• Free maid & linen service • Free utilities • Heated pool & spa
• Laundry facilities • Free parking • Microwave • Refrigerator
• Easy freeway access • Centrally located • High speed internet services

5415 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.
(just west of the 805) San Diego, CA 92117
(858) 799-0219

dreamstyle REMODELING | SHOWERS AND BATHS

We Can Install Your New Shower AS SOON AS NEXT WEEK!*



You'll have the **BEST LUCK** with DREAMSTYLE REMODELING your shower

$1,000 OFF
DREAMSTYLE SHOWER SYSTEM

Plus **18 MONTHS NO** PAYMENTS, INTEREST, MONEY DOWN or LOW MONTHLY PAYMENTS**

SALE WILL LAST UNTIL MARCH 31ST

BBB ★★★★★

"I recommend Dreamstyle Remodeling for a tub to shower conversion. The company wanted the remodel to be exactly what I wanted and worked to provide that. The quality of the materials was excellent."

Google ★★★★★ | HomeAdvisor ★★★★★ | facebook ★★★★★ | BBB ACCREDITED BUSINESS A+ Rating ★★★★★

4.8 STARS WITH OVER 12,848+ ONLINE REVIEWS

With a huge variety of design options and materials, you can count on your new shower by Dreamstyle Remodeling will be clean, safe and virtually maintenance free!

✓ **FREE CONSULTATION** | ✓ **INSTALLED IN AS LITTLE AS 1-2 DAYS** | ✓ **LIFETIME WARRANTY**

Call TODAY for a FREE consultation **619-329-5485** DreamstyleShowers.com

*Variable lead times on select hardware and accessories. Projects installed as soon as next week available for limited color and options, while supplies last. Other restrictions may apply. See design consultant for details.**On Approved Credit. Based on approval of 18 months, No Interest, No Payments with installations completed in 2023. Valid on initial consultation only, with purchase of any complete Dreamstyle Shower System. Not valid with any other offers or previous orders. Offer ends 3/31/23. Offer subject to change without notice. ©2023 Dreamstyle Remodeling of California, LLC. Lic. 995160 B

Call for Monthly, Weekly and daily specials, up to 15% OFF. Includes: weekly cleaning service, daily continental breakfast, all utilities, cable (HBO), heated pool/ spa, on-site laundry. High-speed Internet available for additional charge. (*Rates subject to change/ tax.) California Suites Hotel, 5415 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (858) 799-0219. www.californiasuiteshotel.com.

MUSIC



GRADO RS2E HEADPHONES FOR SALE Excellent shape, open back type with new larger ear pads, more comfort and less pressure on the ears. Paid $ 750 plus $ 80 for new ear pads. Awesome sound, selling due to liking my sealed headphones better. $ 450. No low ball offers. ja311390@gmail.com

NAD 2200 POWER AMP, USED NAD 2200 amp, used, has previous owners name etched on front plate, missing 2 feet. Fair condition, has a couple scratches on front panel and a small ding above the NAD logo on front. Asking $225, no low ball offers. ja311390@gmail.com

BE A RADIO DJ All volunteer KNSJ 89.1 FM has openings for DJs and music show producers. We can train, but you will need a digitizable music collection and a commitment to produce a one hour show weekly without compensation. Contact CaseyHick@hotmail.com

SINGER/LEAD GUITARIST NEEDED For a Neil Young tribute band. (858) 349-4400 / 60.m.j.davies@gmail.com

REGGAE SKA POP progrock fusion professional lead/rhythm guitarist for recordings, gigs, tours. CD/Tour credits. Dale Hauskins (858) 401-2973.

OIL CHANGE $24.95
Additional $5 cartridge fee. Plus tax, haz waste, & engine cover shield removal fee. Up to 5qts 10w30 oil. Special only for 4cyl vehicle. 6-8cyl vehicle does not apply. most cars

AC SERVICE $49
Diagnostic $95 Recharge from

BRAKES From $49
Front or rear
*Plus Labor. Prices may vary depending on make and model. most cars

30K 60K 90K $65
Scheduled Services
*Prices may vary depending on make and model. most cars

RADIATOR $45
or Transmission Services
*Prices may vary depending on make and model. most cars 4 cyl.

TIMING BELT $75
Parts & Labor
*Prices may vary depending on make and model. most cars 4 cyl.

STARTERS, RADIATORS, OR ALTERNATORS $95
Plus labor. most cars 4 cyl.

FREE CHECK ENGINE LIGHT
96 and up.

We'll beat any written estimate!
Dents, dings, scratches? Now offering bodywork.
B.T. Auto Wrench

Walk ins welcome. No appointment necessary!
8027 BALBOA AVE. #B&C
858-533-8120

SCHALLER ROCKOON BASS GUITAR, $600 red, EMG's, 4 string, excellent condition, $600. (619) 980-6008

MUSIC REHEARSAL STUDIO Upscale facility, Kearny Mesa. All rooms have individual air conditioning, high ceilings and 24- hour access. Monthly rooms available. Adder Studios, (858) 522-9505. www.adderstudios.com.

PETS

FRENCH BULLDOG PUPPIES available. Males/females, DNA pending, AKC paperwork available. Please text or call (619) 875-0208. / aureybell@gmail.com

PET SITTER NEEDED Looking for a reliable pet sitter and walker for my dogs while I am at work. Email me on arc082@outlook.com for more details.

SPORTS

SPORTING GOODS ski bag, skit boot bag, duffel bag, a set by Marker, $50. Men's Descents one-piece ski outfit, XL, $150, and L, $100. (619) 218-4031

BICYCLES

BIANCHI VELOCE ROAD BIKE Carbon fork, light green color, made in Italy, purchased new, only ridden a few times, $650., in Escondido, call (760) 746-7209.

CANNONDALE F1000SL MOUNTAIN Bike, ultra aluminum steering fork, orange-yellow color, purchased new-very little use, $450., (760) 746-7209.

REDFIRE MTB great condition, 27.5", disc brakes, front suspension, aluminum frame, 21-speed. Sells for $400 on Amazon, asking $175. Jan.e.m.ophof@gmail.com.



LINUS ROADSTER PERFECT CONDITION This bike is in excellent condition. Like new. Brooks seat. Comes with tires. I believe it is the Roadster Sport model. $800 new. Medium size, top rail measures about 21". bestarlite@outlook.com

BRAND NEW ADULT RED TRICYCLE $250. Text to (858) 733-0770.

MOTORCYCLES

NEW MOTORCYCLE COVER For BMW or Piaggio 3.5. 2 helmets and Italian glasses. All for $ 80. Please call (858) 205-2783.

DON'T BUY ELECTRIC, BUILD ELECTRIC. Learn to build your own solar powered electric motorcycle. Text EV for derails to (916) 880-2252.

1990 HARLEY DAVIDSON 1990 Electra glide Harley, runs but doesn't run right, needs motor work. Comes with spare motor and spare cases. $2,800 OBO. (619) 258-3541

2020 HARLEY DAVIDSON XL 1200, black. Cash price $12,000. Too many extras to list. (619) 233-8300.

AUTOMOTIVE

302 FORD HIGH OUTPUT water pump from summit racing for 1979-85 30% more flow, $40. (619) 264-7148 ask for Tom.

4 BIG-O BIGFOOT A-T TIRES Big-O All Terrain tires, M+S, LT245/75R16, mounted on 6 lug aluminum wheels, balanced, the wheels are Sprinter wheels, used, $225., in Escondido, call (760) 746-7209.

"CROWN" DIVIDER CAGE for full-sized van. Never installed. $175. (619) 224-9033 Pat

1992 BUICK LE SABRE MANUALS GM Owners manual, GM service manual, GM electrical systems manual, Haynes repair manual, Chilton's repair manual, all 5 for $100., (760) 746-7209.

2016 MAZDA CX5 GRAND TOURING Automatic, AWD, 2.5L, 4 cylinder engine, 4 door, red metallic color, black leather seats, 94,700 miles, original owner, well cared for and maintained by a nurse, the reason for selling-the car was replaced by a new Tesla, $16,500 call (760) 746-7209.

HYUNDAI SONATA FLOOR MATS-NEW! Genuine 2013 Hyundai Sonata floor mats, 2 pair, black or grey. Mats fit other model years. Asking $40/ pair or both for $75. New, never installed. Call/email. (858) 395-5656 / rbobick5.7@gmail.com

1999 COROLLA $2000 clean, passed smog, new ties, new windshield, buffed out. (619) 457-2316

DRIVER'S OUTSIDE MIRROR 1998Chevy 1500 van, mirror wanted. (619) 408-9517 vm.

2008 NISSAN ROGUE Looks nice run good 120,000 miles. Will consider trade for small pickup or Sedan. Please looking to sell ASAP. Text (858) 361-4787. / goldflyn@yahoo.com

1971 VOLKSWAGEN MANX STYLE DUNEBUGGY on road/ off-road. Street license California. 623, everything works, yellow, black vinyl top, 4 seater, 1600 CC, ready to go. $9900 will take it home, need to sell. (760) 420-3641, San Marcos

2003 BMW M3 convertible black/black, smg. 130,000 miles. $5000 or best. (760) 840-7198.

12 PASSENGER VAN for rent $100 a day $600 a week churches get 10% discount mentioned the reader and get one day free with one weekly rental (619) 233-8300.

$99 A WEEK Toyota Corolla Pay cash get one extra day (619) 233-8300.

RENTAL CAR starting from $17.95 per day $99 a week 350 a month 3006 Barnett Ave. point Loma open seven days a week trucks for rent $300 a week Toyota four runner also minivans $400 a week 15 passenger vans $500 a week. (619) 233-8300

RENTAL CAR AVAILABLE also rent to own programs thousand dollars down $500 a week in-house financing rent to own (619) 233-8300.

RENT TO OWN Thousand dollars down direct payments no credit check 3006 Barnett Avenue Open seven days a week from 9 to 7 (619) 233-8300.

TOYOTA CAMRY for rent $99 a week 350 a month pay cash get one day free (619) 233-8300.

TOYOTA FORERUNNER for rent $300 a week rent to own program available (619) 233-8300.

TOYOTA TRUCK for rent $300 a week rent to own program available (619) 233-8300.

1999 TOYOTA AVALON White. Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $2900 (619) 233-8300.

2000 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS Super clean, rent to own or for sale. Cash price $3900. (619) 233-8300.

2000 TOYOTA AVALON GOLD Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $2900. (619) 233-8300.

2001 TOYOTA CAMRY Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $3900. (619) 233-8300.

2005 TOYOTA TUNDRA TRUCK Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $8900. (619) 233-8300.

2006 TOYOTA COROLLA Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $6900. (619) 233-8300.

2007 TOYOTA 4RUNNER White. Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $9800. (619) 233-8300.

2009 MERCEDES E350W Black. Super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash Price $6,900. (619) 233-8300.

2011 CHEVY CAMARO Black. super clean. Rent to own or for sale. Cash price $17000. (619) 233-8300.

LOOKING FOR 1990 OR OLDER Ford cargo van, fgross0421@gmail.com.

HELP WANTED

BE A RADIO PRODUCER All volunteer KNSJ 89.1 FM has openings for radio show producers. Experience is great, but we can train. Requires (eventual) commitment to produce/coproduce at least one, one hour, show every week, without compensation. Contact Tim.Taylor@KNSJ.org.

DRIVER Drive your own minivan or SUV. $23-$28/ hour when factoring in mileage reimbursement + benefits! Essential and stable employment. Full- & part-time shifts. Immediate openings. (858) 444-2350, or apply in person: 9710 Distribution Ave. SD, 92121.

PRODUCT LINE MANAGER Meritor Electric Vehicles LLC seeks a Product Line Manager based out of our office at 2415 Auto Park Way, Escondido, CA 92029. Note, this is a hybrid position whereby the employee will work both from home and from the aforementioned office address. Hence, the employee must live within a reasonable commuting distance of the aforementioned office address. Note, this position requires international and domestic travel, as needed, up to 25%. Duties include: Define MEV vehicle system and application product requirements and technical specifications to drive internal programs in accordance with customer needs and product roadmap, develop next generation product and technology roadmaps to strategically steer the business towards innovation and profitable global growth and adoption; among other duties. Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering or Electrical Engineering and three years of experience in the job offered or related. Apply to job reference number 23000020 at: meritor.jobs.net/search

PROJECT CONTROLS ANALYST E2 Consulting Engineers, Inc. seeks Project Controls Analyst in San Diego, CA to review estimates, schedules & budgets for assigned projects. Reqs edu & exp. Salary range $99,258-$110,000 per yr. For full job details, reqs & how to apply, visit: bit.ly/E2074.

SUPERVISING ASSOCIATE Noble Street Advisors, LLC in San Diego, CA seeks Supervising Associate to monitor all areas of the monthly accounting close process. No trvl; no telecom. Salary: $102731 per year. Send CV: careers@noblestreet.net

TECHNOLOGY ServiceNow Inc is accepting resumes for the following positions in San Diego, CA: Software Engineer (5142-3772077): Design & implement software that is simple, intuitive & easy to use. Telecommuting permitted. Annual Salary: $128,000-158,000. Email resume to servicenowresumesUS@servicenow.com. Or mail resume to ServiceNow Inc, Attn: Global Mobility, 2225 Lawson Lane, Santa Clara, CA 95054. Resume must include job title, job ref. # 5142-3772077, full name, email & mailing address. No phone calls. Must be legally authorized to work in U.S. without sponsorship. EOE.

TECHNOLOGY ServiceNow Inc is accepting resumes for the following positions in San Diego, CA: Software Engineer. (5142-3239896): Design and implement software that is simple, intuitive, and easy to use that allows customers to extend and customize functionality to meet their specific business needs. Telecommuting permitted. Annual Salary: $135,877-165,877. Email resume to servicenow-resumesUS@servicenow.com. Or mail resume to ServiceNow Inc, Attn: Global Mobility, 2225 Lawson Lane, Santa Clara, CA 95054. Resume must include job title, job ref. #5142-3239896, full name, email & mailing address. No phone calls. Must be legally authorized to work in U.S. without sponsorship. EOE.

TECHNOLOGY ServiceNow Inc is accepting resumes for the following positions in San Diego, CA: Software Engineer–Enterprise Integrations (5142-3535845): Build high-quality, clean, scalable, and reusable code in JavaScript web components framework and Java. Telecommuting permitted. Annual Salary: $140,000-170,000. Email resume to servicenowresumesUS@servicenow.com. Or mail resume to ServiceNow Inc, Attn: Global Mobility, 2225 Lawson Lane, Santa Clara, CA 95054. Resume must include job title, job ref. #5142- 3535845, full name, email & mailing address. No phone calls. Must be legally authorized to work in U.S. without sponsorship. EOE.

DENTAL ASSISTANT WANTED Friendly & caring dental assistant wanted Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. to work for a warm & welcoming family dental practice. Please email your resume and professional references to kevinsdds@aol.com.

FEMALE CAREGIVER NEEDED I am 72 year old man. Minor mobility problem. Need assistance with my daily duties. I'll help to get required IHSS registration. $20/hr 15 hr/week Rancho Bernardo Ad is not for unsolicited services or offers. (858) 360-0388 text voice.

LOOKING FOR IHSS CAREGIVER Certified IHSS caregiver needed for a woman in LA Gardens w/vehicle, cooking, cleaning, shopping. LF a permanent provider. Available 5 hrs./day from Mon-Sun (40hrs/week). 2 shifts available will discuss in interview. (619) 269-3434

PAID METH USE STUDIES Volunteers need for paid Meth addiction studies. Confidentiality and privacy assured. Contact us to Learn More: (855) 367-8834. / recruitment@artemis-research.com

STAGEHANDS NEEDED ($35/HR) Happy people needed as stagehands at filming locations in San Diego. Duties include: making & serving coffee, photocopying & running petty errands onsite. Must be prompt & decent. Compensation: $35/ hour. Reply with name and number for quick reply. psalmstoday3@gmail.com

SCHIZOPHRENIA RESEARCH STUDY CNRI of San Diego seeking schizophrenia research study patients, must be drug free, 18-65 years old. Compensation and transportation for qualified participants. Please call Travis (619) 706-7529. Referral number only.

HAVE A SPARE BEDROOM? Earn a competitive stipend caring for an adult with a developmental disability in your home. www.MentorsWanted.com. (858) 694-0120.

JOBS WANTED

IN MAJOR NEED OF EARNING $$! Mature, reliable, polite, respectful lady in need of short or long term. cash paying gigs! Nothing illegal or inappropriate! I'd prefer remote. work from home opportunities but can do cleaning, pet care or most any domestic "chore". Please contact me!! sandiegolady13@gmail.com

GERIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER will drive to doctors appointments & hospital appointments, will grocery shop, prepare meals, light housekeeping, provide companionship, and more. Please call Carol at (858) 525-1154.

FULL TIME JOB WANTED by High school/College graduate healthy 64 male southern Californian. Reliable transportation. Seeking steady full-time employment in Miramar, La Jolla, Solana Beach, Carlsbad, north county. Dale Hauskins (858) 401-2973.

WANTED / TRADE

GOT ANY OLD MOTORCYCLE HELMETS? Bell or Buco. Call me (619) 279-7833

SEEK C-PAP MINI for backpack travel. BalboaBlue330@hotmail.com

SEARCHING FOR OLD TUBE STEREOS I am an electronics hobbyist, and I am looking for 1960's vintage, tube type stereo components to refurbish, Such as Fisher, Scott, McIntosh, Dynaco & More. Maybe it is stored away in the Attic or Garage. I pay ca$h, so please call Jack (619) 296-3100. / jack22@cox.net

SOLAR PANELS WANTED: I'm looking for solar panels that are reasonably priced or if they are old I will haul them away for free. I'm setting up an off grid system not connected to the electric grid. Let me know what you have, (760) 746-7209.

OLD CLOTHES FROM 60S 70S I need the oldest clothing I can find. Best price paid for ancient clothes. No matter if dirty or beat up. High volume of calls, please be patient. Call or text. In La Mesa, I come to you! Don't throw away the stuff in garage please. (619) 704-4257 / igotpolo@gmail.com

SEEKING ROOM AND BATH in home in trade for live in assis-

tant services. No romantic situations, please. (858) 480-1086, text or voice. 15 years experience as a live in home assistant.

BUDDY LEE DOLLS WANTED Buying old buddy Lee dolls and old Lee or Levi's signs or promotional stuff. Old western stuff. (619) 704-4257 / igotpolo@gmail.com

SEEK C-PAP MINI for backpack travel. Balboablue330@hotmail

BUYING RECORDS, CASSETTES, CDs, Tubes. Cash paid for LP & 45 records, vintage stereos/speakers, cassettes/blank cassettes, CDs, vacuum tubes, reel tapes, 8-tracks. Brands include McIntosh, Marantz, Sansui, Fisher, Scott, Pioneer, JBL, Altec, Tannoy, Western Electric & more. Also buying Sports & Non-sports cards. I come to you! Call/Text (619) 889-5237.

OB SPACEMAN PAINTINGS WANTED Private collector seeking any and all of his art. Contact me at clintcarycosmicart@gmail.com or call or text (619) 684-0127.

I BUY OLD GUITARS AND guitar amps. Working or not. Call me (619) 279-7833.

COMIC BOOKS I buy and sell comic books raw and slabbed. I offer great prices, mark (619) 933-6275.

WE BUY SILVER AND GOLD coins and bars. Call me (619) 279-7833.

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: Rock & roll I buy 1950's-1980's concert posters, flyers, handbills, used-unused tickets, programs. Pls call (619) 313-1580 private party.

WANTED: OLD SLOT CARS. Or old toys. Cell/text #619-279-7833.

GOT ANY OLD SURFBOARDS? I pay cash. I come to you. Cell/text (619) 806-6703

SEWING MACHINES I buy Singer 221 Featherweight sewing machines. Call (619) 806-6703

I BUY SAXOPHONES trumpets, trombone, tuba, flute, clarinet. Or? Or any old band instruments. Call (619) 279-7833.

WANTED: Speakers, amps and other old stereo gear! The most cash paid always! Brands like JBL, Altec, McIntosh, Marantz and more! Call 1(619)-303-8031; e-mail JBL@cox.net.

OLD DRUM SETS AND CYMBALS Cash paid. Also any old or new band instruments. Call (619) 280-2075.

I BUY OLDER STEREO GEAR I got cash and I'll drive to you. Working or not ok. Pioneer, Sansui, Klipsch, JBL, Fisher, Yamaha, Dynaco, Mcintosh, Tannoy. What do you have? Call or text me for pictures (619) 279-7833.

WILL PAY CASH... For records, CDs, DVDs, and clothes. Professional Singing Lessons available. Musicians Wanted. Call Jeff Clark, (858) 382-7396.

GARAGE SALES

MINI SWAP MEET DSW parking lot 2885 Lemon Grove Ave, Lemon Grove 91945 Saturday 3/4 7am-11am. Snack bar available.

NEW & ALMOST NEW, CLASSIFIEDS Household accessories, collectibles, hanging pictures/plaques, floral arrangements, nic-nacs, clothes, jackets, electronics, candles, back-packs, bedding, throw blankets, vases, figurines, dishes/kitchen utensils/trivets, handmade jewelry, call (213) 284-1459. / davisphd2014@gmail.com

MIRA MESA GARAGE SALE Women's sweaters, men's sports hats, men's t shirts, various sci-fi convention souvenir books and posters, knick-knak's. By appointment only. Call (858) 693-3409, evenings.

FOR SALE

2 WINDOWS VINYL WHITE 72" X 48 Crystal Pacific brand, new vinyl windows. Single panel vent, double pane glass. Flat sides. $275 each or both for $500. (Large windows in photo have sold) reply: gospotgo@halfalert.com.

BLACK SPORTS/ GYM/ DUFFEL BAG Marksign bag (17"x 14"x 11") is good looking, versatile, and very durable. It has zippers on top and all around with 2 side pockets. Mesh materials for maximum ventilation. Never used in excellent condition. $15. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

HEAVY LEATHER JACKET size 62, $150. Call Joe, (619) 357-1844

NEW GOLF BALLS Brand new 12pack of Callaway Warbird golf balls. Never opened or used. Pick up in Chula Vista $12 williepaine@yahoo.com

OSCILLOSCOPES Hickok model 5002A, three oscilloscopes, I don't have probes, all three for only $150., total price, call (760) 746-7209.

PEXTO SHEAR MODEL 269-A Pexto trim tab shear, 4 inch wide cutting blade, 16 inch depth, 20 gauge maximum thickness of material being sheared, it was used to shear small pieces of aluminum, mounted on heavy duty stand, $375., call (760) 746-7209.

RATTAN WOOD SPICE RACK STORAGE This handmade organizer (11"x 6"x 10" H) is strong, stable and very durable. It has 3 upper sections and 2 bottom shelves and can be used in kitchen, bathroom or other rooms at home / office. Excellent condition. $12. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

SELLING COLLECTIBLES AND ANTIQUES lot's of misc. Sports cards, much stuff, call Jake (619) 277-3513.

SHOPSMITH MARK V MULTI TOOL: Includes table saw, band saw, scroll saw, lathe, belt sander, jointer, dust collector, many extra parts & accessories plus an additional table for mounting tools when not in use, excellent condition, $975., call (760) 746-7209.

SPEAKERS-AR "BOOK SHELF" Teledyne Acoustic Research "bookshelf" speakers. Very good sound and condition. See photos for dimensions. $120 for the pair. gospotgo@halfalert.com

SPORTS CARDS old and new top players. Brady, Rogers, Greasy Montana. Basketball Jordan, Lebron, Kobe, Russell. Baseball Gwynn, Ruth, Matthews, Aaron. (619) 562-1129.

STEREO EQUIPMENT TU-919 and AU-919, original owner, manuals, packaging original. Text (619) 817-1849.

STUNNING ARTWORK Lion Head sketch on wood. 19.5"x27" Dark black lines form the structure of the head with only one color use. Hard to turn away from those deep blue eyes. Artist unknown. Unsigned. Great piece to add to any wildlife theme. Solid wood 'canvas' $45 (858) 945-4256

TWIN MEMORY FOAM Twin size roll-out memory foam lounger will upgrade your mattress. Adds to a great night's sleep. Brand new. Never used. With a standard retail price of over $80. UPC (617) 140-0775 Pick up in Chula Vista for $50 (858) 945-4256 / williepaine@yahoo.com

TWO LARGE MIRRORS, $50 EACH Three interior doors, $50 each. Double pane window in used frames, $50 and less. (760) 749-8266

VINYL LPS AND 45S FROM 60S-80S I am selling over 250 of my personal vinyl records. Great prices and discounts! For complete list see: www.danesworld.com/vinyl

4 BEAUTIFUL NEW INTERIOR DOORS Premium knotty alder, solid wood, mfg. by Craftsmen In Wood in Arizona, 1-3/4" x 3' x 8', no hinges or handles, they are extra doors from my remodel, I paid $1,500. each, selling for $750. each, (760) 746-7209.

BOOK COLLECTION: 570 BOOKS 238 hardcover & 67 softcover, about 264 cookbooks, some hardcover & some softcover, selling all for $390., no haggle price, (760) 746-7209.

RIGID 1/4-SHEET POWER SANDER Clean, well maintained and moderately used, the magnetic motor runs like new, providing 14,000 oscillations per minute. Includes carrying case. $15. (619) 664-2146

SCHULTZFORM SLOTFORMER SF12 For Cabinet makers, used to bend laminates for countertops, purchased new for $5,000., it was used once-like new condition, selling for $2,900., (760) 746-7209.



SCOTTS HANDY GREEN II SPREADER This hand-held spreader has an ergonomic design which reduces wrist fatigue for applying lawn grass seed or fertilizer (up to 1,000 sq. ft.). It is heavy duty and rust-proof. Like new and in excellent condition. $12. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

SOLAR PANEL MOUNTING SYSTEM Universal mount holds 10 large solar panels, can be used when roofs aren't suitable for mounting solar panels, can be used to power an off grid EV charging station, if your roof is shaded by trees or needs repair, excellent, $2,600., (760) 746-7209.

TABLE LAMP METAL CYLINDER BODY The body of this unique table lamp is 4.5" in diameter and 12" tall. The cream soft deep drum linen shade is 10.75" in top & bottom diameter & 9.25" on the side. Modern and good looking. Very good condition. $20. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 800-5568 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

TROYBUILT ROTOTILLER COLT FT 208CC, Model: 21B34M871, purchased new, never used, $575., (760) 746-7209.

GOLD AND SILVER COINS Two U S gold coins, silver dollars, silver half dollars and other silver coins. (760) 787-1572 / rcfryling@aol.com

LIFE FITNESS WHISPER STRIDE X7 Elliptical. Shows "E3" on small screen. Main screen works fine. $450 w/free delivery. Jan.e.m.ophof@gmail.com.

MISC FOR SALE I am selling the following items: a couple of brand new clocks fancy candle holders folding laundry basket blue v-tech house phone three brand new pair of pants and new belt incomplete pad set price is negotiable ask for James @ (619) 450-7914. / j.fifield31@gmail.com

MISC FOR SALE Dresser, mirror, washbasin cabinet, head/foot boards. Has all spindles, marble tops, drawers, doors & most pulls. Stored 50+ yrs. $900 OBO. Text/call for more pix & info. (619) 869-3220



SNOW CHAINS Never used. Eazy on-off. Check size on chart. (760) 498-6319 / michael.szuch@nordson.com



1500 WATTS FLAT PANEL HEATER This Soleus Air portable floor & wall mountable space heater (28"x 20.75"x 8.675" deep) provides silent & safe heating. The front panel grill has some discoloration but the heater is in good working condition. $45. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

WHITE BASSINET W/ MUSIC, SOUND This Delta Children Classic Breeze bassinet (21"x 35.5"x 45.5" H) comes with canopy, mattress pad &n fitted sheet, storage shelf, lockable wheels, music, sound & soft night light. Clean & in very good condition. $25. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

BEAUTIFUL GLASS TABLE LAMP This classic table lamp with brass trim base & cream pleated shade is very pretty and in excellent condition. 26.5" tall overall, body 16" high, base 6.5" across, shade 7" (top), 18" (bottom) & 12.5" (side). $25. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

DUMBEK DRUM with wooden base in excellent condition $250 or best offer. Contact Paul (619) 222-0278.

ELECTRIC ALARM CLOCK brand new still in the box $5.00. Contact Paul (619) 222-0278.

GOT FINE WINE? IT'S DELIVERED! Come join an exclusive fine wine of the month club and have it delivered directly to your door! Sip, sip, hooray! Go here-Https://2h92.com/Fine-Wine.

HIGH BIAS CASSETTE TAPES can be used for recording, ten cents each. Contact Paul (619) 222-0278.

IKEA ORANGE PLASTIC KIDS TABLE This children's play table is lightweight but sturdy & easy to clean (30-3/8 "x 21-5/8"x 18-7/8" high). Perfect for kids to sit at and play, draw, or do crafts both indoors or outdoors. Clean & in good condition. $20. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5510 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

SOLID WOOD END TABLE GLASS TOP This is a nice & sturdy table (24"x 24"x 20" H) with a smoked glass insert (17.5"x 17.5"). There is a small chip on the underside of one glass corner which is not visible when glass is sitting in the wood frame. $25. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

V TECH LANDLINE PHONE with built in answering machine $20. Contact Paul (619) 222-0278.

BLACK SQUARE MIRROR (24"X 24") This good looking contemporary wall mirror with gold trimming would compliment a nice home or office. Actual mirror size is 17.75"x 17.75"). Heavy duty hanging hardware is included. Clean and in good condition. $25. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5510 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

BOB TAPIA FRAMED SEASCAPE oil on canvas painting. 40" x 31". $1200 Call or text (619) 200-1254.

BROWN & GOLD VINTAGE DESK LAMP This classical desk lamp has twin fluorescent lamps (1 working), flexible gooseneck, and a rocker on/off switch on the base. Minor cracks on shade are covered with tapes. The lamp is in good working condition. $25. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

CAMERA BARGAINS Canon, Nikon, Calobar, Minolta, Pentax, lenses and accessories from $1-$75. (760) 757-5445

CATERING TYPE PANS stainless steel. Square 10 x 12, rectangle 12 x 20, multiple depths, some with lids, some with handles, some with holes. $60 each or less, (760) 749-8266,

DIANA GABALDON OUTLANDER SERIES and John Gray hardback/paperback 21 books text (619) 622-1845.

MOBILE SCOOTER for sale. EW/M41 new retail $1500 will sell for $650. (951) 380-1095 death in family.

NEW POTS AND PANS $30 each or less, new like 1/3 of store prices. Luggage, ice chest new in boxes. Super deals (760) 747-1013.

PAASCHE VJR AIRBRUSH with hose and D-1/4HP 'studio quiet' compressor plus '50s vintage, hardcover, illustrated instruction book. Used twice, excellent condition. $150 (760) 472-9127.

PRO FORMER EXEREICE BIKE paddle peddles. Large, sturdy, like new, excellent condition, $100. Text Judy (619) 396-0660.

ROOKIE BASEBALL CARDS Two Ohtani cards, one Tatis, one Julio Rodriguez, $125 together, best offer for separate. Also vintage cards. (619) 943-0328

SANTA CRUZ SKATEBOARD $40 obo, (619) 301-7899.

GOOD PRICE IN TOWN!

OIL CHANGE $25
4-cyl., most cars. Up to 5 qts. 10w 30

USED ENGINES & TRANSMISSION $899*
+ From Labor Most 4 cyl. cars.

Low Prices On Body & Frame Work, Paint, Mufflers & Cat

SMOG CHECK $26.75
Most cars, plus $8.25 cert. Fast & convenient.
*Not a star station. From 2000 & up

TIRES ON SALE!

BRAKES from $50 + Labor
Front or rear. Most cars.

4 Wheel Alignment $75
most 4 cyl cars

HEAD GASKET $799
4-cyl. & most cars & machine extra.

AC SERVICE $95
Most cars.

FREE CHECK ENGINE LITE '96 & up. Most cars.

REPAINT BUMPER OR FENDER from $295
each. Most cars.

30K SERVICE $195
4-cyl., most cars.

TIMING BELT $195
4-cyl., most cars.

AXLE SHAFT $99 each
4-cyl., most cars. plus labor

State of California LICENSED SMOG CHECK Test Only

SAVE AUTO
9280 Kearny Mesa Rd., SD 92126
(By 1-15 off Miramar Rd. next to Holiday Inn)
858-586-6666

ASE CERTIFIED

VARIOUS WALL PICTURES $10 each. Three new pairs of ladies shoes, size 7-7.5, $7 each. (619) 283-8417

VINTAGE 1930s, American Boy Scout merit badge sash with 42 original merit badges. Very good condition $3500 (760) 472-9127.

NICE VINTAGE SOLID WOOD MIRROR This small mirror (31-3/4"x 16"x 1-7/8") with 3/8" wood frame weighs 18.5 lb. Hanging hardware not included. The glass is 1/2" thick & has some dark spots, scratches & discoloration reflecting its vintage nature. $20. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

SOLID BAMBOO FLOORING 22 SQ FT This tongue & groove solid flooring is made from natural bamboo in Toast finish. It is durable, scratch & dent resistant. 23 pieces (out of 24 in a full box) of 3.75"x 37.75"x 5/8". New in excellent condition. $35. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

BOWLING BALL, BAG, SHOE COVERS The Ebonite Maxim bowling ball weighs 10 lbs. The purple Strikeforcxe bowling bag (13.5"x 8'x 13"H) is strong & durable with a side pocket. The Robby's No Wet shoe covers are medium. All in excellent condition. $45. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER. 3 pc. mission style tustin oak. $600 whole. Will sell separately if wanted. John (858) 952-4605 in Clairemont sq.

POTTERY WHEEL TO MAKE POTTERY This is to create your own pottery for decorative purpose only. Also includes adjustable tool arm, foot pedal, air-dry terracotta clay, 12 pottery design tools, 12 paint colors & 4 D batteries. New & never used $20. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

SILK FLOWERS IN CHAMPAGNE VASE 3 attractive arrangements available: $8 each, $22 for set of 3, $30 for set of 4, or $78 for all 11 vases. Great for special events and functions. Vases are 3" in diameter (top opening & bottom base) and 10" tall. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

BEAUTIFUL SOLID WOOD BOX This vintage box (5.5"x 3.5"x 2" high) with a hinged lid is nicely stained and varnished. It can be a wonderful storage place for jewelry, tarot, oils, arts & crafts, sewing supplies, and other lovely things. $15. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5510 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

VINTAGE TABLE LAMP BRASS BODY This 29" lamp is quite beautiful with a soft pleated linen shade (7.5" top, 17.5" bottom & 11.5" side). It has some fabric tears on the back. The body has some discoloration which reflects its vintage nature. $25. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5510 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

BABY BASSINET brand new still in the box, $60 firm (760) 908-6244.

BRAND NEW CRUTCHES 5'2"-5'10" These Guardian crutches are for short adults up to 300 lbs. with push-button height adjustment & wing-nut hand grip adjustment, comfortable crutch pads and hand grips w/ non-skip tips. Brand new and never used. $20. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

HANGING PLUG-IN PENDANT LIGHT This beautiful pendant light has bronze trim and glass shade with 25 ft. plug-in cord & 8 ft. chain. $45. Another matching light (some discoloration on trim) is available for $30. Both glass shades are excellent. Text or email for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcsd@gmail.com

SHOPSMITH MARK V MULTITOOL Includes table saw, band saw, scroll saw, lathe, belt sander, jointer, dust collector, many extra parts & accessories plus an additional table for mounting tools when not in use, excellent condition, $975., call (760) 746-7209.

TMEN MAGAZINES Issues 1 thru 125 plus several indexes, and special editions. All in excellent condition. $150 firm. I can deliver within 20 miles of Mira Mesa. Call or text (619) 818-1120.

CARPET SHAMPOOER FOR SALE Hoover heated steam-vac, used. $75 (619) 301-8388 / jt174810@gmail.com

BASS GUITAR 1989 "Signature" jazz bass, roasted figured Maple neck, Sadowsky preamp, MEC pickups, $1900. (619) 980-6008.

FOX RACING TITAN SPORT JACKET with body armor for our pro sports etc. Size large, very nice condition. Call for more info, $50 obo (619) 791-0278.

GINGER ROGERS: MY STORY first edition, autographed, Easton press, $150, like new. Call Jim (619) 943-0328.

GINUWINE LAKLAND BASS GUITAR BAG $75 (619) 980-6008.

ICE BOX CHEST oak wood, cherry stained, white clad, reproduction. Simmons hardware Saint Louis, nice condition, custom glass top protector, $50. (858) 674-7213, Bob.

M2 SIRE 5 STRING BASS GUITAR white, brand new. $400, (619) 980-6008.

TOY TRAINS Big O Scale Union Pacific train engine with two cars. Excellent condition, $250. Call Joe, (619) 357-1844 personal calls only, no text messages.

VITAMIX PROFESSIONAL SERIES 750 blender with guide booklet. Mint condition, never used. $629 value, will sell $300. (760) 472-9127

BRAND NEW VANS HIGHTOP suede, light mint green, lace up front, zipper back, purchased for $65 at Viejas outlet, selling for $25 obo, size 7. (619) 601-3591.

COMFORTER duvet fit full to queen bed, reversible pink lavender, gently used in guest room, good condition, non-smoking home $15. Telephone 1-858-484-4483.

DRIVE SHOWER HANDLE brand new in box, $25. (619) 601-3591

DRIVE WALKER brand new, used once. 500 pounds max, $100 obo. Call (619) 601-3591.

WWII GUN RIFLE BOX Excellent condition, original lining and wax paper, $50 or best offer, need to get it out of my house. Call (619) 601-3591.

AUTO GPS vehicle device by Garmin, $175 OBO. (619) 282-5105

DINNERWARE 20 piece china set, like new, dishwasher and microwave safe, $25 for set. (619) 282-5105

MISC FOR SALE drones from $11, stun gun/flashlight combination $20, all brand new. Grow lights. Text for prices and pictures. (619) 850-3264

LAUNDRY HAMPER New. Must sell. Cylindrical (round) off-white cream color hamper is 21 inches high, 12 1/2 inches in diameter. It has a lid on it. Fits most bathrooms. For more info call (858) 693-3409, evenings.

ASSORTMENT OF WOMEN'S SWEATERS for the winter. Brand new. Sizes small to medium, solid as well as stripes, some with pockets and can be worn as jacket. Please call (858) 693-3409 for more details.

TV SMARTBOX (619) 850-3264 Every channel on the planet. UFC, pay-per-view movies, TV shows, no satellite on your roof, no cable bills, free demo, money back guaranteed $300.

SERVICES

APPLE/WINDOWS COMPUTER REPAIR Computer and network repair. Desktop, laptops, iMac, MacBook, software, hardware, internet, routers, WiFi, printers. Certified. Serving all of San Diego. Same day appointment available. Northparkcomputers.com (619) 299-2407

SIP & STYLE $45 CLOSET REFRESH Positive Phee X Pure Project are uniting their sustainable super powers to bring you a fun & guilt-free outside event this March! Each ticket includes a bag to fill with "new to you" clothes & your favorite pour of Pure. (310) 622-5975 / positivephee@gmail.com

WEDDINGS I do weddings anywhere/any place in San Diego. Performed in English only. Cost is $100 cash. I am certified to preform weddings. Suzette (619) 634-0480 / redbonepalmer@gmail.com

REFLEXOLOGY MASTER 29 yrs. Exp. & professional Certified Massage Therapy, Acupressure contact Cynthia (619) 432-5137. / d.cynthia4397@gmail.com

CREATE YOUR OWN GLASS VASE! Learn to create your own Glass Wall Pocket Vase. Beautiful on their own or with spring flowers, incense, herbs, these vases are water tight & uniquely yours. Each student will make 1 larger vase or 2 smaller ones. Visit us at sandiegocraft.org today! (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

PUPPET MAKING FUN THIS APRIL! Fun for all ages! Learn to make your own unique puppet with colorful, surprising supplies with a teacher who learned the art of puppet making from a Jim Henson Muppeteer. You're never too old to have fun! Visit us at sandiegocraft.org today. (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org



D&L ARBOR CARE Arborist expertise without the cost. Offering affordable tree services, I also have a program called "I cut you clean service" being I'll do the trimming or remove and you take care of the clean up. Text or call. Thank you! (619) 807-4002

SECURITY CAMERA & DOORBELL Computer repair, cabling, server, door bell. Honest & with references. (619) 770-0011 / luislednick@gmail.com

SPRING BREAK KIDS CRAFT CAMPS! Come craft with us this Spring Break! Camps are filling up fast! We offer week-long, half-day crafting fun for your child, with a mix of ceramics, woodwork & more. Kids make quality, take-home projects each day. Ages 6+years. Visit sandiegocraft.org! (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

TEEN TRADITIONAL CRAFT CLASSES Is your teen interested in exploring woodworking &/or ceramics? San Diego Craft Collective offers weekly classes for teens in traditional craft. New, high-quality projects each month with professional teachers. Visit sandiegocraft.org for more! (619) 273-3235 / team@sandiegocraft.org

ESTATE BUYER/CLEAN OUT. If you have a recently deceased relative and no time for a estate sale, I may come buy all the stuff off the property I can use and clean out the rest for you if it's worth the work. Houses with hoarding or rat issues no problem. (619) 704-4257 / igotpolo@gmail.com

CUSTOM PACKAGING LANE Custom Packaging Lane is a leading packaging company that specializes in providing custom packaging solutions to businesses of all sizes. With a focus on quality and attention to detail, We are offering a wide range of packaging options. (855) 904-4417 / inquiry@custompackaginglane.com

RODENT ISSUES? Whether you're dealing with roof rats, house mice, squirrels, possums, rodent feces, or need dead rodents removed, our service offerings cover it all and more. Our scope of work is built around three pillars: rodent proofing, trapping, and removal. (619) 733-2983 / raat.em.out.23@gmail.com

KID & TEEN CRAFT CLASSES! San Diego Craft Collective offers a wide variety of afternoon craft classes—woodworking, ceramics, craft studio & garden club—for all ages, 3 years+, taught by professional craftspeople. We offer weekday & weekend workshops at sandiegocraft.org (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

SAN DIEGO HUNKS - YOU CALL, WE HAUL! (619) 507-4172 Junk Hauling, demolition, moving services! Lift gate, senior citizen discount, Veteran owned business. Got junk? Call a hunk!

SUNLIGHT LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE General yard cleanups. Water damage repair, lawn service, irrigation systems, sprinkler installation and repair, valve installation, tree services, grass installation, retaining walls, block walls, artificial turf installation, fencing, drains. Fully insured. (619) 379-3837.

ROOFING all types of roof repair. I fix any leak, flat roofs, commercial, residential. (619) 907-3077, Chris.

FULL BODY MASSAGE from head to toe. Reasonable rates, call Tony (562) 587-4417.

TAX PREPARATION SERVICES Affordable and reliable, serving San Diego and North County. Licensed and registered with CA tax Board (760) 791-9496.

HORTICULTURE, landscape design, redesign, troubleshooting, diagnostics on the spot. Solve your problems, improve your design, improve your maintenance today - no guessing! Educated, trained and experienced, 6th generation native, 6th generation horticulturalist in San Diego County. No sales, no installation, no maintenance. Check me out at EdwordsHorticulture.com, then call (619) 402-8670.

ROB'S ELECTRICAL SERVICES Residential/Commercial/Industrial. 20+ years experience, C10 Lic# 966537. Guaranteed to beat any quote! 10% OFF for new clients. Call for free estimate, and save $25 when you mention this Reader ad! (619) 632-7770. rdickens.rd@gmail.com. www.robselectricalservices.com.

US ELECTRIC CONTRACTING Fast, free estimates. Full service, residential and commercial, new construction, remodels, custom work, service and repair. No job too big or too small. 10% 1st time senior discount. CA lic#1009252. Insured. BBB Accredited. (858) 880-6080.

INCALL AND OUTCALL MASSAGE by Rick, reasonable rates, call (562) 846-9299.

CLOGGED DRAIN? $54 OUT THE DOOR! Per stoppage, up to 100'. Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm only. Must have accessible cleanout, CSLB# 571032. Call Today: (619) 472-2112. perry-plumbing.com.

AUTO BODY WORK Retired auto body man looking for work. Dents, rust spots, bumpers. Free estimates. Tony (440) 308-1010.

ALL TYPE FLOORS epoxy, stone, wood, concrete, cleaning, polish, seal, wax and strip. (619) 850-3264

AFFORDABLE BANKRUPTCY ATTORNEY A Chapter 7 bankruptcy will eliminate all your unsecured debt incl. credit cards, payday & computer loans, personal loans, medical & dental expenses. It takes only 90 days. Law Office of Frank D. Walker. Contact legal assistant Melchor Quevedo @ (619) 755-2365. Claro que hablamos Espanol.

P.L. WOODEN MOBILE NOTARY Do you need Loan Signing, Preneed Home Going Planning, or Notary services for someone that is Hospitalized, in Senior care or maybe Incarcerated? If so, look no further. Call P.L Wooden Mobile Notary for all of your Notary Needs At: (619) 867-4441

CLIFF BROWN AUTOMOTIVE

FREE BRAKE INSPECTION & ESTIMATE
With any Service or Repair

SMOG CHECK SPECIAL
STAR Certified
$31.75* +$8.25 cert
Smog Test or All Cars 2000 and Up
Same Price. Good through March 15, 2023.

STAR Certified
SMOG CHECK | TEST ONLY $51.75
+$8.25 cert. Most vehicles. Trucks, vans & European cars extra. Must bring DMV renewal notice Limited time offer. Cars 1999 and older.

EXHAUST SYSTEM REPAIR AVAILABLE

ENGINE STEAM CLEAN AVAILABLE
Most Vehicles

30,000-MILE SERVICE SPECIAL
from $279.95 4-cyl. Most vehicles.
Service includes: • Maintenance tune-up Oil and filter change • Lube chassis • Radiator coolant change Air filter replacement • Fuel injection cleaning Check brakes, suspension

NEW CV AXLE from $159.95
Parts & Labor

TIMING BELT SPECIAL
$50 off quoted price
Recommended at 60k miles. Most vehicles. Limited time offer.

San Diego Smog's new home is at Cliff Brown Automotive!

Cliff Brown Automotive • 4491 Park Blvd, SD, CA 92116 • 619-297-4204
Mon.-Sat. 8 am-5:30 pm
Coupons must be Presented Prior to Service • Senior Discounts Available • Offers Expire March 15, 2023.

by the editors at Andrews McMeel Syndication

© 2023

New World Order

— Sure, your fancy SUV may have ventilated seats and Wi-Fi, but does it have electrified door handles? *The Guardian* reported on Jan. 25 that a new vehicle has hit the market targeted at the particularly fearful driver – the Rezvani Vengeance. Costing up to $499,000, the Vengeance has bulletproof glass, strobe lights, wing mirrors that emit pepper spray and no back windshield – instead, the driver can monitor a live video stream of what's going on behind the car. Sure to win you a popularity contest in the pickup lane at your kid's school, the Vengeance also has a loudspeaker so you can call to little Timmy without leaving the safety of your seat. Extras include bulletproof vests, helmets and gas masks. The Irvine, California, company teases potential buyers on the website: "Vengeance is yours." Wow.

That Rule Doesn't Apply to Me

— A dump truck driver in Contra Costa County, California, either couldn't read or didn't care when he barreled through a road closure barricade on Jan. 23, KTVU-TV reported, and ended up with his front left wheel in a sinkhole. The "road closed" sign was found beneath his vehicle, and the driver escaped without injury.

Bright Idea

— If you're looking for a crafty project for 2023, the online shop Savor has you covered, *Slate* reported. For the low, low price of $46.95, you can put together your own "In Case I Go Missing" binder, which Savor says "makes it super easy for the true-crime obsessed to record their key stats for their loved ones." Those facts include medical and financial information, fingerprints and lists of "hangout spots." One woman said she added "a hair sample just in case they need it for DNA testing." Elizabeth Jeglic, a professor at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, soothingly says, "The majority of adults will not go missing or be kidnapped." Some ideas for the kit: recent photos, the unlock code for your phone, pics of tattoos, scars or birthmarks, and handwriting samples – but be warned: such binders might not be admissible as evidence.

Awesome!

— Vanyar, one of the equine competitors in the Tokay Stakes race on Jan. 22 in Nagoya, Japan, crossed the finish line first. However, *Oddity Central* reported, Vanyar was missing something which led to his being disqualified: a rider. Vanyar's jockey fell off as soon as they left the gate, and the second-place horse's jockey couldn't catch up to the riderless horse (although they were the technical winners). After crossing the finish line, Vanyar coolly slowed down and sauntered off toward the exit.

Special Delivery

— During a basketball match between Duquesne University and Loyola Chicago in Pittsburgh on Jan. 25, officials briefly stopped play at the 16:10 mark of the second half, *TribLive* reported. At that moment, a man in a yellow hoodie walked onto the court and approached Loyola player Philip Alston, but apparently without malice: He had a McDonald's bag in his hands, and a video recording caught him yelling, "DoorDash?" Commentators, officials and players seemed stumped about who ordered the food, but someone finally claimed the delivery. A Duquesne official said he believed the event was staged, and sure enough, a closeup of the delivery guy reveals a microphone clipped to his T-shirt.

News You Can Use

— KFC Thailand has partnered with perfume experts during the Lunar New Year to create what every finger-lickin' good fan wants: fried chicken incense. *Oddity Central* reported that the incense sticks look good enough to eat and smell even better. Alas, you can't buy them: The incense will be awarded through a raffle on KFC Thailand's Facebook page.

That Guy

— Dennis Garsjo, 73, of Glasgow, Montana, may not know your name when he greets you on the street, but he'll call out to you anyway, using your birthday. "Top of the morning to ya, April 11," he might say, according to KRTV. Garsjo has memorized more than 3000 birthdays and says he came by the talent naturally. "My mother remembered all our relatives' birthdays before she started getting dementia," he said. "I don't think my talent is all that special. I'm more impressed by musicians who can play a song from memory on the piano." Still, residents of Prairie Ridge Village, where he works, enjoy The Birthday Guy, as he's known, and he loves surprising people with their special day.

Clothing Optional

— Brittney Marie Reynolds, 35, entered St. Mary's Cathedral in chilly Fargo, North Dakota, on Jan. 24 and was seen on security camera footage knocking over a potted plant, then approaching a large statue of Jesus on the wall, according to KMOV-TV. She ripped the statue from the wall and threw it to the floor, then headed back out -- all while topless and shoeless, in temps under 20 degrees. Rev. Riley Durkin called police, who caught up with Reynolds as she bolted across the street. Officers noted that she wasn't able to answer questions and appeared to be under the influence of a substance.

Least Competent Criminals

— Two arsonists were in the hot seat – and they hadn't even been caught – after they set fire to a Bakersfield, California, immigration services building on Jan. 2, Fox News reported. Footage from a Ring security camera captured the masked individuals as they spread gasoline around the building's base. But when one bent to light the fire, the flames spread to both people's clothes, causing them to run away screaming. The suspects are still at large.

Send your weird news items to *WeirdNewsTips@amuniversal.com*.

SMOG CHECK $31.75

Year 2000 and newer. Plus $8.25 certificate. By appt only.
Vans and trucks extra. Free retest when we do the repair.

FINALIST Reader BEST of 2022 Best Auto Repair/ Mechanic

OIL CHANGE
up to 4 quarts & oil filter Most 4 cylinder cars, Trucks extra. Synthetic blend extra
$39.95 +tax
+ $5 hazardous materials fee

PREMIUM BRAKES
- Front or Rear Axle
- Parts & Labor
- Turn Rotors / Drums
- Premium Pads
- Most 4 cylinder Cars + tax

$179 Free Inspection

TRANSMISSION SERVICE
Includes filter, pan gasket, fluid. most cars, From $179
+ tax & hazardous materials fee

30K/60K/90K/120K mile SERVICE SPECIAL
Includes: New spark plugs, engine oil, oil filter, air filter, 1 gallon antifreeze, suspension lubrication, tire rotation, 24 pt vehicle inspection from $149 regularly $200
Plus tax & hazardous waste fee, 4 cylinder, most cars, prices may vary depending on make & model.

AC SERVICE
$39
Most cars, freon extra

TUNE-UP & OIL CHANGE
- Drain and replace up to 4 quarts of oil
- New oil filter
- New spark plugs
- Visual inspection
- 4-cyl. Most cars

$95.95
+ $5 hazardous materials fee
Prices may vary depending on make & model.

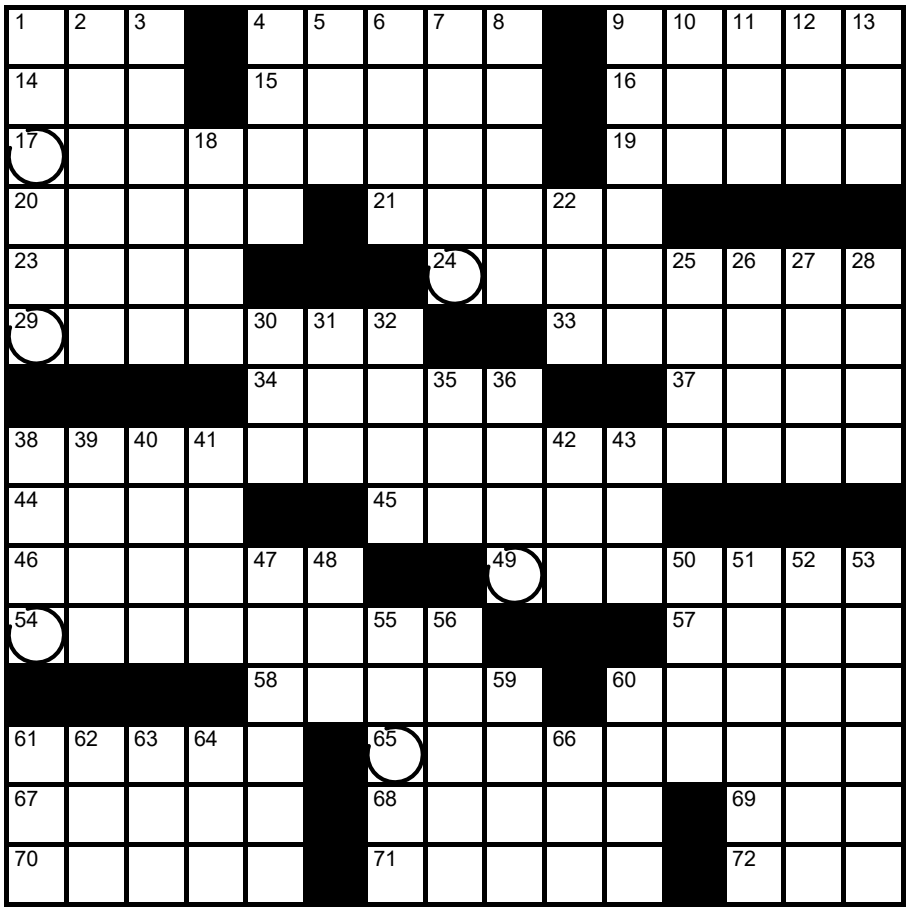
CHECK ENGINE LIGHT
Most cars $64.95

ALIGNMENT
4 wheel, toe adjustment only, most cars.
$49

TIMING BELT
Call for price.

GENERAL AUTO REPAIR
12,000 mile, 1 year warranty
(619) 430-4369 • 1616 Precision Park Lane, San Diego, 92173
Just off the 905 freeway • Se habla español
Offers good with this ad. Must present prior to service. Expires 4-3-23
Ask us about snap! financing

CROSSWORD



© 2023 DAVID LEVINSON WILK

The solving of the puzzles will no longer put you in contention for a Reader T-shirt and hat.

We hope that the puzzles themselves will be enough of a pleasure.

Thanks to all our winners so far and to those who will keep with us.

Reader T-shirts and hats are available at sandiegoreaderstore.com/

Across

1. Boogie Down Productions member ____-One
4. In need of nourishment
9. Sith Lord's title
14. Part of a giggle
15. Cook in a wok, say
16. Cinematic playboy portrayed by Michael Caine and Jude Law
17. Totally assured, as victory
19. Shoes with swooshes
20. Has a great night at the comedy club
21. Saint ____ and Nevis
23. Analogy words
24. Stunned
29. Robbed of the spotlight
33. Piña ____
34. Hirsch of "Into the Wild"
37. English boarding school since 1440
38. Union contract? (or, considering the ends of this puzzle's themed answers, what the circled letters spell out)
44. "Child's play!"
45. Events with booths
46. Jenna of "Wednesday"
49. Completely consumed
54. Declutter
57. "Flashdance" director Adrian
58. Site of Italy's Blue Grotto
60. It may be slippery
61. Lose a staring contest
65. Make more constricted
67. Terrific, on Broadway
68. Indian ____
69. Higher ed. hurdle
70. Expenses
71. Mathletes, stereotypically
72. Ref. work that added "essential worker" in 2021

Down

1. Casual Fridays attire, perhaps
2. Enjoy immensely
3. Supply with goods
4. What a Swiss army knife has lots of
5. Opposite of "yep"
6. Dejected state
7. Sewing cases
8. Complexity
9. Scandinavian-inspired shoe brand
10. "Baby Cobra" comedian Wong
11. Peter Sarsgaard's role in 2016's "Jackie," for short
12. Even score
13. "For ____ a jolly ..."
18. Steady partner?
22. Tic-____-toe
25. Sch. level
26. Silver of FiveThirtyEight
27. Yaki ____ (stir-fried noodle dish)
28. Breathe quickly
30. Fresh, to Franz
31. One calling you out, perhaps
32. "La Vie en Rose" singer Edith
35. Queens airport code
36. Lake that feeds Niagara Falls
38. Underling
39. Steakhouse order
40. "Cómo ____ usted?"
41. Opposite of "da"
42. Paleozoic ____
43. Many a population fig.
47. Creatures known to lick their own eyeballs
48. "SNL" alum Gasteyer
50. Fashion magazine since 1945
51. "Us" star Lupita
52. Defiled
53. Took a little look
55. "The Jungle" author Sinclair
56. Asking ____
59. Bob who became CEO of Disney for a second time in 2022
60. RR stops: Abbr.
61. "Doctor Who" network
62. Londoner's lav
63. Hypotheticals
64. Modern digital asset, in brief
66. Possessed

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:

J	E	B	■	S	H	A	H	■	E	L	P	A	S	O
A	B	U	■	K	A	T	Y	■	P	O	L	L	A	N
N	O	R	S	E	G	O	D	■	S	P	O	I	L	T
N	Y	J	E	T	■	P	E	G	■	■	U	C	L	A
■	■	■	P	C	P	■	■	A	D	A	G	I	O	S
N	O	R	T	H	E	R	N	G	O	S	H	A	W	K
U	R	D	U	■	P	E	A	R	C	E	■	■	■	■
T	E	A	M	O	■	A	B	E	■	A	T	W	A	R
■	■	■	■	P	O	G	O	E	D	■	W	H	I	R
N	O	N	D	U	R	A	B	L	E	G	O	O	D	S
E	S	I	A	S	O	N	■	■	A	I	M	■	■	■
E	B	B	S	■	■	S	O	S	■	J	A	M	I	N
D	O	L	A	P	S	■	I	T	S	A	N	O	G	O
B	R	E	N	D	A	■	L	E	O	N	■	A	G	T
E	N	T	I	T	Y	■	S	T	Y	E	■	N	Y	E

SUDOKU

EVIL:

			8			4		1
			3					7
	2				6			
3				2			9	
		4	5		1	6		
	7			6				8
			7				8	
9					8			
6		8			5			

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S SUDOKU PUZZLE:

MEDIUM:

3	5	2	1	6	9	8	7	4
6	4	7	8	5	3	2	9	1
9	1	8	4	2	7	3	5	6
5	7	6	9	4	8	1	2	3
1	9	3	6	7	2	4	8	5
2	8	4	5	3	1	7	6	9
7	2	9	3	1	5	6	4	8
8	6	1	7	9	4	5	3	2
4	3	5	2	8	6	9	1	7

GSG PL, INC. C10-0000298-LIC

Golden State Greens

Cannabis you can trust

WAKE N' BAKE!
20% OFF! 7:00AM - 8:00AM

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DISCOUNTS AND DISCOUNT DETAILS!

GET IT DELIVERED IN AS QUICK AS
- 30 MINUTES! -

$10 EDIBLES
$15 EIGHTHS NUG
$12 EIGHTHS SHAKE

GET AN 1/8TH FOR $1
WITH ANY DELIVERY ORDER OVER $100

3452 Hancock Street | San Diego, CA 92110 | www.goldenstategreens.com | CALL FOR DELIVERY! 1-844-420-8387

Harbor Collective

San Diego's Hottest And Most Trendy Dispensary

Alien Labs/Connected 1/8ths: Buy 2 Get A Promo 1/8th for $1 + Tax

CRU 1/8ths: Buy 2 Get A Promo 1/8th for $1 + Tax

Mix & Match 1/2 OZs: Zips, Chula, 2 for $75 + Tax

1oz (28g) Zips $75 + tax

Zips 6pk Prerolls 2 for $25 + tax

1 full gram Zips Cartridge $12 + tax (Limit 8)

ASCND Cartridge: Buy 1 Get A Promo Cartridge for $1 + tax

MARMAS Gummies 2 for $14 + tax

Must present Reader Ad. Cannot combine discounts. In-store only. While supplies last.

Top Brands Offering Demos & Special Promotions

24-HOUR SECURITY • ATM ON SITE

619-841-2045 • 2405 E. HARBOR DRIVE, 92113

(Just South of the Convention Center and the Gaslamp!)

Lic #C10-0000262

CANNABIST
EST. 2020

4645 DE SOTO ST, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109

25% OFF ENTIRE PURCHASE

EXPIRES 03/23/23

PURPOSE FIRST

People + Planet = Purpose

BEACH CLEANUP

SATURDAY 03/04/23

YOGA - 2PM-3PM

BEACH CLEANUP - 3PM-4PM

MEET IN FRONT OF

Waterbar
SAN DIEGO, CA

4325 Ocean Blvd,
San Diego, CA

C10-0000472-LIC

HEALING SAN DIEGO SINCE 2016
THC
THE HEALING CENTER
SAN DIEGO

Turn in this coupon and get 25% off your next purchase.*

25% OFF

Valid through 03/11/2023

FIRST-TIME CUSTOMER DISCOUNT

The best first time customer discount in town.

FIRST VISIT	25% OFF
SECOND VISIT	30% OFF
THIRD VISIT	35% OFF

Connect with us online

SCAN ME

3703 Camino Del Rio S
San Diego, CA 92108

*COUPONS AND DISCOUNTS ARE NOT COMBINABLE WITH ANY OTHER PROMOTION. RESTRICTIONS APPLY.

C10-0000213-LIC

WELLGREENS

DAILY BOGO* ALL MONTH LONG!

WINNER Reader BEST of 2022 Best Dispensary - San Diego

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MARCH MADNESS 2023			1 WYLD EDIBLES	2 CLAYBOURNE CO. PREMIUM FLOWER	3 UP! UNRL! ALL PRODUCTS!	4 Lit Tickets PREROLLS
5 HIGHATUS EDIBLES	6 Caviar Gold PREROLLS	7 CLSICS PREROLLS + EDIBLES	8 WYLD EDIBLES	9 WEST COAST CURE™ VAPES	10 Jeeter ALL PRODUCTS!	11 Flav VAPES + EDIBLES
12 PRESIDENTIAL PREROLLS	13 KINGPEN PREROLLS	14 ELYON CANNABIS FLOWER + PREROLLS	15 WYLD EDIBLES	16 BLEM CALI LOTUS TAKEOVER	17 UP! UNRL! ALL PRODUCTS!	18 Hashish ROSIN
19 PUNCH EXTRACTS EDIBLES + ROSIN	20 KANHA EDIBLES	21 CRU PREMIUM FLOWER	22 WYLD EDIBLES	23 GLASS HOUSE FARMS FLOWER	24 UP! UNRL! ALL PRODUCTS!	25 CLSICS PREROLLS + EDIBLES
26 Connected Alien Labs VAPES	27 Caviar Gold PREROLLS	28 UNCLE ARNIE'S DRINKS	29 WYLD EDIBLES	30 RAW GARDEN™ VAPES + PREROLLS	31 UP! UNRL! ALL PRODUCTS!	

LEMON GROVE
6859 FEDERAL BLVD
LEMON GROVE CA 91945
(619) 353-9577 • 6AM-9:45PM DAILY

NOW OPEN IN VISTA
954 S SANTA FE AVE
VISTA CA 92084
(760) 659-6264 • 9AM-9:45PM DAILY

LA MESA
5301 Lake Murray Blvd
LA MESA CA 91942
(619) 825-7111 • 7AM-8:50PM DAILY

SCAN TO VIEW OUR MENUS!

@WELLGREENSCARES

WWW.WELLGREENS.STORE

***BUY ONE, GET ONE FOR $2 + TAX OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE.** RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY. ALL DEALS ARE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST. CANNOT COMBINE WITH ANY OTHER OFFERS. WELLGREENS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO END THIS PROMOTION AT ANY TIME. MUST BE A VIP MEMBER TO QUALIFY FOR THESE PROMOTIONS. LIMIT 2 DEALS PER CUSTOMER PER DAY. PROMOTIONS ON FEATURED PRODUCTS ONLY. **C10-0000550-LIC, C10-0000860-LIC, C10-0000829-LIC. OFFERS EXPIRE: 03/31/23.**

Backpackboyz

5 POINTS LOS ANGELES

BACKPACKBOYZ
Sun Grown Flower
$70
Per Ounce





ALL BACKPACKBOYZ
1/8TH **$35**

TRADITIONAL CO
Buy Any Traditional Co 1/8th Get a Sugar Pie PreRoll for a $0.01



CAM
Buy Any CAM 1/8th Get 1G Kush Mints or 1G of Papaya Juice for a $0.01



PABST
Buy Any 2 Pabst Single Drink and Get 1 100mg Strawberry Lemonade Drink for $0.01



JEETER
Baby Jeeter - $25



ALIEN LABS
Buy 2 1/8ths Get 1 Rainbow Sherbert 1/8th for a $0.01



WYLD
Buy 2 Wyld Gummies Get 1 Wyld Gummy For a $0.01



710 LABS
Buy Any 2 710 Labs Product Get 1 White Oil Spill Battery For a $0.01



STIIIZY
Buy 2 Multipacks Get 1 Multipack for a $0.01

1/2 Gram - $15
Full Gram - $30
Disposable - $20



CRU + HIGH GARDEN
Buy Any CRU 1/8th or High Garden 1/8th and Get a Watermelon PreRoll for $0.01



KANHA
Buy Any 2 KANHA Gummies Get 1 Strawberry Gummies for $0.01



KAN+ADE
Buy any 2 Kan+Ade Get 1 Juicy Watermelon 1000mg or Grape 1000mg for a $0.01



THC DESIGN
Buy a THC Design Joint Pack Get 1 2g of DayDream



Scan for More Deals and Menu

8260 Parkway Dr, La Mesa, 91942

619-439-6370

Offers Good While Supplies Last. Expires 3/9/23

C10-0000772-LIC

MARCH AND ASH

20% OFF

CODE: READER20

DELIVERY ONLY

MARCHANDASH.COM



MARCH 1 - 8

SEVEN LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU!

MISSION VALLEY
Open Daily 7AM - 9PM
2835 Camino del Rio S
San Diego, CA 92108

CITY HEIGHTS
Open Daily 7AM - 9PM
2281 Fairmount Avenue
San Diego, CA 92105

CHULA VISTA TELEGRAPH
Open Daily 6AM - 10PM
684 Telegraph Canyon Rd
Chula Vista, CA 91910

CHULA VISTA H STREET
Open Daily 6AM - 10PM
885 East H Street
Chula Vista, CA 91910

VISTA
Open Daily 9AM - 10PM
2465 Dogwood Way
Vista, CA 92081

IMPERIAL VALLEY
Open Daily 8AM - 10PM
2433 Marshall Ave
Imperial, CA 92251

IMPERIAL BEACH
Open Daily 8AM - 10PM
740 Palm Ave,
Imperial, CA 91932

20% off is valid online on March 1-8, 2023, with a one-time use promo code at select locations while supplies last. This promotion is subject to change and cannot be combined with other offers. Know the risks associated with cannabis: marchandash.com/risks | C10-0000076-LIC, C10-0000541-LIC, C10-0000636-LIC, C10-0000778-LIC, C10-0000887-LIC, C10-0000908-LIC, C10-0000984-LIC | RSP-22-01

HIGHEST QUALITY, Most Affordable Implant Dentist in San Diego!

Rated San Diego's Best Implant Dentist by San Diego Magazine!

New Teeth Today! Same Day Dental Implants!



Premium Implant Package $2,499

(Strictly Limited Time) implant fixture, custom milled abutment, solid zirconia crown, free dental CT scan.
Implants from $62/month OAC & 60 months financing.

Hybrid All-On-4 from $13,999

NO MORE DENTURES!

ALL YOUR DENTAL NEEDS IN ONE LOCATION!

Implants, Braces, Veneers, Invisalign, Crowns, Zoom Whitening, Periodontics, Cosmetic Dentistry, Root Canals and more!

Schedule Your Free No Obligation Implant, Cosmetic, and Braces Consultation Today!

Saturday Appointments Available • Se Habla Espanol

UNIVERSITY DENTAL
SMILE DESIGNERS

Implant offices of Dr Armin Hage DDS & Associates

DR ARMIN HAGE

Is a Loma Linda University Graduate • Is a Diplomat at International Academy of Dental Implantology

Smile Designers San Diego (Sports Arena)
3365 Rosecrans St, San Diego, 92110
619-404-0061
SmileDesignerSanDiego.com

University Dental (College Area)
6324 University Ave, San Diego, 92115
619-319-9640
UniversityDentalSanDiego.com



* Treatment plans vary case by case, restrictions may apply. Call office for details. Offers cannot be combined. Offers for cash patients only. For insurance patients, insurance fees apply. Offers good through 4-3-23. **No-Needle system cannot be used on all cases. Use of conventional anaesthesia may still be required.
***Not all patients qualify for same day implants. Questions can not be answered over phone. Implant consult appointment is required. CT x-ray and bone graft not included.

Most Insurances Accepted • Same-Day & Early Evening Appointments Available • Free Second Opinion Consultation • Financing & Payment Plans Available
Kid Friendly • Full Ceramic Crowns • Laser Dentistry • Bridges • Root Canal • Bonding • Dentures & Advanced Prosthodontics • Military & Senior Discounts

LICENSE # C10-0000384-LIC

JAXX
Cannabis

MENDOCINO GRASSLANDS

Ounces for $88

SAVE $60.99

DELIVERY AVAILABLE IN ALL OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY



*Deal cannot be combined. Other restrictions may apply. Show this ad to your budtender or delivery driver to redeem.

LICENSE # C10-0000384-LIC

JAXX
Cannabis

FIRST-TIME PATIENT DEAL

DELIVERY AVAILABLE IN ALL OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY

50% OFF
STIIIZY
Flower and OG pods

50% OFF
JEETERS
All Jeeters products

40% OFF
CANNABIOTIX
All Cannabiotix products

*Deal cannot be combined. Other restrictions may apply. Show this ad to your budtender or delivery driver to redeem.

LICENSE # C10-0000384-LIC



INVEST NOW
SCAN QR CODE TO LEARN MORE

LICENSE # C10-0000384-LIC

JAXX
Cannabis

HIGHER POWER TO THE PEOPLE...TOGETHER!

Join our growing community of cannabis investors. Weed4thePeople is an opportunity to own a part of Prime Harvest Inc. You can help create a new benchmark in safe cannabis access through an investment in the expansion of JAXX Cannabis, our flagship store, and delivery platform.

Not an active investor? This could be a great place to start!
Active investor? Chances are you've been waiting for an opportunity like this, don't let it pass.

INVEST NOW
SCAN QR CODE TO LEARN MORE

*In making an investment decision, investors must rely on their own examination of the issuer and the terms of the offering, including the merits and risks involved. Additional disclaimers apply, see website.