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Victim's family tells killer of anger, sorrow in death at trolley station

By NEAL PUTNAM | THE BEACON

Family members of a man who died after he was pushed into a moving San Diego Trolley shared their loss on Sept. 14 as the killer apologized for his "cowardly" action as he described it.

The family of Martin Andara, 68, wept and also shared their anger at Ryan Michael Rukstelis, 27, who pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the Jan. 1, 2022, death of Andara.

Andara was on his way to the Ralphs store in Pacific Beach and was on the same San Diego Trolley as Rukstelis, but the two never interacted with each other, according to security videotapes. They were strangers to each other.

Rukstelis had a previous psychiatric disorder in which he was supposed to take medication, but went off his medicine before the incident occurred, according to attorneys in the case.

"You have to be medicated," said San Diego Superior Court Judge Rachel Cano before sentencing him to 15 years to life in prison.

Security surveillance cameras showed that Rukstelis shoved Andara into a moving train at the Old Town Trolley Station around 6:15 a.m. Andara suffered a major head wound, losing a lot of blood

and died at the scene.

"Ryan murdered my father," said Adam Andara angrily. "What you did created a deep scar to my family."

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"You didn't want to take your medication," said Diana May Mieres, Andara's daughter. "You know you're dangerous if you don't take it."

"All the memories we had (are over) just because you didn't take your medicine," said Mieres, tearfully. "You hear the word trolley, and I think of my dad getting his head busted by you."

"You have taken away someone," said Jose M. Andara," said the victim's brother. "My brother had a bout of alcoholism for a little while. He straightened his life out."

"I wish you a lotta luck. Hopefully you find God," said Jose Andara.

"My uncle was a very proud man...a peaceful man...a very hard working man," said his nephew, Gil Lopez. "I have my own pain, my anger and rage over this. I do hope and pray whatever clarity (comes to you)."

Andara's granddaughter was present but she wanted Deputy District Attorney Scott Pirrello to read her comments, which he did.

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Robert Brians changes mind, now has public defender again

By NEAL PUTNAM | THE BEACON

A man who is accused of driving his twin daughters off Sunset Cliffs and who earlier won his right to represent himself has withdrawn his request and is now represented by a public defender.

The trial of Robert Duane Brians, 50, was to have started Sept. 12, but the new attorney asked for some time to prepare, so the trial date was re-set for Feb. 21, 2024.

Brians won his right to represent himself some months ago, but he changed his mind in San Diego Superior Court, according to the prosecutor.

Brians had some dispute with his ex-wife and wanted to punish her by killing the children. He wrote on Facebook "tonight I'm sending my babies to heaven" about 30 seconds before driving off the cliff.

He is charged with two counts of the following: attempted murder, kidnapping,

child abduction, making criminal threats, felony child abuse, and child endangerment in the June 13, 2020 incident in which he drove off Sunset Cliffs with the 2-year-old twin girls at 4:30 a.m.

Miraculously, everyone survived, even though his truck smashed upside down on a rock with the cab underwater. Brians was seen holding the girls outside on the rocks.

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City unveils design concepts for new Ocean Beach Pier

By DAVE SCHWAB | THE BEACON

City officials presented three preliminary design concepts for a new pier during a third community workshop on Sept. 9 on the Ocean Beach Pier Renewal Project. Engineering and architectural consultants provided a summary of the public input received thus far on the project to potentially replace the 57-year-old OB Pier. The preliminary design concepts feature ideas for specific amenities as previously prioritized by community members. Those include how the pier meets the land, on-pier viewing areas, and public gathering spaces.

“These concepts have been developed focused on creating a welcoming atmosphere, introducing a variety of place-making strategies, enhancing retail and dining opportunities, and improving fishing and surfing which are hallmarks of the existing Ocean Beach Pier,” the City said in its PowerPoint presentation. “The concepts have been developed to uniquely respect and honor the pier’s history while striving to meet the community’s present and future needs while maintaining and enhancing the pier as a local icon.”

Noting all three preliminary design options include improved ADA accessibility with an emphasis on equitable access to the ocean, the City’s PowerPoint added the goal is to “allow for the integration of sustainable and educational features that will further enhance the pier experience. While each design concept was developed as a standalone idea, each contains a variety of placemaking strategies. The idea behind this is to allow the community to look at each place-making strategy on its own,



One of the City’s design concepts for a new Ocean Beach Pier.
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and determine which areas and features of each concept they like, to then be combined into a single preferred alternative.”

The full workshop presentation and survey are posted at OBPierRenewal.com. San Diegans are encouraged to visit the site, read the complete presentation, and fill out the survey before Oct. 9. The survey results will help shape the preferred design concept.

“This was the final workshop of 2023, but not of the process,” said Tyler Becker, City spokesperson. “We will host another workshop early next year to share the preferred design concept with the public.”

The Ocean Beach Pier Renewal Project aims to provide a long-term solution for the pier through a potential replacement. A 2018 study determined that the pier has reached the end of its service life.

DESIGN CONCEPTS

Concept 1 – The Squint Test concept utilizes the current pier’s layout and design but proposes to widen the pier, add a fishing deck around a reconstructed café building, and introduce an additional deck south of a new building with upgraded restrooms, and potential retail space and/or a community room. It is referred to as The Squint Test because this concept explores placemaking and activation strategies that have been thoughtfully located to minimize their visibility and retain the historic and iconic silhouette of the pier as seen from land.

Concept 2 – The Remora is inspired by the symbiotic relationship between the Remora fish and the sharks that they attach themselves to. It highlights the original layout and design of the pier and adds a series of features that celebrate the unique ocean experiences and activities at the heart of the Ocean Beach community. New features include a shaded surfer’s lounge area, an enhanced junior lifeguard jump platform, an expanded deck at the reconstructed historic café for outdoor dining, integrated fishing amenities, and an expanded plaza with a small retail pavilion.

Concept 3 – The Braid concept builds upon the long, linear experience of the pier, reworking it into a series of separate but interconnected pathways that provide visitors with a unique and distinct ocean experience compared to other piers across southern California. Along with the normal walking path, this concept includes viewing experiences both above and below the pier’s elevation. Other features include potential retail, dining, and community spaces, lowered fishing areas, enhanced restrooms, and a curvilinear layout to the arms on the west end, which increases the pier’s length.

Consequently, the City is pursuing a potential replacement of the pier as the best option considering the ongoing costs of repairs, the need to modernize the existing facility, and the anticipation of future sea-level rise.

The project is currently in the preliminary engineering and planning phase and still needs to go through other phases, including California Environmental Quality Act and National Environmental Policy Act permitting, other regional agency permitting, design and construction.

After the preferred design concept is completed, a detailed project schedule and cost estimate will be prepared. Currently, \$8.4 million in state funding is designated for the project. The City will pursue other state and federal grants.

BREWERY GRAND OPENING

California Wild Ales held the grand opening of its new brewery and tasting room at 3826 Sherman St. in the Midway District on Friday, Sept. 15. The brewery moved to the Point Loma area from its original location in Sorrento Valley, where it had been operating since 2015. The brewery offers a wide variety of classic fruited sours, clean IPAs, and lagers.

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A postcard mural on the former Navy base greets guests. DAVE SCHWAB/PENINSULA BEACON



Lisa Johnson, president CEO of nonprofit NTC Foundation, standing next to a mixed-media re-creation of the famous Iwo Jima flag raising in the Dick Laub NTC Command Center hallway. DAVE SCHWAB/PENINSULA BEACON

By DAVE SCHWAB | THE BEACON

Arts District Liberty Station with its seemingly endless green promenades and public spaces on its 100 park-like acres, is home to more than 100 museums and galleries, artist studios, dance companies, fine dining restaurants,

and creative retail spaces.

Recently, Lisa Johnson, president/CEO of the nonprofit NTC Foundation, which manages the historic Arts District, took the Peninsula Beacon on a tour of this cultural mecca at the former Naval Training Center, where 17 of the district's 26 historic buildings have

been completed.

The Arts District is home to nearly 145 tenants including artists, galleries, creative businesses, museums, and nonprofits. More than 800,000 people visit the district annually, adding economic impact and jobs to what was once

a shuttered Navy training site.

The first stop on the Arts District tour was the Dick Laub NTC Command Center at 2640 Historic Decatur Road. In 2014, the NTC Command Center was named in honor of Richard "Dick" Laub, a Point Loma Realtor and Navy veteran.

LIBERTY STATION

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■ City of San Diego ownership: 1997-2000.

■ McMillin master developer: 2000-present.

■ Liberty Station's nonprofit NTC Foundation was founded in 2000.

■ Arts District's first building opened in 2006.

■ 2017 marked the 10th anniversary year celebrating the opening of the Arts District (formerly NTC Promenade).

Johnson greeted us inside the command center's huge front archway. She spoke of the mission of the 23-year-old NTC Foundation. "This is the centennial for the (former NTC) base, which was deactivated in 1997, and it reverted back the original ownership, the City of San Diego," Johnson said adding redevelopment subsequently went out to bid to developers and McMillin, a local firm, was selected to be the master developer.

"To this day, the McMillin family is still involved," pointed out Johnson adding, "It was a passion and a legacy project for their family. Part of the plan was for it (Arts District) not to be owned and operated by the City, but to have a private nonprofit foundation activate and operate an arts and culture district."

Johnson noted there are eight buildings remaining to be developed in the Arts District. "Part of our mission as an arts and culture district is to support nonprofits, so we try to keep our rents reasonable," she noted, adding hospitality is a top-priority use for the remaining buildings whenever they are developed.

Running the length of the command center's hallway is usually historic depictions of Point Loma and the tuna-fishing industry. But with the centennial, it is now a gallery of military-themed art utilizing mixed-media 3-D portraits made of colored screws, including a re-creation of the famous Iwo Jima flag raising.

The next tour stop was in the command center at the Nautical History Gallery & Museum, which chronicles U.S. Navy history from 1776-1945. The museum is "captained" by Joseph Frangiosa Jr., a Navy veteran who is like a kid at play in his second home. "People can spend hours with him because he's so interesting," noted Johnson, adding the command center also has its own childcare space for employees.

In the rear of the command center is a rose garden, a fountain, and a concrete public space frequently used by roller skaters. This is also where "Installations at the Station" begins. Johnson pointed out installations are "our public art program."

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tasting glass to use and keep. Register: pointloma.jensensfoods.com/order-online/rhythm-brews.

JIMMY BUFFETT TRIBUTE
& PARADE

A Jimmy Buffett Tribute & Parade with the San Diego Parrot Head Club will take place at 3 p.m. on Sept. 22 at Campland on the Bay, 2211 Pacific Beach Drive. On Friday, the second line procession (parade) around Campland starts at 3 p.m. (a New Orleans-style funeral procession), Buffett trivia at 4:30 p.m., followed by a tribute and toast to Jimmy around 4:50 p.m., and live music from 5-9:30 p.m. On Saturday, Sept. 23, there will be live music from 10 a.m.-9:30

p.m., silent auction, raffles, games, beer/wine/soda/water garden, cornhole tournament, and used tropical shirt sales, all to benefit the San Diego Parrot Head Club's charities. This year's donations benefit Honor Flight San Diego and Us4Warriors. Wristbands for the event are \$40 per person donation, which includes non-stop live music on Saturday, entrance to the beer garden while supplies last. The San Diego Parrot Head Club is the third largest in the world.

END ZONE PARTY

A Homecoming Tailgate End Zone Party is set for Friday, Sept. 22 from 4-6 p.m. Enjoy a private area with food from local restaurants

and then watch the varsity game from the end zone. Ticket price includes: admission to the game, private area Tailgate Party during the JV game and preferred seating in the west end zone. Ticket prices are \$75 for two, \$40 for one. All proceeds go to PLHS-PA Football.

NTC PARK REFURBISHMENT

The Point Loma Association as announced that, in the next couple weeks, DPR Construction is expected to begin demolishing the dilapidated granite submarine memorials at NTC Park in Liberty Station, replacing them with concrete replicas and fresh information plaques. The company is donating their work, and now that the City

has released the Right of Entry Permit, it is hoped the DPR can fit the memorial restoration project into their busy schedule soon. In the weeks ahead, PLA's Mean Green Team will continue to work on the landscaping around the submarine monuments so the site's are ready for this year's wreath-laying event on Dec. 7.

COMEDY WORKSHOP

A one-night stand-up comedy workshop will be held Friday, Sept. 22 starting at 8 p.m. at Point Loma Playhouse, 3035 Talbot St. Hilarious members of ActLiveNow will be performing their sets live on stage. Doors open 7:30 p.m. All seats \$15.



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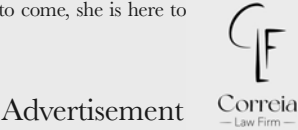
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Deja Correia lives in Point Loma and works in Ocean Beach. She is a wife, mother, sailor, and philanthropic community member presently serving on the Point Loma Summer Concerts Board of Directors. Deja is a member of The State Bar of California, California Lawyers Association, San Diego County Bar Association, and is a founding member of The Psychedelic Bar Association.

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Joella Peregoy grew up in an El Mirage (a small town in Arizona) and raised by immigrant parents. The first in her family to graduate college, she has had a varied background. Jo was on the cutting edge of data tech support in the early years working with AT&T and US cellular. She also worked in the hospitality industry and as a retail assistant manager for Michael's.

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Pointers give defending state champs a hard-fought game



Pointer ball carrier Aaron Lee (21) is upended by defenders from state champion Mater Dei Catholic during last week's non-league showdown on the Pointer field.
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By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

It was what the big crowd at Pete Ross Stadium had been waiting for. Their Pointers had just scored their first touchdown of the game against Mater Dei Catholic, a four-yard pass from Brady Allen to Canon Ogden to bring their team from a 9-0 deficit to within two at 9-7 with just 45 seconds left before halftime. The momentum had swung to the Pointers.

But the ensuing kickoff into a steady offshore breeze was caught by Mater Dei's return man who broke to the left and dashed down the sideline for a touchdown that stretched his team's lead to 16-7 and that hard-fought momentum had vaporized in seconds.

In the third quarter, the Pointers pounced on a Crusader fumble, giving them a short 27-yard field with just under four minutes remaining. In the waning seconds, Allen went down briefly with a severe leg cramp, and during his absence freshman quarterback Ryder Watson handed off

to Rocket Robinson who blasted through the Crusader defense for the Pointers' second touchdown. The extra point kick was blocked leaving the Pointers again close at 16-13 as hope resurfaced among Pointer fans.

In the fourth quarter, the Pointers found themselves deep in their own territory with a fourth down. A decision was made to go for the first down and a questionable spot by referees preceded an on-field chain measurement showing the Pointers were short by about two inches. The Crusaders scored two plays later and again in the final quarter for the 30-13 final score.

The game marked the Pointers' first home contest of the season on their newly resurfaced turf field and the fifth of six non-league games. Two of those opponents were Div. I team (Madison, an Open Division team last year, and Mater Dei, a back-to-back state champion) and the Div. II Pointers had hoped to be no worse than 3-2 as they head into the final non-league game and Eastern League

opener. Instead, they sit at 2-3 with the frustrating loss to Rancho Bernardo resulting in some lineup changes for the Pointers. Inserting Allen as quarterback was one of the changes made.

"That was a good football team on the other side and our kids played really well," said head coach Joel Allen. "The defense played great. They (Mater Dei) have won two consecutive state championships and have a running back going to San Diego State and a receiver going to University of Arizona."

And injuries are beginning to take a toll on the Pointers.

"Guys have been injured and playing but not practicing all week," he said, so game planning is like 'I don't know what we're going to get.' Obviously, Brady (Allen) playing quarterback brings something but you lose the chance to throw him the ball. We are hoping to put up a league banner and that starts after we take on San Diego High (tonight)."

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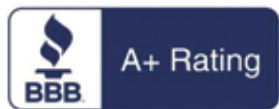
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Pointers hire National Coach of the Year as new baseball head coach

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The Point Loma Pointers dropped a bombshell on local prep baseball circles when they announced on Sunday they have hired 2023 National High School Baseball Coaches Association Coach of the Year Rigo Ledezma to lead their baseball program.

Ledezma was also named county co-coach of the year by the San Diego Padres in 2022 and

last season led his Santana High Sultans to the San Diego CIF Div. I baseball championship and the state finals.

In fact, Ledezma's team knocked the Pointers out of that tournament with a 3-1 victory at the Santana field where his team used the techniques he has taught to get runners on base and then rattle the nerves of defenders into making critical errors that score runs.

"Having dedicated over a decade of his life to Santana High



Rigo Ledezma has been hired as the new varsity head baseball coach at Point Loma High. He was named the 2023 Coach of the Year by the National High School Baseball Coaches Association.

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School's baseball program," said Manny Diaz Jr., PLHS athletic director. "Coach Ledezma comes to us with a wealth of knowledge, experience, and passion. Over the past 22 years, he not only honed his coaching skills but also spent a remarkable decade as their head baseball coach."

"In welcoming Ledezma, we are not just embracing a mentor who knows the game inside out, but one who truly believes in unlocking the potential of every young player, guiding them towards becoming outstanding ball players and even greater human beings," Diaz added.

Ledezma will begin building his coaching staff immediately once he is officially hired. Moving forward players and families will hear directly from Ledezma about the next steps he has planned for the program.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017034 Fictitious Business Name(s) a.PALATE, 2552 B STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92102 Is registered by the following: a.JOSEPHINE FARMER This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.JOSEPHINE FARMER TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 17, 2023 ISSUE DATES: August 25 ,September 1, 8 & 15 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9016390 Fictitious Business Name(s) a.PREMIUM FINANCING PARTNERS b. ANNUITY INCOME & GROWTH PARTNERS, 10505 SORRENTO VALLEY RD, STE 110, SAN DIEGO, CA 92121 Is registered by the following: a. WEALTH FINANCIAL LIFE INSURANCE SERVICES, INC. This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 10/30/2020 Registrant Name: a. WEALTH FINANCIAL LIFE INSURANCE SERVICES, INC. TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor ARSENO GRINDU-LO, PRESIDENT The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 07, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017106 Fictitious Business Name(s) aTHE PROCESSING CO, 4757 49TH ST, SAN DIEGO, CA 92115 Is registered by the following: a. KATHERINE MUSA This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 8/14/2023 Registrant Name:a. KATHERINE MUSA TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 17, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9016344 Fictitious Business Name(s) aNIGHT-HAWK SOCAL, 325 W. WASHINGTON ST #2338, SAN DIEGO, CA 92103 Is registered by the following: a. TAYLOR WESTLEY This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 07/09/2023 Registrant Name:a. TAYLOR WESTLEY TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 07, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017645 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. R & E MOBILE NOTARY, 15844 BROAD OAKS RD, EL CAJON, CA 92021 Is registered by the following: a. RICHARD BLANDING JR This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 08/24/2023 Registrant Name:a.RICHARD BLANDING JR TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 24, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017645 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SAKASEGAWA COMMERCIAL CONSULTANTS INC. b.SAKASEGAWA PROPERTY MANAGEMENT c.SCC d. SPM e.PACIFIC CRANE REALTY f. PCR g.PACIFIC CRANE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT h.PCPM, 1050 ROSECRANS STREET, SUITE C, SAN DIEGO, CA 92106 Is registered by the following: a. SAKASEGAWA COMMERCIAL CONSULTANTS INC This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 11/2/2005 Registrant Name: a SAKASEGAWA COMMERCIAL CONSULTANTS INC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor JAMES SAKASEGAWA, PRESIDENT The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 24, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9015757 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. GROOVIE'S OF CALIFORNIA, 1135 GARNET #11, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 Is registered by the following: a.HENRY M GARVEY III This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.HENRY M GARVEY III TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JULY 27, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017792 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. WANDERING WOMAN PRESS b. WANDERING WOMAN ADVENTURES ,1304 DIAMOND ST SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 Is registered by the following: a.MICHELLE SEXTON, ND This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.Mi-

CHELLE SEXTON, ND TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 28, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017549 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. TEMPLE BARBERSHOP, 6555 BALBOA AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92111 Is registered by the following: a.TEMPLE MANAGEMENT, LLC This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.TEMPLE MANAGEMENT, LLC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor JUSTIN KOMISI WASHINGTON, CEO The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 23, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. 2023-9018043 Fictitious Business Name to be Abandoned: a.FOX COLLEGE FUNDING, 7825 FAY AVENUE SUITE 210, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 . The Fictitious Business name referred to above was filed in San Diego County on: 09/30/2021 and assigned File No. 2021-9021882 Fictitious Business name is being abandoned by: FINANCIAL ALTERNATIVES, INC, 7825 FAY AVENUE SUITE 210, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION . I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).) Registrant name: JAMES ALAN FREEMAN, PRESIDENT . Title of officer, if limited liability company/corporation. The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder/ County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 31, 2023 . ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017396 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. PARADISE PAYMENT SOLUTIONS, 2156 REED AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 Is registered by the following: a.WEST ROSE LLC This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.WEST ROSE LLC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor ROCKY GROVER, CEO The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 22, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9016547 Fictitious Business Name(s) a.GYRO LUXURY DETAILS, 10144 DEL RIO ROAD, SPRING VALLEY, CA 91977 Is registered by the following: a.TIMOTHY RYAN STEPHENSON This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 8-9-23 Registrant Name: a.TIMOTHY RYAN STEPHENSON TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 09, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018197 Fictitious Business Name(s) a.CAL-FLORA HORTICULTURE & LANDSCAPE b.CALFLORA NATIVESCAPES, 4719 ORCHARD AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92107 Is registered by the following: a.SCOTT JONES This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 8-9-23 Registrant Name: a.SCOTT JONES TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018063 Fictitious Business Name(s) a.LSD26.COM b. EVENT TACTICS, 975 ½ DIAMOND ST, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 Is registered by the following: a.MICHAEL PATRICK MCGRATH This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 8/1/2023 Registrant Name: a.MICHAEL PATRICK MCGRATH TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 31, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9015472 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SUN-BABY FLORALS, 1618 REED AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 Is registered by the following: a. RACHEL NICOLE POTTER This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 06-01-23 Registrant Name: a. RACHEL NICOLE POTTER . TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JULY 25, 2023 ISSUE DATES: September 8, 15 , 22 & 29, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017886 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. .I.AM. CHAI.2., 4601 DAKOTA DRIVE 2, SAN DIEGO, CA 92117 Is registered by the following: a.EDGAR EDWARD RODRIGUEZ This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.EDGAR EDWARD RODRIGUEZ TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 29, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 15 ,22, 29 & October 6, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018325 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. PIONEER CONSTRUCTION, 2715 S. CENTER CITY PARKWAY, SUITE A, ESCONIDODO, CA 92025 Is registered by the following: a.GHOLAM REZA SAMANDARI This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: MARCH 21, 2003 Registrant Name: a.GHOLAM REZA SAMANDARI TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 15 ,22, 29 & October 6, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018520 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. OPEN PLAY THERAPY, 3711 LOUISIANA ST #5, SAN DIEGO, CA 92104 Is registered by the following: a.HELLER PHYSICAL THERAPY, INC This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.HELLER PHYSICAL THERAPY, INC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor Daniel Heller, President The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 8, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 15 ,22, 29 & October 6, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018586 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. BLOOM GINGER LEMONADE, 7901 CIVITA BLVD #425, SAN DIEGO, CA 92108 Is registered by the following: a. CHASING HAPPY, LLC This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.CHASING HAPPY, LLC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor ANTOINE DEBNICKI, CEO The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 8, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 15 ,22, 29 & October 6, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9016466 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. MAG-NOLIAS COLD BREW AND COFFEE, 3149 SWEETWATER SPRINGS BLVD APT 191, SPRING VALLEY, CA 91978 Is registered by the following: a.KIM RABAGO This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.KIM RABAGO TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 8, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 15 ,22, 29 & October 6, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018393 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. JUN-GL E BOYS DISPENSARY, 8160 PARKWAY DRIVE, LA MESA, CA 91942 Is registered by the following: a. PARKWAY VENTURES, LLC This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 07/01/2023 Registrant Name: a. PARKWAY VENTURES, LLC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor SARMAH HAL-LAK, MANAGER The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 15 ,22, 29 & October 6, 2023

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. 2023-9019001 Fictitious Business Name to be Abandoned: a.MAGIC AUTO BODY OF LEMON GROVE INC, 7636 NORTH AVE, LEMON GROVE, CA 91945 . The Fictitious Business name referred to above was filed in San Diego County on: 04/01/2015 and assigned File No. 2015-0100047 Fictitious Business name is being abandoned by: MAGIC AUTO BODY OF LEMON GROVE INC, 7636 NORTH, STE B, LEMON GROVE, CA 91945 This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION . I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).) Registrant name: JUSTIN SOBEK, PRESIDENT . Title of officer, if limited liability company/corporation. The statement was filed with Ernest J. Dronenburg, Jr., Recorder/ County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 . ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 22, 29, October 6 & 13, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018241 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. LUO FAMILY ENTERPRISES, 12520 ROBISON BLVD, POWAY, CA 92064 Is registered by the following: a.LO HSIAO-PAO This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 09/05/2023 Registrant Name: a.LO HSIAO-PAO TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 22, 29, October 6 & 13, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9019005 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. KKC HANDYMAN SERVICES, 2905 RIDGEWAY DRIVE, NATIONAL CITY, CA 91950 Is registered by the following: a.JESUS ADAUTO BAOS VELASCO, This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 09/01/2023 Registrant Name: a JESUS ADAUTO BAOS VELASCO TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 22, 29, October 6 & 13, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9017096 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SEXTANT DESIGN, INC, 3201 30TH ST, SAN DIEGO, CA 92104 Is registered by the following: a.SEXTANT DESIGN, INC , This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 01/05/2023 Registrant Name: a SEXTANT DESIGN, INC TITLE of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor BRYAN BUSHAW, PRESIDENT The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 17, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 22, 29, October 6 & 13, 2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9018470 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. UP BOUNCE HOUSE SD, 6262 LAKE APOPKA PL, SAN DIEGO, CA 92119 Is registered by the following: a.MC-GREEVY FAMILY RENTALS , This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a.MCGREEVY FAMILY RENTALS , of Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor COLIN MCGREEVY, PRESIDENT The statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: AUGUST 17, 2023 ISSUE DATES: SEPTEMBER 22, 29, October 6 & 13, 2023

San Diego’s wildest Oktoberfest set for Oct. 6-7 in Ocean Beach



Festival-goers having fun at last year’s OB Oktoberfest. COURTESY PHOTO

By DAVE SCHWAB | THE BEACON

Ocean Beach Oktoberfest, promoted as “San Diego’s wildest,” returns this year for its 21st installment on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 6-7.

Sponsored by Jägermeister, the fall classic event is one of only seven the liquor giant chose to sponsor this year out of hundreds of applications nationwide. Live music, activities, and drinks will be flowing on Friday, Oct. 6, from 4-11:30 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 7, from noon-11:30 p.m. To celebrate OB Oktoberfest, visit OBOktoberfest.com or follow on Instagram and Facebook.

“We’re thrilled to be recognized and sponsored by Jägermeister as one of the top Oktoberfests throughout the entire country,” said event founder and beach entrepreneur Scott Slaga. “With over two decades of tradition, this iconic event blends the vibrancy of live music, the thrill of contests, and the camaraderie of community, setting the stage for

an unforgettable start to October in America’s Finest City.”

The day-and-night, two-day event will feature live music from both local and nationally touring artists including Afroman, Ballyhoo!, Paging the 90s, Band of Gringos, and more. Partygoers can also look forward to a 4:20 happy hour, a drag show, Oktoberfest-themed contests and games including a Mr. and Ms. Oktoberfest competition, the traditional stein-holding contest, brat eating, and more. Attendees 21-plus can enjoy traditional German brews, local beer, wine, spirits, and delicious local bites.

Proceeds from OB Oktoberfest will benefit the Ocean Beach MainStreet Association (specifically the Friends of OB Program), The Peninsula Alliance, and The Warrior Foundation Freedom Station. The event raises over \$50,000 per year for community partners and has raised \$750,000 total to date.

General admission is \$10 and available the day-of at the gate. Those interested in VIP tickets for

OKTOBERFEST’S ORIGIN

Ocean Beach Oktoberfest event founder Scott Slaga, and Ocean Beach MainStreet Association, teamed up to put the beach community’s own cultural stamp on the international German festival. Slaga is a beach entrepreneur and co-owner of Winstons Beach Club in OB and 710 Beach Club in Pacific Beach. OBMA is the community’s business improvement district. Together, the pair share responsibility for transforming the event.

Slaga came up with the notion of holding a beach Oktoberfest after being introduced to Oktoberfest in Munich, Germany in 2000. “I’d never seen such a celebration before, 600,000 people in 20 huge beer tents, all of it bigger than a football field with 7,500 people per tent,” he said. “It was all ages and no language barriers, with people drinking and dancing and singing.”

Fresh in his mind while returning to San Diego from Germany, it occurred to Slaga that San Diego needed its own Oktoberfest. The inaugural OB Oktoberfest was held at Dusty Rhodes Park in 2002, then over to Del Mar before finally finding a lasting home at the beach in OB. Being outdoors, in an oceanfront setting, is what makes the event something rare and special. “Our Oktoberfest is different from all the others,” said Slaga. “We don’t follow tradition. We have some good German food and beer, but we have our own music and contests.”

\$49 can purchase ahead of time, which includes entrance, a custom one-liter “OB Oktoberfest” mug filled with two beers, access to an exclusive VIP area with a bar area, upgraded restrooms, and priority re-entry.

Ocean Beach-based Strawberry Disco Circus to close Oktoberfest on Saturday

By DAVE SCHWAB | THE BEACON

Local focus and taking things to the next level make Ocean Beach’s annual Oktoberfest so special, say event organizers.

And, closing out this year’s two-day event on Oct. 6-7 making it something truly extraordinary, will be a theatrical musical performance by Ocean Beach-based band Strawberry Disco Circus. The circus “crew,” decked out in big top costuming, will perform at 10:15 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7.

Heather Hudson, OB Oktoberfest’s director of marketing and partnerships, talked about what goes into staging the beach extravaganza on back-to-back days each year, and what makes OB’s version of Oktoberfest so unique.

“Every year we bring in a new bigger and different lineup and we pride ourselves on having fun musical and other acts both local and national, with contests on stage in-between those acts,” noted

Hudson. She added Friday’s music lineup features Afroman, King Julian, Electric Waste Band, and Vokab Kompany, while Saturday’s headliners include Ballyhoo!, The Gravities, Paging the ‘90s, Lady Dottie & The Diamonds, Band of Gringos, and the acrobatic Strawberry Disco Circus. She added Saturday’s event schedule also includes an Ofest drag show at 7:15 p.m.

Proceeds from this year’s OB Oktoberfest once again will support community groups and nonprofits including Ocean Beach MainStreet Association’s Friends of OB Program, The Peninsula Alliance, and The Warrior Foundation Freedom Station, which supports transitioning and rehabilitating servicemen and women.

“The event raises over \$50,000 per year for community partners and has raised \$750,000 total to date,” said Hudson who added Oktoberfest organizers have pledged funding to help the

nonprofit Warrior Foundation build a third Freedom Station housing project.

Hudson said the core team staging OB Oktoberfest is small, just a handful of people, but their contribution to the event and the community is huge. “It’s very much a community effort,” she said. “One person can’t take credit for this.”

Hudson added, “We are always looking to grow and evolve, and we’re always willing to take feedback from the community to make the event better.”

Shine Ray, spokesperson for Strawberry Disco Circus, noted the band, a project of The Template on Niagara Avenue in OB, has an ensemble cast including four stilt artists and an aerialist.

“The name comes from our love of theater performance, funk, and disco,” said Ray, who comes from a family that worked with Cirque de Soleil.

Of their act, Ray said: “We create this immersive experience, an original musical.”



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Damaged lighthouse repaired, and returned to brighten PLHS stadium

By SCOTT HOPKINS | THE BEACON

Earlier this century a group of PLHS alums from the Class of 1950 decided that a model lighthouse would be a great addition to the school's stadium and also elevate student spirits.

They contributed money to a fund that eventually saw the creation of a model lighthouse that was mounted atop the corner of the school's gymnasium facing the home football stands. The model had a working light and horn that could be sounded when the Pointers scored.

But a strong storm severely damaged the lighthouse years ago and it was taken down from its perch.

Fast forward to recent times when current PLHS football booster president Janiza Terzoli and his family took an interest in the damaged structure.

Terzoli enlisted her brother, Lawrence Virissimo, Class of 1999, to make the structure's repair a sibling labor of love.

Last week, Virissimo transported the repaired lighthouse to the Pointer football field where it was used in the football game against Mater Dei Catholic.

The refurbished lighthouse has

a new light, a pair of air horns that blast a foghorn-like sound, and a machine that sends clouds of fog tumbling out over the base. Virissimo linked all of the functions to a remote control.

A new mounting location is under discussion.

HOMEcoming WEEK ACTIVITIES

The Homecoming Dance will be held on Sept. 23 at NOVA in the Gaslamp Quarter from 7-10 p.m. Tickets are \$50 or \$35 with an ASB Card. All attending will be breathalyzed and searched before entering.

This week at PLHS has been "Spirit Week" with activities and dress-up days as follows:

Monday: Ken vs. Barbie.

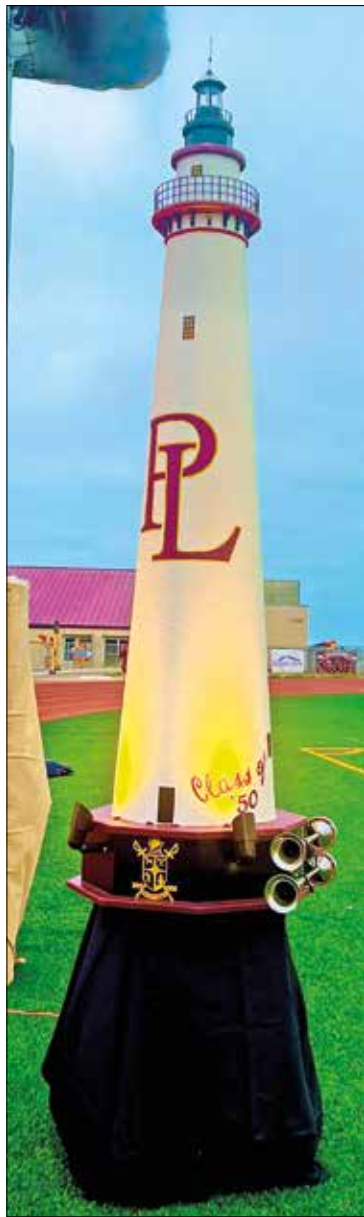
Tuesday: Mathletes vs. Athletes.

Wednesday: BBQ Dad vs. Soccer Mom.

Thursday: Country vs. Country Club.

Friday: "Pink Out!"

The Homecoming football game vs. San Diego High is at 7 p.m. with a halftime presentation of cheerleaders, marching band, Homecoming Court, Alumni Walk, and class skit and dance competition.



The newly refurbished PLHS lighthouse sits on the stadium field at its recent unveiling. Work on the structure was done by Class of 1999 alum Lawrence Virissimo and his sister Janiza Terzoli.

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SUNSET CLIFFS CAR SHOW

The inaugural Sunset Cliffs Car Show was a success. On Saturday, Sept. 9, the corners of Sunset Cliffs Boulevard and Point Loma Boulevard became a colorful showplace for classic cars, trucks, motorcycles, and golf carts. The family-friendly event was hosted by the Inn at Sunset Cliffs, Saint Peters By The Sea, and Trinidad Motors parking lots. There were food trucks, music, free giveaways, raffles, and ride-along in exotic vehicles. A Kid Zone offered airbrush tattoos and balloon art. Bike valets were on deck to enjoy the ocean view. Out of 57 entries, the '57 Rolls Royce (above) took the grand prize of \$1,000 cash. Sponsors of the event included The Olive Tree Market, Ulivo, Ocean Beach Mainstreet Association, Music As You Like It, Revoked Mob, Zed Electric,

and Efficient Working Bodies. (PHOTO BY MIKE MCCARTHY)

PADDLE FOR CLEAN WATER

On Sunday, Oct. 1, at 8:30 a.m., join the San Diego Chapter of Surfrider at the iconic Ocean Beach Pier for an inspiring gathering to safeguard the ocean's water quality. The "Paddle for Clean Water" is a call to action, an opportunity to make your voice heard, and a chance to actively contribute to the protection of the oceans. Take to the waves with hundreds of fellow advocates and paddle (or swim!) around the Ocean Beach Pier—the longest concrete pier on the West Coast—symbolizing the commitment to cleaner waters and a healthier ocean. It is a day of advocacy and free, family-friendly fun—including coffee, bagels, beach yoga, prize drawings, and a massive paddle around the Ocean Beach Pier.



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