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New vision for Veterans Plaza moves forward



A new vision is coming to life to revamp Veterans Plaza in Ocean Beach. Several workshops are taking place to gather official and resident ideas on how to bring the project to fruition.

Second in series of workshops planned to mold new presentation

BY TONY DE GARATE | THE BEACON

Even before the 9/11 tragedies, there were plenty of Obeceans who knew that patriotism was consistent with the community's laid-back, do-your-own-thing ethic. In 1997, they decided it was high time to do something big.

An idea to honor those who have served our country in the armed forces took hold and, with the help of the since-vacated Ocean Beach MainStreet Association MainStreet Association. (OBMA) and others, the idea came to fruition.

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In a nutshell, that's how the Veterans Knox said. Plaza at the corner of Abbott Street and Newport Avenue — with two its flagpoles, 6 ½-foot-high piece of granite rock and adorning plaque, and dozens of inscriptions engraved onto a brand-new, concrete sidewalk — came to be, organizers said. Ocean Beach was ahead of the curve.

But the pride resulting from the nobility of a high-minded community effort quickly began to erode, remembers Denny Knox. Ocean Beach Veterans of Foreign Wars, the executive director of the Ocean Beach the circles for a few hundred dollars.

For one, the new sidewalk was supposed to be stained with bright, vibrant colors,

"And right away, they washed out. And they were blotchy," she said.

Later, some coloring and improvements on the adjacent asphalt were paved over and forgotten after a road repair, she said.

But the most serious problems had to do with the memorials on the sidewalk. Circles of various sizes had been engraved on the new concrete, and the public could honor a loved one with an inscription inside

Sandblasting the concrete proved to be

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Garden walk to showcase the best-of-the-best on Peninsula

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Featuring self-guided tours of private residential gardens, the Point Loma Garden Walk hosted each year by the Dana Unit of Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary — gives guests a glimpse of unique Point Loma and Ocean Beach gardens that seem ripped from the pages of a magazine.

On Saturday, April 27, visitors will see waterfalls, outdoor rooms and whimsical and remarkable gardening enhancements on the tour's 12th annual installment. The focus this year is on gardens designed and

tended by homeowners.

Participants will have the chance to walk through and view the gardens at their leisure from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with water and portable toilets available along the route. In addition to the tour, guests can visit the garden boutique, where local artisans will sell their unique creations — everything from garden furniture and outdoor accessories to birdhouses and potting benches made from salvaged wood and more.

For those looking to be pam-

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Home and garden admirers stroll through an exquisite yard during a previous Point Loma Garden Walk.

Councilman Faulconer says 'state of the district is strong'

By MARIKO LAMB | THE BEACON

"The state of our district is strong," said District 2 City Councilman Kevin Faulconer during his State of the District address on April 10. "We're delivering real results to protect our beaches and bays, guard taxpayer dollars and create a brighter future for our families and our children."

cal responsibility and unity among city leaders to achieve

neighborhood goals like infrastructure repair, environmental protection and public safety.

"I vividly remember when I was first sworn in seven years ago, the depths of the problems at City Hall were becoming more and more apparent — the debts, the lawsuits, the pension scandals, the delayed audit reports, the mismanagement of tax dollars In his address, Faulconer and the lack of accountability emphasized the importance of fis- and transparency," he said. "In a

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bipartisan manner, we have eliminated the culture of 'Spend today, save tomorrow,' which has now given way to budgetary realism and fiscal reform."

He said collaborative efforts by city leadership has gotten the city through tough financial chaos and civic embarrassment, creating a model for fiscal responsibility, transparency and government account-

"Our city is in a much stronger financial position that it has ever been before," he said. "I'm committed to spending within our means. It's the only way that we can ensure that our tax dollars can be invested in our neighborhoods to deliver the real results that all of us are pushing

A few of those neighborhood accomplishments in the Point Loma and Ocean Beach communities over the past year included the community-driven redesign of Ocean Beach's Veterans Plaza, completion of the first phase of the Ocean Beach Gateway Park and recent passage of legislation to protect 31 acres of Point Loma's Famosa Slough from future development.

One improvement on the horizon for the Point Loma community is the creation. of a world-class Olympic-size swimming pool and aquatic center at Liberty Station for everyone in the community to enjoy. After preserving the initial funding intended to kickstart that project, Faulconer announced the city completed a request for development proposal to bring that vision to reality.

On a citywide level, Faulconer and his City Council colleagues helped San Diego lead the charge on comprehensive immigration reform and will continue efforts toward the councilman's proposed oversize-vehicle ordinance in the coming months.

As he moves forward in his tenure, Faulconer outlined principles he pledges to follow as he continues his efforts toward a hrighter future

"First, we must fulfill the will of the voters by implementing comprehensive pension reform at City Hall. We must make full pension payments to ensure we don't unduly pass on the debt to our children and grandchildren," he said. "We must protect public safety, particularly by improving police retention and recruitment, and we must not and cannot support cuts to our core neighborhood services that all of us rely on.'

The councilman said no budget is justifiable unless the city considers all reasonable and innovative ways to deliver services efficiently and effectively.

"Unfortunately, the administration is ignoring opportunities to cut government waste by stalling managed competition, which is costing taxpayers tens of millions of dollars each year that would be saved through streamlining," he said. "Using estimates about what the city could gain through accountability and competitive bidding, we could save \$20 million additionally every single year. That would

reduce our budget deficit by half right now just if we were moving forward on managed competition."

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He said in the next 30 days, he will ask his fellow councilmembers to reaffirm their commitment to voter-approved managed competition.

"I believe it is central that we have a healthy and dynamic city and these principles will help ensure that," he said. "If we follow the will of the voters, particularly on managed competition, San Diego can and will continue to lead on fiscal

He said although the city has united to resolve the front-page financial scandals of the past, the day-to-day neighborhood challenges remain. Those challenges, he said, must be met head-on through collaboration.

"Delivering the results we've covered tonight did not require divisive rhetoric. Partisan politics doesn't pave streets. It doesn't protect our ocean or dispatch our police officers or fire fighters to our homes any faster," he said. "Collaboration and respect get things done, and it's the path I intend to follow as long as I am your elected leader."



District 2 City Councilman Kevin Faulconer emphasized collaboration, fiscal responsibility and neighborhood issues in his State of the District address. Photo by Mariko Lamb I The Beacon

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The Big PL Sale Day continues to grow each year and we are approaching 100 sales for this year's event. The best part for sellers is it's all FREE! We market the event throughout San Diego County to attract buyers from all areas. Last year there was an abundance of antiques along with just about every household and sporting item you could think of. The one thing that's for sure, you never know what people will break out for the sale.

I will be providing master maps for buyers of all the sale locations at my office located across from the PL Post Office at 2920 Canon St., SD 92106 from 6AM – 9AM on April 27th. We are encouraging sellers to open from 7am-12 noon which still provides them a free afternoon.

Sign-up to participate by contacting Bob Woodard at (619) 227-LIST (5478) or go to www.bigplsale .com for more detailed information.

Dana Middle School principal steps down after 10 years

By MARIKO LAMB | THE BEACON

After a decade at the helm of Dana Middle School, principal Diane Ryan has stepped down to accept a position as principal at Challenger Middle School in Mira Mesa.

"This is so bittersweet," she said. "I am grateful to our students, parents, teachers and staff for sharing the Dana experience with me for the past 10 years. It has been my honor to serve our young children and be the compass always pointing to their future. Together with staff and parents, I believe we have made a difference in the lives of thousands of children."

Although Ryan said she looks forward to the next chapter in her life, she will also miss the Dana community very much.

"I am a person who embraces change and welcomes the challenges that come with it," she said. "I am appreciative of the wonderful relationships that we have built and the incredible opportunities we have created for Dana students. I have grown professionally and personally, and have many fond memories to hold on to."

A panel of parents and staff will work with area superintenthe next four weeks. Ryan's final day will be Friday, April 19, my heart for Dana."



Dana Middle School Principal Diane Ryan has stepped down to accept a position as Challenger Middle School's principal. Photo by Patricia Walsh I The Beacon

and a retired principal will fill in during the transition.

"Great things are happening at Dana. Solid foundations and structures are in place, and I believe this work will continue," Ryan said. "Thank you, everyone, for your support and endless commitment to our kids. I have enjoyed being a part dent Gilbert Gutierrez in the selection of a new principal over of this magical world and will forever hold a special place in

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PLHS championship team of 1973 remains in spotlight

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

Point Loma High School baseball player Jim Murray, a member of the 1973 Pointer team that won a CIF championship, will be feted at a 40th anniversary "Spirit of '73 Gala" on April 26 at the Bali Hai restaurant on Shelter Island

"I have always been a person that looked forward and rarely in the rear view mirror," Murray said in a letter to event organizers. "But as I get older and closer to retirement, I (realize) the single most important lesson in my life had to be the sense of 'TEAM' that I developed playing baseball at PLHS."

The 14 members of that team have taken much of their experience forward with them to become successful in careers and life.

Murray and his teammates have been showing up faithfully for 15 years to play in the annual alumni vs. varsity game, a tradition born at their 25th reunion in 1998 when the challenge, "I'll bet we could still beat those youngsters" was verbalized.

Another team member, Paul Contreras, put things in perspective.

"With the on-field battles, we enjoyed our success but had our failures that brought us together as a team. The '73 Pointers picked each other up when it was required and cheered for each other all of the time. We were brothers of the ball," Contreras writes.

Organizers of the "Sprit of '73 Gala" promise a night of great food, fabulous fun, stories that get better with age and opportunities to bid on both live and silent auctions of intriguing donated items.

Tickets are \$75, with all proceeds supporting PLHS baseball. Contact

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> PAUL CONTRERAS Member of the 1973 PLHS championship team

Martha Stauderman at stauder1@cox.net to receive an invitation or for further details.

Murray noted the uniqueness of each team member, which included characters that "would have given 'The Bad News Bears' a run for their money."

Meanwhile, Contreras said "the team now includes friends, family, kids and grandkids. We're a formidable group that has not stopped growing.'

Murray brought out an important fact that applies to many winning teams.

"We were not the best baseball players in San Diego," Murray wrote, "but we were the best baseball team of 1973."

Murray lauded Dick Huddleston, their coach, and credited the trust and lack of selfishness as key attributes of his team.

Perhaps Contreras spoke for his teammates when he wrote "my happiness is from family, good friends, adventures and great memories, one of those being a part of the 1973 Point Loma Pointers baseball team.'

"This is one get-together I would not miss for the world," Murray said.





Above, player Steve Grimes is carried off the field at San Diego State University after the Pointers defeated Hoover 11-2 for the 1973 CIF championship. Grimes was the winning pitcher and also hit a three-run home run.

Left, members of the 1973 Pointer CIF championship team who played in this year's Alumni Game include front row, left to right, Tom Evans, Terry Greaves, Steve Grimes and Paul Contreras. Back row includes Mark Connors, Kevin Stafford, Brian Sillano, Steve Vargas and Jim Harvey. Courtesy photo by Steve Silva

As summer water sports begin approaching, it's never too late to learn to swim

By NICOLE SOURS LARSON | THE BEACON

Many people who swim only by keeping their faces above the water have a water, swim instructor Kim Shults discovered.

Some, like me, have had traumatic water-related incidents that affect their ability to feel comfortable swimming.

That, plus her concern for drowning prevention and water safety, is one reason Shults started her "40 for 40" Face in Water Project to mark her 40th birth-

The former Ocean Beach resident was a 12-year veteran ESL (English as a second language) instructor in the San Diego schools when she received her annual layoff notice last year. She decided that was one too many layoff notices, and opted not to return to public educa- her easy manner and encouraging tion — at least now — but to refocus on approach towards teaching. her first love, teaching swimming. She determined to use her birthday as a cat- if she taught adults, too. She explained alyst to examine what she wanted to do her project. It was only when I explained in next in life.

"I felt I was supposed to have a greater effect on people than I was and make a ized I had had three separate nearnoticeable difference in people's lives," she said.

A passionate swimmer since childhood and a swim instructor for 22 years, Shults is happiest in the water. She resolved to honor her birthday by giving 40 people of varied ages and backgrounds a one-hour swimming lesson. teaching breathing techniques and helpput their faces in the water.

"My intention was to change people's relationship with the water. It's a chalproblematical relationship with the lenge for me to do it in an hour," she

> For her project, Shults is using The Plunge, Mission Beach's historic, heated indoor pool, part of the Wave House Athletic Club, now being upgraded under new management. The pool at The Plunge is maintained at about 84 degrees, ideal for swimming.

I was Shults' sixth project participant and her first adult. I had long wanted to learn to swim properly, since I had never learned how to breathe while swimming. I had met Shults at The Plunge while I was "water-walking" with friends and she was teaching charming 3-year-old twins. I was impressed with

Afterward, in the locker room, I asked that I didn't submerge my face because I didn't know how to breathe that I realdrowning incidents by age 6. The last of these was during my final swimming class. None of these affected my love of the water, but they left me a poor swim-

I went for my lesson with Shults with great excitement, but minimal expectations. Could she really teach me how to breathe and swim properly in just an ing them overcome any reluctance to hour? Yes, indeed, she could — and did.

For me, it was the most liberating experience. I flew through the pool, especially when she fitted me with fins. I felt as if she had given me back the joy and exhilaration I experienced in the water as a child, but had lost as an adult.

Now, following my water-walking sessions, I return to the pool to practice my breathing and swimming techniques, each time increasing my number of laps. I've continued lessons, learning backstroke and refining my freestyle. Most important, I feel more confident and safer in the water.

My experience is not unique. Through her project, Shults has already taught infants and mature adults, including several who had never swam before, the basics of swimming and breathing.

"I decided to do this project for myself. It's very selfish. I love seeing the looks on people's faces when they do something they didn't think they could ever do. I look at them and know they can do it. I get to spend that time with them pushing them to a level they never thought was possible," she said.

Shults is looking for a few more people, particularly adults, who want to change their relationship with the water and learn or improve their swimming. If you would like to participate, visit www.faceinwater.org, or email kim@faceinwater.org, explaining your story and interest in swimming.

It's never too early or late to learn how to swim.



Writer Nicole Sours Larson, left, and swim instructor Kim Shults in the water at The Plunge in Mission Beach



Kim Shults is teaching 40 individuals of diverse backgrounds how to breathe while swimming, Photo by Nicole Sours Larson I The Beacon enabling them to put their faces in the water.

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tricky business, and, over time, the concrete lost its ability to sustain the stress of the engraving process, Knox said. When the first mistake occurred, an effort to correct it pretty much wiped out what funds had been set aside for maintenance.

"We tried so hard to tackle it, but it really was a bad design," Knox said.

Salt air, sand and foot traffic also took their toll, eroding the engravings and rendering many of them difficult, if not impossible, to read. The majority of the circles remain empty, and no one has purchased an inscription since August 2008. Knox said.

assessed the damage, but all have come to the same conclusion: start over. "They all left scratching their heads. They all said it needed a complete re-do," Knox said.

A coalition of community groups, headed by the Ocean Beach Communitv Development Corporation (OBCDC), has united to do just that. The second of two public forums to discuss design features and generate ideas has been scheduled for April 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Point Loma Masonic Lodge, 1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.

The effort got a big boost a few months ago with a \$20,000 grant from the county's neighborhood reinvestment program through an application supported by the office of District 4 County Supervisor Ron Roberts. The money should pay for the design phase and the architectural firm KTU+A has been retained for that purpose, said Tom ject, the Ocean Beach Entryway at Sunlong-term had to be constructed. That

set Cliffs Boulevard and West Point Loma Boulevard.

All the major community groups have voiced strong support in the effort, and even Mayor Bob Filner has expressed interest, Perotti said.

The current plaza is in such disrepair, it doesn't really honor the names of the veterans that are on the sidewalk." Perotti said. "It's past due. It's time to show respect to the veterans and to define the space once again in a renewed effort."

A five-member committee has been appointed to lead the effort, headed by Tom Grosch, who also serves on the Ocean Beach Town Council's board of directors. Grosch said he's pleased with the progress so far and the quality of the feedback from the first forum in Febru-Over the years, contractors have ary and dozens of surveys submitted by citizens at the forum and online.

Grosch said KTU+A will present two alternatives based on that feedback during the April 30 workshop. The alternatives haven't been released yet, but they are said to represent a philosophical debate between those who think the sentiments behind the memorial should be expressed artistically, and those who prefer a more formal approach.

"They both meet the criteria we've developed, but in different ways," Grosch said. "From those two, take a look and see what works best from both, and then combine them into a final design."

Some design concepts have emerged that nearly everyone agrees on, Grosch said: the memorial should be moved north to the grassy area adjacent to the Ocean Beach; and a crosswalk needs to be installed at Newport Avenue and Abbott Street.

"Setting out, there was the obvious Perotti, OBCDC president. KTU+A has criteria — the memorial is worn down worked on the OBCDC's other big pro- and something more sustainable and



District 2 City Councilman Kevin Faulconer, center, participated in a recent workshop. Another is set for Tuesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Point Loma Masonic Lodge, 1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.

"Then you have to keep in mind that it's a major (area) in Ocean Beach, and it has to match the community vibe."

Still to be determined is how the worn-out sidewalk inscriptions will be represented in the final design, Grosch munity groups for more feedback, said. "We'll be doing everything we can Grosch said. to incorporate those medallions. They won't stay where they are."

Several years ago, as the engravings were becoming less legible, the OBMA

was the main thing," Grosch said. took photos of the memorials and wrote them all down. "We think we have all of that documented," Knox said. After the workshop, the OBCDC and KTU+A will work on a draft final design that can be presented to com-

WHAT: Public forum on how to save obcdc.org

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Hearing set for suspected rapist

A June 3 preliminary hearing has been set for a man suspected of kidnapping and raping a woman in Loma Por-

Michael Meretse Tesfa, 21, has pleaded not guilty to charges that also include robbery and false imprisonment of the victim in the March 18 incident.

The victim said she met Tesfa earlier that night and he asked her to go to a hotel with him, but she declined.

Shortly before 9 p.m., Tesfa is alleged to have sexually assaulted her behind Perry's Café on Pacific Highway near Rosecrans Street.

Court records say Tesfa is on probation for punching his mother in the face on Jan. 2, 2012. He pleaded guilty to misdemeanor battery and was senhas been revoked because of his arrest in www.plgc.org.

Tesfa is being held on \$750,000 bail. **Westminster slates** — Neal Putnam

Rockin' fundraiser set to aid MS research

Point Loma natives Mary Alice Dube and husband Ray are hosting "Metal 4 MS," a rockin' fundraising event on April 20 at Brick by Brick in Bay Park to raise funds for multiple sclerosis research, advocacy, professional education, programs and services to help those living with MS.

Ray, drummer for the band Hellbent, and Mary Alice, a local resident who has been living with Multiple Sclerosis since 2006 are hosting the fundraiser to fuse rock 'n' roll with a good cause.

Featured bands include Blackout, Van Roth, Hellbent, Iron Mayhem, Busted Knuckles and Ratz, and raffle tickets will be available at the concert for a chance to win great prizes.

Doors open at 5 p.m. and the first band will take the stage at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 at the door and all proceeds will benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/ Metal4Ms.

Evaluators sought to assess senior projects

Community members are being sought on May 23 to evaluate projects done by Point Loma High School seniors as part of their graduation requirements.

Several volunteers will team with a designated classroom teacher to hear preassigned seniors present their project in both an oral and visual format. Seniors are directed to dress up for the event.

A scoring rubric will be used by each panelist to evaluate projects, with a minimum combined score needed to satisfy the graduation requirement.

Volunteers would need to be on the Pointer campus from about 11:30 a.m to 2:30 p.m. and should contact Amanda McMillan at amcmillan@sandi.net.

— Scott Hopkins

Iconic lighthouse readies for 100th anniversary

A community celebration is being planned for the 100th anniversary of the famed Point Loma lighthouse in October.

The Cabrillo National Monument Foundation Centennial Celebration is planned for Saturday, Oct. 12.

Gates will open at 5:45 p.m. that day

for an evening of sunset walks, music, catered hors d'oeuvres, dancing, a silent auction and a chance to see the iconic landmark's light glow in the dark.

Proceeds from the event will be used to support park projects.

To receive a formal invitation or volunteer, call (619) 222-4747.

The group's website is www.cnmf.org. – Scott Hopkins

PL Garden Club sets plant sale April 20

The annual Point Loma Garden Club plant sale will celebrate "A Real Garden Party" on Saturday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to noon at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3598 Talbot St. Potted plants, orchids and unique succulent plantings will be for sale, along with boutique items and garden-related crafts. Members of the 51-year-old club who are master gardeners will be on-site to answer questions about plants and tenced to 180 days in jail. His probation landscaping. For more information, visit

Payson High Choirs gig

Payson High Choirs will perform at Westminster Presbyterian Church on Sunday, April 21 at 10 a.m., located at 3598 Talbot St.

Payson High Choirs, consisting of Bel Coro, the large concert choir and Trouveres, the chamber choir, are traveling to San Diego for an annual choir tour this year. The choirs are under the direction of Marilyn Morgan.

Payson High School is located in the small town of Payson, 20 minutes south of Provo. Utah. The Payson community has a long history of high musical achievement. The choirs have won numerous awards over the last 30 years as they have toured and competed in various choir festivals like the Heritage Music Festival.

For more information, call Westminster Presbyterian Church at (619) 223-3193

Thrift shop sets sale with international flavor

The American Cancer Society Point Loma Discovery Shop, 3609 "C" Midway Drive, is offering customers the opportunity to experience international shopping during its annual "Around The World" event on Friday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A wide array of items have been put aside to make shopping fun and excit-

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Pacific Sotheby's International Realty Expands Presence in San Diego

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA (April 10, 2013) — Pacific Sotheby's International Realty, owned by Brian Arrington, Steve Games and Nyda Jones-Church, announced a merger with Francine Finn and Raye Scott, whose company has operated as Windermere Signature Properties Downtown. On April 16, 2013 Finn and Scott's office will cease doing business as Windermere Signature Properties and officially transition to Pacific Sotheby's International Realty.

"This merger is a key component of our plan to extend our presence in the San Diego market," said Games. "Our combined local presence, along with the global reach of the Sotheby's International Realty® brand and world-class technology offers an unmatched platform for agents and owners."

According to Finn, the strategic alliance will help them better serve their markets. "By joining forces with the experience and talent our new partners provide, our agents now have access to cutting-edge marketing resources, technology tools and training. This strategic alliance will enable us all to better serve our markets by reaching beyond the local level to a global level," she added.

"As agents and owners, we strive to provide our clients with the highest level of customer service" said Scott. "We knew our core values matched those of Pacific Sotheby's International Realty and that we were teaming up with leaders of the highest caliber. Our agents are extremely dynamic and we are excited for the opportunities that this partnership will afford them and their clients."

The office, which is located in the heart of the downtown Marina District at 560 1st Avenue, will continue to benefit from the leadership and direction of current Manager Jeff Douglass and existing staff. "Francine and Raye have built a successful company in the downtown market," says Arrington. "They have assembled a strong team of leaders and agents that will compliment our existing network of offices through-

Scott and Finn founded their original company in 2010 and have more than 40 years experience in real estate. "They have demonstrated a long record of service and commitment to the urban residential market," said Jones-Church. "Their reputation for personal service is consistent with the ideals of this firm and we are proud to have them represent us in this important San Diego community.

Pacific Sotheby's International Realty has more than 300 agents in 11 offices in San Diego County. The firm's listings are marketed on the pacificsothebysrealty.com website and the sothebysrealty.com global website. In addition to the referral opportunities and expanded exposure generated from this source, both its' brokers and clients benefit from an association with the Sotheby's auction houses and worldwide Sotheby's International Realty marketing programs.

The Sotheby's International Realty network currently has 12,800 sales associates located in approximately 660 offices in 47 countries and territories worldwide. Each office is independently owned and operated.



Reflections on the past: an artist's perspective

By MARSHA KAY SEFF | THE BEACON

Ocean Beach's Suzy Hagstrom never knew her paternal grandmother, who died before she was born. But nine years ago, Hagstrom started mulling over the idea of organizing

an art exhibition to honor her grand- that of some of her former students, nent collection. In addition to 30 home for years and, later, her own, ma, a beloved Coronado High School art teacher.

The result is "Art through the Generations," a show that features Esther Painter Hagstrom's watercolors, etchings and other work, alongside

that runs through May 31 at the Coronado Public Library.

Suzy Hagstrom plans to donate all her grandma's work — "including my favorites" — to the Ocean Beach/-Taylor Branch Library for a perma-

of etchings and prints, ceramics, enamel on copper works, an oil painting and a woodcarving.

Though the work adorned her late parents' San Francisco Bay area

framed watercolors, there are dozens Hagstrom says, "I feel better about letting the community enjoy her works now. I've enjoyed them all my life and now it's time for the community where she lived and worked to enjoy them.'

> Grandma was an art teacher at Coronado High from 1939 until her death in 1951 at age 46 from a cerebral hemorrhage. The yearbook that year was dedicated to her.

> The art teacher influenced many students, Hagstrom points out, several of whom became acclaimed artists themselves. Hagstrom, who is a journalist, used her reporting skills to track down some of former students and borrow their work to hang beside their teacher's for the tribute show.

> "Connecting with her students was a way to get to know her. Even students who had no interest in art remember my grandmother and her lessons on perspective." Hagstrom adds, "The exhibit highlights the importance of art in education."

> Among those former students, now age 77 to 86, on display are Patty Murphy Jepson of Coronado, Coronado High School class of 1948, a commercially successful artist who sells her works and paintings on com-

> There's also Dolores Bridges Mote of El Cajon, class of '45, who has painted as a hobby all of her life; John Clampitt of Coronado, class of '54; Sarah Mott Durand of Ashland, Ore., class of '48; Lois Drake Ferguson of San Diego, class of '53; John "Jack" Minchin of Encinitas, class of '48; Doris Klindt Naccarato of Coronado, class of '51; Hildegarde Jaeger Stubbs of Encinitas, who finished high school in Santa Monica, and Celeste Walkup Usler of Puyallup, Wash., class of 1951. All have had a lifelong passion for the craft, according to Hagstrom.

> It's an interesting coincidence that "Painter" was the art teacher's maiden name, said Hagstrom, whose own middle name, Esther, comes from her grandmother.

> Although Hagstrom's mom and dad grew up in Coronado, her mother's parents moved to OB in 1950. "Grandpa got tired of the car ferry commute," said Hagstrom, a volunteer poll worker in OB, who lives just two blocks from Sunset Cliffs, the subject of one of her favorite watercolors by her grandmother.

> More information on the Art through the Generations exhibit is available by calling Christian Esquevin, director of library services, at the Coronado Public Library, 640 Orange Ave., at (619) 522-7395. Also, check out www.estherpainterhagstrom.vpweb.com.

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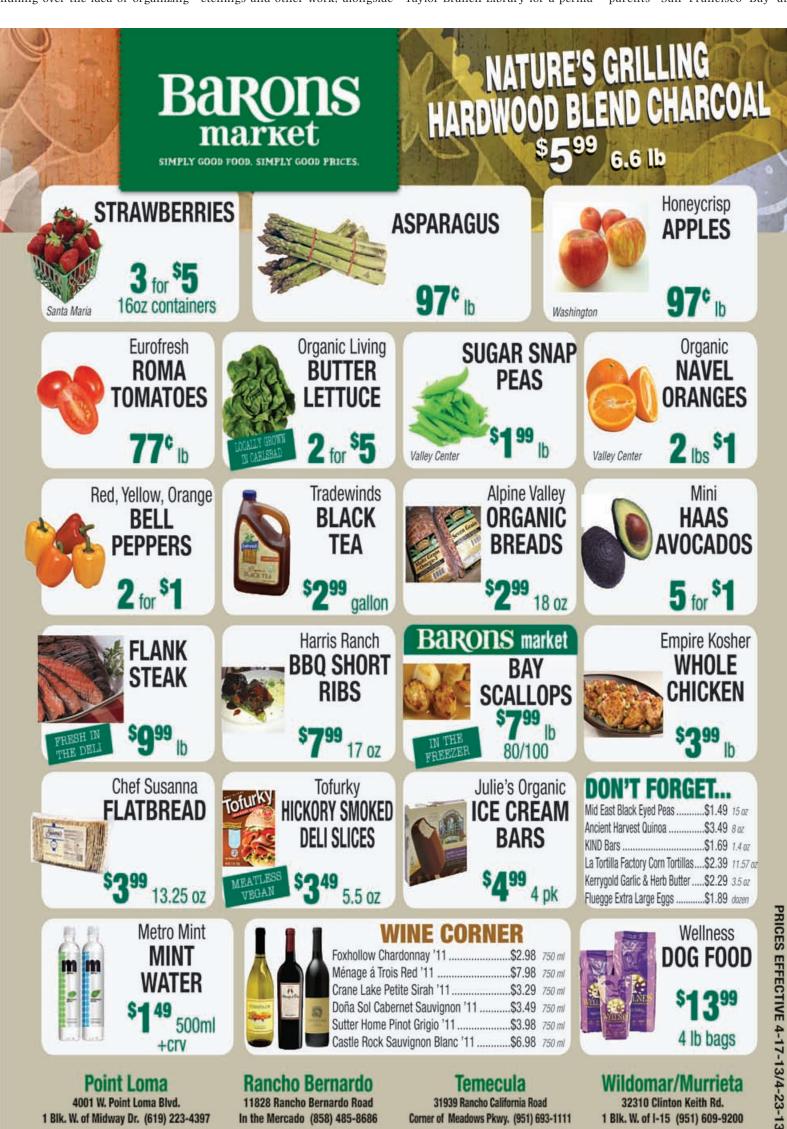
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Students are immersed in art at Pachis Studio at Liberty Station.

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Liberty Station art studio helps kids learn about selves, the world

By ETHAN ORENSTEIN | THE BEACON

Pachis, located in Liberty Station, offers art workshops designed to teach children about a wide range of topics with the freedom of expression.

Pachis owner Juliana Flores developed the concept when she was in college and working with kids.

"A lot of the time, art is mistaken for craft, and just putting together construction paper and glue sticks and other little simple things, rather than giving it more meaning and letting the kids explore what they can do," Flores said. "To me it was really important to have them look at art as a way of expression rather than another subject in school."

The Pachis curriculum is built around four main topics called "My Self, My Community, My World and My Art." The topics inspire learning and expression about the child's individuality, other people, the community, the world, different cultures and various styles of art.

Flores said the program helps children feel comfortable with themselves, learn about their role models, discover how to

contribute positively to their community and gain a wide perspective about cultures and people around the world.

"To me, it's really important for kids to understand what other kids their age are doing in any other part of the world, and also understanding why we look different or why we do things differently in terms of traditions and holidays," Flores said.

Topics like recycling and conservation are also important parts of the workshops. Flores said art can really be done with anything as long as the child has the freedom to create what they want.

"It's a little bit ridiculous that we're cutting art from the budget and from schools because you can do a lot without having to spend a lot of money," Flores said. "You can still give kids that sense of expression for a least an hour a day to make something that comes from their heart rather than just their brain."

The workshops, offered to children 4 to 12, are a unique combination of class structure and artistic freedom. Flores said allowing children to express themselves while learning has been successful

"They really like the freedom of

expressing themselves, but also having the structural part of a class," Flores said. "At the end of the day, they're learning something, they're getting something out of it, they're making something that they get to take home."

Flores said the program focuses on individual inspiration, rather than instilling technical skill. While children do learn how to work with different media, the projects they create are their own. She said kids can paint with tooth brushes to explore different textures and discover the endless things they can create with each art supply.

After each class, every student creates something completely unique, which Flores said is really how art should be.

"I went through art school and I absolutely hated being graded or my fellow students being graded over something that the teacher didn't think was the best." Flores said.

Flores said it's important for kids to create art from a young age and continue. The studio features a gallery of art and handmade items by artists from San

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5K Run Walk and More

Still time to Register for the upcoming Parkinson's Walk on Saturday April 20th a family friendly, dog friendly walk for all people affected by Parkinson's Through education, family services, and support of promising research, the Parkinson's Association of San Diego (PASD) helps to improve the quality of life for those affected by Parkinson's disease. Parkinson's is a neurodegenerative disorder that affects more than 60,000 people (patients, care partners, family members) in San Diego County. For more information or to register visit our website www.ParkinsonStepByStep.com



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Diego and Tijuana to show children that they can make a living as an artist.

"I think you can become a better person. It sounds really cheesy, but I honestly believe you can become a better person if you have your artistic side a lot more developed," Flores said. "It makes you communicate better, it teaches acceptance, it teaches respect and caring for others. I think there's a lot of value to exposing children to that form of art rather than, 'We're all going to draw dolphins and they have to look like this."

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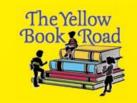
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The musical theater class at Dana Middle School, led by award-winning teacher and director Mr. W. William "Bill" Cobb, will perform "Pirates of Penzance" at Dana Middle School's Ann Trip Jackson Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 19. as part of a wellhoned production of Gilbert and Sullivan's operetta.

"Pirates of Penzance" tells the story of a young pirate, Frederic, on the cusp of completing his period of indentured apprenticeship.

The naïve Frederick will now be free to disembark from his life as a pirate for more honorable ways. When he arrives on shore he immediately falls in love with Mabel, one of Major General Stanley's daughters. When Frederic's former mates arrive and wishes to marry the major general's other daughters, the police become involved in this farcical test of loyalty and duty that satirizes British moral sensibilities of a bygone Victorian era.

Principal players include Andrew

the Pirate King.

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Garland as Frederic and Grace Allen as 1775 Chatsworth Blvd. reopened for School of Creative and Performing Arts dle.com and clicking on "Jackson Thesixth-graders in 1998 and, in 2001, for fifth- graders as well.

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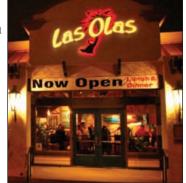
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The Raglan Public House: a welcoming place to be when going out on the town

By TERRIE LEIGH RELF | THE BEACON

The Raglan Public House, or Raglan for short, opened its Ocean Beach location a year ago, and is located at the corner of Bacon Street and Niagara Avenue. In 2006, owners Phillip "P.J." Lamont and Matt Baker opened their first restaurant, the Bare Back Bar & Grill, in Pacific Beach.

Their second restaurant, the Bare Back Grill, was opened in the Gaslamp District a few years later. In about three weeks, Lamont and Baker's newest restaurant, the Queenstown Public House, will open in Little Italy. Local architect Michael Soriano designed the Ocean Beach Raglan, as well as the Queenstown Public House.

When guests first arrive, they are greeted with a genuine smile. While the servers are busy, busy, busy, they still create the time to stop by tables to see if guests need anything or to ensure they are enjoying drinks or meals.

Raglan is family-friendly, and children will find much to entertain themselves with the magnetic chalkboards and plastic toys while they make up their minds about which fries they want. There are also other kid-friendly and healthy-menu choices. If guests have a well-behaved dog, he or she is also welcome, but they will be seated outside.

Now that the weather is warming up, the open-air patio offers several picnic-style benches beneath a vine-covered trellis, complemented by an exterior wall with alternating panels of grass and ivy. There's also a bar-style table with additional stools that faces Bacon Street.

Inside, there are a variety of seating arrangements. The assorted wood tables, designed and built by bar bevarage manager Kyle Jaworski and kitchen manager Robbie Valdez help to create a laid-back atmosphere without sacrificing comfort. Jaworski and Valdez also created the wooden caddies that hold napkins and bottles of Raglan's variety of signature aioli.

No matter where you look, there's something to discover. Whether it's the newspaper collages and magnetic chalkboards, the hanging-surfboard light fixtures or the skateboard rack. There are wide-screen TVs above the bar and throughout the restaurant. Need the surf report? They have that, too. There's also a crayon sign on the wall that reads: "Raglan Rocks. Thank you from the OBE Kids!" which was given to Raglan in gratitude for sponsoring an event, according to assistant manager Alex Cunningham.

"We have over 500 beers from all over the world and train our staff to assist customers with finding alternates to their favorite beer," said beverage manager Pat Souza. We also like to provide opportunities for learning about new beers."

If one prefers a nice glass of wine, Raglan's selection includes California wineries and Australian and New Zealander imports.

If one is looking for something a bit stronger, there's a full bar. Offerings include Red Beer, Snakebites and shandies, along with craft cocktails made with Pisco, rum, whiskey and more.

"Our goal is to go outside the box with cocktails, which range in price between \$8 and \$11," said Jaworski. "We try to do something that people wouldn't just order off the cuff. There's a double shot of alcohol in our cocktails, too, which is a bit different than with other places."

It's clear why Lamont and Baker's restaurants earned "Best Burger in San Diego" for 2009-12. Not only are there a wealth of styles and fixings to choose



Alex Cunningham, assistant manager at the Raglan Public House in Ocean Beach, serves up a drink with a smile.



A view of the front door of the Raglan Public House.

Courtesy photo by Willow Katsumi Relf-Discartin

from, but they even sport a lamb burger, complete with mint jelly.

"All the beef is grass-fed — no pesticides," said Jaworski, "and we grind our own meat daily in the morning. This way, the flavor is always fresh and juicy."

The "gnarly big burgers" range from the "bare burger" at \$9 to the "big, bare and dirty burger" for \$15.90, with two beef patties, two friend eggs, bacon, Edam cheese and beetroot. There is also a vegan veggie burger and the contents are printed directly on their menu.

Raglan's chicken menu ranges in price from \$9 to \$10.90. There's variety here, too, including a choice of grilled or fried chicken. The munchies menu ranges in price from \$3.50 for matchstick fries to \$15.99 for a Munchie Feast, which includes several of their popular appetizers. There's also tomato basil soup and four different types of fries, each with a unique flavor palate.

One regular patron said, "It's the nicest place in OB proper." $\,$

His favorite meal? The traditional British fish and chips with malt vinegar. "I really like the tartar sauce," he added. "It has a noticeable kick."

Another patron said, "people from all up and down the coast come to Raglan because they've heard it's a cool place."

In the mood for dessert? There's the Old Float 7 — ice cream and Young's Double Chocolate Stout for the 21-and-up crowd. Under 21? You can have the Virgin Float

7 with IBC Root Beer. Additional dessert offerings involve chocolate chip, oatmeal or peanut butter cookies with ice cream.

Specials include a burger of the month, a weekly Wednesday Farmers Market special and a Saturday and Sunday happy hour drink special from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. General manager Mikey Zouroudis said, "on Sundays after 8 p.m. until closing, our entire food menu is half off. This also includes some select beers."

Raglan also has a Saturday and Sunday happy hour drink menu from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. with \$3 drink specials. Since they do change-up their specials on a regular basis, be sure to ask your server what's

In addition to sponsoring a soccer team and hosting the 2012 award ceremony, Raglan also hosted a charity benefit for the two women who fell from Sunset Cliffs, according to Jaworski. Zouroudis said they also hosted a Big Brothers and Big Sisters event this month.

"We want to continue to grow and excel at providing quality food, quality beer and offering something new for our customers to enjoy," said Jaworski.

The Raglan Public House is open Mondays through Fridays from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m., and on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. until 11 p.m. It is located at 1851 Bacon St. For information, call (619)-794-2304, or visit www.raglanpublichouse.com.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-09056 DAVIS DESTINATIONS located at: 1380 GARNET AVE. STE PMB 409 SAN DIEGO, CA. 92109 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): SALLY DAVIS This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 111/10/12 The statement was filled with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: MAR 27, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 04.11,18 AND 25, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-009321 GIFTGUIDERS, GIFT GUIDERS, GIFT-GUIDERS, GIFT-GUIDERS, GOMINOCATE AT 7582 LA JOLLA SCENIC DRIVE NORTH LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): NWO ENTERPRISES, INC. This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION NWO ENTERPRISES, INC. 7952 LA JOLLA SCENIC DRIVE NORTH LA JOLLA, CA 92037 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on:10/01/12 The statement was filled with Emest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: MAR 29, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 04;11,18 AND 25, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-008608 MUMBYS COMICS AND COLLECTABLES localed at: 10246 WATERIDGE CIRCLE #200 SAN DIEGO, A 20121 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): SCINDE MUMBAUER This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The transaction of business began on: 01/01/13 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: MAR 22, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-099611 J. MORGAM APPAREL located at: 1771 JUDITH PLACE ESCONDIDO, CA. 92026 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): JANICE MARTIN This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 04/01/13 The statement was filled with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 02, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-008640 THE PROMISCUOUS FORK located at: 698 LAJOLLA BLVJ LAJOLLA CA 29337 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): PROMISCUOUS FORK, INC. This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION THE PROMISCUOUS FORK, INC. 6898 LA JOLLA BLVD. LA JOLLA, CA. 92037 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on: 04/01/13 The statement was filled with Fernest. J. Dromenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: MAR 23, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA HALL OF JUSTICE 330 WEST BROADWAY SAN DIEGO, CA. 92101 CASE NO: 37-2013-00042571-CU-PT-CTL PETITIONER OR ATTORNEY, MARKUS ANTHONY DEARING 4155 MOUNT ALIFAN PLACE UNIT H SAN DIEGO, CA. 92111 858-384 7641 HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THIS COURT FOR A DECREE CHANGING PETITIONERS NAME FROM MARKUS ANTHONY DEARING TO MICHAEL JOHN ANTHONY ON THE COURT ORDERS THAT all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING TO BE HELD ON MAY 17, 2013 TIME: 9:30 AM DEPT 46 220 WEST BROADWAY SAN DIEGO CA 92101 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11, 18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-009781 INTELLIGENT CLICKS LEGAL CONSULT-ING SERVICES, INTELLIGENT CLICKS LEGAL CONSULT-ING SERVICES located at: 3033 QUIMBY ST. SAN DIEGO. CA. 92106 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): KETHYA TEUK, DENNIS R. RAMIREZ This business is being conducted by: CO-PARTINERS The transaction of business began on: Q2/19/06 The statement was filed with Ernest. J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / Country Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 03, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11.18, 25 AND MAY Q2. 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-010198 DIANE EXTENDED SERVICES located at 100 HARBOR DRIVE #2005 SAN DIEGO, CA. 2010 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): DIANE ROSE FENN, GARY GERARD FENN This business is being conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE The transaction of business began on: 03/01/2013 The statement was filed with Ernest. J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 05, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA HALL OF JUSTICE 330 WEST BROADWAY SAN DIEGO, CA. 92101 CASE NO: 37-2013-00034279-CU-PT-CTL PETITIONER OR ATTORNEY, PRYSILLA KAY HERNANDEZ 1468 MIS-SOLIBLST APT 2 SAN DIFGO. CA. 92109 619-623-5456 HAS FILED A PETITION WITH THIS COURT FOR A DECREE CHANGING PETITIONERS NAME FROM PRYSI LA KAY HERNANDEZ TO PRYSCILLA KAY ACOSTA THE COURT ORDERS THAT all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING TO BE HELD ON MAY 03, 2013 TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT 52 SAME AS NOTED ABOVE ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11, 18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-007881 PENCLL, PAPER, PAINT located at: 43419 KEATS ST. SAN DIEGO, CA. 92106 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): SHANTI CURTO This business is being conducted by; AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business Degan on 02/26/2013 The statement was fled with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San

Diego County on: MAR 18, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-009918 THEHAIRBOWDIVA located at: 3029 HAIDAS AVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92117 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): ROBBIE LYNN ALESI This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 01/01/2013 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / Countly Clerk of San Diego Countly on: APR 04, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-010301 PERFECT PIANO STUDIO located at: 3511 MT. ACLARE AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA. 32111 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): RACHEL. NOKES This business is being conducted by. AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: 01/01/2013 The statement was filled with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 08, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 1118, 25 AND MAY (2) 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-09949 CORREIA GROUP, THE CORREIA GROUP located at: 2850 WOMBLE RD. SAN DIEGO, CA. 92106 iis hereby registered by the following owner(s): LAWRENCE L. CORREIA This business is being conducted by: AN INDI-VIDUAL The transaction of business began or CM403/2013 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Paccorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 03, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25; MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-070201 CHIPS LIQUOR located at: 1926 GARNET AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA. 92109 iis hereby registered by the AVE. SAN DIEGO, CA. 92109 iis hereby registered by the following owner(s): MONA HERMIZ, MANUEL HERMIZ This business is being conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE The transaction of business began on: 091/91/998 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 65, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,118, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-09780 23 LB MONSTER PRODUCTIONS located at 3946 TEXAS T.# SZAN DIEGO, A 2014 is herely registered by the following owner(s): JAMES LOUIS CHI-ANESE This business is being conducted by. AN INDIVID-UAL The transaction of business began or 08/19/998 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Pecorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 03, 2013 (SSUE) DATES'A PRIB 25 MAY OZ AND 09 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-007915 LUNA EXPOSURES, LMJ PRODUCTIONS Located at: 1399 MARIA AVE SPRING VALLEY, CA. 91977 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): JULIANNE MATTESON This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on:

08/19/1998 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: MAR 18, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-009389 ASPIRE SAN DIEGO localed at: 1309 MARIA AVE. SPRING VALLEY, CA. 91977 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): JC&D CORPORATE COMMUNITY LLC This business is being conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY JC&D CORPORATE COMMUNITY LLC 1309 MARIA AVE. SPRING VALLEY, CA. 91977 CALFORNIA The transaction of business began on: NOT YET STARTEDThe statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: MAR 29, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 11,18, 25 AND MAY 02, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-010331 DIRT AND MORTAR COMPONENTS, ISLAND POCKET MAP, CADADO ISLAND POCKET MAP, CADADO ISLAND POCKET MAP, CAD LOT TOWN POCKET MAP, LA JOLLA POCKET MAP, CAD LOT TOWN POCKET MAP, LA JOLLA POCKET MAP, DEL MAR POCKET MAP, LA JOLLA POCKET MAP, DEL MAR POCKET MAP, LOSTAND MORTAR LA THE TIME LOCKSMITH, MISSION BEACH POCKET MAP, CORONADO POCKET MAP LOSAL 64:625 SECOND STAD STAND LA COMPONENT MAP CORONADO POCKET MAP TINS business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION ISLAND POCKET MAP 625 SECOND STREET CORONADO, CA 29118 CALIFORNA The transaction of business began on: 04/24/2007 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego Countly on: APR 08, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18, 25 MAY 02 AND 09, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTFILE NO. 2013-010633 IA.JOLLA COVE SALON & SPA LLC Located at 8008 GIRARD AVE #145 LA JOLLA, CA. 20207 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): LA JOLLA COVE SALON & SPA LLC This business is being conducted by: A LIMITED LABRITY COMPANY LA JOLLA COVE SALON & SPA LLC TA JOLLA, CA. 92037 CALIFORNIA. The transaction of business began on: 02/11/2008 The statement was filed with Emest J. Dronerburg, Jr., Recorder / County Circk of San Diego County or: APR 10, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18, 25 MAY 02 AND 09, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-010716 INTEGRITY IMAGING located at: 9011 MIRA MESA BLVD. #218 SAN DIEGO, CA. 92126 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): ROBERT W. STICKNEY This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on 07/03/2005 The statement was filled with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jur., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County on: APR 10, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18, 25 MAY 02 AND 09, 2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OFPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL 1350 Front St., Room 5066, San Diego, CA 92101 (619)525-4064, Filing Date: April 3, 2013. To Whom It May Concern: The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are:BJS RESTAIDRANTS INC The applicant listed above is applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic Deverage at: 1370 FRAZEE RD. SAN DIEGO, CA. 92108-4538 Type of license(s) applied for: 47-ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE ISSUE Date(s): APR 18, 25 AND MAY 02. 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-010438 LAJOLLA NATUROPATHIC located at: 7820 IVANHOE LAJOLLA, CA. 92037 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): NATUROPATHIC SOLUTIONS, INC. This business is being conducted by: A CORPORATION NATUROPATHIC SOLUTIONS, INC. 7820 N/AIHOE AVE. LAJOLLA, CA. 92037 CALIFORNIA The transaction of business began on: 01/01/2013 The statement was filed with Frenst J. Dronenburg. Jr., Recorder / Country Clerk of San Diego Country on: APR 09, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18,

25 MAY 02 AND 09, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-009554 JR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE located at: 1720 MELROSE AVE. #24 CHULA VISTA, CA. 91911 is brereby registered by the following owner(s): JOSEPHINE S. SCOTT This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The transaction of business began on: 06,03/2007 The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronerburg, Jr., Recorder / County Ciek of San Diego County on: APR 02, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18, 25 MAY 02 AND 09, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-010686 IPM, THE ALCHEMIST, LUCKY LOCK-MITH, D. & M. COMPMINENTS, BUCEPHALUS, CRONUS, DIONYSUS, HECATE, HERACLES located at: 625 SECOND ST. SAN DIEGO, CA. 92118 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): ISLAND POCKET MAP 100 House of the Composition of the County of the County of County of

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-00859 ASCENT IENDING GROUP located at: 7661 GIRARD AVE. SUITE 230 LA JOLLA, CA. 92037 is here by registered by the following owner(s): CALIBER FUNDING LLC This business is being conducted by: A LIMITED LABEITY COMPANY CALIBER FUNDING LLC 6031 CONNECTION DRIVE SUITE 200 IRVING, TX. 75039 DELAWARE The transaction of business began on: NOT YET STARTED The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County or: MAR 26, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18, 25 MAY 02 AND 09, 2013

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2013-00969 LETICICA RIBBIRO BUJ, GRACIE SOUTH BAY, GRACIE SOUTH BAY JIU-JITSU located at: 340 W 26Th ST SUITES G/M NATIONAL CITY, CA. 91960 is hereby registered by the following owner(s): LETICIA RIBBIRO NEVES DOS SANTOS This business is being conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The transaction of business began on: NOT YET STARTED The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder / County Clerk of San Diego County or APR 03, 2013 ISSUE DATE(S): APR 18, 25 MAY 02 AND 02 2013

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BY BART MENDOZA | THE BEACON

There are plenty of indie-rock bands out there trying to get the public's attention these days. Some resort to gimmicks, some to mass promotion. But the ones that seem to stick it out in the public eye for any length of time seem to have one thing in common: the ability to pen a hook-filled tune and do so repeatedly. Such is the case with Mad Traffic.

Mixing powerpop, hip-hop, new wave, rock and folk, the band has come up with a melodic sound, complete with instantly memorable songs that are big on anthemic choruses. Amid a flurry of activity, Mad Traffic is preparing to tour this summer. But, in the meantime, it will release a new single, "Thunder & Lightning," on April 20 with a CD-release show at Mother's Saloon. Then, on April 28, the band will appear on the FM94.9 program, "The Local Pyle," with host Tim Pyles. The band will wrap up the month with the release of an EP, "City," and adjacent release show at the Casbah on April 29.

Mad Traffic was formed in 2008, shortly after singer Blaise Guld moved to California from Philadelphia in search of new inspiration. He soon met drummer Dave Torr. The two ended up renting a house in Clairemont and holding living-room jam sessions and nascent songwriting sessions.

"We tried a couple of different bassists and started with two guitarists, but in the end the group grew into what it is almost organically," Guld said.

Torr suggested trying out guitarist Brian Fletcher, as well as bassist Chris



Mad Traffic can pen a hook-filled tune and do so repeatedly. The band plays Saturday, April 20 at Mother's Saloon in Ocean

Murray, who he knew from local reggae band High Tide. Blaise Garza was the last member to join Mad Traffic.

"He had been playing in another local project with Dave and came to one of our band practices one day," Guld said. "He jumped into some of our songs with his saxophone and we all knew that night that this was going to be our band."

Though the quintet has been gigging since 2008, it didn't rush the decision to become Mad Traffic.

"We played many shows nameless and used random names we came up with, like, 'Tambourine Space Helmet' and 'Cabbages and Kings,'" Guld said.

One day, Guld was stuck in traffic on the I-5 on the way to a gig, and explaining why he was running late, told band members that there is "Mad fraffic on the freeway!"

"After that, the name seemed to stick and came to represent the bustling streets and lifestyles of Southern California." he said.

While the energetic sound the band conjures up is strong on its own, Guld considers lyrics to be a crucial component of the band. "(I started) writing songs, poem and short stories from an early age," Guld said. "My best friend and I back in Philly wrote a rock opera when we were 15 years old," he recalled. "From then on I knew I wanted to write lyrics and be able to perform them on stage."

Brian Fleck also pens lyrics for the band, inspired by the feeling of the words, not just the literal meanings.

"He and I bounce lyrics off each other sometimes for days or weeks until they congeal into something we can all experience," he continued. "The songs are very visual and sometimes thought provoking, with themes ranging from love to aliens and philosophy."

The band has survived all the usual ups and downs any band does. After four years of preparation, everything seems to be in place to take the band to the next level, from songs to musicianship. Guld is succinct on the reasons why.

"Every band member has been in multiple projects throughout the years," he said. "This band is our life, music is what we care about most," Guld said. "Mad Traffic has stuck together so well because we are all writers, creators and self-innovators. We enjoy the journey of writing a song from start to finish and challenge ourselves and each other to push the envelope of our style."

He points out that everyone is equally involved in the creative process.

"It is like five fathers and the band is our baby," Guld said. "We raised it from an infant over four years ago and it is

now getting smarter, reasoning and beginning to understand the way the world works."

Goals for the band this year and next include more touring, recording and releasing new material. Guld said he is happy with what the band has accomplished so far, but he's hungry for more.

"My favorite thing about being in

Mad Traffic is writing and playing music with these guys," Guld said. "Every time a song comes together and we all leave band practice feeling like we made a difference somehow."

• Mad Traffic: Saturday, April 20, at Mother's Saloon, 2228 Bacon St., 8 p.m. 21 and up. For more information, visit motherssaloonob.com





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located in the Fiesta de Reyes courtyard, will host fessional dancers, students and young children. a variety of authentic folk-culture performances for the pleasure of diners, shoppers and passers-by. All performances are free and open to the public.

Folklórico dancing will be performed on the noon to 3 p.m. The term folklórico means "folk dance" in Spanish and is a collective term for trafolk culture. Dancers wear brightly colored costumes reflecting traditional Spanish influence and musical tastes.

This spring, Fiesta de Reyes offers live, free dance to music featuring horns and guitars. The entertainment every day of the week. The stage, dancing groups at Fiesta de Reyes consist of pro-

> On Wednesdays, Mariachi Divinas, the only allfemale mariachi group in San Diego, will occupy the Fiesta de Reyes stage from 5:30 to 7:45 p.m.

On Fridays, the Fiesta de Reyes stage will wel-Fiesta de Reyes stage Mondays and Tuesdays from come Luis Max & Blue Moon from 5:30 to 8:30 5:30 to 7:45 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from p.m. The band features music straight from the permanent party ambiance. It is located at Juan heart and was influenced by growing up in Mexico. Its sounds are a fusion of Latin, rock and pop Old Town Trolley Station. For more information ditional Latin American dances that celebrate local music. Rich in Latin percussion with a hint of call (619) 297-3100 or visit www.Fiesjazz, it will satisfy even the most sophisticated of taDeReyes.com.

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- Junior Stage emcee (high school age and under)

Auditions will be held on April 27th, 10AM - 4PM, at the Pt. Loma Assembly Hall (across the street from Cabrillo Elementary on Talbot St.). The only requirement is that participants work or live in Pt. Loma. For those in a band, there will be a backline provided.

PL Summer Concerts provides monetary donations to the Music Education programs at the schools where Jr. Stage performers and emcees attend.

To schedule an audition time, contact Junior Stage Manager, Ellen Scott, at erumpunch@gmail.com or call 619.269.1309.





Growing a community - one plant at a time

Mary Wick (left) and Susan Nance, Point Loma Garden Club president, prepare one of the unique garden arrangements to be sold at the club's annual Plant Sale on Saturday, April 20 from 9 a.m. to noon at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3598 Talbot Street, Point Loma. For more information, visit www.plgc.org.





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People in the news

Colbert realty team notches two awards

The Kathleen Colbert Team at Prudential California Realty—consisting of Colbert, Joel Young and Andrea Young—is entering its 26th year with Prudential and boasts a total of 53 combined years of real-estate experience.

The team has just received two prestigious awards: Prudential's Chairman's Circle Award, signifying the top 4 percent of Prudential agents in production nationally; and San Diego Magazine's Five Star Real Estate Agent Award, which is given to fewer than 5 percent of agents in San Diego County. The latter award is based in part on surveys in areas as overall satisfaction and whether they would

recommend the provider to a friend.

In addition to the awards, the team placed in the top 100 among all Prudential agents in San Diego County and third out of over 60 agents in their office. They represent buyers and sellers all over San Diego County with special concentration in the areas of Point Loma, North Park, Del Cerro, San Carlos, Allied Gardens and the College Area.

A majority of the team's success comes from referrals and repeat business from past clients, Prudential officials said.

"Kathleen, Joel and Andrea are strongly devoted to helping their clients achieve satisfaction in all their real estate dealings," said Jim Reifuss, manager of Prudential's San Diego central office.

Pointer wins Republican Women honor

Point Loma High School senior Brooke

Justus was selected as this year's winner of a \$2,000 scholarship offered annually by San Diego County Federation of Republican Women (SDCFRW).

Point Loma Peninsula Republican Women Federated (PLPRWF), one of 23 Republican Women Federated clubs in San Diego County, chose Justus as its representative in the county contest because of her excellent essay on "What the U.S. Constitution Means to Me" and a track record of academic achievement that outpaced other entrants.

During a PLPRWF membership tea on Wednesday, April 17 at the historic Point Loma Assembly, 3035 Talbot St., District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis spoke on "Important Citizen Updates" and introduced Justus as the SDCFRW scholarship

For more information, contact Marjorie Faris at (619) 223-2264.

Looking » ahead

Peninsula-area events. April 18-May

THURSDAY, April 18

• The Peninsula Strings Concert takes place at 7 p.m. in the Point Loma High School gymnasium, featuring student musicians from Dana, Correia and Point Loma High School. For more information, call (619) 222-0476.

• The Ocean Beach Historical Society hosts author Diana Lindsay on artist Ricardo Breceda, who has taken a primitive welding art form of Mexico to new provocative heights. More than 125 of Breceda's metallicsculptures are scattered over three non-contiguous square miles of Borrego Valley. The historical society event takes place at 7 p.m., at the Point Loma United Methodist Church 1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd. For more information, visit obhistory.wordpress.com.

SUNDAY, April 21

Aaron David Miller will perform on San Diego's unique Baroque pipe organ at 4 p.m. The first half of the concert features early music, while the second half will demonstrate Miller's gift for the art of improvisation. The suggested donation is \$5, although no one is turned away. A festive, complimentary reception follows with Miller to learn more about San Diego's finest instrument. The event takes place at All Souls' Episcopal Church, located at 1475

Catalina Blvd. For more Information, call (619) 223-6394, ext 13; or email allsouls.music@gmail.com.

SUNDAY, May 5

The San Diego Kidney Walk is on May 5 at Liberty Station in Point Loma. You can sign up and start your team for the 2013 walk at www.kidneywalk.org. For more information, call (619) 972-4009.

MAY 17-19

The annual Feast of the Holy Spirit festival weekend, located at the Portuguese SES Hall, 2818 Avenida da Portugal in Point Loma. Live music, food, and activities. For more information, call (619) 647-5788.

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- 4) Tell them how worried you are. Say you'll be helping my peace of mind not "You should."
- 5) If they need a caregiver in the home, start small, address their concerns about losing control and let them choose the days and hours to come.

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Thursday Club Juniors Annual Gala In Support Of Special Delivery San Diego To Be Held Friday, April 26th.

The Thursday Club Juniors Gala Event benefiting SPECIAL DELIV-ERY, SAN DIEGO, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to providing quality meals to homebound, critically ill people in our community is scheduled for Friday, April 26, 2013 at the Thursday Club in Point Loma. The event will feature dinner, music and a silent and live auction.

The Thursday Club was founded in 1921 to promote social, educational, cultural and civic activities throughout San Diego County. Each year, the Thursday Club Juniors proudly support their heritage of philanthropy by planning a gala event to support local charities. Funds raised by Thursday Club Juniors have helped to transform many local charities, enabling

them to better serve our community and help where it is needed most.

This year, we are proud to support SPECIAL DELIVERY, SAN DIEGO. Their mission is "to alleviate hunger and malnourishment, in medically homebound people and people living with aids, cancer and other critical illnesses. Fresh, wholesome food is prepared, infused with love and home delivered to feed both the body and soul." The organization's 100%volunteer staff, cook from scratch, using organic ingredients whenever possible, and provide fresh wholesome fruits and vegetables with each daily delivery.

You can still help, even if you can't make it to the gala! The online portion of The Thursday Club Junior's silent auction is now open for BIDDING!

This auction will run from April 11, 2013 to April 21, 2013, with the live event taking place on April 26, 2013.

All proceeds from the online auction will go to Special Delivery San Diego www.specialdelivery sandiego.com. So, tell your friends, family and community to get bidding!

For all details, ticket and auction information please visit The Thursday Club website at www.thethursdayclub.org and click the TC Junior's 2013 Benefit Link!

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