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## Heating things up with solar energy

Visitors packed Liberty Station over the weekend to check out the latest solar-powered inventions and gadgets during a "green" show hosted by the Center for Sustainable Energy. A mother and daughter, top photo, check out one of the collapsible solar cookers capable of handling turkey breasts, stuffing, corn on the cob, soups, stews and other dishes. Lower left, even children got a taste of renewable energy with solar-powered miniature race cars. Right, a visitor checks out a device that can cook eight hot dogs at a single time.

# High-speed rail plan gets back on track

## Lindbergh Field stop among proposals

By ADRIANE TILLMAN | THE BEACON

San Diego residents will have the chance to weigh in on the three proposed routes for the California High-Speed Rail line that is expected to run from Los Angeles to San Diego by 2019.

The state is planning to construct a high-speed train that will ultimately run from San Francisco and Sacramento to San Diego.

The railroad line is being planned in eight segments by the

California High-Speed Rail Authority with input from regional planning groups.

Three meetings will be held, on Oct. 13, 14 and 15, for the public to comment on the three proposed routes that will stop in University City and then continue downtown. The meetings will feature various information booths — rather than a lecture presentation—to discuss environmental issues, stations, the

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# Beach restroom demolished, redesigns on drawing board

By SEBASTIAN RUIZ | THE BEACON

Ocean Beach community leaders are taking ideas for the design of the new Brighton Avenue restroom after the decades-old structure was demolished recent-

The restroom — referred to by city officials as a "comfort station" - is now slated for reconstruc-

The city condemned and demolished the old facility about a month ago because of its crumbling and dangerous condition, according to city officials.

The Ocean Beach Town Council (OBTC) has now formed a subcommittee of members from the Ocean Beach Planning Board, the Ocean Beach MainStreet Association and town council members to take ideas and make recommendations to the city, although the timelines are as yet unclear.

"We're looking for community input," said OBTC president Jim

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# Sport arena, 43, poised for \$2.5 million face-lift

By BART MENDOZA | THE BEACON

San Diego has many wonderful entertainment facilities within its borders, but none matches the San Diego Sports Arena for either iconthrough the decades has hosted KISS (Nov. 27). everything from sports franchises to circuses and from showy ice skating to rodeos.

The facility holds 10,000 to seating configurations. As a music venue, the facility is legendary, having played host to scores of The Rolling Stones and Led Zep-

pelin, with more artists added to the list each year. The building can be seen in numerous live concert DVDs as well as in films ranging from "Wayne's World 2" to "Almost Famous." Upcoming conic status or history. The landmark certs include Barry Manilow (Oct. opened Nov. 17, 1966, and 18), Kanye West (Nov. 11) and

The 43-year-old arena is now poised for a face-lift and will be undergoing a \$2.5 million renovation that will include new 15,000 patrons, depending on restrooms, replacement of all lower-level seating and LCD televisions throughout the outer concourse and concession stands. The icons, including Elvis Presley, U2, retrofit includes the backstage areas, which now includes star

suites for performers in addition to sports team locker rooms.

The catalyst for the upgrades is international sports, entertainment and venue organization AEG Live, which became a majorityowner partner in 2008.

"AEG believes that the entertainment experience should be better, meaning aesthetically, meaning parking, meaning concessions," said Ernie Hahn, general manager of the sports arena. "We are going to now be more state-of-the-art than any of our competition in San Diego that is doing concerts and entertainment

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The San Diego Sports Arena will soon be getting a \$2.5 million makeover that will include a 6,500-square-foot state-of-the-art membership-only club, shown as it is envisioned in this artist's depiction of the planned Club 3500.

## Invest for the Second Half of 2009

While many tough days certainly remain for the economy, the backdrop has improved and the forward-looking market appears poised to begin recouping its 2008 losses.

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## NEWS

# Residents, officials note dangers of floating alcohol parties



Large crowds, using devices such as this, took part in floating parties on Sail Bay at Mission Bay during the Fourth of July and Labor Day weekends to get around

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By SEBASTIAN RUIZ | THE BEACON

A large alcohol-oriented floating party on Mission Bay, drawing an estimated 2,500 Labor Day weekend participants who floated around the beach alcohol ban Sept. 5, still has residents talking.

Dubbed "Floatopia" after a similar event thrown by college students in Santa Barbara, the recent Mission Bay version left some neighbors wading through trash, concerned about safety and worried about the event's environmental impact.

The bay is home to sensitive eelgrass habitat, which can be disturbed by boats.

Some residents, like homeowner and six-year Sail Bay resident Rosalie Schwartz, were annoyed with the trash and safety haz-

"It's not a huge issue one or two days out of the year. It wasn't a problem the rest of the (Labor Day) weekend ... if it would happen all the time then it would be an issue," Schwartz said. "It's the health and safety (problems) that's my main concern.'

Patricia Benesh, a Pacific Beach resident of 16 years, lives near the bay and walks it often. She said she noticed beer cans and potato chip bags floating days

"What if hordes of people came to your neighborhood to drink? That's what's happening," she

San Diego Police Department officers handed out 52 citations for mostly alcohol-related and littering violations. Police arrested Chief Shelley Zimmerman said.

San Diego Lifeguard Services also trotted out extra resources, including three lifeguard boats to handle the crowds. Lifeguards performed 18 rescues, including two separate critical incidents, according to Lifeguard Sgt. John Strandmeyer with the boating safety unit.

"We had to drag (one male) out of the water, monitor his airway and transport him to an ambulance," Strandmeyer said. "He couldn't stand or swim and was in danger of drowning.

Lifeguards found another, a female, intoxicated, "nearly unconscious" in the water and transported her to a hospital, he

Small groups gathering in coves around the bay are not the problem, Strandmeyer said. It's when thousands get together with the purpose to drink when safety becomes an issue, he said.

The issue surfaced briefly at a recent Pacific Beach Town Council meeting, where police officials said they don't expect another flotilla until spring and summer.

But because drinking on floating devices such as innertubes on the bay does not violate the city ordinance prohibiting drinking on the sand, the most concerned residents find themselves swimming against the tide.

While neighbors feel the heat of thousands converging at Fanuel Park and Sail Bay, organizers of the event, networking through Internet social networking sites Facebook and Twitter,

two during the event, Assistant could also find themselves in hot water.

Zimmerman said the department will try to recover the cost of public safety staffing for the unpermitted event from the organizers.

City special event regulations require event organizers pay for extra police during large events at a cost of about \$75 an hour per police officer or lifeguard, according to city documents.

An organizer of a previous flotilla in August called "Inner-tubapallooza" denied affiliation with the September party.

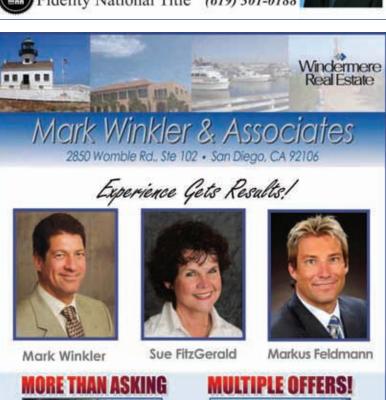
Floatopia organizer Joe Schonert confirmed the events are not connected.

The 24-year-old East County resident said he's not worried about police calling him and that he shouldn't be held liable if other people leave trash behind. He said the group plans to continue the event on a monthly basis as long as weather permits.

"We're not really doing anything illegal," Schonert said. "More or less it was about being able to return to the beach and legally enjoy a beverage."

District 2 City Councilmember Kevin Faulconer declined comment. Office Communications Director Tony Manolatos said the councilmember's office received about half a dozen calls and complaints about the party.

Faulconer pushed for the 2year-old beach alcohol ban. City voters approved a permanent prohibition in November after a temporary ban took effect in November 2007.





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## **Getting in** touch with history

Caroline McCollogh of Oceanside, left, watches as her sons Jack and **Hunter try on historic** costumes during the Cabrillo Festival at Cabrillo National Monument on Sept. 26. The two-day celebration is held annually to commemorate the discovery of the San Diego area by Juan Rodriquez Cabrillo in 1542. Cabrillo is believed to have landed at what is now Ballast Point in Point Loma. PHOTO BY MARIA EPSTEN | THE BEACON



## Mysterious smell doesn't pass sniff test with neighbors

By SEBASTIAN RUIZ | THE BEACON

A pungent, natural gas-like stench that reportedly wafted through the communities of Ocean Beach and La Playa and apparently was detected by sniffers as far inland as the Midway District on Sept. 3 prompted several hundred calls to San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E) and local authorities to investigate the

San Diego Fire and Rescue Department spokesman Maurice Luque said city crews. SDG&E technicians and San Diego County Department of Environmental Health officials could not find anything unusual.

Officials determined the smell came from "rotting vegetation from the San Diego River at low tide, probably made worse by the warm temperatures that day," Luque said.

But La Playa resident John Ahlering said he thinks the stench may have come from the ongoing demolition and construction of fuel tanks at Naval Base Point Loma. Ahlering lives adjacent to Navy

property and close to the tanks. He letters to neighbors in surroundsaid similar smells often come from the routine venting of the fuel tanks themselves

He added that the combination of rotting vegetation and ongoing fuel tank demolition/construction may have caused the surrounding community's alarm bells to go off.

"[As] an anesthetologist, I know it's not dangerous to smell low levels of gas," Ahlering said. "But this was definitely a hydrocarbon smell."

While many in the surrounding communities reported the stench on the day the Navy began construction around a protective shell surrounding the tank, Navy representative Bob Page said the tank that was scheduled for demolition was not even opened until the next day, Sept. 4.

We did a thorough investigation and we don't have an answer for the actual smell," Page said. "[But] the tank did not actually open until Friday so the scent did not come from us."

Page said the Navy informs neighbors about important construction dates and times by way of ing communities.

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Ahlering said he was informed of the ongoing construction but added that construction crews started earlier than the notified date and went about an hour past the time that construction is scheduled to stop for the day. This happened at least once so far, Ahlering said, adding that he thinks the Navy should be more considerate of neighbors during construction of the new fuel tank system.

The new P401 fuel tank system is supposed to replace an older tank system built during the World War II era, according to Navy officials. At least one of the older tanks has been known to leak in the past, causing an underground fuel plume near the San Diego Bay and underneath at least one home adjacent to the base.

Navy officials could do more to mitigate any possible fuel leaks into the bay as well as reduce inconveniences to neighbors, Ahlering said.

"My main concern is that the Navy has not been very nice,' Ahlering said.

# **Future of SAIC's Point** Loma location clouded

By SEBASTIAN RUIZ | THE BEACON

Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC) will move its corporate headquarters from the University City/La Jolla area to McLean, Va., nearer to Washington D.C., leaving the future of the company's Point Loma location unclear.

The relocation was made because the defense and engineering company maintains its largest concentration of staff at about 17,500 employees, said officials.

SAIC executives said they also plan to relocate 20 San Diegobased corporate positions to McLean by the summer of 2010.

The relocation affects mainly corporate functions and will leave much of the San Diego workforce unscathed for now.

"In the long term, it may mean a reduction in owned or leased space at our Campus Point offices, which is also in keeping with SAIC's overall plans to improve facility densi-

ty and use of space," said SAIC spokesperson Melissa Koskovich in a written statement.

And with several offices spread through University City, Point Loma, Camp Pendleton, Vista and Poway, the company may move additional staff if "company leadership determines it is in the best interest of the company," Koskovich wrote.

About 4,300 employees work in the company's San Diego offices, including approximately 900 corporate staff.

The Fortune 500 company's move will create 1,200 new jobs in the Virginia region over the next three years, said Virginia Gov. Timothy Kaine during a press conference last week.

SAIC was founded by J. Robert Beyster 40 years ago in La Jolla and has grown to employ about 45,000 total employees.

Beyster retired as chairman of SAIC's board of directors in 2004.

## County attorney cites '08 accomplishments

A 94 percent felony conviction rate — one of the highest in California — and an honor as one of San Diego's best places to work were cited among last year's accomplishments at the San Diego County District Attorney's Office, according to a recent report from the office.

During 2008, the group worked with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, resulting in the arrests of 75 San Diego State University students for selling various controlled substances. It also took part in two undercover narcotics operations that resulted in drug charges against 82 defendants.

The office also recovered a record \$1.5 million in bad check funds, broke up a real estate fraud scheme that victimized hundreds

of county homeowners and assisted in an investigation that resulted in a \$1.4 million judgment against retail giant Walmart. Its child abduction unit helped recover 93 children worldwide.

The office co-sponsored a summit to combat county gang violence and released statistics centering on the county's 1,200 homicides unsolved over a 10-year period.

The office received a prestigious 2008 Workplace Excellence Award as one of San Diego's most outstanding places to work. Citing employee communication, quality of life programs and a focus on staying healthy, the office's **Employee Relations Department** was singled out among 130 nomi-

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SYC racers to set sail for international regatta south of border

## THE PENINSULA BEACON

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

Nearly 100 boats will head from Point Loma into international waters this weekend.

On Friday, Oct. 2 and Saturday, Oct. 3, the Southwestern Yacht

Club in Point Loma will host its 46th annual San Diego to Ensenada International Yacht Race.

"It has international flavor because we cross the Mexican border," said regatta co-chair Carolyn Sherman. "It's a great race to leave San Diego, and the distance is perfect to leave San Diego and sail to Ensenada."

Sailors will embark on the 62-mile voyage beginning late Friday morning and will finish between Friday night and Saturday afternoon, based on weather conditions. Sherman said the race is longer than other local offshore races, which typically cover 30 to 35 miles. As a result of the length, she said, crews are selected carefully.

"Because it's as long as it is and it goes overnight, the crew needs to be selected not only for their sailing ability but for their compatibility," Sherman said. "You need to set up watches so that everybody can be properly rested."

The boats in competition will range from 24-foot boats designed for only two people to 75- to 100-foot Maxi boats. The San Diego to Ensenada race is different from other sailing races because it allows both racing and cruising sailors, the latter of which use engines.

"The cruising sailors can use their engines with a penalty assessed for how much time their engines are running," Sherman said.

Last year, 94 boats participated in the race. Sherman said Southwestern Yacht Club hopes to have between 90 and 100 yachts in this year's race. Sherman said this year's addition has entrants from all over Southern California and a few from Baja California.

In 2008's race, Jelani, a Flying Tiger boat captained by Clieve



The 62-mile San Diego to Ensenada International Yacht Race will launch from the Southwestern Yacht Club in Point Loma for its 46th annual international excursion. Organizers expect 90 to 100 yachts in this year's event. COURTESY PHOTO

Daem, won on corrected time. Sherman said the caliber of racers is high every year, allowing amateur sailors to compete against some of the world's best, including local legend Dennis Conner.

Despite the high level of competition, Sherman said the race is still a lot of fun. A party at the San Nicolas Hotel in Ensenada is held after the race to complete the weekend's festivities.

"It's (about) the international spirit of cooperation that goes on between our city, our yacht club and the city of Ensenada," Sherman said.

Locals who want to see the fleet of racers depart Friday afternoon will be able to do so. Sherman said the best spot to watch the race is from atop Cabrillo National Monument.

As for the club itself, Southwestern Yacht Club is rebuilding its clubhouse and expects to have work completed by the spring of 2010.

The old clubhouse was torn down in May.

"Most everything else is put on hold pending completion of the club," Sherman said.

Southwestern Yacht Club is located at 2702 Qualtrough St. in Point Loma.

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## ARENA

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on this level."

The biggest change to the aging facility will be the new 6,500square-foot, membership-only Club 3500, which will debut in October. Taking the space formerly held by the Arena Club, the room will be a 350-person capacity combination of upscale nightclub venue and sports bar — part of the VIP experience for shows and special events. Annual membership will be \$2,450, with the option to purchase up to four tickets for events.

Additional perks include a reserved-seating section, located stage right, exclusive parking lot entrance and exit, a VIP parking area and a members entrance. On nights when the sports arena is not hosting an event, Club 3500 will be available for special events, with a DJ booth and area for live bands.

"If we have the success that we think it will, we'll have it open on Fridays and Saturday nights for the community, just as a bar, so people can come down and see and be part of it," Hahn said.

The history of the sports arena

renovation. Memorabilia will be on display in Club 3500, while 16 20-by-15-foot vinyl wraps will be placed around the outer concourse with pictures and dates of famous concerts and sporting events that have taken place at the venue. Additional framed photos, with the events' history detailed, will also be placed throughout the concourse.

"I want you to walk through this facility like it's a living hall of fame," Hahn said. "There's been over 1,000 concerts that have taken place here. We're 43 years old and that excitement's gotten buried. But Janis Joplin, The Doors and Jimi Hendrix played here twice, Elvis three times, Led Zeppelin seven, Neil Diamond 17 times. We have all this cool history and all these great acts that have been through here."

Hahn notes the arena's website will also have new features.

"We will also be reaching out to all San Diegans with an (online) area where they can e-mail us stories of their favorite moments at the arena," Hahn said. "(There is) so much good stuff that needs to come out and be celebrated by

"No active arena has the history we do," he said. "Now, we will will also be celebrated through the have the improvements that San events of the past so everyone can showcase every bit of it."



The catalyst for the upgrades is international sports, entertainment and venue organization AEG Live, which became a majority-owner partner in 2008. Prior to the business acquisition, the facility had been known as the iPayOne Center.

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For more info on the San Diego Sports Arena, visit www.sandiegoarena.com.

## PLNU doles out honors, kudos to 'dealmakers'

The Fermanian School of Business and Business Center of Point Loma Nazarene University hosted its annual signature business event Sept. 25, revealing the 2009 "Dealmakers of the Year" awards.

The awards honor San Diego individuals and firms that create significant long-term value for the region.

Recipients were selected from 30 original nominations with three finalists selected through blind ballot by a group of 15 regional business leaders, PLNU alumni and Fermanian School of Business faculty and staff.

This year's event drew 300 business and community leaders, students, faculty, staff and guests to The Dana on Mission Bay. The 2009 winners:

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of the Campo Indian tribe for the collaborative \$300 million windpower project in the mountains east of San Diego. The project, which involves the Campo Indian Reservation, SDG&E and Invenergy Co., will be California's second largest wind-power project and will provide 160-megawatts of renewable electricity.

For information about the dealmakers event, visit www.pointloma.edu/Fermanian.

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Ligaya A, RN, San Diego, CA.

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**GUEST EDITORIAL** 

## Health reform on a dime

By J.P. WIESKE

hile Washington once again debates reforming our healthcare system, the states have marched on. Washington-based proposals, like those currently before Congress, are too expensive and ignore the fact that most Americans don't want and are concerned about a big-government takeover of the U.S. healthcare system. President Ford had it right when he said, "A government big enough to give you everything you want is a government big enough to take from you everything you have."

Instead of throwing away our statebased system, we should build on it. Take the problems of access and affordability. Most states guarantee access to health insurance despite a clear lack of federal support, and some states have taken significant steps to increase the affordability of health insurance. As one regulator stated, "Affordability without access is meaningless but accessibility without affordability is equally meaning-

There are many reasons why people don't have coverage (e.g., they have low incomes, are in job transition, don't think they need it, et cetera), and the solutions can and should be equally diverse. Instead of throwing away our current system, which relies heavily on state oversight and regulations, we should improve upon it — guaranteeing access without making health insurance unaffordable. Several limited and targeted reforms would do exact-

• Guaranteed Access. The healthy can always buy coverage when they need it, but the sick can't. So President Obama proposes requiring health insurers selling to individuals to accept any applicant (that already happens in employer-sponsored coverage). But that's like requiring an auto insurer to accept a person after

A better solution for the uninsured with pre-existing conditions is what we call the "Tri-Share Guaranteed Access Plan." It is similar to the current state-based high-risk pool system but with standardized federal guidelines and increased funding.

Tri-share (i.e., three funding sources: federal and state, health insurers and premiums from participants) would provide health coverage for those with a pre-existing medical condition, creating a true safety net for the uninsured. The guaranteed access plans would preserve what is good about the state-based system, protect the vulnerable and keep neatti insurance premiums more affordable.

• Affordable Choices. Any American

who has lost a job can tell you employer health insurance is expensive. The stimulus bill provided a temporary subsidy for coverage, but only to continue the employer's expensive coverage. The unemployed should have access to Affordable Benefit Choices (ABC plans), which allow them to choose not only from the plans offered by their employer but a less-expensive "basic" health insurance plan that's sold in any state.

- Equalize Tax Treatment. Most of the uninsured work for employers but don't have access to employer-provided coverage. It is fundamentally unfair that these employees who decide to purchase health insurance on their own do not get the same tax break as those who have employer-provided coverage. Congress can fix this disparity by providing them with a "refundable" tax credit (in essence, a voucher) to help offset the cost of coverage.
- Increasing Competition. If President Obama is really concerned with competition — especially in states like Maine, Massachusetts and New York, which have ruined their markets with onerous regulations — he would allow individuals living in one state to buy health insurance that's approved and being sold in other states.
- Safety Net for the Poor. The most important issue for the poor is not access to health insurance but access to needed medical care. Some people will not get health insurance or are too transient to have a medical home base. Federally qualified health clinics provide medical care in locations that are easy for the poor to access. In 2007, this safety net program was funded at \$1.99 billion — not nearly enough to provide a true safety net.
- Malpractice Reform. One area where the states are leading is malpractice. California, Texas and recently Oklahoma have passed significant tort reform legislation. The downward pressure on malpractice premiums in Texas, for example, and the reduction in needless lawsuits prove the value of reform. States may continue to lead on tort reform, especially if the federal government refuses to take any significant steps.

We need to free ourselves from the idea that we need to achieve universal coverage through a federal mandate. Building on our current system allows us to refocus on solving the targeted problems we can fix while maintaining long-term financial sustainability — and get close to universal coverage in the process.

J.P. Wieske is director of state affairs for the Council for Affordable Health Insurance, based in Alexandria, Va.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Ban on handshakes could hamper spread of swine flu

Of late, the media have emphasized the need to take precautions against the potentially deadly swine flu by washing hands frequently and getting a flu shot, but my proposal is more radical — a ban on handshaking.

My idea will undoubtedly be met with skepticism, as shaking hands is a longstanding tradition associated with friendliness and cordiality. In a world where people spend hours facing computer screens and have increasingly less personal contact with others, some will think this rude, outrageous, even preposterous. But in light of a potential flu pandemic, there is

It is not feasible in every situation to wash our hands or use antibacterial lotion. As someone with a compromised immune system, I submit this letter to advocate for our children, our frail elderly and those with invisible illnesses such as multiple sclerosis, diabetes and chronic fatigue syndrome.

reason to change this outdated custom.

There is no benign flu. My friend's 13year-old diabetic son was just diagnosed with the swine flue and he was up all night throwing up, a dangerous situation for someone with diabetes. Another friend had been bedbound for weeks with this

Banning handshakes would be pragmatic and self protective, not anti-social.

Furthermore, shaking hands should be prohibited in healthcare settings. Medical professionals are rushed; despite best intentions, they may not always have time to clean their hands between patients.

We should substitute germ-free greetings such as bows, borrowing from the Japanese, or use the Indian greeting, "Namaste." Hands are pressed together in front of the heart and the head bowed downward.

Another alternative would be saluting. If saluting is good enough for the military, why not the rest of us? Or we could patriotically hold our right hands over our hearts, as in reciting the Pledge of Alle-

Abolishing handshakes would be awkward initially, but worth it to stay healthier. I put forth this suggestion in earnest. Just say no to handshakes.

> Lisa Johnson Point Loma

#### **Critical Mass biker group** flaunted common courtesy, law

Point Loma was invaded Friday night (Sept. 25) by a Critical Mass bike ride. We were traveling southbound on Rosecrans when 1,000-plus bikes came out of Liberty Station making a left turn onto Rosecrans.

The mass went through at least 10 redlight cycles, which meant they blocked off law-abiding citizens from at least 10 green cycles. A few San Diego Police Department cruisers were apparently escorting them as the mass repeatedly broke the law. Ironically, on the Critical Mass website the group touts that it is promoting obeying the law to traditional vehicle drivers.

A very odd premise; watch us break the law so you'll be inspired to obey it

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later!?!?!?!?!

They meet the last Friday (http://www.myspace.com/criticalmassride ) of every month in Balboa Park — shouldn't be too tough for SDPD to get the ticketing troops out (ironically Saturday's Union-Tribune showed a mounted officer giving a motorist a ticket; send the cavalry after them!!). I can't see why they are allowed to keep violating traffic safety laws and block off city streets.

I couldn't set up a stickball tournament or a street fair closing a public street without permits and paying for city costs. Why can (apparently) Critical Mass do so?

I'm sure I'll generate letters:

- lecturing me on how great bike-riding is for the environment - I agree;
- on how dangerous the roads are for bike riders - I agree, and worry about my 7th-grader who bike rides five days a week to and from Correia Middle School and who witnessed 1,000 adult bike riders breaking the law; and
- on Critical Mass' right to hold special events — once again, I agree, just get a permit, pay your fees and reimburse city costs and post the route ahead of time so I can plan accordingly.

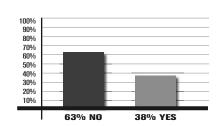
I think I'm in support of the cause. It is the illegal, selfish, rude, dangerous and illogical execution of Critical Mass' information strategy that I very much disagree with. Keep the message; change the deliv-

> Kirk Mather Point Loma

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process and so on.

"It's an opportunity for everyone to look at the alternatives, say whether they are the correct alternatives: to indicate where there are flaws [with the proposed routes] or to say whether they think something else should be looked at," said Mike Zdon, project manager for the Southern California segment of the High-Speed Rail Line, and a consultant with the engineering group HNTB.

The public will have 60 days to submit comments on the proposed routes, either at the meetings (a court reporter will be present) or in writing, until Nov. 21.

The California High-Speed Rail Authority will likely choose one route to study in-depth for the state environmental impact report (EIR) and the federal environmental impact statement (EIS).

**Z**don said he expects the EIR/EIS process to take four years, followed by preliminary design work beginning in 2013 and completion of the track by 2019.

"This is the most optimistic sce-

nario," Zdon said.

Each of the eight sections that make up the California High-Speed Rail Line is being constructed as a complete corridor within itself meaning that it can operate even if some of the other sections are never completed.

Zdon estimated that the Anaheim to Los Angeles connection will be finished first, followed by the San Jose to San Francisco line and then the Merced to Bakersfield track.

In 2008, voters approved Prop. 1a to allow the state to issue \$9.95 billion in bonds for the line. The federal government has also allocated \$8 billion for high-speed rail, and Zdon estimates that a third of those funds will go to California. Congress is also updating the transportation bill, and Zdon said that an estimated \$1.5 billion is expected to go toward high-speed

#### The proposed routes

From Los Angeles, trains will travel east to the Ontario Airport, cut through San Bernardino and Riverside counties and head into San Diego County along I-15 to the

first station in the county, Escondi- has not yet been studied. do. From Escondido, the train will head to Mira Mesa Boulevard.

Two alternatives are proposed when the train hits Mira Mesa Boulevard: to either travel through Carroll Canyon to I-805, or to travel alongside Miramar Road to I-805. From I-805, the train will head into a tunnel and stop at an underground station at University Towne Center (UTC) at Genesee Avenue and La Jolla Village Drive.

Instead of building a tunnel to UTC, however; a third alternative is to bring the train through Rose Canyon at the Marine Corps Air Station Miramar along the existing Amtrak lines and to stop at a station in Rose Canyon. City planners discouraged this alternative in 2005, however, which Zdon called the "least likely alternative."

From the proposed UTC tunnel, the train will surface either at the corner of Rose Canyon or, as an alternative, travel along I-5 to either Lindbergh Field or another downtown stop. Building a station at Qualcomm Stadium has been ruled out by the High-Speed Rail Authority.

Zdon said the engineering for the proposed tunnel under UTC

"We have to check soils. There are earthquake faults. There could be a whole series of reasons that this doesn't work, but in the scoping process we have to make the decision about whether we check this out or not, and that's what's happening," Zdon said.

#### Scoping meetings:

- Tuesday, Oct. 13, 3-7 p.m. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive
- Wednesday, Oct. 14, 3-7 p.m. Ramada Inn, 1403 Rosecrans St.
- Thursday, Oct. 15, 3-7 p.m. Escondido, California Center for the Arts, 340 N. Escondido Blvd.

## Ask The Lawyer

Question:

My mother has gotten remarried after my father died and refuses to go to a lawyer to discuss the inheritance implications. Are there any problems with this?

Yes. When someone remarries and they do not name their new spouse in their documents, to inherit or not to inherit, the law

steps in to their estate plan and says: "The new spouse inherits one-half or one-third of the parent's estate." Is this the situation that your mother intended? Is this what you and your father and mother planned for their children - to be sharing the estate with a new spouse? If there is one child, the new spouse gets one-half and

if there is more than one child, the new spouse inherits one-third. Is this fair?

The new spouse and my parent were not living together at the time of my parent's death. It does not matter. The unintended consequences of failing to plan are disastrous. It is the parent's job to take care of their children, even when it comes to inheritances. A parent does not have to leave property to their children, but they need to have a written plan.

I have had to tell many adult children that your father, mother, or grandparent did not plan properly, so it is their fault. Any time there is a marriage when it is late in life, there should be planning. If you fail to plan, the state of California will plan your affairs for you. An estate plan or a Marital Agreement costs much less than having to sell a family home to give the new spouse their share.

Here is my position. If you can bring your newly married parent or grandparent in to my office, I will explain the situation to them. They then have the information to plan. Also, if you plan your own estate, you can tell your parent what you are doing and they could come along with you. Good Luck!

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Musgrove. "Our goal is to have the committee formed and have the recommendations together for the city prior to our next meeting."

Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Center, 1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.

out, said Kevin Oliver, city project

The project reportedly could take between 18 months and 3 years to complete, depending on its size and scope.

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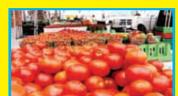


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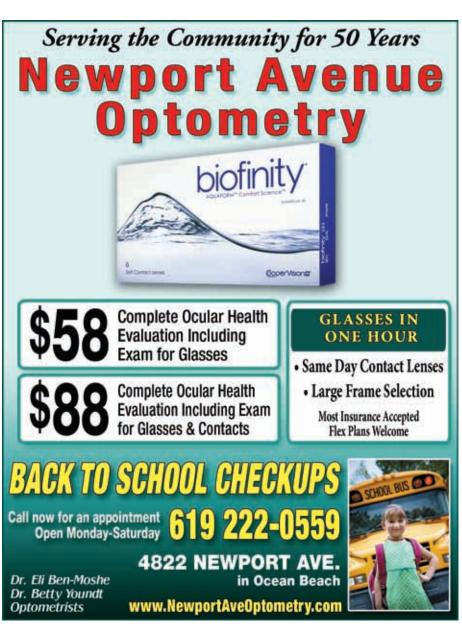


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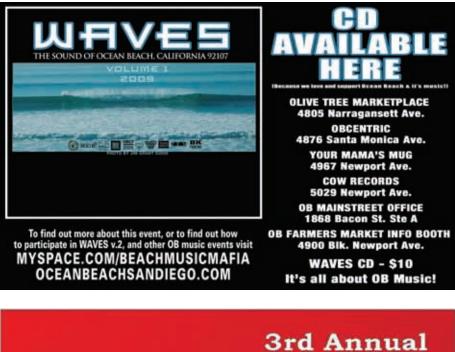
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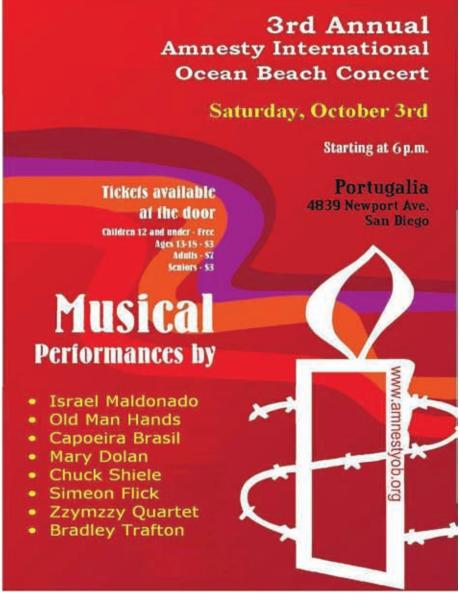
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# SD Gulls will return to home nest at the sports arena for opening weekend

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

The San Diego Gulls will flock back to the San Diego Sports Arena this weekend. The junior team will play its opening homestand against Fresno Oct. 2-4 at the arena as part of a full weekend of puck that will celebrate past, present and future hockey in San Diego.

exposure, to show everybody that we still have a junior team in town here. Let's go support them," said former Gulls star Martin St. Amour.

The Gulls' three-game homestand is sandwiched around the second annual game between Gulls alumni and the military. The game will raise money for local military and local youth hockey programs

and is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Sports Arena, preceded by the Gulls game against Fresno at 4:30

"It's a chance for [fans] to come and see the old players that were there and also do a good deed by giving some money to the military," St. Amour said.

St. Amour said last year's chari-"We're trying to give them more ty game at the San Diego Ice Arena in Mira Mesa was not advertised, but 1,200 people showed up and some had to be turned away. The game itself will be fun and light - at least as light as hockey can be.

"It's a very fun, pleasant game. It's going to be a lot of fun for everybody," St. Amour said. "There's a lot of laughs; it's not taken too seriously, and we just enjoy it."

St. Amour is one of the main tor tells you that you're never going attractions of the game. He played for the Gulls from 1995 to 2003 and also coached the team for two years. In the 1995-96 season, St. Amour scored 61 goals and 48 assists, helping lead the Gulls to their first of three consecutive Taylor Cup championships.

will be B.J. MacPherson, who will play in the game eight years after doctors told him he couldn't walk. In a 2001 game in Boise, MacPherson suffered a dislocated neck and ruptured vertebra following a cheap shot, after which his heart stopped.

"I took him to the hospital and I was there all night with him. It's really hard to imagine when a docto walk again and now he's going to play with us. It's just unbelievable," St. Amour said.

St. Amour expects a strong reaction when MacPherson steps back out on the ice. And that will just be from the players themselves.

The current Gulls play Fresno on Another Gulls alum at the game Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at noon.

They returned to action last year after the team folded in 2006. Consequently, the level of play is a little bit different.

The new version of the Gulls is a team of amateurs who play in the Western States Hockey League, a Junior B league. Gulls teams of the past were National Hockey League affiliates filled with professionals.

"These kids are finishing high school, starting college somewhere or doing some stuff where they still want to move on with hockey," St.

Amour said. St. Amour said the Gulls players range from 16 to 20 years old. The next step would be a major junior program or college hockey.

After opening at the Sports Arena, the Gulls will return to the Iceoplex in Escondido, where they play their regular season games. The Gulls are currently third in the WSHL Western Division with six points (2-0-0-2).

A ticket for all four games costs \$15 and tickets will be available at the door.

For more information, visit www.sandiegogullshockeyclub.com.

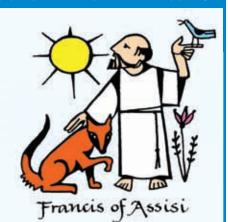


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## Pointers football squad lets one slip away for first loss of the season

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

meeting between visiting Point Loma High School (PLHS) and Scripps Ranch High School was just another non-league prep football game. On the field, though, it record at a respectable 3-1 as they

was a sweat-soaked war.

When the final gun sounded On paper, last Friday night's before a capacity crowd at Grosvenor Stadium, it was the Falcons who upped their record to 3-0, while the Pointers fell for the first time, 27-13, leaving their

prepare to fly from San Diego on the short end of a 17-7 score. Oct. 2 for a match against a Sacramento-area school.

A stingy Falcon defense gave the Pointers' offense fits for much of Friday's game, making timely stops on running plays and disrupting passing attempts to stall drives. In fact, it was the Pointer defense that scored one of the team's two touch-

Throughout the game, Point Loma's moments of opportunity were blunted by offensive errors and missed defensive assignments, resulting in two key Falcon plays.

"Our defense played hard and our offense needs to find some consistency," said Pointer head coach Mike Hastings.

The most crucial string of events came in the third quarter, when, with his team down just 10-7, Pointer defensive back Michael Boxell played a pass by Falcon quarterback Jake Fish perfectly, stepping in front of the intended receiver for a potential gamechanging interception and a lengthy return. The Dogs' bench erupted with cheers and enthusiasm as the offense took the field in good position to score and grab the lead.

Three plays, however, failed to produce a first down, and when a fourth-down pass by quarterback Sean McKaveny fell incomplete, the Falcons took over on their own 31.

On the hosts' first play, Fish tossed a short pass to Todd Herrod, who, with no Point Loma defenders able to catch him, turned the play into a 69-yard touchdown.

Instead of taking a 14-10 lead, the Pointers found themselves on

Ironically, the Falcons also scored their initial touchdown on the first play following a punt made from his own end zone by Pointer Davis Callejon. This time, it was the same Falcon pair, Fish and Herrod, who connected on a pass play from the Pointers' 31-yard line.

Two plays, 100 yards, 14 points. The brightest moment for the Dogs' offense followed after a highly bizarre play. Falcon kicker Nick Sloan, a junior with a Division I college future, actually missed the ball when he attempted the following kickoff. His foot lightly brushed the ball, knocking it gently off the tee. The ball rolled several feet.

After an awkward moment of hesitation by players from both teams, alert Pointer Anthony Joyner ran in and scooped up the loose pigskin, sprinting past surprised Falcon players toward the goal. Point Loma registered its only offensive touchdown of the game moments later on a 16-yard pass from McKaveny to Callejon.

The opportunistic Callejon who also supplied the game's final points. With his team facing a 24-7 fourth-quarter deficit and with less than two minutes to play, he scooped up a Falcon fumble and sprinted 25 yards to provide the final 24-13 margin.

Talented Point Loma placekicker Ruben Diaz was also pestered by the hosts, having two field goals and one point-after-touchdown attempt blocked — all by Falcon Dorian Crawford, who also had an interception and forced a Pointer fumble

"It's all about our team and our

program," Hastings said, citing "EMAP," a team motto and acronym for "Every Man A Point-

Displaying this commitment, Pointer players shouted encouragement to each other throughout the contest despite the fact they never held the lead.

"It was a tough game and we fought hard," Hastings said.

Earlier, Point Loma's freshmen (2-2) defeated Scripps Ranch 26-3, while the Dogs' junior varsity (1-3) lost 22-15.

Up next, players and staff will board an aircraft Friday, Oct. 2 for a 90-minute flight to Sacramento. From there, they will bus to Granite Bay, 20 miles east of the state capital for a 7:30 p.m. encounter with Granite Bay High School (Roseville Joint Unified School District).

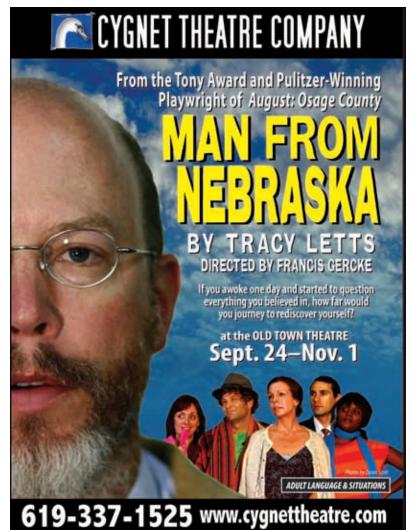
The Grizzlies, with a school enrollment of 2,120, compete in the Sierra Foothill League of the Sacramento-Joaquin Section of the California Interscholastic Federation. Last year, Granite Bay defeated the Pointers during a visit to San Diego.

Currently 3-0, Granite Bay has recorded victories over Pittsburg, Burbank and Vacaville by an average score of 28-13.

Following the game, Pointers players and coaches will spend Friday night in a hotel and tour the UC Davis campus Oct. 3 before flying home late in the afternoon.

The team then has a bye week before opening Western League play Oct. 16 in its annual nighttime Homecoming game against Mission Bay.

Kickoff is at 6:30 p.m.





Art by Jesi is Pacific BeachFest's presenting artist in 2009.

Visit her work at www.artbyjesi.com or find her at BeachFest on the Boardwalk.

# Legacy Games fete 50th anniversary of American Football League

This is the 50th anniversary season for the original eight teams of the American Football League, and the NFL will celebrate with the AFL Legacy Games.

Among the 16 games, 11 will feature the original eight AFL teams playing each other including two featuring the Chargers. The teams will wear historic, throwback jerseys.

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Saturday, Oct. 3, 6 p.m.,

Beach chapter hosts its third

Amnesty International's Ocean

annual musical fundraiser with eight acts from the local scene.

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p.m., the Jenna Druck Founda-

tion's Families Helping Families

hosts "Family Day: A Day of Support and Healing," with support group meetings for various age

groups and an outdoor picnic. The

sevelt Road in Liberty Station. The

registration cost is \$5. For more

event takes place at 2820 Roo-

Saturday, Oct. 3, 9 a.m. to 12:30

www.amnestyob.org.

information, visit

Sept./Oct.

The original eight AFL teams are the New England Patriots (originally Boston Patriots), Buffalo Bills, Kansas City Chiefs (Dallas Texans), Denver Broncos, Tennessee Titans (Houston Oilers), San Diego Chargers (Los Angeles Chargers), New York Jets (New York Titans) and Oakland Raiders.

The Miami Dolphins, who joined the AFL in 1966 as the ninth team

Monday, Oct. 5, 6:45 p.m., regu-

lar monthly meeting of the Sunset

Cliffs Natural Park Council at the

Cabrillo Recreation Center, 3051

Cañon St. For more information.

visit www.calsnet.net/sunsetcliffs.

Saturday, Oct. 17, 4 to 8 p.m.,

informal reunion get-together for

the Point Loma High School class

of 1967. The event takes place at

The Pennant, 2893 Mission Blvd.

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in the league, will play in three legacy contests.

The remaining legacy games this season (Chargers games in bold):

- Oct. 11 Dallas at Kansas City
- Oct. 11 New England at Denver
- Oct. 18 Tennessee at New England
- Oct. 19 Denver at San Diego
- Oct. 25 San Diego at Kansas City
- Therapy Month. The event will provide an opportunity to talk with licensed physical therapists with specialty backgrounds, raffle prizes, face painting, balloons, snacks, scavenger hunts and other activities. The fair takes place at

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon beginning Sept. 10, the Continuing Education Department of the San Diego Community College District hosts a literature club to read, discuss and enjoy short stories, plays and poetry in a friendly and sup-

Saturday, Oct. 17, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the American Physical Therapy Association hosts free physical therapy fair held in conjunction with National Physical

Robb Field, 2525 Bacon St. For more information, e-mail brandikoerner@yahoo.com.

Mondays, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., the Peninsula Singers practice and encourage others to join at the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St. The choir is beginning its sixth season and is gearing up for a performance at Carnegie Hall in March. For more information, visit peninsulasingerssandiego.org.

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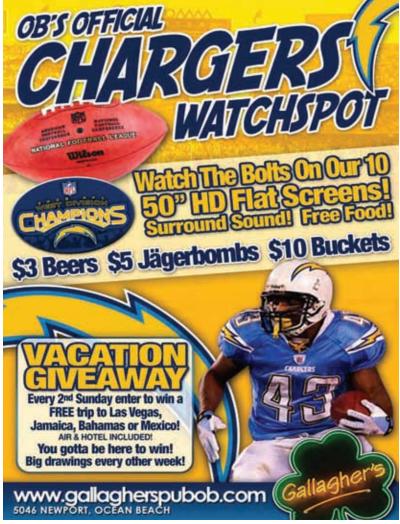


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#### SCHOOLS

#### CORREIA

- Oct. 5-7, CELDT testing.
- Monday, Oct. 5, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Point Loma Cluster Foundation meeting.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 4:15 to 5:30 p.m., SSC meeting.
  - Oct. 12-13, CELDT testing.
- Tuesday, Oct. 13, 8:30 to 10 a.m., PIQE – GEAR UP planning session; 6 to 7 p.m., CIMA board meeting; 6 to 7 p.m., PIQE – GEAR UP planning session.
- Thursday, Oct. 15, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Correia Association meeting; Pastry with Patty Ladd.

#### LOMA PORTAL

- Friday, Oct. 2, Fall Book Fair in auditorium.
- Friday, Oct. 2, Western barbecue lunch for parents and children
- Monday, Oct. 5, 8:30 a.m., Run For Life all week on blacktop.
- Monday, Oct. 5, PTA fundrais-
- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 5:30 p.m., PTA Executive Board meets in library.

#### **OCEAN BEACH**

- Today, Oct. 1, 5:30 p.m., dinner begins for Back-To-School Night.
- Monday, Oct. 5, 6:30 to 8:30

p.m., Point Loma Cluster Schools Foundation meeting.

- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 8 a.m. to noon, picture day.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2:10 to 3:30 p.m., Theater Time.
- Thursday, Oct. 8, 7:45 a.m., Student Standout Awards; 12:25 to 1:10 p.m., Sing & Speak Span-

#### **SUNSET VIEW**

- Tuesday, Oct. 6, Java with Jackie in the auditorium, an opportunity to visit with the school principal.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 8:30 a.m., Walk to School Day; participants are asked to meet at Peet's Coffee, 955 Catalina Blvd., Suite 103.
- Through Oct. 24, volunteer signups for the Sunset View Halloween Carnival on Oct. 24. Volunteer by visiting www.halloweencarnival.com.

#### WARREN-WALKER

- Today, Oct. 1, Back-To-School Night for parents of grades 6 through 8.
- Saturday, Oct. 3, 9 a.m. to noon, "River Blitz" community service project in partnership with the San Diego River Foundation at the river site near Camino del Rio
- Tuesday, Oct. 6, prekindergartners, junior kindergartners and 6th-graders to pumpkin
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, kindergarten field trip to Julian Mining Company.
- Friday, Oct. 9, family barbecue for grades 2 through 5.
- Friday, Oct. 9, 1:30 p.m., "Charlotte's Web" 4th-grade production open to the community.

• Wednesday, Oct. 14, coffee with the heads for grades 6 and 8 at the middle school campus.

#### **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

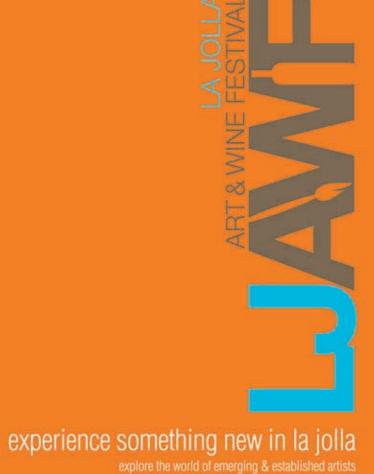
Oct. 2-31, San Diego Watercolor Society presents its 29th annual International Exhibition with 95 paintings from artists around the world both on display and for sale. A "First Friday" opening reception and award ceremony is set for Friday, Oct. 2 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the gallery, 2825 Dewey Road, suite 105 at the NTC Promenade at Liberty Station. For more information, call (619) 876-4550, or visit www.sdws.org.

Through Nov. 1, Visions Art Quilt Gallery presents the works of Emily Richardson. An artist's reception is slated for Friday, Sept. 4 from 5 to 7 p.m. Richardson will also conduct a workshop, "Painting and Composition," on Saturday, Sept. 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a lecture and tour the same day from 1 to 2:30 p.m. (\$10 at the door and lecture is included in the workshop). The gallery is located at 2825 Dewey Road at Liberty Station. For more hours and information, call (619) 546-4872, or visit www.quiltvisions.org.

#### **VENUES**

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- Friday, Oct. 2, 8 p.m., Chris Botti performs. Tickets are \$50.
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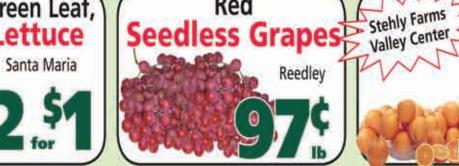




















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