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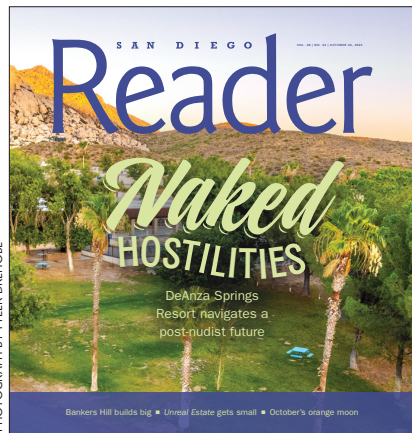
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Reader stringers

BANKERS HILL

Housing over history City gives go-ahead to “alarming” apartment complex

Two appeals of a permit issued for a mixed-use high-rise in Banker’s Hill were heard on Sept. 28 by the San Diego city’s planning commission. The commission voted unanimously to approve the project. The Quince Apartments at 301 Spruce Street — among the first projects to make use of the city’s Complete Communities program to add density — is described as an “L-shaped structure with building heights stepping up from six to 17 stories at 194 feet in height.” It will feature 266 parking stalls and 5631 square feet of commercial space, and will include a spa, gym, community kitchen, dining area, pool, deck, and more.



At least they’ll keep the beloved, historic bike lane on Fourth.

its share of housing allocations for nearly all income categories, as a grand jury report found in May. Enough housing has been created in the city for above-moderate income households, but not for the very low-, low-, and moderate-income, according to the Fifth Regional Housing Needs Assessment (2010-2020) established by the state. The new project adds homes for a broad sweep of incomes — though critics point out that only 22 of them will be income restricted, a number they say does little to address affordable housing.

Proximity to jobs and transit is a key

element of the location’s appeal: the corner of Spruce and Fourth Avenue is near both Downtown and the medical district. A transit stop just north of the complex will take building dwellers Downtown, and Fourth Avenue is built out with a Class II bicycle lane, walking corridors, and two vehicle traffic lanes.

SHEILA PELL

admitted being part of Antifa. The five remaining defendants continue to plead not-guilty to all charges.

Ten defendants currently remain at liberty on their own recognizance. Only one defendant, Erich Yach, 39, made a plea deal early: he admitted to three violent felonies and is now in California State prison. Yach, who is from San Diego County, will be eligible for parole in April 2024.

Hamasaki and Briggs argued last week that the conspiracy to riot charge should be dismissed, in part because there is no actual organization known as Antifa. “There is no evidence the individuals were part of some extremist group,” attorney Hamasaki said. Rather, “they were friends and agreed to go to this event together.” He argued that Antifa was an idea from “outside,” that it is a “right-wing trope,” and that “there is no Antifa.” When the judge inquired about whether alleged Antifa persons commonly dress all in black,



Jeremy White “is very passionate about helping people.”

“It will be the tallest structure on Spruce Street and on Fourth Avenue between Downtown and Hillcrest.”

But neighbors say it will overwhelm the residential areas and the historic feel of the community, while casting a long shadow over Maple Canyon, a shadow that will fall upon a project to restore a fragile slope. “It will be the tallest structure on Spruce Street and on Fourth Avenue between Downtown and Hillcrest,” argues a petition by Concerned Neighbors of San Diego.

Although the project meets the criteria for by-right development under Complete Communities regulations, a neighborhood development permit is required due to its height (over 95 feet). “I didn’t envision quite this height difference under Complete Communities,” said planning commission chairman Bill Hofman. “It’s a pretty staggering difference. As a resident in that area, it would be very alarming. But for me, the need for more housing opportunities outweighs my height concern.”

The owner, Quince Commercial, and Works Progress Architecture will squeeze in far more units than the nearly one-acre, four-lot parcel is zoned for, in the process demolishing several old buildings which the city found ineligible for historic designation. And despite intense neighborhood opposition, supporters welcome the 262 new units it will bring to a city that has failed to meet

Appeals against the project were filed on July 18, 2023 by the Uptown Planners, and on July 21, 2023 by Citizens Committed to Preserving Maple Canyon. They claimed the project fails to meet the conditions for a neighborhood development permit, threatens the urban canyon to the south, and is out of compliance with the Uptown Community Plan, in which Banker’s Hill (and its architecture) is considered a distinct neighborhood. But city staff disagreed, saying the design maintains the character of uptown and preserves Maple Canyon, a neighborhood resource, while providing public views from a plaza that will open into the canyon.

The commission did agree with Uptown Planners’ claims that environmentally sensitive lands would be disturbed, even though the site has no native habitats. The project would disturb the entire .81-acre site, including a small area of southern slopes, as well as .23 acres off-site within the public right-of-way. However, the environmentally sensi-

PACIFIC BEACH

Attorney: Antifa = American “Anti-fascism is in line with the people of this country.”

In September, attorneys from San Francisco argued before a San Diego Superior Court judge that there is no such thing as Antifa, and therefore, the conspiracy to riot charge against their clients should be dismissed. Attorneys John Hamasaki and Curtis Briggs each represent one defendant accused of multiple felonies in the wake of a confrontation in Pacific Beach on January 9, 2021. Both attorneys flew to San Diego from San Francisco for a hearing on Sept. 12, 2023. Each spoke to Judge Daniel Goldstein for more than 20 minutes on behalf of defendants Brian Cortez Lightfoot Jr., 26, and Jeremy Jonathan White, 40. They were two of the 11 people charged with conspiracy to riot and 28 other felonies in the indictment; so far, six defendants have made plea deals, and all but one

Hamasaki conceded some “commonality in direction and behavior.” But he insisted there is no group in which “all must agree to certain values... there is no evidence of a group or membership or an organization.” Hamasaki insisted that it is “right wing media outlets” which declare the existence of Antifa.



Attorney Hamasaki said that his client “self-identified as a medic,” and that “his job in his mind is to be a caretaker.”

That said, he continued, “Anti-fascism is in line with the people of this country. We should oppose fascism in all its forms.” He allowed that there are small, local groups which are anti-fascist. “But there is not a collective Antifa. There is evidence they knew each other, but had no bank accounts together.” Further, “There is no ‘they,’ that ‘they’ all do these things. It is highly prejudicial to say ‘they’ all do these things because ‘they’ are Antifa.”

Hamasaki and the other attorney from San Francisco, Curtis Briggs, both protested

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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certain testimony that was presented to the grand jury, especially that of Antifa expert Dawn Perlmutter. Perlmutter testified for two days, and said: "It is almost like urban guerrilla warfare. They are prepared to do battle. They gear up to fight with protesters." Hamasaki said her testimony was, "impermissible and irrelevant evidence." He argued that Dr. Perlmutter testified that "they are communists or socialists. It is improper! This is not admissible....She was definitely political.... The inference is that they are violent because of their politics." Hamasaki declared Dr. Perlmutter's testimony to be "incompetent and irrelevant," and asked the judge to dismiss the entire grand jury indictment.

Judge Goldstein commented, "I don't know what Antifa is. I went over her testimony (transcripts). I think they are a much looser organization from her testimony, than what I see in the [evidence] video. The jury saw in the [evidence] videos what she actually testified to."

When attorney Curtis Briggs took his turn to speak to the judge, he first said, "This case is important to society." And when he first used the term "Antifa," he quickly qualified it by saying, "If this group even exists,

it is amorphous." Briggs acknowledged that his client Jeremy Jonathan White is seen in evidence video wearing all black, and also wearing red cross medic patches. "He put a medic patch on, he put himself in front of angry people he was trying to protect. His intention was to be benevolent, to be an important part of society." When the judge inquired about White's medic training, attorney Briggs said, "He was self-identified as a



Jeremy White posted photo of himself with Bernie Sanders' wife.

medic. You can see on his social media. He is very passionate about helping people. His job in his mind is to be a caretaker."

Although San Diego prosecutors want to try all five remaining Antifa defendants together in the same trial, the judge said that was "unwieldy" and "unworkable." The judge said he wants to "try two or three of them" at a time, meaning there might be two separate trials. There was discussion of the possibility that the judge would hear one trial the first week of December, and then another in February of 2024.

EVA KNOTT

UNDER THE RADAR

Inspecting a gift horse's mouth A number of questionable self-contributions to UCSD have been targeted for audit by the school's Audit & Management Advisory Services. A June 16 report covers cash donations from UCSD faculty members, given to the university to cover the costs of their own research. The law says that's okay if "the purpose of the gift is to support bonafide University activities or purchases," according to the document." However, "the University should not put itself in the position of acting as a conduit for funds for which employees claim a deduction that is likely to be disallowed by the Internal Revenue Service." That includes "any personal benefit to the donor such as salary, travel, or entertainment" that "would compromise the element of donative intent."

Auditors wrote that they had "identified four faculty who had received salary and benefits from funds to which they had donated." They included a "Department of Psychiatry faculty member [who] donated \$359,376 from [Fiscal Year] 2017 through July 2022 to a research fund. The faculty member had received \$241,875 in payroll from the gift fund from July 2021 through November 2022. We met with the department to review the [Fiscal Year] 2022 salary payments. The department was previously aware of the salary payments and was conducting further review in consultation with UCSD Health Legal. This matter requires additional inquiry and will be managed outside of his review."

In a second case, "an Infectious Diseases & Global Public Health department faculty member had received recognition credit for a \$25,000 gift from their spouse in [Fiscal Year] 2020 to a fund for which the faculty member was the designated [Principal Investigator]. In July 2022, the faculty member began receiving a recurring monthly salary and benefit expenses, totaling \$35,177 through January 2023." A follow-up review, per the audit, found that the errant faculty member "was unaware that they had been drawing salary on a fund their spouse had donated to and indicated they would stop the expense and move the salary to another fund. As of March 8, 2023, salary and benefits totaling \$36,869 were transferred from the fund, and the recurring salary and benefit expense had ceased."

Additionally, there was the case of a "physics professor's July and August 2020 salary and benefits totaling \$26,768 was charged to

a [fund] they received recognition credit for, with donations totaling \$1.9 million from FY2018 through 2022." Per the report, "The department's [management services officer] had only been in their role since July 2021 and was unaware of why the faculty member's salary and benefits were charged to the fund. Queried by auditors, "The [management services officer] stated salary and benefits charged in 2020 would be moved off the project in June 2023." In another example, "A Pharmacology professor received salary and benefits totaling \$977 from March 2020 through July 2020 from a fund they had donated \$580,000 from FY 2017 through 2022."

To avoid future problems with bad donations, a new policy, titled Faculty Gifts in Support of Their Own Research, is in the works, subject to approval by the school's academic senate. Already self-giving faculty members are being required to sign a warning statement saying, "I understand that University policy prohibits the use of the gift funds in a way that provides me, as the donor, with personal benefits such as personal travel and entertainment. I further understand that my gifts may not be used as a fund source to pay salary and benefits to me..."

Meanwhile, in another case of suspicious gift-giving, UCSD's audit team investigated student admissions linked to financial gifts to the school from January 1, 2019, through September 2022. "Our analysis identified 67 matches of applicants admitted to UCSD who appear to be related to donors who

gave a cumulative amount of \$10,000 or more during the audit period." Says the June 23, document, adding no further detail, "The risk assessment for the 67 matches of applicants admitted to UCSD who appear to be related to donors who gave a cumulative amount of \$10,000 or more during the audit period was documented and provided to the [Locally Designated Official] for further review."



When it comes to skiing, Reed Hastings enjoys peak performance.



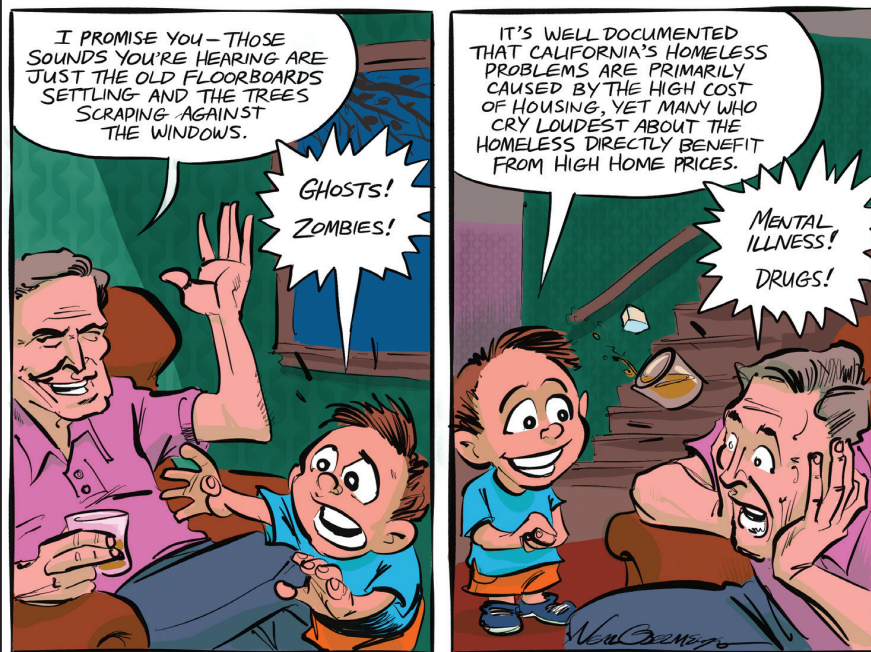
Toni Atkins: raising a mountain of money for her campaign.

No-publicity politics Patty Quillin, wife of billionaire Netflix founder and former co-CEO **Reed Hastings**, came up with \$9100 on October 16 for the campaign of term-out San Diego state Senate Democrat **Toni Atkins** for lieutenant governor in 2026. "She has no publicity team around her, and that's by design. So, in my world, a lot of people still don't know her name,"

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THE FUN OF SPOOKY SEASON IS IN FREAKING YOURSELF OUT!



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Oceanside suddenly ends Harbor Days

News Under the Radar, Sept. 26, 2023

I feel the lack of communication to local businesses and annual patrons of the festival was not properly done. A lot of money could have been spent in anticipation of the 2023 Festival. I know I was hunting around for the ads for it... I know there is a lot of high dollar construction projects going on in Oside at the moment, but I do not think we should get too far away from the family oriented festival days that highlight small business owners in Oside.

—Spend Wiser

Ending the Nail and Sail was the death knell for this event.

—Norman Nailor

It was my thought that it was cancelled in order to prevent Covid, etc. from being spread. Had hoped it would be back next year. Would love to see it back on a smaller scale, more for locals than tourists. Got too big.

—Vaxxed to the Maxx

Could it also be that things are so expensive that many can't come? Gas, food, SDGE etc.

—Penny Pincher

It was a free event. Come to the beach and enjoy the events.

—Penny for your thoughts

I was disappointed that over the last few years, Harbor days was much less about art and more about selling imports. It could be the cost of renting a space was too

high for local artists.

—Disappointed fan

It's more about the lack of leadership and allowing other events to take up the dates. No other event should have priority over this time honored tradition.

—Sad dude

Very disappointing to cancel such a wonderful tradition. No reason given!!

Don't the citizens of Oceanside deserve better?

—Sadder duder

Typical. Spend the money of the taxpayers on "leadership training" and "leadership academy" instead of on the community members and things that bring income and the community together. Sounds like they are taking the resources for "leadership training" events in Vegas in 5 star hotels and expensive dinners. Next they will be allocating funds for transgender bathrooms at the pier and drag queen shows at Juniors amphitheater.

—Somebody

What a crime of a council which was hired by the public. Somehow they forgot who put them there. How about some decent communication instead of just deciding it was a to much squeeze for the juice endeavor. Good God, it's a generations deep family tradition. Heres a thought: How about picking a summer date that you haven't sold a beach permit somewhere else.

—Stan the Planner

Wrong! Wrong! Wrong! You're blaming exactly the wrong people. Sanchez and Joyce's campaigns were not paid for by developers. If you don't like the projects and decisions, it's the three men who are paid by the developers, directly or indirectly, who are running the show.

Districts 2, 3, and 4 need to vote their guys out, and not promote them either. The only one who ever listens to and supports the residents is and has been Esther Sanchez! Hopefully, Eric Joyce will be voting with her and not trying to get on the developers'

payrolls. Too soon to tell yet. We need jobs with good pay here! Tourist jobs don't pay enough to afford to live here. Worse, they disappear in recessions, and one is overdue. Why isn't our council out hustling successful companies to come here and hire??

—Claireifier

Yes- the Chamber is to blame for poor communication regarding this cancellation- but our City Council sucks as well. Parking is a disaster and will be much worse after the tenement development okayed by City Council goes up where the current movie theater is downtown. For all the advances local business folks have made downtown, our City Council will be the downfall of Oceanside. The only folks they serve are developers and Newsom. VOTE THESE IDIOTS OUT!!! Sanchez and Joyce need to go ASAP. If you don't believe me, attend a city council meeting. I assure you these folks are morons. We have our own voters to blame for this dumpster fire.

—Pro Dumpsters

Maybe it's time to get rid of the harbor and jetties so that sand comes back to our beaches?? What will bring the most pleasure and income to Oceanside residents, visitors, and businesses over the long term? Beaches with sand or that little boat harbor??

—Pro Sand Bars

Harbor Days, an Oceanside ritual, is no more. It breaks my heart to see this cherished event fade away. As I reflect on the memories and joy it brought to our community, I can't help but feel a deep sense of loss.

Harbor Days was more than just a festival; it was a celebration of our beautiful coastal town. It brought together locals and visitors alike, creating a vibrant atmosphere filled with laughter, music, and the salty breeze of the ocean. It was a time when our community came alive, showcasing the best of what Oceanside has to offer.

The fact that the businesses of our beloved city allowed this tradition to slip away is disheartening. Harbor Days was not only a source of pride for our community, but also a golden opportunity for local businesses to thrive. It provided a platform for them to showcase their products and services, attracting visitors from far and wide. It was a chance for our city to shine, and now that opportunity has been lost.

I can't help but wonder why this happened. Was it a lack of support? A lack of vision? Whatever the reason, it's clear that the absence of Harbor Days leaves a void in our hearts and in our community. We

—O-Sad

must not let this fade away without a fight.

Let us come together, as a community, and demand the return of Harbor Days. Let us remind the businesses of our city of the immense value this event brought to our local economy and the pride it instilled in our hearts. Let us show them that we will not let this tradition be forgotten.

Oceanside, we deserve better. We deserve to have our beloved Harbor Days back, to create new memories, and to continue the legacy of this cherished event. Let us not allow this missed opportunity to define us, but rather, let it ignite a fire within us to fight for what we hold dear.

—O-Sad

Under the radar

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Democratic political strategist **Brian Brokaw** told the *Hollywood Reporter* in November 2020. "That's fascinating, considering how much influence and money she's spent in recent years." Quillin's string of liberal political gifting has included \$1 million to failed affirmative action Proposition 16.

Last month, Hastings and spouse sunk \$100 million into the Powder Mountain ski resort in Utah. "This is an investment in what we consider to be the ultimate skier experience," Hastings said in a statement cited by the *Deseret News*. "My wife Patty and I love this place; we love the untracked powder several days after a storm cycle, we love the vastness of the terrain, and we love the community."

The Netflix billionaire's arrival follows years of turmoil for Powder Mountain, including fierce resistance by locals to four Silicon Valley entrepreneurs, founders of the Summit Series, who in 2013 took over the property with grand expansion plans for 500 housing units, a branch of the U.S. Institute of Peace, and an alternative medical center, according to an April 10, 2023, account by the ski news website

Unofficial Networks.

"Applicants to Summit are screened and interviewed to ensure they display the correct 'psychographic' (or mindset) for the events. It is pitched as an entertaining ideas festival, comparable to TED and Burning Man, featuring speakers such as **Quentin Tarantino, Jane Fonda, Peter Thiel, and Jeff Bezos**. Guests pay \$3000-\$8000 for access to three-day flagship events, hosted everywhere from beaches in Tulum, Mexico, to cruise ships in the Caribbean," per a March 2018 account by *The Guardian*.

"Having finessed the art of persuading rich people to pay to join these getaways, the founders convinced their friends to help them buy an entire mountain in Utah." But natives "feared that the teenagers and young adults that worked at Powder Mountain would be exposed to the tech bros' acts of debauchery," according to *Unofficial Networks*. In addition, the resort's "increased water usage made many locals put protest signs on their lawns, which had the slogan: 'Summit Sucks Water.'"

— Matt Potter (@sdmattpotter)

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UNREAL ESTATE

by Dave Rice

Here at *Unreal*, we tend to go big, unless of course, we're going even bigger. I make frequent jokes about walk-in closets bigger than my living room, or kitchen islands bigger than my kitchen. "Let's look at this rich guy's ridiculous house" is what we've been doing for more than a decade now. But it seems some of you have had enough, and I don't blame you. (What, you think it's easy writing variations on the same story hundreds of times over?) Reader Murray



A grand entrance for the Tiny Home

wrote in to suggest that maybe it's time for "small structures...good homes, for normal people."

Well, Murray, thanks for the request! This week

we're going to try something entirely different: instead of the biggest, fanciest estates on the market, I went looking for the smallest, most affordable

house within city limits. Welcome to 2439 G Street in Sherman Heights, just east of downtown. This diminutive studio house dates all the way back to

1868 and might well be the oldest home we've ever looked at in this column. Further, it clocks in at just 384 square feet of living space. For once, I can comfortably brag that my own modest mid-city abode feels spacious in comparison.

"This adorable Cottage is located in the heart of the Sherman Heights Historic District, with the possibility of applying for the Mills Act," opens the Zillow pitch for the home, referencing the tax-advantaged status afforded to property owners who maintain the exterior appearance of historically significant buildings. The first shot of that exterior shows a house that's both charming and obviously quite small. The two-tone green paint (with red and tan accents) goes well with the clean, simple land-

scape, and the tiny front porch is inviting, even if those chairs tucked onto it are a bit small for extended periods of leisure. But what I'm really noticing is the way the house is absolutely dwarfed by the blue behemoth next door.

There's another, larger wooden deck off the back door, and from this angle we can see that the house extends a bit farther back than it originally seemed. Both are welcome developments.

Some aerial shots point out the lot lines of both this house and the one next door, which is also for sale. More on that in a minute.

Now we're headed through a French door into the kitchen. Or, rather, we're looking at the kitchen through the door, because there's not

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Thrilling thermals lead to drinks in the desert

As we set up our hang gliders on the launch at Mt Laguna, some 5400' above sea level, it felt like a normal summer day. We were hoping to fly far that day, and since you have no motor or power when hang gliding, the goal is to go up and get high, so you can have the longest flight possible. If you're not going up, you're going down, and your flight ends. It's embarrassing to be the first pilot to land. To prolong our flying day, we are constantly looking for lift. The wind from the east was both ideal and necessary for our launch. When launching or landing a hang glider, you must have a breeze, or a wind, or a thermal blowing in your face. Wind from any other direction is dangerous — if not deadly.

I was lucky enough to be flying with some of San Diego's best competitive hang glider pilots: Jersey Rossignol, Larry Costanza and Denny Mallet (from the OC) were flying together, all on the same radio frequency. There were many other great San Diego pilots flying that day as well, but connecting more than four people on the same radio frequency can be difficult. It's very important to have

A thermal can also be gentle, so gentle that it takes only two fingers on the control bar to keep yourself in its embrace.

clear communication with your fellow pilots, and especially your driver, who is following on the ground as you fly above.

We all launched fine, and immediately caught great thermals. Thermals are "bubbles" or "columns" of warm air that rise up from the earth; they may travel straight up or bend with the wind or landscape. Like waves in the ocean, no two thermals are alike; there are different shapes, sizes, strengths etc. A thermal can be the size of a football field, which means you have to make tight turns just to stay within its bounds, or as big as a city block — or even bigger. Thermals can also be so strong that you can't descend or get out of them. They can even flip you upside down. But a thermal can also be gentle, so gentle that it takes only two fingers on the control bar to keep yourself in its embrace. As a bonus, eagles, hawks, and other birds of prey will join you as you climb in a thermal; I've had them position themselves right off the end of my glider's wingtip, their wings motionless as they ride the rising air, their eyes meeting mine. I think they seem intrigued to find that something other than a bird is flying with them.

After we reached 10,000 feet above sea level, we headed straight for Granite Mountain (5633 feet), which sits at the bottom of the Banner Grade, the southernmost point of



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the San Felipe valley. Geographical formations like mountains and hills can often be thermal generators, so you can seek them out and "leap frog" from lift to lift. The view from this height is amazing. On a clear day, you can see the Catalina Islands, Mexico, the mountains in San Bernardino, and more. The only hiccup was

that my radio somehow became disconnected. I had no communication with my fellow pilots, or my driver. This was a problem I had to fix immediately, which gave rise to another problem: as I fumbled with my radio, I had to relinquish control of my glider. I wound up doing several spiral dives and lost at least a thousand feet of altitude. But I finally got it fixed.

The conditions really were ideal; even with my brief drop, I could tell this would be a great day to fly cross country. The lift was everywhere; we could get really high, and go really far. I climbed back up a thermal and rejoined my buddies. We flew over Lake Cuyamaca and continued north. We climbed along the west side of the San Felipe Valley, and made it to Hot Springs Mountain (6533') by Warner Springs. I could see dust devils, like thin tornados of lift, ahead of us. Their lift was welcome, but they can be dangerous as well. We all climbed to about 10,000 feet, and continued to fly north — none too quickly, mind you. When you climb, you fly in circles like a raptor, within the boundaries of the thermal, letting it do the work. In a strong thermal, you can rise at a rate of 1000 feet per minute — or faster. Other thermals are more gentle; you're still going up, but at a slower pace. Either way, lift is the key:

"Never leave lift" is a mantra by which all hang glider pilots live.

After we got "stinking high" over Hot Springs Mountain, we headed further north, into territory I hadn't seen before: huge boulders below, making for inhospitable territory. You must have a patch of smooth ground when landing; otherwise, you'll be paying a visit to the hospital, or worse. Another concern: it was getting later in the day, and the lift was fading. Unless we found more lift, we would be landing soon, hopefully in a safe place. Happily, my buddies — who were all managing to stay higher than I was — were among the best pilots in the world, so I just followed their instructions from above. I got the message: "Pick a nice landing." We could all see Mount San Jacinto (10,834) in the dis-



We could all see Mount San Jacinto in the distance, and it looked like we might be able to make it to Palm Springs.

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tance, and it looked like we might be able to make it to Palm Springs.

We all carried miniature smoke bombs attached to our control bars. Their only function was to tell us which direction the wind was blowing as we approached our landing. Again: you must be headed into the wind while landing, or there will be consequences. I was no more than a thousand feet over Cathedral City when I spotted a weathered golf course (certainly not PGA quality) that looked ideal for landing. I threw my smoke bomb. It landed on somebody's tennis court. I'm sorry about that, Mr. or Mrs. Homeowner. I'm sure it left a nasty stain.

As I descended, I picked out a decent fairway — kind of yellow, maybe a par five — that looked perfect. Perfect for the wind, anyway; it's always dicey landing in places like this, because technically, we're trespassing. But I was low and had no choice. The sun was setting as I came in for an easy landing after the longest flight of my life: 60 miles point to point. Immediately, a golf cart pulled up to me. The driver was a sixty-ish woman with a cocktail in her hand.

"Where did you come from?"

"Mount Laguna."

"Where's that?"

"It's outside of San Diego."

"Wow. Do you want a drink?"

"Well yes I do, thank you, and I have friends coming behind me."

After they landed, we folded up our gliders and drank beers and cocktails with our new friends. I thank my old friends — Jersey, Larry, Denny, and our driver Amy — for giving me the opportunity of a lifetime. ■

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DeAnza Springs Resort navigates a post-nudist future

“I have seen more people out nude today than I have in a long time,” said Hawk. “Today” was Thursday, August 31st, the last day that clothing would be optional in of DeAnza Springs Resort’s public spaces, and I was sitting by the pool talking to Hawk and his wife of 20 years, Sparrow. They had been residents of DeAnza Springs for three years. We were all naked.

“Just looking around, I’d say about 90% are nude today,” Hawk continued. He was tall, thin, and tanned, with a long ponytail and the kind of drawn face that seems to be suited for no other hairstyle. I followed his forlorn gaze and glanced around casually, trying to keep my gaze from registering anyone’s genitals, but still nodding in agreement with Hawk. *Yes, nearly everyone is nude.* When I looked back at him, he had the wistful expression of someone taking one last look at a love about to be lost.

The weather was humid and overcast in

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Jacumba Hot Springs, about 90 minutes east of San Diego and the home of DeAnza Springs, a clothing-optional naturist/nudist community ever since it was purchased in 1997 by Dave and Helen Landman. But now, three years after the resort was bought from the Landmans by Luke Wasylw and Kevin “KeCho” Cho, that was about to change.



With us at the pool was Sam, who has worked at the resort in varying roles for 12 years and lived there for 14. He identified as the “naked handyman” and a Christian Naturist: “Christian first, Naturist second.” He told me, “Genesis 2:25 says ‘Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame,’ and that’s the only detail we get about Adam and Eve — that they were naked. Why did the Bible tell us this? Because this is how God wanted us to be, just how God made us. To be free of shame, totally open and transparent.”

Speaking of shame: the topic of the soon-to-be lifted photo ban came up. Historically, it has been considered bad etiquette to take photos in any public areas of DeAnza Springs, due to the private nature of, well, people’s privates. However, the photo ban was being lifted as the ban on public-area nudity was lowered. Some saw this as a subtle threat; even though they could still be nude at their private sites — working in the yard, gardening, or doing other household tasks — until October 30th, as of September 1st, they would no longer be protected from the leer of a camera lens.

Sam disagreed. He said that “photography is the last fig leaf of naturism,” so to speak, and that if anyone were to try and take his photo he would simply ask “How’s this?” and strike a pose. This garnered a few laughs from some residents, but many shook their heads.

Changing hands, then and now

According to Landman, the original owner and founder of DeAnza Springs, “when the park was built in the early ‘70s, it had a country and western nightclub atmo-

sphere; there were one thousand drunk cowboys up there with their RVs every weekend, listening to music. Unfortunately, [Hurricane Kathleen] hit in 1976 and closed the park, until we bought it. We opened it in September 1997 as a clothing-optional resort from the day we signed the papers. But we didn’t have to throw anybody out to do it. It wasn’t like we had to change the venue; we just turned a vacant RV park into a clothing optional destination. We didn’t have obligations we had to meet. We did what we wanted to, when we wanted to, and we didn’t have to answer to anyone.”

Unfortunately, the resort’s new owners, Wasyliw and Cho, didn’t have it as easy as Landman. When they purchased the 500-acre, 311-site RV park in 2020, they inherited its over 100 residents — people who lived on the nudist resort, some who had done so for as long as it had been around. And most of them had expected it to stay clothing-optional when they signed their leases — as some had done just months earlier.

John, a 37-year-old woodworker, told me that

he purchased an Airstream and moved out to DeAnza Springs 16 months ago because “it was the only way I could afford to continue to live in San Diego County.” Now, he saw no reason to stay. He readily admitted that as one of its newest residents, the question of nudity was “not my fight to fight.” But he was not alone in his decision; at least four other residents have made their exodus in the last few months, selling their homes or trailing them away to another promised land, possibly Glen Eden in Temescal Valley or Laguna del Sol in Wilton.

New owners Wasyliw and Cho went to the same high school, and both graduated from SDSU; they were introduced by a mutual acquaintance. At 38 years old, Wasyliw has a decade-long background in real estate after switching careers from the tech industry, but buying up a huge resort has been a new type of business venture for him.

This is also a new breed of project for Cho, 32, and his first time owning property. He has a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from SDSU, but his resume since then follows

a funky, winding road: Apple-certified technician, influencer outreach, nightclub promotion, cannabis packaging and design, current CEO and owner of Microdose Movement LLC. His most recent role, according to his LinkedIn, is owner of DeAnza Springs and “CEO and Creator of Ecosystems” at “The Colony of San Diego (Nomadic).”

The first cover-up

At first, the new owners maintained the clothing-optional status quo. The biggest change to occur between 2020 and late 2023 came earlier this year, when the pool area policy changed from “no clothing allowed” to “clothing optional,” meaning nobody would be admonished for donning half a bikini or swim trunks. The official policy endured until, as Cho told host Chris Nichols on the September 29th episode of the entrepreneurship podcast “Nichols and Dimez,” “it just didn’t work anymore.”

But there were signs of a shift almost from the outset. DeAnza Springs is divided into Red, White, and Blue zones, and in March of 2021, the Red Zone was

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leased back to Cho. It the became “The Colony San Diego/Nomadic,” an endeavor that he describes as a “Joshua Tree meets Burning Man” festival grounds. According to residents, those living in the Red zone were informally asked to clothe-up if they attended certain events on the property, though some, like May 2023’s Karnival of the Arts, were designated as “come as you are” (read: nude).

This seemed odd, as the Red zone was scantily separated from the rest by a wash, offering no wall or any structure to afford privacy to the “still nude” side. When I asked Wasyliw about this initial change, he vehemently denied that the Red zoners ever had to clothe up, and said that their policy changed when everyone else’s did. In fact, he said, he held a meeting with the Red zone residents about the potential of going clothing-required, and based on feedback, decided to keep it clothing-optional. According to him, if anyone was being unreasonable, it was the residents, who were heard saying things like, “I live in North Korea.” (A loaded reference, given Cho’s status as a Korean-American.)



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Residents received a notice in July stating that as of September 1st, clothing would be mandatory in all common areas, such as the pool, hiking trails, and gym. As of October 30th, clothing would be mandatory anywhere within the park, including private residences and sites.

Exposed tensions

According to Wasyliw, the nudist community ultimately failed because of their own acts: the sabotage and boycott of events, the ostracization of clothed visitors, and general vandalism. “They’re shooting themselves in the foot,” he says, “since the purpose of these events was to bring people in, make money, and subsidize their rent. I tell them when they go on Facebook and start spreading false ru-

mors about us increasing prices by 400% and for people to stay away, to go to Glen Eden instead — that is not helping them when they do go to sell their place.”

But if you ask the residents and members of DeAnza Springs — or just peruse the scathing, unrelenting posts on the “Friends of DeAnza Springs” Facebook page — you’ll hear that they were shut out and made “irrelevant” by the new owners. They cite a

complete lack of promotion (and sometimes execution) of planned events happening in their own backyard. Some suspected that Wasyliw and Cho were trying to push out “the old regime,” residents who lived there before the change of ownership. (For his part, Wasyliw says he has respected and “grandfathered in” the rates for those residents, which is 25 percent less than what a newcomer would pay.)

These “boycotted” events ranged from the

traditional — such as the American Association for Nude Recreation (AANR) conference — to the more modern ones staged by Cho: music festivals like Karnival of Arts, YouTopia, and Love Machine. Residents have openly admitted to calling the sheriff on these events due to violation of local noise ordinances, even before the clothing change. However, Wasyliw says some went so far as to call the authorities even before the events began, citing nonexistent or mischaracterized permitting issues, or making far-fetched accusations, e.g. “drug tents” being set up at events. He adds that, thanks to the numerous complaints, events held at DeAnza Springs were subjected to restrictions that were so limiting, several event planners dropped out because they could not accommodate the early shutdown times.

The AANR Conference, held July 28-30 of this summer, was a massive failure due to lack of attendance, which residents blamed on the lack of promotion; some said they had “no idea” it was even happening that weekend. Others accused Wasyliw of thumbing his nose at

AANR and embarrassing the community by not being present at the event to welcome the organization. The moment felt significant, especially given the policy change that came immediately after.

The announcement

At the pool, a resident who went by “Pinky” handed me a paper copy of the announcement. (She was nude, no pockets to speak of, and I was struck by the fact that she was clutching the notice in her hand.) The notice, dated July 31, 2023 — one day after the AANR boycott/snubbing — declared that “after careful deliberation, DeAnza Springs has reached a significant decision to become a “Textile” park. In the coming weeks, more detailed information will be unveiled.”

The notice went on to outline the important dates: as of September 1st, clothing would be mandatory in all common areas, such as the pool, hiking trails, and gym. As of October 30th, clothing would be mandatory anywhere within the park, including private residences and sites. It ended with sympathy: an acknowledgment

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that “change can sometimes be met with mixed feelings, and we empathize with those who might feel upset or uncertain about the introduction of this new clothing rule,” and an offer that anyone wanting to discuss the matter with Wasyliw could do so by requesting an appointment. (According to Wasyliw, about ten residents took him up on that.)

Nevertheless, some residents found the announcement deceptive and punitive, especially since, just two weeks earlier, there had been a quarterly Town Hall meeting at which many residents claim to have heard Wasyliw say that the resort would “never change” from clothing-optional. (Some even told me there was a recording, but no one could produce it). Either way, there was no mention of the pending change at the meeting. Those who declined to

meet with Wasyliw told me he was absolutely dead-set on the new policy, and so they saw no real purpose in meeting with him.

Labor day doesn't work

The policy was changed just in time for Labor Day weekend, which residents say was another flop. Woodworker John told me via e-mail that several of the older residents protested by wearing G-strings, and one wore a completely sheer bathing suit. The atmosphere was made uncomfortable for many members by the 15 cannonballing, wailing children by the pool — a highly unusual sight at the longtime adult resort. John wrote that it felt like “this was a big family paradise for [the owners], now that the nudists put clothes on.” Possibly most frustrating thing was that most events were canceled due to poor

attendance, including the “movie under the stars” and a barbecue. On Labor Day itself, the bar wasn't open and no events were planned, even though it was advertised that the resort would be hosting a party that day. All around, John wrote, “frustrations were high, at times.”

Those frustrations didn't end with Labor Day. They continued to simmer all through September, with Wasyliw reporting that he was receiving threats from residents, and that he spent at least five hours a week dealing with “frivolous complaints” to the county, and even more time troubleshooting various acts of vandalism, including flooded public toilets and a stolen ping-pong table.

The Town Hall

Eventually, after a full month of Phase 1 of the new policy being in effect, Wasyliw decided to

lift the lid on the pressure cooker and hold a Town Hall for the residents and members of DeAnza Springs. I was invited by a handful of members to attend and bear witness. Upon arriving at the entrance to the resort, the first thing I noticed was that the black chalkboard at the front of the resort had been updated. Now, in bold, white letters, it read: “CLOTHING REQUIRED.” (The sign also required that all guests check in at the gate, but as I learned in the town hall later, the gate was broken, and no one had been checking anyone in for months.) This new announcement was confusingly juxtaposed next to another still-standing sign which described DeAnza Springs as a clothing-optional resort.

As we all gathered in The Oasis bar and lounge, Wasyliw walked

in, dressed all in black and flanked by three Sheriff's deputies. The deputies took their place in the back of the room, resting against a pool table. (I couldn't help but imagine nude people leaning on it just a month earlier, angling for their best shots). He was also joined by Augie, who Wasyliw described as “the Chief of Operations of shorts” at DeAnza Springs. Stevi, the resort manager, was standing near the back. I also noticed Sparrow and Hawk to my left; I was struck by how different they looked. Not just different from the pool day, but different from one another. At the pool, they were a perfectly in-sync nudist couple. Now, Sparrow wore a floor-length baby blue gown and a stack of long pearl necklaces. Hawk was clad in a baggy t-shirt and oversized terry cloth shorts, probably

begrudgingly thrown on in accordance with the law.

The meeting started with housekeeping: the front gate would be fixed on Monday. A resident then asked a redundant question about the gate and followed it with, “Because you've already taken everything else away, now you're taking our privacy away.” That was followed by sparse applause. Wasyliw quickly reminded everyone that the meeting would be “super unproductive” if it continued in that way. Once the floor was opened for questions, a resident reminded the rest of the group that “we will ask nicely,” and someone else shot back “and we will be answered nicely!”

Finally, someone stood up and calmly asked the question we had all come to hear:

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tional option removed?”

After briefly trying to dismiss the question by saying it had already been discussed “for the last six months,” Wasyliw explained that “the short and simple answer is that it was a business decision.” The next resident pointed out that having the Sheriffs in the room felt unnecessary, to which Wasyliw replied, to everyone’s surprise, that he had not called them. He handed the microphone over to an officer, who stated that they had been called by a resident. An unsettled, confused murmur fell over the crowd. Then resident and retired sheriff Rex L. stood up and announced that *he* had called the officers “for an unrelated reason.”

The meeting rolled on for 90 minutes, with ordinary, legitimate concerns — solar panels, the lack of a landline in event of an emergency, speeding on the dirt roads through the park, and, interestingly, the alleged harassment of alpacas by trespassers in the middle of the night — punctuated by brief outbursts from those wanting to steer the discussion back to the policy change. Most of the residents clearly

felt dismissed and confused. Others yelled in Wasyliw’s defense: “He owns the place, he can do what he wants!” At one point, someone tried to start the chant “Chicken, chicken,” but was quickly shut down by fellow residents who wanted to keep it civil. More than once, Wasyliw turned off the mic and threatened to walk out if certain ornery folks would not tone down their aggressiveness, and at one point he refused to continue until a particularly troublesome resident left the room, telling the crowd, “This is over, and you have [person] to thank.”

Near the end of the meeting, several residents voiced concern over Cho’s absence from the Town Hall and his apparent intention to use “his half” of the property (confusingly dubbed either “Nomadic” or “The Colony,” depending on the source, day, and weather) as a psychedelic retreat center. A review of Cho’s Instagram stories — freely posted and criticized on the Friends of DeAnza Springs Facebook page — does seem to indicate his being at least partially motivated by the microdose move-



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Kevin Cho stands in the new Red Zone festival grounds he created, “The Colony San Diego/Nomadic.”

ment. And in his “Nichols and Dimez” podcast interview, titled “Psychedelic Education and Transforming a Nudist Colony into a Wellness Destination,” Cho says, “This is a space you can come rent out, an amazing, you know, a retro-fitted ‘70s trailer and go on some journeys with some homies, you know what I mean?” He also says, “In my mind, I was just envisioning festivals with friends and ceremonies in a space where people are connecting,” stopping just short of saying “ceremonies,” presum-

ably the plant-medicine ceremonies he refers to throughout the rest of the interview. His side business, Microdose Movement LLC, is a coached psychedelic experience for those wanting to take the leap with a hand to hold.

Cho hinted at the possibility of tension with Wasyliw in the podcast, telling the host that “we’ve had our ups and downs, because he has a family and kids and I don’t...and he taught me so much about setting realistic expectations and focusing on one or two things at a time. It took a lot of screaming and battle back and forth, and now we’ve gone through that pain and suffering in our relationship, and he’s like, ‘Yo, KeCho, you’re the visionary, go create content...and tell people the story and help people get out of their funks.’” Cho does admit that “my decision-making can be questionable” and that he “let this one festival group take shits in the streets and play music for 72 hours straight...not being conscientious” of the fact that “people have lives here.”

After the Town Hall ended, I spoke with Wasyli-

w about the experience. He felt it was rather unproductive, and said he had ultimately decided to hold it so he could put to rest many of the falsehoods and rumors swirling about the park: that he was going bankrupt or defaulting on the property, that Cho was “distributing” psychedelics at events, and that the events lacked legal permits, just to name a few. It did appear to have been an exhausting, 90-minute game of whack-a-mole, and when I asked how he processed all of the anger and insults being hurled at him, he replied, “A mentor of mine once told me that nobody who is more successful than you will ever talk down to you. So whenever I am faced with someone who talks to me like I that way, I just remember that.” He also uses the contempt as fuel: “When I just don’t want to do this anymore, I will think back on this, and that’s what motivates me.”

The mysterious Mr. Cho Along with its name and intention, Nomadic/The Colony is confusing to book. After the Town Hall, I was interested in experiencing a brief get-

away myself — for research, of course — but every single “Book Now” button on the *TheColonySD.com* website led to a 404 or broken link. For a person having a background in promotion and marketing and “a passion for the Digital landscape,” Cho did not seem to be making good on his promise to bring “the next Joshua Tree x Burning Man” to San Diego, three years into the endeavor. And residents agree. John said, “I am not impressed with their marketing skills — I’m not even sure I would call them ‘skills.’ Marketing fumbles, maybe.”

Another recent point of contention and confusion between residents and Nomadic is the inconsistency of rules and expectations. From the website for YouTopia, the regional Burning Man event scheduled to be held at DeAnza Springs in mid-October: “Production has talked to the managers at DeAnza Springs Resort, and while they are firm on their policy, they also understand and respect our event and wish to fully embrace the Burning man Principle of Radical Self Expression. While residents and visitors will have to adhere to DeAnza Springs Resort’s updated nudity policy, no one is going to be on dress code patrol within the perimeters of YouTopia.” Residents reading this could rightfully wonder, *Why don’t the ‘managers’ understand and respect our principle of expression?*

A week after the Town Hall, I was able to sit down with the Cho himself. As I got out of my car, I was greeted by a resident who made a joke I had heard several times in the last few weeks: “It’s too damn hot to be wearing all this!”

Cho and I sat down at his abode in the heart of

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the Red zone, accompanied by his dog, Noodle. Cho was disarming and genuine, if not a little lost, and he greeted me with a big hug. Cho feels that owning DeAnza Springs is part of his destiny. “Buying a nudist resort was the ultimate test ... being nudist takes a lot of balls, and I feel that my whole life I have been working up to this, to being in this environment where there is no judgment and accepting people for where they are at in life ... It’s universal, everyone can come here to heal, whether it’s a retreat or a festival or just to hang out by the pool.”

When asked about his absence at the Town Hall, he said it was difficult to know his place, “not living here,” though he had been living here for about two months at the time and had attended previous Town Halls over the years as an owner. When I asked if he was on-site that day, he said no, that he had been off-site for a friend’s wedding, but quickly reassured me that he “for sure” planned to be at future Town Halls. He also shared that, although he lives among the residents now and has for about two months, he has yet to meet with any of them to discuss either the policy change or his intentions for Nomadic, again citing his new resident status, despite owning the property for three years.

We talked about the residents’ frustration that they had been stripped of their freedom for what was cited as a “business decision” and have yet to see any actual booming business in the resort. What was all this heartache for? (Or, as Sam put it, “I don’t see how covering my ass is going to save theirs.”) I brought up the broken links when trying to book a stay at Nomadic. Cho

replied that the broken links are largely because DeAnza Springs has been disallowed from major platforms such as Airbnb due to its previous status as a nudist resort. He confidently shared that anyone can now book the RV, motel, and hostel sites at Nomadic through Airbnb, though they would have to go to the app and search for Jacumba Hot Springs to do so. (After we chatted, I tried again to book through the actual website and was still redirected to a 404.) Cho reassured me that he has a plan to ramp out marketing, including through social media, vlogging and “getting my own story out there.” He has plans to work with event producers in San Diego, use guerilla marketing, and spread the word himself as he attends other festivals and events. He reminded me that they are “in this weird transition period” where guests might be hesitant to venture out to DeAnza Springs because it was a known nudist resort in the past.

Another mystery solved: Cho defined his project as “DeAnza Springs presents Nomadic,” with “Nomadic” referring to the venue for concerts and festivals, and the surrounding rentable RVs, motels, and hostels being considered as just an upgraded part of DeAnza Springs. Asked about his plans for the place, Cho started with a story: “When I was a kid, my mom would ask me what kind of car I wanted when I got older. I always said I just wanted a big van, so I could drive all my friends around. I have always been a superconnector, and this place just seemed meant to be.” Meant to be a psychedelic retreat? Finally and definitively, Cho clarified that yes, he would like to see

Nomadic used for psychedelic ceremonies — once the modality is legalized. He sees his role as laying the framework for that day, providing psychedelic education and coaching for those interested in this way of healing.

I mentioned how nudism and naturism have long been regarded as a way of healing — getting back in tune with nature and reclaiming autonomy and vulnerability — not unlike psychedelic ceremonies. Cho agreed, but quickly pointed to negative judgements coming from the nudist residents. The barrier he sees is not vandalism or ostracization, as Wasyliv did, but rather a generational gap. “The median age of residents here is 65 years old. Baby boomers grew up in an era where you were supposed to hold on to everything and change was bad.” I let this pass without comment. “There is also that sex appeal when you have young women coming into a space that maybe hasn’t been seen that in a while.”

Nudity as therapy

Full disclosure: I have my own experience with nudism-as-therapy. Six years ago, I chose a nudist resort in Desert Hot Springs as the place to celebrate my thirty-first birthday, because I knew that entering such a strange environment was the only way to take my mind off drinking. It would be my first birthday sober in over twelve years. I showed up on the doorstep of Living Waters Spa armed with a whole two weeks of sobriety.

By the time I left the resort the next day, a realization had washed over me, rejuvenating every cell of my body: I hadn’t come there to drown out the nagging voices, I had come to experience what

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living life on full volume was really like. What had started as an act of extremism and rebellion — possibly bordering on a game of “let’s see how uncomfortable I can make myself,” an attempt to shock my nervous system back into feeling human again — ended as a practice in the ultimate form of vulnerability. And I showed myself that I could do hard and new and uncomfortable things, things like being naked around strangers and going on vacation alone and being a sober human. I had microdosed on nudity. It saved my life.

Now I am coming up on six years sober — and five months pregnant. I am still coming to terms with my changed and changing body. My belly is bloated, my thighs chafe uncomfortably, and for

the first time in my life, I have boob sweat. I am tired. But as we sat by the pool on that last day of public nudity, not a single person mentioned or even glanced at my bulging belly bump. In fact, they asked almost no questions about me or my personal life at all. Instead, they trusted me, gathered around me, and shared their most vulnerable thoughts and feelings for almost four hours straight. This was mutual vulnerability, and it was precious to me.

I am not the only one who has found peace and acceptance through nudism. Mike is 57 years old and not a resident of DeAnza Springs; he discovered the resort just three weeks before the change. “I came here not knowing it was clothing-optional, I just saw the

bitchin’ pool online. But once I got here, I saw how every man was a gentleman, and I thought, *These people are really cool*. I spent all my life working in strip clubs and night clubs and have thrown 20,000 people out of bars for bad behavior toward women. Coming here, I could let that go; I could relax. I was a little nervous to come out at first, but I channeled Arnold in the first *Terminator*, when he strolled out of the pod naked. I always had hang ups about people seeing me naked; I was chubby growing up. But here, I can just be myself. The other day I was sitting here, and it had only been a month, and I thought, *You know what? I feel better about myself.*”

A way forward

A general theme that emerged throughout my visits to DeAnza Springs was that residents truly wanted to see the property — and its owners, Wasyliw and Cho — succeed. In fact, Rex looked right at Wasyliw during the Town Hall and said, “Luke, we want you to succeed; we want you to make money and to be happy.” Although they were critical of Wasyliw

and Cho’s business dealings, they still wanted to support the efforts. One resident told me that some “low hanging fruit” included holding dances and entertainment according to the business model of AANR, advertising events and the resort more widely, and “number one, to speak nicely to people and ask for help...one bird in the hand is better than two in the bush.” He firmly believed that DeAnza Springs “could be the hottest venue in San Diego!”

Sam, the naked handyman, thinks that the existing naturist side could have meshed well with this generation’s current body positivity trend. “Naturism encompasses radical expression, inclusivity, tolerance, acceptance, transparency...” See also: the Burning man Principle of Radical Self Expression.

Sparrow, meanwhile, embodies the enthusiasm that I am sure Wasyliw and Cho were hoping for when they first bought DeAnza: “Come here, dance your ass off, relive your youth, that’s what we do!...We want to see it succeed, we just want the chance to invite our friends and bring business in. I always went over and supported vendors before the crowds came in!” When a geodesic dome on Nomadic caught fire in the middle of the night, it was the residents who ran out to help put the fire out first.

Wasyliw says that when it comes to difficulties in transition, “It’s 5-10 people ruining it for everyone else,” but adds that the words of the majority are not matching up with their actions. Still, a handful of residents (though most choose to remain anonymous) have expressed admiration for Wasyliw and Cho. One long-timer

told me he was “grateful for [them] coming in and fixing up what they did; without them, we wouldn’t be here. What was the alternative? What would it look like if the ownership never changed?”

According to Wasyliw, one of the first orders of business upon buying the property was providing major upgrades to the water and electric infrastructure, and the removal of several huge dumpsters full of trash and debris that had been accumulated over the years. “The current site holders were used to taking old desks, toilets, whatever during their remodels, and they would throw the trash into these piles. So we spent ungodly amounts of money on that clean up, because it was 100% necessary to be able to attract groups out here, to increase occupancy rate, the daily use RV rates, etc.”

Cho noted that DeAnza Springs had been largely treated as a residential property, and was not tailored toward short-term travelers. That meant that long-standing maintenance issues, trash piles, and more had gone unaddressed. “We have invested every last dollar back into the place to fix things that people didn’t even know we were fixing,” he said. “No money has ever come out of DeAnza Springs.” Resident Hawk agreed that there had been a decline in maintenance before the change in ownership, as did Sam, who said, “They did a lot of good here maintenance-wise that was lacking.”

But other residents argued that all the upkeep and renewal “was not for us.” When I asked what they saw as a potential resolution, they suggested suspending the clothing-optional policy just during certain events, rather than

instituting a blanket policy change. They wanted more advertisement and marketing of the resort, and better communication from the new management. But according to Wasyliw, “There will always be people who are unhappy because I didn’t do it exactly the way they wanted or as quickly as they wanted. I have always been transparent and tried to manage expectations.”

Former owner Landman wasn’t sure how the new vision would work out, since “[the property] has never had a test that I know of where it was strictly run as an RV park or campground.” But Cho and Wasyliw think there is plenty to love. Cho cited Temple Peak, an apparent local vortex. Wasyliw thinks its big draw is the rural environment — a true family getaway on the outskirts of a bustling city. And it’s true that many residents are less concerned about “the clothing thing,” and more about the community that has been cultivated at DeAnza Springs over the decades. That’s what they say will keep them here for years to come.

As I drove out of DeAnza Springs after my third and final visit, I felt a sadness creep over me; San Diego is about to lose something beautiful and unique, a secret Eden tucked away in the furthest reaches of East county. But I was also hopeful, excited to return and see how this place has evolved while maintaining its mission, clothed or unclothed: healing through embracing vulnerability. As I passed through the gate (which was still broken), I saw the sign that bids visitors adieu: “DeAnza Springs ... If you can’t stay here, have fun wherever you’re going.”

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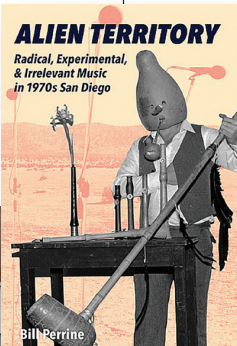
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Thursday | 26

ALIEN TERRITORY: MUSIC IN 1970S SAN DIEGO

Bill Perrine will be signing his book *Alien Territory: Radical, Experimental and Irrelevant Music in 1970s*



Lorenz and his wife are getting on in years, but they've thought of a way to thwart aging. Lorenz abducts a bride-to-be, Alice, and plans to extract her bodily fluids to inject into his wife, restoring her vitality. Journalist Patricia Hunter is investigating the case of the missing bride, but, when the trail leads her to Lorenz, she doesn't realize she's in danger of becoming his next victim.

WHEN: Thursday, October 26, 6:45 pm

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

Friday | 27

GASLAMP ZOMBIE CRAWL

Step inside Zombie Land with Barbie and Ken for a Gaslamp bar crawl. Tickets include entry into 20 nightclubs and restaurant-bars (all within walking

distance), seven welcome shots/drinks, drink deals, a map with suggested routes, entertainment, live music, DJs, dancing, and face painting.

WHEN: Friday, October 27, Saturday October 28, and Tuesday, October 31, 6 pm

WHERE: Gaslamp Quarter, Fifth Avenue, between Broadway



San Diego. This is the story of a Navy town that became the gathering point for some unclassifiable American artists. The late-'60s arrival of Harry Partch — hobo composer, iconoclast, and inventor of instruments such as the Harmonic Canon and *Quadrangularis Reversum* — jump started a revolution that was as much social as it was musical, drawing on the occult and political movements of '70s Southern California. Pauline Oliveros, Kenneth Gaburo, Roger Reynolds, Diamanda Galás, among others, all sought to dismantle the systems of American life.

WHEN: Thursday, October 26, 7 pm to 9 pm

WHERE: D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue, La Jolla. dgwillsbooks.com

MOVIES AT THE MUSEUM

Join the Gaslamp Museum for *The Corpse Vanishes* (1942). Dr. George



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29: GOBLIN

and Harbor Drive, Downtown. sandiegozombiecrawl.com

Saturday | 28

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS CELEBRATION

Celebrate the lives of those who have passed with a community altar, an altar contest, dance performances, a *Catrin*

and *Catrina* ensemble contest for cash prizes, food vendors, and themed photo opportunities throughout the neighborhood. Toward the

end of the evening, take in a screening of the Guillermo del Toro-produced *Book of Life*.

WHEN: Saturday, October 28, 3 pm to 8 pm

WHERE: Memorial Park Bowl, 373 Park Way, Chula Vista. downtownchulavista.com

Sunday | 29

CLAUDIO SIMONETTI'S GOBLIN

Italian prog rock icons Goblin first came to U.S. notice for scoring Dario Argento films such as *Suspiria*, as well as for soundtracking the European cut of George Romero's *Dawn of the Dead*. The band will perform their entire soundtrack for the Italian horror film *Demons*, as well as other selections from their studio albums and film scores.

WHEN: Sunday, October 29, 7:30 pm
WHERE: Music Box, 1337 India Street, Little Italy. musicboxsd.com



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ANIMAL FRIENDS

Howl-O-Ween Costume Party

Calling all of your furry friends and their best Halloween costumes for a costume party for all the pups out there at all taproom locations. The costume categories will be Humor, Originality, & Creativity. Thursday, October 26, 6pm; **free**. Pure Project Vista, 1305 Hot Spring Way. (VISTA)

Trick or Treat for Dogs Bring your dog(s) and your family to the 4th annual FFF Halloween Party at Frosted Faces Foundation. The main event is the Trick or Treat Trail with 20+ interactive stations for you and your dog to earn treats. Bonfires to roast human and dog treats. Food truck and munchies. Professional photographer. Raffle to benefit senior pets. Saturday, October 28, 3pm; \$20. Frosted Faces Foundation, 1448 Pine Street. (RAMONA)

ART

34th Annual Wildlife in Art Exhibition Opening

The annual Wildlife in Art Show, one of the longest running juried art shows in Southern California, is on exhibit from November 1 through December 6. Wednesday, November 1, 11am; **free**. Foothills Art Gallery, 4910 Memorial Drive. (LA MESA)

Bonita Holidays 55th Annual Craft Show

Proceeds benefit local Charities and High School Scholarships Thursday, October 26, 10am;

Sweetwater Women's Club, 3855 Sweetwater Road. (BONITA)

Little Fish Comic Savvy

A large amount of free comic books and graphic novels are available for attendees to go through and take home. Friday, October 27, 7pm; **free**. Little Fish Comic Book Studio, 6822-B El Cajon Boulevard. (ROLANDO)

Open Studios

Mingle with artists, enjoy music performances, and celebrate Halloween and Dia de los Muertos. Food and drink will be available for purchase. Saturday, October 28, 7pm; **free**. Space 4 Art, 340 16th Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Ving Simpson: Folded/Unfolded

Ving Simpson's intent in creating art is to unfold the inherent nature of something, an idea, a rule, a notion, a person, or a thing, and uncover an artistic understanding of the essence of its existence. Thursday, October 26, 10am; Friday, October 27, 10am; Monday, October 30, 2:30pm; Tuesday, October 31, 2:30pm; Wednesday, November 1, 10am; **free**. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

World of Watercolors Art Class

Students will be introduced to the different techniques watercolors can offer in this mini session for ages 5-8. Registration required to attend. Thursday, October 26, 4:30pm; \$30-\$125. Blossom & Bloom, 7400 El Cajon Boulevard Suite 101. (LA MESA)

BEER

Family-Friendly Halloween Party

Free evening features music from Rising Star Band, games, and a spooky bouncy castle for the kids. Food will be on sale from famed Tijuana eatery Tortas WashMobile by Chef Pedro Fuentes. A limited-edition Halloween beer will also be available for purchase. Friday, October 27, 4:30pm; **free**. Novo Brazil Brewing Co., 901 Lane Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

Fright Foot Halloween Party

Live DJ, costumes encouraged, Death Radler beer slushies, and exclusive Halloween merch. Friday, October 27, 7pm; **free**. Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

Fright Nights

The tasting room will be decorated with a hauntingly festive vibe. Friday, October 27, 7:30pm; Saturday, October 28, 7:30pm; Sunday, October 29, 7:30pm; \$30. 21 and up. AleSmith Brewing Company, 9990 Alesmith Court. (MIRAMAR)

Leucadia Halloween Party

Costume party with spooky slushies and more. Saturday, October 28, 12pm; **free**. Duck Foot Brewing Leucadia, 978 N. Coast Hwy. 101. (ENCINITAS)

Macrame Fall Plant Wall Hanging Craft Workshop

Learn the art of creating your own Macramé Plant Wall Hanging with a Fall twist. Wednesday, November 1, 6:30pm; \$45. Original 40 Brewing Company, 3117 University Avenue. (NORTH PARK)

Trunk or Treat

Halloween-themed event that offers something for everyone. Kids can enjoy a Trunk or Treat extravaganza and a fun scavenger hunt, while adults (21+) can savor a specialty beer slushie. Saturday, October 28, 4pm; **free**. Pure Project Vista, 1305 Hot Spring Way. (VISTA)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Bill Perrine: Alien Territory Music in 1970s San Diego

Bill Perrine will be signing his book *Alien Territory: Radical, Experimental and Irrelevant Music in 1970s San Diego*. From trailer park punks to Pulitzer Prize winners, this is the untold story of a sleepy Navy town that became the unlikely gathering point for some of the most innovative, unclassifiable American artists of their time. Thursday, October 26, 7pm; **free**.

D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Controlling Mental Chaos: Harnessing the Power of the Creative Mind

Author Talk with Jaime A. Pineda Join local author as he discusses the relationship between mind and brain. Monday, October 30, 11am; Mira Mesa Library, 8405 New Salem Street. (MIRA MESA)

Daniel Sweren-Becker: Kill Show: A True Crime Novel

Warwick's will host Daniel Sweren-Becker as he discusses and signs his new book, *Kill Show: A True Crime Novel*. This event is subject to available space on a first-come, first-served basis. To ensure seating, reserve one book per person @ warwicks.com/event/sweren-becker-2023. Wednesday, November 1, 7:30pm; **free**-\$27. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Lisa Bronner: Soap & Soul

Lisa Bronner discusses and signs her new book, *Soap & Soul: A Practical Guide To Minding Your Home, Your Body, And Your Spirit With Dr. Bronner's Magic Soaps*. This event is subject to available space on a first-come, first-served basis. To ensure seating, reserve one book per person @ warwicks.com/event/bronner-2023. Thursday, October 26, 7:30pm; **free**-\$27. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Body Dynamics

Students learn breathing techniques for self-care, mental resilience, and physical relaxation as they age. Please wear flat supportive shoes and loose, comfortable clothing. Friday, October 27, 1pm; Monday, October 30, 1pm; **free**. 18 and up. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

CPR Training Class

The Family & Friends CPR class is for people

who want to learn CPR without receiving official certification. Friday, October 27, 4:30pm; \$45. Lullabar, 7750 El Camino Real, Suite #5145-5150. (CARLSBAD)

Conversational Yiddish for Beginners

This 6-session class will be focused on conversational Yiddish. You will learn everyday greetings and basics of Yiddish conversation, as well as a few simple Yiddish songs. Thursday, October 26, 6pm; \$25-\$145. Yiddishland California, 1128 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

Daoist Alchemy: The 13 Ghost Points

Unveil your inner power and break free from the shadows that hold you back. Saturday, October 28, 6:30pm; \$5. Divine Bubble Metaphysical Boutique and Healing Center, 4639 30th Street. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Full Moon Sound Bath

Join Jeny Dawson of Zen Soul Balance at Sacred Sound of the Soul for a Hunter's Full Moon Ceremony. Saturday, October 28, 5pm; \$40. Rancho Santa Fe Plaza, 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road. (ENCINITAS)

Hand Rolled Sushi Class

Learn to make Hand Rolled Sushi. Saturday, October 28, 1pm; \$59. Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

Landscaping with California Native Plants

Learn about native plants for your landscape with Theresa Acosta, Carlsbad City Councilmember. Wednesday, November 1, 7pm; **free**. Buena Vista Audubon Society Nature Center, 2202 S. Coast Highway. (OCEANSIDE)

Make Your Own Ravioli

Learn the secret of creating Ravioli from scratch. Sunday, October 29, 5pm; \$59. Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

Meditation

Expanding Consciousness with Sound: Meditation hosted by Teresa Thursday, October 26, 7pm; **free**-\$20. 18 and up. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

Meditation

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Turf 'ya Dhara Saturday, October 28, 11am; **free**-\$20. 18 and up. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

Meditation for a Happy Life

Learn and practice meditation, improve harmony at home and at work, and build your wisdom and inner peace. This secular and modern approach to traditional Buddhist teachings is led by Ashley Davis, co-founder of The Center for Harmonious Living. Audience: Adults Monday, October 30, 5:30pm; **free**. 18 and up. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Outdoor Safety Training

Join the San Dieguito River Park, San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy, and presenter David Phorey from Kit Fox Outfitters for an essential outdoor safety-training session. Contact calei@sdrv.org Saturday, October 28, 10am; **free**. Escondido Library East Valley Branch, 2245 East Valley Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

Paint & Sip: Curious Cat

Recreate "Curious Cat" on a 10x20 canvas with local artist, Nataly. Your canvas will be pre-traced to help you start off with guidance. Your first select beverage is included in your ticket purchase. Thursday, October 26, 6pm; \$45. Co-Lab Public House, 2129 Industrial Court. (VISTA)

Seabreeze Kids' Chocolate Decorating Class

On National Chocolate Day, learn how to make and decorate chocolates from premier chocolatier Jim Lanry of Seabreeze Craft Chocolates. Saturday, October 28, 10am; \$35. Piazza Carmel, 3840 Valley Center Dr, Suite 604. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Understanding the Astrological Wisdom Shared by Saturn

Explore Saturn's influence in our natal birth charts and learn the keys to working with this powerful planetary energy. Thursday, October 26, 6:30pm; \$5. Divine Bubble Metaphysical Boutique and Healing Center, 4639 30th Street. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

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COMEDY

Comedy Night Jessica Hudson, Linda Schwartz, and headliner The Peopl. Saturday, October 28, 8pm; free-\$10. 21 and up. Quigley Fine Wines, 1551 Fourth Ave., Suite 101. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Eddie Griffin Live in San Diego Saturday, October 28, 8pm; \$45-\$130. Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Friday Night Comedy Headliner Mario Mann, hosted by Benji GarciaReyes. Friday, October 27, 7:30pm; free-\$10. 21 and up. Five Suits Brewing, 2575 Pioneer Avenue STE 104. (VISTA)

Halloween Comedy Show & Costume Contest Headliner: Steven Briggs; Featuring: Audrey Hebert, Cassidy Stains, Zannah Weiss, Walter Ford, Sarah RW. Dress in costume for a chance to win prizes. Sunday, October 29, 6:30pm; \$20. 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Leanne Morgan Just Getting Started Thursday, October 26, 7pm; Friday, October 27, 7pm; Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

On That Note Musical Improv An Improvised musical that shows two characters inspired by members of the audience on a symphonic journey of friendship, love, and adventure. Friday, October 27, 7:15pm; \$5-\$25. Mockingbird Improv, 2590 Truxtun Road #200. (LIBERTY STATION)

Pundemonium Halloween Pun Competition Enjoy a punny costume competition with a prize. Saturday, October 28, 10pm; free. 21 and up. Finest City Improv, 3746 Sixth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

William F. Montgomery & David Lucas AS SEEN/HEARD ON: Kill Tony, Death Squad, YouTube & more! Thursday, October 26, 8pm; Friday, October 27, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, October 28, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; \$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

DANCE

Halloween Belly Dance Showcase Halloween Middle Eastern dance showcase featuring spooky performances by Beatrice, Shani, Nadirah, Nataliya, Ana Castro, San Diego Salimpour Collective, The HipSlingsers, The Jewels, ROBD Dance Collective and Troupe Royale. Sunday, October 29, 2:30pm; free. Vinya: vino + vinyasa, 6185 Balboa Avenue. (CLAIREMONT)

Turn It Out with Tiler Peck & Friends Award-winning New York City Ballet principal dancer, choreographer, actress, author, curator and designer, Tiler Peck tackles the new role of director for *Turn It Out* with Tiler Peck & Friends. Wednesday, November 1, 7:30pm; \$28-\$128. San Diego

Civic Theatre, 1100 Third Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Film Forum Coronado: And Then There Were None *And Then There Were None* (1945, 98 minutes): Rene Clair's star-studded adaptation of Agatha Christie's devilish, tightly wound contraption. Film Forum Coronado is held in the Winn Room at Coronado Public Library, on the first and third Wednesdays, with an introduction before the film and a discussion afterward, led by Ralph DeLauro. Wednesday, November 1, 6pm; free. Coronado Library, 640 Orange Avenue. (CORONADO)

FILM

Fall Moonlight Cinema: Coco Fall Moonlight Cinema evening featuring *Coco* on the lawn behind Harland Brewing. Enjoy a free night under the stars with friends and family accompanied by special treats, like kettle corn and a pumpkin patch photo opportunity. Make sure to bring your blankets and chairs. Saturday, October 28, 5pm; free. One Paseo, 3725 Paseo Place. (CARMEL VALLEY)

FOR KIDS

24th Annual Spooktacular The annual family-friendly Halloween event will have costume contests for children and adults with guest judges. There will also be a pumpkin painting contest, live music, jumpies, carnival games, food trucks, goody bags, Saturday, October 28, 11am; free. Super Dentists Eastlake, 2226 Otay Lakes Road. (CHULA VISTA)

Asian Scary Theater "Asian Scary Theater," a project of Asian Story Theater, focuses on "chicken skin" storytelling—featuring stories from printed and oral traditions of Asia and various Pacific Islands. These radio-style dramas are performed live, where the audience is able to see the foley, the performers, and even participate in creating this audio space. Saturday, October 28, 4pm and 7pm; Sunday, October 29, 4pm and 7pm; \$16-\$4. San Diego Chinese Historical Society and Museum, 404 Third Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Boo Bash Free Queer Halloween Party for Youth & Families. Saturday, October 28, 11am; free. Pride Square, 1500 University Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Día de los Muertos Celebration The Día De Los Muertos Celebration will be filled with a community altar, an altar contest, dance performances, a Catrin and Catrina Ensemble Contest for cash prizes, food vendors, and themed photo opportunities throughout the neighborhood. A screening of Guillermo del Toro's *Book of Life*

will be played starting at 7:00 pm. Saturday, October 28, 3pm; free. Memorial Park Bowl, 373 Park Way. (CHULA VISTA)

Fairy Tale Ball Enjoy crafts, games, and other activities for young royalty, fairies, dragons, and aspiring villains. Come in costume, fairy-tale themed or otherwise, or in your average 21st century garb. No registration required. Recommended for ages 3+ Saturday, October 28, 11am; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

Glow N Float Pumpkin Patch at the Plunge Capture family moments amidst an immersive pumpkin patch. Friday, October 27, 5:30pm; \$15-\$50. Belmont Park, 3146 Mission Boulevard. (MISSION BEACH)

Halloween Aglow After the sun goes down, the aquarium lights up for a family-friendly event that features live music, a costume contest, trick-or-treat stations, and more. Don't miss skeleton divers in the Giant Kelp Forest or the opportunity to learn about some weird and wonderful research being done at Scripps Oceanography. Advanced reservations are required @ <https://aquarium.ucsd.edu/>. Friday, October 27, 6pm; Saturday, October 28, 6pm; \$27-\$30. Birch Aquarium at Scripps, 2300 Expedition Way. (LA JOLLA)

Halloween Carnival The National Charity League will host the annual Halloween Carnival. Kids, dress in your favorite costume and visit the patio for fun carnival games. Saturday, October 28, 10:30am; free. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Halloween Party Child-friendly Halloween themed games, relays, bubblestorms, zipline rides, rock climbing, trick-or-treating, puppet shows, and goody bags to take home are all included! Costumes are encouraged for kids and adults of all ages. RSVP is required. Sunday, October 29, 2pm; \$30. My Gym Children's Fitness Center, 8657 Villa La Jolla Drive #121B. (LA JOLLA)

Halloween at the Station Ingram Plaza, Liberty Station invites San Diegans to celebrate the property's Naval history paired with its annual Halloween event. Sunday, October 29, 12pm; free. Arts District Liberty Station, North Promenade, 2875 Dewey Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

Halloween in La Mesa Village The 5th Annual Halloween in La Mesa Village features family-friendly trick-or-treating in downtown where businesses will be handing out treats along La Mesa Blvd. and adjoining streets. Tuesday, October 31, 4pm; free. La Mesa Village, Spring Street at La Mesa Boulevard. (LA MESA)

More Candy Please! Trick or Treat Get ready for a night of ghoulish fun, as exhibits transform into candy-filled wonderlands for trick or treaters of all ages. Additionally, adults 21+ can enjoy complimentary cocktails for showing off their costumes. Tuesday, October 31, 11am; \$28-\$50. WNDR

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Museum, 422 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

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Trick or Treat Halloween Trail Trick-or-Treat throughout a "monsterless" not-so-scary haunt, while collecting lots of goodies along the way. Cost includes entry, candy, coloring page. Tickets required only for kids who are trick or treating. Parents do not need a ticket. Free face painting will also be available. Costumes are highly encouraged. Saturday, October 28, 3pm; Sunday, October 29, 3pm; \$10. AleSmith Brewing Company, 9990 Alesmith Court. (MIRAMAR)

FUNDRAISERS

Barbie Glitz & Glam Support Women Owned businesses affected by the Maui Wild Fires and The Sister League of San Diego. Barbie Glitz & Glam on Monday October 30 in the Voodoo Room, with DJ Rescue, also known as "Zia McCabe" from the Dandy Warhols. Zia McCabe's Halloween Psycho A-Go-Go on Tuesday October 31 in the Delta Room, with performers including IdolX (Billy Idol tribute), locals The Falling Doves, Pretending Chrissy (Pretenders cover band), and L.A.'s Monster Lust with members from Brian Jonestown Massacre, The Warlocks, and Spindrift. Monday, October 30, 7:30pm; House of Blues, 1055 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

HALLOWEEN

Barbie's Screamhouse Party in seven rooms, and three floors, with over a dozen DJs spinning. Saturday, October 28, 7:30pm;

OUTDOORS

Hunter's Moon signals autumnal equinox, Extreme high tides

This Year, The Harvest Moon Rose On September 29, so the Hunter's Moon appears one lunar cycle later, on October 28. And like the Harvest Moon, the Hunter's Moon will rise around the same time for several nights, so look for it on Friday, October 27. Full moons are usually named by Native American or European American folklore; the Harvest Moon and Hunter's Moon are unique because they are not — rather, they are tied to the autumnal



A SURFER WAITS FOR A BREAK IN A GIANT SET TO JUMP INTO THE ACTION.

Hard Rock Hotel, 207 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

City Heights Dia de los Muertos Explore a time honored cultural tradition of 26 years, with contemporary tweaks. Take a drum lesson with Drummers Without Borders, then jam and parade with giant puppets around the park. There is a fun zone for kids with bounceys, altars for all, and maskmaking for all ages. Enjoy the San Diego Ballet, Victoria Mariachi and more. Saturday, October 28, 11am; **free**. City Heights Weingart Library, 3795 Fairmount Avenue. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Dia de los Muertos Celebrate culture, tradition, and music honoring our ancestors with music,

dance, and crafts. Sunday, October 29, 2pm; **free**. Poway Library, 13137 Poway Road. (POWAY)

Haunted Ghost Town This year's haunt will transport visitors back to the Gold Rush era. Set among restored historic buildings, this experience combines authentic details, rich storytelling based on local legends and the dark history of the Gold Rush, and bone-chilling performances by professionally trained actors in period-specific costumes. Friday, October 27, 5pm; Saturday, October 28, 5pm; Sunday, October 29, 5pm; Monday, October 30, 5pm; \$12-\$22. San Dieguito Heritage Museum, 450 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Poe & Company Enjoy macabre literature read out loud. Saturday, October 28, 6pm, 7:30pm and 9pm; \$30. Villa Montezuma Museum, 1925 K Street. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

Rooftop Bar Halloween Party Step into the chilling world of Stanley Kubrick this Halloween at Rooftop Bar for A Night At The Overlook Hotel, bringing Hollywood's most iconic scenes to life. Dance to haunting tunes, inspired by Kubrick's masterpieces, with beats by DJ Zochibeats. Dress as your favorite Kubrick character. Saturday, October 28, 6pm; 21 and up. Mission Pacific Hotel, 201 North Myers Street. (OCEANSIDE)

LECTURES

CreativeMornings San Diego: Endurance Free breakfast lecture series with Shaney jo Darden for the creative community. Friday, October 27, 8:15am; **free**. Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Seven Decades of Contemporary Art Trends Art historian Cornelia Feye presents an art historical overview of the most important art movements from 1945 to the present, recognizing geopolitical events reflected in the artwork. Single lectures: \$15/20; series: \$72/90. Thursday, October 26, 7:30pm; \$15-\$90. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)



A FULL MOON RISES OVER DOWNTOWN AND THE MIDWAY.

equinox. As the Moon sits over the horizon around sunset, it may appear larger and more orange than usual. This is just the "Moon Illusion," which makes the Moon appear bigger than it is.

Extreme High Tides Are Occurring This Weekend, Saturday's will be +7.09 feet at 9:18 am, Sunday will be +7.19 feet at 9:50 am, and Monday +7.05 feet at 10:22 am. If we get large waves like we saw last weekend this could be a recipe for coastal flooding.

October's Lowest Tides, Coinciding With The Afternoon Hours two days in a row, usher in several months of excellent tidepooling opportunities. A not-so-low -0.95-foot tide occurs at 3:59 pm on Saturday the 28th, and a -1.05-foot low at 4:42 pm on Sunday, the 29th. The next several months will feature several episodes of still-lower tides during the afternoon. The region's best-known places to view intertidal life include Cabrillo National Monument and areas up the coast from La Jolla Shores.

NATURE

Birding Basics Class Join MTRP Trail Guide and experienced birder Winona Sollock for an educational bird identification class. Increase your enjoyment of Nature by learning 5 simple techniques to identify birds at a glance. You will also learn how to use a field guide, so bring one along if you have it. Classes meet at the Visitor Center in Classroom A. The class is free and open to the public. Seating is limited to the first ten people. Saturday, October 28, 1pm; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Guided Nature Walk Join a MTRP Trail Guide on a nature walk and learn about the plants, animals, geology, history, and ecology of the park along a scenic trail. Walks start from the Visitor Center, are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. The trails used are easy, but have uneven surfaces and some involve steps, so be sure to wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes and bring along water. A hat and sunscreen are also recommended. Walks are canceled if raining. Saturday, October 28, 9:30am, Sunday, October 29, 9:30am; **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Guided Nature Walk Learn about the history & ecology of the lake and enjoy the many birds that make this habitat home. Migrating

birds are plentiful right now. Walks start from the Kumeyaay Lake Campground Entry Station. Walks are free and open to the public, with no reservations required. A hat and sunscreen are also recommended. Saturday, October 28, 8:30am; **free**. Kumeyaay Lake Campground, Two Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SANTÉE)

Guided Night-Walk into Rose Canyon Enter into a place where hawks rule and shrubs flower in the mist. Or if you are a rail-fan, it is a maintenance-of-way trail with mainline traffic, both at a distance, and then, up close. Local history buffs will find clues and a mystery to solve. Quiet, well-behaved, leashed pets are welcome. No bathrooms or water are available. The trail (3/4 mile long), while mostly wide and straight, has poison ivy and a few holes. Park under the carports that overlook the traffic lights by the school's main entrance. Saturday, October 28, 7:30pm; **free**. University City High School, 6949 Genesee Avenue. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Wheelchair-Accessible Botanical Tour Join Park Ranger Herrera for a journey through a lesser-known botanical treasure. This easy, 1/4-mile trail is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Bring water and sun protection. Leashed, friendly dogs are welcome. Meet near the playground. Saturday, October 28, 11am; **free**. Charles Lewis III Memorial Park, 4639 Home Avenue. (CITY HEIGHTS)

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SPECIAL EVENTS

10th Annual Encinitas Día de los Muertos The free festival is geared toward families offering great performances by Mariachi bands and Ballet Folklorico groups on stage. Plus, art-making workshops, artist demonstrations, a Day of the Dead art exhibit by local students, food trucks and a low-rider car show. Sunday, October 29, 12pm; **free**. MiraCosta College San Elijo Campus, 3333 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF-BY-THE-SEA)

Barrio Logan Día De Muertos Celebration This free, family-friendly event will feature food, a market, kids workshops and activities, a screening of COCO, and live performances by Tropa Mágica, Maíz of B-side Players, Cumbia Machine, Mariachi, baile folklorico, danzantes, and more. Sunday, October 29, 12pm; **free**. Barrio Logan, Logan Avenue.

Día de los Muertos Experience San Diego's finest Día de los Muertos celebration! Take a tour of more than 40 unique ofrendas. Bring the family for amazing art and activities in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park and stroll a fabulous street market for treasures on October 28 & 29. Watch a free screening of Disney Pixar's "Coco" under the stars. Join our annual candlelit procession on November 2. Saturday, October 28, 10am; Sunday, October 29, 10am; **free**. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

Gem Diego Show San Diego Mineral & Gem Society is hosting an indoor gem show with a kid's corner, 20+ exhibits of lapidary work of all kinds, many demonstrations from chasing to repose, sphere making, chain making, cabbings, silversmithing, and more. Saturday, October 28, 9:30am; Sunday, October 29, 10am; **free**. Liberty Station Conference Center, 2600 Laning Road. (LIBERTY STATION)

Heartland Coin Club Coin Show Dealers will be present to buy, sell, and offer appraisals. Saturday, October 28, 10am; **free**-\$3. Guardian Angels Church, 9310 Dalehurst Road. (SANTEE)

SPORTS & FITNESS

San Diego Gulls Home Game The San Diego Gulls will host 14 different Western Conference opponents at Pechanga Arena as part of their 2023-24 schedule. Friday, October 27, 7pm; Pechanga Arena San Diego, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

U.S. Women's National Team vs. Colombia The U.S. Women's National Team will play a friendly match against Colombia on October 29 at Snapdragon Stadium in San Diego. Sunday, October 29, 2:30pm; \$25-\$200. Snapdragon Stadium, 2101 Stadium Way. (MISSION VALLEY)

THEATER LISTINGS

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

The 39 Steps

Combine a film masterpiece by Alfred Hitchcock with a juicy spy novel and add a large splash of Monty Python humor. The result? A fast paced whodunit with four versatile actors portraying more than 50 roles! London, 1935. The rather dull Richard Hannay encounters a woman who claims to be a spy. When she is suddenly murdered, Richard finds himself the focus of a nationwide manhunt led by a mysterious organization. Director, Phil Johnson. The cast includes Marley Bauer as Richard Hannay, Melanie Mino as Annabela /Margaret & Pamela, Chris Braden as Clown #1 and Katelyn Slater as Clown #2. SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, 9783 AVENUE OF NATIONS, SCRIPPS RANCH. 858-578-7728. 7PM FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

The Addams Family

In the kooky, upside-down world of the Addams Family, to be sad is to be happy, to feel pain is to feel joy, and death and suffering are the stuff of their dreams. In one fateful, hilarious night, secrets are disclosed, relationships are tested, and the family must face up to the one horrible thing they have managed to avoid for generations: change. Book by: Marshall Brickman & Rick Elice Music & Lyrics by: Andrew Lippa Rating: PG-13 SAN DIEGO MUSICAL THEATRE, 4652 MERCURY ST., CLAIREMONT. 858-560-5740. 7PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 3PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Asian Scary Theater

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CAHS: Little Shop of Horrors

A delectable sci-fi horror Broadway musical with an electrifying 1960s pop/rock score by Alan Menken and Howard Ashman bringing to life a world of music, magic and monster puppetry. Seymour, a meek florist, discovers a plant and names it Audrey



Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde: Trust the tincture?

II after his crush. Growing into foul-mouthed, R carnivore, it promises fame & fortune to Seymour as long as he keeps feeding it, blood. Rated PG-13 GRAND-RITZ THEATRE, 301 EAST GRAND AVE., ESCONDIDO. 760-309-7609. 7PM THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 2PM & 7PM SATURDAY.

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels

Two con men, a beautiful woman and the elite of the French Riviera collide in this sexy and irreverent farce. Based on the popular 1988 MGM film, the play travels to the French Riviera for high jinks and hilarity. Sophisticated, suave with a good dash of mischief, this hysterical comedy features a jazzy score by David Yazbek (*The Full Monty*) and was nominated for eleven Tony Awards. Rated: PG-13. STAR THEATRE, 402 N. COAST HWY., OCEANSIDE. 760-721-9983. 7:30PM FRIDAY, 2PM & 7:30PM SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY.

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde

An elegant, somehow unfussy presentation of a sincere, old-style dramatic investigation into moral and philosophical territory that ought to be uncomfortably familiar in an age that is sold on better living through chemistry. Early on, decent Doctor Jekyll wonders if a murderer's cry of "What have I done?" might not be rhetorical, but sincere: what if it really was as if someone else was wielding the blade? And what if that someone else could be isolated, contained, restrained via chemical intervention? Jekyll may be decent, but he's also distressed — by his indecent colleague Sir Danvers Carew, for starters — and envies those tribal mystics who can obtain serenity by puffing on a pipe. So he's mocked up a medicine, and severed himself from his beastly other half, the monstrous Dr. Hyde. He's not simply man's animal nature before morality slaps on the shackles; he's properly monstrous — which means he's still human, and therefore, still desperate for life...and love. But medicines have side effects, don't you know, and this one may include prolonged blackouts, during which terrible things start to take place. Shana Wride's presentation of Jeffrey Hatcher's adaptation of the Robert Louis Stevenson novella smartly dresses everyone in the same costume, so that any of them can serve as Jekyll's warped reflection as the story demands. In one particularly chilling moment, several of them, gather to whisper Hyde's dark

desires just out of the hearing of the one character who is always herself: the lovely Elizabeth, the Beauty to Hyde's Beast. Why does she fall for him? Who can say? Love isn't simply chemistry or animal desire; it's a force that has little to do with Jekyll's mind-bending tincture. He would have done well to attend to it. The adaptation of Stevenson's work isn't perfect — there is at least one inexplicable dramatic decision near the climax of the action — but it is consistently clever, and while the expert cast is utterly serious about its work, the show remains an entertainment and not a lesson. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DR., SOLANA BEACH. 858-481-1055. 8PM THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, & SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS.

Evil Dead The Musical

The gang venture back to the cabin in the woods for the tenth year. Rated R for strong adult language and themes. 18 years and older please- Strobes and other visual effects used in show. TENTH AVENUE ARTS CENTER, 930 TENTH AVE., EAST VILLAGE. 619-920-8503. 8PM FRIDAY, SATURDAY, & SUNDAY.

Loud Fridge Theatre

Group: ZACH

Loud Fridge Theatre Group finishes their inaugural season with the San Diego premiere of ZACH by local playwright Christian St. Croix, directed by Amira Temple. A satirical comedy that lovingly skewers the popular tropes of the 90s teen

sitcom, ZACH introduces us to the lives and loves of two teens of color at an affluent, majority-white Southern Californian high school. P.J., a lovesick surfer boy, and Gina, a budding fashionista, are overjoyed when they're invited into the inner circle of Zach, the white, charismatic, prank-happy new kid at school. But when Zach plans a prank that goes too far, P.J. and Gina must race to stop him before it's too late — and along the way, learn to see their peers, and themselves, with fresh eyes.

ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AVE., CHULA VISTA. 619-422-7787. 7:30PM THURSDAY, FRIDAY, & SATURDAY.

Mr. Burns: A Post-Electric Play

This play is a darkly comedic exploration of how pop culture and storytelling evolve in a post-apocalyptic world. Set in a world where electricity is scarce and society has collapsed, a group of survivors gathers around a campfire to recount an episode of *The Simpsons*. As time passes, the story evolves and is retold, ultimately becoming a mythical, musical tale that serves as the foundation of a new civilization. This inventive and thought-provoking play examines the power of shared cultural references and the enduring nature of storytelling. SAVILLE THEATRE AT SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE, 14TH AND C ST., DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. 619-388-3676. 11AM THURSDAYS, 7:30PM FRIDAYS, 2PM &

7:30PM SATURDAYS.

San Diego Junior Theatre: The Sound of Music

Set in Austria on the eve of World War II, we follow the journey of Maria, a spirited young woman with a passion for music, who is sent as a governess to the seven von Trapp children. Through her challenges with this broken family, Maria discovers the transformative power of love and music in the face of adversity. ASL-Interpreted performance on Saturday, November 11 at 2pm.

CASA DEL PRADO THEATRE, 1600 VIL-LAGE PL., BALBOA PARK. 7PM FRIDAYS, 2PM SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS.

Spooky Shakespeare

Join San Diego Shakespeare Society actors for Halloween-inspired performances. Ensemble includes Milena Phillips, Laura Ganz-Holtan, William Barstad, Joel Castellaw, Dan Martin, and Patricia Elmore Costa. MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 1649 EL PRADO, BALBOA PARK. 619-238-7559. 1PM SATURDAY.

The Two Gentlemen of Verona

Set in a modern-day Italy, we meet two young men in search of identity and Julia, the first Shakespearean female character to disguise herself as a young man. This company of 14 M.F.A. actors, now in training at The Old Globe and University of San Diego, brings a wild cast of characters to life in a bold staging of this timely, classy comedy that highlights themes of betrayal, loyalty, and friendship. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM SATURDAY, 2PM & 7PM SUNDAY, 7PM TUESDAY, OCT. 31 & WEDNESDAY, NOV. 1.

Xanadu

Xanadu follows Clio, the lovely and precocious Greek muse who puts on roller skates. legwarmers, and an Australian accent in order to help Sonny Malone, a chalk artist with half a brain and a heart of gold, rediscover his own creativity. With both help and hindrance from the other muses Sonny and Clio work to rebuild a roller disco. Book by Douglas Carter Beane. Music and Lyrics by Jeff Lynne and John Farrar. Based on the Universal Pictures film Screenplay by Richard Danus & Marc Rubel.

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

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Chanteuse's classical cafe

I often ask musicians about their best, worst, and weirdest experiences while performing in and around San Diego. In the case of classically-trained soprano and mezzo-soprano Victo-

Park still?"

The latest manifestation of her workaholic sensibility is the Divo Diva Café, a European-style cafe, coffee house, and wine bar that opened last September on Fifth Avenue in Hillcrest. The Diva is Robertson



Victoria Robertson: doing her bit for cafe culture and cultured cafes.

ria Robertson, these three categories melded in one sun-fueled fusion. "During the pandemic, I was singing opera from my front porch in North Park, every Sunday since March 2020. I was determined to do it every Sunday no matter what." One Sunday, "I think it was 105 degrees, and I only managed one-and-a-half songs before I felt like I was going to pass out. But I did it. Three people showed up. Those three people, I invited up to sit in the shade, under my porch."

A New Jersey native, Robertson came to USCD in 1992, and it's been her home base ever since. She's worked in television for the SD-based AWE network, toured the world performing with the USO, and founded an opera advocacy program called Opera4Kids. "I was living in North Park for 17 years, in the same blue house on Villa Terrace that I considered my real home. At the end of the pandemic lockdowns, about 2021, the owner finally sold the house, and I moved to an ADU 'temporarily' in the back of my friend's place — in North

herself, and the "Divo" (the lesser-known male equivalent) is friend and business partner Rosario Monetti an operatic tenor and native of Naples, Italy who moved out here to stay in 2009. Robertson says that the two don't sing continuously at their new digs, as is typical for such operations, they exhaust themselves just running the place. But they do break out a few duets — and even occasional solo outings — for evening sets and special events.

"We just sing off the cuff, very impromptu. Sometimes, we use backing tracks; a lot of times, we just sing a *cappella*. We're opera singers, so we rely on the vocal line more than the production value of the track. A lot of pop music, the interesting parts of those songs happen in the backgrounds, but with opera, it's so vocal-driven." The song list taps Monetti's musical roots, with Neapolitan standards such as "O sole mio" and "Torna a Sorriento," plus the well-known aria "La donna e mobile" from Verdi's *Rigoletto*. They supplement these with a more recent

crowd-pleaser, "Time To Say Goodbye" aka "Con te partirò," made famous by the blind Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli.

"A lot of the songs we can do as duets, switch back and forth [on] who takes the melody line. In concert, I'd say 50 percent is duets and then 50 percent we split between solos." The Great American Songbook also gets a workout, with Sinatra and his posse represented by "Fly Me to the Moon," "You Make Me Feel So Young," and "Besame Mucho." Robertson favors "At Last," a "bluesy" tune dating back to WWII, but made famous by Etta James in the early '60s. "Rosario loves 'Quando Quando Quando,' which we do as a duet, him in Italian and then I'll sing it in English."

Contemporary pop also enters the mix. "In my twenties, I was known in San Diego for being a singer/songwriter with my guitar. When the pandemic hit, I brought out my guitar again, and got hired to sing every Thursday night at the Westgate Hotel, doing acoustic covers from Fleetwood Mac to Elton John to Adele. And sometimes, I do acoustic nights like that at Divo Diva. We're both very diverse." The Café hasn't yet expanded into full evening food service, but Robertson says they offer wine, coffee, pastries, and Italian bread. "Eventually, we're gonna have pasta dinner evenings." Local musical talent rotates through many evenings, among them guitarist Carlos Velasco and flamenco dancer Lakshmi Basile, aka "La Chimi."

"I think classical music continues to be a very important part of society in education," says Robertson. "Perhaps it is not being shared so much with young audiences," which is why she works on Opera4Kids. "I think that those experiences should be formed with the family, when a child is young, to give a sense of inspiration. Classical music doesn't seem as well funded as it once was, and that reflects in the quality and quantity of the productions. However, it is very important that we keep this beautiful art form alive."

— Andrew Hamlin

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THE FRIGHTS at Observatory North Park

OCT 27



Surf-punkers the Frights were still teens when they formed the band around 2012. Their major label debut was produced by FIDLAR frontman Zac Carper (SWMRS, Dune Rats), mixed by Rob Kinelski (Ed Sheeran, Billie Eilish, 30 Seconds To Mars) and mastered by multiple Grammy Winner Greg Calbi (Arcade Fire, Tame Impala, the War on Drugs). The North Park bill includes L.A. punk band Death Lens, who have a new release on Epitaph Records.

EMBERS at Music Box

OCT 28



A few weeks ago, Embers released their indie-emo EP *To: The Moon*, preceded by a single for "Scratch My Name." The band cites influences such as Lil Peep, Bright Eyes, Machine Gun Kelly, and Linkin Park. They'll play backup for aspiring Death Cab For Karaoke singers ("We play, you sing"), as well as performing a full band set celebrating the new record.

ROCKET FROM THE CRYPT at House of Blues

OCT 28



"Swami" John Reis may be familiar to many people from local experimental rock acts such as Pitchfork, Hot Snakes, and Drive Like Jehu, but his best known band will probably always remain Rocket From the Crypt, which will stage its annual Halloween reunion show downtown. The bill includes on-site tattoo artists and Long Beach surf rockers Tijuana Panthers.

THE CREEPY CREEPS at the Casbah

OCT 28



The Creepy Creeps is made up of players from bands such as the Locust, Struggle, and Tarantula Hawk. The band usually dresses in mariachi clothes, with skulls painted on their faces. The all-local Halloween party bill includes female fronted rock group Scary Pierre and electro-blues band Low Volts.

CHLOE LOU & THE LIDDELLS at the Casbah

OCT 29



Founded in 2018 and based in Ramona, Chloe Lou & the Liddells play bluesy country soul music with an oldies feel. Her backing band was founded by members of the Penetrators, Crowdaddys, Nashville Ramblers, and Bartenders Bible. The release party for their sophomore album *XVII* includes sets from Jeff Berkley & the Banned and Lauren Leigh, who released her second solo full-length, *Ghost in the Picture*, last year.

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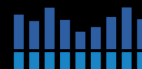
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Friday, 7pm — Gabriele Dagrezio.
Saturday, 7pm — Robert Chini.

Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:

Friday, 7:30pm — Acoustic Evenings with Jefferson Jay.

Barefoot Bar and Grill:

Friday, 6pm — Jason Graham.

Bellamy's Restaurant:

Saturday, 6:30pm — Helena Holleran.

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday, 8pm — Deer Tick and Country Westerns.

Friday, 7:30pm — Livin' On A Prayer and Generation Idol.
Saturday, 7:30pm — 80s Heat and Bella Lux.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Nation of Language and Miss Grit.

Monday, 7:30pm — The Band of Heathens and The Watson Twins.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Missing Persons and Manual Scan.

Brew Coffee Spot:

Friday, 5:30pm — Garza Sextet.
Free.

Brick by Brick:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Exciter and

Lich King. \$20-\$25.

Friday, 9pm — Shake It Off 1989 Album Re-Release Party. \$25.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Rittz, Jehry Robinson, Noble Poets. \$25-\$30.

Sunday, 6:30pm — Wednesday 13 and Gemini Syndrome. \$30-\$110.

Cannonball:

Thursday, 5pm — Ben Benavente.

Tuesday, 5pm — Andrew Peña.

Casbah:

Thursday, 7:30pm — T.S.O.L. and Doll Riot.

Saturday, 8pm — Creepy Creeps, Scary Pierre, Low Volts.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Chloe Lou & the Liddells Album Release. \$8.

Monday, 7pm — Jervis Campbell. \$15.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — Ulrika Spacek and Holy Wave.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Say She She.

Corazon Del Barrio:

Saturday, 4pm — Pikos Y Lagrimas Fest Vol. 1. \$25-\$30.

D.G. Wills Books:

Thursday, 7pm — Bill Perrine: Alien Territory Music in 1970s San Diego." Free.

Deano's Pub:

Friday, 8pm — West of 5. Free.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:

Saturday, 7pm — Rey Condor. Free.

Duke's La Jolla:

Friday, 3pm — Russell Pihainui.

Sunday, 4pm — Farrah Camu.

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Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:

Thursday, 6pm — Johnny Martin.

Farmer & the Seahorse:

Friday, 4:30pm — Sean McCole.

Saturday, 11am — David Shyde.

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Full Circle Saloon:

Friday, 8pm — Tequila Mockingbirdz and Some Girlz.

Hard Rock Hotel:

Saturday, 7:30pm — Barbie's Screamhouse.

Holding Company:

Friday, 7pm — Nightmare on 80s Halloween Party. Free.

Sunday, 4pm — Southern Sweet Tea R Halloween. Free.

House of Blues:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Arch Echo. \$20.

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Saturday, 7:30pm — Joe P. \$18.

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Sunday, 7:30pm — Cal Scruby. \$20-\$75.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Eladio Carrion. \$77-\$268.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — The Mary Wallopers. \$25.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Demob Happy. \$30.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Dying Fetus and The Acacia Strain. \$29-\$115.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:

Friday, 8:30pm — Daring Greatly. \$15.

Tuesday, 7pm — The Boneshakers Halloween Concert & Costume Contest. \$15-\$20.

Humphreys by the Bay:

Monday, 7:30pm — Daryl Hall and Todd Rundgren.

JAI at the Conrad:

Friday, 6pm & 8pm — Banda Magda. \$53-\$68.

Kensington Club:

Friday, 8pm — The Diz Single Release. \$10-\$15.

L'Auberge Del Mar:

Thursday, 5pm — Jemille Vialat.

Friday, 7pm — Marelle.

Wednesday, 7pm — Joanna Gerolaga.

La Jolla Community Center:

Friday, 7pm — Fourth Friday Jazz Series. \$25-\$35.

La Valencia Hotel:

Thursday, 5:30pm, Sunday, 6pm — David Shyde.

Friday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.

Saturday, 11am — Rachel Jay.

Sunday, 11am — Jesse Johnson.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort:

Friday, 7pm — Shay Skylar.

Saturday, 7pm — Jesse Johnson.

Loft:

Sunday, 7pm — Ratboys.

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:

Friday, 8pm — Pimpinela. \$45-\$150.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Pat Metheny. \$65-\$90.

Mellano Farm Stand:

Saturday & Sunday, 10:30am — Cowboy Jack. Free.

MiraCosta College:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Frequency Vocal Jazz Ensemble Sneak Peek. \$8-\$10.

Mission Bay Resort:

Thursday, 6pm — Helena Holleran.

Friday, 6pm — Jemille Vialat.

Sunday, 6pm — Marelle.

Monday, 6pm — Dave Booda.

Tuesday, 6pm — Jehua Evans.

Wednesday, 6pm — Johnny Martin.

Moonshine Beach:

Thursday, 7pm — Megan Moroney. \$20-\$100.

Mt. Carmel High School:

Saturday, 9am — Tournament of Bands. \$12-\$15.

Music Box:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Zen Zag and Poems. \$10-\$15.

Friday, 7:30pm — Protest The Hero and Moon Tooth. \$27-\$32.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Death Cab for Karaoke: Embers. \$22-\$140.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Claudio Simonetti's Goblin. \$50-\$65.

Tuesday, 9pm — The Gaslamp Killer & Friends. \$25-\$140.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Prince of Eden and Dante Marino.

Navajo Live:

Saturday, 8pm — Radio Thieves and Rockstalgia. \$12-\$15.

Sunday, 8pm — Halloween Party: Wookie Garcia and Manzanita Blues. \$6-\$8.

Wednesday, 8pm — Blü Egyptian. Free.

Normal Heights United Methodist Church:

Friday, 6:15pm — Songwriter Sanctuary. \$10.

Nova SD:

Tuesday, 8pm — Malaa.

Oak Valley Middle School:

Saturday, 2pm — North County Winds Concert. \$15-\$20.

Observatory North Park:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Freddie Gibbs. \$32-\$52.

Friday, 7pm — The Frights. \$30-\$50.

Saturday, 7pm — Amigo The Devil. \$27-\$47.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — Kota the Friend. \$35-\$150.

Pal Joey's:

Saturday, 9pm — Blame Betty. Free.

Panama 66, 1450 Plaza de Panama.:

Thursday, 6pm — Uptown Rhythm Makers. Free.

Petco Park:

Thursday, 7:30pm — RL Grime. \$60-\$374.

Sunday, 7pm — Hozier. \$79-\$957.

Quartyard:

Thursday, 5pm — Good Morning.

Friday, 6pm — Frankie & the Witch Fingers and Monsterwatch. \$25.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:

Saturday & Sunday, 7pm — Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back In Concert. \$52-\$135.

Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room:

Friday, 7pm — JiveChops Ensemble. Free.

Rustic Root:

Tuesday, 6pm — David Shyde.

San Diego Civic Theatre:

Friday, 8pm — Manuel Turizo. \$39-\$197.

Side Yard:

Wednesday, 6pm — Sam Cary.

Soda Bar:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Giacomo Turra and The Funky Minutes. \$19.

Friday, 8pm — 1989 Dance

ParTay. \$24.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Underscores and Jedwill. \$22.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Pep Rally Halloween Prom. \$12.

Monday, 7:30pm — Not GreenDay. \$19.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — Daring Greatly and Ash Easton. \$15.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Billy Raffoul. \$24.

Soma:

Thursday, 7:30pm — The Garden and Show Me the Body. \$35.

Saturday, 7:30pm — Ashnikko.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Bullet For My Valentine. \$37.

Tuesday, 7:30pm — The Living Tombstone. \$25.

Wednesday, 7pm — Men I Trust.

Sound:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Interpol and Jean Dawson. \$75.

Friday, 7:30pm — LSDREAM. \$60.

Sunday, 7:30pm — Cultura Profetica. \$55-\$225.

Spreckels Organ Pavilion:

Saturday, 7pm — Halloween Spooktacular.

Sunday, 2pm — Spreckels Organ Society Fall Family Concert. Free.

Theatre for Young Professionals:

Friday, 7pm, Saturday, 3pm & 7pm, Sunday, 3pm — All Hallows' Eve Musical Revue. \$15-\$30.

Tidal:

Saturday, 5pm — Christian Taylor.

Viejas Arena:

Saturday, 7:30pm — Jonas Brothers. \$69-\$1400.

Westfield University Towne Centre:

Thursday, 12pm — Ben Benavente.

Saturday, 12pm — Jesse Johnson.

Sunday, 12pm — Blu Gruv.

Winstons Beach Club:

Thursday, 9pm — Blvk H3ro. \$15.

Friday, 7:30pm — Karina Rykman and Guerilla Toss.

Saturday, 9:30pm — Alif and Aaron Wolf. \$15-\$20.

Saturday, 4pm — Brian Jones Rock n Roll Revival. Free.

Sunday, 4pm — Howlin' Moon and Amanda Cogan. Free.

Tuesday, 9pm — Bass Mechanic and Auto Von Sync.

Wednesday, 8pm — Direct Line. Free.

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Aquarius Bar & Grille:

November 5 — Mark Fisher's High Noon Dead Set

Baba Coffee:

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THE GONZO REPORT

JAKE PETERSON

Jesse's girl replacement

Canceled reconnection can't dampen Pixies performance at Petco

My last encounter with Jesse was nine years ago; it began with him standing, barefoot, outside my downtown Seattle apartment, calling my name from six stories below as he clutched a plastic hospital bag containing a few dirty belongings, completely spun out. Fortunately, I had my window open as I chomped on sugary cereal while watching *It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia* DVDs. After hearing his call, I shot down the stairwell and let him into my apartment to chill out while I went to grab some sandwiches. When I returned, big red fire trucks surrounded my building, their lights strobing the scene. "Somebody pulled the fire alarm on the sixth floor," a resident of my evacuated building told me. *Fuckin' Jesse*. I ran up the back stairwell and into my apartment to find my iHome speaker completely taken apart and my boots missing. Jesse was gone, both mind and body.

Fast forward to this past May, when I received a Facebook friend request from, you guessed it, Jesse. Only now, his page's content showed a different man, one who was off drugs and had a new baby boy. I accepted his request; Jesse was responsible for introducing me to a lot of cool ass music back when we spent months underway together in the Navy. Oddly enough, he had also migrated south — to Murrieta — and he asked me if I wanted to go see the Pixies and Modest Mouse with him. Even though our last hang had been anything but spectacular, I agreed and bought the tickets, excited to see the new Jesse, plus a couple of iconic bands that would no doubt evoke time-warping memories. Then he canceled to stay home with his family. *Fuckin' Jesse*. At least this time, I couldn't harbor any anger toward him.

My reliable concert buddy Neekol claimed my extra ticket without hesitation, and when the big night came, we were dropped off just outside an empty Petco Park. The home team was out of town that weekend, but the Sycuan stage in Gallagher Square was ready for a storm. We found our way to the middle of the pack and settled in for the rest of the night. A light drizzle began to fall on us momentarily as king of the dad bands Modest Mouse rocked their elemental tunes. Fun experiment: try listening to "Float On" as the last song of your commute and *not* have the main riff play over and over in your head throughout the monotonous work day. Can't be done. It's in your head



PHOTOGRAPH BY JAKE PETERSON

The Pixies. Look what you were missing, Jesse.

right now, isn't it? It's okay, just be careful not to lose your mind over it.

Before the Pixies hit the stage, a mostly tame (at least in that moment) crowd shuffled in and out while Neekol and I held our ground. "Do you think it's risky sending my wife off like that to get beers?" one guy asked his buddy. "If she loves you, she'll make it back," he answered. A song or two into the Pixies set, she returned with golden drafts; so wonderful to see true love triumph. However: moments later, we heard some commotion behind us. When I looked back, two dudes were getting ready to throw down. Beer was splashing in the air. Neekol looked at me with wide doe eyes, a deer

in the beer fights. "This guy's rubbing up on my ass!" a drunk and angry concert-goer yelled out. The accused man's wife told him to the shut the fuck up, turn around, and watch the show. Eventually things simmered down, and our drunk friend was left issuing under-his-breath mutterings that went ignored.

When the opening chords for "Where is my Mind" started, late into the Pixies set, the cell phones came flying out. The timeless tune still resonates with people young and old. A group of young corn-fed Midwest dudes — in-port sailors by the looks of them — started climbing on each other like squealing monkeys that had just found a banana tree. The rest of the crowd howled in tune with Kim Deal's/Paz Lenchantin's part of the song. You know which part I'm talking about.

Following a satisfying Pixies set, the lights shined on the crowd, indicating that the concert was over. Neekol and I began walking the Downtown San Diego streets through the Gaslamp, laughing at the block-long lines of people trying to get into the clubs. Not so much laughing at the people, but at the fact that we used to do the same thing, and could not imagine doing so now. Then we continued up to Little Italy, past the rowdy Waterfront Bar, and north until we started seeing signs for the airport. "We could walk to the airport and hop on a plane anywhere," she joked. *Could we really?* Would I be out of mind to try, I wondered, or would I be out of my mind not to? ■

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Cannonball:
November 2 — Israel Maldonado
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November 3 — Sara Jade Acoustic Duo

The Casbah:
November 2 — Palehound and Alexalone
November 3 — Chicosci & Tanya Markova
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November 8 — Helena Deland

Chicano Park:
November 4 — AMAL: Amal & Sueños

The Congregational Church of La Jolla:
November 3 — A Sea Lion Symphony

Crafted Culture:
November 3 — Johnny Martin

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November 3 — Jemille Vialto

Duck Foot Brewing Company:
November 2 — Dead Head's Night
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Duke's La Jolla:
November 5 — Joanna Gerolaga
November 7 — Kekoa

Encinitas Elks Lodge:
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Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:
November 3 — Puro Feeling
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Farmer & the Seahorse:
November 3 — Gabriele Dagrezo
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First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego:
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November 7 — Karaoke
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Humble Heart:

November 3 — The Calvins, Manganista, Proctor Valley Monstars

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:

November 2 — New Catillacs
 November 6 — The Nick Moss Band

JAI at the Conrad:

November 3 — Mariachi Juvenil
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November 7 — California Festival: Songs & a Scandal

Josie's Hideout:

November 4, November 5 — Backcountry Music

L'Auberge Del Mar:

November 2 — Jemille Vialet
 November 3 — Jonny Tarr
 November 4 — David Shyde
 November 5 — Joanna Gerolaga
 November 8 — Rachel Jay

La Jolla Community Center:

November 8 — Opera Wednesdays

La Jolla Woman's Club:

November 5 — Le Salon De Musiques

La Valencia Hotel:

November 2 — David Shyde
 November 3 — Keni Yarbro

Lime In The Coconut:

November 2 — Islander Thursdays

The Loft:

November 4 — Girl Ray

Madison:

November 5 — Latin Jazz Sunday

The Magnolia Performing Arts Center:

November 3 — Yes
 November 4 — Stayin Alive
 November 5 — Bachman Turner Overdrive
 November 7 — Liz Phair and

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BY GARRETT HARRIS

Dvorak delayed (but still appreciated)

Last week we praised Antonin Dvorak's *Cello Concerto*, performed by Alisa Weilerstein and the San Diego Symphony. And I was looking forward to more Dvorak this season: his *Symphony No. 9* was originally on the schedule. Now, however, it appears to have been removed, due to the delays with The Jacobs Music Center renovation. Alas.

Since Dvorak has been postponed, let's at least give him his due here and take a deeper look at his life and compositions. Antonin Dvorak is, of course, considered one of the most significant composers of all time. Born on September 8, 1841 in Nelahozeves, a small village near Prague, Dvorak's musical talent was evident from a young age. He received

his first musical education from his father, who was an innkeeper and amateur musician. At the age of 16, Dvorak enrolled at the Prague Organ School, where he studied music theory and composition.

Dvorak's breakthrough came in 1873 when he won the Austrian State Prize for Composition. This recognition brought him to the attention of Johannes Brahms, who became a mentor and friend. Brahms also introduced Dvorak to his publisher, Fritz Simrock, who would go on to publish many of Dvorak's works.

One of his most significant contributions to music was his incorporation of Czech folk music into his compositions. Inspired by the nationalistic movements of the time, Dvorak sought

to create a distinct Czech musical identity. He believed that by drawing on the rich folk traditions of his homeland, he could create music that was both deeply rooted in Czech culture and universally appealing. Folk melodies and rhythms can be heard in many of his compositions; his *Symphony No. 9*, also known as the *New World Symphony*, is a prime example. Composed during Dvorak's time in the United States, it incorporates both African-American spirituals and Native American melodies.

Dvorak composed a wide range of works, including nine symphonies, operas, concertos, and chamber music. His *Cello Concerto* is considered one of the greatest works in the cello repertoire. A short list of crucial



The young Dvorak.

music that Dvorak composed would include *Symphonies Nos 7-9*, *Serenade for Strings*, *String Quartet No. 12*, "Song to the Moon" from the opera *Rusalka*, and his *Requiem*.

Dvorak's impact on the world of music extends beyond his compositions. From 1892 to 1895, Dvorak served as the director of the National Conservatory of Music in New York City, where he taught and inspired many American composers, including George

Gershwin and Aaron Copland. And despite his success and recognition, Dvorak remained a humble and down-to-earth individual. He valued his Czech heritage and often returned to his homeland.

Antonin Dvorak's contributions to the world of music are immeasurable. His ability to blend folk traditions with classical forms and his influence as a teacher and mentor confirms him as one of the greatest composers of all time.

Classical Music this week

Hutchins Consort: Retrospective 1 - The Early Years Kicking off The Hutchins Consort's 25th season, this concert celebrates popular compositions and arrangements, including Gershwin's *Summertime*, Barber's *Adagio for Strings*, and Octopus Therapy. The string ensemble is renowned for their groundbreaking approach to

chamber music. The group performs on the Hutchins violins, a distinctive lineup of violins that collectively span eight octaves. This configuration recreates the textures and intricacies of a full orchestra, all within the intimacy of a chamber ensemble. Friday, October 27, 7pm; \$10-\$40. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Encinitas, 890 Balour Drive.

North Coast Symphony: The Magic of Romance The North Coast Symphony Orchestra presents *The Magic of Romance*, a concert of romantic classics. The performance features soloist Peter Clarke, co-concertmaster of the La Jolla Symphony, performing the much loved *Violin Concerto in E Minor* by Felix Mendelssohn.

The concert also includes *Overture from Mozart's The Magic Flute* and Glazunov's *Symphony No. 5*. The orchestra was founded in 1947 and is conducted by Daniel Swem. Saturday, October 28, 2:30pm; \$15-\$12. San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena.

North County Winds Concert Under the direction of Vince Hernandez, the North County Winds presents "A Musical Cornucopia" concert of classical, jazz, and popular music. Saturday, October 28, 2pm; \$15-\$20. Oak Valley Middle School, 16055 Winecreek Road.

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Burger Deck's dictionary definition smashburgers — and a worthy vegetarian alternative

Burger Deck; 3715 India Street, San Diego.

As of this month, we can find the word *smashburger* in the dictionary, courtesy of a new edition of Merriam-Webster that defines it as, “A hamburger patty that is pressed thin onto a heated pan or griddle at the start of cooking.”

Not that anyone's had trouble identifying the burger style in the wild. It's long been ascendant in San Diego for sure, turning up as an option

— if not as a centerpiece — at virtually every new burger spot I visit. And smashburgers certainly build the foundation of Burger Deck, which recently opened on that short strip of India Street best known for institutional dining spots such as El Indio and Shakespeare Pub.

The aptly named Burger Deck comprises a window counter and a small bit of second-story deck immediately beside Shakespeare's. However, it's actually an offshoot of its downstairs neighbor, Rubicon Deli, a sandwich shop perhaps best known for baking its own unique assortment of breads, led by the ever-alluring Dutch Crunch.

Burger Deck follows suit and bakes its own buns, and just as with Rubicon's deli sandwiches downstairs, fresh bread makes the product noticeably better and more distinctive. Smashed black Angus beef burgers are served with single (\$9) or double patties (\$13), prepared either as The Deck, with cheddar, lettuce, tomato, and onion; or The Dirty Deck, with American cheese, pickles, and caramelized onions.

I went with the more photogenic Deck, and am pleased to note that smashburgers taste just fine with crisp lettuce and a thick cut of vine-ripened tomato. But deep down we all know “dirty” is the way to go when it comes to smashed patty style, and its thin, charry edges.

Another concession: I stuck with a single patty. Reason being that I needed to leave room to try a couple other burgers. And that's where things get really interesting, to the tune of seafood and fungi.

We'll talk first about the \$16 Crabby Deck: atop the aforementioned burger bun (and lettuce and tomato), it dresses a crab cake with garlic Tobasco mayonnaise and lemon caper tartar sauce. That combination of flavors sounds easy to overdo, but both they and the Old Bay are held in check enough to accentuate rather than overpower these lump crab cakes, which are made no filler-style (i.e., without breadcrumbs). For the few minutes I was eating it, I decided

that *this* must be my favorite “burger” on the menu. Then I dug in to a surprise contender. The \$12 Mushroom Deck marinates a single portobello mushroom cap, then grills it with melted Swiss cheese, finishing it with lettuce, tomato, balsamic mayonnaise, and shoestring tempura onions. Here again, the dressing and marinade bring out only the best in the meaty mushroom.

Another term Merriam-Webster reportedly added to its new dictionary is *chef's kiss*, so I'll offer one of those now for this outstanding mushroom burger. This may mark the first time my favorite item on the burger menu has been the vegetarian option.

—Jan Anderson



A smashburger, served on a house bun at Burger Deck

FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

Beyond the Cellar Beyond the Cellar fall tasting third annual event. This intimate tasting brings together wine aficionados, sommeliers, and connoisseurs to sip on reserve vintages from California wineries. Saturday, October 28, 5pm; \$275. 21 and up. Lodge at Torrey Pines, 11480 N. Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

Boos & Bottles Halloween Party Enjoy a natural wine fueled Halloween bash with a live DJ, food specials, festive drinks and wine. Friday, October 27, 7pm; 21 and up. Pali Wine Co., 2130 India Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

Chef Soichi with Special Guest Pablo Cantua Tuesday, October 31, 7pm; \$250. 21 and up. House of Blues, 1055 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Día De Los Muertos Chocolate & Tequila Pairing Enjoy tequilas from Centario, Don Julio, Tres Generaciones and Patrón paired with 4 new bonbon flavors created just for this pairing. Friday, October 27, 6pm; \$65. 21 and up. Sweet Petite Confections, 3582 Mt. Acadia Boulevard. (CLAIREMONT)

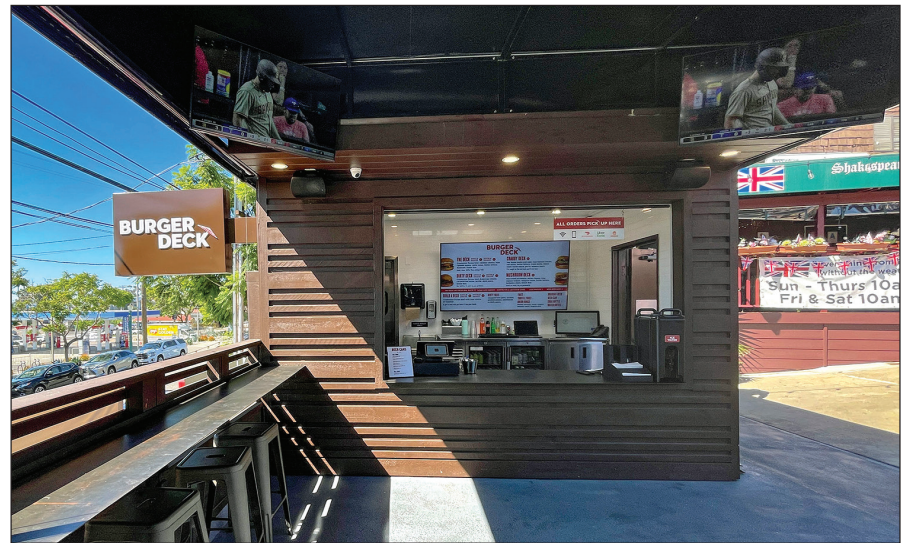
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Live Music & Wine Wednesday Enjoy half off select bottles of wine at Graze by Sam. Wednesdays, 5pm; through Wednesday, December 27, free. Little Italy Food Hall, 550 West Date St., Suite B. (LITTLE ITALY)

Our Shabbat Table With Leah Koenig Author talk and Shabbat dinner with Leah Koenig, author of *Portico: Cooking and Feasting in Rome's Jewish Kitchen*, which features over 100 flavorful recipes of Rome's Jewish community. Friday, October 27, 7:30pm; \$43-\$90. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. (LA JOLLA)

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)

Seabreeze Truffle Making Class On National Chocolate Day, learn how to make and decorate chocolates from chocolatier Jim Lantry of Seabreeze Craft



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Chocolates. Saturday, October 28, 3pm; \$35. Piazza Carmel, 3840 Valley Centre Dr, Suite 604. (CARMEL VALLEY)

SoCal Supper Club Chefs prix fixe menu prepared on a whim each month while live music hums in the background featuring three courses and half-price bottles of wine between \$100 - \$300. Tuesdays, 5pm; through Tuesday, December 19, free-\$50. 21 and up. JRDN, 723 Felspar Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

SpooktoberFest: A Night of Frightful Delights Prepare yourself for a night of hauntingly good times while you groove to fang-tastic music, savor spine-tingling adult beverages from local vendors, and indulge in delectable Oktoberfest inspired bites. Win spooktacular prizes in a costume contest. Thursday, October 26, 6pm; \$35-\$50. 21 and up. Cassara Carlsbad, 5805 Armada Dr., #Building B. (CARLSBAD)

Spooky Brunch Brunch classics and spooky festivities with garden-to-table fare complimented by morning brunch cocktails and eerie decorations. Sunday, October 29, 7am; Piper, 105 Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

Tijuana Street Food Tour Enjoy an all-inclusive street food tour in Tijuana. Guests meet at the McDonald's at the San Ysidro Trolley Station. Passports required. wildfoodietours.com. Saturdays, 12pm; through Sunday, December 31, \$69. San Ysidro Trolley Station, 700 E. San Ysidro Boulevard. (SAN YSIDRO)

Wicked Black & White Ball Enjoy an eerie evening of spellbinding sophistication and mystery and celebrate Halloween in timeless style with food and beverage offerings, freshish fun performances and other haunting surprises. Saturday, October 28, 7pm; \$115. Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa, 9700 North Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

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IF YOU WANT IT TO RAIN Get your car washed!

I WAS SUCH A NEGATIVE HUMAN BEING My apologies to Becky, Marianne, Janice and Michelle. Obviously I over reacted at your expense. Forgive me.

WHY WOULD YOU EVER use the cell phone lot when you can park at Spanish Landing?

WISHING YOU a Happy Birthday Leslie. You rock!

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29YRS LOVE YOU MOM It's been 29 yrs Mom. I think of you every day. Thanks for looking over us. Remember 1 John 5:13. Until we meet again. Love, John sdroofer63@gmail.com

CIGARETTE MOOCHES Please stop asking for cigarettes at bars, saying that you're trying to quit as an excuse. Go buy your own pack already, cheapskates!

DEAR KEVIN Without a Shadow of doubt good things are happening! I love you so much

FRIEND OR FOE My reminder we're all just human and I know you are and it's important. Well I too feel me and me is better giving you deeper recognition beyond stupid crap

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JIMMY L It's always great to see you. Had fun at the Silver Fox and Fasttimes. Romero is planning something. Party time, GMAN Style.

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DEAREST FRANK Well we had another go at the ER and all I can say is that I am glad to be here! Thank you my love for saving me. All yours, Katherine

FREAKING PADRES Wah, Wah, Wah

HAPPY HALLOWEEN Becky and Rusty, Boo! Peace Love Leslie

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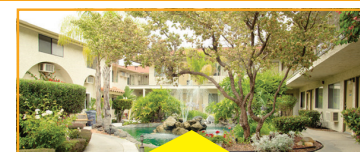


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High winds and speedy fish – Norma hits Baja Sur

Dock Totals 10/15 – 10/21: 2427 anglers aboard 115 half-day to 3-day trips out of San Diego landings over the past week caught 2104 bluefin tuna (up to 267 pounds), 22 bonito, 219 calico bass, 1010 dorado, 1 lingcod, 92 lobster (248 released), 90 perch, 193 rock crab, 2500 rockfish, 1 rock sole, 75 sand bass, 315 sculpin, 49 sheephead, 72 skipjack tuna, 11 spider crab, 220 whitefish, 932 yellowfin tuna, and 141 yellowtail.

Saltwater: The past week began with fine weather and great fishing for the fleet, and though the angler count continues to drop, the catch per angler for tunas has gone up. Bluefin tuna are still the headline act, along with a steady pick on yellowfin, with a few skipjack tossed in. Most of the fish are coming from the San Clemente Island area out to the Cortez Bank, with a few boats still working south and nearer the coast off the Corner. Yellowtail have still been mostly sluggish, though a decent bite did develop off the Coronado Islands toward the end of the week. With strong winds and churning seas at the end of the week canceling offshore trips for Sunday-Monday, we'll just have to wait and see if the fish will still be biting when the fleet returns to the grounds after the blow.

Hurricane Norma dumped buckets of rain on the southernmost areas off Baja Sur over the weekend, inundating towns around the Cape from Todos Santos, Cabo San Lucas, and into the Sea of Cortez to north of La Paz. Though the heavy rain was not a surprise, wind speeds were higher than expected, and early reports are of substantial damage from flooding and blown out marinas. As Norma made her way up from the tropics, the large cyclic storm pulled winds down the coast of Southern California and the entire Baja Peninsula, spoiling the plans of anglers throughout.

As of this writing, while Norma makes a right turn and heads into mainland Mexico north of Mazatlán, hopes are that folks prepared well, and any losses will be limited to property. This is the time of year when many people go south for camping and fishing off the Baja coast — with hurricane season ending, the weather cooling, the water still warm and inviting, and excellent fishing. Many campers set up along arroyos where they empty into the sea, and I would expect that, in this day and age, most knew to seek higher ground before the storm hit with heavy flooding. Prior to the internet age, flash floods from late season storms have caught campers and locals unaware.

The days preceding the hurricane's arrival featured excellent fishing for inshore and offshore along both coasts of Baja Sur, with reports of yellowtail from the beach in Bahía Asunción on the Pacific side, and great tuna, dorado, and wahoo fishing further south from off La Bocana and around the tip up into the Sea of Cortez. Captain Juan Cook is working out of La Bocana for the month of October and has been doing an excellent job of putting clients on trophy fish. As is often the case, the wahoo bite, especially, turned on for them some 18 to 20 miles out, and the speedy fish did not disappoint — though they can be tough to keep on the line once hooked. Capable of reaching speeds in bursts of up to 60 miles per hour, equipped with razor sharp teeth, and often line-shy, wahoo are a challenge for even the most seasoned of anglers.

From start to finish, there is a fine balance between getting bit and trying not to lose a wahoo. Catches commonly range from 30 to 50 pounds, with some reaching 70 pounds or so. The usual method is trolling at higher-than-tuna speeds of 10 to 12 knots with Marauders, Rapalas, or other hard lures that offer a swimming action. The fact that wahoo can be line shy makes fishing them with live bait impractical, due to those razor-sharp teeth. They tend to inhale what



Roy Graham, fishing with Captain Juan Cook out of La Bocana in Baja, looking a bit worked by a fine wahoo in the 60-pound range.



Bonnie May Malody, near Halfway House between San Diego and Ensenada, 1950s.

they bite, and deep hooksets without a wire leader will most always result in being cut off. And getting bit by a line-shy fish on wire is tough. So, to have a better chance, we often fish 30-pound test to get bit, and troll longer lures with forward hooks removed to keep the teeth further back from the line once hooked.

With wahoo, a one-to-three landed-to-hooked ratio is good. Wahoo do not fight as hard as some tuna, but their runs can be long, fast, and sustained in the beginning, with the line singing like a howling wind. They will tire fairly quickly, but then the next issue will be their thrashing up out of the water once near the boat, tossing their head from side to side in an attempt to escape. Usually, there is a pensive feeling when fighting wahoo, followed by a sigh of relief once it's gaffed. I used to think this might be the reason for the species' name, as we would often holler it once the fish was on the boat: "Wahoo!" And their Polynesian name, "ono," describes the feeling they often leave you with as they escape, as in "Oh no, we lost another one."

My grandmother, Bonnie May Malody, was an avid angler, often making trips with my grandfather down the coast into Baja to fish in the 1950s and '60s. She was also a well-published poet and contributing freelance editor for *Reader's Digest*, and as my caregiver when my folks worked, she encouraged both my love of writing and

fishing. Years ago, after my first forays into the wahoo grounds as an adult, I wrote this poem about the speedy and tooth-laden fish.

Wahoo!

"Oh no!" They shouted,
and truly meant it
as the rod doubled over
toward the fish that bent it.
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in a high-pitched whine,
as the speeding torpedo
depleted insufficient line.
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wide-eyed in wonder,
hoping the fish wouldn't come up
but would rather stay under,
it seemed to be saying,
at fifty miles an hour,
going away ever faster,
and with even greater power:
"Hi there, nice folks! I was simply passing through.
I didn't expect the snack, which was so very kind of you!
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— A restaurant in Tokyo, Abe-chan, recently revealed the secret behind its popular pork skewers, *Oddity Central* reported. The skewers are dipped in a sauce jar that hasn't been cleaned in more than 60 years and is covered on the outside with a hardened goo. Each day, cooks pour new sauce over the previous day's sauce, as they have throughout three generations of owners – a practice they say contributes to its rich flavor. Experts said as long as the concoction is heated, there shouldn't be any bacterial growth.

My Strange Obsession

— Fox News reported on Oct. 17 that Rowan Sturgill of Lexington, Kentucky, has documented her mother, Beth's, obsession with Diet Coke on TikTok: "This isn't even half of it, I'm not kidding," Rowan captioned her video. Beth's decor includes a soap dispenser labeled with Diet Coke and a wall full of images related to the no-calorie drink. Her Christmas ornaments are dominated by the soda, and an entire wall of her home is dedicated to a shrine of sorts comprised of bottles and cans of various sizes and shapes. One friend posted that it's like being in an "alternate reality" when they're at the Sturgills' house.

News You Can Use

— People in London have been perplexed by a bale of hay hanging from the Millennium Bridge, a modern structure that spans the River Thames, *Sky News* reported on Oct. 18. The bridge is undergoing maintenance that will reduce its head-

room. When social media lit up with questions, the City Bridge Foundation, a charity that benefits crossings over the Thames, came to the rescue: "In accordance with ancient tradition (and the Port of London Thames Byelaws), a bundle of straw is dangled from the Millennium Bridge to warn shipping of work under the bridge (we're not making this up, honest)." At night, workers hang a white light to warn ships. Work is expected to be completed by Nov. 5.

Bright Idea

— Japanese milk producer Seki Milk has devised an entertaining solution to a growing problem, *Oddity Central* reported on Oct. 11. The company did research showing that 65% of students weren't finishing their milk at lunch, so it partnered with a manga studio to produce an original comic series and print it in white on its glass milk bottles. As they drink, kids are compelled to finish the beverage so the artwork is revealed. The company says Milk Manga encourages healthy behavior and reading, and gets kids thinking about food loss.

It's a Dirty Job

— Ryan Smith, 41, who transports bodies for a funeral company in Omaha, Nebraska, was arrested on Oct. 6 after he broke into the home of a deceased person he had moved, *The Smoking Gun* reported. Investigators said that when Smith initially went to the apartment, there was a "very real life size" sex doll on the bed near the body. Later, Smith called the property manager and said the sheriff had asked him to remove the

doll "to collect swabs for biopsy." The property manager denied Smith entry to the home, but he later suspected Smith was inside the unit, which had been secured with a deadbolt and chain. The manager watched as Smith left with his shirt untucked and trousers in "disarray," then called police. The sex doll showed evidence of recent use, and she was confiscated for DNA testing. Ryan was relieved of his job.

It's a Mystery

— Adorchita Di Perno of Calgary, Alberta, was proud of finishing her 22nd marathon in Chicago on Oct. 8, so she decided to have her medal engraved on the back, *Running* magazine reported. She also had the 2018 Boston Marathon champion Des Linden sign the back in Sharpie. When she picked up the medal from the engraver, though, she saw that not only was her time wrong on the back, but the F-word was engraved above it. "This is my medal, but this is not my time or name," she said. "And I did not ask for the F-word." Later that day, store employees figured out that her medal had been confused with another runner's, who, oddly, DID want the F-word engraved on the back – but declined to say why. Di Perno said she was upset about the mix-up at the time, but now she's laughing about it. Probably helps that she qualified for the Boston race.

Recurring Theme

— It's happened again. On Oct. 15, as an EasyJet flight prepared to travel from the Spanish island of Tenerife to London after a three-hour delay,

the pilot announced that the flight would depart in about 20 minutes. "And that's when the incident happened with the defecation," said passenger Aaran Gedhu, according to *CNN Travel*. Gedhu saw two people visit the forward restroom before an unpleasant odor permeated the cabin and word spread that someone had pooped on the bathroom floor. "Obviously, the plane was in an unsanitary state. So they had to get external cleaners out from the airport to clean it," Gedhu said. After the cleaning was complete, the pilot announced that passengers would have to disembark – which took another 30 minutes. Another passenger, Kitty Streek, said: "We obviously can't prove whether the person simply had an accident or if they had done this out of anger for the delayed flight ... but nobody wants to be stranded in another country." And yet, they were: Gedhu was lodged in a hotel overnight before taking a "rescue" flight the next day.

That Bugs Me!

— As Volaris flight 221 prepared to leave Guadalajara International Airport on Oct. 6, passengers and crew were delayed by an infestation of mosquitoes in the cabin, *ABC7-TV* reported. The flight was headed to Mexico City, and crew members and passengers tried for two hours to eradicate the pests, swatting them and spraying bug repellent. Finally, passenger Elizabeth Corona said, the insects settled down when the cabin lights were turned off.

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enough room to get all the way inside. Still, I like what I see: fresh cherry cabinets, quartz counters, a modern stainless steel appliance package. As galley-style kitchens in smaller homes go, this one is quite attractive. I also really like the tiny hexagonal tiles in the floor; the grout would probably be a nightmare to keep clean, but it lends a historic feeling to the house that the otherwise modern kitchen doesn't. Even better is the "1868" inlay just past the doorway from the living area, a nod to the 155-year history of the cottage. I don't know if it's original, but I also don't care, and would definitely keep it there forever.

"The interior main living/sleeping area showcases the original hardwood floors," the listing continues, which I also find cool; it was something I decided to look into after seeing the rough-hewn boards. But this living/sleeping space is really just a bedroom: we've got room for a bed (a double or queen, not a king), a couple of dressers, and a desk. Without a couch or at least a couple of comfy chairs, I'm not calling it a living room. That's fine, because I'm spending most of my time in the yard if I live here anyway.

Next is the bath, where we get more of that black and white hexagonal tile on the floor, plus some subway tiles going up the shower walls. There's a basic Home Depot vanity, but at this price point, I'll allow it. What strikes me in here is how huge



The kitchen is admittedly a bit dated.

the window over the toilet looks (it's probably just a normal-sized window).

That's pretty much the end of our tour, but the listing tells us that we also get alley access to a gated driveway, a storage room "that could be upgraded to a standard garage and [accessory dwelling unit] or . . ." and "SO Much untapped Potential!"

Okay, so we've got a perfect little tiny house with loads of charm, a central location, and some recent upgrades. Have I mentioned the asking price is only \$410,000? What's not to like?

Sadly, the seller is willing to sell the property only as a joint transaction with the neighboring unit at 2435 G, a \$1.9 million 4158-square-foot mansion built in 2017. It's a nice house, sure, and if you check it out you'll probably appreciate the retro-modern style. But you can see from the yard photos that the two homes kind of encroach on one another and likely work better as a pair than as individual listings.

Our subject property has been listed since early September with its asking price unchanged, though it was offered as an \$1800/month rental for a while earlier this year. The neighboring property, which you must also purchase if you want this tiny home, has seen its price dropped from nearly \$2.4 million back in June. But if you've got to take them as a pair, it means the joy of small living done city close remains sadly out of reach.

In closing, I've got a favor to ask: are you working on tiny homes or ADUs anywhere in San Diego County? If so, *Unreal* wants to talk to you! Let me know what you've got in the works, we'd love to feature your work in a future column if you've got a unique solution to the housing crisis we're all enduring. Go to the website (maybe you're already there) and smash that "email author" button, or else the McMansions will keep on coming! ■



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