

S A N D I E G O

VOL. 53 | NO. 33 | AUGUST 15, 2024

Reader

Freeze it.

Kill it.

And throw
it away.

TOTALLY '80s

WITH THE SAN DIEGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

STUART CHAFETZ,
CONDUCTOR

featuring vocalists

NICOLE PARKER
AARON FINLEY

Friday,
AUGUST 16

AT THE RADY SHELL
AT JACOBS PARK™



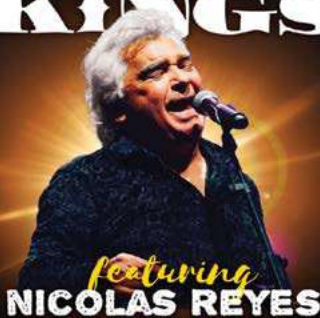
MILES DAVIS: KIND OF BLUE

AUGUST 17



GRAMMY® AWARD WINNING

GIPSY KINGS



featuring
NICOLAS REYES

AUGUST 18
THE RADY SHELL AT JACOBS PARK
THE SHELL.ORG

Sondheim Tonight!

A CELEBRATION OF GENIUS
WITH THE SAN DIEGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Rob Fisher, music director and conductor
Gary Griffin, director
Amy Owens, vocalist
Santino Fontana, vocalist
Emily Skinner, vocalist
Tony Yazbeck, vocalist

August 23 | The Rady Shell at Jacobs Park



The Rady Shell
at Jacobs Park
SAN DIEGO SYMPHONY

TheShell.org

All artists, dates, programs
and pricing are subject to change.



We get rid of pests so you feel at home in your home.

Save \$100 off your first service.*



Call for details! 858-547-9900

JOSHUA'S PEST CONTROL

The friendly experts.

*With purchase of an annual general pest control plan. Valid for new customers only. Offer expires 12/31/2023.

San Diego Reader

SanDiegoReader.com
619.235.3000

August 15, 2024



PHOTOGRAPH BY WTS/M&A

Saving the oceans saves the world — page 10



"I'm just a geeky fanboy at heart" — page 22



Towed by a marlin for 5.5 hours — page 30

ADVERTISING

Display Ads

Automotive	32
Cannabis	35
Classifieds	28
Health and Beauty	15
Legal Solutions	9
Music	22
Rentals	31
Research Studies	11
Restaurants	27

NEWS & FEATURES

Neighborhood News

Doggy debate follows shooting in Balboa Park, Escondido eyes	
RV parking prohibition	2

Under the Radar

Letters

Golden Dreams

Strand hanging on by a thread, plight of the pelican	6
--	---

From the Archives

Annals of Academia	7
--------------------------	---

Close to Home

Back to the beach in Carlsbad	8
-------------------------------------	---

Freeze it. Kill it. And throw it away.

The campaign to contain Caulerpa, by Eric Noel Muñoz	10
--	----

News of the Weird

Puzzles

CALENDAR

Events

Art, Book-signings, Classes & Workshops, Comedy, Dance, Discussion Groups, Food & Drink, For Kids, Fundraisers, Lectures, Movies, Nature, Special Events, Spoken Word, Sports & Fitness, Theater	16
---	----

Booze News

City Tacos thinks you might like a beer with that	17
---	----

Outdoors

Yellow flowers, yellow butterflies	18
--	----

Music

Blurt: Greg Jacobs: behind, and around, the music	22
Live Five	23
The Gonzo Report: A double date for The Mavericks and Dwight Yoakam	24
Immortal Beauty: Music that goes the distance	26

Feast

Deluxe donuts come to North Park	27
--	----

Fish Report

A marlin marathon...on a kayak!	30
---------------------------------------	----

Treatment for Depression

RAPID RELIEF FOR MOOD & CHRONIC PAIN DISORDERS



dreamscapeketamine.com

Ketamine

Infusion Therapy

- Depression, Anxiety
- PTSD, Suicidality
- Chronic Pain, CRPS & Migraines

Our medical providers have extensive experience administering Ketamine therapy and are board certified in Anesthesia and ICU medicine.

25% OFF FIRST TREATMENT



619-257-6198

2878 Camino del Rio South, Ste. 404
San Diego CA 92108

Earn up to \$125 for your story and photos. Go to sreader.com/write

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Reader stringers

BALBOA PARK

Homeless Man's best friend? Online debate rages about canine companions for the unhoused

Recent incidents involving dogs in Balboa Park have highlighted the ongoing issues with both friendly and aggressive canines (and their owners) in the area.

Last week, a high-speed pursuit involving about ten police cars ended on Laurel Street, across from the historic Cabrillo Bridge. However, a tiny black Chihuahua captured more attention on NextDoor than the pursuit itself. "So the police chase ended with a standoff, and the culprit's dog bolted down Laurel Street," NextDoor user James wrote



PHOTOGRAPH BY NBC7

Dog bites man, man shoots dog.

A few commenters bucked the crowd by arguing that the dog's owners, who were reportedly detained, were responsible for its injuries. Rebecca Stone commented: "The dog survived, but yes, it was injured because the homeless person couldn't control it. Allowing homeless people to have medium or large dogs is dangerous for everyone. This wasn't a random canyon; it was Balboa Park. We're lucky it was someone with self-defense skills

These incidents involving dogs in Balboa Park underscore a complex issue on a national level involving public safety, homeless populations, and animal welfare. Approximately 3.5 million Americans are homeless, and between 5 percent and 10 percent of transients have dogs and/or cats, with the rate rising to as high as 24 percent in some parts of the country. Many homeless people cannot afford to spay or neuter their pets, which contributes to overcrowded shelters. (Many don't know there are free-of-charge resources for homeless pet owners, such as Paws San Diego and Pets Without Walls.)

While some argue for stricter control measures, others emphasize the non-judgmental companionship and protection these dogs provide their owners. The community remains divided on the best way to address these concerns.

MIKE MADRIAGA

"Before the officer could get the dog off, it bit his leg twice. He fired two rounds from his service pistol to get the dog off of him."

in the caption under his video. "It's a black Chihuahua. If you see it, please let the police know." A woman named Yolanda found the little dog, and reported, "I just dropped her off at the humane society on Gaines Street."

Not every dog tale has such a happy ending. According to multiple online reports, at around 6 pm on July 29, two policemen were addressing complaints about a transient man and woman with an unleashed dog near 6th Avenue and Balboa Drive. "The dog became agitated and attacked the officer," police Lieutenant Christian Sharp told NBC 7 News. "Before the officer could get the dog off, it bit his leg twice. He fired two rounds from his service pistol to get the dog off of him." The dog took off and was found shortly after. It was then brought to a veterinarian.

Rose G., a park visitor, witnessed the incident. "It was insane to see all that manpower because someone complained about transients," she said. "The dog did bite the officer, but don't they have tasers or pepper spray?" (Many others online expressed similar sentiments; the dog, reportedly a pit bull, survived.) "There is no time for less lethal options," Lieutenant Sharp explained, as if in reply. "The officer could have suffered significant ligament or muscle damage." The injured officer, who had wounds on his lower leg, was taken to the hospital, and reports later said that he was OK.

and not a tourist."

Virginia G., another dog owner who lives south of Balboa Park, noted that aggressive dogs in their neighborhood and park have been an ongoing issue — so much so that she's hoping she can hide her tiny pooch in a "dog stroller, so I can walk to the bus or trolley downtown without any huge, mean, unleashed dogs attacking us from the many tents downtown. I actually take my dog far away to walk — it's so dangerous."

But John S., a photographer who hangs out at Balboa Park, believes the dog issue is being exaggerated. "These dogs keep the homeless company and happy. They protect them from being attacked or robbed while sleeping." Still, reports of homeless dog owners and aggressive dogs in Balboa Park are rampant on NextDoor, Facebook, Instagram, Reddit, and Yelp. Some have attributed this to the presence of fewer visitors and tourists carrying cash. They opine that homeless panhandlers are garnering less cash and are consequently grumpier, and that this affects their dogs.

Since the pandemic, many San Diegans have become accustomed to walking their dogs off-leash, contributing to the problem. Consequently, since 2022, off-leash dog walkers have been getting fined on-site for almost \$300 by the San Diego Humane Society staff, some of whom wear dark blue uniforms similar to those of the police.

streets, alleys, public ways and places, and city parking lots — with certain exceptions. It would also authorize the police to tow and impound an RV after a single violation.

Last January, the city held off on approving the stricter rules for RV parking until more information was available about permits, city regulations, and potential safe parking lots, which provide free overnight parking. The city currently allows RV parking on residential private property, in the Dixon Lake Campground — where stays are limited to 14 days in a 30-day period and guests are charged a daily fee — and at Escondido RV Resort, a travel trailer park that rents space to recreational vehicles. But there are no safe parking lots.

A report says that the city receives frequent complaints about long term RV parking, trash, and "liquid waste" on public streets and property all around Escondido. The bulky vehicles are also seen as a safety issue, hampering visibility for drivers and pedestrians, especially when parked near intersections or on curves. And on narrower streets, they can block access to driveways.

Other cities that ban or restrict RV parking on public streets include Carlsbad, Chula Vista, Coronado, Del Mar, El Cajon, Encinitas, Imperial Beach, National City, Oceanside, San Diego, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach, and Vista. While Vista and Encinitas, both near Escondido, have safe parking lots, those lots don't allow RVs. The county's only lot that does allow them is in Mission Valley.

The proposed ordinance *would* allow parking to make emergency repairs; for one 24-hour period for loading and unloading within 100 yards of the registered address of the RV; in posted city lots that allow RV



PHOTOGRAPH BY MATT BOWLER

Blight or beauty? Only the city council knows for sure.

ESCONDIDO RV = Restricted Vehicle Parking on public streets would be all but forbidden under new ordinance

It's getting harder to live for free in Escondido. In June, the city council passed a ban on public camping. Now they're considering tougher parking rules for recreational vehicles.

A proposed ordinance would impose city-wide restrictions on RV parking on highways,

parking; for RVs belonging to a federal, state, or local agency; and during city emergencies or permitted special events.

If the council adopts the ordinance, it will take about six weeks to install approximately 58 signs, at a cost of \$15,000, on all road entrances into the city. Enforcement of the ordinance is expected to begin after November 1, 2024.

SHEILA PELL

UNDER THE RADAR

Palomar's Petco pleasures

The people who run Palomar College have long been allies of Southern California utility giant Sempra Energy, notably around the time the San Diego-based firm became the subject of an August 17, 2023 write-up by the *Sacramento Bee* about illegal business practices at Sempra's SoCalGas. "A concealed contract showed that the nation's largest gas utility had paid a leading Los Angeles business association to recruit speakers against electrification, and drive them to the meeting using ratepayer money," per the story.

"Speaker **Sassan Rahimzadeh**, owner of a San Diego dry cleaning company, was recruited to attend. He told *The Sacramento Bee* he was troubled to learn that the arrangement was charged to customers of SoCalGas." Adds the piece, "Billing customers for anything other than providing safe and reliable gas service — such as political activities — is a violation of state and federal law. Yet when it comes to SoCalGas using ratepayer dollars to pay for political lobbying, this case is merely one of many since 2019."

According to the account, "After reviewing public documents, *The Bee* has determined that SoCalGas booked at least \$36 million to ratepayers for political lobbying to undermine California policies aimed at addressing the climate crisis since 2019. That figure is merely the 'tip of the iceberg,' according to a 404-page legal filing Monday by the PUC's Public Advocate's Office.

The independent state watchdog called on the commission to slash the utility's request for rate hikes by \$80 million, citing 'the utility's ongoing and historic misuse of ratepayer funds for political activities.' SoCalGas was fined \$10 million for the same behavior last year. In addition, the independent state watchdog is recommending another \$233 million in fines because of SoCalGas' refusal to open its books to investigators."

Meanwhile, Sempra's other major subsidiary, San Diego Gas & Electric, was romancing Palomar College, bestowing its so-called Excellence in Energy Leadership Award on the school for its "Maintenance & Operations building, a 'net-zero' project that opened in April 2019," says a February 4, 2021 post on the school's website. "Palomar College is committed to being a leader in sustainability within our region, and we are thrilled to receive this award for our team's dedicated work on the M&O building," effused Interim Superintendent/President **Dr.**

Jack Kahn in the website piece. "We are also grateful to SDG&E, which has been a great partner in Palomar's pursuit of sustainability." Said **Tashonda Taylor**, SDG&E's vice president of customer operations, of Palomar, "Ultimately, their efforts help our region move closer to meeting California's ambitious climate goals and in turn, create a sustainable future."

Though Kahn has since been replaced by **Star Rivera-Lacey** in the role of Palomar's superintendent/president, the cozy relationship with Sempra appears to have continued, based on the energy giant's latest lobbying disclosure filing, made July 31. The document reveals that both Rivera-Lacey and Palomar's director of development/executive director of the Foundation **Stacy Rungaitis** got free tickets from Sempra to a Padres game at Petco Park, as well as food and beverages,

each worth \$268, on June 12. Sempra's largesse didn't stop there, per the latest filing.

On April 22, California Insurance Commissioner **Ricardo Lara** was wined and dined to the tune of \$125.28 by the utility at L.A.'s Bavel restaurant. "In the heart of Los Angeles, this upscale Middle Eastern gem in the Arts District stands out as one of the best Mediterranean spots in the city," says *Secret-LosAngeles.com* in a June 14 review. "Known for its unwavering consistency, the restaurant exudes an ambiance of sophistication and festivity, complemented by impeccable service and an array of outstanding dishes."

Glorious bull While the *Union-Tribune's* display advertising count continues to plummet, Professional Bull Riders — a venture involving wealthy Florida venture capitalist **Heath Freeman**, who runs controversial Alden Global Capital, the *U-T's* latest owner — popped up in the paper's sports section last week. PBR's full-color ad promoted the company's PBR Teams, a three-day event at

Anaheim's Honda Arena, beginning September 13, and sponsored by the Riverside County Sheriff's Office. "Experience the adrenaline rush as riders unite for the ultimate glory!" says PBR's website.

"This is your chance to witness talented bull riders going head-to-head with powerful bucking bulls to see which team can come out on top! Who will you cheer on?" Freeman is proprietor of the Florida Freedom, a PBR franchise in Sun-

continued on page 4



Ricardo Lara savored supper with Sempra.



SDG&E's Tashonda Taylor, proud to partner with Palomar.

Who do you love?

♥ Reader ♥

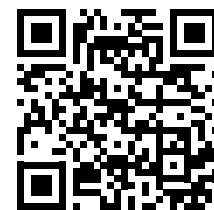
BEST

♥ of 2024 ♥

Vote for the
best businesses,
attractions,
and more!

You can vote daily!

Voting
is live
through
August 30



sandiebestof.com

PRESENTED BY
IN GOD WE TRUST
ATTORNEY
KING
Car & Motorcycle
Injury Lawyers
619-333-3333

LETTERS

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

Keep it local, Bedford

Tin Fork Ed, explain to me why anyone in San Diego County would be interested in your reviews of restaurants in New Zealand (“Copacetic confusion”, Tin Fork, August 1, 2024). I certainly would not hop on a plane or a slow boat to cross the international dateline and go way below the equator to check out those places. San Diego has plenty of great places to enjoy a meal and help those places thrive. The locals would appreciate your efforts if you keep it local.

Frank Lopez
Spring Valley

Point taken, Mr. Lopez. Part of Tin Fork’s charm has always been Mr. Bedford himself, wherever he may be. That said, he will be getting back to local joints going forward. —Ed.

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

El Cajon threads needle to fight panhandling

Neighborhood News,
July 30, 2024

What’s wrong with them

buying alcohol? It’s legal. Wonder how sober Bill Wells would be if he were always hiding from police, trying to hang on to his few possessions, while being humiliated trying to survive.

—Enablers want to know

The Supreme Court has opened the Homeless Bashing Competition between cities. Which city can be the most punitive so their homeless people move on to the next city. Shameful society that does that.

—Pity party host

El Cajon mayor Bill Wells: “If we could ignore the Bill of Rights, we would.”

—Rights smights

My issue is not panhandling, it’s my streets being overrun with homeless people who are incoherent, extremely filthy, parked in front of businesses and residences. I have severe OCD and the filth brings me intense discomfort. I don’t feel safe and i don’t feel clean going outside. this is ridiculous. homelessness should not be permitted because there should be places for them to gather away from society. Not treating them as lesser, but a concentrated place where treatment and mental health is addressed. I’m seeing hardworking businesses struggling because they are constantly hounded by unsanitary, belligerent transients disrupt their buildings. it’s not right for

ANYONE. My location is El Cajon.

—Uncomfortable

Why not have them be dishwashers at the local Indian Casinos?

—Questioning

Local trans community hails arrival of sex-switching plankton

SD on the QT: Almost Factual News, Aug. 9 2024

Meanwhile, cacti have not moved into the trans community. I guess it’s because most are hermaphroditic. According to Quora: “As with many plants (not all), cactuses have both male and female parts in their flowers. The plant itself is basically genderless.”

But maybe the Reader’s astute investigator Mencken can investigate whether plants are eligible for social services from The San Diego LGBT Community Center. Curious gay botanists want to know.

—Cactus lives matter

Moontribe collective danced to remember

Cover Stories, July 31, 2024

This is lame. Writing an article about people trying to keep their private scene private. How rude. Read the room. Journalists suck sometimes.

—Shhhh

Keepin it underground

—Dancing in the dark

Encinitas’s Lawrence (Larry) Freeman ordered to desist and refrain

City Lights Oct. 21, 2015

I just came across this arti-

cle looking up any recent news on Larry Freeman It’s been a few years since I log in or try to read updates on the Note update. All pure misleading cynical lies...

My sister and I were only small \$ investors in comparison with all those big investors. Nonetheless small or big amounts, this evil man should be incarcerated or fed to alligators. I don’t understand why or how he gets to walk freely. Very ironic his last name... Freeman

is actually a free man after committing such atrocious crimes... very upsetting indeed. :(

—Freeman shouldn’t be

San Diego Cambodians speak about Pol Pot

City Lights, July 24, 1997

Thank you so much for writing this. I know so little as to what happened to us and my parents and their generation. There is this strange feeling of displacement I have with my own people that I struggle with my entire life.

—Pol Not

Under the radar

continued from page 3

rise, Florida.

The bull riding league is the frequent target of critics who claim that bulls are mistreated. “Troubling new footage obtained by Animal Justice at a Professional Bull Riders (PBR) rodeo event in London, Ontario, reveals the grim reality of what bulls endure when forced to perform,” says a June 13 write-up on a Canadian website called *Animal Justice*. “PBR is the largest bull-riding league in the world, exploiting terrified animals for profit and entertainment internationally. The footage shot at the June 2024 show in London shows bulls abused for rodeo entertainment in front of large, boisterous crowds.”

Back on February 22, 2024, **Chris DeRose**, identified as president and founder of Last Chance for Animals, “an international animal rights organization, blasted the PBR in an op-ed piece run by the *Los Angeles Daily News*, also owned by Alden. “Later this month, Los Angeles will host the Professional Bull Riders rodeo at the newly-named *Crypto.com Arena*,” said the piece. “Here, animal abuse will be on full display, even as Councilmember **Bob Blumenfeld** is fighting to ban the use of inhumane implements — including electric prods and shocking devices, spurs and rowels, and flank or bucking straps — ubiquitous at rodeo events.” Free-

man acquired the PBR’s Oklahoma Freedom months later in December 2022, subsequently relocating the team to its current Florida home.

Meanwhile, reporters at Alden-owned *Chicago Tribune* are fighting a plan by the paper’s management to use artificial intelligence. “Journalists and photographers are worried that the use of AI could cost their newsroom more jobs, not to mention the impact on quality journalism,” reports Chicago TV station WGN in an August 2 dispatch. “The *Tribune*, according to reporters, already lost half of their newsroom staff in 2019.” Adds the story, “Alden Global Capital, the second largest newspaper publisher in the country, is believed to be seeking unrestricted power to outsource work to others outside the newsroom. *Tribune* reporters told WGN that includes the ability to use AI.”

Tribune investigative reporter and Vice President of the Tribune Guild **Gregory Pratt** “worries about bruising contract negotiations for nearly 80 *Tribune* reporters, photographers, and editors with the looming threat of AI,” according to the account. “And as a union, we stand between Alden and destruction. We are there to stop them from decimating the paper,” he was quoted as saying.

— Matt Potter
(@sdmattpotter)

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

EDITOR

Jim Holman

NEWS & FEATURES EDITOR

Matthew Lickona

SENIOR EDITOR

Matt Potter

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

Chris Woo

CONTRIBUTORS

Chris Ahrens, Ian Anderson, Thomas K. Arnold, Ed Bedford, Siobhan Braun, Ryan Brothers, Matthew Flynn, Gabe Garcia, Leorah Gavidor, Moss Gropen, Andrew Hamlin, Dryw Keltz, Thomas Larson, Ken Leighton, Ivan Molina, Mike Madriaga, Bill Manson, Sheila Pell, Jake Peterson, Dave Rice, Jay Allen Sanford, Spike Steffenhagen, Matthew Suárez, Monica Yarbrough

SENIOR ACCOUNT EXECUTIVES

Eduardo Bravo, Holly Micelli, Graeme Storey, Todd Westfall

MULTIMEDIA ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Cameron Pittman

DIGITAL AGENCY MANAGER

Daniela Penkova

DIGITAL CONTENT EXECUTIVE

Brian Hernandez

OPERATIONS MANAGER

Alicia Bell

DIRECTOR OF SALES

Stephen Hatch

DIGITAL MARKETING COORDINATOR

Amanda Tascher

PRODUCTION COORDINATOR

Mike Brown

ART DIRECTOR

Jessica Wentzel

ACCOUNTING & HR MANAGER

Ruta Stecher

DISTRIBUTION MANAGER

Marina Bahena

All advertising in the Reader is subject to current rate card. The Reader reserves the right not to accept an advertiser’s order. The entire contents of the San Diego Reader are copyright 2024, ©SDReader, Inc. All rights reserved.

NATIONAL ADVERTISING

VMG Advertising - 888-278-9866

OFFICE

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

619-235-8200

Paid Classifieds

OFFICE HOURS

By appointment only

GENERAL INFORMATION

619-235-3000

stand up
WIRELESS

Unlimited Talk, Text with 6 GB High-Speed Data

Bring Your Own Phone Number Runs on the strongest 5G LTE Network

Qualify by participation in one of these programs:
Medicaid • SNAP • SSI • Section 8 • Veterans Pension
Qualify by Income • Other Programs May Apply

SEE IF YOU QUALIFY, APPLY TODAY!
standupwireless.com/printad

This is a Lifeline supported service. Lifeline is a government assistance program. Only eligible consumers may enroll. Eligibility is based on income or participation in certain government benefit programs and is determined by the National verifier (documentation may be required). You must be eligible to be enrolled in Lifeline. Lifeline benefits are non-transferable and limited to one per household (wireless or wireline). Customers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain the Lifeline benefit can be punished by fine, imprisonment, or being barred from the program. Plans include a minimum of 1,000 Minutes, Unlimited Text, and 4.5 GB of Data. Offers vary by state and service may not be available in all states or areas. Service provided by Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a StandUp Wireless. Visit www.standupwireless.com for California Lifeline eligibility criteria and applicable terms & conditions. 05/2024

Most unpopular man in San Diego history — Bruce Henderson

Behind-the-scenes interviews now on YouTube



WATCH NOW

The only non-insider to read the Chargers contract

City Attorney John Witt admitted he did not read it.



WATCH NOW

Mayor Susan Golding: 'You are a liar.'

The Spanos family wrote a road map out of San Diego to L.A.



WATCH NOW

The infamous Chargers ticket guarantee

It cost the city more than \$100 million.



WATCH NOW

'The Chargers wanted me to shut up'

They had a big billboard with me as public enemy #1.



WATCH NOW

John Moores gets 26 blocks of downtown San Diego for free

City councilwoman, getting stock tips from Moores, feeds secrets to Padres.



WATCH NOW

Aftermath of Chargers and Padres scandals

FBI goes after Stallings, Golding career ruined, Chargers move to L.A.

SAN DIEGO
Reader

Don't miss future YouTube interviews, subscribe at youtube.com/@sandiegoreader



The Silver Strand “Tombolo” (spit of sand joining a mainland to an island -in this case Coronado) could be in trouble with rougher El Niño weather to come.

Stranded on the Strand

I’m at the bus stop. The one right outside the Bullpen bar in IB. Problem: last bus heading north to Coronado is gone. It’s after midnight. I’m broke. No way up the Silver Strand. And believe it or not, phone’s dead.

Hoo boy. Really blew it here. I look at all those empty seats in cars speeding north. I think of all my friends, cozy in their beds. Then I think, *Come on. Don’t be a wimp, walk it. It’s just a few miles.* OK, maybe eight. OK, nine. Still, good exercise! How many people in the history of this place have walked or pedaled or run that distance? Kumeyaay had no choice.

“Once a southern entrance has opened, northerly [sand] transport will shoal the Bay and prevent tidal flushing.”

The Spanish pioneers had their horses. The Victorian holidaymakers had their steam-train line from here to Tent City — the Hotel Del’s holiday tent homes that were the hit of the first four decades of the 1900s. Whatever, I can do this!

And so I start walking, up the long curve of Silver Strand Boulevard to where it takes its leave of Imperial Beach. Oh man. Taking time, energy. I follow the bike path. No bikes. Not this time of night. Traffic zinging past gets less frequent, too. Silence gets louder. Unseen animals rustle. I hope they’re not snakes. I think of the California Least Tern, which is supposed to live near these tidal ponds, the ones that are glowing dank in the moonlight. Then on the left, I spot the new Navy SEAL base, the Silver Strand Training Complex. I worry about someone shouting “Halt! Who goes there!?”

After a couple of miles, I’m exhausted. After six or seven, I’m putting one foot in front of the other — just. By about four in the morning, I’m totally punked. I have to sit down, lean against something, get some sleep. Because yes, I had

a couple of Arrogant Bastards at the Bullpen. I lean into the bushes and collapse in a nervous nap. I hear more things scurrying away in the undergrowth. I worry about surprising other people who are sleeping rough. But actually, it’s a beautiful rest in this silence, with only the zing of crickets to sing me to sleep. When I wake up, the sky’s gently suggesting morning. And hey, I find a seat. I know a lot of volunteer work has been going on. Is this what they call “Nature’s Bridge to Discovery”?

I also realize that I’m seeing a timeless, shadowy Silver Strand, the barrier against the ocean that made the miracle of San Diego Bay pos-

sible. And it’s only when — finally! — I make it home at around seven in the morning that I realize what a piece of history I was tramping through.

“This narrow barrier of sand is the western landform enclosing San Diego Bay, the largest natural bay in Southern California,” writes Scripps Institution of Oceanography. It says the Silver Strand formed as sea level rise pushed the coastline into the wave shadow of Point Loma. “A reverse eddy transported sediment north from the Tijuana River delta, extending the sand spit, and eventually creating a *tombolo* [a sandbar that connects an island to the mainland] with North Island. Completion of the *tombolo* marked the origin of San Diego Bay. Today, artificial dunes 3 meters high on the Silver Strand protect the Bay from storm overwash [but] make future sea level rise a concern.”

Scripps says archeological sites prove that mankind has been coming and camping on the Silver Strand for at least 5000 years. But now, Scripps is worried that the Silver Strand

may not survive climate change. That at some point storm waves are going to punch a hole through and let the ocean into the southern end of the Bay. “Once a southern entrance has opened, northerly [sand] transport will shoal the Bay and prevent tidal flushing. It would also provide an entry for high-energy ocean waves that damage harbor installations and cause flooding. Only massive nourishment projects totaling more than 26 million cubic meters over the past 60 years have prevented erosion of Coronado beaches and the strand itself. More will be needed in the future if sediment flux out of the Tijuana river basin is not restored.”

Maybe it was me, but I have to say, last night, the Silver Strand did look vulnerable, *felt* vulnerable, and not only because that’s what I felt too, as I put one foot in front of the other.

Lunch with Igor

*A funny old bird is the pelican
His beak can hold more than his belican.
Food for a week he can hold in his beak,
But I don’t know how the helican.*

That’s Dixon Lanier Merritt, American poet and humorist. And this pelican at my table is Igor. Igor’s interested in doing lunch. We’re at WOW (“Walking On Water,” an eatery run by a Christian couple), and okay, this is several months ago, halfway out along OB’s pier, in the middle of a storm. Waves trucking in so high they’ve reached the pier deck. They roar through under your feet like a freight train. Talk about walking on water!

The one, uh, person who’s not freaking out about the conditions seems to be Igor. Before he padded in here out of the spray and rain, he stood facing the wind, a perfect aerofoil, solid in the buffeting winds. Now he’s expecting something raw. He grabs my arm with his huge beak to make the point. But not too tightly. OK, he does reach out to other passers-by and jab pecks at them, until Marianna, who’s in charge, advances with a wooden chair and starts shuffling Igor out. Last I see of him, he’s waddling nonchalantly down between people, till he decides to turn and come back try again.

As I say, this was months ago. Now I’m worried. Pelicans have been turning up starving all along the coast. And at a time when normal prey fish such as anchovies, sardines, and mackerel are apparently doing fine. Some eco-friends last night pulled a *Graduate* and said one word: “Plastic. They’re eating fish loaded with plastic. They can’t digest. They’re starving.”

And yet, pelicans have navigated and survived through thousands — no,

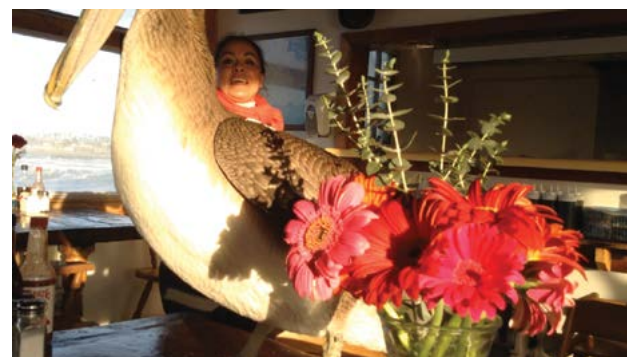
millions — of years. Just to look at them, you’re back in a *Jurassic Park* movie scene. The oldest fossilized remains go back 30 million years, when they looked pretty much the same. OK, pelicans came another 30 million years after the last land dinosaur, but way before us humans. Whatever, they’re big — about eight pounds heavy, and often with an eight-foot wingspan. They need two to three pounds of fish every day, and can swallow a four-pound fish whole. They dive from 60 feet up and hit the fish at 40 mph, stunning them before collecting them in their lower beak’s pouch, squishing out the water and then swallowing them. A life of Riley.

But a few years ago, the brown pelican — California’s pelican — almost went extinct. How come? There are a lot of theories, but the main ones had to do with mankind: fishermen shooting them because they saw them as competition for their fish, and pesticides — especially DDT. Then, after it was banned, the brown pelican started bouncing back. Then, this year, starvation has returned.

So what happened? Maybe it was late storms hitting the coast this spring, which made it hard for pelicans flying 60 feet up to spot their prey. Maybe the fish are swimming deeper in the water column. Maybe it’s those broken-down plastics. Whatever, we don’t want to lose our most collegial birds — they usually cruise over the sea in “squadrons” or “briefs.” Come to think of it, I guess I should get back to offer a snack to Igor. So long as he’s still a WOW Cafe regular. So long as he’s okay. ■



Igor can make a compelling case for food. This year though, many pelicans are starving.



Marianna tries to shoo Igor out, but not get nipped.

Tales from a college town

Escape from the Chicks and Beer Image

“Monday night the actual rush starts, but we can’t give out bids on Monday. That gives everyone a chance to get around and see where they want to go before someone says, ‘Hi, here’s your bid,’ and you’re stuck there. You can actually go somewhere else after you get a bid, but you might be more inclined to stay there without seeing any more houses. So there are no bids Monday night.”

By Ernie Grimm, NOV. 21, 1996

Faculty Row

Economics professor Roger Gordon, who bought the most expensive of the homes on the list of those purchased by academics using university-sponsored financing, says he’s since obtained private refinancing and no longer has a UC loan, which originally was in the amount of \$1,095,000. “The UC mortgage program provides a minor subsidy, which helps a bit to attract people here,” Gordon says. “But it is a small program compared with many other competing schools.”

By Matt Potter, MARCH 25, 2004

I Don’t Do Operational Stuff

“I think it would be foolish to think companies will be wide-eyed idealists that will let scientists pursue whatever interesting

new finding they have,” Bruce Jaffee, an outspoken UC Davis professor of nematology, told the *Sacramento Bee* last January when Davis first announced plans for the so-called “public-private” institutes. “Faculty work with these public/private labs, and they will have the best equipment and technicians and access to students’ help,” warned Jaffee.

By Matt Potter, JAN. 25, 2001

Rats in the Ivory Tower

My first college teaching was at SDSU during 1978. Creative writing. I was thrilled but nervous, especially after realizing that students took as gospel everything I said. I had to issue a warning—“Don’t trust anything I say, please. Just file it away and test it



PHOTO CREDIT: SANDY HUFBAKER JR.

Sigma Phi Epsilon. “In the past there has been that Animal House mentality, and we’re really trying to change that.”

against what else you hear and against your experience.” Students would gaze astonished at me, as though unable to assimilate the news that a professor could be wrong.

By Ken Kuhlken, DEC. 14, 1995

Starting at State

At faculty meetings he would administer avuncular homilies on absence from our offices during the period we were expected

to assign for conferring with our students (“Now, ladies and gentlemen, you know that is not the sort of thing your children would expect of you”). He was very much a “straight shooter” who took sides against his own politically conservative instincts by persistently refusing to fire a member of the faculty for whose blood the town patriots were thirsting.

By John Theobald, NOV. 29, 1984

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

<p>A WHIFF of WHALE BREATH</p> <p>October 23, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>	<p>Tijuana Confidential</p> <p>October 16, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>	<p>Greenberg Can Still Make Me Cry</p> <p>October 9, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>
<p>It Will Give You Stupid. It Will Make Your Stupid. It Will Break Your Bones</p> <p>October 2, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>	<p>STADIUM PROPHET</p> <p>September 25, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>	<p>September 18, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>
<p>I Can Find Out</p> <p>September 11, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>	<p>DOWNWARD MOBILITY</p> <p>September 4, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>	<p>You're Always</p> <p>August 28, 1997 Print Edition Online Stories</p>
<p>THE STUDENT</p>	<p>PROFESSOR HARRADO DISCOVERS ON PAGE 23 THAT I'VE CALLED AN ORANGE A TANGERINE</p>	<p>You're Always</p>

Go back to 1997

It will make you happy

50 years of the *Reader* at sandiegoreader.com/archives

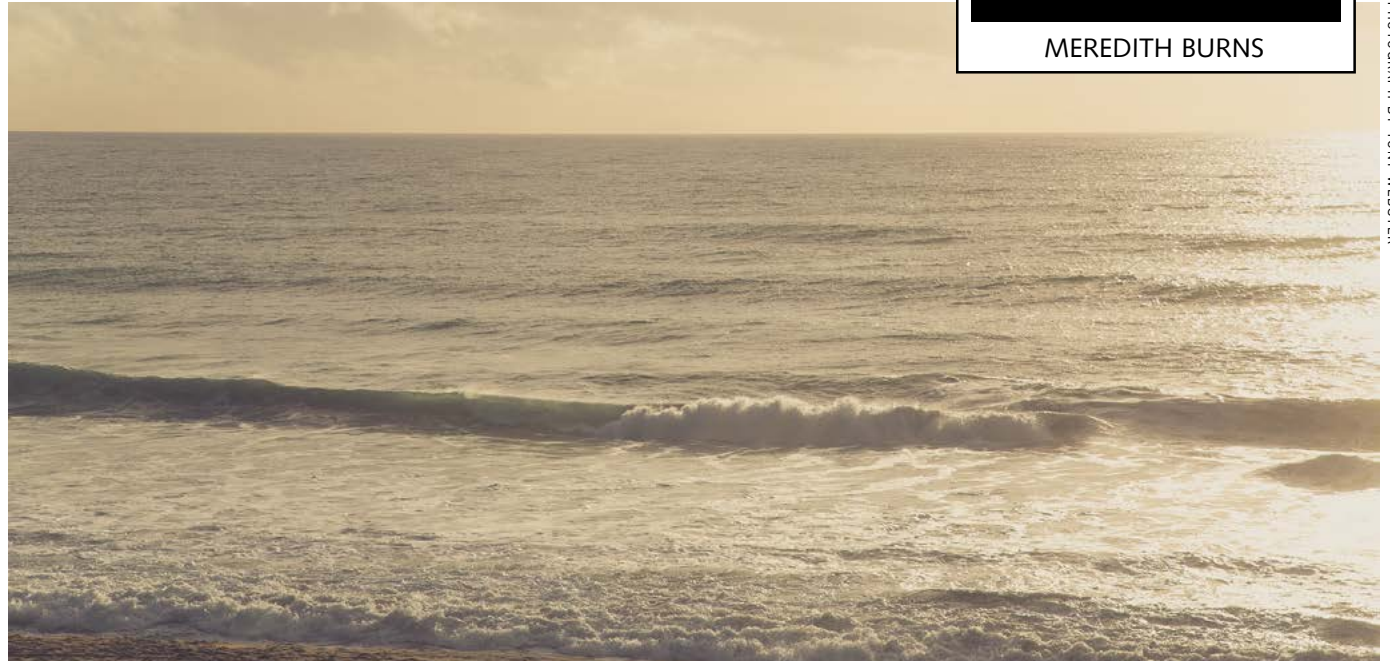
Back to the beach

Recovery and remembrance in Carlsbad

At the end of my street is a grassy area overlooking the ocean. The view is not as perfect as, say, La Jolla, with its drama and its caves drawing millions of visitors a year. It's a simpler, more honest kind of perfection, in which every little space along this coast is accounted for. This is Carlsbad, where the city planners understood how to welcome locals and tourists alike, preserving the historic buildings while embracing projected postwar growth.

Before I moved to this beach town, I used to live in another beach town. I like being lulled by the hypnotic rhythm of the ocean into believing I live in a quaint neighborhood snuggled up against the sand. There is one street near mine that's like that: single-family houses, all different but all harmonious, like kids holding hands at the playground. The houses make me happy and not at all envious, even though my street does not look like that. The truth is, my street won't easily take you to the glorious Pacific Ocean. In summer, tourists creep past, hoping for a parking spot, eager to get out and get to the water. They are almost always disappointed. They hit the dead end, down by the rotting pumpkins and cigarette butts, and they have to turn around.

So yes, I live just a block away from the beach. But for the past couple of years, I have not been able to walk there. Soon after I moved to this spot, I injured my feet. Once they healed, I developed a condition near my stomach that made me so short of breath that I had to give up on my daily beach walks. Happily, a recent surgery made the huffing and puffing disappear. Today — I'm writing this in winter — I began walking to the beach again, a prayer of thanks running through me. I love the smell of ocean air, tinged with the garlicky aroma of nearby restaurants. I love the surprise of occasionally seeing clouds hanging over the beach.



I love the surprise of occasionally seeing clouds hanging over the beach.

After setting out, I crossed the highway to the cliff overlooking the water. I noticed a family of tourists. They looked sweet with their brand-new matching wetsuits and turquoise towels. Then the dad was nearly struck by a homeless man on a skateboard who was carrying two huge bags on each shoulder. He zig-zagged through cars and pedestrians with alarming confidence, a confidence shared by the five tweens on e-bikes following in his wake, their eyes on their phones as they rode. They made me anxious. I wanted to warn them. I heard my ex-fiancee's voice in my head, the way he used to mock me during our beach walks in that other town. "Citizen on patrol!"

As I walked down the beach-access ramp to the sand, I thought about my own family. My father grew up near here, body surfing and playing beach volleyball. My mother in

Escondido brought her dog here whenever she could, leaving the pooch on the sand while she swam out of view. When my teenage son was a toddler, he ran through these waves and joyfully wrapped seaweed all over himself. I dreamed of him being a surfer or lifeguard. But my dream was not his dream: I have come to accept him as he is: a dude who swims with a friend a few times each summer.

The day was cold, windy, and cloudy. I loved it — every year, I look forward to May Gray and June Gloom. Tourists behind me stopped to film a whale out in the distance, and I felt a wild urge, despite the cold, to jump up over the wall and run directly out into the waves and join it. I was so stoked to be there again. Of course, I knew I couldn't jump into the water the way I did as a child. My fear of drowning is too strong. I was sixteen the last time I swam in the ocean. I had sent myself to the beach to swim, alone, and was pulled under by a riptide. Eventually, I was dragged to shore. Since then, I have stayed on the sand, watching my three younger sisters swing when they come to visit, watching surfer boyfriends catch waves and wipe out, watching my son on his boogie board, watching my cousin and aunt's ashes being paddled out and sprinkled on the water. Both were surfers.

My aunt once told me about her teenage days on the water. "They were perfect days. Great fun waves, and great sunny days. We were one-on-one with the ocean, playing. But I probably would not have surfed so much if it weren't for the brave women who got into the sport before me. Most people take surfing kind of seriously, because it's so personal." She

inspired me to be a beach girl. I wanted to play seriously in the water, all the way through my life. I just missed the moment.

I felt at home. I like to pretend that I have always lived here, but in truth, this is my second residency in Carlsbad. I detoured for a while, living in Vista, Oceanside, Encinitas, and also Barrio Carlos for a few years, when I was a rookie mom, pushing a stroller all over. I came back for the peace of the place, a peace that seems to stretch all the way back to the Native Americans who truly founded this spot. They mainly fished, and when they butted up against their neighbors, they compromised rather than falling into violence. I love that. I believe the past reminds us that it is crucial we all make a consistent effort to get along with others, even when we would rather not. I love seeing this effort continue today. I love interacting with the eager merchants at the Wednesday night farmers market. I love the respectful way the police present themselves to the public. I love the church ministry on the corner, serving the homeless community with an open heart.

It was the day before my son's 16th birthday, and I decided to go back to the market that my mother called "our old stomping grounds" for the most delicious salsa verde on the planet. Then I walked home along the bike path, heading toward the beach. On the cliff at the end of my street, a gaggle of tourists and locals were waiting to watch the sunset. A man juggled fire batons next to a Jehovah's Witness who was handing out pamphlets. Everyone stood together, watching their pink and gray cloud-show over the ocean. ■

CLOSE TO
HOME

MEREDITH BURNS

PHOTOGRAPH BY TONY WEBSTER



I wanted to play seriously in the water, all the way through life.

FREE Legal GUIDE

619-780-2470 • SDReader.com/Legal

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



EMPLOYMENT LAW • Extension 5609

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

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



WILLS, TRUSTS, & ESTATE PLANNING

Extension 5623
Sponsored by the Law Office of David Sean Dufek • 619-222-5886
3737 Moraga Ave. Suite B-113, San Diego • www.dufeklaw.com

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



SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY

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

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



PERSONAL INJURY • Extension 5601

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

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



WORKERS' COMPENSATION • Extension 5605

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

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

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

Legals@SanDiegoReader.com = 619-235-3000

WE NOW PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES

We are a fully adjudicated publication for San Diego County.

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



♥56.1k others like this.

Follow us on Instagram

@sandiegoreader



Have an event? We want it!

Food festivals, sporting events (including surfing, kayaking, and sailing), book signings, art gallery openings, expos, and classes — all are welcome.

sdreader.com/events/submit



Freeze it. Kill it. And throw it away.

Imagine a piece of paper. Now imagine shredding it into confetti and scattering it to the wind. Now imagine each piece of confetti growing into a new piece of paper. Now shred those new pieces and repeat. And on and on, more and more paper, until you're drowning in it like some cartoon office drone — you and everybody around you.

That's *Caulerpa*, an invasive seaweed that grows incredibly fast — up to a centimeter a day — and which has been found in San Diego

“It is absolutely critical that we find and remove or cover every little piece of *Caulerpa* as quickly as possible”

Bay since September of 2023. Various species of *Caulerpa* have been used in aquariums, both home and institutional, for some time. When it gets introduced into natural coastal environments via aquarium release or discharge, new colonies begin. And when those colonies are fragmented — by anchors, fishing line or diving gear — the fragments spread via ocean currents, tides or human transport. And just like our imaginary confetti, each of those fragments can grow into a new colony. If left alone, *Caulerpa* will outgrow whatever is around it. It will smother ocean floors, sandy sea beds, and coastal reefs. Native biodiversity — eelgrass beds, fish species, shellfish, and marine plants — gets displaced. Eliminated. Removed. Gone. Along with the benefits and habitat they provide.

If you could identify and remove that first

species of *Caulerpa* have been used in aquariums, both home and institutional, for some time. When it gets introduced into natural coastal environments via aquarium release or discharge, new colonies begin. And when those colonies are fragmented — by anchors, fishing line or diving gear — the fragments spread via ocean currents, tides or human transport. And just like our imaginary confetti, each of those fragments can grow into a new colony. If left alone, *Caulerpa* will outgrow whatever is around it. It will smother ocean floors, sandy sea beds, and coastal reefs. Native biodiversity — eelgrass beds, fish species, shellfish, and marine plants — gets displaced. Eliminated. Removed. Gone. Along with the benefits and habitat they provide.

piece of paper, or even the second or third, that would be a worthwhile victory. And that is what various governmental entities, resource agencies, and biological contractors are trying to do right now to address the *Caulerpa* invasion in San Diego Bay. But it can be tricky to get people to care about a problem they can't see, and even trickier when the problem looks so very, very small. Unfortunately, it's when the problem is still

small that dealing with it remains possible, and it's only when the problem is quite large that its surprisingly adverse effects become noticeable. That is the challenge of containing *Caulerpa*.

Caulerpa vs. San Diego Bay

Caulerpa prolifera was first detected in Coronado Cays boat slips in September 2023. The most likely introduction





Closed off dock in Coronado Cays due to a *Caulerpa* discovery.

was via home salt-water aquarium release. It poses a very real threat to over 70 fish species, and to the 60-80 sea turtles residing in the South Bay. But it doesn't stop there. Frank Urtasun, chairman of the board of port commissioners for the Port of San Diego, issued a press release on May 15, 2024 that stated, "It is absolutely critical that we find and remove or cover every little piece of *Caulerpa* as quickly as possible to preserve our bay's strong and healthy ecosystem. *Caulerpa* is also a potential threat to local jobs and businesses. In the 1980s, a *Caulerpa* outbreak in the Mediterranean Sea caused millions of dollars in losses to tourism and fishing industries because it was not contained. We will not let that happen in San Diego Bay. With our many local, state, and federal partners, we are being swift and prudent to protect both our environment and our economic interests."

Lessons from Carlsbad's *Caulerpa* Conquest

The Port of San Diego acts in conjunction with other regional, state and federal partner agencies, but it is the lead agency with jurisdictional oversight of tidelands around San Diego Bay. It knows what's at stake and what needs to be done, partly because San Diego has been here before. From 2000 until 2006, Carlsbad's Agua Hedionda Lagoon, along with a segment of the Huntington Harbour boat slips in Orange County, was the site of a surprisingly successful battle to eradicate another *Caulerpa* species (*Caulerpa taxifolia*). This was thanks to the the formation of the multi-agency Southern California *Caulerpa* Action Team and the participation of other stakeholders, including the lagoon foundation, the power plant, the local Homeowners' Association, and the city of Carlsbad. Now, the current configuration of the action team is at work

in San Diego Bay.

During that first battle, I was well into my career as a city staff planner with Carlsbad, putting my degree in geography from SDSU to good use. Tasked with environmental, habitat and coastal resource management projects, I became the city liaison with the team. I was glad for the opportunity, because I was frustrated and angry about the threat posed by this non-native seaweed — as with San Diego Bay, it was likely introduced via aquarium release — to both our local lagoon and beyond. We could only imagine what would happen if a small patch of the stuff escaped the lagoon to Tamarack reef and spread offshore up and down the coast. We saw both the losses and the missed opportunities to stop the Mediterranean Sea invasion. And we learned from them.

In his 1999 book *Killer Algae*, French marine biologist Dr. Alexandre Meinesz told the sad story of the inability of marine scientists and coastal managers to convince policy makers to give the Mediterranean invasion timely attention and funding. As a result, several countries have been unable to overcome their *Caulerpa taxifolia* problem, most recently Malta.

A big obstacle was the fact that famed marine biologist Jacques Cousteau was the aquarium manager of the Monaco Oceanographic Museum during the mid-1980s, and it was believed that the museum's discharge pipe had released *Caulerpa* into the sea. A political and media campaign ensued, as people in power sought to protect Cousteau's reputation instead of fighting the invasion with sound scientific policy and funding. *Caulerpa*



**SYNERGY
RESEARCH CENTERS**

Do you or
someone you
know suffer
from
Schizophrenia?

- **Currently enrolling for adult schizophrenia studies, ages 18+**
- **Taking Schizophrenia Medication for at least 2 months**

You may be eligible to participate in a clinical research trial for an investigational medication.

Participants will receive at no cost:

1. Study related exams
2. Investigational medication

Compensation and transportation is available for those who qualify.
Health Insurance not needed.

Synergy San Diego
7922 Palm Street, West lower level
Lemon Grove, CA 91945

(619) 430-4871
synergyresearchcenters.com





PHOTOGRAPH BY MTS/M&A

Caulerpa invading native San Diego Bay eelgrass.



PHOTOGRAPH BY ERIC NOEL MUNOZ

The author standing with a Caulerpa outreach sign in New Zealand. The California team was collectively unable to make sense of the instructions to “Chuck It Straight Back.” The messaging was later changed to “Bag It and Bin it.”

was essentially deemed “fake news.” Meinesz was personally and professionally discredited even as he claimed that the biodiversity of Med Sea coastal regions was at stake.

From our dealing with Meinesz and his fellow scientists and coastal managers from Italy, Croatia, France, Monaco, Spain, Japan, and Australia, we learned two things: (1) you cannot really touch Caulerpa because one-centimeter fragments can break off, drift away and form new colonies of growth; and (2) the value

of rapid response after detection. Based on this, a tarp-in-place containment method was devised for the lagoon. Biological contractors, skilled in containment and eradication efforts, were called in and deployed with the action team’s oversight: Keith Merkel and Rachel Woodfield with Merkel and Associates, and Marine Taxonomic Services, run by Seth Jones and Dr. Robert Mooney. They did the underwater survey work, and the actual eradication and monitoring. The tarp they laid cut off sunlight and the

growth that results from photosynthesis. Further, chlorine was pumped under the tarps in areas of high biomass. Over time, the native eelgrass emerged and Caulerpa was removed.

After eradication, I served as two-time president of the Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation, co-produced an animated TED video titled *Attack of the Killer Algae* (2014) and authored *Caulerpa Conquest, A Biological Eradication on the California Coast* (2016). (While speaking with Alex Meinesz in Monaco

during my research for that book, I learned that another source of aquarium release may be luxury mega yachts. Their role in the story of Caulerpa distribution may one day become clearer than it is now.) The lessons learned and victory secured by community and multi-agency support earned global attention. Closer to home, many of the players, the action team, and procedures from the Carlsbad experience are involved with the current response in San Diego Bay. That same tarp-in-place method is now being employed — thus far without the use of chlorine. In both cases, early detection and rapid response was crucial to the success of our efforts.

Another significant outcome of that Carlsbad victory was a new Caulerpa protocol: a policy mandate that requires in-water Coastal Development Permits — permits that themselves require federal and state agency approvals — for work in tidal areas of southern California (between Morro Bay and the Mexican

border). Pre- and post-work surveys to assess the presence of native eelgrass beds, and specifically to confirm the absence of Caulerpa, are now mandatory. Projects such as a pier replacement, new pilings for boat docks, a dredging project, soil remediation, or bulkhead replacement of a ship repair yard — is subject to the Caulerpa protocol. In 2021, implementation of that protocol in Newport Bay resulted in the detection and action-team-directed response to contain an area of *Caulerpa prolifera*. The confluence of science, policy, and funding, along with early detection and rapid response, once again proved the best measures against the stunningly aggressive invasion of Caulerpa.

Current Status in SD Bay

The protocol was the reason behind the September 2023 Caulerpa discovery in the Coronado Cays, following a Coastal Development Permit application for dock work. Response action was initiated immediately after de-

tection, and the Port put up approximately \$92,000 for treatment of initially detected infestation areas and follow-up surveys in vulnerable areas. (So far, approximately \$950,000 has been spent on containment and surveillance efforts, monies obtained through grants and other funding.) As of summer 2024, between 200 to 300 acres of Bay tidelands have been surveyed; approximately less than half an acre of combined areas hosting Caulerpa have been detected.

San Diego Bay has approximately 2600 acres of eelgrass habitat, of which approximately 1900 are in South Bay. Per Eileen Maher, the Port’s director of environmental conservation, outreach information has been distributed to all marinas and yacht clubs in San Diego Bay, and she noted the cooperation of the boating community. (However, no limitations are in place baywide for fishing, boating, or anchoring outside the infested areas.) Emergency declarations have been made and extended several times by the Port

Vaccine Trials for All Ages



We have vaccine research studies for volunteers of all ages, including Flu, RSV, Pneumonia, Covid-19, Monkey Pox & more. Call for information & priority status. Participants can receive up to \$2,800 in compensation.

Call (619) 658-5418

California Research Foundation

as well as the city of Coronado, which enables the flow of grant funds from various sources.

She informed me that the action team is working with large online retailers like eBay and Amazon to prohibit the sale of aquarium Caulerpa to California consumers. All forms of possession, use or transport of Caulerpa in California are illegal, with fines varying from \$500 to \$10,000 per incident. Still, many home-based aquariums may have the now-illegal species of Caulerpa in them. If that's you: the proper method for removal is to freeze it and throw it away with your landfill trash. Under no circumstance should there be aquarium release into ocean, coastal, harbor, or wetland waters, nor into any storm drains which connect to such waters. Anyone with Caulerpa should just purge it from their tanks right now: freeze it, kill it, and throw it away.

Rich Grunow, community development director with the city of Coronado, serves as a liaison between his community and the action team, similar to my role in Carlsbad. Coronado is doing outreach with target audiences: marinas, their yacht club, and the city citizenry. (One key message: if a boater or fisherman comes into contact with a piece of Caulerpa: do not throw it back into the Bay waters! Bag it, report it to Port staff, and freeze it. Kill it.) Like me, Grunow is pleased by the inter-agency cooperation, and by how effectively the action team has been operating. He says that everyone seems to be "rowing in the same direction." Upon detection of Caulerpa, it is not business as usual. Time is ticking, and Caulerpa is growing. Instead of



PHOTOGRAPH BY ERIC NOEL MUNOZ

Looking for (and finding) Caulerpa on Waiheke Island, New Zealand.

bureaucratic wrangling, there is coordinated cooperation among affected stakeholders, which serves as a foundation for success.

Containing Caulerpa Within SD Bay

In my book, I recounted a meeting two Navy officers who attended a city outreach workshop during the Carlsbad invasion. They said that if Caulerpa were allowed to escape Agua Hedionda Lagoon and disperse up and down the southern California coast, there could be a scenario where container ships, military vessels, and recreational boats in LA Harbor, Long Beach Harbor, Newport Bay, San Diego Bay, etc would need to be cleaned and waters treated. An unprecedented biological and economic shutdown could take place. As the U.S. Pacific Navy fleet is based in San Diego Bay, the current containment efforts are even more important: national security resources are at stake. It is therefore reassuring that the Navy is an active team stakeholder and is subject to the Caulerpa protocol for applicable projects.

Besides the Navy fleet, there is growing cruise ship traffic, a commercial sportfishing fleet, and a host of recreational boats. Any of them could conceivably carry a piece of Caulerpa on an anchor, or on fishing or diving gear, to some new location, and start up a new invasion. And if that new invasion is not detected early, there may be little chance to stop it completely, resulting in biodiversity loss, reduced tourism, and displaced fisheries.

Caulerpa vs. New Zealand

Currently, coastal areas in the Mediterranean Sea, southeast Australia and most recently New Zealand (Aotearoa) are under the grip of colonization by Caulerpa. In April of 2002, during the midst of Carlsbad's eradication effort, I made a presentation at the first joint conference of Australian and New Zealand city planners, explaining my role as a liaison between the community and the action team. Australia had already detected *Caulerpa taxifolia* on the east coast of New South Wales. Six months after the confer-

ence, it was detected in South Australia. Once again, manifestations were attributed to salt water aquarium releases. I hoped that New Zealand's biosecurity vigilance and luck would prevent Caulerpa invasions

there as well, but in late 2022, Paul Hansen — a New Zealander I met during a surfing trip to El Salvador during the civil war of 1988 — informed me that another strain of Caulerpa had been found on Great Barrier Island (Aotea) waters in mid-2021. I was stunned. Even more stunning were the reports of a delayed, tepid response from the central government.

Hansen works in a natural resource management role for Te Rarawa, an indigenous Māori tribe addressing environmental stewardship, community development, and education projects, based out of Kaitaia in Northland. He set up a Zoom meeting with central government's Biosecurity staff, and brought me in as a voice representing the California Caulerpa conquest. I implored them to check and monitor boats

for anchors with Caulerpa, to check mega yachts for aquariums, to conduct outreach to coastal communities, and to ban anchoring in impacted areas. They said "Thank you very much" but assured me they had different strains of Caulerpa than the California species, and that a ban on anchoring was going a bit too far. They said they had things under control, and asked if there was anything else I wanted to discuss.

They did not have things under control. The infestation on Aotea continued invading westward to the mainland coast of North Island. There are theories about whether anchor lines, boat transport, or swells carried the small Caulerpa fragments. I suspected a mega yacht. Regardless, the national situation with regards to expanding invasions was becoming gravely serious



EXALT CLINICAL RESEARCH
ELEVATING CLINICAL RESEARCH



DO YOU WORK THE NIGHT SHIFT?

NIGHT SHIFT STUDY
Located in Chula Vista, CA

Is your job some form of shift work? Do you struggle staying awake during your overnights? Exalt Clinical Research is participating in a new night shift research study.

No cost to participate!
Compensation for your time!

Contact us at: **619-826-8884**
for more information.

FOLLOW US TO STAY UPDATED ON FUTURE STUDIES:

WEBSITE
<https://www.exaltresearch.com>

FACEBOOK
<https://www.facebook.com/exaltclinicalresearch>

INSTAGRAM
<https://www.instagram.com/exaltclinicalresearch>

San Diego Reader August 15, 2024 13

during 2023. Imagine if *Caulerpa* showed up on Catalina Island, and no real or effective agency response was undertaken. It would then spread to Palos Verdes, Malibu, Laguna, and La Jolla. The coastal geography of New Zealand is far more complex, but it's a fair analogy. Furthermore, the Biosecurity position was that they had consulted with global "experts," and due to the scale of the infestation, eradication was deemed infeasible. Wow, I thought, who are these unnamed experts and how did they determine that? Were the California experts consulted?

One thing about resource management in Aotearoa is that there is a voice from First Nation people at the table: the indigenous Māori tribes (*iwi*). The modern history of New Zealand is dominated by the story of colonization. And now *Caulerpa* is re-configuring the colonization story so that all New Zealanders regardless of race or culture are feeling the bite of being invaded. Prior ways of life are being disrupted as alterations to coastal food resources, loss of biodiversity, ecosystem



Tarp over *Caulerpa* next to native San Diego Bay eelgrass. The tarp cuts off sunlight and the growth that results from photosynthesis.

PHOTOGRAPH BY MTS/M&A

health, access to waterways, recreational limitations, boating restrictions, and impacts to fish species emerge.

For the Māori, the relationship to all things in the environment is personal. There is a *whakatoki* (proverb) in Aotearoa which states, "*Kō āu te awa, kō te awa kō āu*" – "I am the river and the river is me". The same relationship exists with mountains, water, the ocean, etc. Many Māori *iwi* and coastal communities rely heavily on the ocean as a food re-

source. Therefore, the impending impact — both culturally and on food resources — would be devastating.

Enter Nicola MacDonald, leader of a prominent coastal *iwi* (Ngati Manuhiri) with territory ranging from Auckland northward. A Māori leader with connections to other coastal *iwi*, government agencies, elected officials, academia, stakeholders, and media, she is a force of action and movement. In early 2023, she secured contact with Dr. Robert

Mooney, visited him in Newport Beach, and implored him to come help. Soon after that, Robert, Rachel, Seth Jones, and I were working out logistics with Nicola's team back in Auckland. Years back, we had learned from the Med Sea scientists and experts, and we had put our learning to good use. Now we were being called on to teach and on the global stage. We were there to provide input, context, technical support, and, unknowingly, hope. In August 2023 we arrived in Aotearoa. We were greeted with traditional Māori protocols and ceremonies and allowed into typically restricted-access areas for the non-Māori. A roadshow was planned out over the course of a week, called Te Wero Nui (The Big Challenge): Combatting *Caulerpa*. The overwhelming dynamic we encountered was coastal people, stakeholders, and Māori *iwi* at ground zero of an invasion, seeing their beloved reefs, fish species and coastal areas being adversely impacted. That and dissatisfaction with central government's Biosecurity response. Time had been lost.

Without making promises, we recited the tenets of our lessons learned: rapid response, outreach, education, action, aim to kill it, don't overthink it and lose time, force a marriage of science, policy, and funding. Now. Because *Caulerpa* will laugh at your toolbox of outdated protocols, laws, mindsets, policies and procedures whether they be for permits, consensus, in-water operations, or spending. One example was a stunning bit of messaging from Biosecurity that urged boaters, upon finding a piece of *Caulerpa* on an anchor or fishing line, to "Chuck It Straight Back." The California team was unable to make sense of this message, which was posted on six-foot tall vertical banners at the domestic airline terminal (where flights left daily for *Caulerpa*-infested Great Barrier Island), on websites, and on to ground-mounted billboards overlooking invaded waters. We urged agency staff to re-think this harmful message. It was fiercely defended during Q-and-A sessions during Roadshow presentations.

A positive development: months after our return, the messaging was changed to "Bag It and Bin It." That change of posture from officials, agency staff, and outreach communications was the result of coastal *iwi* and stakeholder groups demanding accountability and a reversal of the "surrender" position. Agency staff tend to think in terms of their careers and date of retirement. Political officials think in terms of election and fiscal cycles. But the indigenous Māori think in terms of 'forever' and multiple generations, past and future. Their connection to ocean

and terrestrial resources is spiritual and functional. Time was up to turn the corner and face down *Caulerpa* with combat.

This will be a decade-long war. There are hopeful and promising updates from various battlefield locations. There are new innovative containment and control techniques that were not available or developed during the time of our *Caulerpa* battle that typify "Kiwi ingenuity" — a new dredge device, biodegradable mats to cover *Caulerpa*, and remotely operated underwater drone surveys. If successful, these new techniques could be deployed nationally in New Zealand and then worldwide. And there are finally anchoring bans in certain areas, even though enforcement challenges loom — there are still some surprising disconnects among recreational and organized boating fraternities regarding the real threats from *Caulerpa*. Human nature will always represent a challenge to nature. Still, many have told us that the California team initiated a positive metamorphosis in Aotearoa. Our team met with then prime minister Chris Hipkins; we had a spot on national television on the Breakfast Show. We had media interviews and coverage, most of which were arranged by Nicola. The national challenge to combat *Caulerpa* is now connecting various community and cross-cultural elements. The renowned Kelly Tarlton Sea Life Aquarium in Auckland is committed to new outreach campaigns. Coastal coalitions are forming partnerships and developing websites. Biosecurity is increasing accountability, action, and communications.

Vaccine Trials for All Ages



We have vaccine research studies for volunteers of all ages, including Flu, RSV, Pneumonia, Covid-19, Monkey Pox & more. Call for information & priority status. Participants can receive up to \$2,800 in compensation.

Call (619) 658-5418

California Research Foundation



PHOTOGRAPH BY ERIC NOEL MUÑOZ

California team in New Zealand (left to right): Eric Muñoz, Dr. Robert Mooney, and Seth Jones.

Apathetic surrender is not being tolerated, and agency action is acutely monitored. But the situation is far from contained. Waiheke Island, just offshore of Auckland Harbour, is the equivalent of Catalina Island, connected to the mainland by regular commuter and tourist ferry service. Waiheke Island has Caulerpa, and the threat of invading Auckland Harbour is very real. At that point,

Caulerpa gets exported throughout the South Pacific. On Aotea continued surveys are finding new infestations, and existing ones are growing. Government funding is a fraction of what is needed. Scallops and crayfish have disappeared from affected reefs. And besides Aotea, there are ongoing invasions at the Bay of Islands, Kawau Island, Iris Shoal, Mercury Islands, Waiheke Island, and the Coroman-

del Peninsula.

But we keep fighting, and we keep hoping. In March 2024, Nicola MacDonald was named New Zealand's Environmental Hero of the Year. Specific reference was made to her efforts in hosting the California team and putting an overdue national spotlight on the Caulerpa invasions along the east coast and offshore islands of North Island. As the Caulerpa storyteller, I feel the need to communicate the intelligence, goodwill, and concern for coastal stewardship that I have seen first-hand. And to testify that in a world full of environmental problems, we need to be mindful that we do own a rare success story with our Caulerpa conquest. Our lessons learned remain relevant. We have a good toolbox. We are viewed positively within a global context. Connecting the dots from the Mediterranean Sea to the California coast to the southern hemisphere waters of New Zealand allows us to realize that saving the world means saving the oceans. And saving the oceans can start with one patch of water at a time.

Eric Noel Muñoz

Who do you love?

NORTH COUNTY

♥ Reader ♥

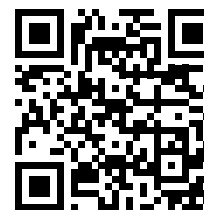
BEST

♥ of 2024 ♥

Vote for the best businesses, attractions, and more!

You can vote daily!

Voting is live through August 30



sandiebestof.com

PRESENTED BY



BATTA | FULKERSON

Determined and Dedicated Injury Attorneys

(760) 777-8888

Start to Finish!
(Implant, Abutment, Crown)

Immediate Load Dental Implant **\$3800**

Fixed Bridge All-On-Six for \$11,000

Root Canal Special starting at **\$500**

Extra treatment for additional cost.

Delayed Load Dental Implant **\$1950**

We accept all major PPO insurance plans

Dr. S. T. Sawa

Call for Additional Services and Specials

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

Multilingual **CALL FOR A FREE CONSULTATION (619) 346-7483**

407W. Madison Ave. • El Cajon, CA 92020 • drsawa@sbcglobal.net

www.immediatetoothreplacement.com

Your Week

AND WELCOME TO IT

Thursday | 15

SUMMER NIGHTS: JAPANESE KAMISHIBAI STORYTELLING



Originally invented on the streets of Tokyo, Japan, Kamishibai Storybox Theater has been entertaining children and adults since it was first performed in 1929, and has since gone worldwide. As the narrator tells the story, pictures are revealed in sequence inside a small wooden box that acts as the story's stage. Don't miss this summer's all-ages presentation by Walter Ritter as he shares stories such as "The Bamboo Princess," "The One-Inch Boy," "Momotaro," and "The Little Chick."

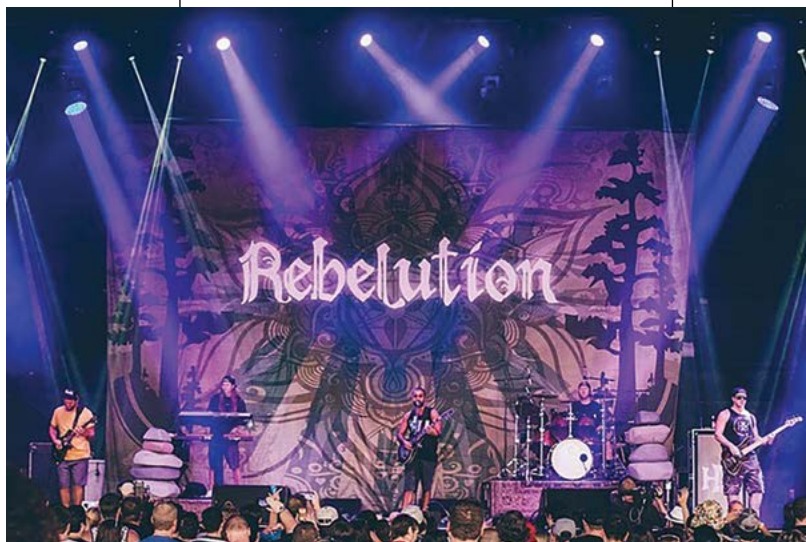
WHEN: Thursday, August 15, 6 pm to 8 pm

WHERE: San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive, Encinitas. sdbg.org

Friday | 16

REBELUTION: GOOD VIBES CALI TOUR

Reggae rock band Rebelution was formed in Isla Vista, California by musicians who had attended and completed school at the University of California, Santa Barbara. They're touring in support of their recent acoustic album *Reflections*. The bill



includes Kolohe Kai, Collie Budz, Cydeways and DJ Mackle.

WHEN: Friday, August 16, 7:30 pm

WHERE: North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. northislandcreditunionamp.com/

Saturday | 17

SOCAL TACO FEST

Sample tacos from Fisher's, Birria Kings, Gringa's Tacos, Tacos Before Vatos, TJ Tacos, and others. Enjoy live music from Vanilla Ice, Smash Mouth, and Los Amigos Invisibles. Check out the live DJs in the Margarita Cantina Tent, try karaoke, and enter your recipe in a "guac off."

WHEN: Saturday, August 17, 10 am

WHERE: Waterfront Park, 1600 Pacific Highway, Downtown. socaltacofest.com

LEMON FESTIVAL

In a nod to the city's citrus-filled heritage, this event will transform Chula Vista's Third Avenue into a lemony wonderland. Sample bites and sips from local vendors, listen to two stag-



SATURDAY, AUGUST 17: SOCAL TACO FEST



es' worth of live music, take a photo with Tarty the Lemon, enter a lemon cook-off competition, browse arts and crafts vendors, and check out the Little Lemons kids' area in Memorial Park.

WHEN: Saturday, August 17, 11 am to 6 pm

WHERE: Third Avenue Village Association, 353 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista. downtownchulavista.com

Sunday | 18

WEEKENDS WITH LOCALS: LARRY ALLEN LINDSEY

Warwick's will be hosting Larry Allen Lindsey,

author of *Bones: A Sister's Revenge*. "Hattie Sexton, at well over a hundred years old, is a mountain legend and mistress of the black arts. In her final days, she sends for reporter John March, intending to clear her conscience and tell her multifaceted story of growing up among the Melungeons of Appalachia with a giant as a brother."

WHEN: Sunday, August 18, 1 pm to 3 pm

WHERE: Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue, La Jolla. warwicks.com



BONES

A SISTER'S REVENGE



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

ANIMAL FRIENDS

Puppy Bingo with The Animal Pad Have fun for a good cause with 3 Rounds of Bingo hosted by The Animal Pad! They will feature a few litters of puppies for adoption and we prizes will be awarded for each round. Tickets include a drink credit and \$5 donation to the rescue. Thursday, August 15, 6pm; \$15-\$16. Kairoa Brewing Company, 4601 Park Boulevard. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

San Diego Animal Sanctuary & Farm Summer Program Limited to just three children at a time, kids (7+ years of age) can shadow the Farm's experienced Animal Keepers taking part in activities, such as feeding the tortoises, pigs, and barnyard animals, walking with the goats, cleaning pens, picking vegetables in the garden and more. Mondays, 9am; through Wednesday, September 4, \$195-\$695. San Diego Animal Sanctuary & Farm, 5178 Japatul Spur. (ALPINE)

ART

35MM: A Musical Exhibition In 35mm, each photo creates an unique song, moments frozen in time; a glimmer of a life unfolding, a glimpse of something happening. Directed by Sean Boyd, musical direction by Michael Anthony, music and lyrics by Ryan Scott Oliver. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 7pm; Sundays, 7pm; through Sunday, August 25, \$22-\$25. Trinity Theatre Company, 1640 Camino Del Rio North Suite 129. (MISSION VALLEY)

Night Market Local art, hand-crafted goods, jewelry, vintage clothing. First 10 attendees receive \$5 coupon to use at the market. Friday, August 16, 5pm; Subterranean Coffee Boutique, 3764 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

Photography Exhibition: Sport Friendly Opening Reception Sport Friendly is an international, collaborative artistic experience celebrating sports teams committed to diversity, led by artist Émilien Buffard, supported by the Institut Français and awarded "Cultural Olympiad" by the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Committee. The exhibition will be on view until September 30th. This event is open and free to all. RSVP is appreciated. Light refreshments will be served. Thursday, August 15, 6pm; free. Alliance Française San Diego, 6390 Greenwich Drive #185. (LA JOLLA)

Summer Learning for Adults Floral Arrangement | August 17, 2024 Learn the basics of floral

BOOZENews

BY MATTHEW FLYNN

Blessed Hess at City Tacos

It doesn't get much more San Diego than tacos and craft beer. Now, local taco franchise **City Tacos** is celebrating its 10th anniversary by teaming with one of its neighbors for its own house beer.

"It's funny," says Gerry Torres, founder of City Tacos. Some 11 years ago, "I started checking out locations for our original City Tacos. I toured San Diego County by day, night, and even into the wee hours — and absolutely fell in love with North Park. North Park had the 'it' factor. It was vibrant, unpretentious, and so filled with that sort of magic that makes a neighborhood feel like home."

Setting up shop on North

Park also meant becoming more intimately acquainted with San Diego's craft beer scene. Torres continues, "My very first craft beer was at the **Mike Hess** tasting room in North Park, and it was love at first sip. I was intimidated by all the names, styles and craft lingo, having never had a formal education on craft beer. I had tried most of the major national and international brands, but this was new, different, and very special. Kelly was a fun and knowledgeable red-head Irish girl, and she was suddenly my beertender. She paired me with a pint of Grazias, a cream ale on nitrous. Again, love at first sip."

That initial love has now blossomed into a full partnership with Hess, which is brewing Blessed City, a 7% ABV Hazy IPA. The beer's incorporation of Mosaic, Citra, Simcoe, and Cascade hops provides notes of mango, pineapple, and citrus, which combine with the creamy mouthfeel and juicy flavor you'd expect from a hazy.

Hess brewer Jason Stockberger gives a bit of



City Tacos tapped Hess for its house brew.



Tacos and beer: a San Diego tradition.

ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES

the flavor profile and ensure it perfectly complemented their menu. Their input was invaluable in selecting the right ingredients and achieving the perfect balance of flavors."

That involvement included selecting the name. "For the name, we wanted to show how we feel about where we live," Torres explains. "We are certainly blessed to

background on the brewery's collaborations, "We have collaborated with various restaurants and organizations in the past to create custom brews tailored to their specific needs. Each partnership is unique, and we take pride in developing beers that enhance the experiences of our partners' customers. Our goal is always to create something special that reflects the essence of each collaboration."

Stockberger continues, "The City Tacos team was deeply involved in the brewing process from start to finish. We worked closely together, holding multiple tasting sessions to fine-tune

call America's Finest City our home. It's heavenly, really. We can't thank our longtime friends at Mike Hess enough for collaborating on this special project. We believe the beer will pair well with any of our nearly 20 tacos on the menu."

Blessed City is on tap at all seven City Tacos locations, with 10% of all proceeds going to local charities — an act Torres says is made "in hopes of blessing our city forward for the good of all those who call this blessed city home."

For more craft booze news, see srdreader.com/booze/

BEER

HOPFEST Summer Edition San Diego Comic Fest, in collaboration with Hopnonymous Brewing, presents Hop Fest Summer Edition for a one-day fundraiser event featuring writers, artists, food, drinks, comic trivia, and a cosplay contest. Many of San Diego's comic creators will be in action. All ages are welcome and the venue is dog-friendly. Proceeds of this fundraiser event will benefit the upcoming San Diego Comic Fest. Saturday, August 17, 12pm; free. Hopnonymous Brewing, 7705 Convoy Court. (KEARNY MESA)

BOOK SIGNINGS

Marlene Wagman-Geller: A Room of Their Own Warwick's presents Marlene Wagman-Geller as she discusses and signs her new book, *A Room of Their Own: Home Museums of Extraordinary Women Around the World*. Wednesday, August 21, 7:30pm; Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

Warwick's Author Livestream: Kerri Maher and Gill Paul Warwick's presents Kerri Maher and Gill Paul as they discuss their new books, the paperback edition of *All You Have to Do Is Call and Scandalous Women: A Novel of Jackie Collins and Jacqueline Susann*. Friday, August 16, 10am; warwicks.com/event/maher-and-paul-2024. (ONLINE)

Weekends with Locals: Larry Allen Lindsey Weekends with Locals will be hosting Larry Allen Lindsey, author of *Bones: A Sister's Revenge* Sunday, August 18, 1pm; Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

8-Week Mindful Self-Compassion Self-compassion is a healthier way to handle life's challenges. Friday, August 16, 11am; \$365-\$575. UC San Diego Population Health, 6333 Greenwich Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Beyond TikTok: Smart Ways to Discover Great Colleges Students will explore a mini college fair and discuss dozens of ways to gather college intel. For rising grades 9, 10, and 11 students. Monday, August 19, 6pm; \$50-\$65. Encinitas Community and Senior Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive. (ENCINITAS)

Business LaunchPad This two-day event provides hands-on training, networking opportunities, and learning from experienced entrepreneurs, faculty, and professionals. Saturday, August 17, 8am; free. 18 and up. National University Scripps Ranch, 9980 Carroll Canyon Road. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Candles & Craft Workshop Outdoor workshop where you'll craft your own rum-inspired cocktail and a refreshing summer mocktail. Additional food and drinks will be available for purchase. Friday, August 16, 2pm; \$35-\$45. 21 and up. Omni La Costa Resort and Spa, 2100 Costa del Mar Road. (CARLSBAD)

Cruise Planning (America's Boating Club) Prepare for extended sailing or motor passages. Topics include: provisioning, ocean weather, foreign entries, long range communications, health concerns, plus much more. Ages 14 and up. Monday, August 19, 6:30pm; \$90-\$110. Southwestern Yacht Club, 2702 Qualtrough Street. (POINT LOMA)

Cultured Ice Cream Workshop & Fermenters Club Flight Learn

how to make cultured milk products through fermentation, and celebrate summer by indulging in cultured ice cream (dairy and vegan). Tuesday, August 20, 6:30pm; \$79. Maya Moon Collective, 3349 Adams Ave. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Divine Light Healing Event This month's focus of the healing will be on Building Spiritual Stamina. Thursday, August 15, 6:30pm; \$20. 18 and up. Spiritual Arts Institute, 527 Encinitas Boulevard. (ENCINITAS)

Foundation Drawing Workshop With Instructor Duke Windson Saturday, August 17, 12pm; \$30-\$240. 18 and up. Heritage of the Americas Museum, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Full Moon Sound Bath Join Jeny Dawson of Zen Soul Balance under the light of the Sturgeon Moon for a transformative sound healing ceremony. Monday, August 19, 6pm; \$50. Nature & Science Medicine, 531 Encinitas Boulevard #107. (ENCINITAS)

Gentle Yoga Teacher Nicole Pisciotto. Mondays, 10:30am; through Tuesday, August 27, \$20-\$25. Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main Street. (JULIAN)

Hand Rolled Sushi Cooking Class Learn how to create your own fresh sushi rolls. Saturday, August 17, 1pm; \$59. Duck Foot Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

Homebuyer Happy Hour Experts will be on hand to provide valuable insights and answer all your questions. Enjoy bites, beverages, and raffles throughout the evening. Tuesday, August 20, 5:30pm; free. Redfin Carlsbad Office, 1808 Aston Avenue Ste 200. (CARLSBAD)

Improv Comedy Drop-In Classes Every class starts with

a warmup and refresher on the basics of improv before moving on to scene work and short sets based on a short or long form concept. Thursdays, 6:30pm; through Thursday, August 15, \$25-\$120. 18 and up. Pacific Beach Recreation Center, 1405 Diamond Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Intro to Copperplate Calligraphy: 6 Week Class Copperplate is the most commonly recognized traditional calligraphy script, making it a must-have for every calligrapher. Tuesday, August 20, 4:30pm; \$360. Strenger Studio, 2707 Congress St., Suite 1D. (OLD TOWN)

Learn to Fly Radio Controlled Aircraft Free The Palomar Radio Control Flyers are hosting free flight lessons. Airplanes provided, register online. Mondays, 5pm; through Wednesday, August 28, free. Johnson Field, Pankey Road. (FALLBROOK)

Meditation Class Expanding Consciousness with Sound, hosted by Teresa Thursday, August 15, 7pm; free-\$20. 18 and up. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

Meditation, Awareness & Awakening Class hosted by Turiya Dhara Saturday, August 17, 11am; free-\$20. 18 and up. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue. (OCEAN BEACH)

San Diego Fixit Clinic: Back to School Repair your beloved items, and enjoy crafting upcycled tote bags and pencil holders. Coaches are ready to help repair your stuff. Saturday, August 17, 10am; free. Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. (CARLSBAD)

Sip & Script: Modern Calligraphy Class For Beginners You'll be introduced to modern calligraphy with a pointed dip pen and ink in this workshop. Tuesday, August 20, 6:30pm; \$75. Duck Foot

Brewing Company, 8920 Kenamar Drive. (MIRAMAR)

Sounds of Summer: Miramar Sound Bath This sound meditation provides a space for mindful relaxation in a calm and peaceful setting. Wednesday, August 21, 6pm; \$40. Unity Center, 8999 Activity Road. (MIRA MESA)

Stand Up Comedy Class Join our six week stand up comedy workshop, and develop a 5 minute set that you can perform at open mics and live shows! Every week will be an interactive workshop that will cover different topics. For more details please email Jesse Egan @ jesseegancomedy@gmail.com Saturday, August 17, 12pm; Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Summer Renewal Workplace Retreat The retreat will feature a half-day of short guided mindfulness and compassion practices followed by an afternoon workshop focused on connecting with your inner resources to make a positive impact in your organizations. Saturday, August 17, 8:30am; \$39-\$99. Great Hall UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive #0550. (LA JOLLA)

Twisted Macrame Plant Hanger Craft Workshop Learn the art of creating your own Macramé Plant Wrap. Sunday, August 18, 1pm; \$45. Negotiant Hillcrest Urban Winery, 1263 University Avenue. (HILLCREST)

Yarn Painting Workshop Explore Soft Mosaic, a method of pressing finger weight yarns on to a soft art wax covered boards. Timothy will share the use of symbolism, color composition, and story while creating your own spirit journey of art. Participant will create their own 5"-7" yarn painting. Tuesday, August 20, 1pm; \$140-\$155. Visions Art Museum, 2825 Dewey Road #100. (LIBERTY STATION)

OUTDOORS

Golden Medallion tree, Cloudless Sulfur butterfly, ocean temps peak

The Gold Medallion Tree (*Cassia leptophylla*) is one of San Diego's most popular trees, and it is blooming in most parts of San Diego right now. The yellow flowers bloom in clusters at the tips of the branches, clusters which can grow to the size of a basketball on mature trees. Native to Brazil and introduced to California in the 1980s, it does well here because it is extremely drought tolerant, loves full sun, and will tolerate frost to 25 degrees Fahrenheit. It grows to about 25 feet tall with a 25-foot canopy, and is evergreen for most of the year. The yellow flowers on the tree now will drop in about a month, making way for the footlong pods that will drop early fall.

The Cloudless Sulfur Caterpillar uses the Gold Medallion tree as a host plant for pupating, and when the tree is blooming (as it is now), you'll often see the Cloudless Sulfur butterfly (*Phoebis sennae*)



THE LIFESPAN OF THE CLOUDLESS SULFUR BUTTERFLY IS ONLY 2-4 WEEKS.



THE GOLD MEDALLION TREE IS BLOOMING ALL OVER SAN DIEGO.

fluttering all around it. The adults are clever at camouflage, resting on flowers that match the color of their wings. Growing to just under 2 inches in size, the males are a bright lemon yellow, while the females are more of a golden yellow. Both genders have black spotting on the wings. Their rapid, darting movements are one way to easily differentiate them from other similar species.

Ocean Water Temperatures Will Probably Peak in the next few weeks, the result of many weeks of summer sunshine and warm coastal air temperatures. While the water offshore seldom reaches 70 degrees Fahrenheit, shallow-water temperatures of 70-75 degrees are not uncommon on gently shelving beaches late in the day. Wide, sandy beaches such as Coronado, south Mission Beach, and La Jolla Shores are now at their best for comfortable bathing.

August's Full Moon Will Arrive On Monday the 19th, and it will be the first supermoon of the year, bigger and brighter than any moon this year so far. The highest tides this month are associated with the full moon. A high tide of +7.35 feet is predicted at 9:05 pm Sunday, August 18, and an identical tide of +7.35 feet is due at 9:48 pm on Monday, August 19. Lowest tides for the month occur very early in the morning: a -1.14-foot tide at 3:29 am on Sunday and a -1.25-foot tide at 4:03 am on Friday.

COMEDY

Alfred Robles After getting kicked out of the police academy, Alfred Robles rose to become one of the hottest young comedians in the country. Two years into his comedy career, Alfred was featured in the hit show "Loco Comedy Jam" and the Latino Laugh Festival. Wednesday, August 21, 7pm; Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

American Me Comedy American Me Comedy will be an evening of the best stand-up comedy featuring today's hottest working comics from all walks of life - race, color, religion, and sexual orientation - sharing their unique and hilarious perspectives on life experiences. Wednesday, August 21, 8pm; \$23. 21 and up. Comedy Store, 916 Pearl Street. (LA JOLLA)

Area Rug Comedy Underground art and standup comedy show with headliner Tatyana Guchi, Cameron Frost, and Connor Castello. After the show, stick around for an art market and DJ sets. Friday, August 16, 7:30pm; \$9-\$15. 21 and

up. Studio Casually, 710 13th Street. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Beetlejuice Brunch We're paying homage to the classic movie with themed trivia, with a hauntingly hilarious lip sync battle, and uproarious stand-up comedy. From our chef-driven kitchen, feast on tantalizing breakfast tacos that are sure to summon your appetite. Throw on your BLACK and WHITE stripes, grab your Handbook for the Recently Deceased, and get ready to laugh 'til you scream at the Beetlejuice Comedy Brunch Show - where the only thing scarier than the jokes is running out of BACON! Sunday, August 18, 1pm; \$20-\$200. 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Cody Smith With over 5 million combined followers across all platforms, you've seen him on book covers, ABC, & along side his partnership with Skrewball Peanutbutter whiskey! Cody's guaranteed to bring a smile to your face! Leave ya kids at home & come have fun! Thursday, August 15, 7pm; \$25-\$350. 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Comedy Night Host Mark Christopher Lawrence will be joined by Scott Mr Punchline Wood, Kurt Swann, Lisa Gilbert, and musical guest Ash Foster. Friday, August 16, 7pm; \$45. Guggenheim Theatre, 1100 Market Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

Comedy Under the Stars Lineup TBA, no cover. Saturday, August 17, 7:30pm; free-\$10. 21 and up. Bolt Brewing, 8179 Center Street. (LA MESA)

Justin Silva Prior to comedy, he was an electrician full-time, and a server at chili's part-time. The workforce was not working out for him. After his first comedy show, he learned it was where he belonged. Justin fell in love with being on the stage and making people laugh. Friday, August 16, 7pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, August 17, 7pm and 9:30pm; \$25-\$35. 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Major Malfunction Join us in Mic Drop's MAIN room for a night of laughter with San Diego's funniest female comics! Sunday, August 18, 6pm; \$20-\$25. 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Mark Smalls AS SEEN ON: "Country Club Adjacent," Twitch, TikTok, Instagram, and more! Thursday, August 15, 8pm; \$20. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Mo Amer AS SEEN ON: Netflix, Hulu, CBS, Comedy Central, Marvel & more! Friday, August 16, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, August 17, 7:30pm and 9:30pm; \$40. 21 and up. American Comedy Company, 818 Sixth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Preacher Lawson Preacher Lawson was born in Portland, OR, but spent most of his adolescence in Memphis, TN. Lawson is best known for his appearance on season 12 of NBC's AMERICA'S GOT TALENT where he made it to the final round. Sunday, August 18, 6pm and 8:30pm; 21 and up. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

Sarah Colonna She most recently starred as "Angie" in Netflix's hit show "Insatiable," and recurred as "Lori" in seasons 9 & 10 of "Shameless." Sarah became well known as the popular roundtable regular on the hit late night talk show "Chelsea Lately." Friday,

August 16, 7pm and 9:30pm; Saturday, August 17, 7pm and 9:30pm; \$28. 21 and up. Comedy Store, 916 Pearl Street. (LA JOLLA)

Stand Up for Kids Does your child have a knack for making people laugh? Enroll them in our six-week stand-up comedy workshop designed for kids ages 8 to 15 years old at Mic Drop Comedy! This fun and engaging program will help them develop a 5-minute set to perform in front of family and friends at the end of the course. Sunday, August 18, 3pm; \$275. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

The Best of San Diego The Best of San Diego is San Diego's longest running local showcase that has helped launch the careers of some of the top comedians in the industry today. This is the show that will allow you to say, "I remember seeing them at the La Jolla Comedy Store way back in..." Thursday, August 15, 8pm; 21 and up. Comedy Store, 916 Pearl Street. (LA JOLLA)

Tuesday Night Potluck Tuesday Night Potluck is the show where anyone can go up and try their hand at stand up comedy. Tuesday, August 20, 7pm; 21 and up.

Comedy Store, 916 Pearl Street. (LA JOLLA)

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Hangout Hub Enjoy assorted board games, adult coloring pages, puzzles, even Legos to unleash your creativity. Saturday, August 17, 3:30pm; free. 18 and up. Rancho Penasquitos Library, 13330 Salmon River Road. (RANCHO PEÑASQUITOS)

San Diego Neighborhood Coalition Monthly Meeting San Diego Neighborhood Coalition Monthly Meeting Wednesday, August 21, 6pm; Helm, 191 West Beech Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

Swiftie Book Club Whether you're a die-hard Swiftie superfan, a literature enthusiast, or simply curious to explore a unique intersection of music and literature, explore the diverse range of books referenced in Taylor Swift's songs, uncovering the rich connections between literature and music. Monday, August 19, 6:30pm; free. 18 and up. Central Library, 330 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

FOR KIDS

Bilingual Story & Craft Time

Join VMOTA's Bilingual Story Time for tales of culture and creativity. Enjoy textile art stories and hands-on crafting in both English and Spanish with a celebration of cultural exchange, literacy, and art. Saturday, August 17, 10:15am; **free**. Visions Art Museum, 2825 Dewey Road #100. (LIBERTY STATION)

Little Phee Kids Secondhand Fashion Event

Join Little Phee & refresh your kids' closets affordably & sustainably. Sunday, August 18, 12pm; \$55-\$65. Pizza Casette, 5322 Banks Street. (BAY PARK)

National Model Aviation Day

The Palomar Radio Control Flyers is hosting a free event, where you can learn more about Radio Control Aircraft and sign up for free flying lessons. During this event, you will be able to see Radio Control airplanes, jets, helicopters, and drones. Saturday, August 17, 9am; **free**. Johnson Field, Pankey Road. (FALLBROOK)

The Little Mermen

The Little Mermen are the ultimate Disney tribute concert for Disney fanatics of all ages. The band's repertoire covers nearly a century of musical canon, including favorites from The Little Mermaid, Mary Poppins, Frozen and Encanto. Saturday, August 17, 6pm; **free**-\$20. Epstein Family Amphitheater, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

Thomas Family Day

Thomas and his friends from the Isle of Sodor will take over the museum for a day all about Thomas the Tank Engine including Thomas & Friends scavenger hunt around the museum, with Thomas trains running on layouts, arts & crafts inspired by Thomas, an Isle of Sodor display, and sing and dance along sets. Included in museum admission, and kids 12 and under get in free. Please Note: There is no full-size, rideable train at this event. Saturday, August 17, 10am; **free**-\$20. San Diego Model Railroad Museum, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

Trail Tykes

Created for children 2 to 5 years of age, Trail Tykes is a free program that includes a read-aloud story, and a craft/activity or a short walk with MTRP Foundation staff and volunteers. Please register @ mtrp.org/trailtykes/ to reserve your space. Wednesdays, 3:30pm; through Wednesday, August 28, **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

LECTURES

Explore the Shore: La Jolla Seal & Sea Lions

Learn about the differences between seals and sea lions and how to keep the ocean clean. Youth program includes drawing and interactive activities. Thursday, August 15, 1pm; **free**. Carmel Mountain Ranch Library, 12095 World Trade Drive. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

Explore the Shore: La Jolla Seal & Sea Lions

Learn the difference between seals and sea lions and how to view them safely in this youth program at the library. Play games and draw. Presented by Sierra Club Seal Society. Thursday, August 15, 4pm; **free**. Scripps Miramar Ranch Library, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Live Lecture: Geology of San Diego County

This talk will focus on geological forces and events from the last 200 million years that have shaped the San Diego County we see today. From regional tectonics to massive volcanism, uplift and erosion, and the many current infrastructure challenges San Diego currently faces. Saturday, August 17, 11am; **free**. San Diego Archaeological Center, 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road. (ESCONDIDO)

TEDxEscondido

The inaugural TEDxEscondido event will present a diverse selection of live presenters mixed with TED talk videos and remarkable performances – sparking deep conversation and meaningful connections. Saturday, August 17, 10:30am; \$60-\$120. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

NATURE

August Family Walk

This walk and talk will focus on the geology of the lagoon area and the larger region. Past climate eras will also be discussed. The walk will be about a mile in length and is suitable for families with children. Be sure to dress appropriately for the weather, wear a hat and sunscreen and bring water. Space is limited, first come, first served. It's recommended to come 15 minutes early. Meet at the Nature Center. Saturday, August 17, 10am; **free**. Batiqitos Lagoon Nature Center, 7380 Gabbiano Lane. (CARLSBAD)

Free Guided Nature Walk

Join a MTRP Trail Guide on a guided nature walk and learn about the plants, animals, geology, history, and ecology of the park. 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, but the morning walk is not so hot. Walks are canceled if raining. Saturdays, 9:30am; Sundays, 9:30am; Wednesdays, 9:30am; through Sunday, August 25, **free**. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

Free Interpretive Walks

Free interpretive nature walk on the second and third Sunday of each month. Hear about the plants and wildlife. Walks are moderately paced on the lower creek trail and begin in front of the Elfin Forest Interpretive Center Honoring Susan J. Varty. Sunday, August 18, 9am; **free**. Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve, 8833 Harmony Grove Road. (ESCONDIDO)

Stars at West Sycamore Join members from the San Diego

Astronomy Association at the West Sycamore Staging Area to view the nighttime sky through telescopes. Telescopes provided or bring your own if you have one. Sunset 7:31pm Friday, August 16, 7:15pm; **free**. West Sycamore – Mission Trails Regional Park, 17160 Stonebridge Parkway. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Summer Twilight Nature Walk

Join MTRP Trail Guides for free special interpretive walks at twilight this summer. Come and enjoy an evening walk in the park and learn about the changes that occur at dusk as the sun goes down. Walks meet at the parking lot at the corner of Bushy Hill Drive and Father Junípero Serra Trail, across from Kumeyaay Lake Campground. Don't forget to bring along a flashlight and an extra layer of clothing — it often cools down after the sun sets. Sunset 7:31 pm Saturday, August 17, 7pm; **free**. Kumeyaay Lake Campground, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Lemon Festival

Third Avenue will be transformed into a lemon paradise, promising a day brimming with lemon-themed bites and sips, two stages of live music, zesty photo opportunities with the beloved Tarty the Lemon, a lemon cook-off competition, arts and crafts vendors, and the Little Lemons kids' area in Memorial Park. Saturday, August 17, 11am; **free**. Third Avenue Village Association, 353 3rd Avenue. (CHULA VISTA)

Sample Sale

Studio H Collection, a San Diego-based atelier known for hand-crafted stone accessories and bespoke home goods, will feature a collection of samples, retired designs, and more, providing an opportunity for design enthusiasts to acquire items at special prices. Saturday, August 17, 9am; **free**. Studio H Design Group, 1202 Kettner Boulevard #103. (LITTLE ITALY)

Sunset Luau on the Bay

Experience a celebration of Polynesian cuisine, music, and dance for family and friends. This event includes a lei greeting, Mai Tai, all-you-can-eat buffet, and entertainment. Tuesdays, 5:30pm; through Friday, August 30, \$55-\$165. Catamaran Resort, 3999 Mission Boulevard. (MISSION BEACH)

Theresia M. Heyden Hall Ribbon Cutting

The new building, named in honor of Theresia M. Heyden, a passionate supporter of nursing and generous donor, will provide a consolidated location and modern facilities for all Allied Health programs. Features include state-of-the-art simulation spaces, such as patient and operating rooms, along with hands-on skills labs and classrooms. Wednesday, August 21, 10am; **free**. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)



HARMONY GROVE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION
EST. 1896

Spiritual & Healing Arts Fair

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH
10AM - 4PM

READERS, HEALERS, AND MORE!

2975 WASHINGTON CIRCLE, ESCONDIDO 92029

WWW.HARMONYGROVESPIRITUAL.ORG
FB: @HARMONYGROVESPIRITUAL | IG: @HGSASPIRIT



NOW OPEN

LITTLE ITALY MERCATO
SATURDAYS 8 am to 2 pm
WEDNESDAYS 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

Shop safe at open-air farmers' markets
Fresh Fruit • Vegetables • Meat • Fish • Eggs
Flowers • Yogurt • Baked Goods and more!
Limited entry for safe shopping

OPEN YEAR-ROUND, RAIN OR SHINE

Information and safety protocols:
sandiegomarkets.com



MORE CHANCES TO WIN!

WIN TICKETS		Enter to win a pair of tickets to Sabor Del Barrio. Deadline to Enter: Friday, August 30 at 1pm
WIN DINNER		Enter to win dinner for 2 at 8 SD Restaurant Week destinations. Deadline to Enter: Wednesday, September 4 at 1pm
WIN TICKETS		Enter to win a pair of tickets to see comedian Vir Das. Deadline to Enter: Friday, September 27 at 1pm

Enter to win at sandiegoreader.com/contests

SPOKEN WORD

Summer Nights: Japanese Kamishibai Storytelling First performed on the streets of Tokyo, Japan in 1929, Kamishibai Storybox Theater has captivated children and adults alike for nearly a century. The narrator by Walter Ritter tells the story while revealing sequential pictures inside a small wooden box that serves as a stage. Thursday, August 15, 6pm; \$3-\$5. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

SPORTS & FITNESS

America's Finest City Half Marathon & 5K Run from the Cabrillo National Monument

atop the tip of Point Loma, along San Diego Bay, Harbor Island, Embarcadero, past the Star of India, through downtown San Diego to a finish in historic Balboa Park. Sunday, August 18, 6am; \$40. Balboa Park, 2500 Balboa Drive. (BALBOA PARK)

Padres vs. Twins: Portuguese Heritage Night Join UPSES, the Portuguese community in San Diego, along with the Padres, to celebrate Portuguese Heritage. Tuesday, August 20, 5:10pm; \$35-\$128. Petco Park, 100 Park Boulevard. (EAST VILLAGE)

Women's Wrestling Kitsune Women's Wrestling makes its San Diego debut with "Love My Show" and women's wrestlers from Japan, Mexico and the United States. Saturday, August 17, 8pm; \$40. 21 and up. Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue. (LINDA VISTA)

MOVIES

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

Deadpool and Wolverine — Superhero movie fans of a certain age may recall a moment at the end of *Avengers: Infinity War* when big bad-die Thanos snapped his gauntleted fingers and so ended half of the universe's living things — including folks like Spider-Man, Black Panther, and Doctor Strange. For one brief darkling moment, you may have felt something — the presence of serious stakes, of possible death, of the sort of genuine ending forever denied those heroes in their original serialized medium of comic books. But most likely, by the time you left the theater, you were already coming to your senses: there was simply no way Marvel was about to leave that much money on the table. And maybe, in that moment, you hated yourself just a little bit for thinking like that: for letting yourself careen out of the story and into such craven considerations so quickly. For dispelling the magic of moviemaking by casting your thoughts upon the monetary machinations at the heart of all that onscreen heroism. All of which is to say that the third entry in the *Deadpool* franchise feels your pain and laughs heartily at it. For here is a film devoted to exposing and ridiculing



Alien: Romulus: Opening wide this Friday!

the nothing-means-anything narrative trick of the multiverse — a gimmick that gets to have Logan's noble death and feast on Hugh Jackman's ageless abs, too — that at the same time revels in it. As Ryan Reynolds, er, *Deadpool* says to a variant of his old buddy Jackman, er, *Wolverine*, "They're gonna make you do this until you're 90!" After all, both these heroes are basically indestructible, thanks to their powers of regeneration, and the boys at the lab are getting better and better at the whole de-aging thing... So yes, ha ha, we open with *Deadpool* figuratively pissing on *Wolverine's* grave by literally digging up his adamantium skeleton and using it to take out a horde of henchmen set on stopping him from saving the world. There's a half-hearted feint toward motivation: the merc with a mouth wants to matter. And there's a

brief flirtation with the consequences of that desire. But mattering isn't what matters here. Not even the action is what matters here. What matters here, as in the first installment, are the jokes. So many of them, crammed in from and spinning off in all directions. Many of them land. Some of them will most likely make you laugh. The effort and execution are impressive. At a certain point, the thought may occur: *Is this the real endpoint of the Marvel Universe, the extremity toward which quippy Tony Stark in Iron Man was always tending? Is that why his power thingy appears at the outset? Might they be ready to mean what they say about the multiverse being exhausted and empty? By negating Wolverine's sacrifice, are they admitting their mistake and declaring an end to this nonsense?* But most likely, by the time you leave

the theater, you will already be coming to your senses.— M.L. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Last Summer — Director and co-writer Catherine Breillat's French twist on the Danish film *Queen of Hearts* has got your cycle of abuse right here. We open on the face of a trembling teen as she recounts her sexual history to Anne (a handsome and supremely put-together Léa Drucker), the lawyer who will be attempting to nail her rapist. "The defense will try to portray you as a world class slut," Anne warns. "In court, victims often become the accused." A little later, we learn that the worst thing that ever happened to Anne was finding out she couldn't have children, thanks to an early-in-life abortion after... well, you figure it out. So when her older husband's don't-give-a-fuck-son-from-his-first-marriage Théo (a dreamy and lanky Samuel Kircher) comes to stay and starts picking up on her hatred for normopaths (her term)... well, you figure it out. The only mystery lies in how the inevitable will or will not resolve — and even that isn't the point here. (If it were, we'd see more of Chekhov's dictaphone.) Breillat's interests seem more personal than plotty, as evidenced by several long, long closeups: first of an ecstatic Théo, second of an isolated-in-the-midst-of-communion Anne, third of a terrified, discombobulated Dad. Despite being competent, compassionate, and even content, Anne has a fear of the call of the void, a fear of being the reason that everything disappears. (Why? Well...) But "disappears" may not be the right word, if only because it isn't nearly violent enough. Then again, that's the character of the film as a whole: cataclysmic events taking place amid

"As much a piece of art about the sins of the past as it is about living with the memory of those sins in the present."
—Indiewire (Critic's Pick)

\$3 OFF
REGULAR TICKET
USE CODE:
RESILIENCE

SUGARCANE
NOW PLAYING AUGUST 16 - 22, 2024

digitalgym.org | (619) 230-1938
1100 Market St, 2nd fl, San Diego, CA 92101

DIGITAL GYM
CINEMA

ARE YOU HAVING A GOOD TIME?

NAOMI ACKIE CHANNING TATUM CHRISTIAN SLATER SIMON REX ADRIA ARJONA KYLE MAACLACHLAN KYLE OSMENT HALEY JOEL OSMENT GEMMA DAVIS ALIA SHAWKAT

DIRECTED BY ZOË KRAVITZ

BLINK TWICE

WRITTEN BY ZOË KRAVITZ & E.J. FEIGENBAUM

AMAZON MGM STUDIOS PRESENTS A FREE ASSOCIATION FILMS & IMPORTERS PRODUCTION A POLYCHOICES PRODUCTION "BLINK TWICE" BY ZOE KRAVITZ STARRING NAOMI ACKIE, CHANNING TATUM, CHRISTIAN SLATER, SIMON REX, ADRIA ARJONA, KYLE MAACLACHLAN, KYLE OSMENT, HALEY JOEL OSMENT, GEMMA DAVIS, ALIA SHAWKAT. CASTING BY TIFANY PERKINS. COSTUME DESIGNER JORDAN HARRIS. HAIR BY WANA SCHAEFER. MAKEUP BY VICTORIA COHEN. EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS TIFANY PERKINS, GABRIEL LEVITZ. PRODUCED BY ZOE KRAVITZ, CHANNING TATUM. WRITTEN BY ZOE KRAVITZ & E.J. FEIGENBAUM. DIRECTED BY ZOE KRAVITZ.

ONLY IN THEATERS AUGUST 23

AMAZON MGM STUDIOS **Reader**

ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN TICKETS TO A SCREENING OF

BLINK TWICE

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

DEADLINE TO ENTER IS MONDAY, AUGUST 19 AT 1PM

Rated R for strong violent content, sexual assault, drug use and language throughout.
NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. Seating is first-come, first-served and cannot be guaranteed. Theater is overbooked to ensure a full house.

ONLY IN THEATERS AUGUST 23

f BlinkTwiceMovie | @BlinkTwiceMovie | #BlinkTwiceMovie

lovely, languid scenery and civil conversation. (2024)— M.L. ★★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

Longlegs — Oz Perkins' adventure in toxic family dynamics — toxic in a way that results in copious quantities of spilled blood — hits so many of the beats from *Silence of the Lambs* that some viewers may wonder if it's some kind of supernaturally-skewed gloss. It's not just the green female FBI agent with the traumatic past, the major clue via hidden Polaroids, the tense conversation with the terrifying monster who might be able to help crack the case, the helpful but unsettling meet-up with the research nerd, the nightmare basement lair with the thumpy music, etc. etc. It's also the feel of the thing: the cloud-dimmed middle-American dread, the sadness of old houses and abandoned souls, the threat of violence just outside the door. And all that similarity-bordering-on-sameness might have been okay if the story this time was a little better told, if the murderous mechanics were a little less arbitrary. As it is, the supernatural stuff is strangely tethered to some highly specific, totally natural, and weirdly unlikely conditions that feel manufactured for the sake of the Big Reveal. And even so, all might have been forgiven but for the so-flat-it's-funny final confrontation. That said, the big hook here is an almost unrecognizable Nicolas Cage as a fellow who worships Satan but does not seem to have gotten anything for his trouble except for an unpleasant and unprofitable skill set. He's wonderfully creepy, but that's about it. At least Buffalo Bill had a motive beyond "Hail, Satan!"— M.L. ★ (IN WIDE RELEASE)

The Vourdalak — Adrian Beau's first film digs up the first vampire — the Russian story upon which it is based predates Bram Stoker's *Dracula* — for a surprisingly effective horror story about...what, exactly? The evils of an authoritarian, ancient order of things, and the toll it takes on the younger generation? Well, you might be forgiven for thinking so, when the first-born son declares dear old Dad to be just fine, when he very clearly is not. When he just asked for the family dog to be shot, since it won't stop barking at him. When he refuses to say a blessing. When he starts feeding on the young. But there's a reason the film opens with tidings of war, and we see right way the way it actually destroys old orders, upends morality, lays waste to the sort of civilization where a wounded man might be taken in and given shelter from the storm. But before you start chewing over questions of meaning and intent, stay a while with the story at hand and its dreamy presentation. Because there is surprising mastery there, in the service of serious horror. (2023)— M.L. ★★★ (DIGITAL GYM)

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith 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.

'hoods

Tatiana, a 20 year-old DACA undergrad on a scholarship to UCSD is... homeless. Through the illumination of words, relationships and empathy, she knits an environment of warmth and inclusivity and offers various rays of hope for a tight Safe Parking Program community. Her caretaker Auntie, fighting for human equality and her friend Zeal grappling with his experiences in the LGBTQ+ Community, leads to various struggles of the human condition. Tatiana and the others ultimately manage to embrace a sense of dignity, love, and inspiration. Staged reading written & directed by Matthew Salazar-Thompson and featuring Veronica Burgess, Michaela Rae Macias, Devin Wade & Cristyn Chandler.

MOXIE THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BL., SUITE N, ROLANDO. 858-598-7620. 7PM MONDAY.

35MM: A Musical Exhibition

A picture is worth 1,000 words — what about a song? Can a picture inspire a song or fifteen? In 35mm, each photo creates an unique song, moments frozen in time; a glimmer of a life unfolding, a glimpse of something happening. Directed by Sean Boyd, musical direction by Michael Anthony, music and lyrics by Ryan Scott Oliver. Based on *Photographs* by Matthew Murphy.

TRINITY THEATRE COMPANY, 1640 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH SUITE 129, MISSION VALLEY. 7PM FRIDAYS, SATURDAYS, & SUNDAYS.

A Twisted Bargain

Enjoy a psychological thriller examining the volatile relationship of Michael Franklin & Xander Roberts. Michael is obsessed with crime & cruelty, Xander is obsessed with Michael, thus began their pact of "quid pro quo" where sex and violence are brutally intertwined. A story of obsession, manipulation and murder. Nominated for 5 BroadwayWorld Awards. Inspired by the lives and crimes of Leopold & Loeb. Written & Directed by Michael Mizerany Featuring Sam Zukin and Hunter Brown. Produced by Compulsion Dance & Theater

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BL., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-728-7820. 7PM FRIDAY.

Derecho

Some storms you can't hide from. A series of intense storms — a "derecho" — is bearing down on an affluent Virginia neighborhood near D.C., where Eugenia Silva is preparing for a crucial meeting. Eugenia is a politician hoping to join the wave of women of color elected to public office. Her sister Mercedes is a struggling musician fighting to find her way on her own terms. As winds rise and thunder cracks — and tensions

between the sisters reach boiling point — Eugenia's political ambitions crash into Mercedes's need to reconnect her sister with their roots. Propulsive and whip-smart, Derecho confronts how traditional Latino values conflict with an ever-changing American definition of success. Will the storm wipe out their relationship and derail Eugenia's campaign, or will the rains provide a fresh start? This engrossing drama from Uruguayan-American writer Noelle Viñas harnesses the danger of colliding the personal and political to reach your goals. Director Delicia Turner Sonnenberg.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 7:30PM THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAY, 1PM & 7PM SUNDAY.

Exit, Pursued by a Bear

After years of abuse, Nan is finally ready to teach her abusive husband Kyle a lesson. With some assistance by her long-time best friend Simon (acting as her emotional, and actual, cheerleader) and an optimistic stripper named Sweetheart, Nan wants to make Kyle understand what he's done is wrong before taking her final revenge. They hatch a plan inspired by Shakespeare's immortal stage direction in *The Winter's Tale*: "Exit, pursued by a bear." With a flair for theatrics, the group tapes a drunk Kyle to a chair and reenact scenes from the couple's painful past. In the piece de resistance, they plan to cover the room in meat and honey so Kyle will be mauled by a bear. Through this night of emotional trials and ridiculous theatrics, Nan and Kyle are both freed from their past in this dark and smart revenge comedy. Directed by Kira Blaskovich.

CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1835 STRAND WAY, CORONADO. 619-435-4856. 8PM FRIDAY, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY.

Henry 6 One: Flowers and France and Two: Riot and Reckoning

As the Old Globe joins the pantheon of American theater companies that have staged all of Shakespeare's plays, director and Artistic Director Barry Edelstein has gone big and broad for a play that draws its tragic force from the fact that it is not a tragedy, but a history. Very big: the three parts of *Henry 6* are here presented in two parts — named *Flowers of France* and *Riot and Reckoning*, though there is plenty of reckoning in part one and plenty of flowers in part two — totaling nearly six hours of love and war, triumph and treachery, and the endless struggle for power. The moment Henry V dies, leaving his infant son as king, France revolts against English rule and various factions begin eyeing Henry's crown. The cast is not

so large that it can afford to cast a new actor for each role — Cassia Thompson spends the first part as France's Joan of Arc and the second as Henry's son Prince Edward, while Tally Sessions goes from the sublime (the heroic Lord Talbot) to the ridiculous (the villainous Jack Cade, dressed as the January 6 shaman, and slain by a doddering champion of the Good Old Days), etc. etc. — but it's still big enough for battles full of bodies and an enlarged sense of sweep and scope. (The cast list notes that "other people of England and France are played by community volunteers who participated in our arts engagement programs.") And very broad: Richard Plantagenet lays out his claim to the crown via a highly anachronistic slideshow that makes the goofiest plays-on-names imaginable. Hey, John of Gaunt is scary skinny! (Flowers is otherwise set in olden days, while *Riot* features modern riot gear but keeps the swordplay.) The wailing ghosts of late-period Jessica Lange and middle-period Meryl Streep haunt a couple of the characterizations, and there is enough skitty slapstick amid the drama and death that you may feel you are watching even more plays than you actually are. The biggest trouble is Henry himself, who seems a great callow hollow at the center of *Flowers*, and shows himself

clear only in his last two *Riot* and *Reckoning* soliloquies. Without a compelling character to embody the loves and hates of the state, it can be hard to care about all the goings on, no matter how oomphy the electric guitar or how dazzling the digital displays. But again, the tragedy here is that there is no tragic hero. The good are ground under right alongside the wretched, and that — high and low, silly and solemn — is just the way it was, and is. The whole thing does, to borrow from Hopkins, gather to a greatness, or at least a grandness, and gains momentum as it rolls along. All that fury to rule France. All that English blood spilled for England.

OLD GLOBE - 619-234-5623. CALL FOR SHOWTIMES

Ms. Holmes & Ms. Watson - Apt. 2B

A new play that reimagines the iconic detective team. In present-day Baker St., steampunk hipster Shirley Holmes and her spunky new roommate Joan Watson become entangled in a series of cases all related to the same supervillain, who always seems to be one step ahead of them. From Kate Hamill, the production includes mild language and violence.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 7PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS,

2PM & 7PM SUNDAYS, 7PM TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS.

Ovation Theatre's The Prom

The North San Diego County premier of "The Prom", a heart-warming musical comedy that follows a group of hilariously narcissistic Broadway actors. In an attempt to revive their dwindling careers, they descend upon a small, conservative town in Indiana and rally around a high school girl who's been banned from attending prom with her girlfriend. As they try to help, they and the entire town learn valuable lessons about acceptance, empathy, and the true meaning of community. HOWARD BRUBECK THEATRE AT PALOMAR COLLEGE, 1140 W. MISSION RD., PALOMAR COLLEGE. 760-744-1150. 7PM FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 2PM SUNDAY.

Velour: A Drag Spectacular

A new theatrical experience about the rise and rise of a superstar. Sasha Velour is "a glossy, living piece of art" (*Interview Magazine*) and a true polymath — a gender-fluid drag queen, author, activist, artist and winner of *RuPaul's Drag Race*. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 7:30PM THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS, 2PM & 8PM SATURDAYS, 1PM & 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS.

EXTENDED! NOW PLAYING THROUGH SEP 15

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE

NEW SEATS ADDED! TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST, BUY TODAY.

VELLOUR
A DRAG SPECTACULAR!

Sasha Velour stars in a sweeping coming-of-age tale and a tour de force, rich with humanity, beauty, and above all else — DRAG.

BY SASHA VELOUR AND MOISÉS KAUFMAN
DIRECTED BY MOISÉS KAUFMAN
A CO-PRODUCTION WITH TECTONIC THEATER PROJECT

LAJOLLAPLAYHOUSE.ORG

blurt the inside track

Thirty years of tour tales Greg Jacobs met John Reis when they both worked at Cargo Records in the early '90s. Jacobs had previously worked for the legendary Los Angeles-based label SST and its subsidiary, Cruz Records in the late '80s. "My interview with [Black Flag guitarist/

"It was fun," Jacobs recalls. "I was at Cargo fielding calls from major labels inquiring about Rocket from the Crypt — and not telling them that I was becoming their manager. So, I was kind of working things on both ends. It was a unique situation that worked out pretty well." His earliest days with the band were during their *Circa: Now!* era. He has fond memories of that album's video shoots, especially "Ditch Digger." "It was just insane," he recalls. "We rented the bull ring in Tijuana and it was just nuts. I never felt more like Little Mister Rock Manager. I was

would see a band pull up, and we would just run over there and see if they would give us a story and record it." Their primitive methods worked, and the original *Hell on Wheels* was released in 1994. Fast-forward 30 years, and a new edition of *Hell on Wheels* is set to be released this October. It will feature 54 new stories and 20 "greatest hits" tales from the original edition.

Jacobs' old workmate John Reis contributes two different stories centered on two different visits to Milan, Italy. The first involves a dog at a gig, and the second revolves around an unusual meal before a show. Also making the cut for the "greatest hits remixed" section are two wild driving stories involving local bands. The first finds a miniature losing one of their van's wheels while on a highway in Ohio. The second and more harrowing tale involves the

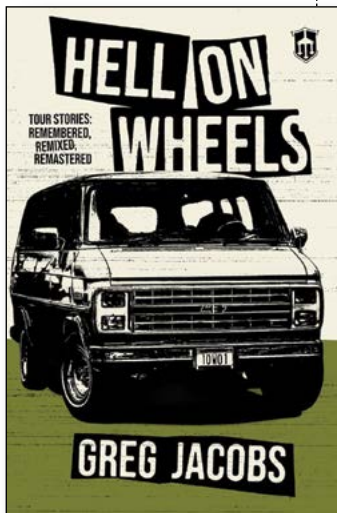
band Chune. They were on their first tour, heading to a gig in San Luis Obispo. Fifteen minutes into their drive, they got into an accident and their van flipped six times on I-5. Venturing beyond San Diego acts, there is an account of FEAR playing *Saturday Night*

Live in the early '80s as told by Lee Ving, a fascinating story about Descendents offshoot ALL visiting the Berlin Wall literally hours before it came down later that same day, and a tale of Ronnie Wood pranking drummer Kenney Jones during a Faces gig as told by Sex Pistols bassist Glen Matlock. "I'm just a geeky fanboy at heart," Jacobs says. "Glen Matlock gave me his cell phone number. He's driving through London talking to me on the phone about Ron Wood, and I was thinking, 'This is just mind-blowing. I'm basically talking to a Sex Pistol about a Rolling Stone.'" — *Dryw Keltz*

Find Blurt online at SDReader.com/blurt

CONTRIBUTORS

Andrew Hamlin, Dryw Keltz, Jake Peterson, Jay Allen Sanford, Spike Steffenhagen



A different sort of van life.

SST owner] Greg Ginn was half to get a job and half to get [Costa Mesa-based pop-punk band] Big Drill Car signed, and both of them worked," Jacobs says.

Jacobs was also managing Big Drill Car around this time, and that work experience may have played a role in Reis offering him a similar gig with a certain fast-rising San Diego act. "At one point early in our friendship, he came over to my apartment. We both lived in Ocean Beach at the time, and he invited me to go with him to Pacific Shores. We sat at the bar. He ordered two beers, slid one in front of me, and said, 'Quit your job and manage my band.' I didn't say okay immediately, because I had just moved from Orange County down to San Diego and I was a little nervous about the whole thing. But I just figured that this was the opportunity to chase my rock and roll dream, so I did it."

standing on my cell phone in the middle of the bull ring, talking to MTV and asking them about the Tecate signs that were all around the ring. They were all, "You can't have any advertising in your video. You've gotta cover those up."

Circa 1993/94, Jacobs ended up sharing an office space next to the Casbah with another former SST employee, Gary Hustwit. Hustwit had a publishing company at the time, and asked Jacobs if he had any ideas for a book. Jacobs pitched a compilation of tour stories from various bands as a concept, and Hustwit bit. "It was hard to get ahold of bands. We were basically dealing with phone calls and meeting bands at soundchecks at the Casbah. Gary and I would just go down at, like, six o'clock when we



Greg Jacobs: from record store to recording stories.

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

THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum:

Friday, 3pm, Saturday, 10am, Sunday, 9am — Summergrass San Diego. \$20-\$75.

Aquarius Bar & Grille:

Friday, 7pm — West of 5. \$5.

Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:

Saturday, 7:30pm — Claudia Villela & Romero Lubambo. \$40-\$45.

Aztec Brewing Company:

Sunday, 6pm — Aztec Jazz Jam. Free.

Barefoot Bar and Grill:

Friday, 6pm — Jarred Matthew.

Beach House Grill:

Friday, 5pm — Patrick Topping and X Coast. Saturday, 7:30pm — Green Velvet and Harvard Bass.

Belly Up Tavern:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Landon

McNamara and Cisco Adler. \$20. Friday, 7:30pm — The FABBA Show. \$29. Saturday, 7:30pm — The Pine Mountain Logs and Venice. \$30. Sunday, 7:30pm — Steve Poltz & The Brothers Comatose. Tuesday, 7:30pm — JAMM, Saint Luna, The Diz. \$9-\$16. Wednesday, 7:30pm — Daring Greatly. \$18-\$32.

Brick by Brick:

Sunday, 7:30pm — Skinlab.

California Center for the Arts, Escondido:

Friday, 7pm — The Farmers. Free.

Cannonball:

Thursday, 5pm — Ben Benavente. Tuesday, 5pm — Mike Myrdal.

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens:

Friday, 10am — Coffee Concerts with High Tide Coffee. Free.

Casbah:

Thursday, 7:30pm — Pony Bradshaw. \$18. Friday, 9pm — Emo Nite. \$21. Saturday, 7:30pm — Goatwhore and Thantifaxath. \$26. Sunday, 7:30pm — Sage Francis. Tuesday, 7:30pm — Ikana and A Different Kind of Giant. \$10.

Wednesday, 7:30pm — Son Little. \$30.

Che Café:

Sunday, 2pm — Seed of Pain, Wreckage, Collateral. \$15-\$20.

Corazon Del Barrio:

Saturday, 6:30pm — Mongrel, Missing Link, Outta Pocket. \$15-\$20.

Cordova Bar:

Thursday, 6pm — Let it Play Vinyl Market. Free. Saturday, 9pm — DJ L.M.T.Z. Free. Sunday, 6pm — The Bishops Sip. \$5. Tuesday, 8pm — 80s Karaoke Night. Free.

Duck Foot Brewing Company:

Thursday, 6:30pm — Deadheads Night. Free.

Duke's La Jolla:

Friday, 3pm — Casey Turner. Sunday, 4pm — Keni Yarbro. Tuesday, 4pm — Kekoa.

Epstein Family Amphitheater:

Saturday, 6pm — The Little Mermen. Free.

Estancia La Jolla Hotel and Spa:

Friday, 6pm — ZB Savoy. Saturday, 6pm — Rachel Jay. Monday, 6pm — Andrew Peña.

F6ix Niteclub:

Friday, 9pm — Rep Your Zodiac Birthday Bash: Leo VS Virgo! Free.

Farmer & the Seahorse:

Saturday, 11am — David Shyde.

Golden Island:

Friday, 6pm — The New Orleans Swinging Gypsies. Free.

Harrah's Resort Southern California:

Thursday, 8pm — Alice Cooper.

Holding Company:

Thursday, 7pm — Lutan Fyah. \$20-\$30. Friday, 7:30pm — Radio Thieves & Journeymen. \$20.

House of Blues:

Friday, 7pm — ASADI & XYE. Saturday, 7pm — Chito Rana\$. Sunday, 7pm — Chris Travis. Wednesday, 7:30pm — Briscoe.

Humble Heart:

Sunday, 7:30pm — Beautiful Freaks.

Humphreys Backstage Music Club:

Saturday, 5pm — Brian Jones Rock 'n' Roll Revival. \$5.

JAI at the Conrad:

Thursday, 6pm — Jazz @ The JAI: Dan Tepfer.

Jacumba Hot Springs Hotel:

Friday, 8pm — Nicky Diamonds & Marley Hale. Free. Saturday, 8pm — Pete & Mila Molinari. Free. Sunday, 6:45pm — Sunday Dinner with Julia Sage. Free.

Kimball Coastal Eatery:

Friday, 7pm — Santana Soul. \$10. Saturday, 7pm — Santana Soul. \$10.

L'Auberge Del Mar:

Thursday, 5pm — Marelle. Friday, 7pm — Orion Song. Sunday, 11am — Helena Holleran. Tuesday, 5pm — Ben Benavente.

I PAY CASH FOR RECORDS
 CD's, Dvd's, Cassettes, 8-Tracks, & Clothes
 ASK ABOUT THE HIDDEN RECORD SHOP
 Contact **JEFF** at **858-382-7396**
 Cash 4 Other Stuff 2 Call Now!
 Jeff From Music and Thrift Trader is Alive and Buying

SODA BAR

Wed 8/14 @ Soda
CRIMEAPPLE
 BANISH HABITUAL • SAVAGE THE 3RD HEAT 3D • HAUNTOLOGY
 IRON CHEFZ DJs

Wed 8/14 @ The Sound
ALVVAYS
 THE BETHS

Thu 8/15 @ Soda
KELANI MAI
 ELIZABETH BOWERSOX
 ANNA BALLEW • THE JAMBALAYAS

Fri 8/16 @ Soda
ALL UNDER HEAVEN
 JUGGLER • GLEAN

Fri 8/16 @ Observatory
CULTS
 BENNY

Sat 8/17 @ Soda
CLUB XCX : A CHARLI PARTY

Sat 8/17 @ Casbah
GOATWHORE
 VITRIOL • THANTIFAXATH

Sun 8/18 @ Soda
RILEY DOWNING (THE DESLOANES)
 ALEX BERGAN & JUSTIN JOHN RODRIGUEZ MICHAEL GAY

Mon 8/19 @ Soda
UNRECOVERY
 SLEEPING RITUAL • HEX STORM CLOUDS

Tue 8/20 @ Soda
ROB TIREA
 SIMONE GLAD

Tue 8/20 @ Quaryard
DRUGDEALER
 COLOR GREEN

SODABARMUSIC.COM
 3615 EL CAJON BLVD. 92104

til-two CLUB

4746 El Cajon Blvd.
619-255-1481
facebook.com/tiltwoclubsandiego

Wed - Aug 14
ELK WITCH
 Vedic - Mortar

Thurs - Aug 15
SLAPPIN' HANDS WITH RIC SCALES

Fri - Aug 16
HIDE
 Matt Ibara - Lucy Valentine

Sat - Aug 17
VOID
 Volume - Sea of Snakes - Vedic

Wed - Aug 21
PERPETUAL WARFARE
 (Columbia)
 Anti-Sapien (NY) - Fermentor
 Seraphic Disgust

Thurs - Aug 22
RESIDER
 Alura - Samsara - Lust

Fri - Aug 23
TAKING LIBERTIES
 with DJ Heather Hardcore & Vaugh Avakian (Bday Bash)

Mon - Aug 26
OPEN VINYL DJ NIGHT

Thurs - Aug 29
CITY SOUL COLLECTIVE

Fri - Aug 30
ULTRABOMB
 Matters Most (record release)

Sat - Aug 31
THE PAWNS
 tbo - The Imbeskulls - Fonzerellies

LIVE *five*

JAY ALLEN SANFORD

Find LIVE FIVE online at sdreader.com/music

CULTS at Observatory North Park

AUG 16



National headliners Cults features Ryan Mattos, aka Brian Oblivion (who once fronted a Slayer cover band) and Madeline Follin, whose stepfather co-founded White Zombie. Having met in 2009 at a concert, when Oblivion was tour manager for one of the bands, Willowz (featuring Follin's brother), their first digital three-song 7-inch released via Bandcamp, earned them a Best New Music rave from Pitchfork. The show will be opened by Bnry.

LOS SANTOS at Navajo Live

AUG 16



Original power trio Los Santos specializes in Bachman Turner Overdrive-style anthems. The band's tracks like "Viva Los Santos" are decidedly local-centric, with an accompanying video shot around town as they show increasing enthusiasm for "flyin' down the 805, with a bottle of Beam and a gun in the glovebox." The bill includes Frequency 1 and Lord Howler.

JAVIER ESCOVEDO & THE CITY LIGHTS at Tower Bar

AUG 17



Javier Escovedo is part of a local musical family dynasty that includes Alejandro Escovedo — named by *No Depression* magazine as their Artist of the Decade in 1998 — and brothers Coke, Pete, and Mario. Coke and Pete were percussionists at various times in the Santana band, and Mario, who lives in San Diego, fronted The Dragons. Also appearing will be Gary Wilson & the Blind Dates and Jack Habegger's Celebrity Telethon.

SAN DIEGO ROCK ICONS at Winstons

AUG 18



Longtime local rock icons will gather in OB to celebrate San Diego music. Performers include one-time Beat Farmers henchman Joey Harris with his band the Mentals. The Blitz Brothers have been opening shows for touring headliners since the '70s and '80s. The Shenanigans feature local DJ icon Jim McInnes backed by a rotating roster of local stars.

DARING GREATLY at the Belly Up

AUG 21



Daring Greatly relocated from Calgary in Alberta, Canada to San Diego in August 2015, fronted at the time by Dail Croome and his two sons, Patrick and Liam, who were brought up on stage with their father. The elder Croome is now retired from the group, but the band was nominated Best Rock Artist at the 2022 San Diego Music Awards. They won a 2023 Song of the Year SDMA trophy for the track "Never A Goodbye."

OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: LINDA VISTA

I USED TO THINK PUTTING THINGS UP FOR VOTE IS GREAT, LIKE WITH AMERICAN IDOL.

NOW, I'M SICK OF HEARING & TALKING ABOUT IT.

JAY ALLEN SANFORD

IF EVERYTHING WAS REALLY UP FOR VOTING, MY PARENTS COULD HAVE KEPT US FROM MARRYING!

OVERHEARD? EMAIL JAS2669@AOL.COM - IF WE USE YOUR TIP, YOU GET THE ARTWORK

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/JAYALLEN.SANFORD

<p>SUN. AUG 18</p> <p>SKINLAB Parasitic Existence, Osmium, The Thrill Killers</p>	<p>THU. AUG. 22</p> <p>DIZASTERPIECE Far Below, Cascade Effect, Sleeping Faceless, Blackcast</p>
<p>FRI. AUG. 23</p> <p>200 STAB WOUNDS Balmora, Upon Stone, Stabbing</p>	<p>SAT. AUG 24</p> <p>ROCK OF AGES TRIBUTE SHOW Your favorite local musicians celebrating the best of the 60's, 70's, and 80's</p>
<p>FRI. AUG. 30</p> <p>ALIEN ANT FARM Atomic Life, Antenna the End</p>	<p>THU. AUG. 29</p> <p>HAUNT Savage Master, Kauterized, Battlecruiser</p>
<p>SAT. SEP. 7</p> <p>FRAXURES Godhammered, Defy the Tyrants, Cascade Effect, Travis Neal</p>	<p>SUN. SEP. 1</p> <p>BLACK TUSK Somnuri, Horseburner, Well Hell</p>
<p>FRI. SEP. 13</p> <p>MEST Audio Karate, Rookie of the Year, Punchcard</p>	<p>THU. SEP. 5</p> <p>GOST Street Cleaner, Starcourt</p>
<p>SAT. SEP. 14</p> <p>DARK TRANQUILLITY + AMORPHIS Fires in the Distance</p>	<p>THU. SEP. 12</p> <p>NERVOSA Lich King, Hatriot</p>
<p>MON. SEP. 16</p> <p>SIGNS OF THE SWARM Cane Hill, Ov Sulfur, 156/Silence, A Wake in Providence</p>	

FOR TICKETS & INFO VISIT WWW.BRICKBYBRICK.COM
1130 BUENOS AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA 92110

SLIGHTLY DIRTY SUMMER 2024

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

COMMON KINGS THE ELOVATORS

NORTH ISLAND CREDIT UNION AMPHITHEATRE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

GET TICKETS NOW

LIVE NATION

THE GONZO REPORT

Swayed by the Sound

Mavericks' music makes 'em move in Valley Center

The lights of a thousand electronic slot machines flash and glow in the cavernous entrance hall of Harrah's Resort Southern California in Valley Center. The games have names like Buffalo Gold, Treasure Ball, and Dragon Train. Hundreds of gamblers sit before them, punching buttons over and over, watching the digital wheels of fortune spin. It's a bit overwhelming, so at first, I miss the sign projected onto the carpet, telling me that The Event Center — where The Mavericks are opening for Dwight Yoakam tonight — is across the hall and to the right. Past Hell's Kitchen, with its Gordon Ramsay menu; past Salt & Fin and its overflowing oyster bar, past Best of Cluck with its punny name and tasty chicken tenders (\$20 for six, plus fries), and on into the capacious ballroom with the stage at one end, the elevated risers at the other, and the rows and rows of banquet chairs in between.

The chairs don't quite fill the space, however. There are broad swaths of bare carpet in the corners on both sides of the stage, and it's in those

corners that the dancers do their thing. The Mavericks make great music for dancing, handing their bouncy-jouncy or croony-swoony lines from singer to sax to guitar to accordion to trumpet to keyboard to drums. It's probably good for other things too, but tonight, here, it's making people dance. Lead singer Raul Malo looks a little like Ricky Gervais and sounds a lot like Roy Orbison — except when he needs to sound like BB King or Julio Iglesias. I just wanna dance the night away/ With señoritas who can sway...

A few people dance alone — notably, a woman in a fitted cornflower-blue dress and white cowboy boots, grooving in determined fashion. But mostly, the dancers are couples. Some are young — notably, a twirling girl in a denim minidress and her beau in a baseball cap. (Later, they will have an argument. She will throw down a printout of the band's setlist and walk off; he will leave it where it lies and walk off in a different direction. But for now, she steps away and spins back into him, over and over, an endless parade of separations and reunions.) But mostly, the dancers are somewhere past the bloom of youth, and it matters not at all.

A gentleman in a brown leather vest two-steps stiffly with a lady in jeans and a white leather jacket. A woman in a flowy floral dress and chunky heels drapes an arm around the neck of a man wearing khakis and brand new



Elman, Emily, Jessie, and Victor: dancing the night away.

Adidas sneakers. A spry old-timer in jeans and a button down shirt sends his date — whose silver-sequin tank top matches her ankle boots — flying over the floor. A grizzled, goateed guy in a shirt that looks like it's made from an American flag swings slowly with a girl in the band Cake's famous combo of short skirt and long jacket. Well, a long sweater, anyway. Cowboy hats abound.

One couple moves with particular grace and ease: she with her hand turned palm-out against his shoulder blade, he with his fingers splayed and palm barely resting on her hip. His free hand trails through space, as if pointing the way to their next movement. After The Mavericks

finish their set, I track them down. Victor is up from Ensenada; he's here with Jessie. "The music is beautiful," Victor says. "When I heard the music, my body moved. My body listened and said, 'Move your freaking butt, man!' I dance *banda*, *norteño*, *salsa*, *cumbia*... Sometime you have people dancing all the same at the same time, but I like to have my own style."

Jessie says they usually go to concerts at Pala, but they're here tonight because they love The Mavericks and because they were invited by friends Elman and Emily. "Their first date was Dwight Yoakam, 15 years ago," Jessie says. "Here's the catch: he sold Emily on it by saying that he loves to dance."

"I'm a tremendous dancer," deadpans Elman. "He likes to dance, he likes to hike..." says Emily, recalling the line she was fed.

"I am very romantic!" insists Elman, adding that he's such an avid hiker that "I live on Cowles Mountain and Montserrat!" By the time she learned the truth, he says, "I had won her over. I had a nice place, all that good stuff"

"But to be forgiven, you had to dance tonight!" Emily reminds him.

"That was great in there," says Elman. "They're one of my favorite bands. Years ago, we flew to Texas to see them at Gruene Hall, the oldest dance hall west of the Mississippi. When the old wooden floorboards break, they fill up the space with metal license plates."

Jessie indicates it's time to go. "One of our other friends, she's friends with the lead singer, so she's talking to him to see if we can maybe have a drink or coffee with him after the concert. Mexican sweetbread and hot chocolate with Raul Malo!" ■

Find The Gonzo Report online at sdrader.com/gonzo

Wednesday, 5pm — Jemille Violet.

La Valencia Hotel:
Thursday, 5:30pm — David Hyde.
Friday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.

Lafayette Hotel, Swim Club & Bungalows:
Thursday, 7pm & 9pm — Gilbert Castellanos & The New Latin Jazz Sextet.

Saturday, 8pm & 10pm — Deke Dickerson & the Whippersnappers.

Layover:
Saturday, 3pm — Safety Orange.

Loews Coronado Bay Resort:
Friday, 7pm — Jolene Cruz.

Magnolia Performing Arts Center:

Saturday, 7:30pm — Our Lady Peace.

Mission Bay Resort:
Thursday, 6pm — Keni Yarbro.
Sunday, 6pm — Rachel Jay.
Tuesday, 6pm — David Hyde.
Wednesday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.

Mr. Peabody's Bar & Grill:
Friday, 8:30pm — Social Remedy.

Saturday, 8:30pm — Vinyl Syndicate.

Museum of Making Music:
Saturday, 7pm — The Arcadian Wild. \$35-\$40.

Music Box:
Thursday, 7:30pm — SHRiNKRAY. \$16.
Friday, 7:30pm — Simp City.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Talib Kweli.

Navajo Live:
Friday, 8pm — Frequency 1, Lord Howler, Los Santos. \$5-\$7.
Saturday, 8:30pm — Oasis and Pretending Chrissie. \$8-\$12.
Sunday, 7pm — Dylan Wager and Mario Houle. \$5-\$7.

Nick & G's:
Friday, 6pm — Matt Heinecke.

North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:

Friday, 7:30pm — Rebellion: Good Vibes Cali Tour.

Observatory North Park:
Thursday, 7:30pm — Vacations.
Friday, 7:30pm — Cults.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Club 90s: Chappell Roan Night.

Open Air Theatre:
Sunday & Monday, 7:30pm — The Marias and Automatic.

CASH PAID FOR RECORD COLLECTIONS

Full Contact

ROCK-N-ROLL

BUY • SELL • TRADE

619 414 7352

2834 North Park Way 92104

https://fullcontactrocknroll.com

PUNK POST-PUNK NOISE ROCK

DEATH METAL BLACK METAL

DOOM & ALL THE OTHER METALS

INDIE ROCK PSYCHEDELIC

CLASSIC ROCK N ROLL SOUL

COUNTRY & EVERYTHING ELSE

Thanks for the votes for

Best Piercing Studio!

enigma.

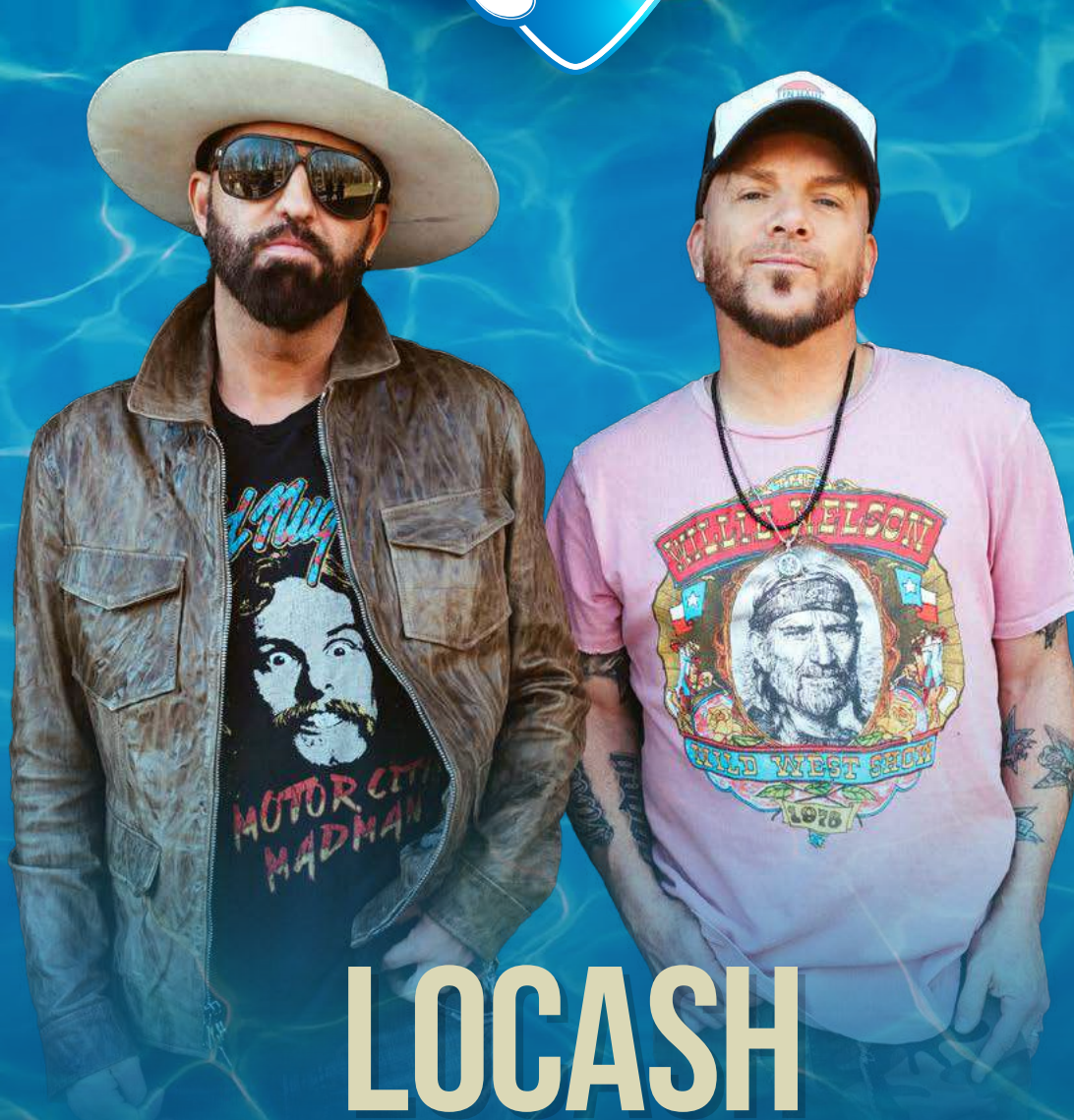
professional piercing studios

3041 Adams Ave. 1972 Garnet Ave.

San Diego, CA • 619-516-4343 San Diego, CA • 858-274-9950

APP PROUD MEMBER VERIFY AT SAFEPIERCING.ORG enigmapiercing.co

WINNER Reader's BEST of 2023 Best Piercing Studio



LOCASH
AUGUST 22

ERIC PASLAY | SEPTEMBER 26

Sycuan
CASINO • RESORT

BUY TICKETS: SYCUAN.COM

SUBJECT TO CHANGE. RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY.
MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE TO ENTER THE THEATRE. PLEASE PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

Patrick's Gaslamp Pub:
Friday, 9pm — Southbay Band.

Pechanga Resort & Casino:
Thursday, 8pm — The Rocket Man Show.

Pit Stop Diner:
Saturday, 6pm — Kings of La Jolla. **Free.**

Point Loma Community Presbyterian Church:
Sunday, 5pm — Bryan & Friends Courtyard Concert. **Free.**

Quartyard:
Tuesday, 6pm — Drugdealer. \$30.

Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
Thursday, 7:30pm — John Legend: Songs & Stories with San Diego Symphony.
Friday, 7:30pm — Totally '80s with the San Diego Symphony.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Miles Davis: Kind of Blue.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Gipsy Kings featuring Nicolas Reyes.

Rustic Root:
Tuesday, 6pm — Andrew Peña.

Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve:
Saturday, 5pm — Summer Jams on Deck - Summer Breeze SD.

Soda Bar:
Thursday, 7pm — Keilani Mai and Elizabeth Bowersox. \$15.
Friday, 7:30pm — All Under Heaven and Juggler. \$21.
Saturday, 9pm — Club XCX : A Charli Party. \$24.
Sunday, 7:30pm — Riley Downing. \$19.

Monday, 7:30pm — Unrecovery and Sleeping Ritual. \$12.
Tuesday, 7:30pm — Rob Tirea and Simone Glad. \$24.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Superglom and Family of Light. \$12.

Soma:
Friday, 7:30pm — Idobi Rodio's Summer School.
Saturday, 7:30pm — Sir.

Sound:
Sunday, 7pm — Dread Mar I.
Tuesday, 7:30pm — The Dead South.
Wednesday, 7:30pm — Howard Jones, ABC, Haircut One Hundred.

South Carlsbad State Beach Campground:
Wednesday, 5:30pm — Sierra Marin & Roots Ascension. **Free.**

South Coast Winery Resort & Spa:
Sunday, 6pm — Brian Bromberg, Paul Brown, Michael Paulo.

Spring Valley Inn:
Friday, 9pm — Close Enough and Fungal Mirage. **Free.**

IMMORTAL BEAUTY

BY GARRETT HARRIS

Classical contestants, running short and long

As The Olympics continue, bringing with them a heavy dose of track events, let's look at distance-specific pieces of classical music: sprints, middle distance, and, of course, the marathon.

Almost every tenor knows the aria "Ch'ella mi creda libero e lontano" from Giacomo Puccini's opera *Girl of the Golden West*. The opera is rarely performed, but this aria is a vocal sprint that ends too soon, kind of like the Olympic 100 meters. I'll risk a play on words and say that this aria is golden from start to finish.

Another classical sprint is "The Enemy of God and the Dance of the Spirits of Darkness" from the *Scythian Suite* by Sergei Prokofiev. This piece is more like the 200 meters. It comes out strong but needs to negotiate the turn. The brass

section slingshots the piece out of the turn and into the home stretch. Russia was banned from The Paris Olympics but this piece definitely medals here.

For the 400 meters, Short Ride in a Fast Machine by John Adams is the world record holder. The piece literally starts in the blocks. The pace builds and builds to a photo finish after a breathless lap around the track.

The first of the middle-distance pieces is the "adagio" from Spartacus and Phrygia by Aram Khatchaturian. The music takes longer to perform than it took Cole Hocker to win the 1500 meters, but the return of the main theme fits perfectly with Hocker's dramatic final push to victory.

Though I'm no longer a rabid fan of *The 1812 Overture* by Pyotr Tchaikovsky, it

cannot be denied. It is the greatest middle-distance piece of classical music ever performed. I'll grant that it is maybe a bit long, so it could be considered the 3000 meter steeple chase.

For the long-distance category, we have music for the 5000 meters, the 10,000 meters, and the marathon. For the 5000 meters, I'm going with Ludwig Beethoven's *Symphony No. 5*. We all know the fateful opening theme, but it is the triumphant final movement that brings home the gold. The 10,000 meters is difficult, because we are now getting into pieces that are over an hour, but less than three hours long, according to the parameters I just made up. That means we've got Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9*, Gustav Mahler's *Symphony No. 9*, and Anton Bruck-



A custom medal for the marathon champion Ring Cycle.

ner's *Symphony No. 8*, along with Handel's *Messiah*, Bach's *Art of the Fugue*, and Edward Elgar's *Dream of Gerontius*. We've also got operas such as *Pagliacci*, *Cavalleria Rusticana*, *Otello*, and *Madama Butterfly*. I'm going to go ahead and say the pieces just mentioned are the competitive field for the 10,000-meter final. You can pick the winner.

For the marathon, you might expect me to go straight to Richard Wag-

ner's *Ring Cycle*, and you would be right to do so. However, there were other considerations, such as Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro*, *Les Troyens* by Hector Berlioz, *Aida* by Giuseppe Verdi, and *Carmen* by Georges Bizet. Still, we all know it has to be the *Ring Cycle* because it is the ultimate musical marathon — hold on, maybe it's the ultimate *ultra-marathon*. Shoot, that isn't an Olympic sport, so Wagner it is.

Classical Music this week

Encounter: California Dreaming - Exiles & Emigrés
In the 1930s and '40s, artists fled wartime Europe to make a new home in the promised land of Southern California. Everyone from Stravinsky, Schoenberg, Alma Mahler and Rachmaninoff to Max Reinhardt, Billy Wilder, Hedy Lamarr and Peter Lorre intersected under the sun, drawn by the lure of the palm trees, the Pacific and the creative promise of the young film industry. With

Ara Guzelimian, the Artistic and Executive Director of the Ojai Festival in California, explore this remarkable community through personal memoirs, rare films, and musical performances by festival artists. Friday, August 16, 2pm; **free**. 18 and up. JAI at the Conrad, 7600 Fay Avenue.

SummerFest: California Dreamin' Conrad Tao delves into Rachmaninoff's Californian years, highlighting his relation-

ship with the American songbook, before an exploration of composers past and present who have shaped California's unique cultural tapestry. This journey through California's rich artistic legacy showcases the diverse influences and inspirations found within its vibrant landscape, from its pioneering composers to the myriad of stories that have been woven under its expansive skies. Saturday,

August 17, 7:30pm; 18 and up. Baker-Baum Concert Hall, 7600 Fay Avenue.

SummerFest: Counterpoint II Building on the sensational success of their Counterpoint program in 2021, this newly conceived performance once more pairs pianist Conrad Tao's virtuosity with tap dancer Caleb Teicher's rhythmic genius. A dynamic exploration of move-

ment and music, this collaboration celebrates the dialogue between tap dance and classical music, offering a rhythmically electrifying performance experience. Now with an expanded range of instrumentation, the Synergy series brings us the World Premiere of their latest collaboration, Counterpoint II. Friday, August 16, 7:30pm; 18 and up. Baker-Baum Concert Hall, 7600 Fay Avenue.

See more CLASSICAL MUSIC at SDReader.com/classical

Thornton Winery:
Friday, 6:30pm — Siempre Selena.

Tidal:
Saturday, 6pm — Christian Taylor.

Tower Bar:
Saturday, 8pm — Javier Escovedo & the City Lights.

Town Center Community Park:
Thursday, 6:30pm — Santee

Summer Concert: Jimmy's Buffet. **Free.**

UC San Diego Park & Market:
Saturday, 7pm — Intersections Concert Series: Theron Brown. \$25-\$35.

Winstons Beach Club:
Saturday, 8pm — Way Cool Jr and Zeptune. \$10.
Sunday, 3pm — San Diego Rock Icons.

Wong's Dragon Room:
Saturday, 8pm — Manzanita Blues. **Free.**

UPCOMING SHOWS

Baker-Baum Concert Hall:
August 23 — SummerFest: The Road to Victory
August 24 — SummerFest Finale: A Song and Dance

Balboa Theatre:
August 24 — Dean Z: The Ultimate Elvis

Belly Up Tavern:
August 22 — Charlie

Musselwhite and Kid Ramos
August 23 — Ghostland Observatory
August 25 — Sabrosas Latin Orchestra

Brick by Brick:
August 22 — Dizasterpiece and Far Below
August 23 — 200 Stab Wounds and Balmora
August 24 — Rock of Ages Tribute Show

The Casbah:
August 22 — Duck Dave Benefit Concert
August 23 — The Dale Crover Band and Rob Crow (solo)
August 25 — Giuda

Epstein Family Amphitheater:
August 22 — Celebrate AMERI'KANA Music & Arts Festival

The Holding Company:
August 23 — Tomorrows Bad Seeds
August 24 — Diesel Boy and Chaser
August 25 — Inspectah Deck

House of Blues:
August 24 — Intimate Acoustic

Evening With Dinah Jane
August 24 — COLORS Presents: R&B ONLY

Humphreys by the Bay:
August 23 — Lost 80s Live
August 30 — Tower of Power
August 31 — Christopher Cross

Music Box:
August 22 — Zoso
August 23 — Cash'd Out
August 24 — Sweet & Tender Hooligans
August 25 — Cupcakke

North Island Credit Union Amphitheatre:
August 23 — Lainey Wilson and Zach Top
August 24 — Slightly Stoopid & Dirty Heads

Observatory North Park:
August 25 — Leftover Crack and The Dwarves

Open Air Theatre:
August 25 — 311 and Neon Trees

Pechanga Arena San Diego:
August 23 — Don Omar

Pechanga Resort & Casino:
August 25 — Bolero & EM - Paris By Night

Petco Park:
August 30 — Def Leppard and Journey

The Rady Shell at Jacobs Park:
August 23 — Sondheim Tonight! A Celebration of Genius
August 24 — Gary Clark Jr.
August 25 — Pink Martini & China Forbes: 30th Anniversary Tour

Soda Bar:
August 22 — Idaho and Kan Kan
August 23 — Verbal Assault and Therapy
August 24 — Thee Heart Tones
August 25 — Drug Hunt and Los Pinche Pinches

Soma:
August 22 — Streetlight Manifesto
August 25 — Lucky Daye

The Sound:
August 28 — Common and Pete Rock
August 30 — Steel Pulse and The Green

Sycuan Live & Up Close Theatre:
August 22 — Locash at the River

4-DAY WEEKLY
\$2-A-PIECE GARAGE SALE
10,000 RECORDS/10,000 CDS
5000 DVDS/VHS AND 2000 CLOTHES
BUYSELLTRADE
NORTH PIKS
CASH FOR RECORDS, CDS, DVDS, AND CLOTHING
Trade 2 of Yours and Get 1 of Ours FREE On Approval
3939 Iowa Street #2 • San Diego 92104
619-844-7862 • Thur-Sun 9 am-4 pm
<https://northpiks.square.site>

Parlor ardor

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

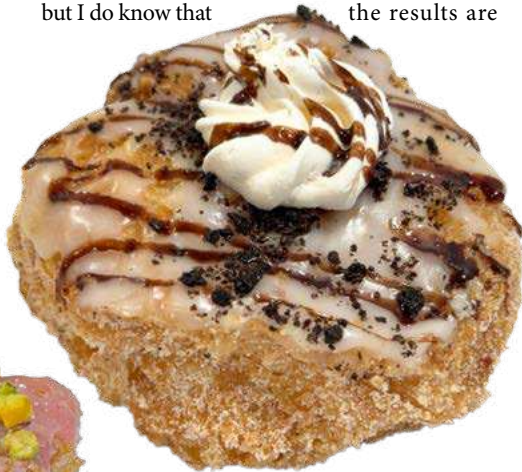
The irregularly delicious Parlor Doughnuts

Parlor Doughnuts North Park; 3017 University Ave., San Diego. Most donut shops are independent operators, even individual operators. For example: with no employees on the payroll, the owner of my favorite neighborhood donutery closes shop when he goes on vacation. Which typically means I need to find a donut alternative for the month of August — which has a lot to do with why I've finally made the effort to try Parlor Doughnuts.

Not an independent operator, Parlor happens to be a franchise, founded in Evansville, Indiana. In five short years, the donut and coffee business

the donut in others.

They are also incredibly tasty. These are what most of us might consider cronuts, the croissant-donut hybrid that got internet famous somewhere in the last decade. I don't pretend to know whether Parlor's shops make their layered, laminated dough with the same rigor as a French bakery, but I do know that the results are



A "cookies n' cream" donut

much the same. When it comes to Parlor's "layered doughnuts," the fried dough delivers some of the same traits that make croissants so appealing: crispy on the outside, with an airy yet buttery center.

I'm certain these layered, lumpy creations would taste good without the added sugar and glaze (called the Plain Jane), but it's tough to tear yourself away from Parlor's sweet, occasionally elaborate glazes and toppings. There's the peanut butter cup, drizzled with both peanut butter and chocolate; Cookies N' Cream with vanilla glaze, chocolate syrup, and cookie crumbles; and Campfire, with chocolate glaze, marshmallows, and graham cracker crumbs. The shop also makes interesting use of nuts: a maple pecan donut's glaze is studded with pecans, while a raspberry pistachio achieves the same effect with markedly different flavors.

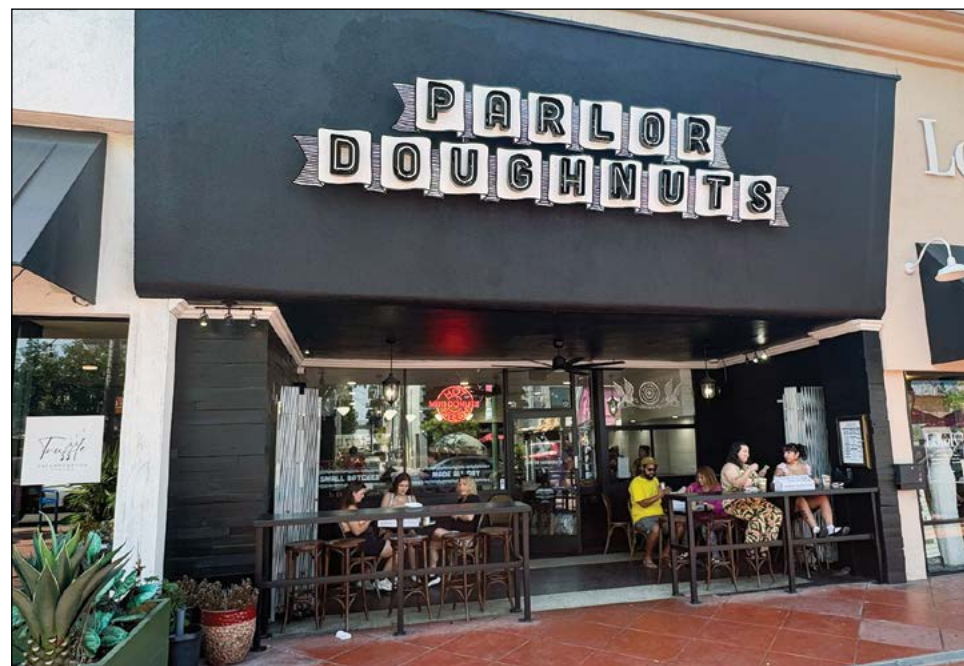
And while many neighborhood donut shops offer standard, raised donuts for somewhere around a buck apiece, I have zero qualms in reporting that an individual donut here goes for \$3.65 (reduced to \$2.65 each when you buy a dozen). Because, weird as they may look, these buttery donuts are filling, and fantastic. Heck, they may even be worth the trek to Oceanside.

-Ian Anderson

FOOD & DRINK EVENTS

Artisan Wine Series Dinner: Hundred Acre Sip on wines from Hundred Acre paired with the multi-course communal meal of seasonal bounty by Executive Chef Kelli Crosson. Dana Manison, Western Regional Manager of Hundred Acre, is joining this dinner for a discussion about the selected wine varietals. Thursday, August 15, 6pm; \$725-\$791. 21 and up. A.R. Valentien, 11480 N. Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

Bob's Tequila Teach & Taste Explore the taste of Jalisco tequilas for a collab with ArteNOM and a tequila tasting and education on the diverse growing regions, master distilleries and the different elevations that play a role in executing beautiful finishes. Thursday, August 15, 5:30pm; free-\$40. 21 and up. Omni La Costa Resort and Spa, 2100 Costa del Mar Road. (CARLSBAD)



The new Parlor Doughnuts location in North Park

Brazilian Dinner, Music & Dance Live Bossa Nova Music, 3 course Brazilian dinner & Samba Dancer Thursday, August 15, 6:30pm; \$30-\$75. Parc Bistro Brasserie, 2760 Fifth Avenue. (BANKERS HILL)

Taste of the Turf Club Every Sunday, indulge in a culinary experience at the Turf Club at Del Mar, ordinarily a members-only spectator area. Tickets include a three-course brunch menu, a reserved Turf Club table for the race day, and bottomless mimosas or Bloody Marys. Turf Club membership is not required, but please review the website for dress code details. Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, September 8, Turf Supper Club, 1116 25th Street. (GOLDEN HILL)

Tunes at Top: Bayside Summer at Top of the Hyatt Bayside Summers at Top of the Hyatt featuring

Perrod Ricard, presents you with live music from local San Diego artists, hand-crafted cocktails, and views of the sunset. Fridays, 7pm; through Friday, August 30, Manchester Grand Hyatt, One Market Place. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)

Winemaker Dinner: Justin Vineyards The Desmond on the Roof Winemaker Dinner featuring Justin Vineyards pairs limited-release and exclusive wines with five courses of seasonal cuisine prepared by Chef Aldo Negrete. Held on the 4th floor rooftop of the Kimpton Alma San Diego, this event features vintages from Justin Vineyards and Special Guest Speaker Master Sommelier Joseph Spellman. Thursday, August 15, 7pm; \$175. 21 and up. Desmond, 1047 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO)



A raspberry pistachio donut, with a bite revealing its croissant-like interior

has already grown to dozens of locations across more than a dozen states. And as of a couple years ago, that's included California, and specifically Oceanside: a pretty little shop with arched, leaded glass windows behind the counter. Many times, I considered driving out there to try those "doughnuts." But from where I live, that's a two hour round trip: just not worth the while for an out-of-town donut franchise, I'd tell myself.

Then, last month, a new Parlor location appeared, smack in the middle of North Park. And now, I'm well-versed in the ways these donuts are different — and worth the drive. Different from all those individual operators who, despite their relative independence, tend to make the same kinds of donuts in the same variety of donut shapes: raised donuts, cake donuts, crullers, and old fashioned. All the same size, perfectly round, with perfectly round holes in the center, even perfectly glazed with chocolate, maple, strawberry. (Okay, you do see twists in the mix, but you get the idea.) And while it was once unusual, even the hallmark purple shade of ube — the famous Filipino sweet potato — has become a nearly universal sight in San Diego donut shops.

So the big shock in trying Parlor Doughnuts is the discovery that these franchise donuts are... let's say *irregular*. They're generally round, and they generally have a hole in the middle. But they look lumpy, misshapen, with mottled crusts that are dusted with sugar before being glazed. The glaze itself may be uneven, like somebody poured it out of a paintcan and left it to dry — thin in some parts, thicker and spilling over the side of

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

FINALIST

Reader's

BEST

of 2023

Best Late Night Menu

HUNGRY?

\$2 OFF

any entree \$10 and up when you show this ad. Dine-in only. Not valid on weekends or holidays. Valid for up to four entrees. Must present this coupon at the time of your order. Expires 8/29/24

\$2 OFF

any entree \$10 and up when you show this ad. Dine-in only. Not valid on weekends or holidays. Valid for up to four entrees. Must present this coupon at the time of your order. Expires 8/29/24



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

Rudford's

Established 1949

Open 24/7

2900 El Cajon Blvd.

619-282-8423 • Rudfords.com

San Diego Reader August 15, 2024 27

Marlin provides long 'sleigh ride' for kayak angler out of Dana Point – Another great week for the fleet

Dock Totals 8/4– 8/10: 4903 anglers aboard 200 half-day to 3-day trips out of San Diego landings over the past week caught 1 albacore, 115 barracuda, 2 black seabass (released), 2940 bluefin tuna (up to 270 pounds), 171 bonito, 1 cabezon, 743 calico bass, 102 dorado, 12 halibut, 15 lingcod, 1176 rockfish, 2769 sand bass, 60 sanddab, 73 sculpin, 32 sheephead, 74 whitefish, 2 white seabass, 4 yellowfin tuna, and 2020 yellowtail.

Saltwater: It was just another great week for the fleet. My totals are the reported 1/2 to 3-day counts from the five main landings out of San Diego, which are Oceanside, H&M, Seaforth, Point Loma, and Fisherman's. It is obviously not the complete total, as some boats do not report counts, and of course, there is the long-range fleet doing trips longer than 3 days. Still, it is a fair weekly representation of what is going on out there. Then there's the private boater fleet, shore-based anglers, kayak anglers, and even some hard core jetski anglers. So really, a consistent sampling of sportfishing is what I give here, and have been giving weekly for ten years now. I total fish caught and kept and not those released — unless they are a standout species.

This past week, sand bass numbers dropped by two-thirds to a less jaw-dropping number as the nearly 7000 caught mostly by half and three quarter runs the week previous, while dorado numbers tripled but are still far short of the record numbers we saw in the mid-August to mid-September period in 2022, when we had over 30,000 dorado landed in just four weeks. Many of those fish were caught north of the border, where there is a ten-per-angler limit, as opposed to the two-per-angler limit in Mexican waters.

Lots of boats have been heading west for bluefin rather than south, as it seems the bulk of those fish are now spread from around San Clemente Island to the Cortez and Tanner Banks area. A few albacore have been mixed in with the bluefin. Some decent white seabass fishing has been reported by boats fishing near San Clemente, Catalina, and the Coronado islands, and yellowtail have been chewing it up from southern California down to just past midpoint of the Baja peninsula.

Last Sunday, a report of a kayak angler being towed 20 miles out after hooking a marlin on a trolled sardine had social media buzzing with references to Hemingway's *The Old Man and the Sea*. Kei Vang and friends kayaked out of Dana Point on Saturday, August 3rd, with the



Nice school-grade bluefin tuna caught by angler 'Tess' while fishing west of San Clemente Island aboard the *Ocean Odyssey*.



Kei Vang being towed by a marlin off Dana Point. It was a long day and memory of a lifetime.

hope of catching some decent fish. Then Kei hooked up on something big and fast, and next thing he knew, he was taking the sleigh ride of a lifetime on his Hobie pedal-driven kayak.

As Kei reports: "A few of us kayakers launched out of Dana Point at 6 am in search of tuna. We pedaled 6.5 miles to the canyon, where I caught tuna a few years ago. Once we got to the area, we trolled around with live sardines we got from the bait barge. There was no sign of life. No bird or fish activities at all. We continued to search for fish trolling with our heavy gear with no luck.

"We were about eight miles out at about 10 am. I decided to switch out one of the rod setups to a lighter one. It was a Moon's Custom Rod built with a Rainshadow RCLB79ML, paired with a Daiwa Saltiga 20HA. It

was a smaller reel, with 50lb J-Braid and 30lb J-fluorocarbon leader.

Within 10 minutes, my MCR went bendo, then I heard a splash about 150 feet away. It was a marlin, jumping and trying to shake the hook! *I got a marlin on*. The marlin jumped about eight times and almost spooled me. I had to button down my drag and chase it down, trying to gain line back. While pedaling as fast as I could, I was able to get most of the line back. The fight was on.

"The marlin was towing me straight out from land. Minutes passed, then hours passed. The whole time, two of my good friends, Tommy and Nasko, never left my side. They pedaled out following me, making sure I was gonna be ok. It never stopped until it was 5.5 hours later and 11 miles from where I hooked it. We were then about 20 miles out, literally not too far from the 209 Bank. The marlin got tired and was just circling around while I was fighting it. I was able to get it near the kayak multiple times and finally saw how big this fish was. It was as long as my Hobie outback and there was no way we were going to gaff that thing and haul it back 20 miles home. I asked Tommy and Nasko to get some photos and videos of the fight. By then it was about 4:15 pm and we made the decision to just cut the line and free it instead of killing such a magnificent fish."

Not quite the harrowing adventure of Hemingway's fictional Santiago, but certainly a story that will not be soon forgotten in the kayak angling community. Kei had hooked another marlin off Dana Point last year, but that fish broke off after 15 minutes. There have been several marlin fought from kayaks since the advent of the modern rotomolded fishing Sit-on-Top kayak. The first one I remember was in the late 1990s when kayak fishing pioneer Jim Sammons was dragged nine miles after hooking a marlin a mile off Scripps Pier.

Wherever they are biting, go out and get 'em!

DANIEL POWELL

own soap! Ages 10+ yrs welcome. Sibling & military discounts. Visit sandiegocraft.org today! (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

LEARN THE ART OF PERFUMERY! This Aug 22, 4-7pm, learn to formulate your own signature fragrance with a French Perfume Designer. You'll use essential oils & fragrance notes to learn formulation. Beginners welcome, 14+. Military discounts. Visit sandiegocraft.org today! (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

LEARN TO CARVE A SPOON! Have you always wanted to learn to carve a wooden spoon? On Aug 23-24, learn all the skills to begin your carving journey while creating your own unique, decorative spoon with extra details. Visit sandiegocraft.org today! *Military discount (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

MAKE A MUPPET-PUPPET! ALL AGES Join us on August 17, 2-6pm for Puppet Making

fun! All ages love this workshop, where students learn to make their own muppet-style puppets, each with its own unique personality. Sibling & military discounts. Visit sandiegocraft.org today! (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

NATURAL DYE WITH FRESH INDIGO! Join us on Sat, August 31, 9am-12:30pm at Rancho Milkway Farm for a special workshop with fiber artist, Sarah Winston! We're harvesting fresh Indigo Natural Dye and learning to dye with it! 12+yr, or 8+yr with adult. Visit sandiegocraft.org today! (619) 273-3235 / make@sandiegocraft.org

OPEN MIC POETRY Wednesday, Aug. 14th @ 6:30 pm - Mission Beer: 4067 Adams Ave. Kensington Read, listen

SATURDAY ART SESSIONS Zoom or In-Person Art Lessons! Professional Artist, Drawing, Painting and other Media. Creative Community Builder! Art Par-

ties Available! Zoom \$20 for half hour. In-person Art Lessons \$45 for 45min supplies provided. Lara Lenta (831) 246-6217 / larasophialenta@gmail.com

THOUGHT MAGICIAN Conversation as play. Explore, discover, change your mind. www.thoughtmagician.com / george@thoughtmagician.com

FREE ECONOMIC JUSTICE DISCUSSION CLASS Three Sundays in August: 12 to 1 pm at Foundation of Economic Justice, Peace Resource Friends Center, 3850 Westgate Place, San Diego, CA 92105. weprosper2@hotmail.com. (858) 883-7314. Free refreshments or bring your own. Sunday, August 4th: Share your thoughts on making this a more just and fair society. Sunday, August 11th: Let's start with what are your biggest needs and interests. Sunday, August 25th: What is your current housing situation. How can we make our housing more resilient? Alternatives to high cost housing.

SURF LESSONS in Mission Beach or PB. I provide the long-board. One hour is only \$49. Call or text Bryan (858) 805-5347

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

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

EXCELLENT ENGLISH TUTOR Excellent Tutor. ESL, English, Special Education. Susan suetay-lor0825@gmail.com

ROOMMATES

ROOM FOR RENT. INDEPENDENT LIVING. Nice View Home. WiFi, Meals. Shared Room \$850. A Great Place to call Home. Come See! La Mesa. (619) 750-4447

ROOMMATE WANTED, MISSION HILLS Older, straight SWM seeking male for 2Br apt. Your own Br/Ba, furnished w/ large wall closet. Centrally located. Ample street parking. Quiet, safe; good walking/jogging area. Laundry room. Full kitchen, comfy living room. Includes Wi-Fi; split utilities. \$1,195/mo. Call/text (760) 908-3770. Dave

WILL COOK AND CLEAN FOR RENT I need immediate housing. I'm in East County, El Cajon

area and I'm a very good cook. Mother of five and know how to handle the kitchen as well as do laundry, clean and everything you can imagine but I am asking for rent in exchange or I can pitch in a little bit to go with some rent money. Christina Brown (858) 229-3908.

MATURE LADY SEEKS PLACE/SPACE! SWF in serious need of a roof over my head so, hoping for 1 kind soul to notice this ad ASAP! I'm real, reliable, thoughtful, trustworthy & I lead, a clean healthy lifestyle free of addictions. I'm an animal lover & can also cook/clean for a private room sandiegolady13@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR A ROOM TO RENT 59 year old male looking for room to rent, studio, or 1 bedroom apartment ideally in east county but flexible with area. Call (619) 405-2389

ROOM FOR RENT Your own room, your own walk in closet, your own private bathroom, your

own parking space, off street. Chula Vista. \$1,000/month. Send a resume to elfthebell@gmail.com

UNFURNISHED ROOM FOR RENT \$800/month + \$800/ deposit. Shared utilities, bath and kitchen. Close to freeway & imperial beach. Male only. (619) 572-5598

INDEPENDENT LIVING Room for rent. Independent Living. Nice View Home. WiFi, Meals. Shared Room. \$850. A Great Place to call Home. Come See! La Mesa

TINY ROOM TO LIVE PLEASE 65 year healthy single, no family, never married non-smoker. Clean SoCal native low income full time job, male high school/college graduate. Seeking somber room in Solana Beach, Cardiff, Leucadia, Encinitas, Carlsbad. Dale Hauskins (858) 401-2973

BAY PARK FURNISHED LARGE BEDROOM \$895 Utilities included, cul de sac, front and back entrances, park in front of garage. Own back entrance. Male only. Quiet and professional. Close to bus. (858) 692-9325

MATURE ROOMMATE WANTED Male or female. Chula Vista 2br/2ba furnished apartment to share, \$1,000/month, \$300/ deposit, includes all utilities + WIFI, Netflix, laundry. No pets. No smoking. Off street parking. Close to freeways. References required. Call Brian: (619) 709-1743.

RENTALS

KENSINGTON-TALMADGE, \$1700. Hidden treasure! Large 1BD+1BA apartment in great condition available now. Quiet, gated community. Laundry, A/C, assigned parking, storage. 4544 Winona Avenue, 92115. Call 8am-8pm: (619) 229-1406.

OFFICE SPACE Office space approximately 600 square feet zoned m2. \$1250/month. Some lot space out back available as well. (760) 855-3551 / exumrecording@gmail.com

2BD/1BATH GROUND FLOOR, CORNER APT 2 parking space, \$1850/month. Deposit - \$1,000. Call Walter (619) 584-2033

ROOM 4 RENT IN IMPERIAL BEACH Furnished room for rent near beach in Imperial Beach, male only; fridge in room; full use of kitchen and laundry machines; no smoking, pets, overnight guests; \$1,400/month; (619) 424-6133 / donnamackersie@att.net



WOODLANDS LJ- 2BR, 1BA - \$3100 3-level townhouse in the Woodlands West II located on west side of I-5, close to two shopping centers, AMC movie, freeway access, UCSD. Project has great amenities right there including pool, spa, bbq, gazebo, TWO lit tennis courts. Available now (619) 985-0919 / manana@san.rr.com

LOOKING TO RENT DRIVEWAY SPACE Looking to rent driveway space Point Loma/Ocean Beach area for tinyhome trailer in which I am living. Local of SD and work in OB. Offering \$400/month to owner who will let me rent their driveway space ONLY. No electrical or water hook up (619)

541-0164 Matt / mattapra602@gmail.com



MEXICO, ROSARITO, ENSENADA, PUNTA PIERA Four bedroom, six car garage. Best neighborhood in Baja. Five swimming pools, Jacuzzi, oceanfront access, gated community. \$2,100 a month. (760) 250-7055



BAJA MX RENTAL \$1100 a month long-term beautiful river and ocean views, gated community \$125 a night or \$500 a week (760) 250-7055



MEXICO, LA MISSION TWO BEDROOM ONE BATHROOM \$1100 a month. Other houses to choose from THAT are directly in front of the ocean and the river, and is very close to the community (760) 250-7055



3 BEDROOM/2 BATHROOM RENTAL IN MEXICO Four car garage, extra large Jacuzzi in the bathroom, has a separate studio that rents out for \$600. Beautiful above the unit. \$1,600 a month long-term. kilometer 58 (760) 250-7055

4BD/2BATH 6 CAR GARAGE RENTAL IN MEXICO gated development. Four swimming pools, three Jacuzzis. \$2500 Punta piera (760) 250-7055



BEAUTIFUL 2 BEDROOMS/2 BATH IN MEXICO very large and high in furniture. Jacuzzi, bring your dogs completely furnished LA Mission kilometer 58 Beautiful view. \$1000 Per month. (760) 250-7055

FOUR BEDROOM, TWO BATHROOM, COMPLETELY FURNISHED IN MEXICO Four bedroom, two bathroom, completely furnished direct river, and Ocean view. Bring your dog, bring your horses; plenty of parking. Gated community kilometer 58 very close to Lafonda. \$1,000 a month long-term 13 months high-speed Internet. Tenant pays for utilities, water, electric internet, propane.

Very nice property not going to last (760) 250-7055

FURNISHED STUDIO IN MEXICO washing machine, dryer. Directly in front of the river and ocean kilometer 58 LA mission \$750 a month long-term rental 13 months (760) 250-7055



TWO BEDROOM, TWO BATHROOM LUXURY CONDO IN MEXICO directly in front of the river; a little bit to the right of the ocean. 58 LA mission very high end extra large Jacuzzi in the unit. \$1,000 per month. (760) 250-7055



5 ACRE HORSE PROPERTY FOR RENT Rosarito/Ensenada area. LA Mission beautiful property. 5 acre horse property. Four bedrooms, two bath plus extra large Jacuzzi. The 5 acres are completely fenced. \$1,000/month. Not going to last. Call now (760) 250-7055

3BD/2.5BR TOWNHOUSE 1608 Rental in Phoenix 2 Carport. \$1700/rent, Deposit \$1500, Gated townhouse. Community pool, Playground, HOA, washer/dryer, (619) 855-9439 (619) 855-0439

OFFICE SPACE RENTAL Office space approximately 600 square feet zoned m2. \$1250/month. Some lot space out back available as well. (760) 855-3551 / exumrecording@gmail.com

MUSIC

RECORDING INSTRUCTION Learn recording techniques with a professional seasoned recording engineer in an established recording studio. Analog, digital, Pro Tools Recording, mixing, mastering, vocal tuning, drum tracking outdoor gear and much more. Call Scott (760) 855-3551 / exumrecording@gmail.com

RECORDING STUDIO Pro tools HD3 and 24 track two inch analog. Neotek 40 input analog console. Amps, guitars, bass, 6'3 Baldwin Grand piano and much more. Studio musicians and production assistance available. (760) 855-3551 / exumrecording@gmail.com

BASS GUITAR FOR SALE White 5string Sire M2 bass in Mint Condition \$400. (619) 980-6008

KAWAI KRB-105 GRAPHITE NECK Bass Guitar for sale. Perfect red body paint (no buckle rash) red EMG pickups, active, 4string, Excellent condition, \$1,000 (619-980-6008)

SANTANA SOUL - LATIN ROCK/SOUL Experience the electrifying sounds of Santana Soul live. Delve into a musical journey that traverses the vibrant Latin rock classics of Santana's illustrious past to the soul-stirring rhythms of his Grammy award-winning Latin soul hits of today. travel92037@gmail.com

SEEKING BASSIST/ DRUMMER All originals in the vein of the Melvin's, King Gizzard, Rush, Sonic Youth, Black Sabbath. Pref. Ages 18-25. Have many songs

ready to record and play out, also wanna jam and bounce ideas around with people. Located in Point Loma. (209) 329-5157 / dalfordmusic@gmail.com

REGGAE SKA POP progrock fusion professional lead/rhythm guitarist for recordings, gigs, tours. CD/7our credits. Dale Hauskins (858) 401-2973

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

PETS



ENGLISH BULLDOGS 8 weeks old. Up to date with vaccines and dewormed. Located in Chula Vista. Text (619) 763-2155 for more info / adrianaalcortez1989@outlook.com



BEAGLE PUPS a fantastic litter of beagles for sale. ready now. mum here to view. now only 2 females and 1 male available.text at (619) 736-3594

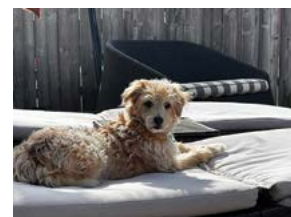
FEMALE AND MALE PUG PUPS they has the most terrific and affectionate nature they will clean/lick you which is typical of this breed. Loves a fuss, loves cuddles and loves a sofa or bed to text at (619) 736-3594



GOLDEN RETRIEVER PUPS Kc registered golden retriever pups. Pups will leave full pedigree. kc registered Wormed fleed and microchipped. Pups have been brung up in a busy home around kids and other animals text at (619) 736-3594



YORKSHIRE TERRIER PUPPIES Lovely litter of Yorkshire terrier puppies. Now available for new homes. These gorgeous bundle of fun. Make lovely family pets. Yorkshire terrier text at (619) 736-3594



ADOPT YOUR NEXT DOG OR CAT FROM BAJA DOG RESCUE! We are a volunteer-run, 100% No Kill animal rescue in Tijuana. We have so many loving pets who can't wait to complete your family! All have been treated by veterinarians and ready to come home. Your rescue donation enables us to save countless lives, thank you! bajadogrescue.org/

SAMOYED PUPPIES READY! We have 4 puppies left, 2 males and 2 females. They will go to their new owner with a health certificate from the vet, vaccination and de-worming.text at (619) 736-3594

CHAMPION KC CHOW CHOW I am happy to pronounce we have a safe arrival of four Red stunning Chow boy puppies and one beautiful red girl! Outstanding later, Breed from a long line of champion show dogs mum text at (619) 736-3594

BLUE FRENCH BULLDOGS Stunning French bulldog puppies for sale. Our girl had very gorgeous 2 boys and 1 girl. She is our family pet, never had any health issue, she is excellent mum text at (619) 736-3594



DON'T BREED OR BUY WHILE SHELTER PETS DIE! Please don't support selfish breeders bringing countless new animals into the world while others wait in cages or get put down! You may

think you need a particular breed, but I promise you will love another. Shelter animals are wonderful, just give them a chance!

IMPERIAL SHIH TZU PUPPIES We have for sale a litter 8 imperial Shih Tzu puppies. Mum Rosie is our much loved family pet and Dad Herbie is from a family friend. text at (619) 736-3594

TOY POODLE MALE AND FEMALE They are incredibly affectionate, loving and friendly. 100% house trained. Has started to learn basic commands. they walk superbly on and off the lead. text at (619) 736-3594

SPORTS

OCTANE Q35 ELLIPTICAL \$295 Octane Q35 Elliptical, good condition, original owner. This is a professional quality machine that sold for \$2999 when new. I have moved to road cycling. 230 lb machine so come prepared, bring a truck and a friend, first \$295 owns it.

7 FT. FIBERGLASS TRI-FIN SURFBOARD Oldie but a goodie. Good shape with bag and leash. \$100 firm. (619) 987-5682 (no texts)

BICYCLES

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

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

CERVELO R5 CA Road bike 61 cm. Ultegra Di2, 16f lbs.4 oz. \$3000. Leon (619) 517-1293

TWO FULL SIZE STREET BIKES Both for \$40. Good Shape. Text only (442) 238-7382

BMC BIKE Gorgeous blue and white BMC Carbon fiber. Road frame 47 CM. Never used; in storage. Must see! (619) 237-8043

DOWNTOWN \$650-\$750



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

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

BICYCLE FOR SALE one year old, runs like new, ridden about six times. Make offer. (562) 846-9299 and ask for Steven.

MOTORCYCLES

2002 VULCAN DRIFTER 7000 miles. Clean. \$5200. (858) 375-8728

2005 KTM 450SX 6SPD Full FMF Titanium exhaust, 6 speed, new air filter, Excel rims, high compression piston, non op. \$2400 jpospichal@hotmail.com

2014 HARLEY ELECTRA GLIDE comes with cover and charger. \$14,000 OBO. (619) 258-3541

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

AUTOMOTIVE

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

JAGUAR X-TYPE ALUMINUM WHEELS Three Original 16" wheels, I only have three, the fourth wheel was damaged by hitting a curb, I am selling all three for only \$225. Call (760) 746-7209, in Escondido

1999 CADILLAC SEVILLE Pearl white, leather seats, all power with owners manual \$1,500 call or text (858) 239-9078

WE BUY ALL TYPE OF CARS We buy all type of cars running or not. Call (619) 484-4032 - Get a quote - Get your cash. Same day pickup, Same day cash. No title, no tires, no keys, engine not working, check engine light on, running or not.

2007 HONDA ACCORD EX-L Leather interior, 3.0L V6, Sunroof, AC, heated seats, new AAA battery, new alternator. 230,000 miles \$4300 jpospichal@hotmail.com

RUNNING 1929 FORD COUPE Title. Balanced engine. \$8,950. (760) 717-1334

1953 CHEVY SEDAN V8 Automatic and it has a custom paint job with flames, has heaters, oversize, radiator, electric fan, dual exhaust, straight body, glass, good tires. California Title (619) 655-1830. \$3,800

TOYOTA PICK UP 1987 Gray truck, four cylinder, 22R engine, four speed. Runs great. Long term ownership. \$4,500. (619) 576-8196.

CAR RENTALS RENT TO OWN PROGRAM no credit no problem. (760) 633-3552

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

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

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

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

TOYOTA 4RUNNER for rent \$300 a week rent to own program available (619) 233-8300.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

HELP WANTED

MICROTUNNELING MANAGER Ward & Burke Tunneling, Inc.

has an opening for a Microtunneling Manager in Chula Vista, CA. Hire, train & supervise the tunneling crews on company procedures. Trvl 10-20% of the time to var unanticipated West Coast proj construction sites within the U.S. Must have 5 yrs of exp in a Microtunneling Manager position. Must have 5 yrs of exp in construction mgmt of microtunnels in excess of 1500LF (linear feet) in length & greater than 72 inches in diameter. The annual salary for this pos is \$136,739-\$156,000. Qualified applicants (principals only) should apply at <https://www.wardandburke.com/careers/current-vacancies/>. (No calls). EOE

PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP COMPLIANCE ANALYST

Becton, Dickinson and Company seeks a Product Stewardship Compliance Analyst in San Diego, CA to support environmental compliance programs across MMS division. Req. BS + 5 yrs exp. Salary range for position: \$136,802.00 - \$141,600.00. To apply, mail resume to: (BD), Attn: BDHR - DT, 3750 Torrey View Ct., San Diego, CA 92130, or submit a resume to <https://www.caljobs.ca.gov/vosnet/Default.aspx>, or submit a resume to https://bdx.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/EXTERNAL_CAREER_SITE_USA. Must reference Job Title & Job Code: R-497455. EOE.

OPERATIONS: SCADA/ INSTRUMENTATION TECH OR SR. SCADA/ INSTRUMENTATION TECH

\$44.15 - \$63.89/hourly. Otay Water District is seeking a SCADA/ Instrumentation Technician or a Sr. SCADA/ Instrumentation Technician. Ideal candidate will be an experienced/highly skilled electrical, electronic, and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) and has knowledge of design/software programming of SCADA systems. Military and transitioning military welcome. For more information, please visit our website www.otay-water.gov.EOE

SR SOFTWARE ENGINEER

(Req# IIC1488) in San Diego, CA. Design & dvlp world class sfwr apps to control Next Gen Seq platforms. Telecommuting permitted within the area of intended employment. MS+3 yrs rtd exp or BS followed by 5yrs prog rtd exp. \$177,154-\$190,200/yr. Email resumes to illumina.com. Inc at ReviewofResumes@illumina.com. Must ref job title & Req# in subject line.

SR SOFTWARE ENGINEER

(Req# IIC1488) in San Diego, CA. Design & dvlp world class sfwr apps to control Next Gen Seq platforms. Telecommuting permitted within the area of intended employment. MS+3 yrs rtd exp or BS followed by 5yrs prog rtd exp. \$177,154-\$190,200/yr. Email resumes to illumina.com. Inc at ReviewofResumes@illumina.com. Must ref job title & Req# in subject line.

SOFTWARE TEST ENGINEER (Req# IIC1490) in San Diego, CA. Perf sys & client appl testing using both manual & automated testing methods. Telecommuting permitted within area of intended employment. BS+1 yr rtd exp. \$73,778-\$103,778/yr. Email resumes to illumina.com. Inc at ReviewofResumes@illumina.com. Must ref job title & Req# in subject line.

SYSTEMS SUPPORT ENGINEER/SCIENTIST

(Req# IIC1491) in San Diego, CA. Use Mech, optical, fluidics, electronics & organic chem to troubleshoot electro-mechanical equip issues. Assist proj teams w/ sys level instrument test & ancillary equip support. Reqs Bachelor's. \$80,226-\$110,226/yr. Email resumes to illumina.com. Inc at ReviewofResumes@illumina.com. Must ref job title & Req# in subject line.

NOW HIRING - MULTIPLE POSITIONS

Advanced Test Equipment Rentals, located in Sorrento Valley is growing. Seeking individuals serious about a career and not just a job. This hi-tech company was established here in 1981 and now service companies world wide. www.atecorp.com/careers (858) 558-6500 / careers@atecorp.com

HANDYMAN WANTED

I am seeking a part-time handyman whom I will pay cash to do some minor maintenance and repairs (especially plumbing and lawn work) on my San Diego house when he has time available. Please email me at: mysandiegocar@yahoo.com

KAYAK/SUP DELIVERY GIG IN PB

Seeking athletic person with truck who lives in PB to take bookings on the phone, deliver, and retrieve kayaks and paddleboards. Part time M-F. Pay is cash, 50% of all profits. Fun, outdoor job. Will learn new skills. (541) 517-0057, leave message. (619) 736-8663 / justkayaksd@gmail.com

PERSONAL ASSISTANT WANTED

excellent computer skills and organizing. Possible college student with part time afternoon availability. Text or call (858) 337-4367

TRUCK DRIVERS

Local transport companies are looking for truck drivers with two or more years of experience. Requirements: Binational Federal License or CDL, Mexican Passport (mexican drivers), Visa B1/B2 or Residence card, ID or INE, Birth certificate, CV/ Resume. Omega Compliance Solutions LLC. (619) 312-1545.

JOBS WANTED

SEEKING EMPLOYMENT OR PAID GIG

Hello I am a 24 year old male in the east village part of downtown and I am urgently seeking employment or any paid opportunities / gig work. I am motivated and hard working as well as an eager, quick learner, please reach out will give further info! (619) 404-1727 / gd918981@gmail.com

FEMALE NEEDS CASH PAYING GIGS!

Looking to be hired for short/long term gigs, especially of the domestic variety (pet care, house sitting, cooking & more). Nothing illegal, inappropriate or heavy lifting please! I'm reliable, responsible, respectful & real! I'm a HUGE dog lover! Thanks! sandiegolady13@gmail.com

CHEAP DRIVER (619) 791-5449

PROFESSIONAL PRIVATE SENIOR CAREGIVER

Available on weekends, references. I'm in San Diego CA., cell (213) 301-6425

CLASS B DRIVER SEEKING TEMP. ASSIGNMENT

Part time

or full time. Box truck or straight deliveries. Can operate manual transmissions, lift gate, pallet jacks, tailgate unloading/loading. Trustworthy, reliable and can load and unload. John (858) 272-4908

FULL TIME JOB WANTED

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

GERIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER

will provide companionship, friendship, discuss topics of interest and prepare meals. Please call Carol at (858) 731-6996. Point Loma or Pacific Beach area.

WANTED / TRADE

WANT TO TRADE MY 2017 CHEVY CRUISE

for your small SUV or small truck. Call Connie (619) 253-0005

SOLAR PANELS WANTED NEW & USED

I am looking for solar panels & inverters that are reasonably priced or if they are old I will haul them away for free so they don't end up in the landfill, I am setting up an off grid system, I am looking for a large quantity. (760) 746-7209

COMMUTER CAR FOR MY GRANDSON

getting out maybe this month prefer four cylinder running or close to it. Dan (760) 419-5737

LOOKING FOR LOW COST TRANSPORTATION

to get to work. Call Daniel at (619) 634-2755

BUYING GARBAGE PAIL KIDS CARDS

Cash for 1st and 2nd series Garbage Pail Kids (1-83 a & b) and full sets, unopened boxes. San Diego local. (832) 651-8302 / ashscoot@aol.com

BUYING OLD BASEBALL CARDS

Buying old baseball and other sports/non-sports cards. Pre-1980 preferred but buying more modern stars and rookies. Cash paid. San Diego local. Comics, autographs, memorabilia too. (832) 651-8302 / ashscoot@aol.com

SEARCHING FOR OLD TUBE STEREO

I am an Electronics Hobbyist, and I am looking for 1960's vintage, Tube Type Stereo Components to refurbish, Such as Fisher, Scott, McIntosh, Dynaco & More. Check your Garage or Attic, it just might be there. I pay Ca\$h, so call Jack (619)-296-3100 (619) 296-3100 / jack22@cox.net

LOOKING FOR OLD TUBE STEREO

I am looking for that old Tube Type Stereo System that your Dad used to play. These Stereo Components were made in America, in the early 1960's, by such companies as Fisher, Scott, Dynaco, McIntosh & more. I pay Ca\$h, so please call Jack (619) 296-3100 / jack22@cox.net

I BUY VINTAGE PILOT HELMETS

(619) 806-6703 Scott

I BUY VINTAGE SKATEBOARDS

(619) 806-6703 Scott

I BUY VINTAGE MUSIC GEAR

drums, guitars, amplifiers, etc 1-(619) 806-6703 Scott

LOOKING TO BUY OLD DRUM SETS

I pay cash. Any old Band Instruments. Text me pictures or call (619) 279-7833

CASH PAID: FOR OLD STEREO GEAR

Receivers, Amplifiers, Speakers, Turntables. Call Me (619) 279-7833

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

Rock & Roll I buy 1950's-1980's Concert Posters, Flyers, Handbills, Used-Unused Tickets,

Programs. Pls Call/Txt (619) 313-1580 Private Party

INDIAN ARROWHEAD/ARTIFACTS

Artifacts for my personal collection. Must be authentic and legally collected. No interest in modern reproductions. Call Steve at (619) 985-8562.

WILL PAY CASH

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

OB SPACEMAN PAINTINGS WANTED

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

I BUY VINYL RECORDS

all types, great prices paid. We don't just buy 2-3 records, we buy your whole collection. Call (619) 250-3088.

OLD SINGER SEWING MACHINES

Singer 221 Sewing Machine. (619) 279-7833. Text me pictures of what you have

WILL PAY CASH....FOR RECORDS, ETC.

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

I BUY HAMMOND ORGANS AND LESLIE SPEAKERS

Text me pics. (619) 279-7833

I BUY VINTAGE SLOT CARS

I buy vintage slot cars (619) 806-6703 Scott

I BUY VINTAGE STEREO

pioneer, marantz, Sansui etc 1-(619) 806-6703 Scott

CASH PAID FOR OLD VW

Old VW Bus, Van, Bug. I like to buy any condition. Call or text pics #619-279-7833

CASH FOR COMIC BOOKS

Money, Money, Money! I pay cash for old comic books. Mark (619) 933-6275

WANTED: Speakers, amps and other old stereo gear!

The most cash paid always! Brands like JBL, Altec, McIntosh, Marantz and more! Call 1(619)-303-8031; e-mail JBL@cox.net.

GARAGE SALES

MOVING SALE - SAT AUG. 17

Moving sale, Sat. Aug 17 9-4pm lots of great items up for grabs. Sale located in the alley between Alabama and Florida on the 3900 block. Look for the signs. Furniture, art and frames, tons of books, housewares, clothes, misc. Cash and venmo accepted tqctcb@gmail.com

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS- YARD SALE

2 Day Sale. Clothes -. Men/ women. Home decor. Electronics: Circuit, Printer, Misc Wires, Smart Wall outlets, google homes. Microwave. Toaster. Mugs/Cups/Plates. Candles. Free items. Come check it out.

FOR SALE

CONSTRUCTION, PLUMBING, PAINTING ITEMS

Everything most go. Plus fishing, sports gear and more. Willing to trade with food. Will help load and haul away. Contact (619) 228-5843

NEW ARTHRITIS RELIEF GLOVES

These gray slip-on compression support gloves have open fingertips which allow for greater dexterity and help relieve pain & stiffness & enhance blood flow. Breathable cotton/spandex. New in original package. Size M or L. \$12. Text for more info/ pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

REFRIGERATOR/FREEZER

Amana. Side by side. light cream

CLIFF BROWN AUTOMOTIVE

FREE BRAKE INSPECTION & ESTIMATE
With any Service or Repair

SMOG CHECK SPECIAL
 \$31.75*
+ \$8.25 cert
Smog Test or All Cars 2000 and Up Same Price. Good through September 18, 2024

STAR Certified
SMOG CHECK | TEST ONLY \$51.75
+ \$8.25 cert. Most vehicles. Trucks, vans & European cars extra. Must bring DMV renewal notice Limited time offer. Cars 1999 and older.

EXHAUST SYSTEM REPAIR AVAILABLE

ENGINE STEAM CLEAN AVAILABLE
Most Vehicles

30,000-MILE SERVICE SPECIAL
from **\$279.95** 4-cyl. Most vehicles.
Service includes: • Maintenance tune-up Oil and filter change • Lube chassis • Radiator coolant change Air filter replacement • Fuel injection cleaning Check brakes, suspension

NEW CV AXLE from **\$159.95**
Parts & Labor

TIMING BELT SPECIAL
\$50 off quoted price
Recommended at 60k miles. Most vehicles. Limited time offer.

Cliff Brown Automotive • 4491 Park Blvd, SD, CA 92116
619-297-4204 • Mon.-Sat. 8 am-5:30 pm
Coupons must be Presented Prior to Service • Senior Discounts Available • Offers Expire September 18, 2024

But Why?

— Lalita Kayi, 50, was discovered on July 27 in a forest about 280 miles from Mumbai, India, the BBC reported, chained to a tree. Kayi initially told her rescuers that her husband had shackled her to the tree and "left her in the forest to die without food or water." But police and her doctor say the American woman tied herself to the tree. After treatment in a psychiatric hospital, Kayi admitted that she is not married and was distressed because her visa and money were running out. Her doctor, Sanghamitra Phule, said Kayi's condition is improving and she has been in touch with her family in the U.S.

Do. Not. Insult. The. Chef.

— Georgetown County (South Carolina) Sheriff's officers were called to a home on July 28 on reports of an assault in progress, Fox59-TV reported. Deputies were told that the fight started while siblings Anthony Harper and Hope Harper were cooking chicken. Hope Harper allegedly asked her brother "why he didn't season the chicken ... so it could crust up," the report said. When Hope called Anthony a "dumb dog," he pushed her into a table and punched her. Someone else in the home fired a 9mm handgun into the ceiling, hoping to stop the brawl, but no -- Hope retrieved a steak knife and started swinging it at her brother. Next, their grandmother swatted Hope with a broom until she backed off. But Anthony, his chef cred cruelly questioned, picked up a can of Raid bug spray and sprayed Hope on the neck and face until she grabbed the can and sprayed him

back. Each of the siblings is pressing charges against the other; both were released on bond.

Feeling Eel

— About 150 people in and around Tokyo were stricken ill, and one person died, in late July after eating grilled eel sold at a department store, the Associated Press reported. The eel was prepared by a local restaurant chain and sold in the grocery area of the Keikyu department store, officials said. Roasted eel is considered a tonic against the summer's extreme heat; more than 1700 servings of the dish were sold at the shop.

Fine Points of the Law

— Evans Lee Jr. of Atlanta passed away on Oct. 26, 2022, the *Atlanta Black Star* reported. Because he left no will, Georgia law called for the nearest living relative to ask the probate court to make them an administrator, which is just what Randy Watson, 48, did. The problem: Watson was not related to Lee. Georgia's probate court does not require proof of being a rightful heir to an estate, so Watson became the executor, filling in false details on Lee's death certificate and listing Watson as the decedent's son. In response, Lee's nephew, Trahan Brown, was granted a court-ordered paternity test that confirmed Watson was not related to the dead man. But before the court could reverse his executorship, Watson had cleared out most of Lee's belongings, sold his home, and collected his urn of ashes. "There was never an opportunity to go in the home, clean the home, none of that," said Brown's wife, Renee. Authorities

have opened an investigation into Watson and the funeral home.

Bright Idea

— On July 31, police responded to a fire in the early morning hours at a U-Haul business in Roseburg, Oregon, KEZI-TV reported. One van was fully engulfed in flames, and the fire was spreading to a second vehicle. Security footage from the area identified Jennifer Denise Holmes, 47, whose van with Nana's Sweet Treats on the side could be seen in the area. When officers spoke with Holmes, she admitted to siphoning gas from the U-Haul and then lighting a cigarette. She was charged on Aug. 3 with first-degree criminal mischief and reckless burning.

Haute Dog

— CBS News reported on Aug. 7 that fashion house Dolce & Gabbana is going to the dogs. The designer has launched a perfume for dogs called Fefe in honor of Domenico Dolce's poodle. A 3.4-ounce bottle will set you back \$108, and the company claims veterinarians approve of the alcohol-free scent. But apparently not ALL veterinarians. Federico Coccia, a vet in Rome, isn't a fan: "Dogs recognize themselves by smells, they recognize a person by smell... This world of smells should not be changed," he said. He also noted that some diseases are made apparent by their odors, and the perfume could mask those. Dog owner Francesca Castelli agrees: "It seems to be a very exaggerated process of humanization," she said.

It's Good To Have a Hobby

— Handyman and electrician Steve Wainwright, 61, of Cambridgeshire, England, needed a project in his retirement, *Metro News* reported. "I felt a bit lost," he said. "I looked at my tape measure and I thought, 'I wonder if I can build this 10 times its size?'" And he could -- even with a giant retractable measuring tape. Wainwright's wife suggested a 10x lipstick, so he obliged, then went on to build pencils, keys, clothespins and a three-prong plug. He said he notices a difference in reactions between men and women; men love his creations, while women say, "What on earth are you going to do with that? Where are you going to put that?"

It's a Mystery

— Officials in Sioux City, Iowa, are stumped by the appearance of several blue crabs around the city, *Oddee* reported on Aug. 5. The first incident happened at the Sioux City Public Library on July 30, when a crabby visitor was found in the computer lab (which is on the second floor). Circulation services manager Jenn Delperdang said the crab "must have been hungry for knowledge. We really have no idea the journey that this crab had to get to the library." The staff called Sioux City Animal Adoption and Rescue Center to retrieve "Chester," but he passed on two days later. Another crustacean pinched customers of a vending machine in a neighboring downtown building as they tried to retrieve their soda.

Send your weird news items to WeirdNewsTips@

SMOG CHECK \$29⁷⁵

Year 2000 and newer. Plus \$8.25 certificate. By appt only.
Vans and trucks extra. Free retest when we do the repair.
Experienced Mechanic needed



OIL CHANGE
up to 4 quarts & oil filter Most 4 cylinder cars, Trucks extra.
Synthetic blend extra
\$29⁹⁵ +tax
+ \$5 hazardous materials fee

PREMIUM BRAKES
• Front or Rear Axle
• Parts & Labor
• Turn Rotors / Drums
• Premium Pads
• Most 4 cylinder Cars + tax
\$179
Free Inspection

TRANSMISSION SERVICE
Includes filter, pan gasket, fluid, most cars.
\$179
From + tax & hazardous materials fee

30K/60K/90K/120K mile SERVICE SPECIAL
Includes: New spark plugs, engine oil, oil filter, air filter, 1 gallon antifreeze, suspension lubrication, tire rotation, 24 pt vehicle inspection from
\$149
Plus tax & hazardous waste fee. 4 cylinder, most cars, regularly \$200 prices may vary depending on make & model.

AC SERVICE
\$49⁹⁵
Most cars, freon extra

TUNE-UP & OIL CHANGE
• Drain and replace up to 4 quarts of oil
• New oil filter
• New spark plugs
• Visual inspection
• 4-cyl. Most cars
\$95⁹⁵
+ \$5 hazardous materials fee
Prices may vary depending on make & model.

CHECK ENGINE LIGHT
Most cars
\$49⁹⁵

ALIGNMENT
4 wheel, toe adjustment only, most cars.
\$59

TIMING BELT
Call for price.

GENERAL AUTO REPAIR
(619) 430-4369 • 1616 Precision Park Lane, San Diego, 92173
Just off the 905 freeway • Se habla español
Offers good with this ad. Must present prior to service. Expires 9-16-24
Ask us about **snap!** financing • Generalautorepairsd.com



color \$235. Please text (619) 507-4605

STACKABLE WASHER AND DRYER like new Frigidaire electric 2:20 volt white clean for \$99. (619) 208-2210. Ask for Mr. Leon

TREADMILL Merit fitness model 710T. 16 x 45. Closes to store away. Asking \$250. Good condition. Call Trudy-760-436-8452



WALL ARTDECOR WOOD \$41 + shipping. Size 12x9 inches (30x22cm). Material Ash. There is a notch for wall mounting. Shipping to any city lastosa@gmail.com

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

BLACK RECLINING OFFICE CHAIR This high quality heavy duty ergonomic rolling swivel professional computer desk chair is well constructed & very comfortable with designer fabric seat, backrest & armrests all fully adjustable. Excellent condition. \$60. Text for more info/pictures. (619) 796-5510 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

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

FISHER-PRICE TRIKE BIKE 4 KIDS This trike bike has a stable wheel base with durable tires, easy-grip handlebars & large foot pedals. 2-5 years, max. weight 55 lb. Secret storage under the seat. 2 bikes available in good condition. \$20 ea. or \$35 for both. Text for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

HANGING PENDANT LIGHT 37" TALL This hard-wired classic pendant light has a frosted glass shade with a metal trim. Max. height is 37" and is adjustable. Clean in good condition. 2 pendant lights available, \$25 each or \$45 for both. Light bulbs not included. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

NEW 175 PCS FIRST AID KIT CASE This complete first aid kit is ideal for home, office, car & boat. It includes prep pads, towelettes, gloves, cold pack, eye patch, tweezers, bandages, gauze pads & tape. New, never used, in original plastic sealed case. \$12. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

NEW DIGITAL KITCHEN FOOD SCALE This high quality scale with large LCD screen displays weight in 0.1 oz. increments up to 11 lbs. Weigh items directly on the glass top or use your own plate/bowl. Battery, use & care guide included. New in original box. \$20. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

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

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

STRING TRIMMER-WEED EATER Bolens BL110 Handheld Gas String Trimmer, 2 cycle 25cc gas engine, 16" curved shaft, has bump head release for 0.095 dual string line. New in original box, \$125. Call (760) 746-7209.

TROY BILT ROTOTILLER 208CC, Model: 21B34M871, purchased new, never used, \$575., (760) 746-7209.

WHIRLPOOL ELECTRIC RANGE-OVEN: Freestanding, 5.3 CU. FT., black glass cooktop, stainless steel color, 24" deep, 36" surface height, 30" wide, model #WFE320MOJS, new in unopened box, \$450., (760) 746-7209



5 X 7 PATTERNED RUG - \$25 Clean in very good condition. bobfromcraigslis@gmail.com

BEAUTIFUL SOLID WOOD DECOR BOX This small vintage box (5.5" x 3.5" x 2") with a hinged lid is nicely stained and varnished. It can be a wonderful storage place for jewelry, tarot, oils, arts & crafts, sewing supplies, and other lovely things. \$12. Text or email for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

CLAW TURNER, TONG, GRILL FORKS 15" claw turner tong has a turner on one side and a pronged fork on the other (\$8), 15" triangular tong w/ wood handles (\$5), 4 deluxe BBQ grill forks w/ wood handles & hanging straps (\$5 ea.). All new condition. \$20 for all 6. Text for more info/pic (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

COMICON 2024 BOOK ENDS Brand new RickMobile Book

Ends in the box for quick sale. Collectors, make me a reasonable offer! cherferg2022@gmail.com

FISH TAPE 100ft Steel Fish Tape w/leader. Good condition. \$25.00 Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com



NEW ADJ. ALUMINUM WALKING CANE This walking cane has a comfortable foam handle & wrist strap, a push-button height adjustment (29"-38") & a locking ring for security. Rated for up to 300 lb. in black or chrome silver. New w/ original tags & stickers, \$12. Text for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

NEW BLACK FOLDING WALKING CANE This cane has contoured T-handle, push-button adjustable height (32"-36") & locking collar for safety, 250 lbs. capacity. Easily fit into a bag or purse when folded. New, never used and in original plastic carryings bag. \$15. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5510 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

POSHMARK CLOSET! I have an array of gently used women's and men's clothing, electronics, household goods, and accessories for sale. Search Poshmark for My Closet @coralscset2u



STONE BREWING BOTTLE COLLECTION Collection of 28 Stone Anniversary Bottles with caps, \$75 takes them all. All but year 23 have Silk Screen labels so they can be flattened. Great Man Cave art.

BEAUTIFUL PEDESTAL BATHROOM SINK Low use "take-out" for commercial up-grade. Sink only, no hardware. \$200. Delivered in County \$20. Txt or Message. (858) 335-8750. Photo on request.

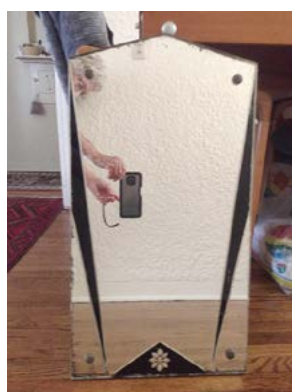
SAVE MONEY. SHOP HERE. Musical Instruments, Electronics, Duffel Bags, Jewelry, Clothing, Cosmetics, Electronics, Closet Organizers and More! www.temu.com/k/941f2049

VINTAGE ART DECO CEILING FIXTURE rescued from demolition. Make offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com

BATHROOM MIRROR Vintage Art Deco Bathroom Mirror salvaged from demolition. Make Offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com

VINTAGE ART DECO WALL LIGHT FIXTURE rescued from demolition. Make offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com

VINTAGE CEILING FIXTURE Vintage ceiling fixture rescued from demolition. Make offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com



ART DECO BATHROOM MIRROR rescued from demolition. Make offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com

VINTAGE WALL FIXTURE Vintage Art Deco Wall Fixture salvaged from demolition. Make Offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com



7 DRAWER CABINET Kiln dried Ponderosa pine, teak inlay 19"wide 48"long 45"high, 7 pull out shelves. Custom Made. Make offer. mardiewho@yahoo.com

BEEF JERKY We offer unique flavors in our beef jerky. From mild to extra spicy lemon grass flavor. There is also sweet and spicy, which is a soy sauce base. 10 Oz bag for \$10. Please contact (619) 414-7116 for more details. / Eastsidepapaya@gmail.com

VINYL RECORDS CDS DVD FOR SALE Thursday thru Sunday... 9am to 4... 3939 Iowa St. Suite 2... Vinyl Records Cds Dvds... \$2 Dollars Each! North Park... @NORTHPKIS (858) 382-7396

NEW HEART RATE MONITOR / WATCH Black LCD display unit shows heart rate, counts steps & calories burned, date & time with stopwatch & alarm. Stainless steel back water resistant up to 98 ft. Backlight display for easy night use. New in the original box. \$15. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com



NIKE AIR PRECISION Gently Used and in great condition... w/ Box Sz 9 Asking \$60 OBO. (619) 882-1569 / PeteJusticeSD@Yahoo.Com



NIKE RIZE ZOOM TB New w/ Box Sz 9 Asking \$100 OBO. (619) 882-1569 / PeteJusticeSD@Yahoo.Com

23"X19" COUNTERTOP W/ OVAL SINK This good looking

tan countertop comes with 4" backsplash, 4" center set hot & cold faucets, braided supply lines, 16"x 11"x 6" deep oval sink with overflow. Used with some normal wear. Clean & in good working condition. \$35. Text for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

HIGH BIAS CASSETTE TAPS high bias cassette tapes can be used for recording, ten cents each. contact Paul (619) 222-0278 and leave a voice message.

SAMPLE SALE 8/17 Studio H Collection brings you their annual sample sale! Shop our sample sale to find one-of-a-kinds, retired designs, and deeply discount luxury goods. When: August 17th, 9am to 2pm. Where: Studio H Collection 1202 Kettner Blvd, Suite 103, San Diego (619) 408-3462 / hello@studiohcollection.com

SLOT CARS AND VINTAGE BASEBALL CARDS For more info and pricing. Call (619) 753-8473.

24" SHOWER BATH SAFETY GRABBAR This carbon steel grab bar (300 lbs. capacity) provides support when using the shower, tub or toilet. It can be mounted directly into wood studs or other wall materials. New in box w/ instructions & 6 stainless screws. \$20. Text for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com



CAR TOP TENT: FIBERGLASS SHELL This is a Columbus Variant by Auto Home. It's in very good condition. It has a few travel stickers on it. The tent is clam-shell fiberglass on top and bottom. It sets up quickly, has a nice foam mattress and windows on three sides, ladder is included (415) 230-9861 / gieber@mac.com

NEW WRIST BLOOD PRESSURE UNIT This easy-to-use monitor gives digital readout of pulse & blood pressure, on a large well-lit screen. It stores 60 readings with date & time. The cuff fits wrist circumference from 5.3" to 8.5". New in box with batteries. \$15. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5510 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

PANASONIC CAMCORDER VHS Camcorder in Case (760) 707-4013 / danomc48@gmail.com

NEW PEDOMETER DIGITAL DISPLAY This deluxe pedometer has a hinged protective cover, a spring-loaded attachment clip & an adjustable security strap. It shows steps taken, distance covered & calories burned. Battery is included. New in sealed plastic. \$20. Text for more in info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

MEN'S WATCH & CAMERA Men's watch invicta bolt. New in box and Nikon one touch zoom camera. \$75 each or trade for old photo gear. (760) 757-5445.

BLUE FABRIC OFFICE CHAIR 4-WAY This high quality professional office chair is well constructed & very comfortable with smooth swivel & rolling actions along with multiple adjustments for seat/backrest height & seat/back posture. Armrests available. \$45. Text for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

NEW INFANT BABY BATH SUPPORT This deluxe baby bather (12"x 12"x 14") bath support provides a safe and secure sponge bath for your newborn baby. It has 3 reclining position for comfort and can be used in the sink or adult bath tub. New & never used. \$15. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com



NEW GEORGE FOREMAN GRILL W/BOX This new George Foreman Lean Mean Fat Reducing Grilling Machine has non-stick cooking surfaces perfect for grilling burgers, steaks, chicken, seafood & more. New, never used, in original box w/ drip tray, owner's manual. \$25. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com



NEW VINTAGE BEAUTIFUL THERMOS This lovely vintage 4 cup thermos (new) was made in Taiwan. A wonderful gift to someone special or enjoy it yourself to store your favorite hot or cold beverages. Brand new, never used, in a plastic bag & original box. \$25. Text for more info/pics. (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com



NEW TALKING BLOOD PRESSURE KIT This pulse & blood pressure unit has a large digital readout with talking features in English & Spanish. One button operation. It comes with universal cuff, user's manual, quick start guide & batteries. New & never used. \$25. Text for more info/pics (619) 796-5680 / cadbcscd@gmail.com

RUSTY LONGERBOARD catch them all on this eggmonster. \$350.00 sacrifice, (858) 692-5995

CAT 5 CABLE TESTER CAT 5 Cable Tester for testing 4 pair voice and data. \$25.00 (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

LOW VOLTAGE VOICE & DATA TOOLS Low Voltage Voice & Data Tools. Lots of stuff. Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

PORCELAIN DOLLS I have 3 Porcelain dolls in good condition. Make an offer. Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

25 FT FISH TAPE 25 ft Fish Tape. \$15.00 Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

OIL CHANGE \$29.95
Additional \$5 cartridge fee. Plus tax, haz waste, & engine cover shield removal fee. Up to 50% 10w/30 oil. Special only for 4cyl vehicle, 6-cyl vehicle does not apply. most cars

AC SERVICE \$49
Diagnostic \$95 Recharge from most cars

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

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

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

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

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

FREE CHECK ENGINE LIGHT \$6 and up.

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

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

BEACH CHAIRS 2 Beach Chairs. Great condition. \$10.00 ea. \$15.00 for both. Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

GIBSON PLATE SET Gibson Plate Set of four. Make offer. Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

TIRE CHAINS Tire Snow Chains for 15" rim. Never been used. \$19.00 Lakeside (619) 390-8216 / robtville5@gmail.com

HOT WATER HEATER 40 gal Rheem, electric. Commercial "take-out" for upgrade. Very low use, \$225. Delivered in County \$20. No negotiation. Txt or Message. 858/335-8750. Photo by request.

ROUNDTRIP TICKET FROM SD TO NY Very reasonable prices. Please give me a call at (562) 587-4417

SURFBOARD - INFINITY Surfboards (2) Infinity 9ft 3 in. Foam good condition. Infinity 9ft 6in. Epoxy Deck pad & day bag will text photos (760) 310-0822

BUCK KNIVES 119 SPECIAL 75th Anniversary Fixed Blade Knife. Brand-new excellent condition. \$80. (619) 576-8196

NEW BEACH ITEMS Beach towel, \$5. Beach mat, \$8. Beach umbrella hat, \$5. Men's and women's water shoes \$3/each; size 10 and 7. Assorted insulated coolers, \$5-\$8. (619) 218-4031

TEETER HANG UP \$80. Call (442) 264-3043. In Oceanside

RETIRING PLUMBER MATERIALS Copper, ABS 1/2 to 4 inch, PVC 1/2 to 1 inch, valves, iron pipes, fittings, brass and much more. contact (619) 857-7588

ARIAT WOMEN'S NEW WESTERN BOOTS 2 Pairs Size 6 and 6 1/2. \$50.00 all. Text only (442) 238-7382

TV SMARTBOX (619) 850-3264 Every channel on the planet. UFC, pay-per-view movies, TV shows, no satellite on your roof, no cable bills, free demo, money back guaranteed \$300.

SANYO MINI REFRIGERATOR 3'x2' black and chrome. Only \$45 (619) 586-7736.

POWER SUPPLY/RECTIFIER FOR PLATING INDUSTRY 500 amps, 120 volt unit, with amp meter, volt meter, regulator, adjustable unit, excellent condition, \$3000. (619) 576-8196

SERVICES

BEHAVIOR & ADHD SPECIALIST Does your child have ADHD and difficulty with regulation? Applied Behavioral Health Practice can help! Inquire at (619) 367-6445 or ryan@abxhp.com abxhp.com

HOME CARE PROVIDERS FOR 28 YRS In-home caregivers available for you or a loved one anytime of day, anywhere in San Diego. Trained and certified with the highest integrity. We can run errands, provide personal care and even cook! Call (619) 673-8333 or email to Jordan@gycare-team.com / j

AFFORDABLE BANKRUPTCY Overwhelmed by credit card debt? Impossible to get ahead? Protect your assets and future income from creditors. I can help. Free consultation. Affordable. Call Paul Turner at (619) 499-9850. Learn More bkadvice.net / pturner350@gmail.com

FREE PLUMBING ESTIMATES Free estimates and 10% off on plumbing services in San Diego, North, South and East counties. Services: *Sewer Lines. *Faucets. *Jetting. *Camera. *Water

Heater. *Angle Stops. and more... clearplumbing.co (619) 372-8370 / clearplumbingco@gmail.com

RECORDING SERVICES Pro tools HD3 and 24 track two inch analog. Neotek 40 input analog console. Amps, guitars, bass, 6'3 Baldwin Grand piano and much more. Studio musicians and production assistance available. (760) 855-3551 / exumrecording@gmail.com

RELIABLE LIMOUSINE SERVICES Reliable Limousine Services provides luxury limousine service and airport car service in Atlanta with global affiliations.

CLUTTER KING-HANDYMAN SERVICES Clutter King - Your handyman for home improvements. Specializing in flooring (including baseboard and window/door casing), painting, hauling and many other handyman services. Property management services. Pre escrow lunch list repairs. (619) 389-0166 / davidaaace@aol.com

CUSTOMIZED MANAGED IT SUPPORT Our customized Managed IT support services are tailored to meet the unique needs of your business. We offer a range of IT solutions, including network security, data management, and cloud computing. Visit: ttrtechnology.com/managed-it-servic (866) 217-7225 / nadiabarrasci@gmail.com

DECORATIVE CONCRETE MAKEOVERS Concrete countertop polishing and staining, epoxy garages, surface prep, grind and seals, trip hazard removals, stained concrete. lowest prices (858) 504-7453

BUYING OR SELLING A BUSINESS? Are the systems outdated? Together we can update your operations and take your established business into the future with new streamlined systems designed for your success. ellacan.com ellacan.com

APPLE/PC COMPUTER REPAIR Professional support for Windows desktops, laptops, Apple iMac, MacBook, software, hardware, internet, routers, WiFi, printers. Certified. Same day appointment available. Serving all of San Diego. northparkcomputers.com (619) 299-2407

HOME CARE PROFESSIONALS In-home caregivers available for you or a loved one anytime of day, anywhere in San Diego. Trained and certified with the highest integrity. Can run errands, clean dishes/laundry and cook! Please call (619) 673-8333 or email jordan@gycareteam.com

LUXURIOUS MOBILE MASSAGE LMT. CAMTC 84560, Professional Trained in Hawai'i, 13 years' Experience in an Extraordinary Soul Soothing Experience. Embrace a life change today, your body is worth it. (619) 359-0044 - Joa

HOME & BUSINESS CLEANING!! How does your business appear? How does your home really look? Over 16 years experience! Professional, courteous and friendly! Please call Gordon (619) 370-1602! Looking forward to hearing from you! Available for home sitting and pet sitting! Thank you. / gordonkwilson@hotmail.com

HELPING PEOPLE WHO HELP PEOPLE Empowering new and struggling small business owners to get organized and create the systems they need to best serve their clients, optimize their time, and live their best lives. ellacan.com ellacan.com

TONY'S AFFORDABLE AUTO BODY AND PAINT Low prices free estimate (619) 438-4663

SUNLIGHT LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE General yard cleanups. Water damage repair, lawn service, irrigation systems, sprinkler installation and repair,

valve installation, tree services, grass installation, retaining walls, block walls, artificial turf installation, fencing, drains. Fully insured. (619) 379-3837.

BANKRUPTCY CAN BE A FINANCIAL LIFESAVER Eliminate your credit card debt, personal loans incl. payday advances & computer loans as well as old medical bills. All can be eliminated so you can start fresh to rebuild your credit. Why delay? Call the Law office of Frank D. Walker. Ask for Mel Quevedo- legal asst. (619)755- 2365. Call today. The initial consult is free.

CRIMINAL DEFENSE ATTORNEY DUI, possession, domestic violence, etc. Visa/MC. Free consult. Scott Salmu, Esq., 619- 232-4LAW (4529).

DUI AND CRIMINAL DEFENSE Affordable rates. Visa/MC, flexible payment plans. Free consult. Attorney David Boertje, 619-229-1870.

PERSONAL INJURY ATTORNEY Car accidents, dog bites, etc. Free consultation. Scott Salmu, Esq., 619-232-4LAW (4529).

FULL BODY MASSAGE from head to toe. Reasonable rates, call Tony (562) 587-4417.

MASSAGE SERVICES by Rick; reasonable rates. Call (562) 846-9299.

ALL TYPE FLOORS epoxy, stone, wood, concrete, cleaning, polish, seal, wax and strip. (619) 850-3264

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

ROB'S ELECTRICAL SERVICES Residential/Commercial/Industrial. 20+ years experience, C10 Lic# 966537. Guaranteed to beat any quote! 10% OFF for new clients. Call for free estimate, and save \$25 when you mention this Reader ad! (619) 632-7770. rdickens.rd@gmail.com. www.robselectricalservices.com.

US ELECTRIC CONTRACTING Fast, free estimates. Full service, residential and commercial, new construction, remodels, custom work, service and repair. No job too big or too small. 10% 1st time senior discount. CA lic#1009252. Insured. BBB Accredited. (858) 880-6080.

P.L. WOODEN MOBILE NOTARY Do you need Loan Signing, Preneed Home Going Planning, or Notary services for someone that is Hospitalized, in Senior care or maybe Incarcerated? If so, look no further. Call P.L. Wooden Mobile Notary for all of your Notary Needs At: (619) 867-4441

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

EWALLET APP DEVELOPMENT Nimble AppGenie is an eWallet app development company that offers customized and secured mobile and digital wallet apps with our eWallet app developers. Visit Link: www.nimbleappgenie.com/solutions/ewallet-app-development contact@nimbleappgenie.com

PROVEN BLUEPRINT FOR SUCCESS Tired of endless hustle with little return? Start your own Online Business With A Proven Blueprint. Learn to leverage online tools to create a profitable business. Turn your burnout into breakthrough success. www.creatingwealthwithshelley.com

(858) 324-2420

★★★★★

RATED 4.9 ON GOOGLE WITH OVER 2,100 REVIEWS

C10-0000213-LIC

3703 CAMINO DEL RIO S. SAN DIEGO, CA 92108

MON

TUS

BOGO 50% OFF THE ENTIRE STORE

STIIIZY MONDAYS 30% OFF ALL STIIIZY PRODUCTS

DIRECTIONS



WED

THU

BUY TWO, GET ONE FOR \$5.

THE ENTIRE STORE

FRI

SAT

BOGO 50% OFF THE ENTIRE STORE

25% OFF THE ENTIRE STORE

BOGO 50% OFF THE ENTIRE STORE

25% OFF THE ENTIRE STORE

30% OFF WAKEN BAKE

WHEN YOU COME INTO THCS D DURING 7AM - 9AM

EVERY DAY

CAN'T MAKE IT IN ON THE WEEKEND? PRESENT THIS COUPON AND GET 33% OFF YOUR NEXT PURCHASE.*

Valid through 8/22/24

33% OFF COUPON

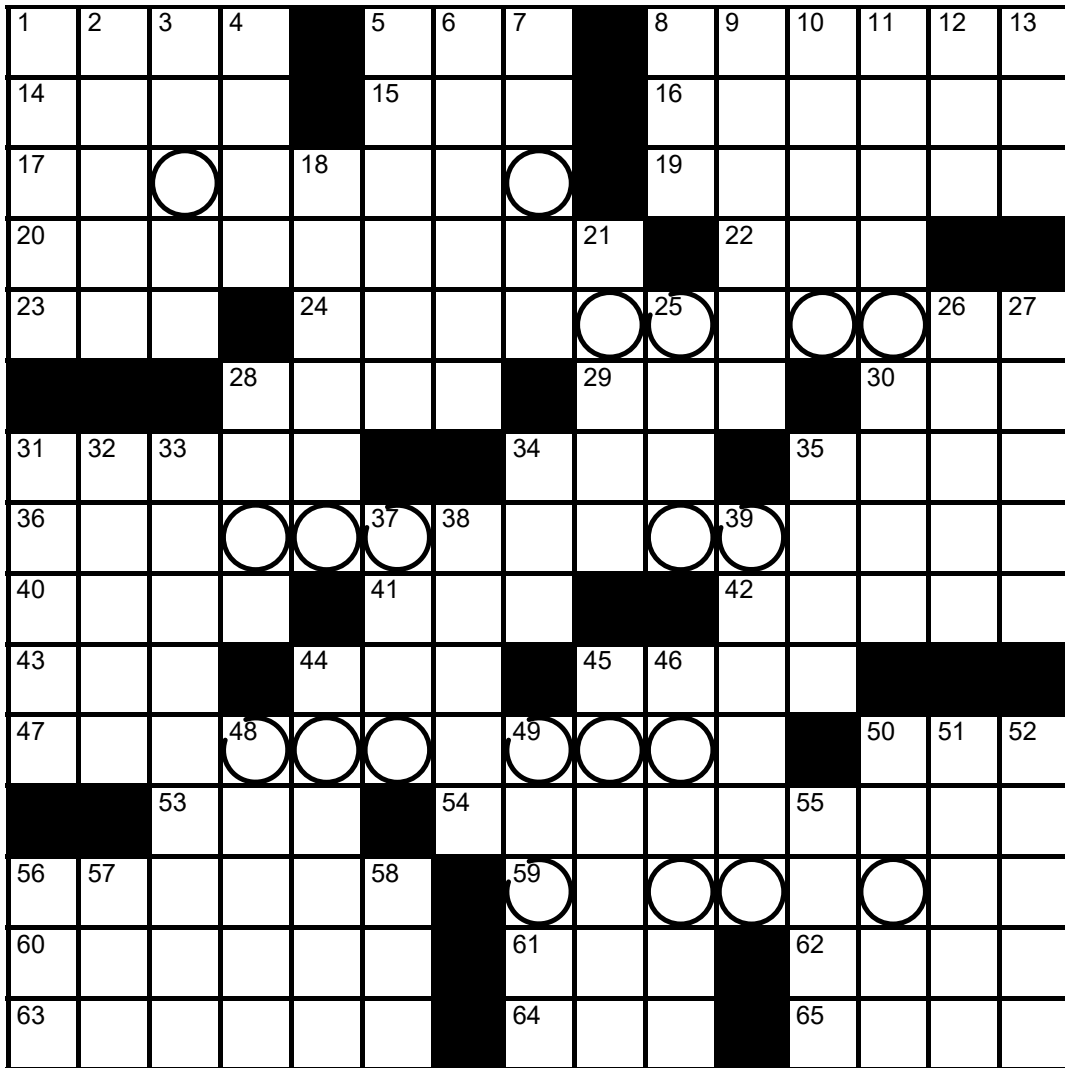
MORE INFO: WWW.THCS D.COM

*COUPONS AND DISCOUNTS ARE NOT COMBINABLE WITH ANY OTHER PROMOTION, EXCEPT STASHCASH REWARDS. RESTRICTIONS APPLY.



Want in on the stash? Download our app. Earn points, receive rewards and more!

CROSSWORD



© 2024 JONESINI, CROSSWORDS

Across

1. Big name in cat food
 5. Minn. winter hours
 8. ___ Bottom (SpongeBob's hometown)
 14. Dis
 15. State of reverence
 16. Aphrodite's beloved
 17. King, Waters, or Johnson, e.g.
 19. Personally handle
 20. Short story
 22. Mount Rushmore guy
 23. Holy Fr. woman
 24. 1990s burgers considered one of the most expensive product flops ever
 28. State home to the headquarters of Maverik convenience stores
 29. Some style mags
 30. Nutrition label listing
 31. Dumbledore's slayer
 34. Opposite of old, at Oktoberfest
 35. Jury ___ (summons subject)
 36. Bar offer
 40. Cincinnati's home
 41. Digit before a toll-free number
 42. Richter and Roddick
 43. Gold, in Grenada
 44. "32 Flavors" singer DiFranco
 45. The A that turns STEM to STEAM
 47. The fruit it bears is olive-sized and orange-colored

Down

1. Publishing IDs
 2. Portion out
 3. Lavender relative
 4. Captain Hook's first mate
 5. Smartphone function
 6. 1980s timekeeping fad
 7. Like J, in alphabetical order
 8. Louisville Slugger, e.g.
 9. Aspirations
 10. Edible kelp in Japanese and Korean cuisine
 11. Stock portfolio of sorts
 12. Thing to be picked
 13. "Looking for," in ads
 18. Christian of "Mr. Robot"
 21. Did a lawn maintenance job
 25. Prefix for distant or lateral
 26. "___ shorts!" (Bart Simpson catchphrase)
 27. Eye annoyances
 28. "It's ___ you"
 31. "Succession" actress Sarah
 32. '60s jacket style
 33. Like self-evident truths
 34. 180 degrees from SSW
 35. Puts on
 37. "Game of Thrones" actress Chaplin
 38. Dosage figures
 39. Shiny cotton fabric
 44. Bondi Beach resident
 45. Band worn around the biceps
 46. Jog the memory
 48. Arcade title character who hops around a pyramid
 49. Knees-to-chest diving positions
 50. Former spicy chip brand
 51. Gets fuzzy
 52. Downhill rides
 55. Rock and jazz YouTuber Beato
 56. Rank for Mustard or Sanders, for short
 57. Take up
 58. Co. that introduced Dungeons & Dragons

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:



SUDOKU

HARD:

		3	9					5
		7	2					6
9					5	4		
7		5		1				
	3	8				5	2	
				7		1		8
		9	4					3
4					7	9		
3					8	6		

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S SUDOKU PUZZLE:

EVIL:

6	1	8	3	5	4	2	9	7
2	3	9	1	7	8	5	6	4
7	5	4	9	6	2	1	8	3
1	7	5	6	3	9	4	2	8
8	4	6	5	2	1	7	3	9
3	9	2	4	8	7	6	1	5
5	2	7	8	1	3	9	4	6
4	8	1	7	9	6	3	5	2
9	6	3	2	4	5	8	7	1

California's Finest
EMBER
 QUALITY CANNABIS RESERVE
 By Phat Panda

Special

50% OFF FOR FIRST-TIME CUSTOMERS!

Been here before?

Bring a First Time Customer to Get 50% off Your Order Too!

Weekly Deals
 while supplies last

MON	BOGO For \$1 	30% OFF
TUE	BOGO For \$1 	40% OFF 30% OFF
WED	BOGO For \$1 	30% OFF
THU	BOGO For \$1 	30% OFF
FRI	BOGO For \$1 	40% OFF 30% OFF
SAT	BOGO For \$1 	30% OFF
SUN	BOGO For \$1 	50% OFF 40% OFF 30% OFF

LICENSE # C10-0000290-LIC 8300 CENTER DR. LA MESA, CA 91942

SIGN UP WITH EMAIL & PHONE # IS MANDATORY TO ACCESS THESE DEALS

WARNING: THIS PRODUCT HAS INTOXICATING EFFECTS & MAY BE HABIT-FORMING. MARIJUANA CAN IMPAIR CONCENTRATION, COORDINATION, & JUDGMENT. DO NOT OPERATE A VEHICLE OR MACHINERY UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THIS DRUG. THERE MAY BE HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSUMPTION OF THIS PRODUCT. FOR USE ONLY BY ADULTS 21 YEARS OR OLDER. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

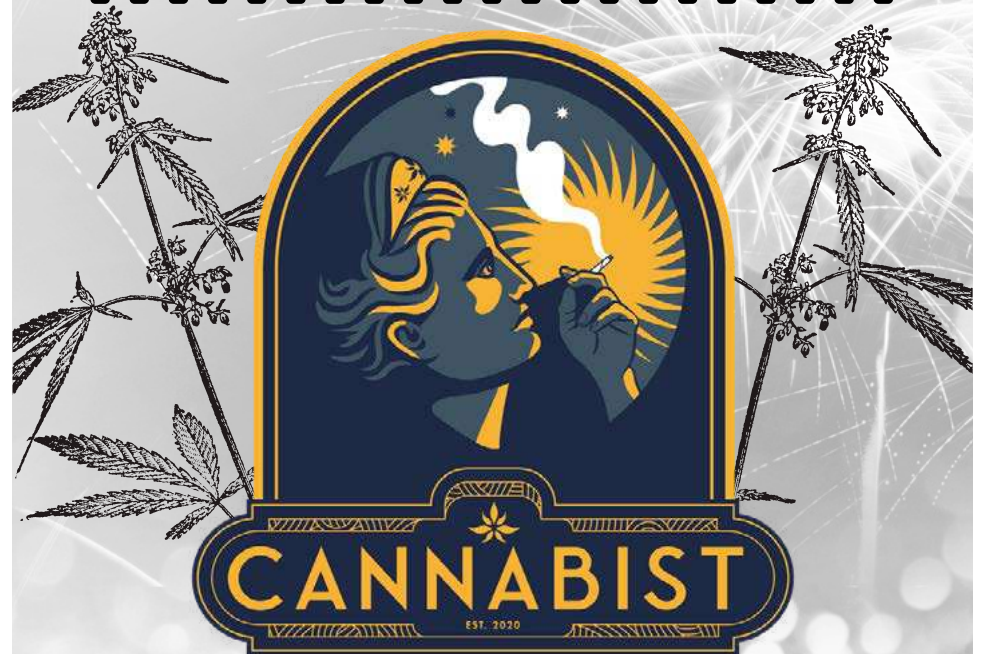
BRING IN THIS COUPON TO SAVE

40% OFF

ENTIRE PURCHASE

EXPIRES 10/10/24

CANNOT BE COMBINED W/OTHER OFFERS



4645 DE SOTO ST, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109

SAN DIEGO'S HIGHEST EXPERIENCE

C10-0000472-LIC

THE Boulevard

DISPENSARY

GELATO
40% OFF

~~\$99~~
\$79.99
FULL OZ

~~\$85~~
\$44.99
Half oz

MONDAY
HUXLEYS
50% OFF

(TUESDAY)
SMOKIEZ
KINGROLL
FUZZIES
30% OFF

(WEDNESDAY)
HASHISH
50% OFF

THURSDAY
PACIFIC STONE
TIME MACHINE
25% OFF

FRIDAY
SATURDAY
ALIEN LABS
CONNECTED
30% OFF

HASHTAG
HONEYLEAF
MIDSFACORY
1 FOR \$15
2 FOR \$25
8 FOR \$99

BUY (1) GET (1)
FOR 1¢
BLEM
KURVANA
EMBER VALLEY

SOMA ROSE
FULL \$69.99
SMOAKLAND
HALF \$39.99

STIIIZY
30% OFF
TURN
30% OFF

DEALS CANNOT BE DOUBLED OR COMBINED WHILE SUPPLIES LAST
PRESELECTED PROMO-RESTRICTIONS APPLY

6470 FEDERAL BOULEVARD,

LEMON GROVE.CA 91945

619-844-5100 7* DAYS 6AM-10PM

LIC. CIO-0000669-LIC





Lic. C9-0000601-Lic

THE GREAT MEDS DELIVERY

Serving All of San Diego

9am to 10pm - TEXT OR CALL

619-558-8413

30% OFF
Entire Menu

30% OFF
Entire Menu



Scan for Menu & More Items!

Spend \$299+ Receive \$100 Goodie Bag for .01¢

28G/\$99

West Coast Cure
28% THC



5/\$99

7-Diamond
Infused • Mini-Joints
3.5G/.05G each



28G/\$65

Cali Kush
21.6% THC



28G/\$65

Marshmallow OG
21.2% THC



28G/\$65

LA Confidential
21.42% THC



28G/\$69⁹⁹

Bell Ringer
24% THC



14G/\$69⁹⁹

Ape OG
30% THC



14G/\$99

Donny Burger
34% THC



14G/\$99

Acapulco Gold
33.21% THC



3/\$99

Full Gram Stiizy



6/\$99

Full Gram
West Coast Cure or
Ape Cartridge



6G/\$99

West Coast Cure or Galaxy
Badder/Sugar/Sauce/Crumble



Check Our 5-Star Reviews
on Weedmaps!

619-558-8413

Cannot Combine Deals

Must Mention
Reader Ad

Free Delivery with Minimum \$60 Order • Open Daily from 9am - 10pm



50% OFF

THE ENTIRE STORE

FIRST TIME CUSTOMER ONLY • MUST PRESENT COUPON • EXCLUDES JB POPS

EVERYDAY DEALS

ALL OFFERS EXPIRE 08.30.24

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
7AM - 9AM

SPEND \$50
GET A PRE-ROLL
FOR \$1

50% OFF

STIIIZY
ALL PRODUCTS
NOW - 9/30



lights out.
PREMIUM FLOWER



2 FOR
\$79⁹⁹
OTD

7G FLOWER • (2) 3.5G

STIIIZY



\$15⁹⁹
+TAX

1G CLASSIC POD

• ACROSS FROM COSTCO LA MESA •

Flavorade



2 FOR
\$79⁹⁹
OTD

(2) 1G CARTRIDGES

Jeeter



\$30⁸²
+TAX

1G LIQUID DIAMONDS

8160 PARKWAY DR - LA MESA CA | 91942 (619) 439-6457 • 7:00AM-8:50PM DAILY

@JUNGLEBOYS_SANDIEGO

C10-0000904-LIC

JUNGLEBOYSANDIEGO.COM



House Shake
\$40/oz



Supreme
Popcorn shake
\$60/14G
\$99/oz



Yoda OG
18.97%
Indica
\$50/oz



Master kush
19.95%
Indica
\$65/oz



Trainwreck
19.98%
Hybrid
\$65/oz



Diablo 21.97%
Indica - \$90/oz
\$60/half oz



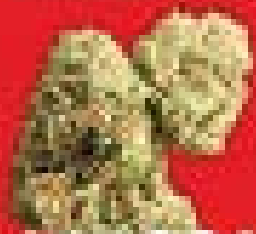
Gelonade 21.95%
Hybrid - \$90/oz
\$60/half oz



Amnesia 22.94%
Sativa - \$90/oz
\$60/half oz



West coast cure
Pre-Rolls
5 For \$30



Ultraviolet OG 22.94%
Indica - \$99/oz
\$65/half oz



Truffle 22.97%
Hybrid - \$99/oz
\$65/half oz



Malawi 22.99%
Sativa - \$99/oz
\$65/half oz



Select Cartridges
3 For \$50

40%
OFF
STIIZY &
RAW
GARDEN!



SDFLEET
DELIVERY

\$50 Minimum Delivery
8:00am - 10:00pm
Open 7 days a Week!

CR-000088-LIC



SCAN FOR MORE DEALS

FIRST TIME PATIENTS 30% OFF!
(619) 577-3390



Bad Teeth? Loose Dentures? We Can Help!



Premium Implant Package

from **\$89** per month
or **\$2,499**



Includes premium implant, full custom abutment
and zirconia crown
(Per tooth, subject to credit approval)

Hybrid All-On-4

from **\$399** per month
or from **\$13,999**
(Per arch, subject to credit approval)



**Eat
Apples
Again!**

**Free
Implant &
Sedation
Consult!**
Includes all xrays & exam.
\$550
value

We Finance for Credit Scores as Low as 520!



Implant offices of Dr Armin Hage DDS & Associates

DR ARMIN HAGE

Is a Loma Linda University Graduate • Is a Diplomat at International Academy of Dental Implantology

Smile Designers San Diego (Sports Arena)
3365 Rosecrans St, San Diego, 92110
619-404-0061
SmileDesignerSanDiego.com

University Dental (College Area)
6324 University Ave, San Diego, 92115
619-319-9640
UniversityDentalSanDiego.com



* Treatment plans vary case by case, restrictions may apply. Call office for details. Offers cannot be combined. Offers for cash patients only. For insurance patients, insurance fees apply. Offers good through 9-16-24. **No-Needle system cannot be used on all cases. Use of conventional anaesthesia may still be required. ***Not all patients qualify for same day implants. Questions can not be answered over phone. Implant consult appointment is required. CT x-ray and bone graft not included.

Most Insurances Accepted • Same-Day & Early Evening Appointments Available • Free Second Opinion Consultation • Financing & Payment Plans Available
Kid Friendly • Full Ceramic Crowns • Laser Dentistry • Bridges • Root Canal • Bonding • Dentures & Advanced Prosthodontics • Military & Senior Discounts