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### **Canine Carnival puts** pooches in limelight

Hundreds of pooches and their human companions descended on Ocean Beach over the weekend for the annual Canine Carnival and Halloween festival. Right, a carnivalgoer shows off her "hot dog." Above, dressed as The Flintstones, Alisha McGraw holds Deaf Coco and Holland McGraw holds Deaf Rocket. Below, Brody shows off her king, Pebbles the poodle, as they get ready for the costume parade. PHOTOS BY PAUL HANSEN | THE BEACON





# **Beach alcohol ban stirs** emotionally volatile mix

By SEBASTIAN RUIZ | THE BEACON

As Election Day nears, the debate over Proposition D — the measure to ban alcohol from the city's beaches — has heated up, with both sides trading accusations of sign stealing, improper finance reporting and misleading statements.

With the temporary ban set to expire in January, two groups have drawn a line in the beach's sand and are passionately working

to convince voters to join their side of the debate.

From their names, the groups seem

almost indistinguishable. The San Diego Safe Beaches Coalition opposes the beach ban, while Safe Beaches San Diego wants the beaches to remain alcohol free.

Scott Chipman, spokesperson for Safe Beaches San Diego, said the similar-sounding names are an attempt to confuse the voters.

"We're disappointed they (San Diego Safe Beaches Coalition) would stoop to that tactic to confuse the voters, but we're not surprised." Chipman said.

The Safe Beaches San Diego website argues the pro-ban position. It says, in short, that alcohol at the beach encourages binge drinking, which creates a safety hazard and a lot of trash on major holidays.

Stop the binge drinking and you stop the problems, Chipman said.



Proposition D, a Nov. 4 measure that would make permanent the one-vear trial ban on alcohol at San Diego's beaches, elicits heated debate between critics and supporters.

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But opponents say it's not so simple.

Jacob Pyle, spokesperson for the No On Prop D campaign, said the city should enforce current laws against public intoxication and not impose more restrictive legislation.

"We picked that name (San Diego Safe Beach Coalition) because that is what we want. We think PB is a great community but we always think there's improvements that you can make to make it a better community," he said. "What we want are solutions that address the real problems and don't punish people."

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# Mission Bay's revenue pie is on the table

By SHANNON MULHALL | THE BEACON

should stay in the park and how blueprint for park development much should go to the city? San that City Council and Diegans will decide on Nov. 4 the California Coastal when they cast their vote on Commission approved Proposition C.

Proponents say the measure is necessary to complete the popular mately 90 cents of recreational area and uphold the original agreement between the city and San Diegans. Critics call the initiative a money grab that could undermine the city's fiscal stability and hamstring park development.

Bay Park funds for far too long," Councilman Kevin Faulconer says. "I saw that firsthand as chairman of the Mission Bay Park Committee." The advisory board

has struggled for years to fund the estimated \$400 million in capital How much of the revenue gen- improvements called for in the erated by Mission Bay Park Mission Bay Park Master Plan, a

in 1994.

Currently, approxievery dollar generated by SeaWorld and other Mission Bay leaseholders goes to the city. If the proposed 30-year

charter amendment passes, starting in July, \$23 million of the "The city has raided Mission roughly \$28 million in lease revenues would continue to go to the city's general fund. The remaining revenue – an estimated \$5 million to \$12 million annually - would go toward completing bicycle and

pedestrian trails, expanding wetlands, shoreline maintenance and other projects in the 4,235-acre

> An additional 25 percent of funds would go to Balboa and other regional parks, which could net \$2 million to \$4 million every year. After five years, the city's cut of Mission Bay Park's lease revenue would decrease from \$23 million to \$20 million.

The reallocation of revenues is necessary to improve and maintain Mission Bay Park, Faulconer said. "The park has been neglected for too long. We must change that. It's too important to citizens

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# Fired up about Homecoming

Alumni of Point Loma High School (PLHS) play the school fight song on kazoos during the Homecoming halftime festivities Friday night. PLHS pummeled University City High School on the Pointers' home turf 49-14. More Homecoming photos and complete game action, page 11. BARRY SCHWARTZ | THE BEACON

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# Aguirre, Goldsmith set to slug out city attorney race at ballot box

By SEBASTIAN RUIZ | THE BEACON

office are dotted with pictures of John and Robert Kennedy studiously working over legal briefs. And alongside a portrait of Abraham Lincoln, you'll find a famous Norman Rockwell civil rights-era painting of U.S. marshals escorting a little black girl to school.

These images represent the power the law has bestowed on the people. Yet for all the power it represents, the office on floor 16 of a Downtown skyscraper is surprisingly easy to access. Maybe that shouldn't be so surprising given that it's the city voters – every-day folks — who elect its chief occu-

Two candidates vie for that position, to be decided in the Nov. 4 general election – Jan Goldsmith, a 10-year veteran Superior Court judge and the former mayor of Poway, and current San Diego City Attorney Michael Aguirre. The race is important because whoever wields the city's legal briefs can influence City Council policy decisions, protect the city's pocketbook in the courtroom and act as the City Council's legal council.

The San Diego Community Newspaper Group recently met with both candidates for their views on several topics that in addition to Muhammad Ali, include:

#### The city attorney's role

Besides their divisions down political party lines, Aguirre, a Democrat, and Goldsmith, a Republican, view the role and responsibility of the city attorney in vastly different ways.

"I view the city attorney as serving the broad interests of the public. It's a public office, and it's supposed to serve the public interest. And that means everybody, Aguirre said.

Aguirre further accused his opponent of rolling over on pension reform, a pivotal local topic, to gain the support of some unions.

"My opponent, his whole campaign is financed by the upper echelon of special interests that control our city, the developers, the municipal unions, the people that are in the bureaucracy, and he represents the old system and how we got ourselves in trouble... I represent a break with the past, and I represent the basic principle that government is established to serve the people," Aguirre said.

Goldsmith favors a stricter intertop lawyer. His past experience, he said, lends a sense of authority

the job.
"I see the role of the city attor-The walls of the city attorney's ney as a law office. We focus and base our work solely on the law, similar to what I do as a judge. We state the law as we see it, not as the mayor may want to see it, or the city council, or what plays well with the press, or if we have a political agenda. We don't have a political agenda. We have an agenda that's based only on the law," Goldsmith said.

> He takes issue with Aguirre's use of the office as a "political operation." Aguirre, he said, politicizes the office, and "as a result the city has been denied a lawyer, and that's not good. As a result there's been criminal prosecutions aimed at his opponents to punish people for being political opponents. I think that's not only bad. I think it's horrible. The main reason I'm running is to professionalize the office. I think what he's done is wrong and it's hurt the

#### Development vs. water isues

Both men agree that the letter of the law requires the city be able to provide water to city residents. There's a law that says large developments must be able to provide water for people 20 years into the future, Aguirre said.

So while average San Diegans may never wake up and turn on the faucet to find only schprits of dust, the question remains as to who would eventually foot the bill during a time when the city imports a majority of its current water supply.

Goldsmith promises to give the city council sound legal advice, while Aguirre said he would write legal opinions and issue public reports outlining steps the city council can take try and tackle the

Whereas Aguirre said he would seek to enforce the law, Goldsmith would stay away from attempting to implement policy as city attor-

"There has to be a plan for water. That's required by state law, and it has to be in the general plan. It has to be specific enough to address the needs of the city. And that's what my advice would be to the city in no uncertain terms. How they go about doing that is up to the city council and the mayor. It's not the city attorney. When I was mayor of the City of Poway, I was instrumental in pushing for water reclamation and water conservation. But that was a pretation of the role of the city's different role that I had," Goldsmith said.

water supplies. He blames politicians who don't want to tell the public the truth that eventually 'we're going to have to raise money to get ourselves a secure water supply.

"We have not been, in my opinion, complying with that law. We need to have a very effective program to provide the people of San Diego a secure water supply that's a charter obligation. And that means we recycle. Whether we recycle ocean water or recycle wastewater, conserve water [to] increase our storage capacity, all those things are things that we're going to have to do and we're required to do under the charter, and I've been enforcing that," Aguirre said.

#### City attorney's role in suits

The city attorney doesn't need permission to prosecute a criminal case on behalf of the city, but in certain cases that may require litigation or a settlement agreement, such as a breach of contract or conflict of interest case, cooperation between the city council and the city attorney can save the city money, according to Goldsmith.

While certain cases do require city council approval and the city attorney must carry out the city's litigation, Aguirre maintains that the city attorney's office should operate independently of city council decisions regarding these matters in order to protect the broader interests of the city.

He points to the Sunroad Centrum building fiasco as another example of why city officials shouldn't be in charge of litigation.

According to statements released by the city attorney, Sunroad developers wanted to construct a building in Kearny Mesa that was too tall according to Federal Aviation Administration and California transportation guidelines. Aguirre wanted to stop it.

Allegations of political insiders maneuvering to ensure the building became a reality despite the law caused a political dust-up between the mayor and city attorney, with accusations of corruption and political posturing on all

"If there's ever an example of why you don't want the council in charge of litigation, Sunroad is a perfect example, because there the city attorney brought the action and did so based upon the law. Had we had to get the OK from the council, I think we might not have gotten the building down.

"You want the city attorney exercising independent judgment. Aguirre said the city is breaking The city attorney in essence is a and establishes his credibility for the law when it comes to providing trustee of the city that's charged



Incumbent city attorney Mike Aguirre will attempt to retain his seat Nov. 4.

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with the management of the city's litigation," he said.

But Goldsmith said otherwise when it comes to the relationship between city council and the city attorney.

He said that if elected, more cooperation with the city council, especially when it saves the city money by avoiding costly litigation, would benefit the city.

Aguirre often sues without taking into consideration "less costly and more effective" alternatives, according to Goldsmith.

"Often, [lawsuits and trials don't] solve the problem, and I've seen thousands and thousands of lawsuits as a judge in the last ten years where I thought their clients could have been better served had they just pushed this other button before they decided to follow a lawsuit.

That's why the client has to be involved," Goldsmith said.

#### **Corporate corruption**

According to published reports, Southeastern Development Corporation (SEDC) officials gave themselves close to \$1 million in bonuses over several years. Volleys of conflict of interest accusations led to the resignation of Centre City Development Corporation president Nancy Graham last July.

According to Aguirre, "The city's attorney's role [in such cases] is to protect the public interest and ferret out wrongdoing and to prosecute it criminally or civilly and to hold people accountable under the law. The city attorney's job is to vindicate the rights of the public, and the public have an absolute

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Superior Court Judge Jan Goldsmith is making a bid for the city attorney post COURTESY PHOTO | THE BEACON

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right to the undivided loyalty of its in policy,' really it's the opposite; public officials."

According to statements from his office, Aguirre helped provide documents of conflict of interest attributed to Graham, and he advised the organizations to "take new official action" to correct the problem.

But while Aguirre advised CCDC fallout from the \$409 million mixed-use condominium development at Seventh and Market streets Downtown, and condemns corruption at every turn, Goldsmith said Aguirre should've have been aggressive and stepped in.

"The lawyer should have been ought to be the adult in involved before anything happened to give the city better control," Goldsmith said.

And while he doesn't blame Aguirre for what happened, he said appointing a receiver to take control of SEDC would have stopped any more money from being siphoned to employees in the form of bonuses.

Forming public policy

Aguirre's open involvement in public policy issues have landed him in the spotlight and in the shadow of criticism. Through his office, he's tried to get the city to implement water recycling and emergency water conservation procedures. He's tried to get the city to repair infrastructure, often going head to head with Mayor Jerry Sanders over the best direction for such policies.

elected want to help make it a better city," he said. "You don't see me over at council very often... but a lot of times there's interactions

between law and policy. For example,... [d]isobeying the law is not a policy choice. A lot of times when people say 'you're involved it's that they're involved in doing something that's outside the boundaries [of the law]. The only reason it's a policy [issue] is because past officials have treated violating the law as if that is a policy choice, and I don't believe it

Goldsmith said he would try to to take action toward the recent stay out of the policy decisionmaking process because, as the city attorney, he would emphasize mark of a his office, Goldsmith his role of ensuring peo-

ple are held accountable to the law and not mix it up with politicos.

"The city attorney the room," he said. "That is, you don't get down into the political sandbox and throw sand with the councilmembers. You stay

away from the politics. The role of the city attorney is to give the legal guidelines, come up with creative options. And once the city council and the mayor decide on policy, as long as they are legal, [they then] help to implement those policies. If something slips through and there are crimes committed, the role of the city attorney is to make sure that the people are held accountable. You do not look the other way. I like to say: You are not a lapdog. You are not an attack dog. You are a watchdog."

Improving role of city attorney

It's hard to imagine how one "I just think those of us that are could possibly improve a political position that demands the utmost integrity from an individual and office, but the candidates seem to know how.

between the two revolves around access to information. Aguirre wants to increase information about city council meetings, while Goldsmith would clam up about ongoing criminal investigations.

"Less talk, more action," he said, adding he would avoid the "press conference of the week" practices of the current city attorney. Gone would be the days of lambasting public accusations of corruption. "This is serious business," he said.

Effectiveness would be the hallsaid.

> "We do not believe in berating people. We believe in Muhammad Ali: Fly like a butterfly, sting like a bee. And that will be our MO. We will not go berate people and yell at people and call people names, but we will be effective, and the peo-

ple who we are targeting would find out that we mean business," Goldsmith said.

So as not to jeopardize legal cases or individual reputations, Goldsmith said he would not openly publicize criminal investigations the way Aguirre does. He added that it's a waste of tax dollars to open investigations publicly and spend time and money on lawsuits only to have them dismissed quietly.

"He's called investigations on half of San Diego," Goldsmith said of Aguirre.

On the other end, Aguirre said he would work to increase public access to information about the city's public dealings.

"When matters come before the city council, there's no reason for the materials that the council is

He added he would improve access to information by logging every legal opinion ever issued from the city attorney's office onto the Internet all the way back to

Aguirre said he would continue to try to create and maintain a diverse group of attorneys dedicated to the public interest.

He said the office would run with a focus on one question: "Are we advancing the broadest interest of our city and the way we're carrying out our responsibilities?"

The biggest problem ahead? Aguirre does not hesitate.

"There's a lack of basic integritv." he said. "There's a lack of basic competence within in the city for a lot of different reasons. The city has lost its focus. We are not focused on serving the public. We are mostly focused on increasing financial benefits for people who work here."

He cited a laundry list of the city's failures.

'We don't have the water. We don't have the roads repaired. We don't have the streets, the alleys, the buildings repaired... We're behind on our wastewater system. We're behind on our cleansing system and our water system," he

The city has done a very poor job of providing basic services that taxpayers expect, he said.

"But at the same time" he added, "while were not doing all those things, we have one of the most massive lucrative pension pyramids that's ever been built in the history of western civilization that pays people more money to retire than to work. And you have to wonder, 'Gee, this seems to suggest, the circumstantial evidence

One of the key differences receiving not to be put online," he suggests, that the city officials spent more time trying to figure out how to line their pockets than they have in figuring out how to serve the public."

> Aguirre thinks he has the answers. And some may agree.

> "That's why The Wall Street Journal weighed in on this and said what I'm doing should be a model for the nation in trying to set aside the \$800 million of illegal [pension] benefits, which my opponent has given up on so he can get the support of the powerful unions who have so much to say about the election," Aguirre said.

> While Aguirre cites what is wrong with the city as a whole, Goldsmith sees Aguirre as part of those same problems.

"The biggest problem facing the city is its fiscal problems. There's no question about it," Goldsmith

"This is a multi-billion-dollar municipal corporation that does not have a lawyer that views the city as its client and doesn't give advice

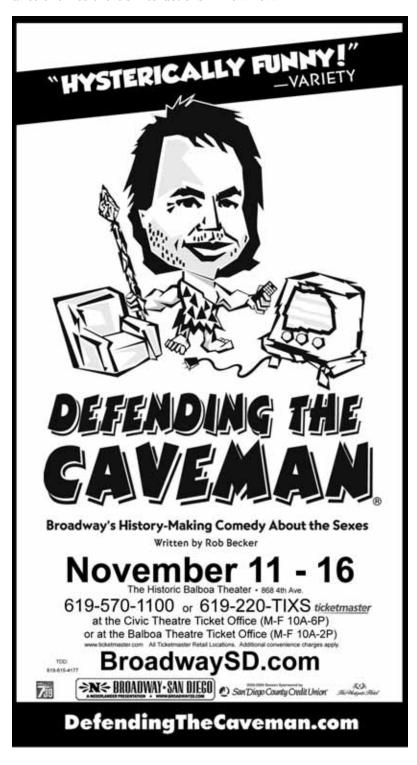
"[City officials] are prone to making some very big mistakes without legal advice, and that goes hand in hand "

Aguirre has tried to set himself as a steward of the community using the law to look out for Joe Taxpayer while painting his opponent as a protector of the Old Guard.

Goldsmith has made a commitment to the people of San Diego to put the law, not the law office or its power, first and foremost — a commitment that he may well believe Aguirre has forgotten

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Pyle said he was also part of Freepb.org. This precursor to the coalition stands for Free Parks and Beaches. The two groups have many of the same supporters.

Pyle said Free PB has worked with the city to solve problems associated with alcohol on the beach for years to avoid a total ban that would benefit a few beachfront property owners.

"The 'Developers and the \$4 Million Beachfront Property Owners Committee' is what they should call themselves," he said.

Pyle points out that the Yes on D campaign committee has spent roughly \$230,000 getting their message out to voters.

According to city clerk's records, a majority of the pro-ban contrib- paign materials.

utors registered in beach-area zip codes, including 92109, which includes Pacific Beach. Wave House Belmont Park, LLC alone donated about \$15,000 to the Yes" campaign.

Chipman said that backs up his argument.

People who donate are people who are aware of the problems," Chipman said.

The finances of the No On Prop D campaign became the subject a recent Voice of San Diego article pointing out the two groups giving money to the campaign shared the same treasurer and the same political consultant, the La Jolla Group.

The two groups — You Empower Our Community and San Diego Safe Beaches Coalition — spent almost \$100,000 all together for billboards, mailers and other cam-

Freepb.org donated about \$10,000 to the campaign. Pyle added that some money donated to the campaign comes from neighborhood markets and liquor stores that are against the ban.

The campaign took another turn with a clone of Safe Beaches San Diego's website, reversing their pro-ban message by promoting the freedom to drink.

The sites look identical, with the "Yes on D" side claiming the cloned site was created to confuse voters about Safe Beaches San Diego's position.

Pyle said he doesn't know who started the copycat website, and a domain-name search only turned up the registrant's city as Bellevue, Wash.

"People are doing all kinds of things against [Proposition D] that have nothing to do with our campaigns, that we're not involved with," he said.

But the most contentious issue that has come up has been the accusations of sign stealing.

Both sides have accused the other of taking signs from voters' yards, with some disappearing the first night they are left out.

Police confirmed reports of Pacific Beach resident Joe Wilding removing "No On Prop D" campaign signs from areas in Pacific Beach.

Wilding, a volunteer for the city's Neighborhood Code Compliance Department, said the signs were in the public right of way near a tree on Thomas Avenue. The signs were turned over to authorities after the police were contacted, according to reports.

Wilding said city law doesn't allow signs in the public right-ofway, including political signs, regardless of free speech issues.

"You can't project freedom of speech out of bounds," he said. Walk the line. Don't step over it. Don't go out of bounds.'

He added that he has been removing any signs he's found on ban on holidays but hasn't sup-

Opinions on the topic of a permanent alcohol ban on San Diego's beaches are sharply divided. Supporters of Proposition D say the temporary ban now in effect has led to a decrease in the number of drunks and homeless in such areas as underneath the Ocean Beach Pier and to less trash on the beach. Opponents of the permanent ban say it interferes with personal freedom and is bad for beach businesses and tourism. PHOTO BY KIRBY YAU | THE BEACON

public property and wasn't targeting "No On D" campaign signs.

Though some police officers, lifeguards and fire officials have endorsed the ban, Mayor Jerry Sanders isn't backing either side. The "No On Prop D" cam-

paign's website has an audio file of the mayor endorsing a partial

ported either side.

"He (Sanders) has not endorsed either [side]," said Darren Pudgil, director of communications for the mayor's office. "The mayor will leave it up to the people to decide this issue," he said.

Any Prop D election material

claiming the mayor's endorsement is false, he said.

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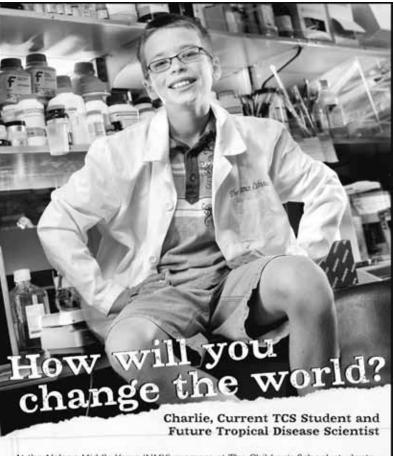
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throughout San Diego," he added. Faulconer and Councilwoman

Donna Frye were instrumental in getting Proposition C on the ballot. Mayor Jerry Sanders and the Sierra Club also support the measure.

Frye has called the current fiscal arrangement between the city and the park "a broken promise.'

San Diegans originally voted to allow commercial development in 25 percent of Mission Bay Park so that resulting revenues could pay for dredging and completing the manmade aquatic playground.

A City Council action in 1968 redirected the monies into the general fund to pay for emergency and basic services.

City Council voted in 2004 to return a portion of revenue to the park.

Under the Mission Bay Ordinance, both the Mission Bay Improvement Fund and the Regional Park Fund receive 25 percent of the park's lease revenues exceeding \$20 million, not to exceed \$2.5 million in a fiscal year.

City Council, however, can and usually does vote to waive the ordinance.

"That's like letting the fox guard the henhouse," says Bob Ottilie, a former MBPC member and one of Proposition C's architects.

"In my view, we're simply taking back revenue that was intended for Mission Bay Park in the first place," Judy Šwink, a longtime supporter, said. "To say we're tak-

ing money from the city is a misstatement at minimum."

Swink also acts as chairperson of the parks and open space committee for Citizens Coordinate for Century 3 (C3), a nonpartisan, nonprofit local and regional planning organization which opposes Propo-

Though Swink believes that Mission Bay Park needs a guaranteed revenue source, she does not believe Proposition C is the answer.

Mission Beach should not be included in the measure, she said, and the prioritization of projects could limit park development.

Her concerns are shared by Council President Scott Peters and Councilmen Ben Hueso and Jim Madaffer, who voted against putting Proposition C on the ballot. Faulconer disagreed.

"I think it's important that we tell voters where their money will be spent," he said.

Proposition C identifies seven priorities: restoration of navigable waterways, wetlands expansion and water quality improvements, shoreline treatments, expanding preserves for endangered and threatened species, completing trails and bridges for bicyclists and pedestrians, restoring the seawall bulkhead on Ocean Front Walk, and deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects.

The projects are to be completed in a specific sequence determined by the Mission Bay Park Committee and approved by City Council.

Under the proposition, the council could move up or down to the member of the MBPC and park next priority on the list if a grant or other funding became available.

The provision would not provide enough flexibility, Swink said: "I have no problem with any of the projects. My problem is with the prioritization of the projects." Under the proposition, she said, if one priority needed more money, another could get put on hold and languish, pending the completion of other projects. The sequence could slow completion of Fiesta Island and South Shores, two areas the California Coastal Commission identified in 2002 as high priorities, Swink added.

Other critics of the proposal have called it fiscally reckless, saying it siphons money from valuable city services and redirects them toward frivolous projects.

Faulconer, chairperson of City Council's audit committee and vice chairperson of the budget committee, dismissed such claims. Citing Sanders' support of Proposition C, he called the measure "an important fiscal reform.'

"Proposition C doesn't raise taxes," Ottilie said. "It doesn't need to." He believes the initiative could provide a model for other citizen groups to fund their projects without placing the financial burden on residents.

"It's either good for the city or it's not," Ottilie added. "This is good for the city, good for Mission Bay Park and good for tourists."

"Mission Bay Park belongs to everyone," Faulconer said. "It's our crown aquatic jewel."

Swink said, "I've felt myself caught between two sides all along.

Now it is up to voters to choose a side.

# City reopens Soledad Mountain Road on landslide anniversary

By ALYSSA RAMOS I THE BEACON

City officials marked the oneyear anniversary of the Soledad mountain landslide on Thursday, Oct. 16, by reopening Soledad Mountain Road, allowing access between Pacific Beach and La Jolla.

When Soledad Mountain Road collapsed at Desert View Drive Oct. 3, 2007, some residents were forced to evacuate, learning that their homes had a history of landslides dating back to 1961.

Rupert Adams, geologist with Helenschmidt Geotechnical Inc., worked on the closed road for more than a year with colleagues and other city crews.

said. "They opened it Wednesday for several years but the homeor Thursday last week. The mayor was there. But it's not quite fully complete."

Though traffic can now travel through Soledad Mountain Road, Adams says work still needs to be completed on Desert View Drive, the alley below Soledad Mountain

Adams was investigating the area with other colleagues last October for the City of San Diego after homeowners had noticed distress in nearby roads and called the city, when the land collapsed, damaging about 45 homes. Eventually the city razed three homes.

The hillsides behind these hous-"The road is now open," Adams es had been slipping into the alley

owners didn't realize the severity of the situation, said Battalion Chief Bruce Cartelli of the San Diego Fire Rescue Department last October.

At about 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2007, Engine Company 16 received an emergency call that Soledad Mountain Road was gaping open. Coincidentally, San Diego Fire Department battalion chiefs and commanders were already on their way to the scene; they said they were concerned about Soledad's imminent danger and wanted to create a contingency plan, Cartelli said.

owners battled with the city over who was responsible for property crews and specialists planned

We've been responsible for the investigation and characterization of the landslide as well as all of the stabilization efforts ...

**RUPERT ADAMS** 

After the dust settled, home- loss. Attorneys continue litigation against the city. Meanwhile, city

reconstruction of the landslide.

"We've been responsible for the investigation and characterization of the landslide as well as all of the stabilization efforts and all the drilling and logging and geotechnical analysis of the landslide, and the design of the repair plans, including construction oversight," Adams said regarding Helenschmidt's role.

One year and 18 days later, Mountain Soledad reopened.

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The Elsbree's enjoy their adorable grandkids, Corey 18, Kammie 11 and Katie 9.

Katie, a founding member in 1987, is now president of the Ocean Beach Dollars for Scholars. They raise money for Ocean Beach/ Point Loma High School students college scholarships.

She is also the fund raising chairperson for the Fostering Opportunities Dollars for Scholars. This organization raises money for scholarships and food for former foster youth who (at the age of 18 years old) have aged out of the "San Diego Foster Care system."

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# Prop C: Saving Mission Bay, fiscal accountability

#### By CITY COUNCILMAN KEVIN FAULCONER

Proposition C — saving Mission Bay Park — is about the preservation of one of the most well-known and cherished landmarks in San Diego, and it's about continuing needed reform in San Diego; it's about truth in budgeting; it's about ending the procrastination of fixing this park to maintain its safety and preserve its wildlife, and it's about being open with the tax-

Prop C is consistent with the

intended use of the revenues from the commercial leases at Mission Bay Park. Since the creation of the park, there has been a call



from reformers that Mission Bay be a self-sustaining park. Even in 1955, there were discussions over commercial leases in Mission Bay Park and the president of the San Diego Taxpayers Association argued that the park had to be self-sustaining and not become a burden to taxpay-

The city has failed to use the revenues the park generates as a reliable funding source to protect the park and taxpayers.

I have heard about the imminent crisis in Mission Bay Park from advocates of the park and I know about the conditions firsthand. Before being elected to City Council, I was the chair of the Mission Bay Park Committee and was on the Park and Recreation Board. Every day I worked on finding ways to make these major repairs to improve the public safety at the park for San Diegans and visitors, and to help preserve the park's wildlife and ecosystem.

I have worked alongside environmental advocates, businesses and community leaders for years against the decisions of past councils that continually took money from Mission Bay Park to pay for non-emergency projects. Prop C will ensure that the revenue that was originally intended to keep the park safe ty. and make the park self-sufficient is used for the park. It will stop the temptation of future councils to use park revenue for pet projects or

other non-emergency pro-

This is also why Prop C is supported by Mayor Jerry Sanders. Mayor Sanders has been singularly focused on reforming City Hall and creating a fiscally responsible and accountable government, and I have worked with him on these goals as chair of the city's Audit Committee and as vice chair of its Budget Committee. Prop C will end the siphoning of dollars designated for serious and major park repairs and instill openness, accountability, and fiscal responsibility.

Some say the council already has the authority to keep the revenues at Mission Bay Park. They ask, why tie the hands of the City Council?

Well, let's look at the history of the city. Nearly 15 years ago, the 1994 Mission Bay master plan update identified major improvement projects totaling \$171 million. Did the city then resist temptation and fund these projects? It did not.

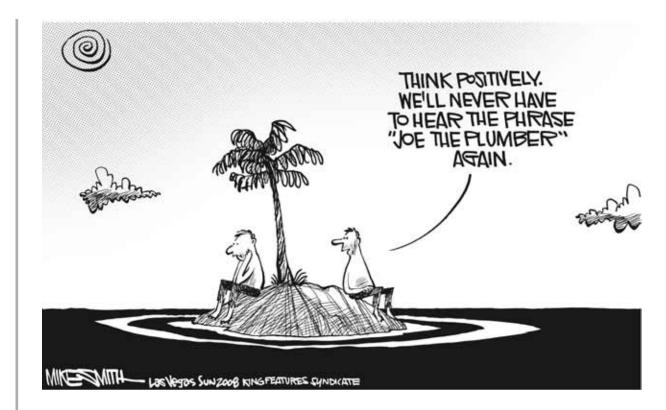
Then, six years later, a scathing 2000 Grand Jury report revealed that the city had allocated \$3 million out of the \$171 million recommended for improvements. The report indicated that to complete the projects, it would take 20 years but only if lease revenues generated stayed in the park. Did this scathing report spur the city into spending these funds on needed park improvements? No, this did not hap-

Then the City Council passed a 2002 ordinance that would have kept 25 percent of the lease revenues generated over \$20 million in Mission Bay Park. Yet again, it waived off the law until Mayor Sanders was elected to office.

Just think, almost all of the repairs would have been done if the city had kept its commitment and made the \$171 million of improvements. But instead, the cost has nearly doubled at a huge cost to tax-

Prop C will end the mismanagement of Mission Bay and will help restore more fiscal responsibility and accountabili-

— Kevin Faulconer represents District 2 of the San Diego City Council, which includes Ocean Beach and Point Loma.



#### **GUEST COMMENTARY**

# Alcohol ban issue not to be taken lightly

#### By HENRY CARSON

I would like to respond to the recent letter by Bill Bradshaw from Pacific Beach ("Stands by his alcohol ban guest commentary," Sept. 18 Beacon, page 6), and his other articles supporting Proposition D, the permanent and total ban of alcohol in San Diego parks and beaches. All arguments for and against the ban aside, there is one truth that no one can deny: the ban has had enormous effects on

Anyone who tells you that the ban has not kept tourists and San Diegans off Ocean Beach this summer is being unreasonable or intentionally misleading. Anyone can compare summer weekends of any of the last several years, when you had to go early to get a good spot for your beach barbecue, to this past summer, when the beach was desolate all weekend long. First, the weather was blamed. Then the shark attack. Then the economy. But we all know the reason for the deserted beaches is the beach-alcohol ban.

To some people, I'm sure this drastic change is an improvement. They don't have to share "their" beach with tourists or lower-class people that live inland. Parking is easier. There are no lines at the check-out counters. Ban supporters claim the sparse beach attendees are now traditional families and that the hordes of philandering frat boys have magically disappeared.

I can't speak for Pacific Beach. but in OB we had families of all kinds at the beach before the ban. We never had those crazy binge parties with two-story beer bongs

shown in shocking videos to begin with. Now, we have neither. We, and everyone else, have our peaceful barbecues in our backyards. I will agree with ban supporters that I don't see many drunken homeless people on Ocean Beach anymore. Now, I pass them on the way to the beach. They are still there, breaking existing laws about public drunkenness and open containers where and when not permitted, just like before the ban. The only difference is that they, too, are going about their normal business a block inland.

I think we should put aside the disputed statistics: ban opponents claim that drunk driving incidents are now up (true) and ban proponents claim that every crime near the beach before the ban was alcohol-related and will now be solved. As Bill Bradshaw points out, causality for statistics is difficult to prove. Of course, he can't have it both ways. You can't dispute drunk driving statistics while simultaneously insinuating that a brutal attack on an Australian tourist near the Ocean Beach Pier would have been prevented by the ban, as Mr. Bradshaw did on voiceofsandiego.org. Of course, the incident occurred many hours after the 8 p.m. alcohol curfew, and the perpetrators obviously would not respect any law that Mr. Bradshaw would see passed.

Let's also put aside claims of where each side is getting financial support. Opponents of the ban have requested the support of the mythical "big alcohol" lobby but, in fact, have received \$0 to date. Where the ban supporters get the

money for all their glossy yard signs is not the point either. Although the negative economic impacts of the ban to Ocean Beach businesses appear dramatic to all of us, it's true that we can't separate those effects from the concurrent economic downturn. So let's just agree to disagree on that.

In fact, let's put all the corrolary arguments aside and get down to the core of the issue: Proposition D is a fight for Ocean Beach's, and San Diego's, soul. If you enjoyed the beach culture of OB before the ban, vote no. If the sight of the empty beach depresses you, vote no. If you believe that you and your friends should be able to peacefully and responsibly enjoy OB just as you have for years without incident, vote no.

If, however, you have lived by the beach in San Diego for years but also inexplicably hated it because of beach alcohol, vote yes. If you are happy that you don't have to share "your" beach community with other San Diegans and the rest of the world (except for the homeless; I'm afraid they are here to stay), vote yes. If you want Ocean Beach to be like "virtually every major beach city in Southern California," as proponents are quick to point out, then vote yes. Your yes vote can help put an end to what I love about Ocean Beach and turn it into everywhere else.

Make sure you also stop in and support the Starbucks on the corner of Newport and Bacon before you head to the polls.

> **Henry Carson** Ocean Beach

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#### Booze ban may not be such a bad thing

From what I have been reading the past few weeks, beach businesses are selling less booze, which means they are putting fewer drunken drivers on the road.

And they want us to feel sorry for them and repeal the beach alcohol ban so they can sell more booze and put more drunk drivers

> Margarita Solis Ocean Beach

#### Ban has not made local beaches any safer

Re: guest commentary "Booze bad doing its job," Aug. 21 Beacon, page 6:

The author of this letter draws many correlations to the beaches being safer, with less trash, and more cost-effective for the city to manage (in trash collection and

Each and every one of those statements is unsubstantiated and false.

First, the beach communities are not any safer. Anyone can do the comparisons on Arjis (www.arjis.org). In fact, there has been a drastic increase in sexual assault in the beach area since the ban was put in place.

Second, there is not less trash. I walk my dog on the boardwalk every morning and every evening, weekdays and weekends. The amount of trash is the exact same, if not more. Yes, the type of trash is different, but the quantity is the

Last but not least, the city spends the exact same amount on garbage collection and police enforcement now as it did a year ago. Please, contact the chief or deputy chief of police, as both of them will inform you that the budget has not changed nor has allocation of resources changed.

The same number of police are on the beach area, but what has changed is that they are now on the sand making sure everyone knows they are there. Anyone else wondering why they were not on the sand before?

Were there problems in the beach community last year? Yes. Are there still problems in the beach community? Yes.

We should be working to address the specific problems directly. Each policy change should have a "criteria for success" defined prior to implementation and routinely reevaluated to ensure they are having a positive effect.

> Jim Kirk San Diego

#### **Better things for police** to enforce than ban

I am writing in response to your guest editorial about the beach alcohol ban "doing its job."

The author begins by saying that he's tired of the "whiners' who say that "a small minority of beachgoers cause the problem and that existing laws are sufficient."

A few paragraphs later he acknowledges that this is, in fact, true. This is a disturbing trend in our society; those who seek to restrict our civil liberties don't want to discuss the facts. Unfortunately, this is true all the way from illegal wiretaps at the federal level to the beach alcohol ban.

The fact that a small minority is causing problem, and that we

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already have laws in place, is exactly what should be discussed, along with the reasons why our police force is not able to enforce the law. We might actually solve the problem if it was faced "head on" in this manner. To say that the police do not have the resources to enforce existing laws, and then say that the answer is more laws, is simply illogical.

The same police presence is necessary whether enforcing old or new laws. That the new law makes it easier for enforcement does not alter the fact that the police still need to be on the beach to do it. I tend to agree with the founding fathers, who intentionally made the job of the police difficult, to protect our civil liberties. As a result of the alcohol ban, having a liquid on the beach is now probable cause to be interrogated by the police.

If that is the ban "doing its job" then I guess I have to agree. I, however, feel that we all owe the "whiners" a debt of gratitude for bringing the facts into the debate.

The author continues by saying that the ban is good because most other beaches ban alcohol, so we should too. There are probably lots of things that other cities do that we don't; however, I can't see that as a reason for adopting new

My last point is that it is incredibly naïve to believe that simply creating a new law will solve this problem. The ban simply moves the problem somewhere else. I live in the last block of Cape May Avenue in Ocean Beach. In the first month after the ban, the homeless and hardcore drinkers simply moved onto the sidewalk. They have now moved somewhere else. However, we have noticed a marked increase in house parties and late-night gatherings of people on the street-

The people who used to leave the bars and have their last few beers on the beach now walk down the street. Of course, this is also against the law, but the police are patrolling the beach. I recently had my catalytic converter stolen from my car parked in front of my house; personally, I would rather have our limited police resources used to prevent that kind of activity.

Police regularly patrolling our streets, rather than the beach, would have a much greater positive impact on our community.

> Phil Rockhold Ocean Beach

#### **RV** owners: there's plenty of motorhome storage facilities

Some of your RV-owning readers seem to find it fine to park in front of their houses so long as they move their vehicles every 72 hours. My neighborhood is full of RV owners who play the game of moving their RVs around the corner every three days to avoid a ticket. They are all missing the point.

The streets are for public use, not for private recreational vehicle storage. Using a private lot made for this purpose, on the other hand, will solve the problem. In one second Google gives you a list of parking lots and vehicle storage areas to keep our streets RV-free and make room for those of us that need to park cars on the street to go to work, take our kids to school, buy groceries, et cetera. (I'll even list three of them to help you: Ace parking on Friars Road, La Mesa RV Center and Mission Bay RV resort.)

And for those of you who prefer a more tangible research tool, the Yellow Pages also provide information (under "Recreational Vehicles" and "Park: Toy Storage," for example).

Now, if money is an issue, Craigslist.org lists dozens of people offering cheaply priced offstreet RV storage.

RV owners must understand that our streets are not for private vehicle storage and that there are many options available to them for safe, off-street parking.

> **Christian Winkle** Pacific Beach

#### **Says Proposition 8 is step** in the wrong direction

Soon we will be partaking in the most important election in decades. You must participate! There are so many important reasons for you to give your voice to this process. But there is none more important than Proposition 8, the prohibition on same-sex marriages.

Californians will be asked whether the California state Constitution will be amended to prohibit the right of same-sex couples to marry. This right was recently granted by the California Supreme Court, a court dominated by Republicans, by virtue of the equal protection clause of our Constitu-

The argument against Proposition 8 is brief. If California passes Proposition 8, we will join a short list of some of the most heinous governments in history. This list includes the apartheid government of South Africa and the government of Nazi Germany and its pre-World War II underling satellite countries. Our state, a world leader in so many areas of government for over one hundred years, will share the same attribute with the most odious and despicable governments the modern world has ever witnessed. We will have written discrimination into our Constitution, the document at the very foundation of our government.

Perhaps your religious leaders profess that homosexuality is a sin and therefore, if the government condones same-sex marriage, it is condoning sin. Please remember that in the past, religious leaders have used their pulpits to defend slavery, legalized discrimination, and the prohibition of interracial marriage. These practices are now universally condemned by all the major religious leaders.

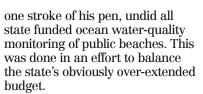
As with any institution, secular or sacred, religion changes over time, and it is no doubt that in a generation or two, all the major religious leaders will have been replaced with a new crop of religious leaders whose views are very different from the current

Please vote no on Proposition 8. In 40 years, we do not want to have to apologize to the yet-to-beborn generations for following a road only the worst governments in history have followed. We do not want to have to apologize for writing discrimination into our California state Constitution.

> Frank Paiano Ocean Beach

#### **Cutting water monitoring** makes no sense

Recently, the state of California took a giant step backward in an already reeling, calamitous world. Gov. Arnold Schwarzenneger, with



I'M NOT SOME FANCY-PANTS,

LATTE-SIPPING ELITIST.

There is no question that cuts and sacrifices need to be made. But we must examine the necessity of monitoring oceans and bays not just from an environmental prospective, but also from a public health standpoint as well. How can we afford not to be aware of potential toxins and/or biologically harmful substances in our frequently visited coastal waters?

First and foremost, the public's health is at stake when there is no longer any water testing going on nor any public notification. With millions of local San Diego county residents diving into the water, how many more individuals will contract water borne illnesses? Imagine taking your children to the beach, knowing that there had been beach closures in the past and that now the water may or may not be safe.

The end of water monitoring increases the risk of beachgoers getting sick and on an even grander scale, it could potentially jeopardize one of California's most precious resources — the ocean itself. Environmentally, monitoring the bacteria levels seems like a thermometer (albiet crude) that could alert us to detrimental changes in the ocean. In the event of an undetected sewage spill, the spill could go unnoticed until numerous people are sick and then have the ware withal to report it. Then and only then what could have been a relatively simple fix, has turned into a much larger environmental and public health issue.

So the public health and environmental benefits are an easy sell. But in these drastic economic times for our city, state and country, how do we afford this? The obvious question is, how much money does it take to run the program locally? Apparently, the whole program costs \$ 300,000 a year. That's not a lot of money to test the waters of San Diego County (from the Mexico border up to San Onofre) and notify the public when bacteria levels are high. A small price to pay for safer beaches and potentially cleaner water. That \$300,000 price tag looks even smaller when you consider the billions of dollars generated by ocean and beach related industries (everything from surfboard manufacturing to a waterfront hotel boasting coastal access). Consider what a central part our beaches and bays are to tourism and life in San Diego — economically and aesthetically. Politicians. including our mayor boasted about the fewer beach closures from year to year in San Diego. The program was making San

Diego look good here and abroad. Politicians were quick to claim credit for it until the governor decided to do way with state funding for the California's Beach Water Monitoring programs.

Where do we turn now? San Diego County doesn't seem to want make it a priority now either. So then what? If every one of the millions of beach goes paid a quarter when they went to the beach, the program could still run. If all San Diego residents contributed 15 cents, testing could continue and the water quality could be designated as safe or unsafe allowing us to know what risks we were taking by going for a swim or a surf in our oceans. As more and more Americans become aware that they are part of the solution to the environmental deterioration of our city and country, we need to move forward, not backward in protecting our precious resources. Why are we dismantling one of the country's most respected water quality programs and turning a blind eye to our citizens' and oceans health? Gov. Schwarzenaeger's line-item veto was short sighted, and unfortunately, is a done deal. But now what? I ask the county to consider assisting with funding or even local non-profit environmental organizations to come together to work on an alternative plan so that our beaches and bays of San Diego are safe and clean.

> **Elizabeth Johnson** San Diego

#### CLARIFICATION

#### PROPOSITION S

In the Oct. 23 edition of the Peninsula Beacon, a story detailed the opposing viewpoints behind Proposition  $\check{S}$  – the San Diego School Repair and Safety Measure.

As written, Proposition S is asking voters to approve a bond measure of \$2.1 billion to make physical repairs and upgrade technology with the district, with the aim of making schools safer and more advanced.

Whether voters choose to approve Prop S or not, the story should have listed schools in the Peninsula area that stand to benefit from the measure. They include: Barnard Elementary, Dewey Elementary, Cabrillo Elementary, Loma Portal Elementary, Ocean Beach Elementary, Silver Gate Elementary, Sunset View Elementary, Correia Middle School, Dana Middle School and Point Loma High School.

# 'Indie by Design' music series set for Humphrey's Backstage

By BART MENDOZA | THE BEACON

downturn, San Diego's music scene seems to be weathering the turmoil well, thanks to a small group of proactive promoters. One of the key players locally is Danielle Lo Presti, who in addition to fronting her own group The Masses also promotes the annual "Indie Music Fest" and a smaller music series, "Indie by Design."

It's with the latter that she has built her reputation, drawing talent from throughout the Southland for a series of small, accessible show-

On Nov. 5, Lo Presti will stage the latest edition of "Indie by Design" at Humphrey's Backstage Lounge. The bill will include singer-songwriter JD Boucharde, local indie bands Social Green, The Band of Goodmen and Lo Presti's combo, as well as Los Angeles-

based duo Saucy Monkey.

The event was started by Lo Despite the current economic Presti and bassist Kelly Bowen in 2002, with over 150 artists taking part to date. Performers are picked through traditional methods, including referrals and word of

> "I am always scouring around for artists that are excellent at what they do and who will also promote creatively and aggressively," Lo Presti said. "There is no shortage whatsoever of great musicians in town. And more are being made as we speak.

She feels it's beneficial for artists to work in unison.

"There is so much ground to gain when we work together, pass gigs to one another, look out for each other, refer bookers to one another, team up on bills or share musicians," said Lo Presti.

She considers the doom and gloom often mentioned in conjunc-

tion with declining music sales and Design, Lo Presti does feel it's audiences. concert attendance as overstated.

"I see a lot of musicians still living in what I think is a tragic delusion, that there is not enough to go around," she said. "Unfortunately, that kind of scarcity thinking often begets that very result."

Lo Presti notes that there are over 100 venues in the county for musicians to perform at.

"Fortunately, there are also the artists that absolutely get that there are more than enough fans, gigs and opportunities to go around," Lo Presti said. "The more we share those things, the more tends to come back to us. It's the power of teamwork, and it just feels good to help one another, to support other musicians you

Lo Presti has been known for taking on social issues in her music. While this is not a require-

important for musicians to let their voices be heard.

"The more I live, the more I see how fragile the good things are," she said. "We can go day after day living our lives, taking so many liberties and hard-won freedoms for granted, things people our age and younger fought and died for. If we don't reach out of ourselves and contribute, I fear we can lose many of those things, or at best, become stagnant.'

For her, music is the ultimate way to communicate.

"I feel we owe it to the past generations and the future ones to use our privilege, our art, our voices to leave this crazy, unjust world a little bit better than when we found it," Lo Presti said.

Though promoting music can often be a tiring and thankless task, Lo Presti is happy with her role in ment for performers at Indie by bringing new music to San Diego's

"I feel that by doing this work we are making a concrete, tangible difference in people's lives," she said. "We are inspiring people to find and use their voices and to support art.'

Anytime she can introduce an artist to a new fan, she feels a sense of accomplishment.

We like to deliver to every audience member present a skin-tingling feeling of 'Why haven't I known about this band before?" Lo Presti said. "When folks come up to me at a show and ask me why one of the artists on the bill is 'not famous yet,' I feel like we're doing our job.

Indie Music Fest takes place at 7:30 p.m. at Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, 2241 Shelter Island Drive on Wednesday, Nov. 5. The show is for ages 21 and up. For more information,

www.humphreysbythebay.com or www.sayitrecords.com.

# Council votes to urge no vote on same-sex marriage measure

By NEAL PUTNAM | THE BEACON

Following testimony from both sides on the same-sex marriage issues surrounding Proposition 8, the San Diego City Council voted 6-2 to urge citizens to vote no, and opponents of Prop 8 picked up an unexpected vote by District 2 Councilman Kevin Faulconer.

Faulconer didn't explain his vote, but he joined councilmembers Donna Frye, Toni Atkins, Scott Peters, Jim Madaffer and Ben Hueso in opposing Prop 8, which would take away the right of gay and lesbian couples to legally marry in California.

Voting to urge a yes vote on Prop 8 were Tony Young and Brian Maienshein.

A year ago, Faulconer, Young and Maienshein voted against the city filing an amicus brief to the state Supreme Court in support of the same-sex marriage issue.

With a majority of City Council support, Mayor Jerry Sanders Hall by those who hoped counsigned the brief in an emotional

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news conference in October 2007 after acknowledging his daughter's gay lifestyle.

Proposition 8 differs from the amicus brief in that it is a Constitutional amendment to overturn the marriage right that the California Supreme Court conferred on gay and lesbian couples in

The proposition qualified for the ballot before a higher court could rule.

Faulconer participated in a long City Council meeting after the vote, and neither he nor his spokesperson could be reached for comment.

one man and one woman," said James Hartline, a former homosexual who is now a conservative Christian activist.

"This vote today doesn't represent the will of the people of San Diego," he said.

The vote followed a rally at City cilmembers would urge a yes



vote on Proposition 8.

Hartline and others said it was not necessary for the City Council to debate the social issue that voters will decide Nov. 4.

Hartline said he received more "Marriage is a union between e-mails critical of the council addressing Proposition 8 than any other issue he has spoken about in many years.

Hartline and others said they taken "in the name of the city of San Diego" when public opinion is so divided on the same-sex

Opponents of Proposition 8, living in public housing.

including Atkins, disagreed.

"Democracy is working very well. You're all here," said Atkins, who is gay, made the motion to recommend a no vote to voters. Atkins recently married

"If we followed tradition, many people would be enslaved," said Atkins, noting other changes such as women gaining the right to vote.

"Love can't be legislated, but contracts (of marriage) can. Nobody should be forbidden from entering into a contract."

The council also voted 7-1 to endorse Proposition A, the fire protection parcel tax. Frye cast the dissenting vote.

Councilmembers voted 6-1 to support Proposition were disturbed the vote was 11, the redistricting measure, and 7-0 to urge a no vote on Proposition 6, which expands criminal penalties and bars anyone convicted of a felony from

# **News**Briefs

#### **Point Loma hit-and-run** case leads to search

Police investigators are searching for a suspect in a hit-and-run accident Sunday in the Roseville area of Point Loma that left a pedestrian seriously injured.

The 45-year-old woman was crossing westbound in the 1400 block of Rosecrans when she was struck by a vehicle — possibly a Volkswagen — that was heading north, according to San Diego police Sgt. David Jennings.

The accident occurred about 10 p.m., said Jennings.

The victim is reported to have suffered leg fractures and cuts. No other vehicle description was available, but the car is believed to be a dark compact, said police.

#### 5K walk fundraiser to aid officers in home buying

The San Diego Association of Realtors' Amabassador Foundation will host a 5K walk fundraising event in Point Loma on Saturday, Nov. 15 to raise money for the "Everday Heroes" program.

The program is designed to assist San Diego police officers in buying homes in the communities in which they serve, according to event orga-

The walk will take place at NTC Park at Liberty Station beginning

KUSI-TV's Joe Lizura, the spokesman for the event, will join police officers, Realtors and supporters on the brisk walk to call attention to the service of police officers and to help them achieve the dream of home ownership.

Teams and individuals can sign up in advance for \$25 per person and can make monetary donations by calling (619) 298-7400 or by viswww.ambassadorsfound ation.org.

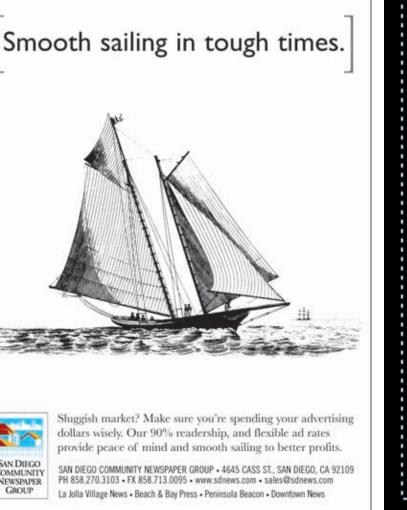
Event organizers said four San Diego police officers were helped to purchase their first homes in 2008.

#### **'Education Day'** event to aid HTH programs

The High Tech High (HTH) Village of Schools will launch its second annual "Liberty Station for Education Day" on Wednesday, Nov. 5 to better meet the needs of local

The fundraising event, slated to

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# Reserves come up large as Lakers return to San Diego

BY ERIC YATES | THE BEACON

Relax, Lakers fans. He'll be fine. You can come down off of the ledge

On Tuesday, Oct. 21, the current Western Conference champs made their annual voyage south to San Diego to play a preseason game at the San Diego Sports Arena. And while they squeaked out a 102-98 win over the hapless Charlotte Bobcats, the big news from the game centered on the right knee of 2008 MVP Kobe Bryant.

In the second quarter, Bryant came down on the foot of teammate Josh Powell, hyperextending his knee. He immediately motioned to the bench to take him out. After trainers took a look at the knee, he went back to the locker room and didn't return until the second half, when he was in street clothes.

All indications are that Bryant, who averaged 28.3 points per game last season, would be ready for the season opener on Tuesday, Oct. 28. The Lakers won their opener 96-76.

"I didn't ask him about his injury," said Lakers head coach Phil Jackson following the game. "I thought he (Bryant) got banged in the shin but the trainer said he hyperextended his knee, so we just took him out for the night."

Though secondary to the news surrounding Bryant, the 9,800 in attendance were treated to a great game. Lakers center Andrew Bynum, coming off of his own season-ending knee surgery last year, showed no ill effects, scoring 16 points, pulling down eight

rebounds and adding three blocks in 26 minutes. He will be a key cog in the wheel if Los Angeles is to return to the NBA Finals.

The game also marked a return to San Diego for two players. The Lakers' Luke Walton, who starred at University of San Diego High School, chipped in with five points, four rebounds and two assists.

On the other side of the ball, the Bobcats' Jared Dudley played for the first time in front of his hometown crowd since leading Horizon High School to back-to-back CIF state titles in 2002 and 2003.

"I thought that after high school, I'd never play here again," Dudley said. "But being at the Sports Arena, against the Lakers and Kobe ... they're one of the favorites to win the championship. I also got to play against Luke here. I never got to do that in high school. I've got lots of friends and family here, it's a dream come true."

Dudley was admittedly nervous and didn't have a great game on the score sheet, scoring only one point and adding two rebounds and two steals. He did, however, have the play of the game. With two minutes left before halftime, he deflected a pass out to half court, dove on top of the scorers' table and flipped the ball behind him to teammate Raymond Felton, who tossed up an alley-oop that Gerald Wallace hammered down with one hand. It sent ooohs and aaaahs throughout the arena.

The key for the Lakers on the night was the play of their bench. Guard Jordan Farmar (17 points, 4 assists, 2 steals) and small forward Trevor Ariza (14 points, 4 rebounds, 3 steals)



The Lakers' Kobe Bryant is fouled while driving the lane against the Charlotte Bobcats on Oct. 21 at the Sports Arena.

were particularly impressive.

"Jordan Farmar was the spark for us tonight," said Jackson. "Ĥis play has been inspiring."

off on Tuesday and the Lakers are a full season, there's no reason to still among the teams to beat in the think that come June they can't bring Western Conference. With Bynum a title back to Tinseltown.

The NBA's regular season kicked now healthy and Pau Gasol in tow for

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take place from 1 to 6 p.m., is designed to raise much-needed funding for HTH education pro-

According to event organizers, California's ongoing budget battles and general economic downturn have put the pinch on funding flow to students.

They cite Explorer Elementary School as an example, saying the elementary feeder school for the HTH system is funded at a level of \$1,200 less per student than the actual costs incurred by the school.

Last year's "Liberty Station for Education Day" raised more than \$8,000 for HTH students.

This year's event will include new activities, prizes and live entertainment by students from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and again from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Acts include the Explorer choir, bands, dancing and robotics demonstrations.

With a component called "Taste of Liberty Station," the event also serves a dual benefit in terms of boosting sales and exposure for Liberty Station's shops and businesses. The tasting times for the many participating eateries are 1 to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 6 p.m.

The cost for the tasting is \$15 per adult and \$8 per student. Family packs are available for \$35. Tickets may be purchased Nov. 3-5 at each of the HTH campuses.

A host of businesses have donated items for a raffle. Individual tickets are \$1; 13 tickets may be purchased for \$10; and 30 tickets are available for \$20.

For more information, schedules ticket sales. visit www.parentpage.org\libertystationf oreducationday.

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# What's New*(s)*

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### **Rock Paper Scissors Supports** Kids Giving Treats To Adults this Halloween for a good cause

This Halloween, groups of San Diego Trick-or-Treaters will unite to:

- END poverty among cocoa farmers
- END forced/abusive child labor in the cocoa industry
- PROMOTE Fair Trade
- PROTECT the environment

A pleasant surprise will greet people distributing candy at their door, when kids reverse the Halloween tradition to hand adults a sample of Fair Trade chocolate.

The chocolate will be accompanied by a card informing recipients of poverty and child labor problems in the cocoa industry, affecting mainstream candy enjoyed at Halloween and around the year, and how Fair Trade certified chocolate provides a solution. Parents of last year's Reverse Trick or Treating participants raved about how Reverse Trick-or-Treating transformed Halloween into a meaningful event where youthful activists can give back to their neighbors and to cocoa growing communities.

The chocolate and cards are FREE! Thanks to generous donations from a number of Fair Trade chocolate companies, FREE Reverse Trick or Treating kits can be picked up at the following distribution sites in San Diego: Rock Paper Scissors in Ocean Beach, The Purpose in Old Town, and Open Door Books in Pacific Beach. Kits will be available beginning October 21, 2008. An adult is required to be present to pick-up the kits. Supplies are limited.

**Chocolate and Fair Trade:** 

Despite years of promises from major chocolate manufacturers, little has been done to tackle documented problem of forced child labor on many farms that supply their cocoa. Moreover, low cocoa prices have left cocoa farmers in poverty year after year. Fair Trade chocolate is proof that change is possible and represents an important step towards larger reforms. Fair Trade certification prohibits the use of abusive child labor, and encourages the adoption of safer, chemical free farming methods.

For more info visit Rock Paper Scissors 4976 Newport Ave. or call (619) 222-7625

Two youngsters share a Halloween cupcake treat Saturday night.





Left, Keilani Fernandez, 8, dresses as a vampire with Frankenstein watching over her shoulder from behind. Right, Alessandra Herrera, 5, poses as a young

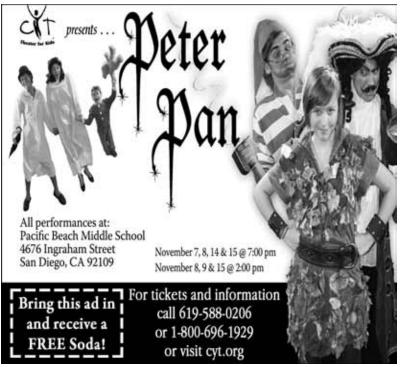


The Hallloween fun wasn't strictly for the kids. Adults got in on the action too.



# ghoulishly good time in Ocean Beach

Lily Kope, 12, shows off her Barbie doll packaging during the Halloween fun and frolic at the Ocean Beach Recreation Center on Santa Monica Avenue on Saturday. The event was put on by the Ocean Beach and Point Loma Community **Recreation Councils.** PHOTOS BY PAUL HANSEN | THE BEACON







# **Pointers demolish UC High** in Homecoming showcase

PLHS alums welcomed back with 49-14 win

By BARRY SCHWARTZ | THE BEACON

Point Loma High School (PLHS) put together a complete game on Friday night under the lights for their Homecoming game, dominating University City High School (UCHS) on both sides of the ball in a 49-14 contest that was never in any question for the Pointer fans.

The Dogs took control early, scoring the first 21 points on two Leslie Rogers touchdown runs (20 by junior defensive end Will McDonough for 11 yards.

The Centurions had a huge task trying to catch up. They scored twice in the second quarter, but the Pointers were quick to pay them back after UC quarterback Skyler Dougherty hit wide receiver Willie Meadows on a 25-yard TD pass.

"We knew tonight that we could take advantage of what we saw on film," said PLHS head football coach Mike Hastings. "Our kids wanted to get back to what we have done here at Point Loma finishing opponents off early, taking it in and getting the win."

In the second quarter, Point Loma really showed its mettle, with junior running back Rogers carrying the ball for two touchdowns from 63 and 47 yards after University City ran the ball into the

end zone to stay in the game. Junior Jordan Sparkman added his own receiving touchdown from 25 yards out.

The Pointers have been a young squad this season, but this Homecoming game brought out the best in a few starters, one of whom is a legacy player on the varsity squad.

Davis Callejon follows in his brothers' footsteps, playing both sides of the football. He plays wide receiver behind Marquel Specks and 6 yards) and a fumble return and is a defensive back, snagging two interceptions Friday night.

"Our corners were struggling the first few games, so I came in to help out and did well," said Callejon.

"I do what I have to do to help the team out. The first time (interception) I just got lucky, but the second one I saw coming in slow motion and stepped in there," he

The third quarter was the toughest battle. It looked as if UC might come back, but Rogers capitalized on one of the interceptions by the Pointers to drive in the final stake on an 18-yard run.

"We are 146-34 (in scoring) in Homecoming games under the lights the last four years," said Hastings. "It's a tribute to the program and the kids that have come through here the past few



Point Loma High School defensive back Davis Callejon had a fine Homecoming performance with two interceptions.

for the kids and alums."

The final outcome was not what UCHS had in mind, of course.

"We just gave away too many points too early," said UCHS our league. Our kids are getting 6:30 p.m.

years. It's a real shot in the arm head football coach Noel better, but they get down early, Looney. "It's been tough with so many injuries. We are getting healthy, though, and all of our kids are academically eligible, will travel to Serra High to play so we can make a run for it in a Halloween contest at

and it's tough to come back."

This week UCHS hosts Hoover High at 3 p.m. while Point Loma





Left, Point Loma High School Homecoming King James Fink and Homecoming Queen Shelby Mack wave to the crowd during halftime of Friday's game against University City High. Above, the school's senior class float sported a Candyland theme, while underclassmen crafted floats with board game themes. PHOTOS BY BARRY SCHWARTZ | THE BEACON





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# Panera Bread Bakery Café

the doors of Panera Bread Bakery Café the lunchtime crowd surprised me. It was a bustling center filled with everyone from business savvy individuals to families to students. With seven people in between the cashier and me I thought it would take forever. Surprisingly, after just minutes of perusing the menu I was at the cashier and being greeted by a friendly young woman. I decided to go with the Bacon Turkey Bravo sandwich which sounded great turkey, bacon, lettuce, tomato, smoked Gouda and Panera's signature dressing on tomato basil bread.

After placing my order I found a booth that was both clean and comfortable. Almost as soon as I sat down my sandwich was brought to my table. The first thing I realized as I began to inclulge was how fresh the ingredients were. The bread was simply the best. It had the perfect consistency - soft enough not to cut up the roof of my mouth but tough enough to hold everything together. Mouthwatering!

Panera is a bread-lover's paradise. The bread is so fresh and it's no wonder considering they bake all their breads fresh 7 days a week in the café's ovens. The French baguette is my personal favorite of the moment. The crispy crust and the fluffy middle are so good it wouldn't be surprising to gobble up a whole loaf in a single sitting. Also don't miss the Three

The first time walking through Cheese or Focaccia breads - both are amazing!

> Since that first time I stepped foot in Panera I've been coming back almost weekly. I know the lay of the land pretty well now. I've tried to sample at least everything on the menu once but lately I've been feasting on a particular sandwich — Turkey Artichoke Panini. Its got Smoked turkey, spinach artichoke spread, Asiago-Parmesan cheese, tomatoes & caramelized onions, grilled hot on our Focaccia. Believe me once you try this one it will be hard to not to get it every time you come.

> Since there are so many great soups and salads along with amazing sandwiches, Panera created the "You Pick Two" meal option where you can get half a sandwich and soup or salad. It's a really good deal and helps during times of indecision, which is a common occurrence because there are so many great items to choose from.

> So eating never gets boring, with each changing season Panera introduces new soups, salads, and sandwiches. Recently, Panera has come out the Tomato & Mozzarella Panini sure to keep you warm during Fall's cooler months along with the Orchard Harvest Salad hand tossed with D'Anjou pears, toasted pecans, dried cherries, Gorgonzola and cherry balsamic vinaigrette. Each season new items are introduced so keep an eye out for those seasonal favorites.

The new grilled breakfast sandwiches are a great reason to hit up



Panera for breakfast not to menmade with only the freshest eggs, cheese, sausage and bacon, all grilled on freshly baked Ciabatta – there are even the grill marks to prove it!

tion their amazing pastries, bagels ner, Panera has it all. A simple conand espresso drinks. This is no cept of fresh, convenient and ordinary breakfast sandwich. It is healthy items has kept customers coming again and again. Even come to Panera for business meetings, not only to mix work with pleasure but because there is free wifi, or they will cater and deliver

From breakfast, to lunch, to din-right to your office. Don't miss out on the fresh choices you have at Panera to satisfy your breadlover's soul.

> The Panera in Liberty Station is located at 2425 Truxtun Road. For more information please visit, www.panerabread.com.

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Happy Hour 5-7pm

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Super Pint Night

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Happy Hour 4:30-6:30

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1/2 price pitchers

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Happy Hour 5-7pm

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\$2 off all martinis

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1/2 Price Pitchers

all night!

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Happy Hour 5-7pm

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1/2 Price Pitchers

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# November

#### COMMUNITY/CIVIC

Monday, Nov. 3, 6:45 p.m., Sunset Cliffs Natural Park Council meets at the Cabrillo Rec Center, 3051 Cañon St. For more information, call (619) 222-9719. or visit www.calsnet.net/sunsetcliffs.

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the American Lung Association of California hosts a "Respiration Rally" to offer hope and help to people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). The free event is for people with COPD and their families, caregivers and friends. RSVP to (619) 297-3901 register and online at www.mrsnv.com.

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 1 p.m., The Rock Academy hosts a special Veterans Day ceremony to honor U.S. servicemen and women. The event takes place at the Rock Sanctuary, 2277 Rosecrans St. at Liberty Station. For more information, call (619) 764-5200.

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m., Point Loma Garden Club hosts its monthly meeting. The program will feature Kurt Peacock, who will present "Waterwise Trees, Plants and Flowers." The event takes place at the Portuguese Hall, 2818 Avenida de Portugal. For more information, call (858) 483-2693, or visit www.plgc.org.

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 5 p.m., another in a series of monthly forums, "Behind the Scenes at NTC Shades, Surf & Sea and the Dog

Promenade." The forums are designed to provide information to and obtain input from interested community groups and individuals regarding NTC Promenade, the civic arts and cultural center at Liberty Station in Point Loma. The event takes place at Weisz Green Room at Dance Place San Diego, 2650 Truxtun Road. RSVP to info@ntcfoundation.org. For more information, call (619) 573-9300. The next forum is Tuesday, Dec. 9, 5 p.m., NTC Command Center, 2640 Historic Decatur Road.

Thursday, Nov. 13, 10 to 10:45 a.m., baby sign language workshop with local expert Monta Briant at the Ocean Beach Library, 4801 Santa Monica Ave. For more information, call (619) 531-1532.

Saturday, Nov. 15, 8 a.m., the San Diego Association of Realtors Ambassador's Foundation hosts a 5K walk to aid San Diego police officers in becoming homeowners in the neighborhoods they protect. The event takes place at NTC Park in Liberty Station. Teams and individuals may sign up in advance for \$25 per person and make monetarv donations www.ambassadorsfoundation.org. For information, call (619) 298-

The Ocean Beach Tree Festival Committee now has festival T-shirts and sweat shirts available for sale. The items may be purchased at

Beach Dog Wash. For more information, call (619) 515-4400 or (619) 226-9613

Tuesdays, 10 to 10:45 a.m., preschool storytime at the Ocean Beach Library, 4801 Santa Monica Ave. For more information, call (619) 531-1532.

Mondays, 3 to 3:45 p.m., baby signing storytime for infants and caregivers at the Ocean Beach Library, 4801 Santa Monica Ave. For more information, call (619) 531-1532.

#### HEALTH

Today, Oct. 30, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the San Diego Blood Bank bloodmobile will be hosted by Charter School of San Diego, 10170 Huennekens St. in the Midway area. For more information, call 4MY-SDBB, or www.sandiegobloodbank.org.

#### **SCHOOLS**

#### CORREIA

- Today, Oct. 30, 5 to 8 p.m., Boo
- Saturday, Nov. 1, 8 a.m. to noon, campus cleanup.
- Wednesday, Nov. 5, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Correia Association meeting.
- Thursday, Nov. 6, 3 to 7 p.m., holiday bazaar. Proceeds benefit student music, student trips and classroom materials.
- Saturday, Nov. 1, 8 a.m. to noon, school cleanup and beautification day involving painting of the band room. For more information, call 224-0476, or jslabenske@yahoo.com.
- Thursday, Nov. 13, 9 to 10 a.m., principal's coffee.
- Saturday, Nov. 17, CIMA fundraiser at Bookstar.

#### DANA

- Today, Oct. 30, bake sale; 5 to 9 p.m., chorus fundraiser at Chuck E. Cheese; 6:30 to 8 p.m., Family Tech Night in library.
- Friday, Oct. 31, ASB Costume Day.
- Monday, Nov. 3, 5:30 to 8 p.m., Point Loma Cluster Foundation meeting in library.
- Thursday, Nov. 6, bake sale.
- Friday, Nov. 7, Spirit Day.

#### **EXPLORER ELEMENTARY**

• Wednesday, Nov. 5, 4 to 7 p.m., "Safari at Sundown" book fair fundraiser offering specially priced books and educational products, along with storytelling by local authors, refreshments and activities for children. Proceeds will be used to purchase books and materials for the Carey Family Library. information, e-mail pc.bookfair@explorerelementary.or

#### **LOMA PORTAL**

- Today, Oct. 30, 1:05 to 1:30 p.m., support the 4th-grade class by purchasing pizza, baked goods and drinks in the grassy area.
- Through Friday, Oct. 31, Red Ribbon Week.
- Through October, volunteers needed for "Everyone-A-Reader" program. Call (619) 223-4810, or e-mail christinagilmoremckay@netzero.com.
- Monday, Nov. 10, national "Take a Veteran to School Day" sponsored by the History Channel. Students will learn the meaning and value of service to the country. For more information, visit www.lomaportalelementary.com.
- Monday, Nov. 10, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Foundation meeting in library; holi-

day food drive begins.

#### OCEAN BEACH ELEMENTARY

- Today, Oct. 30, 1 to 6 p.m., Family Dining Day at Roots Cafe.
- Monday, Nov. 3, 6:30 p.m., Point Loma Cluster meeting at Dana Mid-
- Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2:30 p.m., SSC/SGT meeting.

#### **SACRED HEART**

- Today, Oct. 30, 4th-graders to San Diego Natural History Museum.
- Monday, Nov. 3, 9:30 a.m., mock presidential town hall meeting; 7 p.m., Principal's Advisory Board meeting in art lab.
- Tuesday, Nov. 4, 8:30 a.m., Parents Association Board meeting in art lab; report cards sent home.
- Wednesday, Nov. 5, noon dismissal; 1 to 4 p.m., report card conferences.
- Thursday, Nov. 6, noon dismissal; 1 to 7 p.m., report card conferences.
- Friday, noon dismissal; staff meeting. • Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2nd-graders to
- San Diego Zoo. • Thursday, Nov. 13, 4th-graders to
- Medieval Times in Buena Park. • Friday, Nov. 14, 8 a.m. to noon, jog-a-thon at Robb Field.
- Monday, Nov. 17, hearing rescreening.
- Wednesday, Nov. 19, noon dismissal.
- Nov. 20-21, no school staff attends National Core Knowledge Conference.
- Tuesday, Nov. 25, progress reports online for grades 4-8.
- Wednesday, Nov. 26, 8 a.m., allschool Mass at Sacred Heart Church.
- Nov. 27-28, no school Thanksgiving vacation.

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# **CALENDAR**

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#### **SILVER GATE**

• Friday, Oct. 31, 7:45 a.m., principal's chat with kindergarten and 1stgrade parents; 1:15 p.m., Halloween

#### **SUNSET VIEW**

- Thursday, Oct. 30, Dia de los Muertos celebration.
- Friday, Nov. 7, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., Sunset View holiday boutique and home-cooked spaghetti dinner featuring gifts, books, toys, jewelry, candy and other items. The event takes place at the Portuguese Hall, 2818 Avenida de Portugal.

#### ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

- Today, Oct. 30, 8 a.m., All-School
- Friday, Oct. 31, 10 a.m., Halloween carnival; noon dismissal; 5 p.m., daycare closes.
- Tuesday, Nov. 4, report cards due out.
- Thursday, Nov. 6, 7 p.m., PTG meeting.
- Friday, Nov. 7, 8 a.m., all-school Mass; 12:15 p.m. dismissal.
- Saturday, Nov. 8, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Barnes & Noble bookfair at 3150 Rosecrans St.
- Nov. 10-14, parent conferences.
- Tuesday, Nov. 11, no school -Veterans Day.

#### WARREN-WALKER

- Friday, Oct. 31, 8:30 a.m., lower school Halloween parade and recitations.
- Wednesday, Nov. 5, 4 to 5:30 p.m., open house for families of prospective prekindergarten through 5th-grade students.
- Saturday, Nov. 15, 4 to 5:30 p.m., open hour for families of prospective 6th-through 8th-grade students.

#### **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

Today, Oct. 30, 7:30 p.m., Point Loma Nazarene University hosts San Diego Symphony oboist Christopher Gaudi in a free event at the Crill Performance Hall, 3900 Lomaland Drive. For more information, call (619) 849-2344, or e-mail laurieoliver@pointloma.edu.

Today, Oct. 30, 7:30 p.m., Holy Trinity Concerts presents worldrenowned fiddler Liz Carroll, who will open the 12th season of the Holy Trinity Celtic Concert Series. Carroll will be joined by Irish singer/songwriter Daithi Sproule. Tickets are \$25. The performances take place at Holy Trinity Parish, 2083 Sunset Cliffs Blvd. For more information, call (619) 222-0365, or visit www.holytrinityob.com.

Friday, Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m., Point Loma Nazarene University hosts the Point Loma Singers and Vocal Jazz Ensemble in a free event at the Crill Performance Hall, 3900 Lomaland Drive. The featured music will range from pop to Broadway to jazz. For more information, call (619) 849-2344, or e-mail laurieoliver@pointloma.edu.

Through Sunday, Nov. 2, The New Americans Museum hosts an exhibit of rare photographs by Filipino-American photographer Ricardo Orceto Alvarado. The exhibit, "Through My Father's Eyes: The Filipino-American Photographs of Ricardo Orceto Alvarado (1914-1976)," offers a rare insight into the emergence of the Filipino-American community in postwar America. The museum is located at 2825 Dewey Road. Suite 102 in the NTC Promenade of Liberty Station in Point Loma. There is no admission charge. The museum is open Wednesdays through Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more informa-



www.newamericansmuseum.org.

Sunday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m., Point Loma Nazarene University hosts Jazz at the Point featuring the Mellowtones, a jazz trio, in a free event at the Crill Performance Hall, 3900 Lomaland Drive. The featured music will range from pop to Broadway to jazz. For more information, call (619) 849e-mail laurieoliv-2344, or er@pointloma.edu.

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 7:30 p.m., Point Loma Nazarene University hosts chamber music ensembles featuring brass, pianos, strings, percussion and various combinations. The event is free and takes place at Crill Performance Hall, 3900 Lomaland Drive. For more information, call (619) 849-2344, or e-mail laurieoliver@pointloma.edu.

tion, call (619) 255-8908, or visit Loma Nazarene University hosts a cultural event series featuring The Belleherst Players' "Candles in the Window." Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for students, seniors and military. The event takes place at Crill Performance Hall, 3900 Lomaland Drive. For more information, call (619) 849or e-mail laurieoliv-2344. er@pointloma.edu.

> Nov. 21-22, 8 p.m., Malashock Dance Studio at Liberty Station presents "Let's Duet," featuring duet favorites. The event takes place at the Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive in La Jolla. For more information, call (619) 260-1600, or visit www.malashockdance.org.

Through Jan. 4, Quilt Visions presents a new exhibit, "Playing with a Full Deck, Art Quilts from the Warren and Nancy Brakensiek Contemporary Art Collection," at Visions Art Quilt Tuesday, Nov. 4, 7:30 p.m., Point Gallery at the NTC Promenade of Lib-

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**Chapel at Liberty Station (former Naval** Training Center) in Point Loma will be the setting for various holiday performances planned through December, including the Peninsula Singers, left, on Friday, Dec. 12. Other scheduled performances will feature the Cabrillo Singers, the 60-member Explorer Elementary School Children's Chorus, famed actor John Cochran in a one-man presentation, fingerstyle guirarist Gob Giesick, the Capoeira Brasil **Holiday Dancers and the San Diego School for the Creative and Performing** Arts Choir. To view the entire list of performers, dates, times and cost. visit www.thenorthchapel.com. COURTESY PHOTO

erty Station. The exhibition was originally organized by Sue Pearce and circulated by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service and features 54 quilts by renowned quilt artists. The exhibit is located at 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 100. For more information, call (619) 546-4872, or visit www.quiltvisions.org.

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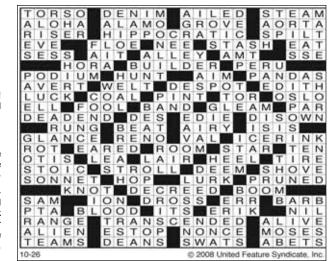


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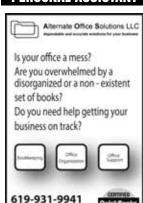
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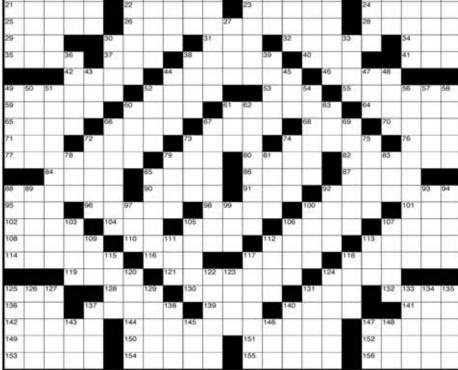
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That girl

Soull

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Neck part

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