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### 7.2-MAGNITUDE QUAKE JUMBLES NERVES



Members of a city engineering team discuss earthquake-related damage to the Sheraton Hotel and Marina with fire officials after a

### Sheraton Hotel given 'all-clear'

By KEVIN MCKAY | THE BEACON

Emergency crews briefly evacuated and secured the Sheraton Hotel and Marina on Shelter Island to inspect for possible quake damage after a magnitude-7.2 temblor rocked Baja California and the San Diego area Easter Sunday.

According to fire officials, crews were initially sent to the Sheraton because of a continuously ringing alarm. Firefighters entered the hotel and subsequently noticed cracks in the floors a situation deemed not serious by city engineers, according to Maurice Luque with the city's Fire-Rescue Department.

Luque said some 700 rooms were inspected one-by-one and cleared after it was determined no one had been trapped. However, the floors between the seventh and 12th levels were "red tagged" because hallway exit doors were sticking and out of alignment as a result of the quake, he said.

The city's structural engineer scoured the hotel for other potential weaknesses and eventually gave the "all-clear," lifting the red-tag status Monday, according to Luque.

Hotel officials reported "absolutely normal operations" Tuesday.

Officials said no injuries were reported as a result of the powerful quake, which shattered windows at the San Diego Sports Arena and caused a minor water leak at Gate 33 of Lindbergh Field's Terminal 2, among other prob-

SeaWorld officials also reportedly shut down the park for less than an hour to conduct an inspection following the quake. No damage was report-

The temblor generated plenty of rattled nerves in the hours that followed as multiple aftershocks were recorded across the region and state.

# Jail death of OB killer examined

By NEAL PUTNAM | THE BEACON

Toxicology tests are still being analyzed by the county Medical Examiner's Office to determine the cause of death of convicted killer and Ocean Beach resident Henry Lisowski, who was found dead in his jail cell last month.

Lisowski's body was discovered by other inmates March 25, setting up a rare postmortem sentencing hearing May 7 to put the homicide case to rest.

Lisowski, 69, was scheduled to receive a

life sentence without the possibility of parole April 1 in connection with the 2008 disappearance and murder of his ex-wife, Rosa Lisowski, 48, whose body has never been found.

Defense and prosecution attorneys appeared before San Diego Superior Court Judge John Einhorn on April 1 without benefit of a formal death certificate.

Deputy District Attorney Nicole Cooper said the case won't be dismissed just

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### Second runoff needed to decide final PCPB seat

Clark, Shumaker elected in round two

By ANTHONY GENTILE I THE BEACON

Not even a runoff election on March 25 could finalize the Peninsula Community Planning Board's (PCPB) composition. In the second round of balloting in a month, Patricia Clark and Jay Shumaker were elected, but none of the other candidates received the necessary simple majority vote - forcing yet another runoff election for the final seat tonight, April 8.

The latest election will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St.

Following their success, Clark and Shumaker shared thoughts on their roles with the PCPB.

"One of my goals is to work with the

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**JAY SHUMAKER** 



**PATRICIA CLARK** 

### **March 25 PCPB** runoff election results

Total ballots cast: 512 (257 to win)

Patricia Clark – 264 (51.6 percent)

Jay Shumaker – 264 (51.6 percent)

### PLHS graduate snares Oscar for 'Hurt Locker'

By JAMES COLT HARRISON | THE BEACON

Christina "Chris" Innis and husband Bob Murawski laid claim to an Oscar for best editing on the best picture hit film "The Hurt Locker," as directed by best director Kathryn Bigelow.

student in teacher Larry Zeiger's theater-arts program. She moved on to Hollywood after attending University of California, Berkeley and CalArts.

Innis snared the honor during the March 7 Academy Awards gala and recently made time to answer some Hollywood-oriented questions for *The Penin*sula Beacon.

selecting your next films?

*Innis*: "I don't know how it is going to change my life and my career vet. What I do know is that an Oscar is the highest are totally unaware that film editors honor that a person can receive in film- even exist. It's the movie stars most peownat makes this unusual? Innis making, and I hope to live up to that. attended Point Loma High School as a The best thing about it is that I know that we, that is my husband and co-editor Bob Murawski and I. did some of our best work on a film that will hopefully stand the test of time and be remembered for decades to come. It's a dream come true and the best ending for a difficult independent film that might not have ever seen the light of day."

You and your husband are "break-

Does winning an Oscar for "The Hurt out" editors and two of the few who Locker" now give you carte blanche in have become famous. How do you look at fame, what does it mean to you and do you feel it will help your careers?

> Innis: "Most people watch movies and ple want to meet. So the best thing about winning the Oscar for film editing is not any momentary 'fame' that we might achieve, it's the knowledge that we did some of our best work on a film that will be remembered and which is now a part of film history. We are avid film enthusiasts and moviegoers too, so that means a lot to us. Hopefully, all of these awards

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Chris Innis, right, a product of Point Loma High School, walked away from the March 7 Academy Awards with an Oscar for her editing work on "The Hurt Locker," which also took best picture. Innis co-edited the independent movie with husband Bob Murawski, left.

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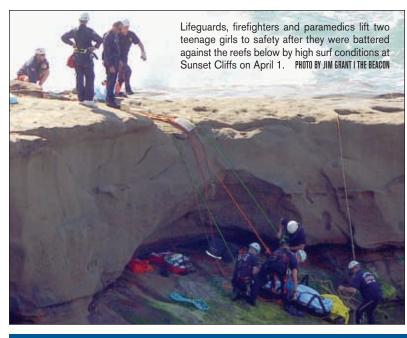
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### NEWS



### Surf-battered teens hoisted to safety

By KEVIN McKAY | THE BEACON

A Border Patrol officer is being credited for quick thinking after coming to the aid of two teenage girls found exhausted and struggling in the raging surf below Sunset Cliffs on April 1.

The teens, ages 17 and 18, were spotted around 3 p.m. in the water near a rocky, largely inaccessible area known as Pappy's Point, according to Sgt. John Everhart with the Ocean Beach station of San Diego Lifeguard Services.

both from the beach and from a vessel, but high surf conditions immediately prevented lifeguards from reaching the teenagers, said Everhart.

The unnamed Border Patrol agent was somehow able to assist the injured girls close enough to the shoreline that lifeguards, firefighters and paramedics could use a stretcher with a rope system to lift the teenagers to safety on the cliffs above, Everhart said.

Both teens were evaluated by firefight-

A 911 call sent rescuers in motion ers and paramedics after the girls were battered against the reefs below by the high surf. One of the victims was released after declining further medical attention, while the second was transported to the University of California, San Diego Medical Center with non-lifethreatening injuries, Everhart said.

It was not clear whether the teens had simply been swimming or had jumped from the cliffs, he said. It was also unclear whether alcohol played a role in the incident, said Everhart.



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### Pedicab ordinance rolling toward enforcement phase

By HILLARY SCHULER-JONES | THE BEACON

A pedicab ordinance enacted by the City Council in October is one step closer to enforcement. City officials have completed the distribution of 250 restrictedzone decals to pedicab owners and operators, said Lt. Tim Saelens of the San Diego Police Department's Traffic Division.

Effective March 19, pedicab owners or operators doing business in any of the four restricted zones, which include downtown, Mission Beach/Pacific Beach, Ocean Beach and La Jolla, will be required to display the official decal. City officials will issue written warnings to violators during a 30-day grace period that began March 19, Saelens said. After the grace period, any owner or operator without a decal will be subject to a citation, according to a police officials.

The area encompassing the Ocean Beach zone is bordered by the south curb line of Voltaire Street between the Pacific Ocean and Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, the east curb line of Sunset Cliffs Boulevard between Voltaire Street and Narragansett Avenue, and the north curb line of Narragansett Avenue between Sunset Cliffs Boulevard and the Pacific Ocean, according to the San Diego Municipal Code.

Saelens said the city began exploring issues involving pedicabs several years ago when a group of business owners, residents and pedicab owners approached the city with a variety of concerns, including safety hazards, traffic congestion and accidents attributed to the pedicabs.

Saelens said pedicab owners and operators had also complained there were too many bicycles operating in the area and the increased competition made it difficult to make money in pedicab operations.

In addition to limiting the number of pedicabs allowed to operate in restricted zones, the ordinance also establishes rules governing mandatory use of seatbelts, parking areas, passenger seating requirements, exterior markings and lighting, and posting of fare schedules.

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because Lisowski died prior to sentencing. A death certificate could officially close the case on May 7.

San Diego County Sheriff's Department officials said Lisowski was found unresponsive in his cell at the Vista Detention Facil-

ity around 4 a.m. March 25, prompting a response by paramedics. Lisowski was not breathing and was pronounced dead at the scene, said coroner's officials. Some notes were found near the body, but the contents have not yet been publicly released. The Medical Examiner's Office is reportedly trying to determine whether Lisowski died from some type of drug overdose in an apparent suicide. Such testing

ical Examiner's Office have declined comment on the autopsy.

A jury on March 2 convicted Lisowski of first-degree murder with a special circumstance that he killed his ex-wife for financial gain.

In 2008, after Rosa's disappearance, Lisowski wrote a letter to several people saying that his ex-wife had suffered a fall at died before he could get her to a hospital.

Lisowski wrote that he put Rosa's body in a dumpster because he did not think he would be believed that her death was accidental. Police questioned Lisowski about the dumpster's location, but they could not locate Rosa's body.

Lisowski was arrested Sept. 5, 2008. Authorities determined the rambling letter disclosing all his assets.

often takes weeks. Officials with the Medhis home and hit her head. He claimed she matched the defendant's handwriting. Evidence of Rosa's blood was found in a few places in Lisowski's car.

> Rosa vanished March 24, 2008 after walking one of her children to Barnard Elementary School. The Lisowskis' divorce was bitter, setting off an acrimonious custody and child-support battle. Henry Lisowski had also been accused of not fully



Alyssa Goncalves, right, in fuchsia, was crowned Miss Cabrillo Festival 2010 on March 28. First runner-up was Katherina La Coco, center, right, and second runner-up was Marissa Armijo, left. Donald Valadao, dressed as Juan Cabrillo, was the pageant's escort.

### Alyssa Goncalves crowned Miss Cabrillo 2010

By PATRICIA M. WALSH | THE BEACON

Wearing a dazzling smile and an elegant fuchsia-colored evening gown with spaghetti straps and sweetheart neckline. Alvssa Goncalves was crowned Miss Cabrillo Festival 2010 at the Miss Cabrillo Festival Pageant on March 28 at the United Portuguese S.E.S. Hall. Goncalves, 21, was crowned by Janessa Garcia, the 2009 Miss Cabrillo. First runner-up was Katherina La Coco and second runner-up was Marissa Armijo. Mistress of ceremonies was Melanie Median, Miss Cabrillo Festival 2006. The 47th annual pageant was sponsored by Cabrillo Civic Club #16 and Portuguese American Social & Civic Club. A Point Loma native and 2006 graduate of Point Loma High School, Goncalves will be attending San Diego State University in the fall.

pageants since I was little and it's something I've always thought about doing," Goncalves said. "Some of my close friends have won in the past, and they were girls I am proud of and look up to. I never thought I'd be brave enough to go out, but this year was different. Now I'm a teacher and I'm a role model and I felt confident enough."

Miss Cabrillo's responsibilities include presiding over the annual Cabrillo Festival, which will be held Sept. 26 at Cabrillo Monument. As an ambassador for the Portuguese community,

Miss Cabrillo also greets and hosts visiting dignitaries from Mexico, Spain and Portugal.

"I like to do more and go around to different elementary schools and teach about the history of San Diego," Goncalves said. "Our Portuguese com-

"I've been going to Miss Cabrillo munity is so unique; we have one of the oldest ethnic traditions, and our community has stayed really close. I think it'd be cool to teach how the Portuguese were first in Point Loma and started this community that's still around."

> In addition to being crowned Miss Cabrillo, Goncalves also won "The Spirit of Cabrillo Award" for her essay answering the question, "Why do you want to be Miss Cabrillo.'

> Miss Cabrillo pageant contestants are judged on their personal interviews which constitute 50 percent of their score — as well as question and answers during the pageant and a presentation of their spring and formal wear.

"I just want to represent my community, it's always been such a big part of life ... the Festa and our traditions," Goncalves said. "This will make them as proud of me as I am of them."

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### **Rotary Club, Scouts to launch** 'Neighborhood Spruce-Up'

By SEBASTIAN RUIZ I THE BEACON

Need help cleaning out rain gutters around the house, pulling weeds or clearing junk from the backyard?

Members from the Rotary Club of Point Loma, along with local Boy Scouts and community volunteers, plan to pitch in around local neighborhoods doing odd jobs or cleanup work for disabled, elderly and deserving residents on Saturday, April 24 from morning until about 2 p.m.

The Rotary Club is also looking for additional community volunteers to step forward for the annual Rotarians at Work Day, a yearly event promoting volunteerism and goodwill.

"It's a 'Neighborhood Spruce-Up,'" said Gary Eastman, a Point Loma Rotarian member. "We don't want to paint the building of some slumlord who really doesn't care, but maybe there's a little ans and volunteers will focus on specific old lady who needs something done that she can't do herself."

With the help of Boy Scout Troop 24 in Point Loma, the volunteers will try to accomodate the needs of neighbors.

"It's a win-win situation because Rotarians serve and Boy Scouts serve, 1144, or e-mail and so together they can serve ... and taryclub@yahoo.com.



Rotarians from Point Loma will join hands in a community work project Saturday, April

assist others that need assistance, while making their name known in the community for the good works that they do," said BSA Troop 24 leader Richard

Thorn is also a Rotary Club member. In the past, Point Loma Rotarians and volunteers have cleaned up the Ocean Beach entryway or a local park as part of Rotarians at Work Day, Eastman said.

But this year is a bit different. To personalize their message, Rotarineeds of community members.

They will also solicit donations and resources from volunteers for bigger jobs like painting a house, for example.

To volunteer or to propose a home project, readers can call (619) 230pointlomaro-

### City continues fine-tuning medical pot rules

By ADRIANE TILLMAN | THE BEACON

A law to control medical marijuana shops in San Diego is beginning to take shape without a cap on the number of cooperatives allowed to operate

City Council members instructed the City Attorney's Office to draft a regulatory ordinance during a March 24 meeting of the city's Land Use & Housing (LU&H) Committee.

The item has not yet ready for a City Council vote.

District 4 Councilman Tony Young dissented because he said he wanted the ordinance to limit the number of dispensaries in the city.

San Diego currently has about 80 medical marijuana cooperatives, according to San Diego police Capt. Guy Swanger.

Los Angeles recently capped the number of medical marijuana cooperatives at 70, but exempted those that registered with the city in 2007, according to published accounts by the Los Angeles Times. City officials estimated between 800 and 1,000 dispensaries are currently operating in Los Angeles, according to the Times.

Meanwhile, the floodgates may open to legalize marijuana since Californians will now vote on a ballot proposal personal use, cultivation and trans- Development Services Department. portation.

### The draft ordinance:

District 1 Councilwoman Sherri Lightner, who represents La Jolla, made a motion to impose stricter requirements than proposed by the Medical Marijuana Task Force set up by the city.

Under the draft ordinance, dispensaries would be banned from areas designated as commercial neighborhoods and commercial visitor zones, as well as from residential areas. In La Jolla, dispensaries would likely only be permitted to open along Girard Avenue because of zoning restrictions in the planned district ordinance.

Lightner also called for a more onerous permitting process than suggested by the task force. Dispensaries will need a Process 4 permit, a decision made by the Planning Commission, but which can be appealed to the City Council.

However, the cost of a Process 4 permit may be too much of a burden for small cooperatives, argued some members of the task force.

The city charges an \$8,000 deposit for a Process 4 permit, but costs can quickly escalate if the project is controversial and more staff time is required. according to Glenn Gargas, a project

in November to legalize marijuana for development manager with the city's

Gargas said he's seen controversial permits for single-family homes in La Jolla escalate to \$60,000.

To accommodate small cooperatives, the task force had proposed a two-tier system: collectives with fewer than 100 members would need a Process 2 permit, and those with more than 100 members would require a Process 3 permit.

Lightner said she is aware of the potential problems of a Process 4 permit, and said the City Council should review the permitting process after a

#### The draft ordinance also includes the following provisions:

- · Collectives must obtain non-profit
- Collectives are permitted to have long business hours, and may operate from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Dispensaries cannot be located within a 1,000-foot radius of schools, playgrounds, libraries, childcare facilities, youth facilities, parks and places of wor-
- Dispensaries cannot be located within 1,000 feet of each other.
- Dispensaries must obtain a conditionaluse permit, wherein the hearing officer determines on a case-by-case basis "whether and under what conditions the use may be approved at a given site."
- · Signage for the dispensaries must comply with city code and be limited to the name of the establishment and two colors.
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# Taste of Portugal' to dish up cultural, heritage experience

the 100th anniversary of the Portuguese Festa do Espirito Santo in San Diego, the Portuguese commuof Portugal" event from April 23-25 at the U.P.S.E.S. Hall.

Organizers said the multi-day event is intended as a celebration of Portuguese food, wine, traditions and culture.

Things kick off Friday, April 23 with the opening "A Taste of Portugal, featuring offerings of food and wine from various regions in Portu-

advance, \$30 at the door.

On Saturday, April 24, organizers plan a symposium featuring presen-

With excitement building toward ters who will discuss the relationship between the U.S. tuna fleet and the Festa, the spiritual connection between the Festa and St. Agnes nity in Point Loma will host "A Taste Church and the volunteers who keep the community's traditions alive.

Following the symposium is "Cozinha Nova Portuguesa," a traditional Portuguese sit-down dinner prepared by Chef Manuel Azevedo of Sonoma County's LaSalette Restaurant. The dinner, which starts at 6:30 p.m., is a tribute to the community's many volunteers.

Finally, on Sunday, April 25 is an arts and culture open house featur-Tickets for the taste are \$20 in ing works by local Portuguese artists, private art collections, music and dancing from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

To order tickets for the Friday and

Saturday evening events, visit www.upses.com.

The 2010 Centennial U.P.S.E.S. Festa will be held from May 16-23 to commemorate 100 years of Portuguese heritage.

Festa do Espirito Santo, or Feast of the Holy Spirit, celebrates Queen Saint Isabel's dedication to feeding the poor during a famine in Portugal during the 13th century.

Since 1910, the Portuguese community in San Diego has observed the week-long celebration with Rosary services, Portuguese music, dancing, parades, coronations and

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### **Burning rubber by sunset light**

Three professional motorcycle riders took advantage of an unusual stunt venue March 19 as the Speed Channel began filming at the Ocean Beach Pier for a special segment. The riders engaged in various tricks and stunts, including "burnouts" like the one above. PHOTO COURTESY BY JIM GRANT

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rest of the planning board and be an integral part of that and to complement the others that are now serving and will serve," Clark said. "I'm thinking of focusing on Parks and Recreation. There are more parks needed and I'd like to investigate and see what space is available for

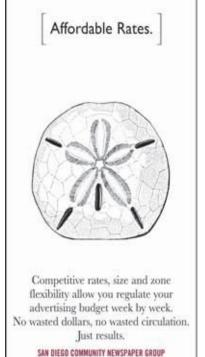
Shumaker said he will address zoning issues.

"My platform is to try to improve and beautify Point Loma Village and the Peninsula," Shumaker said. "The best way to do that is to replace an archaic zoning code with a form-based code that is primarily graphic and that people can understand. I want to replace the zoning code with a code that works; that can be applied intuitively. We don't want another plan that sits on the shelf."

With another round of elections on the horizon, here is a quick recap of the three remaining candidates fighting for the final seat (more complete profiles are available in the March 12 Peninsula Bea-

### **Norman Allenby**

Allenby has owned property in Point Loma since 1980 and has lived in the area for nearly 50 years. He is currently



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a lawyer and a mediator and owner of Onsite Water Treatment. He is an environmentalist who said he is focused on water and energy conservation.

### **Suhail Khalil**

Khalil is an incumbent of the PCPB and has served as chair of the board's Airport Committee for the last three vears. Khalil is a commercial real estate broker and has a background in finance and investment capital ventures. His work involving the airport can be seen at www.pcpb.net/airport.html.

### **Geoff Page**

Page has lived in Point Loma since 1980 and has owned and operated OBcean Builders, Inc. for the last eight years. He previously served on the PCPB for two years, including spending six months as chair. According to his application, Page is concerned with overdevelopment in the Peninsula.

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# Floatopia: Fun and the fallout

BY ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

The fourth annual Floatopia event on March 20 drew an estimated 5,000 beachgoers looking to skirt the beach alcohol ban by drinking while floating in the water on rafts and inner tubes just offshore at Sail Bay. With great fun came great fallout, however, with residents and local officials picking up the pieces and searching for ways to contain and control future floating parties.

### Here is a look at the Floatopia fallout:

#### **Police**

Despite the large crowds on March 20, San Diego Police Department (SDPD) Northern Division Capt. Chris Ball said the event was manageable from a police perspective. Ball said the SDPD had a combination of on-duty and off-duty officers, and that an additional 10 officers and a sergeant were brought in.

"The reason we're there is to promote public safety and to be there as an enforcement arm should that be necessary," Ball said.

The SDPD also brought in a mobile observation unit parked on the sand. During the event, they carried out 20 detentions and handed out 23 misdemeanor citations.

"Whenever you have a concentrated number in a very small area, you have to appropriately manage that group of people, especially when the issue is around alcohol," Ball said. "There were certainly public safety concerns with the event."

### Lifequards

Lifeguard Lt. Andy Lerum said a total of 18 lifeguards were brought in — 12 seasonal and six staff - to watch over

were on standby for the duration of the

'We normally have zero lifeguards on that day in that location," Lerum said.

In the water, a total of six vessels three from the city, two from the Coast Guard and one U.S. Customs boat monitored the event. Although the event passed without a serious incident, there were 16 rescues and five confirmed cases of medical aid for those too drunk to stand up — two of whom ended up going to the hospital.

"Our viewpoint to this type of activity is that it is unsafe," Lerum said. "For as long as we have been lifeguards, we have always advocated for people not to drink and enter the water because of the increased likelihood of drowning."

### City Council

District 2 City Councilman Kevin Faulconer's spokesman, Manolatos, said Faulconer would like to see future events such as Floatopia obtain permits. Manolatos said permits would help defray both cleanup and police costs.

'This is an issue that we're paying close attention to," Manolatos said. "We're talking amongst ourselves about it, we're talking to police, lifeguards and neighbors."

Manolatos said the City Council does not plan to take further action right now aside from monitoring the situation. Potential action could include enacting an ordinance to close the loophole in the beach alcohol ban.

"If people are safe and treating the bay with respect, that's one thing,' Manolatos said. "But neither of those goals appears to have been met on Satur-

The city's Park and Recreation Department was left to pick up the pieces Sunday morning, March 21, cleaning up the trash left behind in the park. Park and Recreation Deputy Director Kathleen Hasenauer said this was the biggest of the four Floatopia events.

"On a typical Sunday at this time of the year, Fanuel Street Park would generate enough trash to fill either a half of a dumpster or a full dumpster, and it would take one grounds maintenance worker about two hours to clean the park." Hasenauer said.

But the day after Floatopia was not a typical Sunday. It took four maintenance workers six hours to clean the park and the trash had to be taken to seven dumpsters around Mission Bay Park.

"The park generated enough trash for eight dumpsters and a dumpster holds 800 pounds, so we had 4,800 pounds of debris or 2.4 tons of refuse that was collected by staff," Hasenauer said.

Hasenauer said she was glad that no one was injured during Floatopia. Feedback she received from the event has been mixed.

"I've heard both sides of the story that people really liked the event, that people had a good time and also community members that were concerned about the number of people in one location," Hasenauer said.

#### **Creators**

Since the event was largely promoted on social networking sites Facebook and Yelp, the organizers of Floatopia remain basically anonymous. This is one of the main reasons that, if applicable, punishments cannot be handed down for the event because one individual cannot be pinpointed for responsibility since the information is spread from many



A swarm of revelers drift and wade just beyond the shore at Sail Bay during Floatopia on March 20. Photo by MARK LENOCE

### Neighbors

Sail Bay resident and Sail Bay Association member Nanci Dalzell is not opposed to events such as Floatopia. She thinks this year's event was simply too

"The bottom line is you had too many people in too small of a space," Dalzell said. "It's just going to get bigger. That's not necessarily a bad thing, but it's a bad thing in a contained environment."

Dalzell said she was also appalled by the amount of trash left behind. Leaving her residence for a morning jog, the amount of trash she saw on the sand was so great that she felt it necessary to lend a hand.

"The debris was unimaginable," Dalzell said. "So many people were so careless to leave everything at the bottom of the bay.'

Dalzell hopes that events as big as Floatopia don't happen in the future. She thinks closing the loophole in the beach alcohol ban can prevent events of this type from surfacing.

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### Shelter Island restaurant walk set to tantalize

By JOSEPH GREENBERG | THE BEACON

Select restaurants around Shelter Island will be offering signature selections and samples in this year's installment of "A Taste of Shelter Island," scheduled for Tuesday, April 20 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. This year marks the 21st annual event, orchestrated by the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce as a fundraiser to benefit chamber programs such as scholarships for Point Loma High School students.

For most of the event's history, the gastronomic delight has gone by "The Chamber Chomp" as its slogan. According to Matt Kalla, president of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, this year's slogan "A Taste of Shelter Island" is intended to bring out a bit more elegance and refinement in the event.

"I'm looking forward to the event and the opportunity for Shelter Island restaurants to showcase their culinary talent and for the local community to both discover and reconnect with Shelter Island and the eateries there," Kalla said.

According to Kalla, "A Taste of Shelter Island" is an excellent opportunity for restaurants to gain new exposure and for the local residents to support local businesses and enjoy quality food not just passed through a fast-food window. Giving back to local establishments is key when merchants are still on the road to economic recovery, Kalla said.

For \$15, participants will have finger foods and samples available to them from 12 different restaurants.

Participating restaurants along Shelter Island Drive and the vicinity this year:

- The Brigantine
- Pomodoro
- Old Venice
- Red Sails Inn · Blue Wave Bar & Grill
- Point Break
- The Living Room
- Stars & Stripes Mart • The Wine Pub
- · Gus's Subs & Pizza
- Kona Kai Café
- The Bay Club Bar & Grill

### Some samplings

The Wine Pub, 2907 Shelter Island Drive, is a new name in the list of regulars in this year's "Taste."

Owner Sandy Hanshaw said she is excited to be participating for the first time.

"On our relaxed patio heated with a fire pit, we will be serving up our signature clients' favorite appetizer bruschetta. There will be a fresh mozzarella with tomato and basil bruschetta and an artichoke spread with grilled red pepper bruschetta. Also, we will be keeping happy hour prices all night, with \$4 select glasses of wine.'

A staple merchant in the "Taste" is the Brigantine, a restaurant known for its seafood. "We will be serving our calamari strips, which are cut from calamari steak and coated with a layer of Italian bread crumbs. We will also be providing portions of our clam chowder," said Brigantine manager Ann Kendall.

The Point Break Café, a Point Loma breakfast favorite, will also be doing a bruschetta creation, only this one will include sautéed mushroom and roasted red bell pepper in balsamic vinaigrette. To add some distinction, the café will also be serving sweet potato chips with a parmesan garlic cheese topping with a chipotle aioli dipping sauce, said owner Kevin Lewis.

There will be a free shuttle traveling between restaurants, giving people with physical challenges the means to experience as much as possible.

The price of admission for the event does not include beverages. Advance tickets can be purchased at: Seaport Realtors, Stars & Stripes Mart, Matt Kalla of State Farm Insurance, Union Bank, Rosecrans Automotive, Sunrise Community Bank. On the night of the event tickets may still be purchased in the Brigantine parking lot from 5:30 to 6 p.m. For more information, visit www.peninsulachamber.com.

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By: Raymond Simas

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Raymond Simas is SVP/Manager of San Diego Trust. The bank plans to open a Point Loma office later this year. Mr. Simas can be reached at 619-230-6666

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### PL artist finds beauty in imperfection on, off canvas Ansley Pye to showcase art at Hollywood Glamour Ball

By ANTHONY GENTILE I THE BEACON

For many, art serves as an escape from reality. For Point Loma artist Ansley Pye, painting helps her handle the reality of living with multiple sclero-

"If I'm feeling really bad, I'll always attempt to paint because somehow it point in my life, I sat back and asked, 'If makes me feel better," Pye said. "I get so focused on my painting and it's so meaningful to me that I think it kind of walks me through whatever I'm feel-

Pye will have a collection of her art showcased at the San Diego Fine Art Society (SDFAS) Hollywood Glamour Ball in downtown San Diego on Satur-Pad," celebrates Pye's completion of the SDFAS Mentor Program — a yearlong intensive program designed to launch talented artists into a profes-

"It is the first time I've ever had the opportunity to completely expose a body of work to people as its own entity — this big grouping of where I am at with my art. I think it's a big deal," Pye said of the Hollywood Glamour Ball.

Pye said her true launch point as an artist came two decades ago. In 1989, she owned her own mortgage company in San Diego and painted on the side when she started having physical and neurological problems that doctors couldn't pin down. The following year, Pye was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis (MS), the incurable disease that affects the brain and the spinal cord.

"The neurologist said that it possibly had gone degenerative and the prognosis was really five years of any realistic quality life," Pye said. "At that "I was trying to answer a question for myself - to find something beautiful about my imperfect state."

Ansley Pye

I really had only five years left, what would I want to do?' So I started to

While she had always had a passion for painting, Pye leaned on art because the MS was taking a toll both physically and financially. She did so even when it was difficult to simply hold a brush.

"There were times when I had to day, April 17. The exhibit, "Launch tape the paintbrush to my hand in order to be able to paint, because with MS you have very unpredictable movements," Pye said.

> Pye began painting what she considered imperfect items to understand what she viewed as her own imperfections. Twenty years later, her art still captures the beauty in seemingly flawed items.

> "I was trying to answer a question for myself – to find something beautiful about my imperfect state," Pye said. "That was the impetus for my painting and it's also the underlying message in all of my work. I paint things that are not perfect."

> On good days, Pye can paint between four and six hours. On bad days, nerve pain in her hands can limit brush control and nerve pain in her face – called trigeminal neuralgia – can shut her down completely.

"It's a little bit of a jackpot. I know what a good day is because I really know what a bad day is," Pye said.

"When I have a good day, I try to get as much into that day as I can.'

Pye was born in San Diego and has lived in Point Loma for the last four years. After owning a studio downtown, she currently operates her studio, Damon Studio, out of her garage.

"If I can keep the money coming in to do what I do, I will do it more," Pye said. "I want to be able to paint and take care of myself and my daughter."

Pye is one of three artists in the inaugural year of the SDFAS Artists Mentor program, which includes guest speakers, personal coaching and instruction from former famed Los Angeles art dealer Yoram Gil. SDFAS executive director April Game said Pye's art has matured as part of the program, including the texture of her work.

"This layering is something that has been done since the Dutch Old Master days and it has this layered thin glazing, this translucent richness. But it's very contemporary, too, because it has this modeled textured look. It is very fresh," Game said. "Her art has taken a shift from being very flat and literal to a freshened-up style.'

Pye said the program has helped her consistently paint a wider repertoire of subjects. She said her exhibition at the ball would show that.

"This body of work has been a growth in my ability to express the same meaning through a multitude of various subjects and developing my ability," Pye said.

The Hollywood Glamour Ball will be held Saturday, April 17 from 7 to 10 p.m. at Anthology, 1337 India St., downtown. For tickets or more information, visit www.sdfas.org/events.



Point Loma artist Ansley Pye, who continues to fight the debilitating multiple sclerosis, will be showcased in the Hollywood Glamour Ball in downtown San Diego on April 17.

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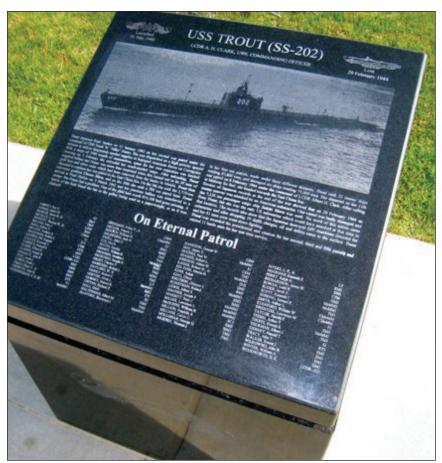
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Locker' won't soon be forgotten. With any luck, those who haven't seen it, but who have heard about it or it's Oscar wins will seek it out.

It's the best possible outcome for the film and for us. It was a brief chance for editors to be treated like royalty, and we were. It has been an start to finish, and one that we won't soon forget.'

How much influence does editing have on the success or failure of a film?

*Innes:* "Editing has a tremendous influence on the success of a film. That's why film enthusiasts and Oscar historians have long noted that there is a direct link between the Academy Award for best picture and best editing. I think that is because film editing is the craft that defines and is unique to cinema. We are linking images, story points, character arcs, ideas, thoughts, words, music, text, movement, acting, photography, music, visual effects all in one craft in which the infinite possibilities of juxtaposition determine a film's outcome. Editing alone can't make a film a success, but it can bring a film to life

the story, the action and the charac-

Film editing has always, more or less, been a man's game. Does being are an indication that 'The Hurt an award-winning editor now open up the field to more women?

Innes: "From what I gather, women have traditionally done pretty well as film editors, and I'm certainly nowhere near the first woman to receive an Oscar for film editing. The numbers of women directors are far fewer, though. Then again, it wasamazing journey on this film, from n't our goal while making the film for it to be a historic "women's film." We were just trying to make the best possible film. Even so, I wouldn't mind if the award wins on 'The Hurt Locker' opened up the eyes of agents, producers and studio heads to seeing the potential of women filmmakers.'

Does being a role model for women suit you, or would you rather shy away from being a hero to young girls/women who are thinking about becoming editors?

Innes: "I don't think 'The Hurt Locker' is a traditional 'chick flick.' So if we changed that definition and the characterization of what kinds of films women can and should make, then cool! The more often we women filmmakers can surprise 'the suits' with our results, the more often we won't be second-guessed as artists. Eventually, women making films and it can help focus and sharpen won't be seen as an anomaly. If the

success of our film inspires other women to stick with a career path in filmmaking, rather than giving up after they leave film school, then that's all the better, too. We do need more films made by women. The studios need to hire more women filmmakers. Too few major films are helmed by women, and there are too few female department heads."

You took theater arts classes from Larry Zeiger, a man who is very proud of you.

Innes: "It's nice to have the support of my former teachers, such as Larry Zeiger, who e-mailed to congratulate me right after the Oscar win. I remember his class as the first place I saw Orson Welles' great film 'Citizen Kane.'

You attended Point Loma High and are a "hometown girl." Any fond memories of going to school in San Diego?

Innes: "San Diego will always be my home town. A cruise along Sunset Cliffs harkens back to my high school days lazing around the beach and hanging out with friends. Zip by the flagpole at Point Loma High and you will find the spot where my friends and I all hung out and ate lunch each day - every creative misfit in that school was there. San Diego holds a lot of good memories for me and I still have a lot of friends and family here. It will always be home."

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Volunteers from the Rock Church in Point Loma have launched a weeding and cleanup campaign at NTC Park that is expected to translate into thousands of dollars in city savings. Cherre Ewing (blonde hair, crouching) inspects an object during the March 31 cleanup. Alicya Ansett (long dark hair, standing) fills a bag during the March 31 cleanup. COURTESY PHOTOS

### **NEWS***briefs*

### **Rock Church beautification** volunteers save city money

An estimated 40 volunteers from the Rock Church San Diego began a longterm effort on March 31 to contribute hundreds of hours toward beautifying a cials. community park in Point Loma. The team of volunteers began manually pulling thousands of weeds that have overrun NTC Park on Cushing Road. according to church officials. The weed problem had prompted complaints from neighbors and park users, and diminished the park's natural beautv.

Rock Church officials said the volunteer effort will save the city about Rock Church and the office of Mayor Jerry Sanders.

In 2010, church officials committed

to Sanders that its members would provide 200,000 service hours to the city. In 2009, the church completed

166,251 service hours, equating to a

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culated by O\*Net® Resource Center). The weeding team is expected to return every Wednesday around the same time for the next several weeks until the job is done, said church offi-

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### 'Next Top Model' casting call set at Liberty Station

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The American Cancer Society's Point Loma/Ocean Beach Relay for Life Committee will launch a happy-hour event at Liberty Station on Wednesday, April 14 to help educate neighbors about the fight against cancer.

The happy hour takes place from 5 to 7 p.m. at Solare Lounge, 2820 Roosevelt Station.

The event is open to the public, and Solare will provide small snacks.

Organizers said the evening will serve as a means to educating participants about the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event on July 10 and 11 at Liberty Station.

Hundreds of participants are expected to turn out for the relay, where participants will come together to camp out, walk, enjoy bands and raise awareness and money to fight cancer.

For more information, visit www.relavforlife.org/PtLomaOceanBea chca. Those who are unable to attend but who want to be involved may email nadine\_plobrelay@yahoo.com.

### Silver Gate school gears up for fundraising dinner

Silver Gate Elementary School is currently seeking sponsors and donations in advance of its 15th annual fundraiser "Soiree Gone Green" — a silent auction and dinner dance set for 6 p.m. Friday, April 30.

The annual gala will be held in the The casting call is open to women scenic Bayview Clubhouse at the

All proceeds go toward The Friends of Silver Gate Foundation (FSG), a nonprofit organization devoted to financially supporting Silver Gate Elementary School's enrichment programs.

The dinner, dance and auction serves as the biggest fundraiser of the year for Silver Gate Elementary and gives guests the chance to enjoy dinner, dancing and live and silent auctions.

School officials said babysitting will

be available.

Tickets for the event are \$65 per person, which includes dinner and wine reception. Tickets are also available for \$45 per person for dinner only. Tables to seat eight people are available for \$500, which includes two bottles of wine. To purchase tickets, call (619) 222-1139.

School officials said there will also be a 50/50 opportunity drawing for a

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### **Rockin' dads slate** concert to benefit school

A group of musically-inclined fathers will soon be rockin' the house to raise money for Correia Junior High School's 7th- and 8th-grade music program.

The Music4Music event is slated for Saturday, April 17 at 9 p.m. at Riley's Music Lounge, 2901 Nimitz Blvd.

Event organizers said the concert, coordinated in response to increasing school budget cuts, will help buy instru-

Tickets are \$10 at the door. For more information, call (619) 255-8639, visit www.rileysmusiclounge.com, or echristinagilmoremckav@netzero.com.

### Remembrance day planned at center

San Diego will remember the Holocaust victims and survivors — both Jewish and non-Jewish — and the liberators of the death camps in a ceremony on Sunday, April 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center at 4126 Executive Drive.

April 11 is the international Holo-

"Hopefully, we all will learn from people who lived through it, it makes it this atrocity," said Lisa Haney, spokeswoman for the United Jewish Federation of San Diego County. "We learn about tolerance, kindness and love and never forget it. My mother was a refugee from Germany. It's personally very meaningful for me."

Mayor Jerry Sanders will declare April 11 Holocaust Remembrance and Liberation Day.

A short film will screen interviews with three local survivors and military liberators. Two of the survivors will attend the ceremony.

"It's really very educational for younger people to meet some of the survivors," Haney said. "They read caust Remembrance Day or Yom about this in history books and learn about it in films but when they meet

much more real."

Nine candles will be lit during the ceremony.

Twelve San Diego survivors will light the first six candles in pairs to remember the six Nazi concentration camps.

The seventh candle will be lit in remembrance of the 1.5 million Jewish children killed during the Holo-

The eighth candle will commemorate the 5 million non-Jewish people killed in the death camps. University City resident Abraham Horstein, a 92year-old World War II veteran, will light the ninth candle to honor the liberators of the camps.

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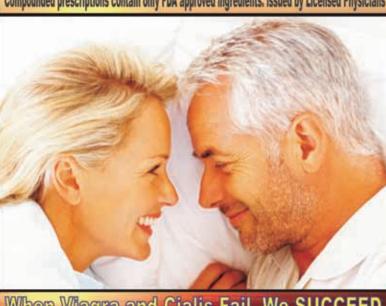
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### **OBITUARY**

# Jack Kelly, Navy commander, 90

Cmdr. Jack Andrew Kelly (USN-Ret.), a career naval officer and well-known yachtsman, yacht designer and builder, died peacefully of pneumonia brought on by Alzheimer's on March 19. He was 90.

A sixth-generation San Diegan whose great grandfather was the first postmaster in San Diego and who also owned the American Hotel in Old Town, Kelly



**JACK KELLY** 

graduated from Point Loma High School, where he was senior class president in 1938. He was an outstanding athlete and received a football scholarship to Chaffey Junior College in Ontario. World War II inter-

rupted his schooling, but he later attended San Diego State College, where he earned his BA degree. He was member of Phi Lambda Xi fraternity, which later became Sigma Chi.

Mr. Kelly entered the Navy in 1940 and underwent flight training in Corpus Christi, Texas. In September of 1941, he was commissioned an ensign and designated as a naval aviator.

His various air billets included duty as a flight instructor, gunnery officer and executive officer of three fighter squadrons flying F6F Hellcats and F4U Corsairs aboard the carriers Tarawa and Kearsarge.

He later served as assistant air officer aboard the Essex with VF-8. During the Korean War, Kelly commanded VS-25, a carrier-based anti-submarine squadron.

Capt. Earnest Beauchamp (USN-Ret.) of Newport Beach served with Mr. Kelly aboard the Essex and stated, "He was a fine naval officer, pilot and a gentleman in the best sense of the word. We were close friends both in the Navy and in yachting."

Later, Mr. Kelly was assigned as executive officer at Sangley Point, Phillipine Islands. His last assignment was as executive officer at Naval Air Station Miramar before retiring as a commander in 1965, ending his distinguished 25-year naval career.

Cmdr. Kelly earned many awards and decorations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 4 stars and numerous other honors.

After retiring from the Navy, as a long time member of the San Diego Yacht Club, Mr. Kelly pursued his love of the water and began a career in the yacht business.

He eventually collaborated with noted yacht designer Doug Peterson to develop the legendary Peterson 44' and the Kelly/Peterson 46' sailboats. His Jack Kelly Yacht Sales delivered 200 44s and 36 of the 46s before Kelly retired in 1985.

The yachts have become true classics and can be seen cruising around the world's seas.

Fraternity brother Robert Gault of San Diego said, "Jack was a most friendly and kind gentleman loved by everyone. We were friends for 70 years."

Mr. Kelly leaves behind his devoted wife, Pam, of Point Loma; son Patrick of Temecula; daughter Shanta (Sharyn) Gabriel of Petaluma; two grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at the San Diego Yacht Club on Friday, April 16, at 2 p.m.

Donations in his memory may be made to San Diego Hospice, 4311 Third Ave., San Diego 92103, or to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

### Day at the Docks to kick off spring fishing season

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

From seasoned fishing enthusiasts to those who have never set foot in a boat, there is a little something for everyone at the 31st annual Day at the Docks event on Sunday, April 18.

The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the San Diego Sportfishing Landing on Shelter Island.

"It's so much fun," said event producer Catherine Miller. "We've set this event to have appealing elements for every member of the family."

About 25,000 people are expected

to attend the free event, which celebrates the start of Southern California's spring saltwater fishing season. Miller said the fish have already been biting in advance of the event.

"This year, the yellowtail started biting in earnest about three weeks ago, so we're a little late in celebrating it. The season may be in full swing by the time this kickoff takes place," Miller said. "We've had some of the best spring yellowtail fishing we've had in years and expect it to continue throughout the kickoff to the season."

Among the highlights of this year's Day at the Docks is a star-studded lineup at the Catch, Prep and Cook Center. Among the guests will be Fiddler's Green head chef Steve Rock preparing white sea bass in a ginger and lime marinade, Scott Wagner from ChileCo Catering and Julie Frans, owner of Dining Details personal chef services.

"That whole series should be very interesting this year," Miller said.

Another treat is the fleet open house, which will give those who have never boarded a fishing vessel a chance to peek around. Miller said this is a rare opportunity.

"If someone has not been aboard a one of the boats in the fleet before, they need to take this opportunity and walk down the docks and walk on board," Miller said. "There are very few times during the season where you're going to see this many boats to walk through."

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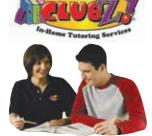
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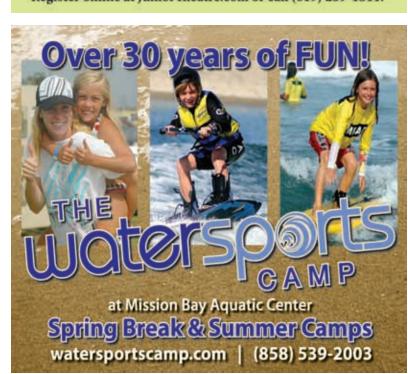
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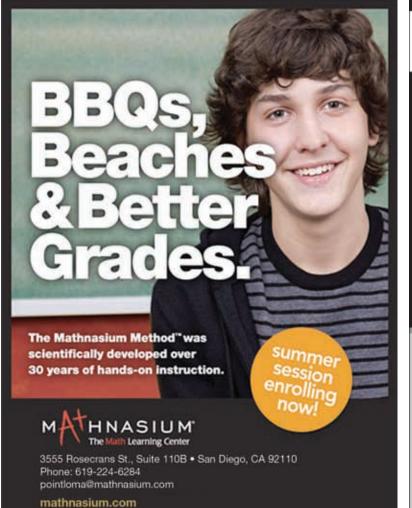
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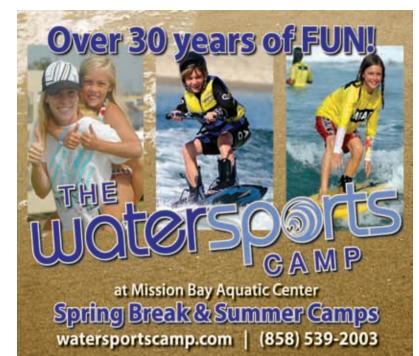
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### **SPORTS**

### **Yachters** ready salute to new sailing season

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

Area yacht lovers will celebrate Opening Day festivities later this month, including gala events at the Shelter Island-based San Diego and Southwestern yacht clubs. With nice weather than to mark the start of sailing season, said club officials.

"It stems from most East Coast yacht clubs, which typically open up in the springtime for the season because they

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year-round in San Diego, the celebra- were snowed in or iced in for the win- www.sdyc.org. tions are more a matter of tradition ter," said San Diego Yacht Club Commodore William Campbell. "They have a real Opening Day because most of their seasons are only six to seven months long. We're open 364 out of 365 days."

### What's on deck

• San Diego Yacht Club (SDYC), 1011 Anchorage Lane, will hold its 125th Opening Day on Saturday, April 17 and Sunday, April 18. Festivities will include yacht inspections, club awards and the Commodore's Dinner Dance. Campbell said Opening Day at SDYC also serves as a chance to mingle with old friends.

"A significant percentage of the membership comes out, participates and walks around and says hello," Campbell said. "A lot of times that is the only day you will see them."

more information,

· At the end of the month, Southwestern Yacht Club (SWYC), 2702 Qualtrough St., will celebrate its 85th Opening Day over a three-day span. SYC will have Fiesta Friday on April 30, Closing Day ceremonies on May 1 and Opening Day ceremonies on May 2.

Highlights of SYC's Opening Day include boat judging, music and a parade of club boats. For more information, visit www.southwesternyc.org.

• If you spot a dinghy sinking on Mission Bay on Saturday, April 17, don't panic. That tradition is part of the 83rd annual Opening Day ceremonies at Mission Bay Yacht Club (MBYC).

Other traditions are the commodore racing against the club's juniors across the bay and a sail-by parade of the club's fleet. The ceremony will include live music and a raft-up in front of the clubhouse. For more information, visit visit www.mbyc.org.

### **SPORTS***briefs* **SWYC Charity Bay Race slated**

The 23rd annual Southwestern Yacht Club Charity Bay Race is set for noon on Sunday, April 11 to benefit San Diego Hospice and the Institute for Palliative Medicine. Event organizers said proceeds will ensure patients facing a life-threatening illness are provided with the highest quality of care.

An estimated 25 to 30 sailing yachts are expected to compete in the challenging 10-mile course around San Diego Bay. A post-race barbecue and awards ceremony follows at around 2:30 or 3 p.m. and will feature prizes and a raffle.

Racers can register online until 5 p.m. on Friday, April 9 by visiting www.regattanetwork.com. There is a \$70 entry fee. For information, call (619) 405-0074, visit www.southwesternyc.org or e-mail info@southwesternyc.org.

### **Point Lomans qualify for** sailing championships

The Francis Parker School sailing team has qualified for the Pacific Coast High School Championships (Gold PCCs), April 17 and 18 in San Francisco Bay.

The sailing team is currently ranked eighth among all schools in California and Hawaii. Three other high schools from San Diego qualified: Point Loma, Cathedral Catholic and Coronado. The top five teams in the Gold PCCs will qualify for the national championships.

Last year, Francis Parker reached the high school nationals in Florida — the first time in the school's 100-year history that one of its sports teams has reached that level. The eight-person squad for the PCCs will be Max Hutcheson, Carissa Crawford, junior Jack Driscoll, and sophomores David Larson, Marly Isler, Emily Bohl, Foster Collins and Kristen Stipanov.





Flags herald the Opening Day ceremony of the San Diego Yacht Club (SDYC). The SDYC and Southwestern Yacht Club - both based at Shelter Island - host their season PHOTO BY PAUL HANSEN I THE BEACON openers this month.

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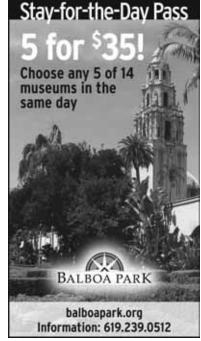
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### Albion team eyes national title

By AMBERLY DRESSLER | THE BEAC ON

From Robb Field in Ocean Beach to soccer fields in Las Vegas, North Carolina and beyond, the talented players who make up Albion SC Boys Under 15 White know how to win. The Noah Ginscoached competitive club soccer team recently wrapped up a U.S. National League Championship.

The league is only open to the top eight teams in the country for each age group. Albion skated through the competition, compiling a 6-1 record. Albion's dominating performance handed the team of local ninth- and 10th-graders a berth in the National Championship in Kansas in July.

Gins' championship vision for the team could come into fruition for the first time. He wears many hats for Albion SC -including director of coaching — and

took over the club when it had just six squads. Today, it has close to 40. A win this summer in Kansas would mark the club's first-ever national championship.

Manager John Shackelford credits the boys' dedication and perseverance and that of Gins — for the lengthy list of tournament and league championships. It started when Gins formed the team at the Under 8 level.

Each year after, Gins laid out the plan. The boys bought into it.

"It was [Noah] who kind of decided that this team had the talent to eventually win the national championship with the right additional players, so he has trained the boys on a very technical, thorough, consistent [program] for years," Shackelford said. "And they've won so many tournaments, big tournaments, all across the country." The boys will step foot on unfamiliar

ground this summer at the national championship. But their skill set should translate well.

"They are technically very sound. They are a great passing team and they probably have the best defense in the country," Shackelford said. "And they are relentless. They just don't give up."

Albion's resiliency will continue to come in play, as it tackles a full summer tournament schedule. Within that schedule is its own Albion Cup National Soccer Showcase from July 17-19 that pits teams from across the country against one another at Robb Field and other locations.

Those tournaments are followed by league play, high school play and then it starts it all over again. But for Albion and its players, it's all for the love of the game and actively pursuing its highest level of

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De-Fishing Soap to The Coolest Shoes in California. The latter are Europeandesigned plastic shoes that are nearly weightless.

Entertainment and food will be served up all day long, including Catalina Offshore Product's fish tacos which will be sold to benefit the Monarch School for homeless and atrisk children downtown.

Competitive spirits won't be disappointed either, with a casting contest at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. and a knottying competition.

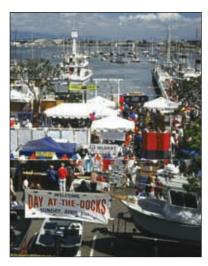
For future captains, the Kids Fishing Adventure will have stocked pools of fish from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for children ages 4 to 12. There will also be an area

where children can try their hand at painting pictures of marine life.

Returning for a second straight year is Capsize a Captain, in which those in attendance can pay \$5 to get three shots at sinking a skipper in a dunk tank. The event, hosted by Red Rooster 3's captain, Andy Cates, benefits the Friends of Rollo charity (which conducts marine awareness fishing trips) and was a big hit last year.

"He put captains in the seat and had people throw trying to dunk them," Miller said. "He had a line all day long — people really wanted to dunk these captains."

Free parking for Day at the Docks is available on Shelter Island, with red double-decker shuttle buses running every 10 minutes. For more information, visit tinyurl.com/daydocks2010.



An estimated 25,000 people are expected to fill Shelter Island's San Diego Sportfishing Landing on April 18 during the 31st annual Day at the Docks. PHOTO BY PAUL HANSEN I THE BEACON

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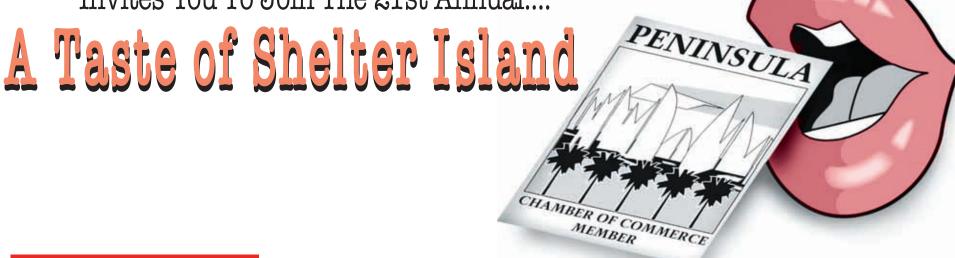
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### Jefferson Jay to debut third album in trilogy

BY BART MENDOZA | THE BEACON

Musical jack-of-all-trades Jefferson Jay tends to make an impression. A largerthan-life figure with a razor sharp wit, the sharp-dressed Jay arrived in San Diego from New Jersey in 2000, quickly becoming a fixture in the local music

er, songwriter and quirky musician who promotes a local music series at the La Jolla Athenaeum, Jay's home turf is actually the Portugalia restaurant. Jay hosts a regular Tuesday night open mic night at the venue as well as weekly music showcases.

Though Jay spends the lion's share of



ples' music, he has managed to release three albums to date, including Red and Blue from a trilogy he has dubbed "Primary Colors." Jay's music is a kaleidoscope of influences without musical boundaries, taking in jazz, rock, soul, blues and more — sometimes in a single

On Thursday, April 15, Portugalia will be the site of a combination birthday party for Jay, as well as a CD-release show for his third album in the series, "Yellow." Musical guests will include pianist Patricia Mueller, Richard Romero, Chris Zach, Wes Davis and pop trio Acoustic Booze.

"I recorded all three at the same time between 2005 and 2007, releasing them over the past two years," Jay said. "I thought recording that way would speed up the process of putting out new music. But it ended up taking just as

'Yellow's" 10 tracks contain plenty of Jay's signature humor and blend of musical genres, but he said there was one unforeseen problem in spreading out the release of albums recorded.

the songs, but some of the lyrics have dated a little," Jay said. "There are a couple of songs that deal with social issues. So, the names and places may have changed. But the sentiment is pretty much the same."

his music is important.

"It's a big world and it needs a lot of help," he said. "I'd definitely like to see more people getting involved in the world around us, more actual doing than shouting points. We're lucky that conscious of this than people are in other places."

Balancing message with fun, "Yellow" also highlights Jay's Zappa-esque



Jefferson Jay will host a CD-release party Thursday, April 15 at Portugalia restaurant in Ocean Beach.

"It's not an issue with 99 percent of humor, such as in the tune "Dawson," appropriately enough, a tribute to anyone named Dawson.

> "There are 31 songs across the trilogy," Jay said. "It's like ice cream. Thirtyone flavors of music."

Jay's motivation for releasing the Pri-Jay said having a positive message in mary Colors series comes from his musical heroes, though not in the way one might think.

"My goal is to have a big discography," Jay said. "All the musicians I admire have a lot of albums out, so I figured I would do the same. These first four albums San Diegans seem to be much more form the foundation of my future music. I hope to have the longetivity of life. I know I'll have the longetivity of inspiration.'

Though "Yellow" is barely off the www.sdportugalia.com.

presses, Jay is already hard at work on his next disc. It is tentatively titled "The Great New Way."

Meanwhile, disc number six, an acoustic project, is already lined up.

"I have a big backlog of songs and I'm just trying to catch up," Jay said.

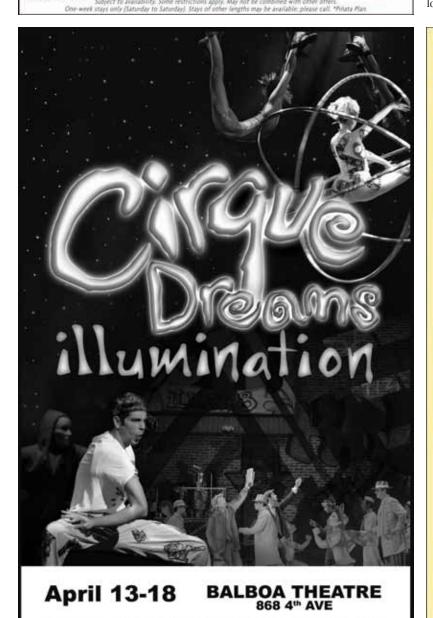
"Music is what I feel in my soul," Jay

He added that the opportunity to make music trumps just about all for him.

said. "It means so many different things to people, but everybody likes music," he said. "It's kind of like the sun." Jay performs Thursday, April 15 at

Portugalia, 4839 Newport Ave. at 7 p.m. 21 and up.

For more information, visit

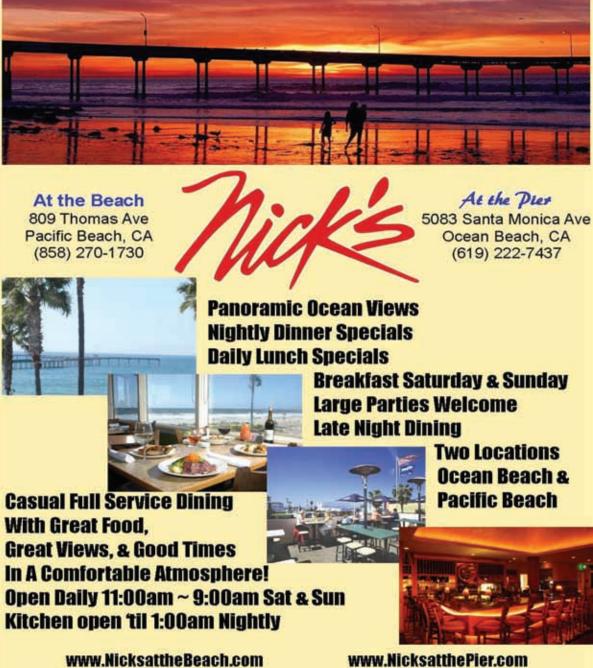


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### Landmark Bali Hai gets \$4M overhaul

Diego's iconic Bali Hai restaurant is preparing to publicly unveil an exotic \$4 million facelift and a new menu on Thursday, April 22.

The family-owned landmark at the northern tip of Shelter Island has been a local staple for 55 years, offering stunning views and a distinctive Polynesian style.

"We've entertained three generations of diners, who come for the fabulous food, spectacular views, and, of course, our world-famous Mai Tais," said owner Susie Baumann. "The renovation and new menu will draw attention to our enchanting island setting like never before."

The architectural touches throughout the restaurant are being created by a design team led by architect Graham Downes, whose distinctive, cutting-edge flair can already be seen in the outdoor waterfront Hawaiian Village pavilion —

After three months of overhaul, San the only one of its kind on San Diego Bay — with its use of beautiful woods and large steel supports.

The design team is beautifying the bayside icon, bringing it stylishly into the 21st century. The structure, originally built with more than 15 types of wood, some very rare, is being restored to its natural, original sheen. The new lounge will feature a honey onyx bar and classicstyle Hawaiian light fixtures, creating a soft, romantic glow.

The interior design and décor will include Bali Hai's collection of more than a hundred Polynesian artifacts — including tiki figures, antique tapa cloths, wood weapons, ocean charts, maps and native pictures — creating a museum-like space for guests to explore.

The renovation will include completely refurbished dining areas, including the South Pacific Room downstairs and several new additions: the Bamboo Lounge,

an expanded bar area adjacent to the main dining room; the Tiki Room, a private upstairs dining room; an outdoor dining deck with prime views of the bay; bayside patio with lounge seating; a lush, landscaped patio for weddings and special events, which will include a reconstructed lava rock wall, decorative tiki torches, benches and eight new king palm trees.

Newly-appointed chef Chris Powell, formerly of Rancho Valencia, is creating a Pacific Rim menu with a distinct Hawaiian flair.

Trained at the Western Culinary Institute, Powell has worked in the kitchens of some of the top fusion restaurants in San Diego. Powell brings a sophisticated culinary style and passion for Asian and Hawaiian culture, traditions and heritage behind the cuisine.

For more information, http://www.balihairestaurant.com.

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A rendering, above, shows the design of the newly-revamped Bali Hai restaurant on COURTESY GRAPHIC Shelter Island.

Left, a worker adds some finishing touches to a decorative tiki at the Bali Hai restaurant on Shelter Island, which is about to unveil its \$4 million renovation April 22.

COURTESY PHOTO BY JIM GRANT

### **BUSINESS** briefs **Designer to host makeover** for military family

A Point Loma home interior design store has narrowed the field to four finalists in a contest for a complete livingroom makeover in honor of a deserving military family in San Diego County.

At Home with Laurie Ann is hosting the "Always Ready, Always Faithful, Always Courageous" living-room makeover contest to thank military personnel for their service by supporting their families.

Store owner and author Laurie Ann McMillin Ray will give all four finalists families a copy of her book, "At Home with Laurie Ann – A Decorator's Guide: Turn the Place You Live Into the Home You Love," but only one of the four fam-

ilies will be awarded the makeover.

Alhough the contest originally called for only three finalists, McMillin Ray said she was hard-pressed to whittle down the list to three

The Marine Corps finalists include Capt. Jason Actis' family in Oceanside, Sgt. Daniel Myrick's family in Fallbrook, and Lance Cpl. Justine Wallaces' family in National City. The Navy finalist is Chief Warrant Officer Danny Jones' familv in Chula Vista.

For more information, visit www.laurieann.com.

### **Point Loma Community Bank now Sunrise Bank**

Four Capitol Bancorp affiliate banks, including Point Loma Community Bank in Point Loma, recently consolidated bank charters and are now operating as Sunrise Bank, according to local offi-

The change took effect March 8.

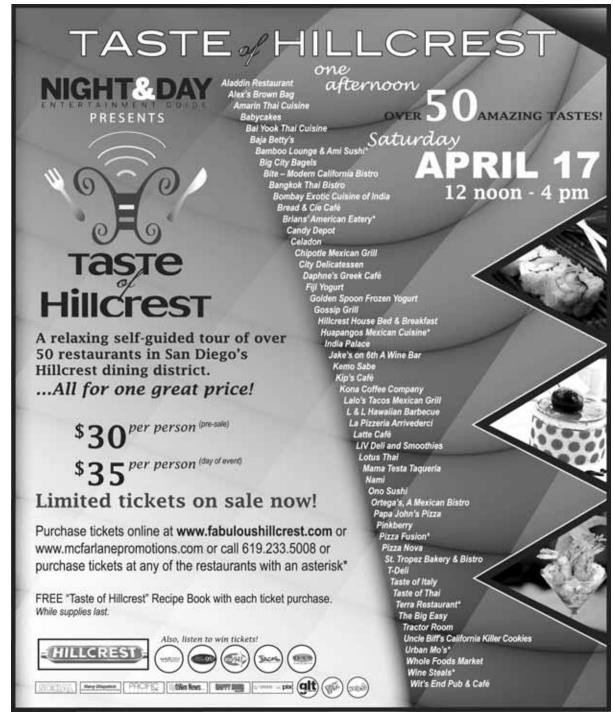
The three other banks involved in the consolidation were Bank of Escondido, Sunrise Bank of San Diego and Sunrise Community Bank in Palm Desert. All four banks remain at their original locations but function as individual branches of the Sunrise Bank system.

Sunrise Bank is run by chairman and CEO Scott Andrews and president Mike Peters.

At the local level, Sunrise Bank is located at 1350 Rosecrans St. Tony Calabrese will serve as the Point Loma regional president. Additionally, Randy Cundiff will serve as the San Diego regional president and Stu Bailey as the Palm Desert regional president.

For more information, call (619) 243-7900, or visit www.sunrisebankca.com.









Nati's Mexican Restaurant servers Aida Peterson, left, and Luisa Allen deliver a savory meal. The pair has worked for a combined 87 years at the popular Ocean Beach eatery, which celebrates its 50th anniversary this weekend.

PHOTO BY SCOTT HOPKINS I THE BEACON

### Nati's celebrates half-century of taste delights

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

Vern and Charline Lontz hoped the sleepy Ocean Beach community would patronize Nati's, their little one-room Mexican food diner at Bacon and Niagara Streets, when the couple first opened their doors Jan. 10, 1960.

Their delicious Mexican recipes quickly captivated Peninsula palates.

Now an Ocean Beach icon, Nati's Mexican Restaurant is poised to celebrate its 50th anniversary this weekend with mariachis, special prices, giveaways and memorabilia.

The Lontzes, who retired in 1972 and are now deceased, saw Nati's grow quickly to become a favorite with locals who return from near and far to savor its familiar and consistent flavors.

To mark this half-century milestone, Nati's will be enlivened by Mariachi

Chula Vista, a group of high school student-musicians from the Sweetwater Union High School District. The award-winning ensemble will play on Nati's patio from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 10 and from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, April 11.

Regular margaritas will be offered at half-price both days and diners may enter a drawing for a number of free dinners. Souvenir margarita and shot glasses, T-shirts and decals will also be available.

Nati's also offers wine, foreign and domestic beers and a full bar.

"Our customers are very special to us," said owner Marilyn Thomas, general manager/vice-president. "Their loyalty and friendship mean a great deal to us and have been a major key to our success."

The Nati's story might be summarized

Chula Vista, a group of high school student-musicians from the Sweetwater Union High School District. The

meals served to date.

"We believe that consistently outstanding food is the basis for our popularity," said Thomas, who began as a

hostess at Nati's in 1969.

President and owner Dennis Kerr started at Nati's in 1962 as a 16-year-old dishwasher while attending Point Loma High School.

Thomas and Kerr learned the business under the Lontz's guidance.

"And we also maintain consistency by keeping our employees," Thomas said.

Familiar longtime Nati's faces include Luisa Allen, who has been serving steaming plates of Mexican cuisine for all of the restaurant's 50 years. Patrons point excitedly to Allen, pictured in a framed group photo of the first 1960 staff, as she glides past in person with another order.

Another patron favorite is Aida Peterson, whose Nati's service numbers 37 years.

"We consider ourselves a family," said Thomas.

Other senior members of the Nati's restaurant family include former head chef Luis Bedoya, also an original 1960 hire. Bedoya retired in 2008 after 48 years. Current chefs Mace Conde and Inez Lopez have served up meals for 37 and 35 years, respectively.

"Many of our employees have been with us for a decade or longer," Thomas said. "This longevity provides our loyal customers with the consistent quality our customers have come to expect."

In 1962, Vern Lontz completed a \$40,000 remodeling project that added a second dining room and provided parking for his expanding customer base. Those dining rooms and a colorful patio are often filled today with three-generation groups of families and friends. Staff members scurry about, arranging tables to seat the groups that arrive nightly.

And the meals continue to garner awards. Readers of *The Peninsula Beacon* have named Nati's first place for Best Overall Restaurant and Best Patio Dining the last two years. Second-place awards were received for Best Senior Dining, Best Family Restaurant and Best Mexican Restaurant.

"We are very proud of our Readers Choice awards, since they represent the community's vote," Thomas said.

Customers who first visited Nati's in the '60s fondly recall a smiling Vern Lontz, coffee pot in hand, walking from table to table getting to know his guests. Lontz grew orchids as a hobby and offered corsages to ladies as a Mothers' Day tradition.

Diners enjoy looking at a 1960 menu on display in the restaurant lobby showing a combination plate price of \$1.20. An online U.S. Government Consumer Price Index calculator shows that price to be \$8.79 in 2010 dollars. Since the current menu price for the same combination is \$8.95, Nati's prices have remained consistent.

Thomas also is proud of the restaurant's community involvement. Nati's is a member of the Ocean Beach MainStreet Association and has sponsored teams in the Peninsula Little League since the early '60s. Nati's is the longest continuous league sponsor and was recently named Sponsor of the Year.

Environmentally, Nati's has been earth-friendly, recycling glass, paper and kitchen cooking materials long before it was popular. Smoking was prohibited in the dining rooms two years before laws were enacted, although smokers may partake in the patio.

"Vern's business plan was very simple," summarizes Thomas. "Good food,

good service and a fair price."

Fifty years later, that plan has seen
Nati's prosper like few other restaurants.



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Friday, April 9, 6 p.m., Computer Art Gallery will offer an opportunity for artists to share studio workshop and exhibition space with New York artist Hyacinethe Kuller-Baron. Baron will share her knowledge of the art gallery business in a talk during interviews, dissussions and viewings. The gallery is located at 4985 Voltaire St. For more information or to RSVP, call (760) 408-1881, or e-mail hyacinthe@barongallery.com.

Through April 30, the San Diego Watercolor Society hosts a month-long exhibit called "Show Me the Green!" About 75 original water-media paintings will be on display Wednesdays through Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the gallery, 2825 Dewey Road #105 at Liberty Station. Admission is free. For more information, call (619) 876-4550, or visit www.sdws.org.

Through April 2, free tango classes offered with first lessons Mondays or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. through Tango with Colette. For more information, call (514) 726-5567, or visit www.tangowithcollete.com.

### Community/Civic

Tuesday, April 13, 7 p.m., the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1392 in Ocean Beach will host final nominations and voting for new officers. Voters are encouraged to attend early and meet the candidates. The election takes place at the post, 4944 Newport Ave. For more information, call (619) 225-0921.

Wednesday, April 14, 5 to 7 p.m., the Point Loma/Ocean Beach Relay for Life Committee hosts a happy-hour event to educate participants and promote the American Cancer Society's annual relay at Liberty Station in July. The April 14 event will be held at Solare Lounge, 2820 Roosevelt Road at Liberty Station. For more information, visit www.relayforlife.org/PtLomaOceanBeachca or e-mail nadine\_plobrelay@yahoo.com.

April 17-18, the San Diego Yacht Club hosts its 125th annual season opener with a dinner dance, yacht inspections club awards and mingling. The SDYC is located at 1011 Anchorage Lane on Shelter Island. For more information, visit www.sdyc.org.



Saturday, April 17, 9 p.m., Temple of the Dad performs in a Music4Music event benefiting the music program at Correia Middle School. The local rock band will perform to help fill gaps in public education funding in a show at Riley's Music Lounge, 2901 Nimitz Blvd. The cost is \$10 at the door and all proceeds go to purchase instruments for the Correia school band. For more information, call (619) 255-8639, or visit www.rileysmusiclounge.com.

Sunday, April 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Day at the Docks returns for its 31st year. The event features derbies, contests, cooking demonstrations and plenty of exhibitors. The event takes place at the San Diego Sportfishing Landing on Shelter Island. For more information, visit www.tinyurl.com/daydocks2010.

Tuesday, April 20, 5:30 to 9 p.m., the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce hosts the 21st annual "A Taste of Shelter Island,"

a restaurant walk promoting restaurants and merchants on Shelter Island and a value for families and neighbors. Tickets are \$15. For more information, visit www.peninsulachamber.com.

April 23-25, the Portuguese Festa do Espirito Santo in San Diego hosts "A Taste of Portugal," a celebration of Portuguese food, wine, traditions and culture. The event takes place at the United Portuguese S.E.S. Hall, 2818 Avenida de Portugal. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$30 at the door. For tickets or general information, visit www.upses.com.

Saturday, April 24, morning to 2 p.m., the Point Loma Rotary Club hosts a neighborhood cleanup and community service project to help the elderly, handicapped and disadvantaged residents of Point Loma. Applications are currently being accepted for "Spruce Up," and may be e-mailed to garyeastman@sbglobal.net.

Saturday, April 24, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Point Loma Garden Club hosts its annual plant sale during the ever-popular Point Loma Garden Walk. The sale will be in the garden boutique at 381 Silver Gate Ave. For more information, visit www.plgc.org.

April 30 through May 2, Southwestern Yacht Club hosts its 85th annual season opener with boat judging, music, parade of club boats and other events. The club is located at 2702 Qualtrough St. on Shelter Island. For more information, visit www.southwesternyc.org.

Through April 15 (tax season), AARP Taxaide-trained volunteers will conduct free tax preparation and filing services for seniors and low- to moderate-income residents on a walk-in basis. The sessions take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St. For more information, call (619) 758-1745, or e-mail dkoonjy@hotmail.com.



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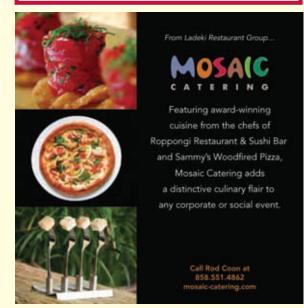
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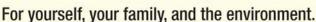
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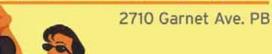


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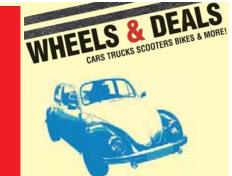
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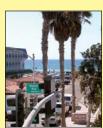




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| la jolla                |                                   |                          |  |                                  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Fri 1 4pm               | .356 Prospect St. #N2             | 1DD/1 5DA                | \$750,000                                  | Javas Cutzait - 959 220 0944     |
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|                         | .356 Prospect St. #N2             |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .4253 Caminito Terviso            |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .2458 Azure Coast                 |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .5470 La Jolla Blvd. #303         |                          |  |                                  |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .2420 Torrey Pines Rd. #B102      |                          | \$540,000                                  | Sandra Cohen • 858-454-0555      |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .5313 Renaissance Ave             | 3BR/2.5BA                | \$725,000-\$800,876                        | Claire Melbo • 858-299-8383      |
| Sun 12-4pm              | .4253 Caminito Terviso            | 4BR/3BA                  | \$869,000Na                                | itasha Alexander • 858-336-9051  |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .2458 Azure Coast                 | 3BR/2.5BA                | \$849,000                                  | Novell Riley • 619-890-7342      |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .5798 Caminito Empresa            |                          | \$850,000-\$950,876                        | Karen Hickman • 858-551-7204     |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .5798 Caminito Empresa            | 4BR/2.5BA                | \$1,039,000                                | Bob Andrews • 619-517-4404       |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .5746 Soledad Mtn. Rd             | 5BR/3BA                  | \$1,275,000                                | .Marta Schrimpf • 858-361-5562   |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .350 Fern Glen                    | 3BR/2BA                  | \$1.395.000                                | Grea Noonan • 858-551-3302       |
|                         | .8931 Nottingham Place            |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .6584 Avenida Manana              |                          |  |                                  |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .333 Coast Blvd                   | 2RD/2RA                  | \$1.545.000                                | Mary Mc Copiale • 858-           |
|                         | .1645 Copa de Oro Dr              |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .5470 La Jolla Blvd. #303         |                          |  |                                  |
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|                         | .475 Marine St                    |                          |  |                                  |
| Sun I-4pm               | .7210 Country Club Dr             | 6BR/5.5BA                | \$3,545,000                                | .The Reed Team • 858-395-4033    |
| Sun I-4pm               | .2610 Inyaha lane                 | 6BR/6.5BA                | \$4,650,000-\$5,550,876                    | Claire Melbo • 858-229-8383      |
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| Sun 1-4pm               | .4170 Porte de Palmas #21         | 2BR/2BA                  | \$385,000-\$435,876                        | David Schroedl • 459-0202        |
| Sun 12-4pm              | .4170 Porte de Palmas #21         | 2BR/2BA                  | \$499,000k                                 | (athleen Williams • 619-944-6520 |
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| Eri 2 5nm               | .4151 Mission Blvd. Units 201-218 | ODD /OD A                | \$700,000                                  | Joe Moore • 610 410 4213         |
| Cat 1 Apm               | .1251 Parker Place #4A            | 1DD/1DA                  | \$505,000                                  |                                  |
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|                         | .3940 Gresham #233                |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .3671 Ocean Front Walk            |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .1251 Parker Place #4A            |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .3940 Gresham #233                |                          |  |                                  |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .3940 Gresham #224                | 2BR/2BA                  | \$1,050,000                                | Michelle Serafini • 858-829-6210 |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .5353 Calle Vista (off Sandal)    | 5BR/3BA                  | \$1,050,000-\$1,250,000                    | Carol Hernstad • 858-775-4473    |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .1060 Oliver Ave                  | 5BR/4BA                  | \$1,175,000                                | Ed Cabo • 619-894-2111           |
| Sun 10-2pm              | .3671 Ocean Front Walk            | 8BR/8.5BA                | \$13,478,000                               | Valerie Zatt • 858-274-1553      |
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|                         | .820 Bangor St                    |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .2662 Worden #25                  |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .3443 Sterne St                   |                          |  |                                  |
|                         | .1235 Savoy St                    |                          |  |                                  |
| Sun 1-4pm               | .4319 Del Mar Ave                 | 3BR/2BA w/separate house | \$1,450,000-\$1,595,000                    | Leslie Raynolds • 619-987-4156   |
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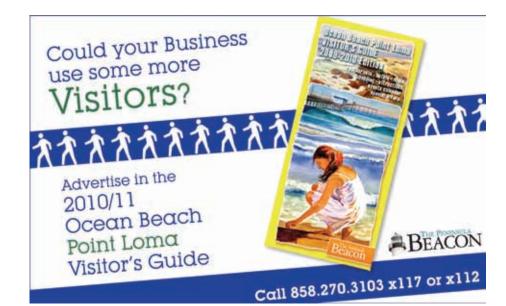
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