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Council puts clamp on union pay to close gap

By **SEBASTIAN RUIZ** | THE BEACON

The San Diego City Council unanimously backed Mayor Jerry Sanders' fiscal year 2010 budget proposal Tuesday, calling for 6 percent cuts in employee wages and reductions to their benefits

and compensation.

The fiscal plan, which Sanders unveiled Monday at City Hall and reinforced during a last-minute appearance at the Ocean Beach Branch Library on Tuesday, is expected to close half of the estimated \$60 million budget gap with

Mayor sets OB forum to review budget plan

\$30 million worth of concessions from the city's five labor groups.

The council voted 8-0 in favor of the plan during labor negotiation hearings Tuesday.

While keeping libraries and city

recreation centers open, the mayor's budget plan keeps about 150 positions vacant but does not include layoffs.

"This is the year to protect city services and employees," Sanders

said on Monday. He said a 6 percent across-the-board reduction was "fair" to all employees.

Sanders and District 1 Councilmember Sherri Lightner will host a budget town hall meeting

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Seal of approval for humans

Ciara Gray, 9, foreground, and Sean Gray, 5, center, of Pacific Beach, encounter a curious young sea lion pup while kayaking in Quivera Basin at Mission Bay on Sunday with their mother, Kathy Miller. The pup, which had a yellow tag on one flipper, seemed quite used to humans. He appeared to want to join the children and their mother in the boat at one point but opted to shuffle from the deck of the bait barge into a boat that had pulled alongside instead. The startled boaters were quick to shoo him off their boat.

PHOTO BY ROMAN GRAY | THE BEACON

Day at the Docks set to lure 25,000 fishing enthusiasts

By **ANTHONY GENTILE** | THE BEACON

Fishing enthusiasts and funseekers who simply want to spend a day by the water can celebrate the start of the fishing season in style on Sunday, April 19 when Day at the Docks returns for its 30th year. The event will be held at San Diego Sportfishing Landings in Point Loma from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"It's the only show of its kind on the West Coast," said Day at the Docks' press coordinator Gary Graham.

There is no cost for the event, which features a wide variety of fishing activities, food and entertainment throughout the day. Graham said what makes Day at the Docks unique is that it all takes place on one day.

"Most of the events are multi-day events. This happens on one day," Graham said. "The exhibitors you talk to say that it is the best single-day event (around)."

Day at the Docks will be marking

its third decade Sunday, and Graham said he expects about 25,000 participants.

"It's right on the waterfront, at the home of where sportfishing was born in Southern California," Graham said.

Anglers can be schooled during Day at the Docks, with seminars geared for all levels of fishermen. Lecture topics range from "10 Percent of the Anglers Catch 90 Percent of the Fish" to "Fishing Lines and Secure Knots" to "Trolling With Rapala Jigs for Yellowtail and Tuna."

Those in attendance will also have the opportunity to pick the brains of the crews of the San Diego sportfishing fleet, whose boats will be open to the public during the event. Graham said most of the captains of the 70 boats moored there will be on their vessels during the open house.

"If you're a beginning angler or

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Ishmael & The Peacemakers will be among the performers during Saturday's OB Global Rock Festival.

OB Global Rock Fest to spotlight environment in low-tech fashion

By **BART MENDOZA** | THE BEACON

The open-air music festival is a staple of San Diego's cultural life. The idea of listening to music on a warm day amid swaying palm trees is certainly appealing. But anyone who has attended one knows that lots of trash is created and that it takes a lot of electric power to generate all those good times.

That reality is one of the basic motivations behind the

first Ocean Beach Global Rock Festival, a carbon-neutral event taking place Saturday, April 18 at the foot of Newport Avenue to coincide with Earth Day on April 22.

Festival organizers hope to leave as small an environmental impact as possible while entertaining an anticipated 5,000 attendees.

"Ocean Beach has always

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Day at the Docks returns Sunday, April 19 in the 30th annual kickoff of the fishing season. The event draws about 25,000 people each year. PAUL HANSEN | THE BEACON

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Experts split over 'great white' attack

Spear fishermen report shark encounter off coast of La Jolla April 6

By ALYSSA RAMOS | THE BEACON

About one year after the attack off Solana Beach that killed a doctor, a deaf man last week came forward as the sole witness to a great white shark attack off La Jolla's coast. Though experts authenticated the man's report, local divers remain wary of his story.

Raymundo Ayus Jr. said he introduced his friend to spearfishing Monday, April 6 at about 6:56 a.m. in the waters off South La Jolla, but what happened during the trip tore their friendship apart.

Ayus and his friend dived into the Pacific Ocean off Camino de la Costa, he said, when the duo caught a big white sea bass. But a large predator snatched the fishermen's prize.

Ayus said a great white shark shoved him, stole the newly caught 50-pound sea bass and then circled him — disappearing and reappearing — until Ayus swam safely through a kelp bed to shore.

Despite Ayus' detailed description, some divers said they don't believe the story, claiming the men may have encountered a smaller sevengill shark.

"It was a sevengill shark. Those things have been taking fish," said a local spear fisherman, who said he's been diving in the area for more than 20 years.

Ralph S. Collier started the non-profit Shark Research Committee in 1962, investigating attacks and encounters, mainly involving great

white sharks. Collier said he believes Ayus' story.

"I've investigated these since 1962. It's factual. It did occur — there's no motivation for this man to report it as a stunt," Collier said, adding that he regularly interviews witnesses about shark encounters. "I'm satisfied the event was factual."

Ayus, 32, said he has been diving for more than 20 years, mostly in Florida.

New to the area, Ayus said that for the past two years he has been learning about the waters off San Diego. But Ayus is not a stranger to sharks, either.

About 16 years ago, a bull shark attacked Ayus while he was diving in Florida, he said. Two large half-moons meet on Ayus' right forearm, forming a scar from the bull shark's mouth. Despite Ayus' knowledge of spearfishing, diving, fish and sharks, the man said he was hesitant about reporting the incident.

"I don't want the other divers to think of me as a shark magnet," Ayus said.

Ayus' diving buddy would not come forward, he said. Ayus said the friends stopped speaking after the incident.

"We had a falling out because he broke the golden rule: Dive buddies stay together," Ayus said.

"About 20 minutes into the dive I looked up and saw my buddy waving. As I swam toward him I realized he had shot a white sea bass and it was tangled 60 feet below in the kelp..." Ayus reported. He added that he dived down

to the cut the bass free, in an effort to aid his inexperienced friend.

"Kelp has little fish swimming around. They moved away, so I looked and saw the nose of a shark open up its gums and teeth," Ayus said.

The predator was dark gray with a white belly, Ayus said. She was scratched many times on her nose and one gill was torn a little bit, he said.

"The worst part was seeing the gums and teeth coming out," Ayus said.

Those teeth took the men's catch — the sea bass — and then turned right, shoving Ayus with her fin.

"It feels like sandpaper. It feels like a push," Ayus said.

Collier said the moment the shark made physical contact with Ayus, the encounter officially became an attack.

"He went poof [disappeared] and left me there. He circled me and then disappeared," Ayus said. "I thought, 'This is it. I felt like a guppy.'"

Ayus swam toward the shore, he said, noting that the shore's safety was about 100 yards away so he dived down to look one last time.

"I dove, looked around and I didn't see her, so I went as fast as I could," Ayus said.

Ayus reached the shore, where his buddy was waiting, he said. Ayus reported the incident to a local diving website and Collier's

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Celebration of summer's coming

Hawaiian hula dancer Maya Grim entertains the crowd April 11 during the annual Spring Surf Festival at Liberty Station Marketplace. The event featured entertainment, dancers, a fashion show, free food and a daylong tribute to all things surfing as summer nears.

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AT THE CLIFFS

HTH seniors doing their part to aid environment

By MICHELLE HACKNEY | THE BEACON

As the second semester at High Tech High Media Arts (HTHMA) in Point Loma greets Earth Day on Wednesday, April 22, seniors are making their mark through a variety of final group projects.

One group in particular is creating a community movement to restore San Diego's natural ecosystem in hopes of changing the world forever.

Thanks to six students in John O'Reilly's environmental science class, America's Finest City may be poised to shine a little brighter. The group is rounding up San Diegans of all ages and backgrounds to work side by side in gaining a deeper understanding and appreciation for the Earth.

Participating students chose a topic for their project connecting with carbon dioxide concentrations in the atmosphere and global climate change.

The project spearheads an event that is to occur within the next month and will seek to restore native plants and trees in San Diego that act as carbon dioxide reservoirs.

"It is really important that people plant trees today and are educated about deforestation because (this) is a huge problem that adds to climate change," said Katie Smith, a HTHMA senior and participant in the project.

San Diego is home to more native plant species than any other county in the nation, according to the California Native Plant Society (CNPS). Climate, geography and geology play prominent roles in the diversity, but the ecosystem has been disrupted and damaged over time.

According to the CNPS, the major agent of destruction has been wildfires caused by human actions.

Trees help rid the earth of carbon dioxide that is absorbed during photosynthesis. When burned, trees release carbon dioxide into the atmosphere and add to the "greenhouse effect" — a gradual warming of the earth many experts believe is caused by man-made emissions of gases such as carbon dioxide, chlorofluorocarbons and methane that have a lifetime of about 20 to 100 years.

"My dreams for this project are substantial because I am striving to bring San Diegans together on one day to reflect on the impact that we have had on our beautiful planet, and I want to make a difference for the better," said Smith.

"I think this would be an amazing way to replenish our world and possibly make up for a lot of the mistakes we have made," she said. "Planting one tree only takes an estimated time of 30 minutes. So if



An ambitious group of six seniors from High Tech High Media Arts in Point Loma is creating a community movement to restore San Diego's natural ecosystem. The seniors include, from left, Norma Balderas, Kayla Morales, Charles Jackson and Brooks Crittenton. Not pictured are group members Andres Navarrete and Katie Smith. PHOTO BY KIRBY YAU | THE BEACON

30 people would take 30 minutes out of their day and come help, we could really make an impact."

In addition to Smith, the HTHMA group includes five other students: Andres Navarrete, Brooks Crittenton, Charles Jackson, Kayla Morales and Norma Balderas. This is the last big project of the school year and will count for a large portion of the group's grade.

Though grades are important, the students said they are more motivated by the simple act of giving back.

The group has high hopes for the event but the students need dona-

tions to make the project a success.

Local nurseries are being called upon in hopes of donating native plants or trees.

"We are very low on funding for this project, as almost all of the project is run by students, so any donations would be greatly appreciated," said Morales, chairperson for the group. "We came up with our idea almost instantly, all of us."

"We wanted to do a project that the rest of the community would be able to be a part of, so lending a hand or donating funds, native plants or trees would be ideal," she

said. "I personally feel that with our economy the way that it is today, we need to become a closer community anyway."

HTHMA is a school serving about 370 students in grades 9 through 12 at the High Tech High (HTH) village of schools.

Founded in the fall of 2005, HTHMA implements all HTH design principles and focuses on a strong liberal arts and sciences foundation enhanced through the media arts.

For more information call (619) 398-8620, or visit www.hightech-high.org/schools/HTHMA.

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shark research website, he said.

According to Collier, the shark was probably a female.

"From early spring, babies are born so females come closer to give birth to their offspring," Collier said.

Collier said he worked with the Office of Naval Research and the

Smithsonian Institution.

Through Collier's current non-profit group, he started a shark-tagging program in an effort to research the great white shark's behavior, but the program ran out of funding.

"After they gave birth, the sharks would go to the islands because that's where the pinnipeds were, but now the pinniped population inhabits the coast from the Oregon border to

the Mexican border," he said.

In addition, Collier studies and reports shark sightings and sightings of marine mammals with shark bites, he said.

"If you go back 20 years ago, you never had seals at Children's Pool. This affords the great whites to feed without moving away," Collier said. "That's something we have been looking at for a number of years."

Great white sharks feed on

marine mammals, including seals, sea lions and dolphins, Collier said.

The marine mammal and pinniped population has increased along the California and Oregon coast, Collier said.

"A number of seals and sea lions were reported to us washing ashore with a bite in them. Now it's happening all year," Collier said. "Several were reported prior to Dr. Martin and after that."

David Martin was the swimmer killed by a great white shark a year ago this month off Solana Beach.

Collier said a shark-bitten dolphin washed ashore at Cardiff last week and surfers reported sharks around that area. At this time of year, historically, reports escalate, Collier said.

For more information, visit www.sharkresearchcommittee.com.

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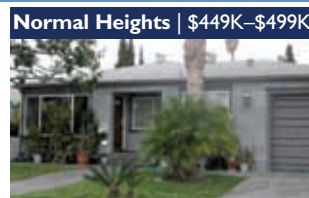
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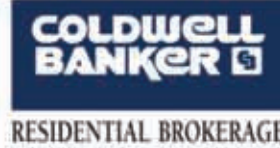
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Ocean Beach street performers Mango and Dango have been honing their skills for the last three months in Southeastern Asia. COURTESY PHOTO

Ocean Beach duo will try to regain crown at Busker Festival

Two buskers from Ocean Beach will fight to regain their street-performance grand-prize crown this weekend as the Seaport Village Spring Busker Festival returns even bigger and better than its previous two years.

Megan Fontaine and Derrick Gilday, who make up the busker team of Mango and Dango, claimed the festival's crown during the inaugural event in 2007.

After taking a couple of years off from traditional busking to create their circus "Zirk Ubu," Mango and Dango will once again enter the April 18-19 fray against

professional street performers from as far away as New York.

The duo has reportedly been traveling across Southeast Asia for the last three months to sharpen their skills and earn extra cash while perfecting a Southeast Asia-themed act that the team plans to debut this weekend.

It's only three years old this year, a flea on a continuum the size of a dog (the Europeans, after all, have been at it for centuries). But the festival has gained such a reputation for its grass-roots entertainment value that the

event's brass had no choice but to add a nightly performance slate this time.

Buskers After Dark, which will feature a DJ guest appearance, is designed to complement the daytime entries, featuring an array of street-performing sword-swallowers, stilt-walkers, jugglers, acrobats, comedians and musicians. And again this year, the public gets to vote for its favorite three performers, who will earn prizes courtesy of the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel.

The entire event, of course, features plenty of food and entertain-

ment. The fun takes place Saturday and Sunday, April 18 and 19, from noon to 5 p.m., with the nighttime edition for those 18 and older running April 18 from 7 to 10 p.m.

Seaport Village is located at West Harbor Drive and Pacific Highway, adjacent to Embarcadero Park North. Visitors receive two hours of free validated parking with any purchase.

For more information, go to seaportvillage.com or call (619) 235-4014.

— By Martin Jones Westlin and Kevin McKay

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Midway traffic stop nets nearly 600 pounds of pot

A faulty trailer tow light led to the arrest of two people and the discovery of nearly 600 pounds of marijuana Sunday night on Rosecrans Street, according to San Diego Harbor Police officials.

Harbor Police made the discovery after trying to stop the vehicle towing a trailer shortly before 7 p.m., said Lt. James Jordan.

The driver initially did not stop for Harbor Police but eventually parked and sprinted from the vehicle, Jordan said.

The man, identified as Bualio Dejesus, 31, of Chula Vista was taken into custody a short time later, said Jordan. The passenger, identified as Jaclyn Cisneros, 31, of Baja California, was arrested at the scene.

About 590 pounds of marijuana was detected by a police canine, Jordan said.

Both suspects face charges of transportation of marijuana, possession of marijuana for sale and multiple less serious counts, according to Harbor police.

Community forums slated to address school cuts

San Diego Unified School District board member John de Beck plans to meet with Point Loma, Bird Rock and Mission Bay cluster schools over recent school budget cuts.

De Beck plans two meetings for the beach community schools he represents.

The Point Loma Cluster Schools Foundation will host a town hall meeting Wednesday, April 22 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Correia Middle School Auditorium, 4302 Valeta St.

PLCS foundation president Polly

Traylor said the forum is an opportunity for the community to voice concerns.

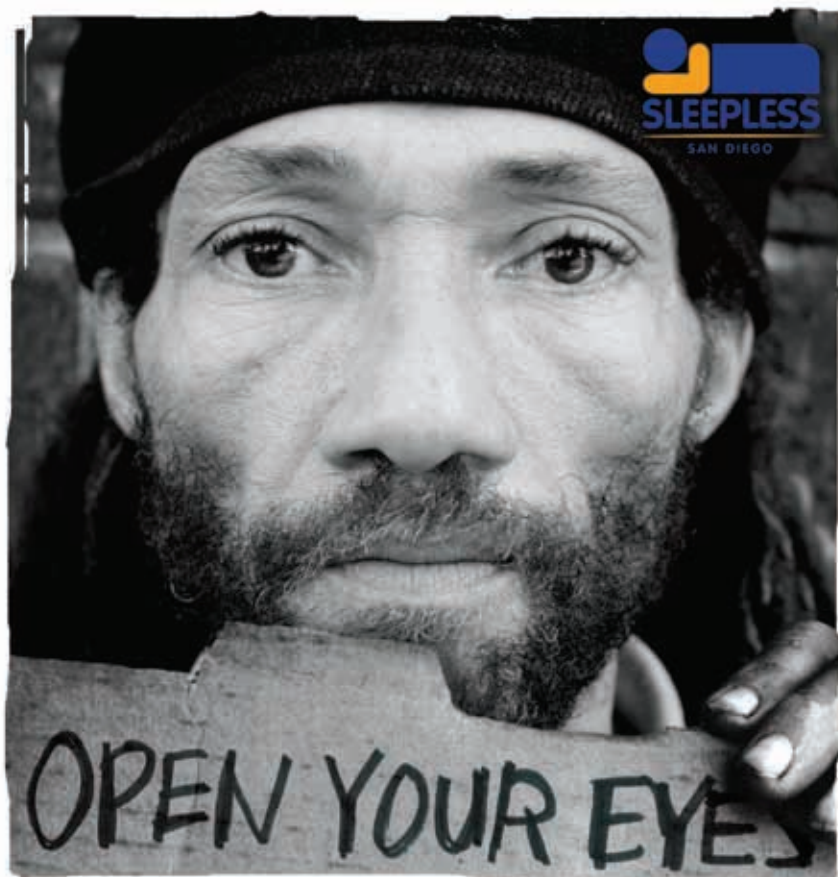
"This is so parents can hear directly from de Beck and have an open dialogue about the budget cuts and what they mean for our schools," Traylor said in a recent interview.

The foundation had originally scheduled the meeting for earlier this month, but it was postponed because of scheduling conflicts, Traylor said.

Parents, administrators and students held a rally at a recent school board meeting in opposition of several cuts.

Board trustees voted then to end busing to magnet schools and to consolidate one principal for every two schools that have fewer than 400 students.

De Beck said in a recent interview that he will treat the Point Loma meeting as a "fact-finding time" to address concerns of Point Loma cluster schools.



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Thursday, April 16 at University City High School, 6949 Genessee Ave., from 6 to 7 p.m.

District 2 Councilman Kevin Faulconer will also join Sanders in a community budget town hall meeting Monday, April 20 at the Ocean Beach Recreation Center, 4726 Santa Monica Ave., from 6 to 7 p.m.

Faulconer said the budget proposal acknowledges the need for "some serious restructuring" to employee salaries and benefits.

"I think we're asking all [city] employees to join in and make some of the sacrifices," Faulconer said. "We need to make the tough decisions just like they're making in the private sector."

The Deputy City Attorney's Association, white-collar workers represented by the Municipal Employees Association and the International Association of Firefighters Local 145, came to an agreement with the mayor's office to negotiate details of a 6 percent reduction.

The San Diego Police Officers Association and blue-collar workers represented by American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 127 did not reach agreement with the mayor's office, forcing the City Council to impose the reductions during Tuesday's session.

Reductions result in the loss of about \$200 per pay period for some labor and skilled-trade employees, according to Joan Raymond, AFSCME Local 127. The union represents about 1,990 of the city's lowest-paid employees,

"We need to make the tough decisions just like they're making in the private sector."

KEVIN FAULCONER
DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMEMBER

she said.

"It means the difference between paying mortgage or our rent, and feeding our families," Raymond said. "[The cuts] need to come in a way that's more creative and doesn't take food off the tables of our families."

Raymond proposed cutting some of the "fat" and not the "muscle" of city operations.

"If it's money they're looking for, we can find millions and millions without punishing our families," Raymond said.

Unions represent about 10,500 city employees.

Brian Marvel, president of the San Diego Police Officers Association, said the mayor's reduction to healthcare compensation would affect some officers more than others and that it threaten the department's ability to recruit officers.

"If the mayor's proposal is imposed on us, our department will not be able to compete for qualified officers in this [job] market," Marvel told City Councilmembers on Tuesday.

In addition to compensation reductions, the mayor's proposal suggests bridging the remainder of the \$60 million deficit, in part,

by dipping into about \$17 million worth of hotel room tax reserves as a "one-time" source of funds to help pay for a new fire-alert system, community development plan updates and unfinished projects slated for completion in the 2010 fiscal year. Using the tourism tax dollars for ongoing operations, however, will ultimately require City Council approval.

Liberty Station development, a library in Logan Heights, park and recreation facilities sit on a list of projects expected to open in 2010, Sanders said.

The city also has about \$500 million to \$700 million in deferred maintenance and capital projects.

City officials blame the budget gap on dwindling sales- and tourism-tax revenue the last few years, according to Chief Financial Officer Mary Lewis.

"We don't see any signs that people are spending money," Lewis said Monday.

The mayor's proposal balances the fiscal year 2010 budget, Lewis said.

She added, however, that unfunded pension obligations could leave the city accountable for an estimated \$200 million payment in fiscal year 2011. That alone would "unbalance us," creating a larger deficit in 2011.

"If we have to add \$30 million to \$70 million in our [yearly] pension payment, we're going to have to find a way to balance the budget," Lewis said.

Unfunded pension liability is estimated at about \$1.3 billion, to be paid over the next 19 years, Lewis said. An unfunded retiree healthcare deficit looms at about \$1.25 billion.



District 2 Councilman Kevin Faulconer, right, joined Mayor Jerry Sanders in front of the Ocean Beach Branch Library on Tuesday morning to lay out the stakes in the city's impasse hearing that was heard by the full City Council later Tuesday night. Faulconer and Sanders were asking for concessions from the city's five labor groups. Both Faulconer and Sanders said pay cuts and reduced benefits across the board would help close the projected \$60 million deficit in the fiscal 2010 budget and avoid the need to close libraries citywide.

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Tackling community issues that matter



COUNCIL CORNER

By KEVIN FAULCONER

Hello. This is my first column on these pages. I'll be here monthly to answer your questions and discuss issues affecting our neighborhoods.

Let me first say I'm proud to serve as your City Councilmember. San Diego became America's Finest City because of communities like Mission Beach and Pacific Beach, and I'm committed to working to ensure our beaches and bays are clean, safe and inviting.

I am passionate about protecting the environment, and in District 2 that starts with San Diego Bay, Mission Bay and our beaches.

Within the last year, we've made important strides in Mission Bay, Mission Beach and Pacific Beach, including:

- Lease money generated in Mission Bay Park will now stay there and be invested at other local parks, thanks to the ballot measure voters passed in November.

- Our coastline is alcohol-free and family-friendly, thanks to another ballot measure voters supported in November.

- The Ocean Beach library and Cabrillo Recreation Center remain open despite attempts to have them shuttered as a way to help close the city's budget gap.

- Potholes were repaired along a 3,000-foot stretch of Chatsworth Boulevard.

- The final phase of a 46-acre waterfront park is under way at Liberty Station. When fully completed later this year, NTC Park will be the second largest coastal park built in San Diego.

I can't tell you how happy I am with the support the Mission Bay ballot measure received in November. Voters — 67 percent — overwhelmingly approved this proposition, which I helped draft and campaigned hard for, along with Councilmember Donna Frye.

Mission Bay is the largest manmade aquatic park in the

world and a San Diego treasure, but improvements have been few and far between. Proposition C, which takes effect July 1, means Mission Bay Park now has a permanent revenue source dedicated to addressing a backlog of capital improvement projects.

The Mission Bay Park Master Plan identified more than \$300 million in such improvements 15 years ago — most of which are outstanding and include:

- restoration of passable waterways;
- wetland expansions;
- restoration of beach sand and the stabilization of erosion; and
- completion of bicycle and pedestrian paths.

From now on, we're going to do what's right when it comes to Mission Bay Park, and I will continue to lead that effort while ensuring taxpayers get value for their investment.

Voters also supported aligning San Diego with numerous other Southern California coastal communities that prohibit alcohol at beaches and bays.

Locally, police are seeing fewer crimes and fewer problems at our beaches and bays. Alcohol-related crimes in beach communities were down about 17 percent last year over an eight-month period ending Sept. 7.

Our beaches and bays are not only safer, they're much cleaner. No longer are we seeing the volume of cans and trash left behind weekend after weekend.

As chair of the Audit Committee and vice chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, I'm working to make sure the city has the resources it needs to protect our most treasured assets.

My goal, and the goal of the editors at The Peninsula Beacon, is to make this column as interactive as possible. In that spirit, please send questions or issues you'd like vetted to the newspaper, and I'll respond here in the coming months.

You can e-mail your questions to editor Kevin McKay at beacon@sdnews.com. You also can reach me or my staff directly at kevinfaulconer@sandiego.gov or (619) 236-6622.

I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our bays and beaches.

— *City Council Pro Tem Kevin L. Faulconer represents District 2.*

Peninsula Town Council backer argues case

Respecting Point Loma Association (PLA) green team's loving touches to our community, corrections are due ("Formation of new Town Council is 'sour grapes,'" April 9 Beacon, page 6):

- Who's attempting to twist public opinion? Many on [an emerging] Peninsula Town Council (PTC) were PLA members, myself included.

- As per Peninsulans, Inc.'s president (past PLA president): "The PLA was founded as a 'nonpolitical' organization in 1974 as Point Loma Beautiful, renamed in the '90's [as] PLA, never a town Council, no voting and no 'elections' by any standards — a total misnomer, with an annual fee."

- Undergrounding telephone lines occurred because Peninsulans, Inc. lobbied City Hall.

- Marshall Dornin — not a vice admiral but a rear admiral — wasn't involved in removing any of three massage parlors. It was Peninsulans, Inc. who lobbied City Hall to remove unethical ones. The Chinese proverb surprised him as "at one time such ethnic groups were completely excluded here with racist policies from World War II."

- Bert Decker, often the point of contact, was not a captain but a commander!

- After Dana [Middle School] survived condo conversion — as Dana NOW co-chair with Commander Decker — in 18 months we pressured the school district to repair Dana, then reopen it. "Never been done," said past/present trustees (except to charter).

- As chair of the Peninsula Community Planning Board (PCPB) for five of my six years on the board, we supported the [Point Loma Summer] Concert Series. Political/rife with PCPB election misinformation/president's false claim to represent 2,000 Peninsulans at (NTC) state hearing, many resigned from PLA. During my tenure, PCPB held well-attended elections/information meetings, up to 720 attendees!

- Now, PCPB meetings discourage community input, recently only four public attendees (including two PTC organizers); agendas are rarely distributed to community members. March's meeting had no important airport, traffic, sign/signal changes, historic, parking, harbor, density, remodels, crime, safety or health issues?

- No committee reports? (7/10 haven't met in 3 years; rotating chairs and excluding community members. Nothing happening in our 4,409-acre (approximately 7-square-mile Peninsula?)

Who'll represent Peninsulans on:

- unprecedented hazardous

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



explosive gas transportation (38-ton trucks) through the Peninsula;

- dismantling, transport and reconstruction of 6-8 huge fuel tanks at Naval Base Point Loma (plume?);

- additional Shelter/Harbor Island hotels, emergency service access impacts;

- Airport Authority/city's plan to maximize Lindbergh Field, safety issues/Peninsula-regional impacts from land-use issues; ignored the expenditure of billions of public/private funds;

- Harbor Drive relocation, losing 100 free parking spaces, free right-hand turn and emergency access width;

- city/Peninsula's community plan update, including policies affecting neighborhoods;

- massive, 24/7, artificial microwave radiation transmission antenna in residential zones;

- traffic/safety impacts with BAE or Rock occupancy violations;

Why are certain organizations afraid of PTC's formation? Do they fear those who are experienced in getting things done for the benefit of this community? Councilman Kevin Faulconer's comment that "community input is encouraged" sounds doubtful when from other planning boards we hear: "It's a joke. We've no power at all ... make suggestions, give opinions, that's it. They do as they like downtown ... the city doesn't do their part."

Bauder's 9/07 excerpts note the perfect storm: noise, traffic, pollution, population and housing density is out of hand. The city increases densification, violating codes to create illegal housing, eliminate parking, taxing the infrastructure; character, services, aesthetic and property values ignored. Air/ground traffic will escalate sharply, noise and road rage, with '08's naval base's addition of 1,100/1,500 families to their 18,000-plus uniformed personnel. Are our 50,000-plus residents clueless? "Affordable housing" costs \$400,000-plus per unit! Development Services [Department] clerks ministerially review

and change rules, making neighborhood-changing decisions, removing power from citizens, dodging air quality, water conservation, human health, density, parking, parks, transportation-CEQA mandates.

Will Peninsulans know what's happened — or after it's (like NTC) a done deal?

PTC members:

- refused residential sidewalk magazine racks blocking strollers/walks to schools;

- mandated development's slope stabilization;

- Kept cell/Wi-Fi antennas off schools;

- redirected \$450,000 of developer water features to Peninsula pools;

- denied free clinic near the high school;

- documented Peninsula's park deficit (107 acres), noting "mis-labeled" private land;

- found, "lost" city-owned land at Plum/Cañon streets and saved it for a park;

- preserved public-view corridors/free Shelter Island parking/public access to beaches.

Was the PLA afraid of Save Our NTC or P3? PTC wants the correct information out, not propagandized pabulum with McMillin Cos.' high-paid spin or other groups who've financed the last 3-plus PCPB elections ... Who are pawns of politically-motivated/monied backers?

Will only \$350- to \$500-per-hour attorneys win when "your ox gets gored"? A conspiracy theory or simply collusion?

Cynthia Conger
Former PCPB chair
Point Loma

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Peninsula 'Chamber Chomp' to serve up Shelter Island delights

By KEVIN MCKAY | THE BEACON

The annual culinary and social delight known as the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Chomp"/Taste of Shelter Island will return for its 20th year on Tuesday, April 21 with a little extra bite.

The annual gala, an affordable, self-guided gastronomic tour to promote the diverse restaurants along Shelter Island, also helps raise money for the chamber and its various community programs.

Matt Kalla, Peninsula Chamber of Commerce president, said the event offers an opportunity for neighbors and business owners to interact, but it's also an opportunity to help promote fine and casual dining at 13 participating Shelter Island establishments.

"This really is designed to feature the top restaurants in the local area and to help stimulate business on Shelter Island in these tough economic times," Kalla said.

Kalla said he anticipates a turnout of about 500 hungry residents who, for the price of \$15 each, can sample some of the best these various establishments have to offer.

Money raised by the event helps the chamber support various community programs, including scholarships for Point Loma High School students and funding the traditional Fourth of July fireworks show, the Point Loma Summer Concerts series and various luncheons and mixers throughout the year.

Kalla said he hopes this year's

event will also help raise money for an annual business expo and open house event — possibly in October at Liberty Station — to promote other neighboring merchants.

This year's "Chamber Chomp" is scheduled from 5:30 to 9 p.m., with check-in between 5:30 and 6 p.m.

The Peninsula Chamber of Commerce promotes local business and serves Point Loma, Ocean Beach, Shelter Island, Harbor Island, Sports Arena and the Midway area.

Last year, about 500 people attended the restaurant walk — both locals and out-of-town visitors — bringing in about \$2,500. The event also highlights local businesses to provide a "win-win situation," according to chamber officials.

Participating restaurants in the self-guided restaurant tour this year include:

- Bali Hai, 2230 Shelter Island Drive;
- Old Venice, 2910 Cañon St.;
- Red Sails Inn, 2614 Shelter Island Drive;
- Kona Kai Café, 1551 Shelter Island Drive;
- The Brigantine, 2725 Shelter Island Drive;
- Point Break Café, 4865 N. Harbor Drive;
- The Living Room, 1018 Rosecrans St.;
- Gus' Subs & Pizza, 1166 Rosecrans St.;
- Blue Wave Bar & Grill, 2051 Shelter Island Drive;
- Stars & Stripes Mart, 2907 Shelter Island Drive, Suite 111;

- Bay Club Bar & Grill, 2131 Shelter Island Drive;
 - Pomodoro, 2833 Avenida de Portugal; and
 - Roseville, 1125 Rosecrans St.
- Tickets are available in several locations, including Seaport Real-

tors, Stars & Stripes Mart, Carefree Vacations in Point Loma, Union Bank of California and San Diego National Bank of Point Loma, Point Loma Community Bank and Matt Kalla State Farm Insurance.

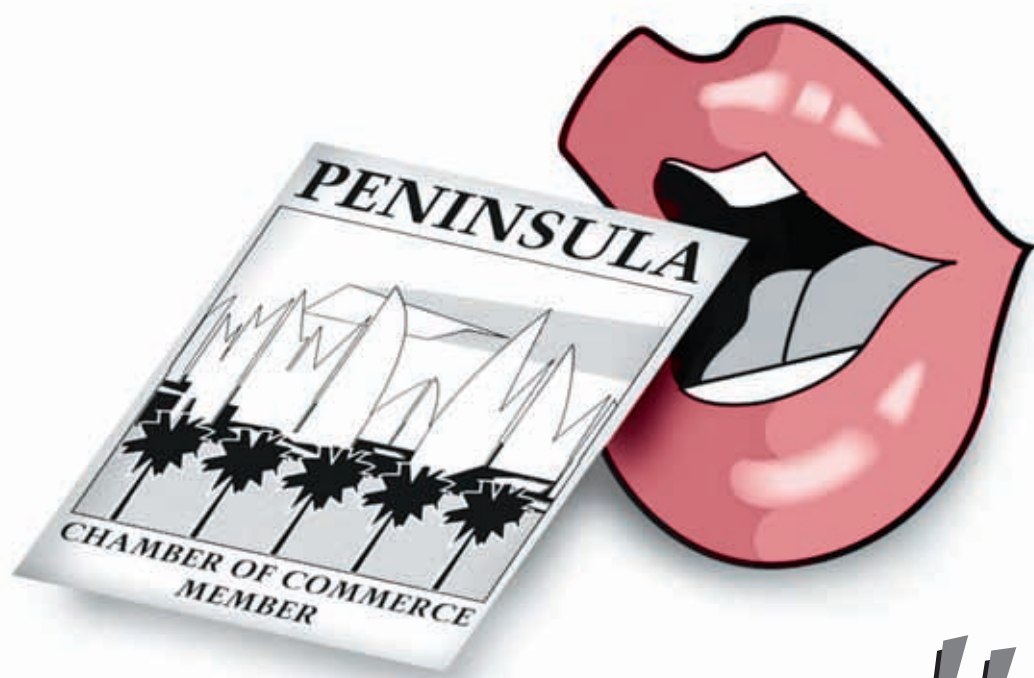
Tickets are also available the night of the event at the Brigantine restaurant parking lot from 5:30 to 6 p.m.

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an expert, it's an opportunity for you to talk to the guys that can make you better than you are right now," Graham said. "You can talk to the guys that do it every day for a living and do it better than most. These are the guys that started this business."

A number of tackle vendors will be demonstrating and selling their products at Day at the Docks. Graham said the event allows smaller retailers to show off their unique products.

"Because of the low cost, we get the entrepreneurs that have something to offer to the sportfishing community," Graham said.

For the competitors, there will be a casting contest at the pier north of H&M Landing at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. and a knot-tying contest throughout the day at the Izorline booth with a tie-off at 3:30 p.m. Raffle tickets will also be sold for raffles held on the main stage.

A trio of musical acts will provide

live music on the main stage as well. Classic rock 'n' roll band Pound Dog will start off the day at 9 a.m., followed by the Bayou Brothers at 12:30 p.m. and fisherman musicians Three Legged Dog at 3:15 p.m.

As for those who aren't the biggest fans of fishing, cooking seminars will be held all day at the Catch, Prep & Cook Center. There, people can learn how to prepare sushi and ahi from the experts and even get a taste of the famous fish tacos by Shauna Barton of the South Bay Lady Anglers at 3:30 p.m.

"There's almost 200 exhibitors and they're showing not just fishing stuff," Graham said.

For \$2, attendees can also take a ride around the San Diego Bay. Boat rides will take passengers around the bay from Point Loma and H&M Landing.

Even the littlest anglers will not leave Day at the Docks empty-handed. For kids, there will be an art area and an area stocked with mackerel from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We've got over 1,000 pounds of

mackerel for kids to fish for and that's all free," Graham said.

The San Diego Sportfishing Council will be handing out coupons at Day at the Docks allowing kids 15 and younger to fish free during the month of May. From April 20 to May 31, a child's fare is free with the purchase of an adult half, three-quarter, or full-day fare for fishing trips leaving from H&M Landing, Fisherman's Landing and Point Loma Sportfishing Landing.

"This is a great opportunity and it's a very affordable thing," said Day at the Docks producer Catherine Miller. "If you get kids fishing early, they adopt it as a lifetime sport. It is also a great time to spend time with a child out on the ocean."

Free parking for Day at the Docks is available on Shelter Island with free shuttles running to and from the event from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information on Day at the Docks, including a full schedule of events, visit www.sportfishing.org or www.twitter.com/dayatthedocks.

"If you love fishing," Graham said, "you can't not go to it."

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been concerned with environmental issues," said Denny Knox, Ocean Beach MainStreet Association's (OBMA) executive director. "With our beautiful beaches and community, we're sort of hypersensitive to it, but everybody is moving in that direction and becoming less wasteful."

The event is a fundraiser for OBMA, with proceeds going to help fund civic improvements and area maintenance that was once taken

care of by the city.

"We're trying not to cut back on services to the community," Knox said. "Things like cleaning up graffiti, replacing trash cans and cleaning gutters isn't glamorous, but it costs money to fix these problems. An event like this can go a long way toward helping with those things."

In addition to food vendors and eco-friendly craft and merchandise booths, there will be two stages providing entertainment. A free all-ages area, The Seaside Stage, will feature musicians Jason Ott, The Big Fellas, The Kingfish Jones

Band and hypnotist Lobster Bob.

The 21-and-up beer garden stage — with a \$3 admission — will be a completely solar-powered affair. On hand will be Ishmael & The Peacemakers, Cash'd Out, The Electric Waste Band, The Knights of Monte Carlo and C. Money and The Players Inc. using the sun's energy to amplify their sound.

"This is the biggest event in the area so far to use this sort of technology on this scale," Knox said. "We're making an effort to leave the smallest imprint with not only this stage but the whole event."

For Big Fellas keyboardist Charlie Recksieck, the solar stage is part of the event's appeal.

"It's a perfect fit," he said. "No one can be accused of being hypocritical to the cause with this power source," said Recksieck.

Jason Ott concurs.

"If more things were solar powered, life would be much easier and, certainly, less polluted," Ott said.

While the entertainment will be the day's big draw, other festival participants will take a hands-on approach to minimizing their carbon footprint by kicking off the day's activities with a beach cleanup sponsored by the Stay Classy Foundation and The Surfrider Foundation's San Diego chapter.

Additionally, in order to minimize traffic, a shuttle bus will run between Winston's and the 710 Beach Club in Pacific Beach.

"We're encouraging anybody who can to walk or ride their bikes to the event," Knox said.

Knox said she is thrilled to have a new music event in Ocean Beach and considers the Global Rock Festival to be a great way to get an environmental message across as well as make a lot of people happy.

"Music is an important part of Ocean Beach, so it's a perfect vehicle for informing the public while everybody has a great time," she said.

Recksieck agrees.

"Festivals are a great way to introduce our music to a new audience," he said. "But no matter what happens, it's still a big party in the sunshine."

The Ocean Beach Global Rock Festival takes place at the foot of Newport Avenue on Saturday, April 18 from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The event is open to all ages. For more information, visit www.obglobalrock.org.

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PLHS dominates in early going, snags city tourney

By KEITH ANTIGIOVANNI | THE BEACON

The Point Loma High School (PLHS) Pointers baseball team — off to its best start in recent years at 12-2 — won the City Tournament on April 4 for the first time in 17 years with a 12-9 victory over Scripps Ranch.

“We have a nice mix this season,” said PLHS head baseball coach Jon Posternack. “Some of our young players have stepped it up along with our returning veterans and have given us a strong pitching staff and an explosive offense.”

The City Tournament is a traditional non-league baseball event which includes 16 teams from the Eastern, Western and Harbor Leagues. Point Loma was one of four teams representing the traditionally competitive Western League.

The Pointers’ explosive offense has been a team effort thus far, with a few players hitting well over .300. Senior third baseman Coleman Cox is batting .426, senior second baseman Ridge Deakman is hitting .527 and junior catcher Sean Stepina is

batting .319.

“Cox currently bats second in our lineup and is both a versatile player and disciplined hitter,” Posternack said. “Besides being a great athlete, he is also a good student. I believe that he’ll be playing college baseball next year.”

Senior Matt Arlington is another talented senior player and has committed to San Diego State University next season.

The pitching staff has also made an impact thanks to a couple of young arms in sophomore Kellen Urbon and freshman Connor Baits. Urbon has become the ace of the pitching staff this season, sporting a 5-0 record and 2.20 ERA.

His performance against Scripps Ranch helped clinch the City Tournament for the Pointers.

“He’s not the biggest kid (at 5’11”), but he’s a strike machine,” Posternack said. “He throws a fastball, curve and change-up pitches. He can also eat up a lot of innings and rarely walks anyone.”

Freshman Connor Baits is 3-1 this season. Senior pitchers Zac

“[Our] freshmen and sophomores have really stepped it up and our senior leadership is much stronger this year.”

COLEMAN COX
PLHS THIRD BASEMAN



Point Loma High School pitching ace Kellen Urbon, a sophomore, helped lead the Pointers to victory over Scripps Ranch in the City Tournament on April 4. So far this season, Urbon is 5-0 with a 2.20 ERA. The Pointers as a whole are off to one of their best seasons in several years with a record of 12-2.

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Hile, Kevin Hilton and Jake Martin have also made significant contributions to the overall team effort, according to Posternack.

During Posternack’s first season as Pointer skipper in 2005, the team struggled to a 10-16 record but improved steadily for each of the next two years. In 2006, the team was 13-17 and in 2007 PLHS improved to 17-15.

Last year, the team finished at a .500 mark at 13-13.

“The freshmen and sophomores have really stepped it up and our senior leadership is much stronger this year,” said Cox. “Our team is a much better, closer-knit group. I think we are going to go far this year.”

Cox believes the difference between 2008 and 2009 is that the team came out more focused and ready to play this season than last year.

The Pointers opened Western

League play this week against Coronado and will have future home dates against Mission Bay on April 21 and La Jolla on April 23 — both 3 p.m. games.

“We have accomplished some of our goals so far but not nearly all of them,” Posternack said. “Our goal this year is to first win the Western League title and then win some playoffs and hopefully be in a position to play at Tony Gwynn Stadium for the CIF title.”

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Today, April 16, 6:30 p.m., regular meeting of the Peninsula Community Planning Board at the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St. The agenda is posted at the library and may also be accessed by visiting www.pcpb.net. For more information, visit the website or call (619) 222-2240.

Saturday, April 18, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., debut of the Ocean Beach Global Rock Festival, a fundraising event for the Ocean Beach MainStreet Association featuring a beach cleanup, environmental presentations, beer garden, live music and vendors. The event, held in advance of Earth Day, is also designed to promote local initiatives to improve quality of life in the community. For more information, call (619) 224-4906, or visit www.obglobalrock.com.

Saturday, April 18, 8 a.m. to noon, the Parkinson's Disease Association of San Diego hosts Fighting Parkinson's Step by

Step 2009. The event takes place at 2827 Dewey Road in the NTC Promenade at Liberty Station. Early registration is \$25 before April 13; \$30 after April 13. Children 12 and under are admitted free and leashed dogs are welcome. For more information, visit www.parkinsonswalksd.com.

Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19, noon to 5 p.m., the third annual Seaport Village Spring Busker Festival; Saturday, April 18, 7 to 10 p.m. Buskers After Dark event. The free exhibition features street-performing sword-swallowers, stiltwalkers, jugglers, acrobats, comedians and musicians. The event takes place at West Harbor Drive and Pacific Highway, adjacent to Embarcadero Park North. For more information, call (619) 235-4014.

Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19, the new West City Campus of Continuing Education hosts a rare opportunity to watch Akiko Bourland, a grand-

master of ikebana floral art in action. The public is welcome between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., with live demonstrations each day at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. No registration is necessary and admission and parking are free. The event takes place at the West City Campus in the Midway area, 3249 Fordham St. For more information, call (619) 221-6973, or visit www.sdce.edu.

Sunday, April 19, 4 p.m., the Point Loma Democratic Club will host District 3 Councilman Todd Gloria in an update on city issues. A presentation will also be heard regarding the May 19 special California election for state propositions. The meeting takes place at the Point Loma Assembly building, 3035 Talbot St., just west of Rosecrans St. For more information, call (619) 222-9344, or e-mail pldcprez@gmail.com.

Sunday, April 19, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Port of San Diego launches its 30th annual Day at the Docks event to celebrate Southern California's spring salt-water fishing season. Activities include an open house spotlighting sportfishers, demonstrations, seminars, knot-tying, narrated boat rides and a fish-catching event for children 4 to 12 years old. The event is free. For more information, call (760) 522-3710, or visit

www.sportfishing.org.

Monday, April 20, 6 to 7 p.m., San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders will host a budget briefing on his proposals for fiscal year 2010 and be joined by District 2 Councilman Kevin Faulconer during a forum at the Ocean Beach Recreation Center, 4726 Santa Monica Ave. For more information, call (619) 224-4906.

Tuesday, April 25, 5:30 to 9 p.m., the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce hosts its 20th annual "Chamber Chomp"/Taste of Shelter Island — an event benefiting the chamber in its efforts to fund school scholarships, Fourth of July fireworks and various luncheons and mixers throughout the year. Tickets are \$15 and participants may sample tasty food and beverage items from 13 establishments around Shelter Island. For more information, call Matt Kalla at (619) 223-1629, or visit www.peninsulachamber.com.

April 25-26, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Ocean Beach Antique District hosts its annual weekend sales event featuring hundreds of dealers on the 4800 and 4900 blocks of Newport Avenue. The event will boast discounts and a special parking lot sale with additional vendors and merchandise. For more information, call (619) 222-8686, or visit www.antiquesinsandiego.com.

HEALTH

Monday, April 20, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., the county Health and Human Services Administration hosts the San Diego Blood Bank bloodmobile in the Coronado Room, 3851 Rosecrans. For more information, call (800) 479-3902, ext. 0.

Monday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Point Loma Nazarene University hosts the San Diego Blood Bank bloodmobile in front of the gym, 3900 Lomaland Drive. For more information, call (800) 479-3902, ext. 0.

Tuesday, April 28, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Point Loma High School hosts the San Diego Blood Bank bloodmobile in front of the small gym, 2335 Chatsworth Blvd. For more information, call (800) 479-3902, ext. 0.

SCHOOLS

LOMA PORTAL

- Today, April 16, 1:05 to 1:30 p.m., pizza and bake sales after school.
- Friday, April 17, 5 to 8 p.m., family movie night in auditorium.
- Saturday, April 18, 6 to 10 p.m., 12th annual Foundation Auction Dinner at the Portuguese Hall, 2818 Avenida de Portugal St. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$55 per couple. Tickets can be purchased by calling (619) 223-1683 or by visiting www.lomaportalelementary.com.
- Tuesday, April 21, popcorn sales after school.
- Wednesday, April 22, 9:30 to 11 a.m., families of incoming prekindergartners invited to bring their children to "Day As a

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- Thursday, April 23, 9:15 to 11 a.m., Dana incoming parent breakfast meeting in the PD room.

- Thursday, April 23, 1:05 to 1:30 p.m., pizza and bake sales after school.

OB ELEMENTARY

- Thursday, April 16, Bank Day; Spanish, dance and arts after school.

- Friday, April 17, dads drop-off day.

- Tuesday, April 21, 1st-graders to flower field; 4th-grade promotion day; 2:30 p.m., SSC/SGT meeting; 2:30 p.m., yoga in Room 4.

- Wednesday, April 23, 2:20 p.m., Mad Science and Chess Club meet.

- Thursday, April 24, Bank Day; Spanish, dance and arts after school.

SACRED HEART

- Tuesday, April 21, after-school band lessons.

- Wednesday, April 22, Earth Day celebrations.

- Thursday, April 23, 8 a.m., all-school Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

- Friday, April 24, 6 to 9 p.m., family potluck.

- Tuesday, April 28, progress reports online; afterschool band lessons.

- Wednesday, April 29, grades

1 and 3 to Reuben H. Fleet Science Museum.

SILVER GATE

- Friday, April 24, 7:45 a.m., principal's chat for parents of 1st-graders.

- Thursday, April 30, Student Council Family Lunch.

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- Monday, April 20, school resumes; 2 p.m. dismissal.

- Friday, April 24, 8 a.m., all-school Mass; grade 2 food bank.

- Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m., First Eucharist.

WARREN-WALKER

- Thursday, April 16, symphony for arts enrichment.

- Friday, April 17, Spirit Day.

- Friday, April 17, 2nd-graders to Children's Museum.

- Friday, April 17, 6 p.m., WHPA Parent Party at the Admiral Kidd Club.

- Wednesday, April 22, Arts Night at middle school.

SENIORS

Thursday, April 30, beginning at 10 a.m., the Peninsula Shepherd Senior Center Programs hosts the Sunset Cliffs Seniors at St. Peter's by the Sea Lutheran Church, 1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd. A blood pressure check by San Diego Medical Services will take place from 10 to 11 a.m.; chair exercises with a Peninsula YMCA instructor take place from 10:30 to 11 a.m.; a Bible study takes place between 10 and 11 a.m.; fellowship happens from 10:30 to 11 a.m., followed by a

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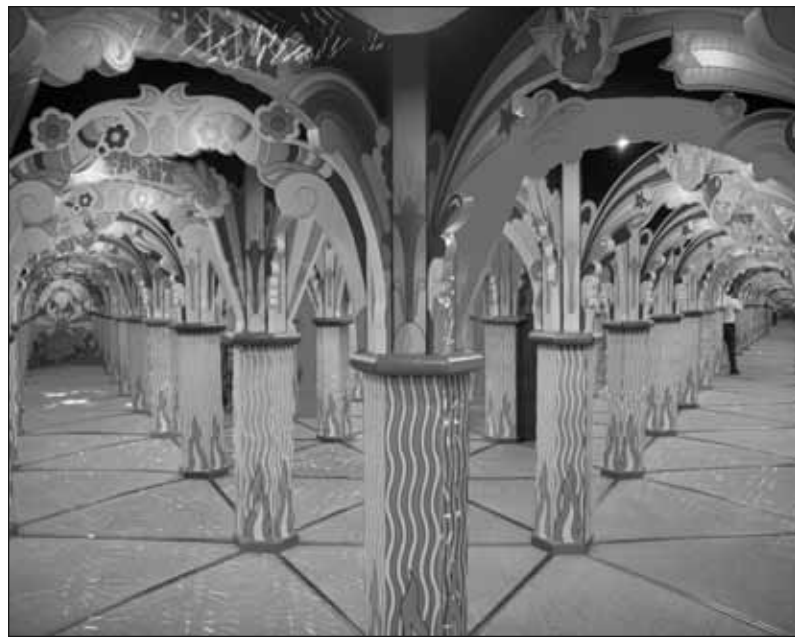
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Through June 7, “Off the Wall” exhibition by renowned Maine quilt artist Elizabeth Busch at Quilt Visions Art Quilt Gallery. The gallery is located at 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 100 at the NTC Promenade. For more information, call (619) 546-4872 or visit www.quiltvisions.org.

Through April 24, the San Diego Watercolor Society (SDWS) presents an exhibition entitled “Hometown San Diego,” about 100 works by SDWS members. The gallery is located at 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 105 at the NTC Promenade. Gallery hours are Wednesdays through Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call (619) 876-4550 or visit www.sdws.org.

Through July 5, the New Americans Museum presents two simultaneous exhibitions: “Immigration and Caricature: Ethnic Images from the Appel Collection” and “A Community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit.” The museum is located at 2825 Dewey Road in the NTC Promenade. There is no cost for admission. For more information, call (619) 255-8908 or visit www.newamericansmuseum.org.

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Sun 11am-4pm	3725 Southernwood Way	4BR/3BA	\$1,250,000	Robert Realty • 619-852-8827
Sun 11am-4pm	3345 Lucinda	3BR/3BA	\$2,000,000	Robert Realty • 619-852-8827
Sun 1-4pm	2164 Hist. Decatur Rd. #162BR/2.5BA		\$499,000	Cindy Wing • 619-223-9464
Sun 1-4pm	4985 Coronado Ave. #4	2BR/3BA	\$749,000	Cindy Wing • 619-223-9464
Sun 1-4pm	530 San Fernando	4BR/4.5BA	\$1,699,000	Heidi Dorman • 858-449-8015
Sun 1-4pm	3032 Hugo St.	2BR/2BA	\$599,000-\$649,000	Cindy Wing • 619-223-9464
Sun 1-4pm	4304 Hill St.	3BR/2BA	\$998,000-\$1,039,500	Cindy Wing • 619-223-9464
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CARMEL VALLEY

Sun 1-4pm	12650 Carmel Ctry Rd #1143BR/2.5BA		\$550,000	Lisa Hench • 619-889-6460
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Sun 1-4pm	949 Ednabelle Ct.	3BR/2BA	\$269,000	Carol Sorenson • 619-203-2424
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SORRENTO VALLEY

Sun 1-4pm	6551 Windward Ridge Way	4BR/3BA	\$584,900	Kirsten Aristizabal • 858-349-6194
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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THOSE PROPERTIES IN BOLDFACE LOOK FOR THEIR ADS IN THIS ISSUE. DEADLINE FOR THE OPEN HOUSE DIRECTORY IS NOON ON TUESDAYS.

BARONS *The Marketplace*



Fresh from
Valley Center

**Blood
Oranges**

2 lbs for \$1



USA Grown

**Eurofresh
Cluster
Tomatoes**
99¢ lb

Locally Grown
San Pasqual

**Haas
Avacados**
Salad Size

5 for \$1

**Organic
Cameo Apples**
Washington

59¢ lb

Easy to Peel
Super Sweet!

**Golden Nugget
Tangerines**
Valley Center

99¢ lb

Locally Grown
Valley Center

**Fava
Beans**

\$1.99 lb

Limes

5 for \$1

**Red
Seedless
Grapes**

99¢ lb

Fresh from
Temecula

**Organic
Grapefruit**

3 for \$1

Valley
Center

**Sugarsnap
Peas**

\$1.99 lb



**Ready Pac
Salads**

- Spring Mix
- Caesar Romaine
- Santa Barbara
- Parisian

\$1.99
5 oz bag

New In Our
Freezer

**Olive Street
French
Pastry Pizzas**

\$4.69
4.5oz - 5oz.

**Designer
Barons Bags**
"The Must Have Bag"

Just Arrived
\$1.99 ea

**Pork Chops
with Bone**

\$5.99 lb

In Our
Freezer
Section

**Chesapeake
Fish Co.**

"Local" Waterfront
San Diego Location
Salmon, Halibut, Seabass,
Swordfish & more



**Stash
Organic
Tea**

\$2.49
18 bags

Hand-Crafted,
All-Natural

**Kermanig
Puff Pastries**

\$5.49
13oz - 16oz

**Good News!
Our Milk Prices
Have... "Gone Down"**

Gallons \$2.97
1/2 Gallons \$1.97
Quarts \$1.37



**Synergy
Organic & Raw Drink**

Restore & rejuvenate
with the unique
flavor of
Kombucha Tea
combined with
real fruit juice.

\$3.69
16oz + CRV

**Alexia
Oven Fries**

Excellent Side
Kosher • No Trans Fats

\$2.99
15oz - 16oz



LOCAL BREWS

Karl Strauss Red Trolley Ale	\$7.99	6 pk Bot
Port Brewing Hop 15	\$5.49	22oz ea Bot
Green Flash West Coast IPA	\$9.99	6 pk Bot
Stone IPA	\$8.69	6 pk Bot
Ballast Point Calico Amber Ale.....	\$9.49	6 pk Bot
Karl Strauss Woodie Gold.....	\$7.99	6 pk Bot + CRV

**Bread & Cie
Baguettes**

- French
- Seedy Sourdough
- Sourdough

\$2.29
3.5 oz

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Corner of Meadows Pkwy. • (951) 693-1111

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