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Canines and their owners descended on Dog Beach in Ocean Beach July 11 for the 13th annual Purina Incredible Dog Challenge — an event associated with the San Diego County Fair in Del Mar. Hotdog surfers and their owners from as far away as Ventura County participated in the competition, which kicked off in San Diego and St. Petersburg, Fla. and continues to the national championship in St. Louis. Above, Dozer, an 81-pound English bulldog who made a surfing appearance in the movie “Marmaduke,” gets some attention from Colleen Demling of Del Mar, left, and Gigi Bagaporo, who lives in Mira Mesa along with Dozer and his owner Doug Hokstad. Left, Buddy, a 10-year-old mixed Heinz breed, catches a wave for owner Bruce Hooker of Ventura. Hooker said Buddy is considered a local at his home surf spot. At right, 3-year-old Abbie gives a doggie smooch to owner Michael Uy.

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2010 graduates ready to greet their destinies

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

With summer officially getting under way next week, a new group of local high school seniors is preparing to step into the real world.

Point Loma High School (PLHS) will celebrate graduation Friday, June 18, while the High Tech High (HTH) village of schools will send its seniors forth on Saturday, June 26.

At PLHS, 412 students will walk across the stage at Bennie Edens Stadium from 3 to 5 p.m.

Among the standouts of the Pointers’ class of 2010 are co-valedictorians Ashley Barclift and Miles Murphy.

Barclift and Murphy share more than the same final grade-point average in common. Both

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As 2010 commencement ceremonies near for Point Loma High School on Friday, June 18, several students were honored during the school’s Senior Awards Program on June 10. Outstanding citizen honors went to Strongman Osom, left, and Joshua Morse.

COURTESY PHOTO

\$2.3M channel jetty repair job complete

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

Last month, work was completed on a much-needed fix to the Mission Bay channel jetty. The area south of Mission Beach and just north of Dog Beach in Ocean Beach — once hazardous to local boaters — was restored in the first of two projects involving the waterway linking Mission Bay to the ocean.

“The importance of that repair really can’t be overstated,” said Alex Roth, spokesman for San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders. “This was an enormous hazard to boats of all shapes and sizes coming in

and out of the mouth of that jetty. It was extraordinarily dangerous.”

Construction began in October to repair the last 250 feet of the jetty that had previously been destroyed by storms. Before the restoration, the underwater portion of the jetty posed a problem for boats.

“Rather than being a normal jetty, that final 250 feet was all submerged and it created a really nasty hazard for boats,” Roth said.

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This large crane was a familiar sight in the Mission Bay channel — north of Dog Beach in Ocean Beach — during jetty reconstruction, which started in October 2009.

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Motorist pleads guilty in traffic death of girl, 9

By NEAL PUTNAM | THE BEACON

A motorist pleaded guilty June 10 to gross vehicular manslaughter while under the influence of an unusual drug that resulted in the death of a 9-year-old girl near the San Diego Sports Arena in the Midway area on Dec. 31.

Romeo Balbin Dumlao, 34, agreed to accept a stipulated 16-year prison term, said Deputy District Attorney Chris Lawson. Sentencing is set for July 12 by San Diego Superior Court Judge Eugenia Eyherabide.

Ashley Heffington was killed in the

vehicle collision around 9 a.m. when Dumlao’s vehicle struck the car in which the girl was a passenger. Her mother, Cindy, was stopped at a red light near Sports Arena Boulevard and West Point Loma Boulevard.

Lawson said Dumlao was using an inhalant drug in a practice called “huffing.” He said Dumlao had inhaled computer keyboard cleaner from a can with compressed air, and that Dumlao’s case is the first in San Diego in which someone has been prosecuted for “huffing” in a DUI case.

“It is a drug,” said Lawson, who

added the practice appears to be rare.

The girl died about 12 days after the accident and charges were not filed until May because Dumlao’s case involved specialized laboratory tests that took months to complete, Lawson said.

Dumlao was arrested May 1 at his Chula Vista home by San Diego police.

He also pled guilty to injuring Cindy Heffington and a second passenger. Dumlao accepted the plea deal and averted the need for a preliminary hearing June 14. He remains in custody on \$250,000 bail.



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One of the highly popular food booths at this year's San Diego County Fair features some cholesterol-rich offerings — and the booth signage makes no bones about it. PHOTO BY DON BALCH / THE BEACON

This year's fair will be so much fun you can taste it

By LORALEE OLEJNIK / THE BEACON

The San Diego County Fair will continue its run through July 14 with the theme "Taste the Fun," a farm-to-fork showcase of San Diego foods.

"With the Food Network being so big at this time, we all got together and thought, 'Wouldn't a food theme be wonderful?'" said Linda Zweig, spokeswoman for the fair. San Diego's vibrant culinary scene, avocado growing-capital status and wine region make it a perfect fit, said Zweig.

Fair officials are hoping the 22-day run of this year's fair might lure as many as 1.3 million funseekers.

Last year, fair vendors served up 2,000 pounds of frog legs, 5,000 pounds of White Castle sliders and more than 2,100 deep-fried macaroni and cheese on sticks, and this year they are warming the deep fryers for more. New to appear on the menu will be deep-fried Klondike bars and a deep-fried Pop Tart, topped with strawberries.

In addition to the famous, wacky deep-fried creations fairgoers have come to know and love, "Taste the Fun" will showcase local chefs and growers, and live cooking demonstrations and competitions every day, including the Next Food TV Star contest where finalists will compete for a cash prize and a shot at boosting their TV food career.

The flower and garden show — "In Good Taste" — follows suit, showcasing edible gardens and water-saving tips for growing.

In the beverages department, the San Diego International Beer Festival will run from June 25 to 27, featuring samples, brewing seminars and a "Meet the

Brewers" series. The beer festival requires a separate ticket and coincides with a roller derby tournament hosted by the San Diego Derby Dolls.

If that's not enough grease from the food, there will be a "Grease movie sing-a-long" in the paddock on Saturday, June 26, giving the audience an opportunity to sing along to subtitles on the newly restored 1978 movie musical classic.

Dinner wouldn't be complete without a show, and the fair has a full roster of entertainment. Musical acts this year included Sammy Hagar and the Wabos on June 11, with upcoming shows featuring Donna Summer (tonight, June 17), KC and the Sunshine Band (June 18), Switchfoot (June 24), Julio Iglesias (June 25) and Cash'd Out, the Johnny Cash tribute band (July 4). Some concerts require purchase of an additional ticket.

The San Diego County Fair is the region's largest event, attracting 1.2 million visitors annually. The first agricultural fair was held in San Diego County in 1880 and it has been held at the Del Mar Fairgrounds since 1936.

General admission is \$13 for adults, \$7 seniors over 62 and children 7-12. Children five and under are admitted free. Parking is \$10 and free parking and shuttle service is available from the Del Mar Horseshoe, MiraCosta's San Elijo campus, and Torrey Pines High School. Tuesdays are kids' days, where children under 12 receive free admission.

The fair will be closed on Mondays June 21 and 28. The Del Mar Fairgrounds is located at 2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd. in Del Mar.

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Rebecca Hartmann and Heidi Grady, co-chairs of last year's Makua fundraiser event, ham it up. This year's fundraiser, which again raises money for Voices for Children, takes place Saturday, June 19 at Humphrey's by the Bay. COURTESY PHOTO

'Makua's Rockin' Rumba' to benefit local foster children

By ANTHONY GENTILE | THE BEACON

Makua members will bust a move this weekend to help local foster children. The Point Loma organization is holding its 56th annual fundraiser, this year dubbed "Makua's Rockin' Rumba," to benefit Voices for Children on Saturday, June 19 at Humphreys by the Bay on Shelter Island.

"It will be the atmosphere of a Latin party accompanied by the music and the food," said event co-chair Cindy Garrett. "Makua always throws fun parties."

"Makua's Rockin' Rumba" starts at 5:30 p.m. The charity event features Kicks — a 10-piece variety dance band — and Latin dancers and food. The members of Makua also have a little number planned.

"At one point, the Makua members are going to do a salsa dance. All the members dress in salsa dresses," Garrett said.

Silent and live auction items include an in-home catered dinner by local chef Deborah Scott, a biplane ride, a six-person private jet ride and the opportunity to shadow a surgeon at Sharp Hospital. There will also be gambling in the Tropicana Gaming Club.

"We sought this year to do more experiential kind of items — things that didn't necessarily have a fixed value," Garrett said.

Last year's event raised more than \$100,000 for Voices for Children. Garrett said that goal remains the same for this year. All the proceeds benefit San Diego-based Voices For Children, which recruits, trains and supervises court

appointed special advocates (CASAs), who work with local abused and neglected foster children.

"It changes these foster children's lives," Garrett said of the CASAs. "A lot of times they have absolutely nobody to whom they can turn for guidance or even things that they need."

According to Voices For Children officials, there are nearly 7,000 foster children in San Diego and only 1,000 CASAs. Garrett said there is a waiting list of foster kids to get a CASA, who typically dedicates 10 to 15 hours per month to a designated foster child.

"These people are each assigned a foster child and they're like a mentor, but they go beyond being a mentor because they spend time with them," Garrett said.

"They'll go to court with them, they'll help them if they need something special for school," she added. "They do a lot of things that really have an impact on the day-to-day lives of the kids."

Makua, which means "parent" in Hawaiian, was started by a group of Point Loma women in 1953 with the goal of helping local children in need. It's main role today is operating as an auxiliary for Voices for Children, with membership extending throughout San Diego County.

Tickets for "Makua's Rockin' Rumba" can be purchased online at www-voices4children.com starting at \$100 per person and \$1,000 per table, with VIP options available for \$200 and \$2,000.

Those interested in becoming a member of the Makua organization can e-mail cgarrett101@gmail.com.

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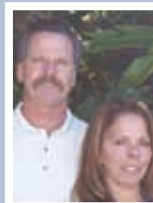


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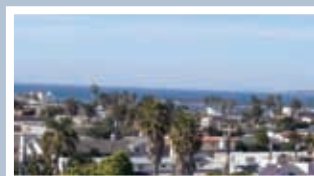


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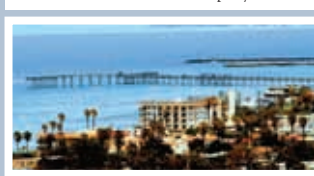


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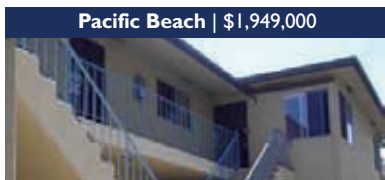


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At Point Loma High, history matters

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

Many adults have memories of high school history classes filled with endless unappealing lectures.

That's clearly not the case at Point Loma High School (PLHS).

More than 450 students and proud parents gathered last week at the Bali Hai restaurant on Shelter Island for the school's festive buffet and fifth annual History Awards Banquet.

The only one of its kind in the county, the banquet's proud creator is teacher Patrick McElhaney, who emceed the event, presenting a Cross pen, certificate and check in various amounts to more than 200 Pointer students who have become passionate about history.

And how did these teens become so enthralled by events from our past?

That became quickly apparent when a video was shown depicting students in virtually every type of clothing even worn by Americans. There were colonial wigs and costumes, numerous military uniforms including Union and Confederate Civil War outfits and modern-day ROTC members, young men in derby hats and suits, and young ladies in business suits. Some were shown in outfits worn by early settlers, complete with suspenders.

They were filmed giving reports, leading discussions, engaging in debates and presenting projects. One boy wore an oxygen mask during his presentation.

Still others were photographed at the County Administration Building and courthouses during field trips. And there were hundreds of kids and parents shown at a recent Padres game.

History at PLHS, it seems, has been made memorable and fun by a dedicated teaching staff.

McElhaney himself was repeatedly cheered throughout the evening. He and his colleagues received dozens of hugs from students as they distributed awards for outstanding test scores, projects and performances — including a new Mock Trial Team that competes against other schools.

McElhaney choked up several times during the presentations, including his attempt to recognize colleague Ron Moss, who recently returned to PLHS after a first-semester military deployment.

McElhaney works year-round soliciting community groups and businesses to donate funds, materials and scholarships as the event has grown annually.

Among major award winners were Axel Cramer, who



More than 200 students at Point Loma High School were honored last week at the school's annual History Awards Banquet. Recipients of the Tom Hayes Award as overall standouts were, from left, Sarah Parker, Jack Quinn, Meghan Breadmore and Patrick McElhaney, teacher and banquet founder. Not pictured is winner Jacob Kossak. PHOTO BY SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

received a City Club Award for starting an Environmental Club on the campus. His award included a \$250 scholarship.

The Tom Hayes Award, named for a former PLHS faculty member, went to Meghan Breadmore, Sarah Parker, Jacob Kossak and Jack Quinn. McElhaney praised each for their interest and reading efforts that extended far beyond the curriculum.

Representatives of community groups including Republican and Democratic clubs, presented awards as well.

The crowd included PLHS Principal Bobbie Samilson, Vice Principal Kevin Gormly and district Superintendent Bill Kowba, who identified himself as a history buff, pointing out many historical locations near the banquet site.

McElhaney shared the spotlight with colleagues Vivian Love, Heather Janiak, Jamie Davenport, Cynthia Hedges, Mike Estanol, William Bowles, Ron Moss and Glenn Richard.

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Diesel fuel spills at Naval Base Point Loma

Navy officials confirmed a fuel leak at a pump station at the Defense Fuel Support Point (DFSP) on Naval Base Point Loma (NBPL) on June 9, an accident that released about 294 gallons of diesel marine fuel into the base.

According to officials with the NBPL public affairs office, base security personnel discovered the leak at about 6:35 p.m. and pinpointed the cause as a failed pipe joint. Security personnel immediately alerted DFSP personnel, who moved quickly to stop the leak, initiating fuel-spill response actions and procedures.

Navy officials said the fuel was contained to the immediate area of the leak on the base and that there was no seepage into San Diego Bay.

Cleanup crews reportedly worked through the night to clean up the fuel and restore the area to normal operation. No injuries occurred. The DFSP personnel are repairing the leak.

Questions may be directed to NBPL Public Affairs officials at (619) 553-7175, or visit <https://www.cnmc.navy.mil/pointloma>.

Transient stabbed at Dusty Rhodes Park

A female transient called police and reported her boyfriend had been stabbed at Dusty Rhodes Park in Ocean Beach on June 10 shortly before 5 p.m.

According to police reports, officers arrived to find a male transient with a stab wound to his right bicep. The man was taken to UCSD Medical Center for the non-life-threatening injury.

Police said the victim was uncooperative and described the suspect only as a white male wearing a white shirt. SDPD's Western Division is investigating.

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Man, 69, arrested after Midway stabbing

An altercation at 3040 Midway Drive ended with a 69-year-old white male stabbing a 42-year-old Hispanic male on the chest and wrist, according to San Diego Police.

The incident occurred June 6 shortly after 9 p.m. According to police reports, the suspect pulled out a six-inch hunting knife and stabbed the victim out of fear he was being robbed.

The stabber was taken into custody at the scene. SDPD's Western Division is investigating.

Harbor Police files report on fatal boat crash

San Diego Harbor Police filed a report with the San Diego County District Attorney's Office on June 8 regarding the death of 8-year-old Anthony DeWeese.

DeWeese was killed in a collision involving a U.S. Coast Guard boat and a Sea Ray boat during the San Diego Bay Parade of Lights on Dec. 20. No charges have been filed and details of the report will not be disclosed unless the District Attorney's Office seeks prosecution.

Man robs Point Loma gas station

A white male in his 40s robbed the Shell Gas Station at 4201 W. Point Loma Blvd. on June 4.

According to police reports, the suspect entered the gas station shortly before 11:30 a.m. and displayed a box cutter, demanding cash from the female clerk. The suspect, wearing a blue ball cap, gray shirt with a surfboard design and blue jeans, took the cash and fled the station on foot with no car visible.

The suspect is described as being

heavyset "with a big gut," with short hair and a mustache and goatee. SDPD's Robbery Division is investigating.

Armed pair take cash from Florencia Pizza

An armed pair stole cash from Florencia Pizza in Point Loma Heights on June 4.

According to police reports, one suspect had a shotgun and one had a handgun. They entered the store, demanding cash from the employee shortly after 12:30 a.m. After getting the money, the suspects fled on foot with no vehicle seen.

No injuries were reported.

One suspect was described as a six-foot-two-inch black male in his 20s with a thin build and short hair, wearing a black jacket. The other suspect was described as five-foot-six-inches wearing a dark jacket. SDPD's Robbery Division is investigating.


Annual OB Street Fair, Chili Cook-Off nears

The wildly popular Ocean Beach Street Fair and Chili Cook-Off Festival — now in its 31st year — is poised to draw another estimated crowd of 70,000 funseekers when the event returns Saturday, June 26 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Strung primarily along Newport Avenue, Abbott Street and the foot of the OB Pier, the free event will feature five stages of continuous music throughout the day with many Ocean Beach- and Point Loma-based artists, according to event organizers with the Ocean Beach MainStreet Association (OBMA).

The event features plenty for adults, with two beer gardens and entertainment, but also much in the way of family activities and amusement for children. A popular skateboard exhibition by the Ocean Beach Skate & Surf

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Red Cross offers summer preparedness and safety course

A new Red Cross survey shows one in every four people reports they have been in a situation where someone needed cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). The same study showed that 68 percent of Americans have been involved in some kind of summer emergency ranging from insect bites, heat stroke and broken bones to more life-threatening situations.

The study, based on a survey of more than 1,000 adults, also found Americans say they are most comfortable giving CPR to family members, friends and co-workers. The survey also reported that less than half of the respondents were very likely to perform CPR on a stranger.

The survey also showed that physical appearance was a significant factor when people are deciding to perform CPR on a stranger. Men with a disheveled or sloppy appearance were the least likely to receive assistance, with only half of respondents saying they would very likely try to give them CPR.

Americans plan to be very active this summer. The Red Cross survey found that more than 40 percent will go hiking or camping and almost 75 percent will go swimming. While people expect to be active, the Red Cross found that many were not confident they knew what to do in an emergency — less than two-thirds felt confident helping a heat stroke victim and fewer than half could help someone with an allergic reaction to an insect or snake bite.

Previous Red Cross research found that nearly 90 percent of Americans said they wanted to be prepared for an emergency, but they don't know where to start or what to do.

"With so many people outdoors camping, hiking and swimming, it's important that someone in every household get trained in CPR and first-aid skills," said Joe Craver, CEO of the San Diego/Imperial Counties chapter of the American Red Cross. "Learning these lifesaving skills is easier and more convenient than you might think, and Red Cross training can help people prevent and respond to life's emergencies — big or small." "Your San Diego/Imperial Counties chapter is offering courses throughout the summer so families can stay safe while enjoying their fun in the sun and be prepared to handle emergency situations," he said.

This year, the Red Cross is offering a new Wilderness and Remote First Aid course designed to teach people how to respond to emergencies when help is delayed. In addition, the Red Cross teaches swimming and water safety skills to over 2 million people each year, trains millions in lifesaving skills through its lifeguarding and CPR/AED courses, and offers lifesaving training for young people through its babysitter training courses.

For information about Red Cross courses and schedules, visit www.sdarc.org.

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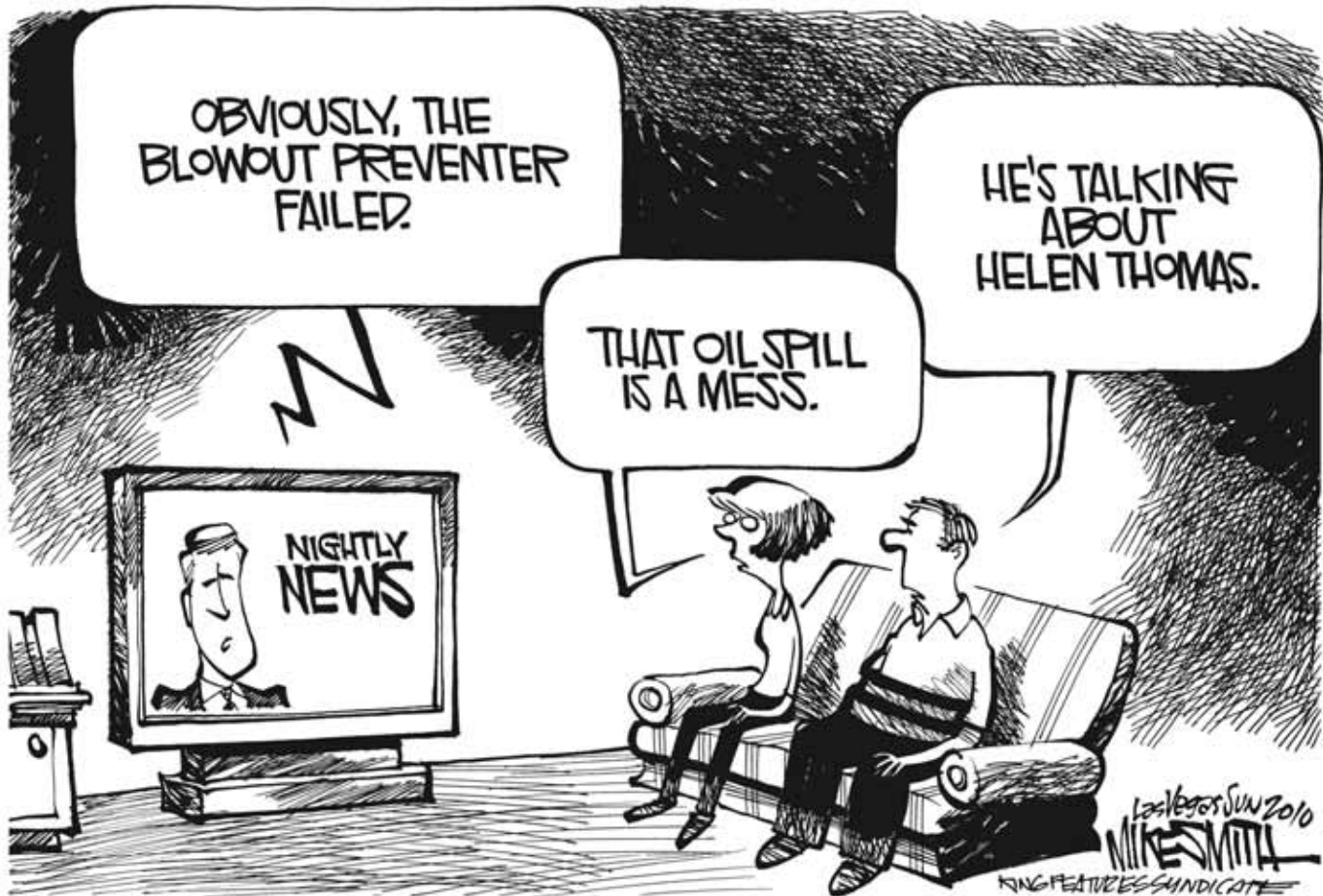
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Pro-Prop D smooth-talkers did their jobs

What is past is now a prologue

Enron by the Sea triumphs again. Give credit to the con artists who masked the facts regarding Proposition D. In San Diego, the "strong mayor" form of government preceded the city council/manager form of government and dates back to 1931 when the public got fed up with its ongoing corruption and ousted the then-strong mayor and created San Diego's city council/manager government.

Mayor Jerry Sanders and City Councilmen Kevin Faulconer and Carl DeMaio made many believe it was the city manager who created the pension mess, when in reality it was then-Mayor Susan Golding who orchestrated it.

Ironically, this is the same mayor and same councilmen who approved cutting police, creating fire station brownouts, cutting library and recreation center hours — yet who mystically claim to have money to spend on a ninth, unneeded \$1 million-plus City Council district. Much of their false claim of need was to break the voting ties at City Council, which could have been done by bringing the mayor back to the council meetings.

Again, give credit to the con artists who planned the whole series of "strong mayor" ballot proposition elections in off-election years, when typically only around 35 percent of the eligible voters turn out. Then there are the large sums of special-interest money from developers and the

like who helped to buy much of the pro publicity, and who then have easy access to the "strong mayor."

This mayor and the same councilmen made many claims of correcting the financial mess this city was in. In reality, they have only succeeded in cutting public services and deferring the bulk of the mess into the future through restructured bonds at even greater cost to the public.

Outsourcing? That is just another way for the "strong mayor" to pay off campaign

contributors. So fasten your seatbelts, San Diegans. It's going to be a bumpy ride.

Oh ... and don't forget to thank the San Diego County Taxpayers Association the next time you get a water-bill increase or other fee increases to pay for that \$1 million-plus ninth council district, not including its staff healthcare and pension benefits.

Jarvis Ross
Point Loma



CORRECTION

Lucille Machado, co-chair of San Diego's 100th Festa do Divino Espirito Santo kitchen crew, was incorrectly identified in a recent edition. *The Peninsula Beacon* regrets the error.

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Shop should provide amusement for children and adults alike.

Vendors will line the streets with food and merchandise and a special Wonderland Children's Area will sport games and pony rides.

OBMA officials also plan an expanded Artists Alley to showcase talented local artisans and chili lovers can get their fill of unique recipes from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

A raffle will be held throughout the day to raise money for the annual community Fourth of July fireworks show off the end of the OB Pier.

Free shuttles will run every half-hour to and from the Robb Field area and to and from Sea World Drive at Pacific Highway.

For more information, call (619) 224-4906 or visit www.oceanbeachsan.diego.com.

Look for *The Peninsula Beacon's* special OB Street Fair & Chili Cook-Off edition June 24, featuring maps, lists of entertainment, event history, photos and more. Also look for our complete Visitor Guide packed with useful information on local attractions and events throughout the year.

Veterans Village to hold clothing drive June 18

Veterans Village of San Diego (VVSD) will hold a clothing drive Friday, June 18 from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. to collect clothes for its Stand Down event in July.

Clothing donations can be brought to VVSD at 4141 Pacific Hwy., along with special-needs items like denim jeans, new men's and women's underwear, shoes, socks, bath towels, razors, shaving cream, toothpaste, combs and deodorant.

VVSD's annual Stand Down event will be held July 16-18. For more information about the clothing drive or the event, visit www.vvvd.net.

Local honored with scholarship award

A Point Loma woman was among three recipients of a scholarship award given June 15 during the annual Executive Women International, San Diego chapter scholarship luncheon hosted by the University of Phoenix.

Adele Stratton, 22, a psychology student at San Diego City College, was among those selected to receive the ASIST (Adult Students in Scholastic Transition) scholarship. Stratton is currently on the dean's honor list at City College and said she plans to transfer to San Diego State University to finish her bachelor's degree in psychology. Her ultimate goal is to pursue a Ph.D. in neuropsychology.

"Throughout my life I have encountered a number of obstacles which have only made me a stronger, more driven person," Stratton said. "Today, I am the proud parent of a 3-year-old daughter who constantly reminds me that anything is possible."

Grenis earns Scouting's highest rank

Charles Palma Grenis with Boy Scouts of America, Venture Crew 500, has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank that can be earned in Boy Scouting.

Grenis' final requirement for the honor was his Eagle Scout board of review conducted by Superior Court Judge David Gill, along with four other board members. Grenis will be officially awarded his rank at an upcoming Eagle Court of Honor.

Grenis is a senior at Point Loma High School and has been involved with Scouting for more than 10 years. He exceeded the requirements for this rank

by earning 48 merit badges. To achieve the rank a minimum of 21 merit badges are required. Grenis has also attended extra leadership courses and has held more than the required youth leadership positions with both BSA Troop 500 and Venture Crew 500.

His community service includes nearly 300 hours volunteering with various groups. His latest project was designing, fundraising, building and installing benches and signs for the San Diego River Foundation at Eagle Peak Preserve.

Tom Grenis, a former Scoutmaster and current assistant district commissioner for the Point Loma/Ocean Beach zone said, "Charlie may not look the part of a traditional Boy Scout, but he lives the values of the Scout Oath and the Scout Law on a day-to-day basis."

Charles Grenis gave his own take on the honor.

"I look forward to helping younger Scouts discover how amazing the BSA can be," said Charles Grenis. "Over the years, so many youth and adult leaders have helped me. I know it's my turn to give back to my community and to the Boy Scouts."

New vet clinic to open in Point Loma

The staff of Bay Park Veterinary Clinic has moved into the Point Loma/Ocean Beach area.

The new 3,800-square-foot facility, located at 3024 Hancock St., will offer a full spectrum of services to meet the veterinary needs of dogs and cats, including medicine, surgery, dentistry, diagnostic ultrasound, endoscopy and laparoscopy.

The facility opened on June 7, although an open house is planned for Sunday, June 27, when visitors can tour the facility and meet doctors Crosby Roper, Aaron Porterfield, Dan Frankel and the staff.

For further information, call (619) 276-1616.

GRADUATION

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will be attending Princeton University next fall.

Barclift plans to study political science and pursue a law and business degree after her undergraduate career. She plans to be a corporate lawyer and eventually pursue a career in politics or business.

"Since I was little, I had this ridiculous dream that I was going to be the President and I went around telling people that when I was five," Barclift said. "But I have realized that I do have an interest in politics."

At PLHS, Barclift cultivated that interest with involvement in the California YMCA Model Legislature and Court program and by starting the PLHS Students for Gavin Newsom Club in support of the politician's run for governor. Outside of school, she volunteered at YMCA summer camps, where she will be a counselor this summer.

"The biggest challenge to my generation is definitely the amount of exposure we have now on the Internet and with all the new kinds of technology that have come out that none of the previous genera-

tions really had to deal with," Barclift said.

Barclift lives in Mission Hills, and attended Grant Elementary School and Correia Middle School before PLHS. In her free time, she said she likes to read and do pilates and yoga.

Murphy plans to study either economics or political science at Princeton. He said his favorite subject at PLHS was history.

"I'll miss the weather and the beaches and the Mexican food," Murphy said. "There is a less serious, fun, laid-backness that's here that you probably won't find on the East Coast."

Murphy is a third-generation Point Loman and attended Longfellow Elementary and Dana and Correia middle schools before PLHS. In his spare time, Murphy said he likes to body surf, go on long walks and



ASHLEY BARCLIFT



MILES MURPHY

GRADUATION 2010

POINT LOMA HIGH

When: Friday, June 18, 3 to 5 p.m.
Where: Bennie Edens Stadium
Graduates: 412

HTH VILLAGE OF SCHOOLS

When: Saturday, June 26, 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m.
Where: 2861 Womble Road
Graduates: 314

listen to music.

"Remembering to wake up every morning," Murphy noted as the biggest challenge to his fellow graduates. "It's hard to do the rest of the stuff if you don't remember to wake up."

HTH will hold its commencement on June 26 in the grassy area in front of the school, located at 2861 Womble Road. A total of 314 students from three different schools within the HTH village will celebrate graduation.

HTH will get the festivities started with its graduating class of 129 at 9 a.m., with HTH International's class of 95 graduates following at noon. The ceremonies will conclude with 90 HTH Media Arts students walking at 3 p.m.

JETTY

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The jetty restoration cost an estimated \$2.3 million, which Roth said was completely paid for by federal stimulus money. In addition to the restoration, a new foghorn and light were installed at the end of the jetty.

"Getting in and out of that channel is infinitely safer," Roth said. "It was a life-endangering situation out there that

has now been fixed."

The most emblematic element of the project was the large crane that sat in the middle of the channel during construction. Roth said the crane was necessary to move the large boulders that make up the jetty.

"The construction was logistically complicated," Roth said. "You had to deal with occasionally very rough seas, deal with these extraordinarily massive boulders."

The next project involves dredging Mission Bay channel — pumping out sand and silt from the floor to make it deeper. Roth said the channel's current depth allows waves to break inside it, which can make it too rough for boats.


"On a rough day, boats can capsize trying to get in and out of that channel," Roth said.

Dredging of the channel is slated to begin in September and last about 45 days.

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OB clinic isn't one to needle your pocketbook

Beach Community Acupuncture provides low-cost treatment options

By HILLARY SCHULER-JONES | THE BEACON

Some people fear needles, but for Nicole Murray, owner of Beach Community Acupuncture (BCA) in Ocean Beach, needles represent healing and relaxation.

Murray opened the low-cost community clinic in May 2009 with the goal of making acupuncture accessible to more people — and business is booming. In her first week, she performed 15 treatments. Now, one year later, she has added three staff members and the clinic handles more than 400 sessions per month.

Treatments cost \$20 each, compared to as much as \$150 per session at high-end spas, Murray said.

Cost isn't the only difference between the community clinic concept and other facilities, though. At BCA, all sessions are performed in one large room, with several patients treated at once in an open environment, rather than private areas. Murray said the open setting allows the clinic to not only keep costs down and treat more patients throughout the day, but also give patients a different atmosphere for healing.

"A lot of people find it comforting to be treated in an open space," Murray said. "There are some people who say that they feel the energy of the room is conducive to relaxation and healing ... It's not only social, but it is sort of that feeling of connectedness — I think people like that."

Murray graduated from Pacific College of Oriental Medicine in 2008 with

a master's degree in Chinese medicine. She interned at several community-based acupuncture sites, including a children's hospital and the University of California, San Diego's (UCSD) Rimac Center for athletes, before opening her own facility.

One of the clinic's patients, Elysa Everson, credits Murray's healing power for reversing a life-threatening gastrointestinal condition that had left her nearly hopeless.

The 27-year-old UCSD biology master's student was diagnosed last year with small bowel volvulus, a rare disorder that caused her intestines to twist. By the time doctors discovered the problem, some of Everson's intestines had gone gangrene, and she needed two emergency surgeries to remove the affected areas.

She was facing excruciating pain in her abdomen, a laundry list of stomach ailments and the threat of a third emergency surgery when she discovered Murray's services last November.

"I had a lot of trouble, including short-bowel syndrome, leaky-gut syndrome, IBS, you name it, every intestinal problem you could have, I had, and I had a really hard time absorbing nutrients ... my prognosis was really poor," Everson said. "Someone recommended acupuncture and I was so desperate — I mean, I'm a scientist, so I was sort of skeptical ... I didn't understand how acupuncture worked."

Everson said that her opinion changed after her first treatment with Murray, when her chemistry levels started to normalize and she gained



Patients at Beach Community Acupuncture are treated in an open setting rather than private rooms.

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weight, indicating that her body was retaining some nutrients. She began visiting Murray four times a week and her condition vastly improved.

"All my medical doctors — and I have some of the best gastrointestinal doctors in San Diego — were just completely shocked, and I give the credit to her [Murray]. I mean, I think she pret-

ty much saved my life," Everson said. "[Doctors] told me that I'd never be able to travel again, that I always needed to be within 30 minutes of a hospital. Now my doctor says it's OK for me to go to Europe for the summer."

Although Everson sought help for an extreme disorder, the majority of the clinic's patients come in for more

generalized problems, including anxiety, pain, insomnia and allergies, Murray said.

Beach Community Acupuncture is open Mondays through Saturdays. For clinic hours or added information, visit www.beachacu.com.

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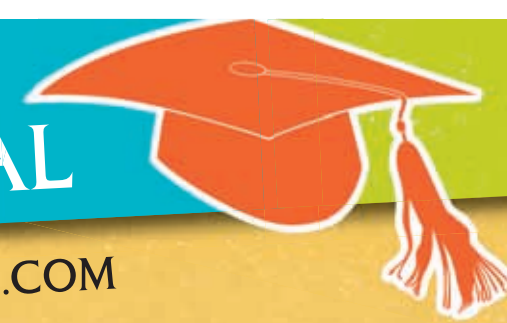
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By: Raymond Simas

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The Peninsula Beacon's 16th annual Amateur Photo Contest is back, but the window to submit entries closes soon! Enter your best photo portraying the Peninsula area taken in the past year. Photos will be displayed at The Peninsula Beacon booth during the Ocean Beach Street Fair & Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, June 26.

The entry deadline is Friday, June 18.

The public will vote for their favorite pictures. And it may just be yours!

Prizes will be awarded for the top three photos, which will be published in The Peninsula Beacon.

First place will earn a \$100 gift certificate to Nick's at the Pier and second- and third-place winners will receive a passport to Balboa Park museums and attractions (not including the San Diego Zoo), plus additional passes to the Museum of Photographic Arts.

Only photos taken between June '09 and June '10 may be entered.

Contest rules

- Photos must be taken by an amateur photographer and must have been shot in the 92106 or 92107 ZIP codes between June 2009 and today. Possible locations include Ocean Beach, Point Loma, Shelter Island, Loma Portal or Sports Arena/Midway. The subjects of eligible photos may include anything in the area suitable for public viewing.
- Please do not e-mail photos, but mail them to the Beacon office at 4645 Cass St., Box 9550, San Diego, CA 92109.
- Retouched or computer-enhanced photos will NOT be accepted.
- Color or black and white prints are eligible. Slides are not allowed. Entries should be no larger than 8 by 10 inches and not smaller than 3 by 5 inches. Please don't send a photo in a frame.



Last year's winning photo is a prime example of entries for The Peninsula Beacon's 16th annual Amateur Photo Contest. Entries are due before Friday, June 18. This winning shot of a surfer perched at the base of what locals call Garbage Beach along Sunset Cliffs was submitted by Pat Rice.

- Only ONE entry per photographer is allowed.
- Amateur photographers only, please.
- Please include photographer's name, address, phone number, date the photo was taken and a brief description of the subject.
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Spring season a stellar one for PLHS athletics

By **SCOTT HOPKINS** | THE BEACON

A spectacular spring showing by Point Loma High School (PLHS) athletes resulted in a national championship, two league titles and individual CIF honors for a number of local students.

The Pointers' sailing team defeated 11 other qualifiers in bringing home the Baker Cup last month during a Seattle sail-off to claim the national high school championship. Coach Steve Hunt matched his skippers and crew to sea and wind conditions, his strategy resulting in a 15-3 record in overall races followed by 4-2 in the final series.

Skippering the FJ class boats were Kevin Laube, Jake LaDow and Olin Paine. Crew members included Will Herrin, Shone Bowman, Jake Reynolds, Reece Bernet, Claire Bagg and Kyle Sutter. The full team lists 24 members.

The Lady Pointers' swim team stroked to a 7-1 season, going undefeated (6-0) to claim the Eastern League crown. Coach Jerry Rich's girls were strongest in relay events.

Junior Erin Cox (200M Freestyle and 100M Butterfly) was named league Swimmer of the Year and was undefeated in all league events she swam in. Other all-league first team members were Hannah Robertson (200M individual medley, 100M breaststroke) and Cristina Colloca (500M freestyle).

Cox and Robertson joined Karin Davila and Evie Monreal on the all-league 200M medley relay team while Cox, Robertson, Monreal and Monica Longworth teamed on the all-league 200M freestyle relay.

The 400M freestyle relay team also went to CIF. It included Longworth, Monreal, Colloca and Sam Pugh.

Both Cox and Robertson met qualifying times for the CIF championship meet, where they were permitted to swim only two events, according to CIF rules.

Cox reached the event finals, setting personal best times as she finished third in the 200M individual medley and fifth-place finish in the 100M butterfly. Her times were 2:09.22 and 59.01 seconds, respectively.

Robertson placed eighth in the 100M breaststroke and 14th in the 200M individual medley.

Made up of many first-year swimmers, coach Rich's boys' swim team had only one senior and two juniors. They did not win any of their meets but their 400M freestyle relay team qualified for the CIF meet. Members included Carlton Bartlett, Graham Scribner, Cole Holderman and Myles Hopkins.

Meanwhile, another league championship was clinched by the boys' tennis team.

After a 16-3 season (12-0 in Eastern League), coach Mark Truver's group nearly won a third consecutive CIF Division II title, losing a close (11-7) championship match to No. 1 seed Westview.

Forging ahead, Point Loma swept the Eastern League individual meet. Corey Smith won the singles championship, while teammates Nathaniel Johnson and Avery Cramer took the doubles title. Dominic Gareri (third) and Axel Cramer (fourth) also placed in the individual event. All five players qualified for the CIF finals.

There, Smith took eventual champion Alex Bouillin to three sets before a semi-final loss.

Later, Smith, Johnson and Axel Cramer were selected to represent San Diego in the 110th Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament.

Smith also was named to the All-CIF Tennis Team (the only Division II player named).

The Pointer girls' softball team finished as the fourth-place team in the Western League. The Lady Pointers' season ended with defeat in a CIF Division II play-in game. Coach Tom Kamfonik's team produced several all-league players, including first team members Jill Duran and Ashley Nelson. Kaci Lorts and Marissa Reyes were named to the second team.

Boys' volleyball, under coach Michel Bevis, also landed in fourth place in the Eastern League. The team compiled a 1-8 record, despite some close matches.

Boys' golf produced impressive wins in matches at several local courses and underclass girls' track and field members turned in improved sprint and relay times.

The badminton squad showed promise, as did boys' track and field, although neither qualified for post-season playoffs.



Above, Erin Cox, a junior at Point Loma High School, swims the breaststroke during the 200M individual medley at the CIF Division II finals meet. Cox finished in third place with a personal best time of 2:09.22. COURTESY PHOTO



Left, Paulino Ramos (7) of Point Loma High School's volleyball team goes airborne to spike the ball during a recent match in the Pointers' gym. PHOTO BY SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

PLNU BASEBALL *briefs*

PLNU falls in NAIA World Series semis

The No. 9-seeded Point Loma Nazarene University (PLNU) baseball team saw its season come to an end June 3 with a 13-7 loss to No. 2 and eventual champion Cumberland (Tenn.).

The loss eliminated the Sea Lions from the 2010 NAIA World Series at Lewis-Clark State College in Idaho.

After losing in the second round of the 10-team double elimination tournament, PLNU (41-20-1) battled through the losers bracket with wins over California Baptist and Oklahoma City before finally losing to Cumberland.

Pair of PLNU pitchers taken in MLB Draft

The third day of the 2010 MLB First Year Player Draft was the charm for Point Loma Nazarene University pitchers Chad Blauer and Steven Winnick. Blauer (13-2, 3.57 ERA, 103 Ks in 2010) was selected by the Kansas City Royals in the 30th round and Winnick (10-3, 2.92 ERA, 58 Ks) was picked by the New York Mets in the 31st round.

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PLHS baseball celebrates 2010 successes

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

With Connor Baits on the mound or Sean Stepina at the plate this season, the Point Loma High School (PLHS) baseball team was one of the toughest in San Diego to defeat.

Both Baits and Stepina were selected for first team all-Western League honors as the Pointers completed their season 18-13 overall and 6-6 (fourth place) in league play. The team posted an 11-4 record on its newly renamed turf — David Wells Field.

PLHS head coach Jon Posternack told a baseball banquet crowd last week about an opposing coach at the all-league selection meeting who asked about Stepina, "How do you get that guy out? We couldn't figure how to do it."

Few teams were able to solve Stepina, a 6 foot, 2 inch senior catcher whose .458 batting average topped team charts. He led the Pointers in virtually all other offensive categories as well, with 44 hits, 31 RBIs, nine doubles and two triples.

Stepina walked away with three major team awards. He was named Offensive Player of the Year and Most

Valuable Player and earned the Coach Delgado Leadership Award for which the Pointers' pitching coach selects a player annually who leads the team in work ethic, effort to improve and leadership.

Posternack also praised Stepina's plate discipline. Stepina walked 22 times and struck out only 11 times.

Stepina was a unanimous choice by league coaches for first-team honors and will be entering San Diego State University as a preferred walk-on, meaning Aztec coach and former San Diego Padre Tony Gwynn has high hopes — but no scholarships available — for the soon-to-graduate Pointer.

"I'm just going to have to work harder than everyone else," Stepina said. "I sat down with coach Gwynn and his staff and they told me, 'You're an Aztec now.'"

For sophomore pitcher Baits, 2010 served as a breakout season. The 6 foot, 5 inch righty compiled a remarkable 1.73 ERA while posting a team-leading 9-2 record.

Opponents batted only .244 against Baits, who walked 36 batters and struck out 71 in 73 innings. Baits received the team's Pitcher of the

Year award.

Senior shortstop Zach Skarbic (.364 batting average) also earned second team all-league honors. Posternack noted the Pointers compiled a .322 team batting average (opponents averaged only .277), while earning the No. 5 seed in the CIF Division II playoffs.

"This was another successful year for Pointers baseball," Posternack said. "We beat No. 12 seed West Hills and upset No. 4 seed Scripps Ranch on their field before being knocked out of the playoffs by Westview and eventual champion Grossmont."

The Pointers lost to Grossmont 8-5 in their first loss of the double-elimination tournament. The Foothillers went on to shut out Helix 8-0 in the CIF finals. According to Posternack, other big wins came over Mission Bay and eventual CIF finalists Madison and Cathedral Catholic.

Other notable Pointers include freshman Tyler Majofis, who played in 20 games at third base and the outfield, hitting .294. Majofis was named team Rookie of the Year.

"There were only three freshmen who made varsity teams in our league," Posternack said.

Defensive Player of the Year honors went to senior first baseman Cody Harvey, whose ability to scoop up errant throws and help hold opposing runners drew praise. But Harvey, who missed the 2009 season with an injury, also hit .347 in his return to make himself an invaluable two-way player.

For 6 foot, 2 inch junior pitcher Max Sorenson, an outstanding 1.77 ERA and 2-1 record gave him the Most Improved Player title. Opponents batted only .188 against Sorenson.



Sean Stepina rests at second base after one of his team-leading nine doubles forced an opponent's pitching change. Stepina, a senior catcher, will attend San Diego State University next year after his unanimous selection as First Team All-Western League. PHOTO BY SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

Junior Dylan Ruth worked all season as a catcher in the bullpen and helping to warm up pitchers between innings. His hustle and contribution earned him the Coaches Award.

For his leadership abilities and constant example of encouraging others, senior Nick Schroeder received the Teammate of the Year award from his peers.

Other departing seniors include Davis Callejon (led team with 28 runs scored), Eric Schweiger and Kellen Stewart.

"We return 10 players, including six starters, next season," Posternack said. "Plus, our deep and experienced pitching staff will help us compete for the coveted Western League title."

Other returning players next season will be juniors Campbell Irvine, Adam Eslinger, Sergio Guerra, Dylan Morris, James Vermazen, Kellen Urbon (led team with two home runs), Zach Leslie (.333 average, six doubles) and Campbell Wear (4-3 record, 23 runs scored).



Connor Baits delivers a pitch at David Wells Field. Baits, a 6 foot, 5 inch Point Loma High School sophomore, compiled a 9-2 won-loss record to go with a 1.73 earned run average and was named First Team All-Western League. PHOTO BY SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

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Scott to lend acoustical magic to Fiddler's Green

By **BART MENDOZA** | THE BEACON

Though guitarist and songwriter Barry Scott is a mainstay of the local acoustic music scene with a semi-regular gig at Shelter Island restaurant Fiddler's Green for the past six years, his career goes back nearly four decades. It has taken in both rock and country and even signing to a major label — twice.

Scott recently released his second solo album "Live at Fids." The disc collects 16 solo acoustic tracks, mixing originals with covers of a wide range of artists that include Elton John, Johnny Cash and the late local music icon John Stewart. The album is currently only available at his performances, including a CD-release show at Fiddler's Green on July 9, but is scheduled to be available through CD Baby and I-Tunes later this year.

Now a Point Loma resident, Scott first arrived locally fresh out of high school in 1972 from Portsmouth, Va. He quickly immersed himself in the area's music scene, paying his dues with the band Head First and countless acoustic gigs before becoming part of a powerpop band Copenhagen. His stint with

Copenhagen would yield many long-time connections, including another East Coast transplant and future San Diego music mainstay, Mark DeCerbo. The band released "Tonight," a highly-collectable single in 1977, but Scott soon found himself back in Virginia and with the powerpop group The States.

A major force on the East Coast club circuit, by 1979 The States were signed to Chrysalis Records, scoring a regional hit with their song "My Latest Girl," and performing with the likes of Robert Palmer and The Cars. Though sales were strong, a change in management saw the band shift to Boardwalk Records for their 1981 sophomore release "Picture Me with You." The album yielded a hit in the title track, but the band members went their separate ways following the

release of a Christmas single in 1983. Scott subsequently formed jangly powerpop outfit The Barry's, releasing the album "Who Else" in 2002 before moving into country music.

He returned to San Diego in 2004 and soon found himself with a residency at Fiddler's Green.

"Steve Rock, who owns Fiddler's Green, has been wonderful to me since we met in the first half of the '70s," Scott said. "He even recorded some of the early demos when Headfirst was forming. When I arrived here again, I began playing three nights a week for the 'late night bar crowd.'"

Though he plays at the venue only occasionally now, he kept that schedule for almost four years, documenting

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Barry Scott, who has almost 40 years of making music to his credit and who has signed to a major label twice with the powerpop group The States, performs Friday, July 9 at Fiddler's Green on Shelter Island. COURTESY PHOTO

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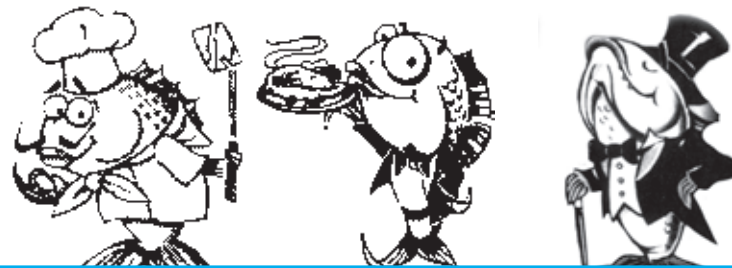
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his performances along the way. “During that time, I recorded direct to CD occasionally, but I didn’t pay too much attention to levels or other details at the time because I hadn’t planned then to ever let anyone hear it,” Scott said. “But I’m a little too old to be embarrassed about much, so I recently decided to document the fun we had there with a CD.”

The album’s tracks were chosen from more than 100 discs’ worth of music. “I just forced myself to sit down over a month or so and find performances that were listenable and not too embarrassing,” Scott said. “By the time I had the selection down to what it is, I couldn’t bear to hear myself anymore.” The album does include a pair of friends, Kim Verstraten (guitar) and Griff Rogers (harmonica) sitting in on a few tracks. Scott overdubbed extra

pedal steel and a few harmonies, but kept the original rough-and-ready ambience, complete with audience conversation and background sounds. “It’s all there,” he said. “Sharp and flat notes, as well as mistakes. As I said, I never really intended to release it, but it’s a pretty good cross-section of what I used to play each night.” A couple of the tunes were the only times Scott ever sang them. “One in fact, ‘Talkin’ Me Down,’ I wrote on the spot as you are hearing it,” Scott said. “Then again, it’s not

‘Strawberry Fields,’ either.” Though he’ll be performing solo shows throughout the summer to promote “Live at Fids,” he plans to shift into band mode as soon as possible and is working with Dave Reynolds, best known as guitarist with the Beatles tribute band Help, and drummer Mike Trimble. “I’m forming a vocal-based, guitar-driven pop band not very different from The Barrys,” said Scott. “The sort of band that shows Brit pop influences alongside songs that you might expect

from a band like Buffalo Springfield.” With almost 40 years of making music to his credit, Scott doesn’t hesitate to cite his favorite thing about being a musician. “I suppose it’s being able to wear clothes most guys would not wear and be excused for it because you’re a musician,” he joked. Scott performs Friday, July 9 at Fiddlers Green Restaurant, 2760 Shelter Island Drive. 21 and up. For more information, visit www.fiddlersgreensandiego.com.

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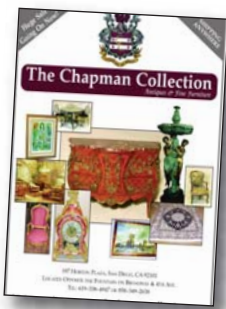
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COMMUNITY/CIVIC

Today, June 17, 6:30 p.m., regular meeting of the Peninsula Community Planning Board to fill a recent vacancy due to resignation, among other items. The meeting takes place at the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St. The agenda is posted at the library and may also be viewed online at www.pcpb.net.

Today, June 17, 7 p.m., the Ocean Beach Historical Society hosts its regular monthly meeting featuring Derek Casady, who will provide perspective on the community of Ocean Beach through his various careers in publishing, politics and natural foods. The meeting takes place at the Point Loma United Methodist Church, 1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd. For more information, call (619) 222- 0057, or visit www.obhistory.wordpress.com.

Friday, June 18, 3 to 5 p.m., Point Loma High School commencement at the school's football stadium.

Friday, June 18, noon, prayer-based healer Ryder Stevens hosts a free presentation titled "Peace and Reconciliation" at the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St. For information, call (619) 293-3952.

Saturday, June 19, the Point Loma-based Makua organization hosts 'Rockin' Rumba' to benefit San Diego foster children aided by Voices for



Students from Young at Art brighten the corner of Newport Avenue and Cable Street by painting one of the old electrical boxes. "The response was overwhelming," said Kim Howell, co-founder of Young at Art. "So many kids wanted to participate we had to break them into two groups ... and bring the little ones back a week later."

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Young artists have brush with community pride

By BECCA SAFFRAN | SPECIAL TO THE BEACON

The corner of Newport Avenue and Cable Street just got a whole lot brighter, thanks to a group of very young art students.

During two weekends in April, students at Young at Art Children's Art Center painted one of the decayed electrical boxes on the southwest corner of the intersection.

"They're so excited to do something out in their community ... they had so much fun, and that's a big deal," said Kim Howell, co-founder of Young at Art Children's Art Center.

Howell created the project when she saw the need for some new public art in Ocean Beach.

"They [the students] think it's so cool to go out to do something with their artwork that people can see," Howell said. "A lot of them came back to look at it after they were done."

Many others have seen the young artists' work as well.

"It's so cheerful!" said John Noble, owner of Coastal Sage Gardening. Noble and his staff conduct weekly maintenance on the planters that line Newport Avenue, adding that the project is "such a colorful addition to the street."

Young at Art Children's Art Center is a nonprofit children's art education center located in Ocean Beach. For information about programs and enrollment at Young at Art, call (619) 459-1955.

Children. The event features plenty of Latin-style musical and dance entertainment, and takes place at Humphrey's by the Bay, 2241 Shelter Island Drive. Tickets are \$100 per person or \$200 for VIP tickets. For more information, call (619) 823-5378, or visit www.makua.org.

Saturday, June 19, OB Friends of the Library host a book sale featuring gently-used books and audio/visual materials. The event takes place at the library, 4801 Santa Monica Ave. Donations may be made prior to the sale. For more information, call (619) 293-3952.

Saturday, June 26, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., 31st annual Ocean Beach Street Fair & Chili Cook-Off featuring five musical stages, demonstrations, food, exhibits and vendors, a Fun Zone for children and beer gardens. The event happens primarily along Newport Avenue and Abbott Street. For more information, call (619) 224-4906, or visit www.oceanbeachsandiego.com.

Saturday, June 26, 1 to 6 p.m., book-signing event and presentation by author Christi Grab, who penned "The Unexpected Circumnavigation: Unusual Boat, Unusual People Volume 1: San Diego to Australia" with her husband. The event takes place at West Marine, 1250 Rosecrans St. For more information, call (619) 255-8844, or visit www.kosmos.livflux.net/blot.

Saturday, June 26, 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m., commencement ceremonies for High Tech High School, High Tech High International and High Tech High Media Arts.

Saturday, June 26, 10 a.m., dedication ceremony for the recently installed Blue Star Memorial sponsored by the Point Loma Garden Club. The ceremony takes place at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery. For more information, call (619) 223-2051.

Saturday, July 10, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., the Sunset Cliffs Surfing Association (SCSA) co-spon-

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New Belguim Ranger IPA	\$8.49 6 pk bot
Karl Strauss Endless Summer Light	\$7.99 6 pk bot + CRV



Driscoll's Strawberries
Watsonville
3 for \$5
16 oz containers



Tuscan Canteloupe
Lodi
59¢ lb



Organic Heirloom Tomatoes
Fresh from Carlsbad
\$1.99 lb



Pork Tenderloins
\$5.99 lb



Maria's Tortilla Chips
\$2.69
16 oz



Spicy Carrots
\$2.99
16 oz



Harris Ranch Seasoned Tri Tip
Great for the BBQ!
\$7.49 lb



Bring Dad in for a Grilled Onion Dog
They are only **\$3** & that includes a drink!
Friday • Saturday • Sunday
10:30 am - 6 pm
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
SUNDAY JUNE 20



Shrimp
Cooked and Peeled.
\$9.99 lb
26/30



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11828 Rancho Bernardo Road
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