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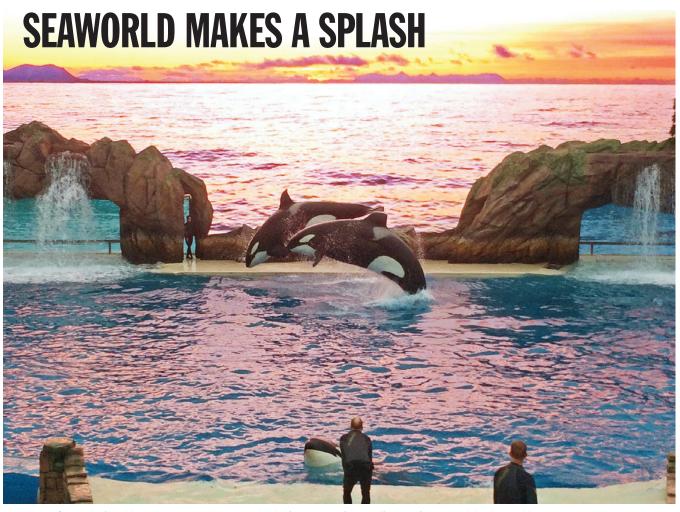
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Orcas perform during the new show at SeaWorld during a special media preview event last month.

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After makeover, new Orca Encounter show debuts

By SAVANAH DUFFY

SeaWorld's new Orca Encounter show is a live documentary, intended to educate and entertain visitors by incorporating facts and figures about killer whales while demonstrating their behavior with orcas through the ocean. acting it out in front of the audience.

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ity screen, which is three stories tall and long enough to span the length of the exhibit. With eye-catching, moving scenes of beaches, lakes and rippling water, audience members may feel as if they are on an island watching the orcas glide gracefully

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Info: seaworld.com/san-diego.

Good, bad, and ugly in city's latest budget

Funds include 2nd trash pickup in MB

By DAVE SCHWAB

There's good news – and bad – in this year's approved city budget for District 2, which includes Mission and Pacific beaches and the Peninsula.

news is "both" good and secure funding in this

drive to secure a second trash pickup during busy summer months in Mis-

sion Beach to help eradicate the fly problem from spillover waste, much of it from the beach community's large number of shortterm vacation rentals.

The good news is that District 2 Councilmember In some instances, the Lorie Zapf was able to year's budget for a second Such is the case with the summer MB trash pickup. The bad news is that a sec-

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Trial starts for man accused of raping of Pacific Beach woman

By NEAL PUTNAM

Testimony began last week in the kidnapping and rape trial of a man who is accused of sexually assaulting a Pacific Beach woman. The woman was a German exchange stu- the early morning hours dent at the time.

Friends of the woman several bars in Pacific Beach on New Year's Eve,

2015, but the victim became ill and took a Uber to go home by herself.

That's when Jacob Paul Skorniak, 51, somehow got the young woman into his Dodge Ram truck and allegedly assaulted her in on Jan. 1.

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Looking for an apartment this summer? Here's how to avoid any rental scams

By JONATHAN LO

Summer is approaching, and with that comes the yearly scramble for housing. As more and more hopefuls search for an affordable and spacious option, they leave themselves vulnerable to scams.

Last year, 7,800 apartment rental complaints were filed with the Better Business Bureau.

"When you're searching for a suitable living space, whether it's on Craigslist or any other apartment listing service, being able to recognize the signs of a scam can provide you with a smoother apartment search, and potentially save you from theft," said Michael Sedio, VP of operations at the BBB.

Scam-spotting tips

If you are thinking about moving, the BBB, which serves San Diego, Orange, and Imperial counties, has some guidelines on how to avoid getting cheated this season. The BBB has identified four main signs that the unit you are looking at is a front for a scam or identity theft.

The first and most common of the red flags is "Money First;" if you are asked to send money without seeing

the property or meeting with a landlord, back away. Do not send money to someone you have never met.

Another telltale sign of scamming is "No Background Check." A landlord, or a person posing as a landlord, who seems too eager to close a rental agreement without first checking credit scores, employment, income, or running a background check is likely scamming you.

The next red flag is "No Lease": do not accept an apartment without first receiving a written lease from the landlord. Moreover, watch out for any fees as you go along the leasing process; be especially careful if you are charged before seeing a lease

Lastly is "Out of Town." If either you or the landlord is out of town, do not sign a lease agreement until you have met them in person and visited the apartment.

Housing advice

Besides these tips on how to identify scams, the BBB also has some general tips for any apartment hunter. When searching, consult Federal Trade Commission, ftc.gov. friends, family, and colleagues for For additional questions or concerns, leads on places to rent.

When you do find a place, bring a at 858-496-2131.

BEEN SCAMMED?

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For additional questions or concerns, call BBB's 24-hour customer helpline at 858-

friend along to help inspect with and for a second opinion. Open up cabinets and closets to look for pests. Check reception in all corners of the

If you have a vehicle, ask if there is guaranteed parking, and if not, scope out the parking situation at various times of the day. If possible, visit the building during a rainy day to see if there is any leaking or flooding.

A BBB accredited business guarantees trust, reliability and responsiveness. If you have questions about the legitimacy of a rental service, visit their business review on bbb.org. If you fall victim to an apartment rental scam, notify law enforcement immediately, and file a complaint with the BBB, bbb.org/sdoc, and the call BBB's 24-hour customer helpline



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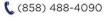
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As airplane noise complaints rise, SD Airport **Authority and FAA answer residents' concerns**

By DAVE SCHWAB

Amid continuing reports of problematic noise by San Diegans surrounding San Diego International Airport, the San Diego Airport Noise Advisory Committee, with broad public representation, continues to study the issues involved.

The ANAC board is comprised of more than 20 board members representing a broad cross-section of the community, everyone from retired airline pilots to city and county legislative aides, community advisory board members and citizens at-large.

Residents can track airplanes coming and going from San Diego via Flight Tracker, which monitors the movement of flights and air traffic patterns within the greater San Diego area. Flight Tracker includes specific information about flights from San Diego International (SAN), Montgomery Field (MYF), Brown Field (SDM), NAS North departure routes to keep aircraft Island (NZY), and MCAS Miramar (NKX) airports, as well as information on air traffic transiting through the San Diego area.

Flight Tracker information includes the aircraft's type, altitude, origin/destination airports, and flight identification. This system allows residents to review specific aircraft that created a noise concern and lodge a complaint to the Airport Noise Mitigation Office directly from Flight Tracker. All Flight Tracker data is post processed by the the track is accurately displayed and

Casey Schnoor, a representative from the Peninsula on the ANAC board, had several questions about ongoing noise problems allegedly associated with flight path changes in and out of San Diego International Airport.

Beach & Bay Press held a Q&A with Federal Aviation Administration public affairs manager Ian Gregor, as well as the San Diego Airport Island. Authority.

annually), indicating day-to-day management is not controlling, nor improv*ing upon, the problems.*

FAA: Missed approaches/goarounds are important safety tools that air traffic controllers and pilots use. They occur for a variety of reasons. Sometimes, controllers send arrivals around if a preceding arrival exits the runway more slowchoose to go around if they are questions that arise.



PHOTO BY THOMAS MELVILLE

coming in too high or fast on their approach. What's referred to as "early turns" is in fact controllers directing aircraft off published properly separated from one another, or to keep them efficiently sequenced.

BBP: Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) are FAA facilities housing air-traffic controllers using radar displays and radios to guide approaching and aircraft. TRACON appears to now be redirecting some westerly departures with flight plans filed for left turns (ZZOOO) instead to the right along the coast at Bird Rock and turning over La vendor within 24-hours ensuring Jolla for no reason, negating the efficiency benefits of the ZZOOO departure around Point Loma. Is this true?

FAA: For more than two decades, we have issued a 290-degree heading to all Lindbergh departures after 10 p.m. Controllers usually clear the aircraft to a point where they can resume the ZZOO departure, which entails turning left. However, con-Using Schnoor's queries, the trollers will occasionally instruct a pilot to turn right. They generally do this to avoid conflicts with military traffic that is inbound to North

BBP: ANAC did little to help meet **BBP:** With the exception of left the ANAC Subcommittee's request to turns over the Peninsula, all departure have the FAA fulfill its promise to have issues (early turns, missed approaches, an appropriate FAA representative *curfew violations, etc.) tracked by the attend the subcommittee meetings and* Airport Authority are continuing at, ANAC to facilitate a dialog for soluor greatly in excess of, the growth rate tions and in fact, tabled a motion to in SAN operations (less than 2 percent forward a letter drafted by the subcommittee to the FAA asking them to please follow through on their promise. Can you tell me more about this alle-

FAA: The FAA sends air traffic representatives to the ANAC and sub-committee meetings. These representatives are based locally and have detailed knowledge of how the local air traffic system works, so ly than expected. Sometimes pilots they are able to directly answer any

BBP: In the first three months of this year, more than 8,000 noise complaints have been filed, putting them on track to exceed the approximately 30,000 submitted in 2016. Any response to this?

SDAA: At the Airport Authority, the most important consideration is not the number of complaints, but rather ensuring that we have the appropriate data needed to fully investigate each individual complaint. While we strive to be responsive to community complaints, it should be noted that almost twothirds (65 percent) of all noise complaints received during February and March were from just four

Our goal is to be able to track complaints geographically, pinpointing concentrations of complaints and then working to connect trends in various neighborhoods. With accurate information gathered from residents, airport staff can spend more time researching information and providing specific information back to the community, instead of just collecting complaint responses. This ultimately allows the airport to have more productive conversations with the FAA about the issue during ongoing meetings.

BBP: The San Diego Airport Authority has changed their procedures for accepting citizen noise complaints to disallow complaints submitted by email, forcing community residents to resort to phone calls or a lengthy online procedure, which will likely result in a reduction in complaints due to these complexities. What *is the reasoning behind this change?*

There are three ways a resident can file a noise complaint:

- 1.) via the online Flight Tracker.
- 2.) via web form (available in Flight Tracker or www.san.org/Airport-Noise/Flight-Tracking#4055230submit-noise-concerns).
- 3.) via the noise complaint hotline at 619-400-2799.

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Pacific Beach residents fight back on bicycle thefts

By DAVE SCHWAB

Bike theft in Pacific Beach has gotten out of hand.

That is why some beach residents are taking matters into their own hands in documenting the illicit and growing trafficking in bicycle theft, repurposing and resale.

Longtime Pacific Beach resident taken the lead in chronicling the who, where and what of bicycle theft within the beach community.

On her 22 years living in PB, Sherako's never seen crime, especially bike theft, as bad, and as widespread, as it has become today.

Sherako concurs with the view that the type of theft routinely going on in Pacific Beach and the rest of the coastal community, where one or more bicycles are stolen nearly every day, is not random but part of an organized effort, in which some local homeless people are being recruited to participate by outside criminal elements.

"Criminals are paying [homeless] to go get [bikes]," said Sherako. "That's what I've seen."

A victim of bike theft herself, Sherako and her family have had six bikes stolen over the past five years. She told an interesting tale about one bike she had stolen, that she was able to recover. Her bike had been chained along with a friends, and the mutual lock was cut and both bikes stolen. She later "found" her stolen bike on dle to clear. One of the many issues Craigslist.

"I found hundreds of bikes there on Craigslist, and one of them was

'I found hundreds of bikes there on Craigslist, and one of them was mine.'

> **JANELLE SHERAKO** PACIFIC BEACH RESIDENT

Janelle Sherako and others have mine," Sherako said, noting pictures of several of the Craigslist bikes were "taken in front of the same planter. That's your first clue that this is a (theft) ring."

So what did Sherako do?

"I went over there (where her stolen bike was chained) with bolt cutters and I cut the lock and I stole my bike back," she said.

Watchdogs in PB have been chronicling alleged illegal stolen bike chop shops operating brazenly and openly in the community. One spot that has been utilized frequently by alleged thieves is the baseball diamond and public park across the street from PB Rec Center. Because places like that park are in the public domain, it's difficult to get a letter of agency allowing the police to go there to investigate and/or enforce the law.

"Maybe we can get the city to give us a letter of agency during the time frames in which we have children's activities over there," Sherako said. "That would be the start of increasing safety there."

Sherako said there's another hurinvolved is, how do you separate out

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San Diego Bike Coalition names advocacy coordinator

cacy coordinator. With a back- friendly. Trujillo grew up in bike paths for San Diego.

The San Diego Bike Coalition, the ground in urban planning, Trujillo Escondido and has worked in city only countywide organization brings an understanding of the planning for her community since advocating for the rights of all peoimportance of bike lanes and a pas- 2014. As the bicycle advocacy ple on bikes, recently announced sion for the education and advoca- coordinator, Trujillo will advocate Daniela Trujillo as its bicycle advo- cy it takes to make a city bike- for increased bikeways and safer

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Top students at Mission Bay grateful, ready to pursue higher education

By DAVE SCHWAB

Mission Bay High School graduating seniors talked about their school, their aspirations moving on to college and entering a rapidly changing world afterward.

Co-valedictorians Emery Reyna and Alex Briski shared a 4.55 grade point average. Both gave speeches during graduation ceremonies at MBHS stadium on June 14.

Salutatorian Jacob Cayetano, also an outstanding student, noted he was "off the hook" on giving a speech. "I get to do the changing of the tassles," he noted.

The trio will all be attending universities in the fall. Briski is going to UC Berkely with a double major in computer science and business.

Reyna is headed for the East Coast and New York University where she'll be studying international relations, hoping to someday work for the United Nations.

Cayetano is moving on to the University of Hartford in Connecticut where he will be majoring in computer science and minoring in audio engineering, hoping to secure a future job somewhere in the music al Baccalaureate (IB) is a non-profit product or sound industry.

the quality of the education they received, all three graduates concurred it was positive.



Co-valedictorians Alex Briski and Emery Reyna, and salutatorian Jacob Cayetano.

PHOTO BY DAVE SCHWAB

Cayetano adding, "it was a world classroom in a sense."

Briski agreed that the International Bacclaureate program, which she and Cayetano have participated in since they were both at Kate Sessions Elementary, was critical to their learning.

Founded in 1968, the Internationeducational foundation offering four Asked their views about MBHS and highly respected programs of international education that develop the intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills needed to live, learn and "I enjoyed it, it prepared us," said work in a rapidly globalizing world.

Cayetano pointed out the IB program "makes you a more globalized thoughts and ideas — were all terriperson" allowing you to "make better ble," quipped Briski, who said she was decisions as citizens."

Reyna noted that she and her colleagues will "have to learn how to navigate contrasting perspectives and the gap between the generations," as they become adults.

Both Reyna and Briski said they were both still grappling with their graduation speeches.

"It's difficult to find a balance between honesty and positivity," said Reyna. "It's hard to touch upon the truth — and still have a celebration."

"What I started out with, my using the alphabet to get started adding, "The only four letters that really matter are MBHS. You want it (speech) to be inspirational, not a cliché, funny and creative. You want to find your own voice."

Looking ahead, are the three graduates optimistic or pessimistic?

"I'm optimistic, but scared," said

"I tend to be an optimistic person," note Briski.

"For every action, there's an equal

and opposite reaction, that goes for the good and the bad," stressed Cayetano. "It's always going to teetertotter like that. That's just how it works."

All three students were active in sports. Briski and Cayetano both ran track. Reyna was involved in both lacrosse (MBHS's first women's team) and field hockey (her passion).

Why are sports important?

"It introduces you to people that you probably would have never communicated with," noted Reyna.

"It's nice to know that school is more than (just) the classroom," pointed out Cayetano.

Discussing their educational and career goals, Cayetano said, "My goal is to graduate in four years with marketable skills and to be hired out of college."

"I want to be a part of the world," said Reyna.

"Finish college in four years and then get a job," said Briski.

All three graduates had similar advice to offer MBHS future grads.

"Time management is the single most important skill," said Cayetano.

Reyna cautioned that time management "sould be a top priority, but don't make your life just about school. It's finding a balance."

What's important in life?

Reyna spoke for all three grads in noting, "Family, friends, happiness."

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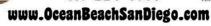
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MBHS award winners

Congratulations to co-valedictorians, salutatorian, and selected award and scholarship winners for the MBHS Class of 2017. From left: Dylan Kasper, USMC Scholastic Excellence Award, Ludmila Raynal, PB Kiwanis, Jaedan Ford, PB Kiwanis, Haylee Thiel, MBWC Maruta Garnder Award, Tyrese Reed, USMC Distinguished Athlete Award, Emery Reyna, valedictorian, PB Kiwanis, Jacob Cayetano, salutatorian, Sandy Baudoux, PB Woman's Club Award, Eric Wesling, Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence Award, Samantha Le May Zambrano, USMC Distinguished Athlete Award, Madeline Tandy, MBWC Maruta Gardner Award, Alexandra Briski, valedictorian, PBTC Dan Froelich Award, PB Woman's Club Award, Azolan Clarke, CAWS IB Award. Not pictured: Shelby Spillers, PB Kiwanis, Clemence Tardivel, MBHS swim.

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK>>

Mission Bay Cluster

· Long-time parent volunteer and Pacific Beach resident Jennifer Tandy was awarded the inaugural "Tandy Trophy for Volunteerism" at the final Mission Bay Cluster meeting of the school year on June 1. This award recognizes Tandy's outstanding commitment to students orientation will take place Friday, and teachers, and her efforts with developing programs and facilities to enhance learning throughout the Mission Bay Cluster. With her last child graduating from Mission Bay High this year, Tandy's support, enthusiasm, and dedication will be greatly missed by the school community. The Mission Bay Cluster organization looks forward to annually awarding the "Tandy Trophy" to outstanding volunteers.

PB Elementary

• This year's fifth-grade gift to the school is a Ga-ga Pit, built with donated lumber and labor from Redline Custom Contracting. Ga-ga (which means "touch-touch" in Hebrew) is a variation of dodgeball, played in a large fenced-in area, or Ga-ga Pit.

Kate Sessions

 Kate Sessions Elementary School wishes all the best to the Sessions military families who have received orders to move out of San my says goodbye to retiring princi-Diego. Thank you for your service and you will be missed. A huge thanks goes out to all of the PB businesses who have supported the school throughout the year through in-kind donations, dine-outs, prizes and the community. Enjoy your and gift certificates.

Kindergarten and new student

Aug. 25.

CPJMA

Crown Point Junior Music Acadepal Muriel Bartolini, and retiring teachers Tom Evans, Margie Orem, Debbie Burton, Margaret Bower, and Carol Fleming. Thank you for your careers spent serving students retirements!



Kangaroo math

Pacific Beach Elementary students participated in the Math Kangaroo math contest. The nationally-ranked winners are Loki Barrett, Sophie Piquilloud, and Sadie Whelehan. Second row: Kirill Lutsenko, Sadie Whelehan, Sophie Piquilloud, Sashi Chuckravenen and Alekhya Reddy. First row: Loki Barrett and Mihir Konkapaka.

Kangol Trunk Show Spring/Summer 2017

Please come to enjoy the Kangol Trunk show Spring/Summer 2017, June 23rd from 3 to 6 pm at our newest store in Pacific Beach. Featuring the latest collection, and highlight those fan favorites that are ubiquitous in headwear today; music will play to the partner the fashion. Kangol first began in 1938, and evolved from headwear in the fashion industry to become entrenched with the music world, and beyond. Continuing their dedication to self-expression and artistry, Kangol has partnered with underground labels around the globe and across genres to create Radio Kangol. The Village Hat Shop/Kangol Trunk show will feature a local DJ to continue the Kangol tradition of fashion and music, to create a great and memorable

shopping experience.

Village Hat Shop has been a longtime Kangol partner. In November 2012 we launched a Kangol Store-Within-A-Store at our Flagship location in the Hillcrest neighborhood of San Diego. Founded in 1938, The Kangol hat line continues to remain hip, reinventing itself through the decades. From Run DMC in the early days of hip-hop, to stylish golfers like Payne Stewart, to Samuel L. Jackson's iconic headwear, etc., Kangol has always been on the cut-

Kangol is not limited to the young. Their styles are comfortable and attractive and have found a home with all ages, whether driving in a car, playing golf, or taking a stroll down the streets of any city or town.



PBMS Concert Band and Orchestra

PBMS International Baccalaureate music director John O'Donnell and his music students competed at the Music in the Parks on June 3, receiving 'Superior' ratings for both Concert Band and Orchestra Divisions. They also won Best Overall Band and Orchestra for the second PHOTO BY KARI LEE ARCHER year in a row.



MBHS Concert Band and Orchestra

Mission Bay High School Concert Band and Orchestra earned first place in the High School Division at Music at Parks in Anaheim earlier this month.



Hydrangea Cove, a delightful gift and beach cottage décor shop has opened in a new place, 845 Garnet Ave in Pacific Beach. Previously in business for six years on Turquoise Street, the owner, Susan Christopher, took the opportunity to move her shop to an established retail area, just a block and a half from the ocean, with plenty of customer parking.

"We completely remodeled our new space to highlight the beach cottage look, including rooms with coastal colors and wood accents" said Ms. Christopher. "There is even a whimsical area with a bright blue dutch door, cottage siding and shingle roof - a recreation of the front of our cottage, less than a mile away, in Mission Beach."

Additional information on products and shop hours available at www.facebook.com/HydrangeaCove and www.HydrangeaCove.com.

Established in 2011, Hydrangea Cove has become a go-to destination for unique, carefully curated gifts for weddings and babies, and also carries candles, body and bath, jewelry, books and greeting cards, and offers complimentary gift wrapping. And as a home décor shop, Hydrangea Cove features pillows, rugs, lamps, mirrors, coastal accents and vintage one-of-a kind furniture. Design services are available.





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PB Town Council's wine and beer tasting fundraiser on June 24

The Pacific Beach Town Council's annual summer silent auction fundraiser with wine and beer tasting will take place 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 24 at the Pacific Beach Woman's Club, 1721 Hornblend St.

Tickets are \$25 prior to the event and \$30 at the door. Proceeds will benefit worthy community projects.

This year, a portion of fundraiser proceeds, about \$3,000, is earmarked to fund the San Diego Police Department "bait bike" program targeting bike theft.

"PB has the highest bike crime in the city, so we decided to fund it this year," said Marcella Bothwell, PBTC's director. "We hope to fund it again next year, but our fundraising efforts need to be successful."

Bothwell noted the bike bait program, in which bikes with tracking devices are used to catch thieves, was cut from this year's city budget.

PBTC's director noted that PB's own two breweries – Amplified Ale Works and Pacific Beach Ale House – will be featuring their beers at this fundraiser themed "Keep it Local."

Food being donated for the event includes: Lil' Farmer's Cafe, new on the corner of Cass and Garnet; Broken Yolk with some sweet treats; and Hammond's Gourmet Ice Cream.

Funds support community projects:

- Hosting PAESAN: Police and Emergency Services Appreciation Night;
- Hosting Concerts on the Green in Kate Sessions Park in late summer:
- Hosting the annual Graffiti Removal Day;
- Provide scholarships and awards for local students at PB Middle and Mission Bay High;
- Give grants to local schools including the Mission Bay Cluster, Pacific Beach Recreation Center and Pacific Beach Library;
- Support the PB Holiday Parade, Kids Classic Fishing Derby, annual police barbecue, Crown Point Military Breakfast for Students, National Night Out Program;
 - Support community clean-ups; and
- San Diego Veterans' Stand Down PB area beautification projects together with Beautiful PB.

Tickets ordered at www.pbtowncouncil.org will be available at the call table. They can also be purchased at the PB Town Council office/Union Bank Building at 1706 Garnet Ave. For more information, call 858-483-6666.

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Ready for barbecue season this summer? Sauce Goddess Gourmet has you covered

By JONATHAN LO

"Don't live life with any regrets" is more than an Internet meme for Pacific Beach resident Jennifer Reynolds. It's advice she followed 17 years ago while spending a sunny day on the beach with her friends.

After chowing down on the barbecued ribs that Reynolds made, her friends challenged her: "You should start your own sauce business don't live life with any regrets." She wasted no time. Right when she went home Reynolds began researching sauce businesses.

During her search, Reynolds stumbled upon co-packing, an Reynolds learned to utilize and balindustry where one company manufactures and packages products as though they were made directly by another client company. With this, Reynolds had a method of distributing her wares without having to worry about production, allowing her to focus on recipes. Thus, Sauce Goddess Gourmet was born.

When asked how she came up with the name Sauce Goddess Gourmet as well as the wacky logo, Reynolds laughed. "Before I started Sauce Goddess, I was in the printing industry and I had a funny nickname: the Litho Goddess. So transi-

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tioning to sauce goddess was easy for me." As for the logo, Reynolds firmly believes that goddesses deserve to have godlike, flamboyant hair. Indeed, the wild hairdo dominates the aesthetic landscape of the design.

One of the first sauce recipes was one passed down to Reynolds from her father, Keith, who took grilling seriously. "You don't mess around when it comes to grilling a good cut of meat!" Under his tutelage, ance seasonings, peppers, and vinegars. Keith trusted Reynolds with his signature barbecue sauce, which had no liquid smoke.

Reynolds continued to develop other sauces, making sure all of them were flavorful, smoke-free, and made with natural ingredients. Even after so many years, those principles hold true with each new product Sauce Goddess puts out. In 2002, Sauce Goddess Gourmet started selling seasonings, which are also a big hit. A few years later, a new line of caramel corn was also released.

For eight years, Reynolds had a main job, and only did Sauce Goddess on the side. During that time, she spared no effort expanding and getting the Sauce Goddess name out. Reynolds showcased her product at Costco road shows, food shows, and small markets. She convinced local retailers early on to include her sauces in their inventory, even though she only had a few sauces.

Over the years, Sauce Goddess Gourmet has seen some changes. The most notable was the transition of all products to being gluten free. Reynolds decided to make the shift well before gluten-free became a trend, and for good reason.

Her sister was diagnosed with gluten intolerance and was devastated that she could not have their father's BBQ sauce anymore. Reynold's sister begged her to find a way to remove gluten from the recipe, and Reynolds took the challenge. She toiled over the recipe until she found a way to preserve the original taste of her father's sauce while still being gluten-free, and today it remains one of the most popular products that Sauce Goddess sells.

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Dining



Lil' Farmers offers flatbread pizzas and fresh juices.

Healthy, fresh and fast meals at Lil' Farmers

By ROSE WILSON

What's that new eatery at the intersection of Garnet Avenue and Cass Street you might ask? Stop by, and you will find Lil' Farmers, a wholesome, fresh cafe, which is a healthy and hip place to dine-in or ticular that decidedly exemplified his grab a meal to go.

The success of the original location in Kearny Mesa over the last two years has allowed the restaurant to expand to new digs in Pacific Beach. Set up like a gourmet version cafe they serve custom salads, sandwiches, flatbreads, grain bowls, breakfast smoothies, organic juices ple, people who really care about the and Acai bowls.

Indoor seating at the cafe is hip, cute, classy and exudes a playful tone. From the scattered bright colors to the sketches on the utensils box to the signs that litter the wall, each detail tells a story about Lil'

the cafe, pointed out one sign in paran an adorable tea station.

LIL' FARMERS

Where: 1001 Garnet Ave. Hours: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Info: www.lilfarmerscafe.com.

fun and playful vision for the cafe. It reads, "I dream of a world where chickens can cross the road without their motives being questioned." "The thing I love most about Lil'

Farmers is the vibe," said Katakalidis. "It speaks to healthfulness. It speaks to great people, friendly peoenvironment and what they put in their bodies."

Not only is it an enjoyable experience to visit the Lil' Farmers cafe, their food is top notch as well. In addition to the aforementioned menu options, the cafe also offers a variety of coffees, juices, ice blends, George Katakalidis, the owner of smoothies, "elixirs," and even has

restaurant + bar



The falafel and avocado salad at Lil' Farmers in Pacific Beach.

In addition to the feel of the cafe, Katakalidis tries to keep costs down for the customers. "This is how people eat today," he said. "Healthy, fresh, fast and customizable meals. That's what we're all about."

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Multiple products from the Sauce Goddess Gourmet lineup have received awards and/or won competitions. Over the last four months alone, Sauce Goddess sauces, spices, and caramel corns have won 15 awards. Two products, the Moroccan Twist Spice Rub and the Ghost Pepper Caramel Corn, have received three awards and four other products have

Sauce Goddess Gourmet is to make cooking easier for people with a product that is all-natural and vegan. She wants people to be able to take a cut of meat, slather on any of her sauces or spice mixes, and be able to stick it in the oven without any additional seasoning required.

Sauce Goddess Gourmet also partners with the Arc of San Diego, which is one of the largest providers of services to people with disabilities in the area, including employment opportunities and partnerships. Reynolds hires challenged adults to do specialty hand work in the copackaging process. They help build the spice tins and gift packs sold everyday, and Reynolds greatly appreciates their contribution and efforts.

Looking into the distant future, Reynolds' ultimate goal is to achieve world domination through people's stomachs. In the near future, she plans on collaborating with other sauce and spice rub companies to make a subscription box. This "meal enhancing box" will most likely be bimonthly, and Reynolds aims to

KING for A DAY received two awards each. For Reynolds, her main goal for **SUNDAY, JUNE 18 / 11AM - 3PM** \$60 ADULTS / \$20 KIDS UP TO 12 / CLUB MEMBERS \$50 Treat Dad this Father's Day to a special day of BBQ & Beer at Kona Kai Resort & Spa! Tri-tip, bratwursts, burgers and more grilled up goodness, plus a beer garden are the perfect way to pay Dad homage. **CALL 619.819.8195 AND ASK FOR VESSEL RESTAURANT & BAR** San Diego | A NOBLE HOUSE RESORT resortkonakai.com | 619.819.8195 begin sales as early as July. 1551 Shelter Island Dr., San Diego, CA 92106 **READ MORE ONLINE AT** sdnews.com

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New and improved rides at Bike Garage

By DAVE SCHWAB

If you're looking for a new bike, or have one that needs repairs, you ought to consider parking/purchasing it at the Bike Garage.

Now open for three months, Bike Garage at 4645 Cass St., Suite 105 on the ground floor, co-owned by Ismael Bohme and Robbie Robertson, was created to serve all of Pacific Beach's cycling needs.

A locally owned and operated bicycle specialty shop serving Pacific Beach and environs, Bike Garage's goal is to provide a friendly, welcoming and expert resource for all cycling enthusiasts, from novice riders and commuters to life-long rid-

Why the moniker Bike Garage?

"Ismael started out three years ago in the garage of his house, just servicing other people's bikes," said Robertson. "Then we found this spot."

the best and most accessible source for all your cycling needs, states the company's website. Whether you're looking for your new dream bike or for repairs, upgrades, maintenance or a complete rebuild for a bike you rental to cruise along the beach or



Ismael Bohme works on a bicycle at Bike Garage.

PHOTO BY DAVE SCHWAB

a perfect choice, claims the website.

The cycle shop provides other things you won't find elsewhere, like pick-up and drop-off services for bike repairs and maintenance, restoration of used bicycles to Bike Garage prides itself on being reduce waste and promotion of a sustainable community.

Bike Garage also caters to shortand longer-term rentals, while hosting events and rides to help bring together the local cycling community and create new friendships. already own, or just an afternoon Bohme noted the Bike Garage gives good deals to tourists and tempocheck out some trails, Bike Garage is rary residents by selling bikes to

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them for say a month or more, then buying them back when they leave.

There is one more thing Bike Garage specializes in that you'll be hard pressed to find anywhere else locally: selling kits to transform traditional bikes into electric ones,

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NOISE *

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SDAA: We take noise complaints very seriously. The new web format helps ensure that we have all the information we need to investigate concerns. E-mailed complaints are not as helpful because they sometimes lack sufficient detail (precise location, precise time of event, etc.) to help us investigate the cause of the concern.

As mentioned previously, our goal is to be able to track complaints geographically, pinpointing concentrations of complaints and then working to connect trends in various neighborhoods. We have heard concerns regarding the ability to lodge noise complaints with mobile devices and are working with the vendor to develop an update that would allow residents to input noise complaints on mobile devices, which we hope to release soon.

BBP: The Airport Authority has instituted a new "flight tracker" system that has been roundly criticized by citizens as being harder to use, both to track flights and to submit noise complaints, with no apparent improvement in track accuracy.

SDAA: The new Flight Tracker site offers the same functionality as the previous site, with some added enhancements to provide the public with additional information. The data provided on each flight has more complete information (flight number, tail number, altitude, airline, etc.) and there are additional enhancements to the map, such as the FAA Noise Dots.

To submit a noise complaint, the public can click on the link on the left side of the screen (see image one) or find a concerning aircraft and click on the link (see image two). The site has increased customization specific for our community, i.e., showing the FAA Noise Dots in blue. The FAA sources the data for all web tracking sites so there is no change in accuracy.

BIKES »

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truly needy homeless people from the criminal element that are traveling among some of them and allegedly exploiting them to steal bicycles that are

then repurposed and resold. "We're documenting all of this for community awareness," said Sherako, noting education on how

to prevent theft is key. "Put in your (bike) serial numbers," she counseled. "If and when your bike gets stolen, the only way you can do anything about it is if your bike is registered. If it's not registered, there's nothing you can do. The first thing they (thieves) due is file off

your serial numbers.'

Where do things go from here? "We're going to start a petition (to get letters of intent), that's where we're going to start," Sherako

said. What can local residents do to help out with bike theft in PB?

"Don't turn a blind eye," answered Sherako. "Make eye contact (with thieves). Let them know they're being watched and that they need to have permits."

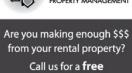
Sherako suspects there are perhaps a couple of dozen homeless who may be involved in bike theft

Sherako said alleged thieves have even been spied by witnesses surreptiously cutting locks on bikes at stands, before driving off with them.

"We know who they are and about their criminal records," she said. "The have back packs with bolt cutters for the locks and all the other tools. We are not anti-homeless. We are anti-criminal element coming in and using the homeless to steal bikes. We're taking back our city."

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Trek to Grassroots Oasis to hear James Lee Stanley

By BART MENDOZA

Stanley has released more than three dozen albums since he first began recording in 1970, penning great story songs and acoustic folkinspired tunes. But that's only part of the tale.

While he has a devoted fanbase for his music, Stanley has probably been seen by more people via his numerous uncredited appearances as various aliens, including a singing Klingon, on "Star Trek: up and coming new rock bands, Deep Space 9."

Currently touring behind a new album, "Had Enough Yet? Songs of Protest, Resistance and Hope," Stanley remains a witty and riveting performer who has lost none of his songwriting prowess in the ensuing decades.

James Lee Stanley: Saturday, **June 24 at the Grassroots Oasis,** tunes that are a perfect soundtrack **3130 Moore St. 7:30 p.m. All ages.** for a night on the town. www.grassrootsoasis.com.

The Beatles will enjoy the "Benedetti celebrates McCartney" concert taking place at Dizzy's on June 16, 75th birthday two days later.

For this performance, acclaimed guitarist Fred Benedetti will be joined by vocalist Julia Picone, multi-instrumentalist/bassist Jeff

Singer-songwriter James Lee McCartney penned classic such as "Penny Lane" and "Blackbird," all highlighted by Benedetti's unique arrangements and virtuoso fret-

> Benedetti Celebrates McCart-Arias Hall, 1717 Morena Blvd. 8 p.m. \$15. www.dizzysjazz.com.

has a solid double bill featuring two Electric Mud and Bad Moon Born. The latter is an Australian quintet, with sound somewhere between The Black Crowes and Audioslave, to be Electric Mud.

Named after a Muddy Waters album, the band mixes jam band sounds, blues and indie rock for

Electric Mud: Friday, June 16 at the 710 Beach Club, 710 Garnet Anyone who enjoys the music of Ave. 9 p.m. 21 and up.\$5 www.710bc.com.

> short, will make an appearance at Brick by Brick on June 17. An orighorror-punk combo The Misfits, 21 these days Doyle's music is hard-

Pekarek and percussionist James edged metal, full of bombast and Morton. The night will feature adrenaline, made to play loud, complete with jack hammer riffs.

Currently touring behind his latest album, "As We Die," the night's focus will be on Doyle's new music, but longtime fans will find not only the horror imagery but also the ney: Friday, June 16, at Dizzy's at intensity of his performances still remain from his Misfits days.

Doyle: Saturday, June 17, at Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Ave. On June 16, the 710 Beach Club **7:30 p.m. 21 and up. \$23.** www.brickbybrick.com

Classic rock fans will want to hear Santanaways performing at Tio Leo's on June 24. Fronted by guitarist and Carlos Santana look-abut the night's highlight promises like, Benito Meschoulam, the sixpiece band performs the music of Santana from his 1960s Woodstock-era classics through to his modern-era favorites.

While guitar-heavy favorites such as "Europa" and "She's Not There," sound great, it's their rhythm-heavy takes on evergreens such as "Oye Como Va" and "Black Magic Woman," that make the band a standout. Nearly five decades after Legendary guitarist Doyle Wolf- his debut Santana remains one of in honor of the bass-playing Beatle's gang von Frankenstein, or Doyle for rock music's heavy hitters – these gents provide a worthy tribute.

Santanaways: Saturday, June 24 inal member of legendary 1980s at Tio Leo's, 5302 Napa St. 9 p.m. and up. Cover TBD. www.tioleos.com





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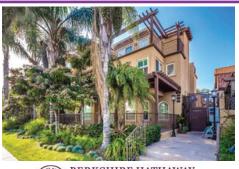


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BUDGET »

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ond Mission Beach summer trash pickup may never be implemented.

On June 9, the City Attorney's office issued a memo concluding that it is not permissible by law for the city to collect "residential refuse, as defined under the People's Ordinance, twice weekly in MB during summer months."

The People's Ordinance, first adopted in 1919 as a voter initiative and subsequently amended by voters through city-sponsored iniatives in 1981 and 1986, governs the collection, transportation and disposal of refuse in the City of San Diego. It was a response to residents' continued dissatisfaction with the private refuse haulers licensed by the city to collect city refuse.

According to an excerpt from that City Attorney's memo, "As the public has again requested the second (trash) collection during FY 2018 ... The People's Ordinance probits the City from collecting 'non-residential refuse' as defined, which includes refuse from single- and multi-family residences that are occupied through ownership, lease or rental for less than one month (transient occupan-

public reports that a large number of shortterm, summer residential rentals in MB cause the summer fly population and the need for additional refuse collection."

The memo concludes: "The People's Ordinance, state law and case law do not require the City to provide refuse collection services beyond once a week ... So, although the People's Ordinance requires the city to collect 'residential refuse' once weekly, the city is not obligated to provide a higher level of service."

The District 2 Council office has released the following checklist on the status of budget projects/priorities in District 2:

Mission Beach good

- 2nd year of second summer trash pickup;
- South Mission undergrounding;
- South Mission Beach Lifeguard Tower construction;
- Water/sewer project 814;
- Bonita Cove tot lot moving into design phase.

Mission Beach maybes

- Permanent summer trash pick solution;
- North Mission Beach undergrounding;
- Remainder of seawall reconstructed.

Midway good

- Community Plan update moving forward;
 - PB pipeline south;
- Defunct BID fund reallocation in process \$142,000 security service/outreach.

Midway maybes

- Streets overlaid;
- Relocation of IS-1-1 zone for homeless emergency shelters;
 - Aggressive transient encampments.

Point Loma

- Fire Station No. 22 \$1 million to finish construction;
- Recreation/aquatic center \$1.07 million to being preliminary engineering and

Ocean Beach

- \$671,000 for preliminary engineering on the OB Pier;
- \$200,000 to initiate new preliminary The City Attorney's memo notes that "the engineering for Ocean Beach Lifeguard Sta-

District Wide

- More than \$3 million for SDPD recruitment, retention, and overtime staffing;
- Littering and Graffiti Abatement Pilot Program: The May revision includes the addition of \$800,000 in one-time funding to support a litter and graffiti abatement pilot program initiated by the Environmental Services Department (ESD).

The proactive pilot program will target areas within the City that have the highest number of requests for litter abatement including Ocean Beach, Point Loma, Mission and Pacific beaches. The allocated funding will allow ESD to assign crews consisting of Urban Corps, Probation Crew, and City staff to remove litter four to five times per week within each specific area, and to report graffiti to the Public Works Dispatch Center or to the Transportation and Storm Water Department's (TSW) Street Division Graffiti Section via the Get It Done application.

GARAGE »

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tery-charged electric assist.

"We offer a reasonable, entry-level electric kit, which costs about \$750, to covert a regular bike into an ebike with about a 40-mile range," Robertson said.

"You bring your own bike in, and we'll sell you the kit and install it," said Bohme, who noted he just did an electric conversion for a vacation rental manager who wanted to be able to "hop from home to home without parking (his car) everywhere."

cycling tag team. Bohme, the engineer, knows the ins and outs of repairs and servicing. An artist formerly working in TV production, Robertson is the promotional end of the business, handling the website, social media and any and all graphics work.

Discussing repairs, Bohme said Bike Garage

has all the tools — and the expertise — to repair anything cycle related.

The most common repair?

"Flats and chains," pointed out Bohme, helping riders travel further, faster with a bat-noting a cyclist can help prevent problems doing regular maintenance, like changing tire tubes annually.

> The Bike Garage itself is crammed full of every cycling accoutrement imaginable, selling seats, baskets, sprockets, chains, tires, tire pumps, wheels, etc. There even is a long, and fun, line of horns for kid's bikes.

> "We have practically everything that anybody would ask for," noted Bohme.

Who are Bike Garage's customers?

"Mostly locals," replied Bohme. "We're not Bohme and Robertson are something of a on a main street, so we don't have a lot of foot traffic."

> Robertson talked about what makes Bike Garage special.

> "We try to offer a lot of items for people to customize their bikes, make them more personal," he said.

TRIAL »

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intoxicated and has no memory of how she got into Skorniak's truck.

"The next thing she recalled is a knife to her neck in the truck," said Fox.

Fox said her parents in Germany experienced their "biggest nightmare" when the woman's phone accidently dialed them during the assault. She said the parents heard their daughter crying and a man's voice before the phone went dead.

Her parents called German police, who recalls a few minutes passing. were able to connect them to San Diego Police. The victim's sister in Germany called one of the women who was with her earlier. Police officers gathered on Sapphire Street where the victim used to live before she moved back to Germany.

Fox said a service station worker noticed the victim motioning to him, and she told him she had been kidnapped. He couldn't get her out of the truck before Skorniak drove off with her. The worker called 911 at 3:17 a.m. with a description of the

Skorniak drove her back to Pacific Beach and saw police cars, so he dropped her some blocks away. He fled the area.

Fox said the woman's dress was ripped and she underwent a rape exam in the hospital. She said a DNA test showed a match to Skorniak.

Skorniak was arrested on Jan. 21 in Santa Barbara and a memory card inside his truck appeared to show a brief recording of the assault, said the prosecutor.

Attorney Kristin Scogin, who represents Skorniak, told jurors and San Diego Superior Court Judge Runston Maino the victim was in an "alcohol-induced blackout."

Scogin said the victim and Skorniak

Her parents in Germany experienced their biggest nightmare when the woman's phone dialed them during the assault and they heard their daughter crying and a man's voice before the phone went dead.

spent 3 1/2 hours together, but she only

Scogin told jurors they must decide if she consented to have sex with Skorniak and whether she voluntarily got into his

The Uber driver is expected to testify that he stopped two blocks from her apartment so she could throw up outside. He offered to take her home, but she said she could walk the rest of the way. She dropped her passport in the car and he gave it back to her.

Scogin urged a not guilty verdict for all three charges, which is rape, kidnapping for rape, and forcible digital penetration.

The first witness was a 23-year-old woman only identified as Anna, who is one of her friends from earlier that evening. Anna is also German and spoke with an interpreter.

"I was sure she could make it home alone in the Uber." said Anna.

The victim's sister called Anna in the bar to let her know about her sister's call, and the women also called 911. They all went back to her Sapphire Street apartment to talk to police.

If Skorniak is convicted of kidnapping for rape, he could face a life sentence in prison. He remains in jail on \$1 million

ORCAS » CONT. FROM PG. 1

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together to surround and disorientate or embrace their soggy fate.

exhaust their prey. The orcas at SeaWorld demonstrate this activity by swimming swiftly through the water, as they would if they were in the wild and trying to surround a school of fish. The aggressive swimming tactic causes gallons of water to gush over the sides and into the drains outside the tank, while slightly ominous music plays over the speakers.

To imitate what it would look like for the orca to be hunting a seal in the wild, the orca pushes herself out of the water and onto the slippery surface, center-stage, and shakes her head back and forth, mouth open as if she were holding a seal.

Playful behavior is also demonstrated, which is the crowd's favorite. The orcas swim the tank's length, splashing gallons of water over the "wet zone" with their powerful flukes. Some guests leap to their feet and Visitors are taught that orcas have to work race up the stairs, while others laugh and

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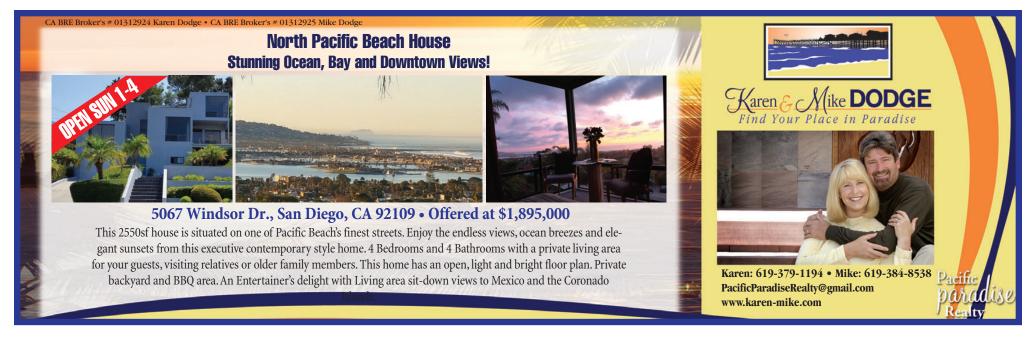
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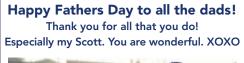
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