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Post-stimulus job security up in the air

By KENDRA HARTMANN | VILLAGE NEWS

One thing that anyone closely associated with a university knows is that research equals dollars. In San Diego, and specifically in La Jolla, that notion hits home.

"Research is a business," said Mary Walshok, associate vice chancellor for public programs and dean of extension studies at the University of California, San Diego. "The research community in San Diego represents something like 25 percent of our gross domestic product. That's real money, real jobs, real spending power. I think it has had a positive effect on the local economy."

Positive effects on the economy are in short supply these days. But as the amount of stimulus funds distributed by the federal government as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) nears \$2.4 billion in San Diego County, it is worth a look to see how those funds have affected La Jolla, one of the busiest communities in terms of research.

For a community that has been called "recession proof" by some, the area making up the 92037 ZIP code has received substantial awards from the recession bill.

According to www.recovery.gov, the total amount awarded to San Diego County has reached \$2.39 billion. Of that amount, more than \$400 million has

been funneled into La Jolla, which has received nothing in the categories of housing, labor, public safety and transportation. It has, however, received 80 percent of the county's funds for science and technology, with more than \$300 million going to that category alone. Of that \$300 million, 58 percent has gone to UCSD.

But how can spending on research and development create jobs and stimulate a floundering economy? The answer may come from the idea that funding an area of the economy that is not suffering terribly, like scientific research, will allow for greater autonomy and an ability to rebound when the funds stop flowing. Walshok, who has a background in

sociology and has studied the effects of public funding on labor and the economy, believes that injecting a large sum of money into an area of the economy where there was none before can create a "temporary tonic," in other words, putting money where money is used to being put.

"There's this notion of a short-term fix," she said. "By making \$100 million available, you run the risk of creating a sense of artificial security. What happens when you don't have that \$100 million anymore? In some ways, the La Jolla region is less vulnerable than other regions to that. We have this

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Photographer Don Balch enjoys sunny skies and small, glassy waves on a stand-up paddleboard at La Jolla Shores. In case you are wondering, he managed to capture this shot by attaching a camera, fit with waterproof casing, to the end of his board.

While temperatures were in the teens and low-20s in most of the country, La Jollans reveled in the unseasonably warm weather this past weekend, with some areas enjoying highs in the upper 70s. People pulled out their swimsuits and summer clothes, and beaches filled with sunbathers who took pleasure in the nearly 20-degree temperature increase from the previous weekend. Whether you were inside watching NFL fans endure a playoff game blizzard on TV or in the sun getting your first good burn of the year, local photographers Don Balch and Sharon Hinckley have been welcoming the great weather, and they want to fill you in on their recent outdoor experiences.

According to the National Weather Service, San Diegans will be enjoying sunny weather and clear skies, with highs not dropping under 65 degrees, throughout this weekend and most of next week.

— Claire Harlin



Photographer Sharon Hinckley, who has her work on display at Nelson Photo, located at 7720 Fay Ave., captured this image (left) of a woman strolling down Coast Boulevard near the Casa de Manana retirement community on Jan. 15.



About a dozen leopard sharks cruise under photographer Don Balch's surfboard recently off La Jolla Shores. Although they're timid and harmless, the sight of these by unsuspecting beach swimmers can be startling.

La Jolla set to host PGA for 44th year

Tiger Woods will headline Torrey Pines tournament

By LEE CORNELL | VILLAGE NEWS

Will Tiger Woods begin his PGA Tour season with an appearance at Torrey Pines for the Farmers Insurance Open Jan. 27-30? That was the question on the minds of many up until yesterday, Jan. 19, when he confirmed he would play.

"I've been working hard on my game, it's game time hooah!!" the 35-year-old golfer tweeted yesterday.

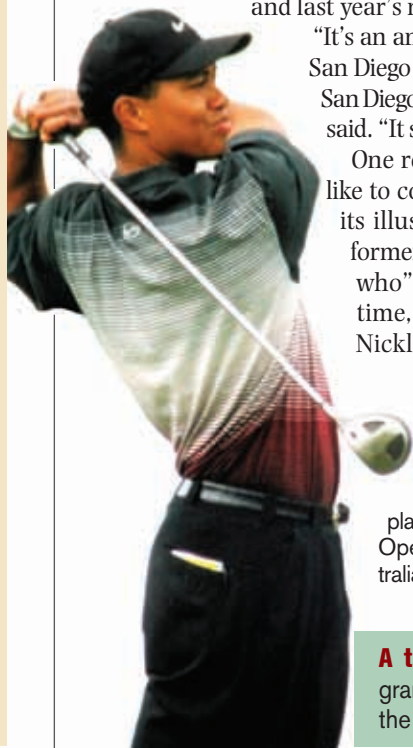
The PGA's yearly visit to San Diego has become a long-standing tradition that draws some of the finest fields of the season.

This year's event is no different, boasting names like Phil Mickelson, Robert Allenby, Angel Cabrera, Stewart Cink, K.J. Choi, David Duval, Mike Weir, John Daly, Justin Rose, Dustin Johnson and last year's returning champion, Ben Crane.

"It's an annual major sporting event here in San Diego that brings the PGA Tour's best to San Diego," tournament director Tom Wilson said. "It should be a great field of players."

One reason that so many good players like to come to Torrey Pines is because of its illustrious tradition, Wilson said. A former winners list reads like a "who's who" of the games' best players of all-time, including Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Tom Watson, Tommy Bolt,

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Tiger Woods makes a swing at a previous PGA tourney at Torrey Pines. Woods, ranked No. 2 in the world, will play at the upcoming Farmers Insurance Open. He has not won since the Australian Masters in November 2009.

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A talented La Jolla teen has been granted an exemption to compete with the pros at Torrey Pines. See page 8.

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People in the news

• Professors Kim Janda and George Koob, researchers for Scripps Research Institute, were involved in a groundbreaking study of a new anti-cocaine immunity vaccine. Janda and Koob were joined in the study by graduate student Amira Moreno and senior research associate Sunmee Wee. Researchers partnered with scientists from Weill Cornell Medical College and Cornell University. The study found that by combining bits of the



Kim Janda



George Koob

common cold virus with a particle that mimics cocaine, researchers could produce a long-lasting immunity to the street drug in lab mice. The scientists believe that the vaccine could provide a simple way for addicts to break their addiction to cocaine and possibly other drugs such as heroin and nicotine.

• Longtime La Jolla Michele Addington announced at this month's La Jolla Community Planning Association (LJCPA) meeting that she is leaving her seat as trustee on the planning group's board. She has served as chair of the La Jolla Town Council's Parks and Beaches Committee and vice-chair of the La Jolla Traffic and Transportation board, among several other community advocacy and service groups.

After 13 years in La Jolla, Addington said she has decided to move downtown and that her La Jolla home sold much more quickly than she anticipated.

LJCPA President Joe LaCava said at the Jan. 6 meeting that her presence in the community will be missed.

• A paper authored by scientists at the Salk Institute and the Sanford-Burnham Institute has been recognized by Science Watch as the most-cited paper on molecular biology and genetics. Published on Oct. 3, 2008, the paper was the collaborative effort of John A.T. Young, Nomis Foundation professor at the Salk

Institute for Biological Studies and Sumit Chanda, associate professor at the Sanford-Burnham Institute. It discusses how the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) exploits cellular functions and becomes entrenched in infected cells. The paper, titled "Global analysis of host-pathogen interactions that regulate early-stage HIV-1 replication," is currently featured on the Science Watch website.



William J. Kellogg

• William J. Kellogg has begun his first term as director at large on the United States Tennis Association's board of directors. Kellogg, who was selected All-Ivy League in doubles as a senior at Dartmouth College in the early 1970s, has been on the board of directors of the USTA Southern California Section since 1982, and served as president from 2009 to 2010. He received the USTA Eve Kraft Award for community service in 2001 and the Senior Service Bowl Award in 2004. In 2008, he was inducted into the San Diego Tennis Hall of Fame for his

work in community service. He formerly served as president of the La Jolla Shores Association and is currently the chairman and CEO of the Mount Soledad Memorial Association.

• UCSD's Dan O'Brien was named Division II Baseball Coach of the Year in the fifth annual FieldTurf Baseball Awards by the artificial turf company, FieldTurf. O'Brien led the Tritons in a season boasting the most wins and fewest losses in school history, with an overall record of 54-8, finishing the season as the national runner-up. O'Brien was also named the 2010 National Collegiate Baseball Writers' Association "Coach of the Year" for the second year in a row, and he received the same title for both the American Baseball Coaches' Association/Rawlings West Region and the California Collegiate Athletic Association.

• Jennifer Glaser has been promoted to tax manager of the La Jolla-based certified public accounting firm Lavine, Lofgren, Morris and Engelberg, LLP. Glaser has worked for the firm since graduating from the University of San Diego in 2004. She manages the firm's small business clients, with special interest in real estate, franchisees, medical/legal practices and business owners/investors. She is an active member of the community and is currently the vice-president of the Junior League of San Diego.

OBITUARY



Remembering Harry Revkin

Sept. 1, 1914 — Jan. 12, 2011

Harry Emil Revkin, 96, died Jan. 12 of natural causes at White Sands of La Jolla.

Born in Milwaukee on Sept. 1, 1914, Revkin was the son of Wolf and Gussie Revkin. He was the first in his family to graduate from college, earning a degree in business from the University of Wisconsin in 1937. He married Charlotte Oray on Dec. 5, 1941. Revkin served in the Navy as a domestic radar specialist during World War II. After the war, he moved back to Chicago, where he worked for Florsheim Shoes. He began as a salesman, and worked his way up to executive vice president of the retail division, retiring in 1979. Soon after, he moved to La Jolla, where he would spend the remaining years of his life.

In his youth in Milwaukee, Revkin was a citywide checkers champion. He was an avid tennis player and golfer, and a scrabble and bridge enthusiast. He was a fan of the Chicago White Sox, the Green Bay Packers and the music of Frank Sinatra. He was a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church. He was a loving friend, father and grandfather. His deepest value was peace and equality for all people.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Charlotte, and his older sister, Belle Shein. He is survived by his son, Charles; his daughter-in-law, Linda; his daughter, Cheryl; his grandchildren, Casey, Charles-Andrew, Christine and Susannah; and his companion of 30 years, Karen DePlanque.

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Bird Rock residents call for peace and quiet

By KENDRA HARTMANN | VILLAGE NEWS

Bird Rock residents urged the La Jolla Town Council on Jan. 13 to support their efforts to stop helicopters and airplanes from flying low over their community. The citizen group, led by Ed Quinn and his wife, Nancy, created a petition signed by more than 130 residents with the purpose of requesting a “memorandum of understanding” with the Navy, Marines, Coast Guard and Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The memorandum seeks to establish course rules that would require that aircraft fly at an altitude of 1,500 feet and at least one mile offshore.

Quinn began his campaign last March by trying to contact his local representatives, including City Councilwoman Sherri Lightner and Congresswoman Susan Davis as well

as the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), but says he received no response from any of the offices he contacted.

“We’re not just a group of rich people trying to be obnoxious,” Quinn said at Thursday’s meeting. “But when the FAA and Homeland Security won’t even respond to us, what does that say about us as a community?”

The Town Council voted to select board member Earl Van Inwegen to act as a liaison between the resident group and the council and to act on behalf of the concerned citizens. Van Inwegen is a retired Air Force Brigadier General who lives in Bird Rock.

Quinn said he is convinced that many of the helicopters that fly over the community at altitudes lower than 500 feet belong to the DHS and the military. He could not prove,

however, that all of the instances he had reported to the FAA were the work of those groups. Because the FAA could not account for numerous flyovers he reported over the last several months, Quinn concluded the “FAA is missing key information about the ownership of many of the aircraft that are flying over our coast.”

In all likelihood, one group can be eliminated as culprits. Though they do fly over every part of the city regularly, the San Diego Police Department’s helicopter unit rarely flies lower than 1,500 feet, according to Sgt. Robert Gassmann.

Quinn said that, in his correspondence with the Navy, he was told he needed an entity like the La Jolla Town Council to act on his behalf, adding “the Navy and the Marines really do want to be good neighbors.”

NEWS**brief**

Sexual battery reported Jan. 17 at University City apartment complex

The San Diego Police Department’s Northern Division received a call on Jan. 17 from a woman who claimed to be the victim of sexual battery. The call came from the 9500 block of Easter Way in University City.

The alleged attack occurred around 2 p.m., at which time the alleged victim said she was lying outside near her apartment’s pool. She reported that a 6-foot-tall man wearing a white shirt, blue jeans and black shoes approached her and touched her in an inappropriate manner.

Lt. Jim Filley of the Northern Division said there are no leads at this time, though investigators are still in the process of determining if there are any witnesses or a video of the incident.

— Kendra Hartmann

Woman claims mental illness, admits to nail salon holdup

By NEAL PUTNAM | VILLAGE NEWS

Soyla Bernice Gobert, 30, of San Diego, will be sentenced Feb. 25 after pleading guilty to committing two robberies at a La Jolla nail salon and two other holdups at another store hours earlier.

Gobert faces a maximum term of eight years in state prison, according to court records. She held up Dan’s Nails & Spa, located at 8008 Girard Ave., at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 16, but witnesses tackled her before she

could get away.

Her attorney, Ian Pancer, has filed documents with San Diego Superior Court Judge Theodore Weathers that say she suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder from her service with the U.S. Navy in Iraq.

The papers also say she has bipolar mental disorder and experienced her first manic episode in the Iraqi desert in 2003.

Gobert was with the Navy for five years and was honorably discharged. She later worked at a Scripps Memo-

rial Hospital for five years. She has no previous criminal record.

A relative is now raising Gobert’s 14-year-old son.

Pancer said he wants Gobert to enter a veterans’ program, and is seeking probation. She robbed two employees of the Coach department store in Chula Vista, and several hours later showed up at the La Jolla nail salon. She carried a fake gun during both holdups.

She remains in the Las Colinas Detention Facility on \$75,000 bail.

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ABOVE: Drove of people gather Jan. 15 to hear speeches in support of maintaining the 55-year-old landmark cross at Mount Soledad. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Jan. 4 that the La Jolla cross is unconstitutional.

RIGHT: Sign holders at Mount Soledad express their views about the cross controversy. Former presidential candidate and Congressman Duncan Hunter Sr. spoke on behalf of retaining the cross, and a seven-time Christian Music Association musician-of-the-year, Dennis Agajanian, played songs in support of the cross.

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Scripps announces \$25 million investment in climate research

Scripps Institution of Oceanography has announced an unprecedented climate research project in its collaboration with the company Earth Networks to create the largest-ever greenhouse gas observation network.

Earth Networks, owner of the WeatherBug brand of weather products, is investing \$25 million in new technology to build 100 data-collect-

ing observation sites, starting with 50 in the continental United States, followed by 25 in Europe and 25 in other parts of the world. Currently, only a few dozen locations exist worldwide for monitoring greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

One way the project will benefit research, said Ray Weiss, a research professor at Scripps, is by providing actual

data of atmospheric levels of methane and carbon dioxide, which can be used to determine how well we're really doing at reducing emissions.

Earth Networks will also fund the establishment of the Earth Networks Center for Climate Research at Scripps, which will be used to conduct new climate science research.

—Kendra Hartmann

STIMULUS

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history of increasing the research dollars we get every year. In a community where you have that kind of history, this kind of money can help you continue to be competitive."

Recently, Walshok was involved in a study by the National Science Foundation (NSF), which worked with seven universities that received federal stimulus funds. Dubbed STAR METRICS — Science and Technology for America's Reinvestment: Measuring the Effect of Research on Innovation, Competitiveness and Science — the study aimed to develop a way to accurately document how federal money gets spent. Because the government has never before had a system that allowed it to follow every stimulus dollar as it makes its way through the economy, the study, Walshok said, has been paramount in determining the best ways to spend federal funds. What was revealed through STAR METRICS, she said, was that university research dollars span beyond professors and graduate students.

"Through UCSD research, millions of dollars were spent in places like

Utah, Virginia Beach and Arkansas because those places provided useful services," Walshok said. "What's important about those purchases is that the people who provide the services and products have jobs."

Through the study, Walshok and her colleagues estimated that in two quarters of 2010, more than 1,000 jobs from off-campus facilities were affected. Those jobs were not necessarily created, she emphasized, but were essentially kept in business due to the orders received from research projects.

Walshok also pointed out that, sometimes, research that gets its start by federal money can become self-funding later on — a theory many professors and researchers hope to be true.

Gary Firestein, dean of translational medicine at UCSD, said "nothing is guaranteed" when it comes to relying on the generosity of others for your livelihood. Though the grants his colleagues have received have created jobs by way of research positions for graduate students, some say that once ARRA funds run out, those students may no longer be employed. He also said the money received from ARRA may have the potential to stifle future

research projects.

"If funding from the [National Institutes of Health] stays flat in the future, which it is likely to do, the funding for these projects now will squeeze out other projects," he said. "If over a two-year period of ARRA funding there are 20 potential projects — but still only funding for five of them — that is not meritorious."

Walshok, though optimistic, said sustaining the flow of research money after ARRA funds expire will take some creativity.

"We have such an entrepreneurial spirit in La Jolla. A lot of people went after ARRA funds as a way to launch a new series of activities they anticipate moving forward," she said. "But honestly, to replace that money in a single year isn't going to be easy. It will be interesting to watch how our research trajectory goes. It remains to be seen."

Firestein and his colleagues who have benefited from ARRA money appear to be preparing for anything.

"It's hard to imagine a scenario where we don't have some withdrawal pains from ARRA ending," he said. "But my suspicion is that UCSD and La Jolla will do much better than most other places."



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View from 52 SANDY LIPPE

University City, like many communities in San Diego, is full of volunteers trying to bring joy to the small world of people who happen to reside here. Staving off the far reach of the community west of Interstate 5, the area has also had issues with “identity theft.”

Is University City a separate community? Or is it “La Jolla East” or “Baja La Jolla” when ZIP codes seem to change from 92122 to 92037 overnight. When robberies, murders or military plane crashes unfortunately occur on this turf, the media clearly states it happened in University City, whereas when Bristol Farms opens a store, it has a La Jolla name. The same goes for the Marriott, Hyatt La Jolla or University Towne Center. Is there magic in 92037? Perhaps. When and if La Jolla secedes from the city of San Diego, do parts of University City go with it?

The following is my 2011 “wish list” for University City, which speaks to both residents and city officials:

Stop La Jolla’s identity theft. Re-educate the public that Scripps Memorial Hospital and the University of California, San Diego’s Thornton Hospital would still be the excellent hospitals they are if the ZIP codes were 92122. Maybe Ellen Browning Scripps’ family wouldn’t approve, but I bet Scripps herself would (if she were alive and not already preoccupied with the seals in La Jolla). East of Interstate 5 is the community of University City; case closed.

Expand the University Community Library on Governor Drive. That’s right;

A University City wish list

expansion. Go up, out or move it across the street next to Curie Elementary School. Currently, World Gas Station resides at the northeast corner of Genesee Avenue and Governor Drive. When Scott Peters represented City Council District 1, he wanted this to happen. Former City Councilman Jim Madaffer’s moved the expansion of our small library from 22nd place to 15th place on his July 2002 memorandum. Head librarian Sharon Thomerson has reinvented the library with a multitude of activities for the community, and people have participated. In December, there was a well-attended, wonderful jazz concert in the community room, and children’s librarian Michelle Ruiz oversaw a gingerbread house-decorating event for the kids. Open libraries mean open minds, and every community needs a library for more than checking out books.

Resurrect the city code enforcement of violators. It has been downsized so much. Houses and landscaping should be appropriately maintained. There are eyesores on almost every street next to places that reflect pride of ownership. The University City Community Association (UCCA) volunteered to clean up some properties at its annual community cleanup in May. UCCA’s theme on street banners is: “It’s more than a neighborhood.” That means people like living here and take care of their properties.

Make median landscaping happen in 2011 by taking out ugly blacktop and putting in stamped concrete or planted medians. Oops ... San Diego slashed and burned the greening of medians because of the water shortage. Is that

shortsighted? Drivers calm down more with plants and greenery surrounding them.

Renovate Standley Park. Put in public art, a public garden, improved lighting and sculpture. The 21.75-acre park was dedicated in 1978 when each family was assessed \$200 to make the park special. Standley’s website states, “Community volunteers dedicated their time and energy to envision, create, fundraise and see through to the completion of each project.” University City Racquet Club took over the running of the tennis club in the 1970s to save the city lots of money. A clubhouse was built with private money, but it belongs to the city. As Thomas Paine said, “Lead, follow or get out of the way.” Continue to let those with a vested interest in tennis run the courts, instead of letting the city run them into the ground.

Make University City a top-notch walking community. Broken and raised sidewalks need repair, especially on the main streets of Governor Drive, Genesee Avenue and Regents Road. Dead or dying trees need to be removed. Curved sidewalks, more trees and some benches in front of Standley Park, Standley Middle School and Spreckels Elementary School would invite more walkers.

Get serious about cigarette butts. This type of litter gets washed down the drains. All of our medians, especially at stoplights, are littered with cigarette butts.

Become a volunteer in University City. Andy Freeburn, the 2011 UCCA president, made this plea to the com-

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CRAZY FOR CUPCAKES



A line stretches around the new Sprinkles cupcake shop on Jan. 13, the chain’s opening day at the Shops at La Jolla Village.
CLAIRE HARLIN | Village News

By CLAIRE HARLIN | VILLAGE NEWS

At least 1,500 people visited Sprinkles on Jan. 13, the cupcake chain’s opening day in La Jolla. Cupcake worshippers started lining up at 5 a.m. at the shop, said spokeswoman Kelsey Tyree, and a line wrapped around the shop, located at 8855 Villa La Jolla Dr., all day. Most waited more than two hours to order a cupcake.

April Doctolero waited anxiously

for both a cupcake and a photo with Candace Nelson, Sprinkles founder and judge on the Food Network series, “Cupcake Wars.”

Doctolero said she travels for a living and tastes at least one cupcake in every city she visits. Of the more than a dozen cupcake shops she’s been to, she said Sprinkles is her favorite.

“A cupcake is a cupcake,” she said. “But Sprinkles is a product that is separate from the rest.”

La Jollan upholds family tradition at Roasties

One may have noticed Roasties, the new restaurant at 8915 Towne Centre Drive, or tried its signature all-day breakfasts. But less obvious is the unique story behind the casual Golden Triangle eatery.

Owner Kirk Naylor, a La Jollan, is a fourth-generation restaurateur. His great-grandfather was a chef on the Union Pacific railroad from Chicago to California in the early 1900s, and his grandfather, “Tiny” Naylor, had a waffle shop in Reno and a self-titled chain of restaurants in Southern California. One

Los Angeles history website, “L.A. Time Machine,” states there is a Tiny Naylor’s Restaurant building still standing near the city’s Koreatown, and photos of his several other iconic retro-style drive-ins and eateries can still be found.

But Kirk Naylor learned the ins and outs of running a restaurant from his dad, Chet Naylor, at the Beverly Hills Café chain. The La Jollan launched a catering business there, and Roasties will add to the more than 100 Naylor family restaurants in the past century.

— Claire Harlin

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COMMENTARY

How to help an autistic child make a best friend

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Matthew Winkely



Pamela Machala



Stefan Hochfilzer

Making and keeping friends are a big part of growing up. To some children, it comes easy and for some, especially children on the autism spectrum, it is very hard. How can parents help children with special needs such as autism make a best friend? The first challenge is finding an appropriate playdate and the second challenge is having a positive social experience during the playdate in which a friendship could develop.

XciteSteps, a private San Diego youth mentoring organization supporting children and teens with special needs, has developed a buddy support program called “coached playdates.” XciteSteps is known for its energetic and talented team of social, recreational and behavioral mentors and coaches. Using a big brother or sister mentoring approach, these mentors are able to engage children in a fun way while role modeling appropriate and positive social and friendship skills.

In a “coached playdate,” an XciteSteps mentor takes the child out with another peer to engage in fun social activities. The other child could be a classmate from school or another child in the XciteSteps program. Each playdate is planned to be a fun, engaging activity that both kids would enjoy doing. Planning the right activity is important because it will provide an environment with many social opportunities to have fun and build common bonds. During the activity, the mentor is there to stimulate or guide conversation, role model, coach positive friendship skills and make sure both kids or teens have a great time.

To find out more about XciteSteps, visit www.excitesteps.com, e-mail stefan@excitesteps.com or call program director Pamela Machala at (858) 703-7305.

— *Stefan Hochfilzer is the executive director, Pamela Machala is the program director and Matthew Winkely is the owner of XciteSteps, which serves mainly La Jolla families and has many mentors living in La Jolla.*

XciteSteps announces its new Artists' Social Club. Working together with ReGallery in Solana Beach, organizers have come up with an art program that provides opportunities for expression, socialization and building self-esteem. During the eight-week program, an instructor will teach art techniques while XciteSteps social coaches will support students and promote the social experience of the club. At the end of the program, the students will plan and host their own art show at the gallery.

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Time: Wednesdays, 4 to 6 p.m.

Sign-up deadline: Feb. 1



Remembering Roe v. Wade

Jan. 22 will mark the 38th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, the court decision that has resulted in the destruction of more than 55 million unborn lives — the largest holocaust in the history of mankind.

Let's take a look at the two “hard questions” the pro-abortion crowd hurls at the pro-life crowd to justify the multimillion-dollar industry of abortion: What about saving the life of the mother? And, what about cases of rape?

There are cases in which a child has to be delivered early for the sake of the mother's health. But in all of these cases, the effort can be made to save both lives. Medical science has developed far past the days when killing the child for the sake of the mother is necessary. There are some extreme cases such as toxic infections in which the child cannot be saved. But that doesn't mean that the child must be deliberately killed. Every effort to save the life of the child can be made. Plus, the mother will be much safer in the care of a life-saving hospital team than she would be at an abortion clinic.

Rape is a horrible crime. The punishment for rapists should be severe. We should give great compassion and support to the victims of rape. But, in the cases in which pregnancy occurs, does this include abortion?

You cannot answer this question honestly without considering the humanity of the unborn child. Genetic science has shown us the absolute uniqueness of every human embryo at even its earliest stages. Even though

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this child's conception came as the result of a crime, the child is not the criminal. Does this child deserve the death penalty because of the crime of its father?

The victim of rape has severe emotional pain to deal with. Is adding the guilt of destroying another innocent victim the solution or does it add even more anguish to the situation?

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Local surgeon chats about the challenges in providing perfection

With the rise of plastic surgery-related TV shows, state-of-the-art technology and ever-changing concepts of self image, the practice of plastic surgery has increasingly become commonplace. The *La Jolla Village News* recently snagged a chance to sit down with Dr. Stuart Kincaid, an award-winning La Jolla plastic surgeon, to ask some up-close and personal questions about the evolving practice that can change both lives and appearances.

— Claire Harlin

La Jolla Village News: You've received your medical background from Duke and fellowships from Stanford, Harvard and the University of California, San Francisco. What made you want to get into this profession in the first place?

Stuart Kincaid: I try to share each of my patients' concerns and improve whatever physical feature it is so they can become more self-actualized, better people and more confident. The more self-actualized we are, the more positive; it's a more fun way to live our lives. The word "plastic" comes from the Greek word "plasticos," meaning "to shape or to mold," and I would like to think that to shape or to mold the body and those features that have been affected by aging or birthing or trauma can bring the self image into better balance, better harmony.

LJVN: You mentioned your mother may have played a role in you becoming a plastic surgeon?

SK: In a small town in the Midwest, I had two older sisters who were destined to become schoolteachers, and I guess my mother had it set in her mind that I was going to become the physician in the family. Plus, I was diagnosed with kind of an unusual disease, Rocky Mountain

spotted fever, in 1958 as a boy of 8, and I was taken to a big referral hospital. I vividly remember that experience. I was in for over a month, and I guess the rest was destiny.

LJVN: So you got your first dose of the medical field by personal experience?

SK: Yes.

LJVN: You've been practicing for more than 25 years. What have been most significant changes you've seen in your field in medical advances and also the attitude toward cosmetic surgery?

SK: In its inception, specifically back in the 1950s and 1960s, it was really in the hands of the rich and famous. But as time went by, there were more trained surgeons who went out in America, and not just in the East and West Coasts, and it became readily available to mainstream America. For instance, the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) says the average household income of people seeking plastic surgery today is \$50,000 to \$100,000. It's not just for the millionaires and the billionaires. The challenge is, along with more people embracing plastic surgery, it's becoming increasingly difficult to meet people's expectations. Through talk shows and the Internet and neighbors, I think many people have been led to believe they can achieve perfection and they can achieve it instantly with no down side, no complications and no risks, which obviously is not true.

LJVN: Can you estimate what percentage of your clients is female versus male?

SK: It's probably 85-90 percent female and 10-15 percent male, and the male sector is growing proportionately faster than females. Approximately 50 percent of marriages have ended in divorce, and we as a nation are struggling with that



Dr. Stuart Kincaid

issue. We are faced with retiring at a later age, we are very competitive, and now that we are in a global marketplace, psychologists have done studies to prove that people who are youthful in appearance are generally more productive and achieve more in life.

LJVN: Have you ever turned down a patient?

SK: Yes, on a number of occasions. Generally it's a person whose desire didn't come from within. It could be a mate; it could be a neighbor; it could be in the workplace. They were, in my professional opinion, doing it for the wrong reasons, or even if the desire came from within them, they had, in the interview process, unrealistic expectations, something that I honestly didn't feel like I could deliver on. I like to under-promise and over-deliver with every one of my patients.

LJVN: Is there one particular request you see a lot of these days?

SK: For women, the No. 1 request in

recent years is the breast augmentation, but a close second is lipo suction. A phenomenon we should be aware of is the weight issue. The First Lady of the United States, one of her dreams is to improve nutrition and the dynamics of American eating habits, and I agree with her. Two-thirds of Americans are overweight, one-third is obese and we are a nation that is overfed and underexercised.

LJVN: What's the strangest request you've had so far?

SK: I do remember a number of years ago a young man in his 20s wrote a lengthy letter to me about his emotional ups and downs over many years. He felt he was a human being locked in a spider body. He had a very round body and very long, thin upper and lower extremities. Sad to say, that man didn't feel particularly good about himself. He'd never had a date with a woman in his life, and he had not had any psychiatric or psychological counseling prior to coming to my doorstep. In that situation, even though I felt empathy for him and wanted to help him — I did talk to him about some body contouring procedures — I thought in that particular case he needed emotional health practitioners to address some of his issues prior to embarking on plastic surgery.

LJVN: What suggestions do you have for those who are experiencing the effects of age and gravity?

SK: I'd say do it when it's right for you. The desire should come from within you.

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BUSINESS**brief**

Shop on Fay to close its doors after nine years

Gifts and Gatherings, the gift and tableware retail store located at 7556 Fay Ave., will be closing its doors in February after serving the community for the last nine years.

Owner Ivett Wesselenyi, who opened the store's original location on Wall Street in 2001, said she began building another side of the business — event planning — a few years ago. As demand for her services grew, Wesselenyi found herself juggling her time between the store and her clients' decorating needs. When she saw that her lease would expire at the end of December, she said she decided to make the leap into event planning full time.

"Now I can make time for the fun stuff, doing the planning and decorating," she said.

Wesselenyi has designed tables for mansions, yachts and jets of clients visiting La Jolla, and she has donated her time for many years for local fundraisers including the Mainly Mozart Gala, the RITZ Committee and most recently, the Girl Scout's Feelin' Groovy Party and the Salk Institute's Symphony at Salk. She also decorated Liza Minelli's green room.

— Kendra Hartmann

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Johnnie Miller, Mickelson and Woods. "We have a list of champions that could stand up to any other event on the tour," Wilson said.

The 2011 Farmers Insurance Open marks the 44th year the PGA has visited Torrey Pines and the 59th to San Diego. In 2008, the Torrey Pines south course hosted the U.S. Open, won by Woods.

Wilson, who is in his 19th year as director, said some of the more memorable moments at the tournament include John Daly's perfect flop shot from the bunker to win in 2004 and Mickelson's first PGA victory in 1993.

"We're very grateful he lives in this area and has an allegiance to this area," Wilson said of Mickelson, who lives in Rancho Santa Fe. "Since he got

onto the PGA Tour he's never missed a tournament. This year will be his 18th year in a row at Torrey Pines."

On the first two days of the Farmers Insurance Open, players will rotate between the north and south course. Those who make the cut will play out the final two rounds over the weekend on the more challenging south course.

"We should have great conditions on the golf course, thanks to all that rain we had," Wilson said. "It's become one of the most challenging golf courses on the tour with all the renovations we've had done on the south course."

The Farmers Insurance Open is the first PGA stop of the 2011 season to be televised nationally. You can catch it on CBS on Saturday and Sunday.

For ticket information visit www.farmersinsuranceopen.com/tickets.



Phil Mickelson

keeps his eye on the ball at a previous PGA tourney at Torrey Pines. Mickelson will compete again Jan. 27 to 30 at the Farmers Insurance Open.

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LJCD senior to play pro event

Exemptions rarely given to amateur players

By LEE CORNELL | VILLAGE NEWS

La Jolla Country Day School senior Anthony Paolucci is about to realize one of his life-long dreams. Paolucci was granted a sponsor's exemption to compete in the Farmers Insurance Open at the Torrey Pines Golf Course beginning Jan. 27.

"I've worked at it for a while and it's going to be pretty special to play my first pro event in San Diego where I live," Paolucci said. "I'm going to try and just enjoy the tournament, but I hope to play good as well."

After a terrific 2010 in which he was named San Diego's best high school golfer and a subsequent summer in which he competed in prestigious junior tournaments all over the country (and few internationally), Paolucci was given the exemption by the PGA Tour. Sponsor's exemptions are rarely given to amateur players.

Paolucci said ball striking is his game's strength but he has been working the hardest on his short game, an area in which he still needs improvement. His drive regularly tops out at a whopping 300 yards.

He said the hardest part about playing on such a big stage with the world's greatest golfers will be keeping his nerves in check. For that reason he's going to use a tour caddy to help keep him calm.

"If I play well, then great. But if I don't play well, then life still goes on and you learn from it," he said. "I'm trying to really minimize the pressure and expectations and just go out there and hit as many good shots as I can, try to make a couple putts and hopefully put together some good scores."

Paolucci got his first set of golf clubs (albeit plastic ones) when he was 18 months old and he started playing competitively at the age of six or seven. His father, Michael, was a college level golfer and has provided much of the ground work for his son's rise in the sport.

"I've been really fortunate over the years with having good coaches and playing well at the right time," Paolucci said. "It's a lot of hard work but you've got to get some



La Jolla Country Day School senior Anthony Paolucci will compete in the Farmers Insurance Open beginning Jan. 27.

Courtesy photo

breaks along the way too."

With a couple of breaks and some good shots, Paolucci could find himself making the cut at Torrey Pines and competing on the weekend with the likes of local legend Phil Mickelson. The high school golfer said his home course is The Bridges at Rancho Santa Fe, where Mickelson often plays.

"I played with Mickelson the other day. I know him a little bit," Paolucci said.

Although his goal is to someday play golf for a living on the PGA Tour, for now Paolucci is content hanging out with friends the last few months of his high school career. Next year, it's off to the University of Southern California, where he will compete for the Trojans' golf team.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Plum leads Lady Torreyes to home victory

By ROB STONE | VILLAGE NEWS

Led by the play of 5-foot-9-inch sophomore Kelsey Plum, the La Jolla Country Day (LJCD) Lady Torreyes defeated the Horizon Lady Panthers 79-33 in their Coastal League basketball opener at Country Day on Jan. 14.

"We had a great scouting report," said Plum. "Horizon is a good team. They did a good job in the first quarter."

In the first quarter Plum produced four points, and 5-foot-7-inch senior Kaylah Miller and 5-foot-10-inch junior Malina Hood got six points apiece. LJCD jumped out to a quick 19-9 lead at the end of the period.

"We played really hard as a team," said Plum. "We were focused. We played with a lot of energy and hustle."

In the second quarter, all of the hustle resulted in the Lady Torreyes going on a 15-1 run to open up a 34-10 advantage. Plum paced the scoring spree with 13 points.

It was now the Lady Panthers turn to go on a mini 5-0 run of their own. Junior Khadijah Brandon converted a free throw from the charity stripe, while junior Alonia Clay junior Kimbrelli Flournoy knocked down field goals to cut the Country Day cushion to 34-15.

"They (Horizon) have got some very talented players," said LJCD coach Terri Bamford. "But, you never know which way the ball is going to bounce."

For the Lady Torreyes, it was still bouncing their way as they headed off



La Jolla Country Day School's Kelsey Plum (right) drives around Horizon's Kimbrelli Flournoy for a score. Plum scored 33 points to lead all scorers in a Coastal League 79-33 home victory on Jan. 14.

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to the locker room at halftime with a 40-17 edge.

After the intermission, Country Day outscored the Lady Panthers 28-4 in the third quarter to take a commanding 68-21 lead.

That pretty much sealed the win for LJCD, which improved its record to 14-3 overall and 1-0 in the Coastal League. With the loss, Horizon falls to 10-7 overall and 0-1 in Coastal League play.

On Monday, Jan. 17, the Lady Torreyes defeated the San Diego Cavers 52-42 in the Martin Luther King Elite Eight Showcase Tournament. Plum led Country Day with 23 points, seven rebounds and two assists, and Maya Hood added 15 points and 13 rebounds.

UCSD baseball ranked No. 2 in preseason coaches poll

The University of California, San Diego's baseball team, the 2010 national runner-up, heads into its 2011 campaign with a No. 2 national ranking in collegiate baseball's Division II preseason coaches poll.

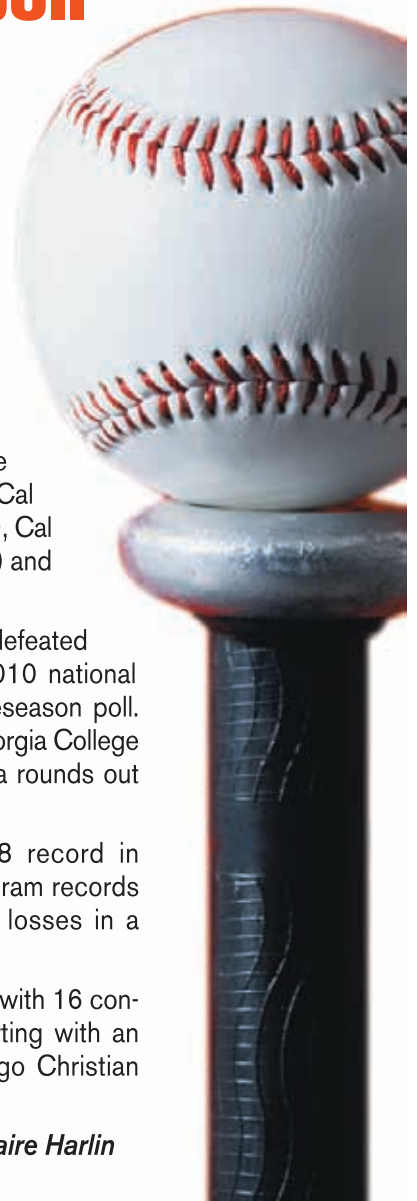
The Tritons lead four California Collegiate Athletic Association teams into the national rankings, including Cal State Dominguez Hills (27th), Cal State San Bernardino (34th) and Chico State (40th).

Southern Indiana, which defeated UCSD 6-4 to claim the 2010 national championship, tops the preseason poll. Central Missouri is third, Georgia College & State is fourth and Tampa rounds out the top five.

UCSD compiled a 54-8 record in 2010 that established program records for most wins and fewest losses in a season.

The Tritons open the year with 16 consecutive home games, starting with an exhibition against San Diego Christian College on Friday, Jan. 28.

— Claire Harlin



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Local artist shares odyssey into Jewish literature via art

By WILL BOWEN | VILLAGE NEWS

Left: J.D. Ratajkowski explains his portrait of Leopold Bloom from James Joyce's "Ulysses."

Below: "Merchant of Venice" (left) and "Chariots of Fire" (right) are two of 15 works by J.D. Ratajkowski that are on view at the Gotthelf Gallery until Feb. 23.

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The Gotthelf Art Gallery, located at the Jewish Community Center at 4126 Executive Drive, is devoted to Jewish-themed art. For the second show of the season, it is featuring an exhibition of paintings by J. D. Ratajkowski, a local painter whose work is curated by his wife, Kathleen Balgley, PhD. The title of the show is "From Page to Stage: Portraits of Jewish Literary Figures in Film."

The exhibition features 15 large, bold, haunting paintings, composed with a mixture of oil paints and hot Ditmar beeswax, which feature notary actors portraying Jewish characters from important works of literature — all of which were made into Hollywood movies. Some of the paintings include: Rod Steiger as Rabbi Isaac Saunders from the novel "The Chosen," written by Chaim Potok and directed by Jeremy Kagan (1981); and Ben Cross and Harold Abrahams, who starred in the movie "Chariots of Fire" (1981), based on the screenplay by Colin Welland and directed by Hugh Hudson.

Other films featured in the show include: "The Pawnbroker," "The

Pianist," "The Fixer" and "Driving Miss Daisy." Each of Ratajkowski's portraits is accompanied by a quote from the film it depicts, such as "My father taught me to look inside myself, to find my own strength," from "The Pawnbroker;" and "Being born a Jew means living vulnerable to history, including its worst errors," from "The Fixer."

The original idea for the series came to Ratajkowski and Balgley as they were sitting in a coffee shop in the town of Bantry, located in County Cork, Ireland, where they were restoring their old farmhouse. The couple noticed a portrait of author James Joyce on the wall, leading them to think of Joyce's Jewish character, Leopold Bloom, from his novel "Ulysses." They decided that they would search through literature and film for Jewish characters to paint and study. This began a long odyssey of reading and viewing film to find the appropriate subject matter.

"Once the idea was hatched, we began a hunt and located films and literature to go through," Ratajkowski said.

Ratajkowski said he searched each movie they selected for the one single frame that was exemplary of the main character or the movie. Ratajkowski froze the frames on his computer screen, printed them out and painted them. Balgley said the use of frames "allowed Ratajkowski to reveal a figure's circumstances in a quickly passing moment with an expression or gesture."

Ratajkowski, who is of Polish descent, was raised a Roman Catholic. He attended Sacred Heart Elementary School in Coronado. He still has a gnarled knuckle from where the nuns used to rap his hand with a ruler. Ratajkowski went on to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts from San Diego State University and taught at San Dieguito High School, where he met Balgley, who also taught there for a time.

Balgley, who is Jewish, earned her Ph.D. from the University of California, San Diego, where she studied the relationship between visual arts and literature. She teaches at San Diego Jewish Academy.

"Each face, each personal parable offered in their portrait, suggested an overarching story of the persistence against the odds of the Jewish spirit and the indomitability of Jewish dignity," Balgley wrote in the exhibition catalog. "The Jewish spirit holds up a mirror to our own experience and reveals something universally true for all of us."

The exhibition will be on view until Feb. 23. For further information, call 858-457-3030 or visit www.sdcjc.org.



In the Sky Room with Georges de Latour

Taste of Wine

By FRANK MANGIO | VILLAGE NEWS

A hush fell over those assembled in the lofty, intimate confines of the Sky Room in the La Valencia Hotel on a recent January night, when a vertical tasting of the Georges de Latour collection of seven vintages of cabernet sauvignon from Beaulieu Vineyards (BV) of Rutherford in Napa Valley was about to begin.

It would have been perfect had Latour been with us, along with his brilliant winemaker, Andre Tchelistcheff, who crafted the first Cabernet Reserve in 1936.

It fell upon John Reilly of Pacific Wine and Spirits to captivate us with his insights, and Justin Wilson, La Valencia's food and beverage director, provided the authentic Latour vintages, from 1976 to the present release, the BV 2007 (which sells for \$115). Vertical tastings of heritage wines are an education of taste. The 1976 was mature and exotic, with dusty flavors like licorice and chocolate, and big tannins.

The Latour BV vertical tasting guests included: Paul Cheyne of Wine Steals in Cardiff, MC John Rielly, wine manager of Pacific Wine and Spirits, and myself.

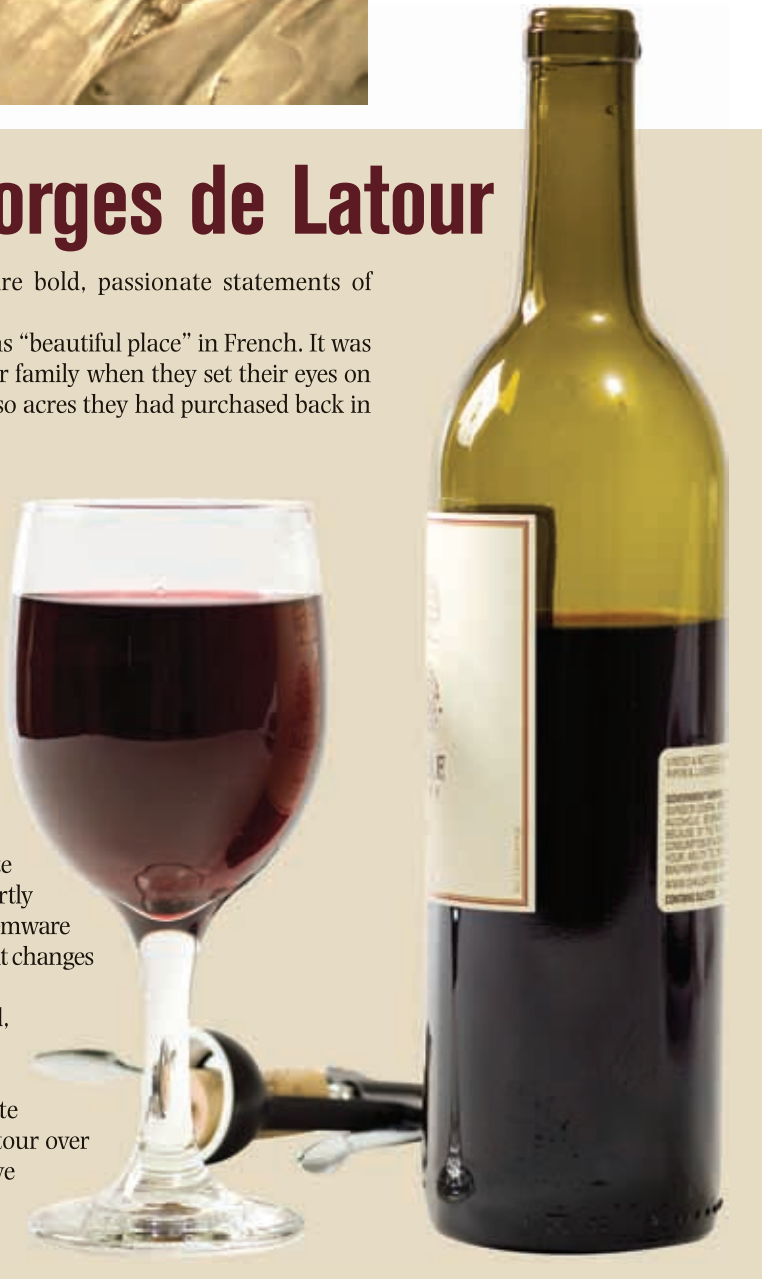
As we progressed to 1984, 1987, 1990 and 1996, the winemakers changed and the powerful fruit, OK with a deep ruby color, started to assert itself. Then, in the 2003 and 2007, the winemaker Jefferey Stambon introduced the Private Reserve Latour Cabernet. The strength of black fruits like dark cherry, licorice, black olive and even a hint of peppercorn vaulted the taste to an all-time excel-

lence. The wines are bold, passionate statements of Rutherford quality.

"Beau Lieu" means "beautiful place" in French. It was named by the Latour family when they set their eyes on the original 100 or so acres they had purchased back in 1900.

The same can be said for the petite, handsome Sky Room where this wine event took place. Renovated to complement its 180-degree views of the Pacific Ocean, it's located on the tenth floor of the historic La Valencia Hotel and has a small, intimate bar. The wine is smartly served with Riedel Stemware and it has a menu that changes monthly.

As John Rielly said, "credit the La Valencia for the patience to store and cultivate the fine wines of Latour over the years so that we may enjoy them today."



EVENTS CALENDAR

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THURSDAY, Jan. 20

- **Free Third Thursday Evening**, 5 p.m., Museum of Contemporary Art, 700 Prospect St., free admission plus free gallery guide-led tours, (858) 454-3541
- **Poetry workshop**, 2 p.m., La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Ave., (858) 552-1657, free
- **"Negotiating Peace: A Case Study" with Aaron Levy**, 7:30 p.m., The Athenaeum, 1008 Wall St., panel discussion on peace and social responsibility featuring Levy, founding executive director and chief curator of the Slought Foundation in Philadelphia, (858) 454-5872, www.artpwr.com, free

FRIDAY, Jan. 21

- **Art reception**, 5 p.m., R.B. Stevenson Gallery, 7661 Girard Ave., Suite 201, (858) 459-3917, free

SATURDAY, Jan. 22

- **MusiQ Club**, 10 a.m., The Riford Center, 6811 La Jolla Blvd., instrumental music instruction for all ages, (619) 335-5650, bill.bailey@musiqclub.com
- **"The Tell-Tale Brain: A Neuroscientist's Quest for What Makes Us Human" by V.S. Ramachandran**, 7 p.m., D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Ave., discussion and book signing event, (858) 456-1800, free
- **Miro Quartet with Joyce Yang**, 8 p.m., Museum of Contemporary Art La Jolla, 700 Prospect St., www.ljms.org, \$25-\$75
- **Red Fish Blue Fish Reunion**, 10:30 p.m., The Loft, 9500 Gilman Drive, performance by resident percussion ensemble of UCSD, (858) 822-3199, free

SUNDAY, Jan. 23

- **Peter Crier and the Retribution Gospel Choir**, 8 p.m., The Loft, 9500 Gilman Drive, (858) 822-3199, \$8 UCSD students, \$10 public

MONDAY, Jan. 24

- **"The Sentry" by Robert Crais**, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's, 7812 Girard Ave., discussion and book signing event, (858) 454-0347, free
- **Athenaeum Mini-Concert** featuring harpist Sonia Olivas, noon, The Athenaeum, 1008 Wall St., (858) 454-5872, free

TUESDAY, Jan. 25

- **"The Lake of Dreams" by Kim Edwards**, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's, 7812 Girard Ave., discussion and book signing event, (858) 454-0347, free

- **"The Seventeenth Century: Splendor and Silence,"** 7:30 p.m., The Athenaeum, 1008 Wall St., art history lecture with Linda Blair, (858) 454-5872, \$12 members, \$17 non-members

- **Popcorn and a Movie showing "Eat, Pray, Love,"** 2 p.m., La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Ave., www.lajollalibrary.org, free

- **"Cara de Queso, Mi Primer Ghetto" film showing**, 8 p.m., The Loft, 9500 Gilman Drive, (858) 822-3199, \$4 UCSD students, \$8 public

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26

- **South Africa Under Apartheid**, 7 p.m., The Riford Center, 6811 La Jolla Blvd., discussion and presentation by Dr. Hillel Mazansky, who grew up during apartheid in South Africa, (858) 459-0831, free for members, \$5 non-members

- **"Salting Roses" by Lorelle Marinello**, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's, 7812 Girard Ave., discussion and book signing event, (858) 454-0347, free

- **"Where I'm Calling From" with trombonist Michael Dessen, bassist Mark Dresser and percussionist Steven Schick**, 7:30 p.m., The Loft, 9500 Gilman Drive, (858) 822-3199, \$8 UCSD students, \$12 public

THURSDAY, Jan. 27

- **Glen Ivy Weekday Getaway**, 8 a.m., departs for Glen Ivy Spa from the Riford Center, 6811 La Jolla Blvd., spa package including use of pools, sauna, steam rooms, Roman Baths, RSVP requested, (858) 459-0831, \$65 members, \$75 non-members

- **"The Sherlockian" by Graham Moore**, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's, 7812 Girard Ave., discussion and book signing event, (858) 454-0347, free

- **Russell Lecture Featuring Rachel Harrison**, 7 p.m., Museum of Contemporary Art La Jolla, 700 Prospect St., www.mcasd.org, free for MCASD members and UCSD faculty, students and staff, \$7 general public

- **"A Dragon's Tale: Chinese New Year Stories and Crafts"**, 3:30 p.m., La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Ave., stories and crafts for children in first through fourth grades, www.lajollalibrary.org, free



HIGHLIGHT:

Tatjana Soli, author of "The Lotus Eaters," will visit Warwick's (7812 Girard Ave.) at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 20 for a discussion and book signing event. "The Lotus Eaters" unfolds the story of three remarkable photographers brought together under the umbrella of The Vietnam War – a conflict they risk everything to record. Born in Salzburg, Austria, Soli now lives in Orange County and her short stories have been twice listed in the "100 Distinguished Stories" in "Best American Short Stories" and nominated for the Pushcart Prize. "The Lotus Eaters" has garnered positive reviews in both the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*.

HIGHLIGHT:

The Loft @ UCSD will host a free improvisational chamber music event at 10:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 21. "O'Keefe/Stanyek/Walton/Whitehead + Rigler & Oliver" is free to the public and will include violin, flute, clarinet, guitar, bass, piano and trumpet. For more information, call (858) 822-3199.



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"Style Guy" and Fashion Forward founder Leonard Simpson originally scheduled his 2010 Best Dressed Awards extravaganza for early November, but a family tragedy struck the lives of two of the event principals shortly before the date. Eventually, the affair was completely restructured and held in mid-December at the Westgate Hotel. There, at 8 p.m., guests in black ties and formal gowns gathered in the foyer at the top of the grand stairway for an hour of champagne, desserts and socializing, before being seated in the Versailles Room for the awards presentation.

Leonard introduced event chair (and prior year's honoree) Linda Masters, honorary chairs Denise and Bertrand Hug and TV and film star Amanda Baker, who served as celebrity emcee. Sally Thornton (founding chair of the Best Dressed Awards) gifted each of the event's seven charity beneficiaries with checks for generous donations from the Sally and John Thornton Foundation.

Then it was time for San Diego's snazziest dressers to be presented and admired. Each of the ten women (and ten men) was dressed to the nines — or beyond. The resplendently-attired ladies were (alphabetically): Joni Alpert, Joye Blount, Melissa Falk, Deni Jacobs and Reneé Schatz. All were drop-dead gorgeous in their stunning formal gowns. The rest of the female honorees were Mary Drake, Reena Horowitz, Jeanne Jones, Patsy Marino and Phyllis Parrish, all of whom couldn't attend because of travel or prior commitments (remember, this event was rescheduled during the busiest time of the year!). The male honorees presented were Elliot Alpert, Fred Applegate, Sean Daneshmand, Ndu-bisi Ezeolu, J. Mark Grosvenor, Kelly Mikules and Ramin Pourteymour. Also honorees, but unable to attend, were Craig Grosvenor, David Marino and Joe Harper.



Riford: 1. Dona Aumann (Riford executive director), Nancy Walters (assistant to the executive director), Cinzia Mezzietti (executive chef/owner of Mama Mia), Rob Aumann, Valerio Fab-bri (Mama Mia manager) 2. Colleen Foster, Ginny Deardorff, Phyl Jasin, Marge Fate, Ann Ahern, Dorothy Conte **Best Dressed:** 3. Bertrand and Denise Hug (honorary chairs/honorary host and hostess), Laurel McCrink, Tiffany and Jim Mahoney 4. Charlotte Hogue, Dr. Phillip Rand, Sally Thornton (founding chair) and John Thornton, Cindy and Tom Goodman **Tom Groff:** 5. Joe Graham, Denise Lincoln, Mary Soriano, Jeanet White, Selma Teer, Tom Groff 6. Dr. Jack Wasserman, Tommie Juditz, Morgan Birch, Brandi McClain, Ramin Porteymour



Guests then descended one floor for the "Dressed to the Nth Degree" fashion show. Models entered via that grand stairway into the Westgate lobby, where audience members were seated for the high-energy show. Dramatic music, smoke machines, imaginative headgear and avant-garde women's and men's fashions made for an impressive spectacle. Grateful beneficiaries of the festive night were the Arc of San Diego, Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego, Rotary International, San Diego Center for Children, San Diego Food Bank, St. Madeleine Sophie's Center and the United Way.

La Jolla's Riford Center, at 6811 La Jolla Boulevard, continues to hold interesting events. Executive director Dona Aumann said the center's December Holiday Dinner Dance was just its first "dance of the month," with many more to come. Attracting a vivacious crowd of men and women, the successful party started with a delicious Italian dinner created by the Riford's new celebrity chef, Cinzia Mezzietti of Mama Mia restaurant in Pacific Beach. (She also teach-

es cooking classes at the Riford.) After dinner, DJ Ron Jones played great dance music. It's all part of the new interest and enthusiasm at the Riford, with increased participation, a variety of new activities and several facility improvement projects under way.

On the night of the Christmas Gala held by La Jolla realtor Tom Groff and nine co-hosts, La Jolla was on the fringe of a wintry storm. The weather outside was frightenin', with rain and wind and lightning. "Let it blow, let it blow, let it blow," thought the partygoers, who came anyway. This event often attracts 1,000 guests, and despite the weather, more than 800 came in black ties and evening gowns to mingle and dance. It was at The Grand Del Mar again this year. It's one of La Jolla's favorite "out of town" venues — and why not? It's a really beautiful place, and it's nearby (just beyond our community's north-eastern corner).

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April 3

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THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: DIVINE CREATIVE DESIGN, DIVINE VIDEO DESIGN
located at: 528 CATALINA BLVD. SAN DIEGO, CA 92106 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): LISA A. CATLIN This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 12/01/10 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / Clerk of San Diego County on: DEC 29, 2010 Issue Date(s): JAN 06, 13, 20 AND 27, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2011-000002
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS:

COOLHRSTUFF.COM, KALWEST COMMUNICATIONS GROUP-KAL COMM
located at: 1451 1/2 HORNBLEND ST. SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): KIRK LAUGHEAD This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 01/03/11 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / Clerk of San Diego County on: JAN 03, 2011 Issue Date(s): JAN 06, 13, 20 AND 27, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2010-0334490
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: THE ECOMM GROUP, THEECOMMGROUP.COM
located at: 215 BONAIR ST. #11 LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): DAN BOCK This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 12/26/10 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: DEC 30, 2010 Issue Date(s): JAN 13, 20, 27 AND FEB 03, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2010-034038
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: THE PARLOR, A BOUTIQUE SALON
located at: 5544 LA JOLLA BLVD. LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): KENDRA L. STIGALL, RHONDA CONNORS This business is being conducted by: CO-PARTNERS The transaction of business began on: NOT YET STARTED The statement was filed with David L. Butler, Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: DEC 23, 2010 Issue Date(s): JAN 13, 20, 27 AND FEB 03, 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL
1350 Front St., Room 5056, San Diego, CA. 92101 (619) 525-4064, Filing Date: January 4, 2011 To Whom It May Concern: The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: WINGS N THINGS INC
The applicant listed above is applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverage at: 3194 MIDWAY DR SAN DIEGO, CA. 92110-4503
Type of license(s) applied for: 41-ON-SALE BEER AND WINE-EATING PLACE
Issue Date(s): JAN 13, 20 AND 27, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2010-034362
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: ADVANCED RETIREMENT CONCEPTS AND INSURANCE SERVICES
located at: 3550 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH STE 101 SAN DIEGO, CA 92108 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): LANCE PELKY AND ASSOCIATES, INC. This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION LANCE PELKY AND ASSOCIATES, INC. 3550 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH STE. 101 SAN DIEGO, CA. 92108 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on: 12/13/93 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: DEC 29, 2010 Issue Date(s): JAN 13, 20, 27 AND FEB 03, 2011

PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, NORTH COUNTY
325 SOUTH MELROSE DR., VISTA, CA. 92081
CASE NO: 37-2011-00050132-CU-PT-NC PETITIONER OR ATTORNEY, Thomas DiPaolo / SBN 156779 DIPAOLO & ASSOCIATES, APC 9820 Willow Creek Road Suite 200 San Diego, CA. 92131 858-408-0621 HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THIS COURT FOR A DECREE CHANGING PETITIONERS NAME FROM KAY ALLGIRE-GAMER (aka BRENDA KAY ALLGIRE-GAMER) TO BRENDA KAY ALLGIRE. THE COURT ORDERS THAT all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING TO BE HELD ON FEB 15, 2011 TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT: 3 SAME AS NOTED ABOVE Issue Date(s): JAN 13, 20, 27 AND FEB 03, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2011-000261

THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: DIPAOLO LAW
located at: 9820 WILLOW CREEK ROAD, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92131 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): DIPAOLO & ASSOCIATES, APC This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION DIPAOLO & ASSOCIATES, APC 9820 WILLOW CREEK ROAD, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA. 92131 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on: 01/01/11 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: JAN 04, 2011 Issue Date(s): JAN 13, 20, 27 AND FEB 03, 2011

PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CENTRAL DIVISION
HALL OF JUSTICE, 330 W. BROADWAY SAN DIEGO, CA. 92101

CASE NO: 37-2011-00083475-CU-PT-CTL PETITIONER OR ATTORNEY, Joshua Rabinovitz & Candice Hinds 1128 Grand Ave. San Diego, CA. 92109 858-729-4114 HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THIS COURT FOR A DECREE CHANGING PETITIONERS NAME FROM JOSHUA NEIL RABINOVITZ TO JOSH RAB FROM CANDICE LEIGH HINDS TO CANDICE LEIGH RAB THE COURT ORDERS THAT all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING TO BE HELD ON FEB 22, 2011 TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT: 8 220 W. Broadway San Diego, CA. 92101 ISSUE DATE(S): JAN 20, 27 FEB 03 AND 10, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2011-001032
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: SCHOOL OF HEALING ARTS, SCHOOL OF HEALING ARTS INC
located at: 1001 GARNET AVE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALING ARTS INC This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALING ARTS INC 1001 GARNET 200 SAN DIEGO, CA. 92109 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on: 12/23/10 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: JAN 11, 2011 Issue Date(s): JAN 20, 27 FEB 03 AND 10, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2011-001051
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: SHOP AT CLOSET
located at: 4909 PACIFIC HWY #B SAN DIEGO, CA 92110 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): JJ HAN INC. This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION JJ HAN INC. 4909 PACIFIC HWY #B SAN DIEGO, CA. 92110 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on: NOT YET STARTED The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: JAN 11, 2011 Issue Date(s): JAN 20, 27 FEB 03 AND 10, 2011

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2011-001003
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: VITAL EFFORT FITNESS, VITALEFFORTFITNESS.COM
located at: 8623 VIA MALLORCA UNIT A LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): JERRY LOFTIN, ANNA MATILDA LOFTIN This business is being conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE The transaction of business began on: 01/01/11 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: JAN 11, 2011 Issue Date(s): JAN 20, 27 FEB 03 AND 10, 2011

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2011-000572
THE NAME(S) OF BUSINESS: SAN DIEGO DRUM SHOP, DRUMMERS SUPPLY
located at: 4580 ALVARADO CANYON RD. UNIT #H1 SAN DIEGO, CA 92120 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): PAUL SCOTT This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: NOT YET STARTED The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: JAN 06, 2011 Issue Date(s): JAN 20, 27 FEB 03 AND 10, 2011

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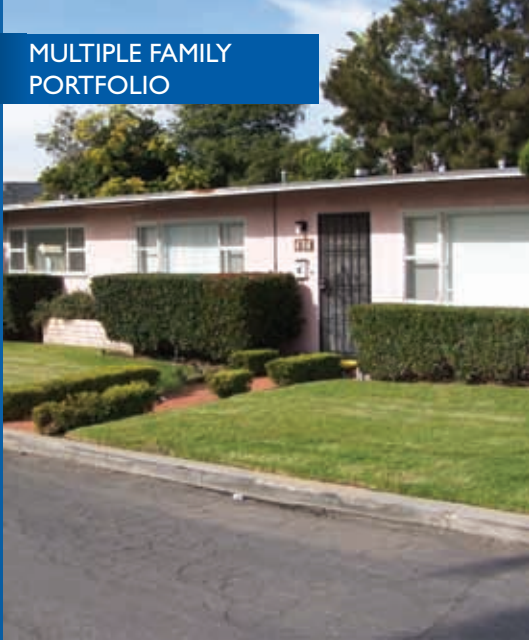
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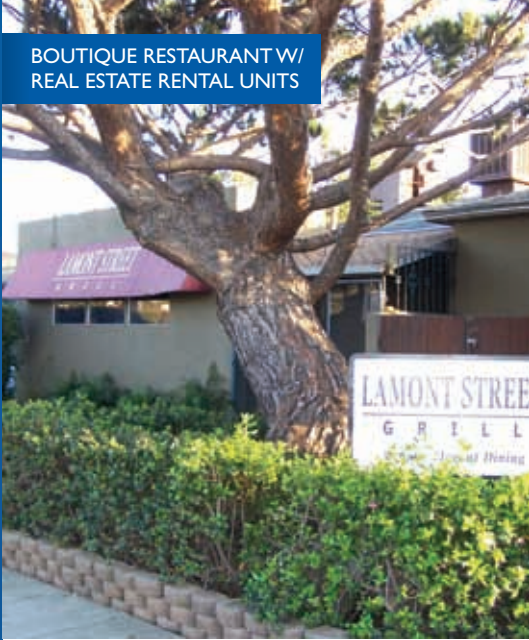


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