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A new book chronicles life at Fort Rosecrans in Point Loma when it was an Army installation. **8**



# Walkers hoof it to support kidney cause

By KENDRA HARTMANN | THE BEACON

When Helen Tran returned home from a night out with friends around 1 a.m. on Nov. 29, 2006, the phone was ringing. It was the University of California, San Diego Medical Center calling to tell her they had a kidney for her.

By Dec. 1, the four years she had spent dealing with life-threatening infections and dialysis were behind her.

Tran was born with VACTERL syndrome, a condition that describes a group of birth defects that occur together. She always knew she would need a new kidney, but wasn't listed for donation until her condition had deteriorated to the point where she needed dialysis three times a week. Even then, she became septic and had infections that landed her in the hospital. Two weeks after recovering from just such an infection that almost killed her, she got the call from UCSD.

"I was calm. I didn't want to get too excited," she said. "I didn't want to think about it too much — in case, for some

"It's very bittersweet to get a [kidney] transplant. There's something called recipient's guilt, which I felt a lot at first. I feel it less and less now, but you know that the person who gave you this gift has this whole other family out there dealing with this loss."

HELEN TRAN

Kidney transplant recipient, active participant in National Kidney Foundation events

reason, it didn't happen."

Immediately after her surgery, Tran became active in Donate Life and National Kidney Foundation events. She even became the face of a kidney campaign targeted at Asians and Pacific Islanders and her picture was pasted on brochures, billboards and buses. On Saturday, May 14, she'll participate in the National Kidney Foundation's Kidney Walk at NTC Park at Liberty Station in Point Loma. Walkers are encouraged to raise \$200 and Tran has already reached that goal.

"It's important to be involved," she said. "There are so many misconceptions out there, and people really need to be re-educated. High blood pressure and diabetes are the first and second reasons

for people needing a kidney, and the fact is that everyone can probably count five people they know who have one of those conditions. Kidneys have the longest waiting list of all organs, and the more people who are educated about it, the easier it is to get people on board to become donors."

Because of medical privacy laws, organ recipients are not allowed to know any details about their donors. All Tran knows about the person who gave her a kidney is that the donor was male, about 32 years old and from Palomar.

"It's very bittersweet to get a transplant," she said. "There's something called recipient's guilt, which I felt a lot at first. I feel it less and less now, but you know that the person who gave you this



Supporters walk during the 2010 Kidney Walk at NTC Park.

Courtesy photo

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Three years after her surgery, Tran wrote a letter to the family of her donor. She never heard back from them, but she still hopes that someday, they'll be able to get in touch with her.

"I hope they'll come forward at some point," she said. "I want to be able to tell them that through this generous gift, I was able to make a difference. I was able to represent a minority group and encourage donation to save other lives."

Every year in November, Tran and her family have a celebration to honor her donor and his generosity. She feels very

strongly about the loss his family must still feel, and knows that because they said "yes" to donation, she was given a second chance.

She even named her kidney. In a post-surgery haze while coming off anesthesia, she became convinced that her nurse's name was Ben (it was actually Alejandro). When she discovered there was actually no Ben around, she decided someone somewhere wanted something to be named Ben.

Tran will lead Team Ben in the Kidney Walk on May 14, and encourages San Diegans to come support the cause. After all, she said, most of us could very likely be affected by kidney disease.

"If you don't know somebody yet, you will know someone who has to deal with organ failure," she said. "And why wouldn't you want to help someone? The fact is you're the only person left who can help them. If it's not going to be you, who will it be?"

To register for the Kidney Walk or to donate to the National Kidney Foundation, visit [www.donatelife.org](http://www.donatelife.org) or [www.donevida.org](http://www.donevida.org).



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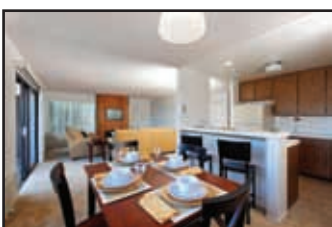
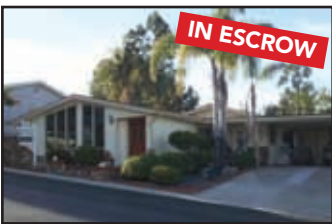


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# Window-etching vandals released from custody

**By NEAL PUTNAM | THE BEACON**

Two young men convicted of vandalizing storefront windows at businesses in Ocean Beach and Pacific Beach were released from custody last week after being sentenced to time served.

Both men will have a restitution hearing on May 11 and will likely be ordered to pay about \$60,000 in damages. Deputy District Attorney Derek Grilz told the judge he didn't oppose their release from jail, saying both men need to be working to pay the victims back for damages.

Jonathan Ford Gurr, 20, of Pacific Beach, was released April 28 after San Diego Superior Court Judge Eugenia Eyherabide gave him credit for serving almost two months in jail. James Alfred Dorman IV, 20, was given credit for serving five weeks in jail and was released April 30.

Both pleaded guilty March 30 to one count of felony vandalism. In return, 25 similar charges were dropped, mostly involving incidents in Ocean Beach. Store windows were vandalized with an etching tool and the men's nicknames or monikers were written on the windows.

Most of the businesses were located on Newport Avenue in Ocean Beach, but a few stores were vandalized in the Sports Arena area and on Morena Boulevard. One store was in La Mesa.

"He's extremely remorseful," said Gurr's attorney, Daniela Realí. "He did not try to have his family bail him out of jail. He was so ashamed."

The county Probation department recommended both men pay \$300 per month in restitution, but attorneys for both men said that was too high. The exact amount will be determined on May 11, but Eyherabide ordered payments begin at \$50 per month.

The judge placed Gurr and Dorman to five years and three years of probation, respectively. Gurr was arrested March 2 after his image was identified on store security cameras. Dorman was arrested March 23.



## Y BE LEFT OUT?

The Peninsula Family YMCA formally celebrated the opening of the Haas Family Gymnasium with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in April. The local YMCA embarked on a three-phase capital campaign and improvement plan in 2003, and the Haas Family Gymnasium represents the completion of phase two. The final \$3.5 million phase three will be a new, two-story building with a teen technology center, community meeting rooms, group exercise studios, improved fitness and wellness center and a reception area. Once completed, the YMCA will be renamed the Ryan Family YMCA in honor of the family's financial support. Peninsula YMCA officials said additional funds are still needed to complete phase three and that several project naming opportunities still exist. The Peninsula Family YMCA has served the communities of Point Loma, Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach and the Midway District since 1976. For more information, visit [www.peninsula.ymca.org](http://www.peninsula.ymca.org).

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**Ocean Beach | \$699,000**

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NEWS**briefs****Town Council readies to dole out grant money**

The Ocean Beach Town Council (OBTC) is now accepting 2011 applications for grants to local organizations and groups. Grant money is distributed through the Ocean Beach Tree Festival Committee, which provides an opportunity to receive funds raised by the annual Community Tree Festival.

OBTC officials said more than \$10,000 was distributed last year. Past grant recipients have included:

- Loaves and Fishes Outreach Ministry
- Point Loma High School Football Boosters

- The Ocean Beach Historical Society
- Peninsula Girls' Softball
- Sunset Cliffs Surfing Association
- Ocean Beach Planning Board
- Ocean Beach Community Foundation
- Friends of Famosa Slough

To be considered, OBTC officials are asking organizations and groups to submit a one-page letter to grants@ob-town-council.org or to mail them to P.O. Box 7225, Ocean Beach, 92107, describing the respective organization, plans for what is to be done with the funds and the grant amount desired.

Applications should be submitted no later than May 30. Grants are open to all, but OBTC membership is strongly encouraged, said officials.

Recipients will be asked to provide a quarterly update that will be posted to the OTBC website. Successful grant recipients will receive a one-year membership to the OBTC, renewable annually.



Shown is one of the featured historic homes to be showcased during the Loma Portal Home and Garden Tour on May 14.

COURTESY PHOTO

**Loma Portal's Home, Garden Tour set to bloom**

Loma Portal Elementary School is embarking on its fifth annual Home and Garden Tour to bolster campus funding in the wake of budget cuts.

The event, one of the school's major fundraisers for the year, helps fund Loma Portal's music teacher, music program and classroom supplies, according to organizers.

This year's Home and Garden Tour will feature between eight and ten homes and gardens in the Loma Portal neighborhood. Participating homes will showcase

a variety of unique attributes, from historical restoration to grand outdoor entertainment areas, to home remodels and living to xeriscape designs and clever uses of space.

Also planned is a craft fair and a raffle featuring wine baskets, spa getaways, home store and restaurant certificates, organizers said.

The event runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., beginning at the school, 3341 Browning St. The admission/donation is \$20. Tickets may be purchased at the school or online at [www.lomaportalele-men-tary.com](http://www.lomaportalele-men-tary.com), either in advance or on the day of the tour.

For more information, call (619) 223-1683 or visit the above website.

**Optimists slate event to aid Peninsula youth**

The Optimist Club Foundation of Point Loma will host its 48th annual "Golden Grand" fundraising event on Friday, May 6 at the San Diego Yacht Club.

The proceeds from the event are used to fund the Optimist Club's community ser-

vice programs, including aid and development for youth programs in the Peninsula area and support for the organization's American Flag program that recognizes the contributions of veterans and active duty serviceman and servicewomen. Optimist Club members display more than 150 American flags along a two-mile stretch of Rosecrans Street every Sunday and each holiday throughout the year.

Optimists are also asking the community for support through monetary dona-

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## OBITUARY

**William Kenton, longtime community booster dies**

William Kenton, a 56-year-long Point Loma resident and community booster, has died of lung cancer. He was 85.

His civic and professional associations were many. Kenton was a former chairman and longtime member of the North Bay Community Planning Group, giving him a platform for community advocacy right up to the time of his death. He was a founding steward of the San Diego Crew Classic and served on the original committee that brought the USS Midway to San Diego as a museum. He was active in several national engineering organizations and on the board of Temple Beth Israel.

"He was a strong force for good in our community and a good leader for our board," said Melanie Nickel, the planning group's chairwoman, in an email. "He has been my mentor and I, for one, am going to miss him very much."

District 2 San Diego City Councilman



WILLIAM KENTON

Kevin Faulconer praised Kenton for his efforts to improve parks, streets and the quality of life on the Peninsula.

"I had the opportunity to work with Bill on many efforts to promote the revitalization of North Bay," said Faulconer, who closed out the April 19 meeting of the San Diego City Council in Kenton's honor. "Bill always believed in the Midway community and he converted many others into believers along the way."

Born in 1925 in the central Washington city of Ellensburg, Kenton enlisted in the Naval V12 program during World War II after high school. He was primarily stationed at the University of California, Berkeley and earned a degree in mechanical engineering. When the war ended, he completed a second degree in business administration at the University of Washington and was a member of the Zeta Beta Tau fraternity.

After graduation, Kenton moved to Los Angeles, where he would meet his future wife, Edythe Levin. They married in 1948. He went into the furniture manufacturing business and quickly learned that it wasn't his calling.

After the birth of two daughters,

Cathy and Debbie, he moved the family to San Diego in 1954, when he purchased what would become the Kenton Equipment Co., and used his engineering skills to make the company grow. A third daughter, Anne, arrived in 1955, and the family settled in Point Loma.

He sold his company in 1977 and began developing a product known as Pump-A-Head, an environmental marine system.

He also taught as an assistant professor at San Diego State University and worked as a forensic consultant, traveling all over the world assisting attorneys with cases.

Kenton is survived by his wife, Edy; children Cathy (Joseph) Ventimiglia, Debbie Enciso and Anne (Art) Bleier; grandchildren Andrew and Jessica Bleier, Danielle and Brian McClure, Austin Bleier and Kim Harold, Alex and Asha Bleier and Connor Enciso; brother Mort (Maxine) Kleinberg; sister Marilyn Levin; and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

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However, in 2011, the federal estate tax exemption amount changes to One Million Dollars. Any estate over that amount will be required to pay an estate tax. The tax rate starts at 41% and goes up to 55%. That means if your parent dies next year and has an estate of 2 million dollars, there will be an estate tax of \$410,000.00. That is a whole lot of money.

What can be done about this? There are a number of things that can be done to help save some taxes. The first is for married couples to have a Marital Trust or AB Trust. This must be done while both spouses are still alive and it will shelter Two Million Dollars from estate tax. I even advise couples to get married to save \$100,000 or more in taxes!

Another way to reduce the size of an estate is to gift. One person can give \$13,000 per year to anyone. You can set up irrevocable trust and fund it with some of your assets. You can give a gift of One Million dollars also. You will have to file a gift tax return, but no tax is due on it. Of course, gifts to charities can be made in any amount now and at your death and that amount will not be included in your estate for taxes. Let us sit down together and plan to save taxes.

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## PLANNERS

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audience members — and often the board members themselves.

Incumbent members joined the five new elected members — Norm Allenby, Paul Webb, Mike Ryan, Pete Nystrom and Allen Jones — in listening to the three candidates in attendance who sought appointment for the other two positions. The board first appointed Jarvis Ross and then, with Ross seated, appointed Rebecca Michael (see box).

A fourth candidate, Harvey Hilton, was reportedly stuck in traffic and unable state his case in person. He managed to contact the board by cell phone and the board at first delayed voting, filling the time with impromptu reports. The delay eventually ran out, and Hilton was denied a chance to address the board by holding a cell phone to the microphone at the podium.

After voting to prefer plurality votes instead of majority, the board then elected officers: Khalil, chairman; Helen Kinnaird, first vice chair; Rebecca Michael, second vice chair; John Gott, secretary; and Nancy Graham, treasurer.

### In other Peninsula Community Planning Board news:

- An \$11.6 million project to replace 4.4 miles of water pipes should begin in the summer of 2012, said John Stohr of the city's Engineering and Capital Projects Division. Among the affected streets: North Harbor Drive; Nimitz and

### HOW THEY VOTED

- **Seat vacated by Robert MacCulloch**, term ending in 2013:

**Jarvis Ross, winner;** six votes (John Gott, Geoff Page, Jay Shumaker, Patricia Clark, Paul Webb, Chris Veum)

Rebecca Michael, five votes (Helen Kinnaird, Mike Ryan, Nancy Graham, Pete Nystrom, Norm Allenby)

Harvey Hilton, two votes (Allen Jones, Suhail Khalil)

Cynthia Conger, no votes

- **Seat vacated by Doug Cohen**, term ending in 2012:

**Rebecca Michael, winner:** 11 votes (Pete Nystrom, Norm Allenby, John Gott, Suhail Khalil, Allen Jones, Patricia Clark, Nancy Graham, Paul Webb, Mike Ryan, Chris Veum, Helen Kinnaird)

Cynthia Conger: three votes (Jarvis Ross, Geoff Page, Jay Shumaker)

Harvey Hilton: no votes

- **Board chairman**

**Suhail Khalil, winner:** seven votes (Norm Allenby, Suhail Khalil, Allen Jones, Patricia Clark, Rebecca Michael, Paul Webb, Helen Kinnaird)

Nancy Graham: six votes (Jarvis Ross, Jay Shumaker, Nancy Graham, Mike Ryan, Chris Veum, Pete Nystrom)

Jarvis Ross: two votes (Geoff Page, John Gott)

— Compiled by Tony De Garate

Catalina boulevards; Hugo, Locust, Evergreen and Cañon streets; and Point Loma Avenue. More information is available at [www.sandiego.gov/engineering-cip](http://www.sandiego.gov/engineering-cip).

- Never underestimate the power of cookies. A bake sale held during the recent election generated \$128 for board expenses, Graham said. However, without donations, the current balance is not enough to pay bills on the horizon such as that for the group's website, she

said.

- In his first act as the new chairman, Khalil called an April 27 meeting for subcommittee chairs to formulate goals and objectives for the next year.

- District 2 San Diego City Councilmember Kevin Faulconer will swear in new board members at the May 19 meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the downstairs conference room (rear entrance) of the Point Loma/Hervey Library, located at 701 Voltaire St.

## CUTS

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signs. Among the sign messages was "America's Dumbest City."

Sanders' proposed 2012 budget includes cutting \$14 million from recreation centers, beach fire pits and libraries, which would take a \$7.1 million hit by closing library doors all but two days during the week and every other Saturday.

Recreation center hours would be reduced from 40 to 20 hours a week beginning Sept. 6, and fire pits would be eliminated.

The Fire/Rescue Department would receive an additional \$8 million to restore idled fire engines, and the police department would lose \$5.5 million and about 28 full-time positions.

Unchanged from 2011 is \$6.4 million in funding for the arts.

"There is room in every department to make changes," Faulconer said. "But our library department, they have done fantastic with less money. Our neighborhood volunteers have really picked up the slack."

Since 2000, city library hours have been cut from an average of 51 hours a week to 36 hours a week, according to city records.

"Our libraries should be free and open to the public, just as our beaches remain that way," Faulconer said. "As we saw with Proposition D, neighbors want City Hall to spend the money that it has wisely. Where we will be able to save literally hundreds of millions of dollars is pension reform, and that's

why I'm pushing for a measure on the June ballot.

"When there's a choice between libraries and an affordable pension, I know which side most voters are going to weigh in on," he added.

Noting that the city also needs to get creative with financial solutions, Faulconer talked about his idea to install solar panels on streetlights.

"It not only generates electricity for light but potential revenue back to the city," he said.

Among those carrying signs to protest the proposed cuts were Ocean Beach residents Gretchen and Kristoffer Newsom and their 3-year-old son, Leiff.

"This is not just a small public library. It's a portal to the world," Kristoffer said. "It's a symbol and one of the foundations of a free society."

Carol Pekin, a 30-year-library patron, signed the petition and said, "I'm disgusted. This is an important resource in the lives of people. We want an educated voting populace."

There are 37 library branches and programs throughout the city of San Diego, seven of which are in District 2 in the communities of Ocean Beach, Point Loma, Mission Hills, Pacific Beach, La Jolla, and in Downtown the Central Library and READ/San Diego program.

On a typical day, according to library department statistics, San Diego's city libraries attract 26,000 visitors who check out 28,000 items; 6,701 people use the computers and 1,000 other patrons attend library programs. Last

year, 30,000 children were enrolled in the library's summer reading program.

"One of the great things about libraries is it cuts across every age group and every demographic," Faulconer said. "This is what I consider to be an essential city service."

During the petition signing Saturday, the Ocean Beach Branch Library was humming with activity. All eight computers with Internet access were in use, visitors with laptops accessed wireless connections and others read newspapers and books.

In the children's area, Holly Robinson, 25, was helping her 16-month-old daughter, Olivia, use a computer-learning program designed specifically for small children.

"We walk here two to three times a week," Robinson said. "It saves a lot of money. We rent videos and I check out books for classes at Mesa College. I'm really upset they're trying to close libraries. What about our children?"

Boone Riddle, 29, who said he moved to San Diego from Denver just a week ago, waited briefly in line to get his freshly-minted library card to check out two books.

"The staff was very helpful and I found the books I wanted quickly," Riddle said. "The fast pace of our lives ignores education, and if the government depreciates libraries by deprioritizing learning and reading, it hurts our children and our society."

To learn more about the drive to save local libraries or to share your view with Faulconer, call (619) 236-6622, or email [kevinfaulconer@sandiego.gov](mailto:kevinfaulconer@sandiego.gov).

## PATROLS

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stunned residents and police.

Investigators and witnesses said a mentally disturbed, homeless man around the age of 30, referred to locally as "Karate Kid," was observed physically attacking one of the officers.

"The man lunged at the female officer, forcefully slamming his right elbow to the back of her neck," one witness said afterward. He came out of nowhere and totally caught the officer off guard."

The officer, whose name was withheld for safety reasons, was treated at the scene and was taken to the emergency room by paramedics, police said.

She was later released with a concussion and is expected to return to her work shortly, according to Det. Gary Hassen, a media spokesman for the police department.

Survilo said he believes the added police force will prevent more extreme criminal behavior in the area.

Over the next few weeks, the regular summer beach patrols will be joined by eight additional police officers, who will remain in place through September.

"It will be the longest patrol period and the biggest-staffed SDPD beach team shift ever for Ocean Beach," said Survilo.

He added that "beach team-assigned officers will solely handle incidents in those areas and are generally not called on for other emergency calls."

Police foot patrols have not yet been assigned in Ocean Beach this summer, officials said.

To inquire about summertime beach foot patrols, call Western Division at (619) 692-4800 Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



## GUEST COMMENTARY

## Humphrey's leads way in grooming youth musicians

By GLEN FISHER

It is the first Saturday of the month and you are taking an afternoon stroll along Shelter Island when your attention is drawn to the rhythmic, funky, bluesy sounds coming from Humphrey's Backstage Live. You decide it won't hurt to check out who is playing.

As you enter the club, you know something is different, since the room is filled with enthusiastic, encouraging parents and kids of all ages. On stage, a 13-year-old is whaling a solo on the Allman Brother's "Whipping Post." The band follows him up and up until they reach a frenzy. The guitarist looks up and smiles as he cues a tight break. The full house erupts in cheers that turn into hoots and hollers as the band comes back in ... "Sometimes I feel ..."

I am bassist Glen Fisher and I want to tell you about an exciting group of people. They are young teens now and get ready — they soon will be the next generation of leaders in Point Loma, perhaps even San Diego, and believe it or not, they will be musicians. In fact, many of them will be great musicians. Right now, they are part of The First Friday Music Club.

The parents and grandparents of these teens are a diverse group: business owners, civic leaders, professional athletes, astronauts, doctors, attorneys, contractors and workers who permeate the infrastructure of the Peninsula at every level.

So, mark my words — our community's future decision makers, board members, business owners and power brokers will be a bunch of rippin' guitarists, shreddin' drummers, amazing vocalists, wicked keyboarders and horn players that blow the roof off the sucker. Oh, and I nearly forgot — they will also be bass players. The bass players are just plain sick (that's a good thing). They're groovy and funky, bouncing around with hands that look like rambunctious spiders attacking the strings.

Some will be elected officials, and they will jam at their own campaign fundraisers. They won't just play (Bill Clinton comes to mind); these candidates are going to be JAMMIN'! Attending a board meeting would be more like going backstage at a Steely Dan concert, a delicious abundance of incredibly talented music-makers. Some will be lawyers and ultimately judges. They will change things for the better.

The kids will recognize the value of art and music, and when they grow up, they will never, ever, consider their

exclusion from the academic budget.

All of these astounding future leaders will improvise prolifically and write their own songs. As a matter of fact, many of them already do.

Where could a community possibly develop such a group of super-humans that demonstrate a balance of business and creativity like none before? And where could people so young learn the skills they need to succeed? Skills like effective communication, presenting ideas well in front of small or large groups of people, problem solving, developing and presenting creative solutions. They will know about teamwork and responsibility, and how to work well with others.

Where do they currently learn this? At Humphrey's Backstage Live, right here in Point Loma.

I'm the director of the First Friday Music Club (FFMC), and I'm writing this letter to publicly thank Humphrey's for its unwavering support of our program. Since 2006 Humphrey's Backstage Live has provided a monthly, family-friendly venue for our students to hone their chops in a professional environment.

For the kids, it's project-based learning, and there's just no substitute. I spent years trying to find or build a stage that would allow real club/concert-type performance experience for music students. I know the things that one learns from gigging at a pro level. The benefits of working in a professional environment, as well as the preparation involved in staging a musical performance, are immeasurable. The kids learn musicianship as well as music. In addition, they acquire an essential musical understanding of different styles and cultures — and all that while having incredible fun!

So thank you, Humphrey's Backstage Live, for your valuable partnership with the First Friday Music Club all these years, and for supporting music within the community — specifically, parent company Bartell Hotels, general manager Sergio Davies, food and beverage manager Michael Blake and talent buyer/ restaurant manager Shauna Aguirre, as well as executive chef Paul Murphy for his patience in delivering one order of French fries after another to the kids who don't yet know how to appreciate a cuisine worth experiencing. On behalf of the First Friday Club kids and myself: You are all incredible! GO MAN, GO!!!

Glen Fisher  
Director

First Friday Music Club, Inc., a 501 (c)(3)  
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## GUEST COMMENTARY

## Leaders propose new boundaries for City Council Dist. 1

By JOE LACAVAL

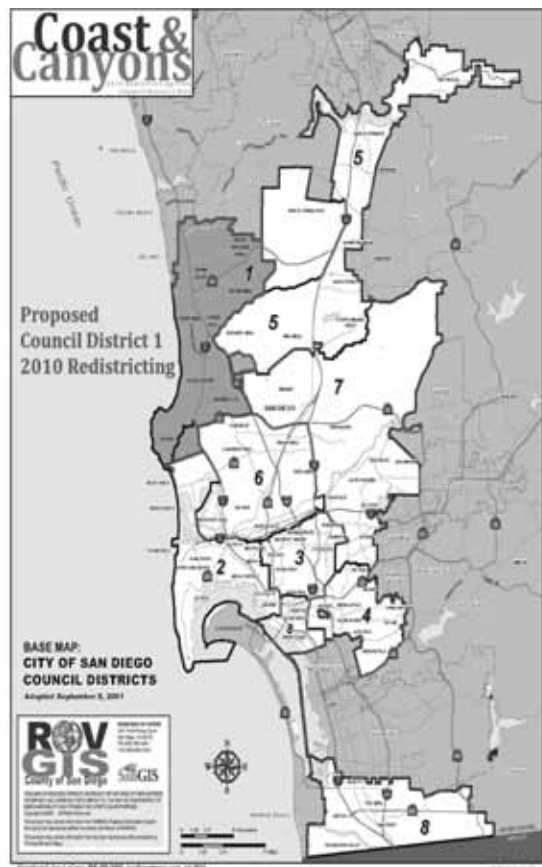
By now, you have heard about the city's 2010 Redistricting Commission. Its task is to re-evaluate the City Council districts in light of the 2010 Census and to include an additional council district (the ninth). CD1 was the fastest growing in the city and is now significantly in excess of the 2010 target for each district (199,000 versus 144,000). Changes to the current Council District 1 (CD1) will be significant and the Commission is asking us to weigh with our thoughts for the new CD1.

Other groups in the city are proposing their own vision for redistricting the city. We recognize their good efforts; however, we don't want our portion of the city to be backed into a new district cobbled together with the leftovers from other proposals!

Some of your community leaders have developed a template for the new CD1 that we call the "Coast & Canyons Plan." A growing number of community organizations are endorsing it. The new CD1 would include the communities of Carmel Valley, Del Mar Mesa, Fairbanks Country Club, Flower Hill, La Jolla, Pacific Highlands Ranch, Torrey Pines, Torrey Hills and University City. This is essentially the old CD1 except that Rancho Penasquitos, Black Mountain Ranch, and Torrey Highlands would shift to an inland district.

The proposal also returns portions of University City and La Jolla to CD1. There are compelling reasons why this proposal is as good for the current constituents of CD1 as well as the city. Further, the proposal exceeds the requirements of the City Charter.

Please send your support for the Coast & Canyons Plan to redistricting\_2010@sandiego.gov. Better yet, join us at the Commission's May 11th meeting (La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Ave, 6:00 pm) to request adoption of our plan.



— Joe LaCava is the former president of the La Jolla Community Planning Association and the Bird Rock Community Council. He can be reached at joe@avetterra.com.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Let's do our part to keep Ocean Beach graffiti-free

I am writing this letter for several reasons. The first is to bring to the attention of my fellow residents who have not already noticed the growing problem of graffiti here in Ocean Beach.

Lately, I have noticed more and more graffiti being applied to buildings and walls all over town and I am frankly fed up with it. I have attempted to address this issue by contacting the police department, as well as the graffiti task force, but I was informed by both that since it is not my property involved, there is nothing they could do to help me.

The second reason is to acknowledge the job well done and support that I received from Mike Patton of Dis-

trict 2 City Councilman Kevin Faulconer's office after calling and asking for help with this issue.

In less than a week from the time I contacted the councilman's office, I received several phone calls and letters telling me they were looking into the graffiti in my neighborhood and would let me know what I could expect to be done about it.

In less than two weeks since contacting the councilman's office, the areas which I had brought to their attention had been painted over and cleaned up.

Finally, I would ask all residents of Ocean Beach to do their part in keep our beach community beautiful and graffiti free.

Lea Ann Hartman  
Ocean Beach



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### OB Exposed! photo contest deadline nears

The popular OB Exposed! contest, featuring the best amateur photographic images of Ocean Beach and Point Loma, is just around the corner.

The deadline for submitting photos is Tuesday, May 10 and entries must be submitted to the OB Business Center, 4876 Santa Monica Ave. There is a \$1 entry fee per photo when photographs are dropped off.

The 17th annual contest is open to all skill levels and ages, and the judging event will be held Friday, May 13 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, 1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd. The only requirement to participate is that photos be taken solely in Ocean Beach or Point Loma.

Categories include:

- Best in Show
- Best Color
- Best Black & White
- Best Vintage (historic)
- Best Special Effects
- Best Child's Under Age 16 and
- People's Choice

Photos from a professional category will be on display but not judged, according to organizers.

For more information and a complete set of entry rules and specifications, visit [www.obhistory.wordpress.com](http://www.obhistory.wordpress.com).

### Fundraising event to benefit Make-A-Wish

The San Diego County Credit Union will host its third annual "Roll Out the Barrel" wine and food-tasting event May 14 to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of San Diego.

The event will feature food and wine sampling from top San Diego restaurants and artisanal wineries from around the world, as well as a raffle, silent and live auctions and live entertainment by KUSI's Brad Perry and The Acoustic Fingerprints.

Organizers said all event proceeds will be used to grant the wishes of children in San Diego who are battling life-threatening medical conditions.

The event takes place from 5 to 8 p.m. at Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, 2441 Shelter Island Drive. General admission is \$125 or entry into a VIP lounge is \$200, which includes specialty wines, spirits, food and a post-event VIP mix and mingle. Participants must be at least 21 to attend.

For tickets or more information, visit [www.makeawishgala.com](http://www.makeawishgala.com). To learn more about the Make-A-Wish Foundation, visit [www.wishsandiego.org](http://www.wishsandiego.org), or call (858) 707-9474.

### PLNU students spend a day in a wheelchair

On April 15, Point Loma Nazarene University's Delta Alpha Pi — an international academic honor society for students with disabilities — hosted its second annual "Day In A Chair Awareness" event on April 15 with HeadNorth, a local nonprofit organization serving individuals and families with spinal cord injuries.

"Day In A Chair is a rewarding and

enlightening experience giving individuals first-hand experience and insight into the life of a spinal cord injury survivor by volunteering to spend a typical day in a wheelchair," said Michele Bart, HeadNorth executive director. "The purpose of these events is to build understanding and awareness. Point Loma Nazarene is a great example of a student group that has really taken to heart the challenge to get involved and help create awareness for physical disabilities."

Nearly 40 students and faculty members dedicated part of their school day to being in a wheelchair. In addition, students organized a fundraising component for this year's event to raise about \$30 per student. A portion of the dollars raised was donated to HeadNorth to help fund programs for individuals with a spinal-cord injury.

For more information, call Carolyn Baker at (858) 350-3193.

### AAUW to host free women's wellness event

Spring is in the air for gardeners and non-gardeners alike. The American Association of University Women (AAUW) San Diego Branch invites the public to attend a women's wellness event focused on the health benefits of gardening on Saturday, May 7.

The event takes place in the community room of the Hervey/Point Loma Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St.

Kathy Jones, Ph.D., a retired professor in exercise and wellness and a San Diego master gardener, will speak on wellness, weight loss and the integrated lifestyle offered through gardening. The event also will feature a floral arrangement demonstration by Rita Kuehn, San Carlos Garden Club Member.

The free event runs from 10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. To RSVP, call (619) 299-0778, email [eunis@aausandiego.org](mailto:eunis@aausandiego.org), or visit [www.aauwsandiego.org](http://www.aauwsandiego.org).

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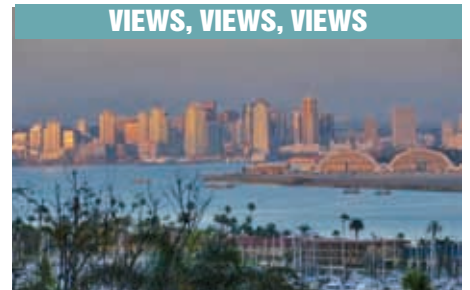
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# 'Officer's Row 1904' captures history of Point

## BOOK REVIEW

By JOSEPH DITLER | THE BEACON

A new book titled "Officers' Row 1904" is based on a true story and captures a bygone era of Army glory in San Diego and Point Loma. Yes, you read that right — Army glory.

The Army's presence is a little-known chapter in the more dominant naval history locally, yet crucial to the development of early Point Loma, San Diego and Coronado. Before the Navy, there was the Army — both at North Island and at Fort Rosecrans.

"Officers' Row 1904" is historical fiction based on research unearthed by the author while living in those historic quarters. It's a smart-looking, quick-read that brings to life many forgotten pieces of the past, while adding personalities and personal interaction based on written accounts of the time.

In addition to providing a worthy glimpse into this region a century ago, it brings the reader back in time to 1904 and the former post of Fort Rosecrans, where houses, barracks, a hospital and even a bakery were constructed to create a small garrison on Point Loma in the name of seacoast defense. At that time, it was home to the Army's Coast



This early scene captures a new Fort Rosecrans, with fresh paint and smoke coming from the chimneys. Most of these structures exist today. Photo courtesy of the Col. George Ruhlen Collection

Artillery Corps.

The book also relives the tragic explosion of the USS Bennington that took the lives of 65 men — another major piece of our history that has all but been forgotten over time.

The explosion took place on July 21, 1905 in San Diego Bay. It remains one of the most terrible peacetime military disasters of all time. The burial of those unfortunate sailors took place on top of Point Loma, in a small graveyard most-

ly populated by those who fell at the battle of San Pasqual in 1846.

For a time, it was known as the Bennington National Cemetery. It is now known to San Diegans as Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery.

"Officers' Row 1904" was written by Navy wife and historian Mary Ellen Cortellini who, a century later, found herself sitting on the front porch of her

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# PLNU names its annual Entrepreneur of the Year

Luke Harmon, a 2010 business administration graduate from Point Loma Nazarene University, was named the 2011 Entrepreneur of the Year by the university's Fermanian School of Business (FSB). Harmon was one of five finalists in the FSB's Entrepreneur Enrichment Program (EEP).

Harmon's project, EHipp, is to develop medical records software for overlooked sectors of the healthcare industry.

"Thank you so much for providing a platform for me to work on this project," said Harmon. "This experience has been incredibly challenging but at the same time amazing, and I have loved every second of it."

Following a nearly yearlong process that began with the annual EEP Exposition and "pitch" in September, five student entrepreneurial ventures received mentoring throughout the 2010-11 academic year while developing a detailed business plan. There were three experienced entrepreneurial mentors for each venture from a wide variety of business interests throughout the Western U.S. The mentors also served as judges for the plans. The plans were completed and sub-

mitted by April 15. The judges then had two weeks to review the plans on a secure online site.

The FSB announced Harmon's award at a banquet attended by about 85 entrepreneurs, mentors, students and supporters on April 27.

Harmon earned a total of \$3,000 in funding from the EEP Endowment toward supporting his entrepreneurial endeavors, and was mentored by Stephen Thesing, Robert Harp and Bart Grunau, all experienced EEP mentors.

Other honorees included:

• Brothers Derek Jackson, a senior double major at PLNU in business administration and music, and Marcus Jackson, a PLNU business administration alumni from 2007. The brothers were honored for their project, Forte Gigs, a musician promotion and management company for student musicians.

• PLNU MBA John Cosby earned \$1,500 from the endowment and nabbed the Social Entrepreneur Award of another \$200 for his project, www.BorderTraffic.com.

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# MIND, BODY & SOUL

## Spring offers seasonal fresh fruits and veggies

Spring is here and it sure is grand! With all this warm weather comes the craving for all the fresh fruits and vegetables that the season brings. As the days heat up, we feel the need to lighten our fare.

Whether you're planning a picnic on the beach, a Sunday drive to Julian, or fresh veggies on the grill, Ocean Beach People's Organic Food Market has every thing your light heart desires.

From artichokes to mangos, spring onions to papaya, and baby greens to pineapple, our produce is just what the

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## Common Care Giving Misconceptions

Caring for a parent or spouse is an emotional subject which is likely the reason so many myths surround it. This article is designed to dispel some of these myths. It's a must-read for anyone currently involved in care giving including those who are considering hiring or perhaps even becoming a caregiver.

### Adult Children No Longer Provide Care for Aging Parents at Home

While stories of adult children abandoning their aging parents make for interesting reading, this is just not true. What is true is that families live further apart

from one another than ever before and that situation sometimes presents caregiving challenges. Advances in communication make it easy for adult children and aging parents to stay in regular contact. Many children also care for their parents but the stress may be great.

### Most People Have a Plan in Place Before the Need Arises

Not true. If you don't yet have a caregiving plan, you're definitely not alone. Most adult children do not tackle this issue until they are forced, meaning it doesn't usually happen until a parent becomes ill, starts showing signs of the onset of age-related conditions such as dementia or Alzheimer's disease, or until one aging parent dies and the other has trouble resuming life after the death of their spouse.

### Caregiver Resources are Insufficient

This is not true. Caregiver resources are fragmented and sometimes difficult to comprehend or access. But they're out there. New legislation regarding caregiving and care receiving is constantly being introduced and approved.

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Electric or manual?

If you use a soft, small-headed manual toothbrush—and brush thoroughly for at least two minutes, an electric toothbrush won't give you much added benefit. But if you're like most people, you may not always be so meticulous. Electric toothbrushes allow you to "slide" a little because their oscillating bristles reach places you might miss with a manual toothbrush—allowing you to get your teeth thoroughly clean with less effort (but not less time!).

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## Science Fitness flexes muscles in Point Loma

By **TERRIE LEIGH RELF** | THE BEACON

"Your results reflect directly upon us and we take this very seriously," said Michael Jensen, owner of Science Fitness Personal Training. "To get a sense of what we have to offer, you need to feel it."

All it may take is one session with Jensen to realize that his motto, "train smarter," is genuine and pervades each session. This is exemplified, in part, by access to computerized fitness assessments, a registered dietitian, nutritional counseling and other unique motivational aspects. His ability to create a space where clients are encouraged to challenge — and exceed — both real and imagined limits, is worthy of note.

In 2000, Jensen, a passionate and personable certified personal trainer with a degree in kinesiology, opened Science Fitness Personal Training in Kensington at 4228 & 4230 Adams Ave.

On March 26, Jensen and his wife, Jill, a business and marketing guru, opened their second site in Point Loma. The grand opening included a ribbon-cutting with special guest Mayor Jerry Sanders, one of the Jensens' satisfied clients who recently lost more than 70 pounds.

Jensen, whose specialties include kickboxing and other martial art forms, was on staff at the Mission Valley YMCA. He was instrumental in developing the site's personal training program. Given his 20-plus years of experience, Jensen envisioned a personal training center that would provide a professional scientific approach — complete with the highest caliber of individualized attention.

"This type of program is essential," he said, "to insure safety, as well as to max-



San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders, left, who recently lost more than 70 pounds at Science Fitness Personal Training, stands with owners Mike and Jill Jensen. The training center recently opened a new location in Point Loma. COURTESY PHOTO

imize a client's time, effort and results."

The science in Science Fitness is evident with Jensen's insistence that his staff meet the highest possible standards. In addition to holding advanced college degrees, the business possesses national personal training certifications, specialties and years of professional experience.

Science Fitness has two spacious workout areas. The energizing space resonates with natural light, contains state-of-the-art equipment, free-weights, balls, mats, all sorts of toys and cushioned areas for floor exercises and stretching.

The Point Loma branch specializes in individual and partner sessions.

Prices are competitive, and potential clients will discover that unlike other gyms or chain-type fitness centers, there are no enrollment or membership fees.

Clients have several options, from individual half-hour or hour-long sessions, to pre-paid packets of 10, 20, 30 or 40 sessions. Working out with a partner — or two — offers multiple incentives. Not only are these sessions discounted up to 46 percent, but there is the tangible benefit of an additional support system, combined with healthy camaraderie.

Jensen's plans include franchising, and the Point Loma site, which serves the Peninsula, is one step closer to that goal. Other plans include patenting new fitness evaluation tools for balance and power.

Science Fitness is located at 2790 Lytton St. For more information, call (619) 563-0333, email [info@Science-Fitness.net](mailto:info@Science-Fitness.net), or visit [www.sciencefitness.net](http://www.sciencefitness.net).

## BOOK

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new home at Officers' Row looking out across San Diego Bay.

"Who built these beautiful old homes," she began to ask herself. "Who lived here long ago? What stories would they tell? I wanted to know."

The author has a splendid appreciation for turn-of-the-century romance.

Her attention to late-Victorian detail, both in her characters and of the era, provide a lovely backdrop to the story.

The book also gives a fine look at the architectural splendor of these simple but historic Army-built homes and buildings captured in photographs then and now, as well as floor plans of the structures. Today, they are home to senior-level naval officers and their families.

Cortellini explores the wrap-around front porches, the ornate pressed-tin ceilings,

secret staircases and even built-in sideboards in describing architectural elements of Officers' Row.

The book sells for \$34.95 and is available at [www.merriam-press.com](http://www.merriam-press.com).

The book is dedicated to three Fort Rosecrans soldiers of the 710th Ordinance Company killed in Afghanistan after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Proceeds will benefit families of fallen EOD personnel from all branches of service.

## SUSPECT

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shop before the shooting and he was seen driving away after the gunshots were heard.

Rosales is described as 5 feet four

inches tall, weighing about 180 pounds.

Investigators said Rosales has access to two vehicles with California plates. One is a dark green 1997 Honda Accord with gray primer spots — similar to the vehicle described as fleeing the murder scene. The Accord has the license plate 5YRJ935

Police said the second vehicle is a white 2000 Ford Explorer with the license plate 6NZN776.

Anyone with information about Rosales is asked to call 9-1-1 or the Crime Stoppers tip line at (888) 580-8477. Investigators stress that Rosales should be considered armed and dangerous.

## Book 'reconnects' readers with natural world

Local author Richard Louv has written a new book, "The Nature Principle," and will be giving a book-launch lecture on Friday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Point Loma Nazarene University's Brown Chapel.

The event will include exhibits on local nature-education opportunities at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance and can be purchased on the San Diego Audubon Society's website, [www.sandiegoaudubon.org](http://www.sandiegoaudubon.org), or at the door for \$10 (cash). The Nature Principle book can be pre-ordered (\$25 includes lecture ticket, tax and autograph), or purchased at the event from Warwick's Books for \$24.95 plus tax.

The lecture is co-sponsored by the San Diego Children and Nature Collaborative, the San Diego Audubon Society, Point Loma Nazarene University and Warwick's La Jolla.

According to Louv, his book "The Nature Principle: Human Restoration and the End of Nature-Deficit Disorder" (May 2011, Algonquin Books) delivers a powerful call to action for everyone, not just children, to reconnect to the natural world.

The event is hosted by the department of literature, journalism and modern languages and the PLNU Resource Stewardship Task Force. Visit [www.pointloma.edu](http://www.pointloma.edu).

## Join us at the Reunion

You know those local spots that were once hot, then not? Well, here's a few hints: I'm seated at a private table in a corner section of the bar with window lined walls and a sweeping view of tree tops that stretch to Sea World and beyond. Surrounded by three pool tables, amply padded stools (bar stools, keep your minds out of the gutter), six flat screen televisions with the latest sports thrill displayed, music of my choice, TWO clean bathrooms, no stinking unisex thingy, sorry guys, just don't like to share that stuff., Full Bar, ten extraordinary, but affordable, beers on tap. One of the few places that offers upscale wine for an aficionado like me. Lots of locals. And the bartender knows what to pour when I walk in. Last hint, there is a private parking lot out front. Maybe I should keep this place secret.

OK, lets get back to the Locals. There are a lot of fun places in Ocean Beach filled with people. I have done extensive research and can tell you that my favorites always have the welcoming vibe of a place like...say, Lucy's. Well, here's another cool spot for you, aptly named The Reunion.

Lets take a break here and examine the concept of a neighborhood bar. Every block should have one. You know why? So you are able to walk in, feel welcome, watch sports, play pool, and relax. Then, walk home. No threat of a DUI.

Looong time O Beacians, Bill Rees and Dave Craven (OB Dave), captured that feel at The Reunion. The bar is located one block west of Catalina Blvd. on Voltaire Street. Sound familiar? That's right, it used to be Mac's. The boys opened it up, created a lounge area that can substitute for other events...dare I say Kerioke? It sports a full bar that is licensed until 2AM, they welcome private parties...bachelors and bachelorettes, are you paying attention?

Come visit during the Grand Opening Celebration May 14th & 15th. On Saturday, starting at noon, they will have a chili cook off, drink specials, and lot's more. On Sunday they will have a taco man and more drink special's. Is that a party or what. Say howdy to some old friends, meet some new ones, and try The Reunion's drink specials. Hope to Reunite with you there!



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# PLHS baseball turns up heat in league play

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

The Point Loma High School (PLHS) baseball team picked an opportune time to start playing more to its potential, as Western League play began last month.

The Pointers found themselves sitting alone atop league standings with a 6-0 record going into a crucial two-game series with Cathedral Catholic earlier this week. The Dons, ranked as the county's top high school team with an 18-2 overall record, entered the showdown with a 4-0 league mark.

After struggling to a 4-6 record during the non-league portion of their schedule, the local prep nine went on a six-game win streak that included league triumphs over Coronado (8-4 and 9-0) and Mission Bay (3-0 and 3-1).

Last week, the Dogs began a new streak, hammering La Jolla 12-1 at home before edging them 2-1 on the Vikings' turf field the next day.

The Pointers pounded a season-high-equaling 14 hits at David Wells Field in the first match, as shortstop Justin Baker went 4-for-5 with a double and two RBI. Right fielder Kellen Urbon had two hits, including a triple and four RBI, second baseman Jackson Leslie had two hits and two RBI and catcher Campbell Wear had two hits and an RBI.

Max Sorenson pitched five innings to pick up the win, with Andrew Huelga finishing up on the mound.

The next day, with Connor Baits on the mound throwing 90 mile-per-hour fastballs, the Pointers outthit the Vikings 8-4 but could only manage a 2-1 victory. Leslie and third baseman Tyler Majofis were each 2-for-3 at the plate with Wear driving in runs in the first and sixth

## REGULAR SEASON GAMES REMAINING

- May 5 vs. Madison (home)
- May 9 vs. Madison (away)
- May 16 vs. Rancho Buena Vista (away, non-league)
- May 17 vs. University City (home)
- May 19 vs. University City (away)
- May 24 – CIF playoffs begin; opponents, details TBA

innings. Baits threw his sixth complete game of the season, walking one and striking out eight.

Earlier, in the first two games of the annual Lions Baseball Tournament, the Pointers dispatched South Bay's Bonita Vista 14-7 and East County's Valhalla by a 5-2 margin.

The six-game win streak ended when a strong team from Paramount, Calif., administered a 7-1 whipping that saw senior pitcher Kellen Urbon lose his first game after four victories.

A rare opportunity arose for the Pointers in their final consolation bracket game when they were paired against the Edison (Huntington Beach) Chargers, ranked as the top prep team in the U.S. Cody Harvey took the mound for the locals and threw a 104-pitch complete game (seven innings in high school), allowing only seven hits and three runs to his heralded opponents.

The narrow 3-2 loss served as a confidence-builder for the Pointers, who outthit the Chargers 8-7 and gave a large fan turnout hope for an upset when they took a 2-0 lead in the first inning. The Chargers clawed their way back with two doubles and three triples, providing two runs in the second inning and the game-winner in the fifth.

Baker and Majofis, both sophomores,

drove in the Pointers' runs while the team played without errors on defense.

For the season, the Pointers are 12-8, with a 6-5 record on their home field. The team sports a batting average of .297 and has outscored opponents 101-68.

Majofis leads the team with a .373 batting average and 22 hits. Leslie leads in RBI (14) and home runs (3). Majofis and Wear have four doubles each, and left fielder Sergio Guerra has recorded three triples.

Center fielder Dylan Morris has tormented opposing pitchers, drawing 18 walks and stealing five bases. With only four strikeouts, he leads the team in on-base percentage at .500.

Defensively, the Pointers are fielding at a .966 clip, with only 19 errors made in 552 chances.

On the mound, the flame-throwing Baits has compiled a sterling 1.63 earned-run average, and with more run support from his teammates has won four straight games after an 0-3 start. Opponents are hitting only .186 against the 6-foot-5-inch righthander who has walked 11 and struck out 57.

Urbon has compiled a 4-1 record and a 2.73 earned-run average, issuing five walks and striking out 46, giving the Pointers one of the top starting duos in the area.



Pointers second baseman Jackson Leslie (9) applies the tag to a Paramount High School runner during Lions Tournament action at David Wells Field. Paramount defeated the Pointers 7-1. PHOTO BY SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON



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## SPORTSbriefs

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

Several spring sports teams at Point Loma High School (PLHS) are enjoying outstanding seasons, winning league championships and fighting for others.

Here is a roundup of some of them.

### BOYS' VOLLEYBALL

Under new head coach James Sakasegawa, the Pointers have won the Eastern League title. Their 9-1 league record easily outdistanced second-place Morse High, who the Pointers defeated 3-2 last week.

The league championship is impressive because last year's edition of the Pointer team sported a dismal record and was not selected for post-season play.

"This is a bunch of great guys who have fun playing together," Sakasegawa said. "I was able to convince them they can be successful and develop a passion to win."

So instead of turning in their uniforms as they did this time last year, players are looking forward to a challenging test in the upcoming CIF playoffs.

A first-time Alumni Classic match was held recently in the Pointer gym with graduates from 1976 through 2010 battling the current varsity squad.

### BOYS' SWIMMING

Another dramatic turnaround took place in the pool, as last year's winless Pointer swimmers, fueled by several fantastic freshmen, took second place in Eastern League competition with a 4-1 record (5-2 overall).

Losing only to University City, the team, with only one senior and two juniors, figures to be a league power for several years.

Coach Jerry Rich credited two freshmen who played a crucial role in reviving the boys' team.

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## Zeiger, former Point Loma High alums team on video, film

"At the Bar," with words and music by former Point Loma High School theater and music guru Larry Zeiger, is now part of a music video from his album "Meetchu in Machu Picchu: the Music of Larry Zeiger."

The music video stars Point Loma resident Steve Grady, who plays with local band The Lomatones. Grady is a former student of Zeiger's and sang in his 1987 school production of "Framed Illusions." Grady appears in the video with singer/classical guitarist Lorraine Castellanos.

The film was directed by Blaise O'Dell, another former Zeiger student (class of 2008) who is studying film at San Diego State University. James Rios (class of 2008) was the director of photography.

The film was shot at Zia's Bistro in Little Italy on a rainy night in December and is the story of a lonely young man who enters a crowded bar in search of companionship.

On Friday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m., "Meetchu in Machu Picchu" will premiere at the Centro Cultural de la Raza in Balboa Park, where it was filmed last December.

The film stars William B.J. Robinson, a student at Southwestern College, and film actor David Fernandez (another Zeiger student from the class of '94) and a cast of nearly 70 salsa dancers, including international dance champions Marilyn Klisser and Rodrigo Leyva and dance celebrity Serena Cuevas from "Dancing with the Stars."

There will be a special guest appearance by world-famous trumpet player Gilbert Castellanos, who also performs on Larry's album.

Most of the cast will be present at the premiere.

"Meetchu in Machu Picchu" was filmed by Larry's former student, Gabriel Soto (class of '94) with camerawork by Point Loma filmmakers Charlie Pham

and Anh Nguyen, with additional camerawork and editing by L.A. filmmaker Nelson Melgar.

The story of the film is about a young man, a composer, who longs for his girlfriend (played by Ariel McCann) who is thousands of miles away in Peru. Through his imagination, he enters an exciting world of music and dance where anything is possible.

The event May 20 event at the Centro Cultural will include salsa dancing, special guest stars, a red carpet and refreshments. Admission for the premiere and the festivities is \$5, and all proceeds will go to the Centro Cultural de la Raza to help future art and culture exhibits (Larry's on the Arts Advisory Committee of the Centro). Zeiger, O'Dell and Soto are submitting the film to festivals throughout the world.

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non's regular set includes Water's tune "Evil," as well as other classics like "Messin' with the Kid" by Junior Wells and "Who's Been Talking" by Howlin' Wolf and originals. Cannon said there isn't any particular tune that can bring the house down.

"It depends on the show, as each tune takes on a life of its own," he said. "We play all of our songs like they're show-



Chet Cannon and the Committee perform tonight, May 5 at the Point Loma Sports Grill.

COURTESY PHOTO

stoppers."

Now a seasoned veteran of the local blues community, Cannon has released two albums to date, with production on a third, "Chet Cannon's Blues Party," under way. The majority of his time is spent overseeing several jam sessions, nurturing the local music scene.

"It can be frustrating, but it also can be very enlightening," Cannon said. "I've met some very talented friends through jams and am constantly inspired by them."

He said he keeps the basics for these events simple.

"My concept of a jam is an opportunity for live people to play live music with other live people," he said. "Live music is an animal of its own, not like playing to a favorite CD. We just never really know what's going to happen

next."

He said the area's blues scene is healthy — up to a point.

"There are lots of talented musicians and great bands, but there are limited resources for them to perform, both clubs and audiences," Cannon said.

After three decades of making music in San Diego, Cannon said he looks forward to his time on stage, though not just for musical reasons.

"I can't afford a therapist, so this is a way I get to work out a lot of my angst," he said.

Chet Cannon performs at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 5 at Point Loma Sports Grill, at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 9 at Humphreys Backstage Lounge and at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 at The Harp, www.chetcannonblues.com.



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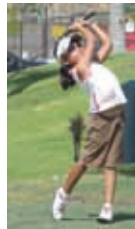
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The La Jolla YMCA offers day camps all summer long beginning June 14 through September 2. Day camps range from a variety of choices and for all ages. There are more than 100 camps to choose from, including ice-skating, gymnastics, swim lessons, field trips to amusement parks and much more. Kids will learn, grow and thrive making lasting friendships and memories. Camps fill up fast so please sign up as soon as possible. To ensure that every child and teen has the chance to go to camp, the Y offers financial assistance to those in need. Also, it's not too late to sign up for our spring camps beginning April 4 through April 8. To register to either spring or summer camps, please visit [lajolla.ymca.org](http://lajolla.ymca.org) or call (858) 453-3483 for more information.

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Visit [www.ccl.org/youngwomenlead](http://www.ccl.org/youngwomenlead) or contact us at [youngwomenlead@ccl.org](mailto:youngwomenlead@ccl.org) or 858.638.8015.

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"It brings joy to my heart," said Judy Stephens, founder of the school. "I love what I'm doing and I'm very enthusiastic about education for children."

Since Westminster opened, its approach has been to create a hands-on, fun experience that prepares children for kindergarten with science, language arts and math curriculums. For example, a recent lesson plan took students on an imaginary trip to Italy, complete with a plane, luggage, and even a mini-Pompeii created in the school's sandbox.

"We give the kids an 'I Can Do' attitude," Stephens said. "They're excited about school and they're excited about learning. That is a lifelong mindset that I want our kids to have. For more information, call (619) 224-7403, or visit [www.sandiego-preschools.com](http://www.sandiego-preschools.com).

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