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A killer whale chases a dolphin off the coast of San Diego. More orcas than usual this time of year are being spied increasingly off La Jolla's shores.

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La Jolla Town Council discusses priorities for 2024

By DAVE SCHWAB

Council District 1 elected officials and their representatives discussed legislative priorities for 2024, as well as fielding questions about crime, homelessness, and local government at a La Jolla Town Council meeting on Jan. 11.

The panel discussion was followed by a group meeting with residents debating what qualities would be desirable in hiring the next police chief to replace Chief David Nisleit, who is retiring in June. The City is gathering public feedback on recruiting a new police chief in the City's ongoing nationwide search to replace Nisleit.

“The supervisor’s priorities are both housing and the homelessness crisis.”

- Celsey Taylor, speaking for Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer

The panel included District 1 Councilmember Joe LaCava, Assemblymember Tasha Boerner representative Mariah Kallhoff, Mayor Gloria representative Emily Piatanesi and Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer’s representative Celsey Taylor.

La Jolla Town Council president Treger Strasberg introduced the panelists and implored the council board and audience to behave respectfully during a Q&A panelist discussion. The panelists, in turn, were initially asked to discuss legislative priorities for their respective offices for the upcoming year.

“I’m looking to enforce regulations we have on the books for street vending, beach fires, and short-term vacation rentals,” said LaCava. “Public safety in the City, and La Jolla as well, is my top priority, especially with the coming budget season (June deliberations). I want to make sure police, fire, and lifeguards have the tools and resources they need.”

“It’s a high-level priority for Mayor Gloria to get public feedback on the character and qualities you are looking for in our next police chief,” said Piatanesi noting a similar process will be instituted to replace City Fire Chief Colin Stowell, who will also retire later this year. “Besides public safety, the mayor’s top priorities are addressing homelessness, housing and infrastructure.”

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More volunteers needed for Point in Time Count of unsheltered on Jan. 25

By DAVE SCHWAB

The Regional Task Force on Homelessness needs more volunteers for the 2024 Point in Time Count on Jan. 25 and The Compass Station in Pacific Beach is again preparing for the big day.

Upwards of 1,600 volunteers countywide will participate in the annual PIT Count interviewing unsheltered residents throughout the region from 4-8 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 25. The count is led by the RTFH as part of a federal funding mandate. It also helps RTFH learn more about the people experiencing homelessness while raising awareness about the crisis.

Caryn Blanton, executive director of nonprofit Shoreline Community Services at 1004 Chalcedony St., which addresses the unmet needs of unsheltered individuals and families in the central beach area, explained why the PIT count is so important.

"It's a federally mandated requirement to be conducted every two years, but San Diego has decided to do the count every year," Blanton said adding, "This is the best way to get a pulse on the (homeless) population."

Volunteers performing the



Volunteers for last year's Point in Time Count in the coastal area.

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PIT count have a phone app they can use now with survey questions making it easier for them to query the unsheltered. "Those participating are rewarded with a gift card," Blanton said. "We want people to engage so we can see, overall, what's going on."

Data from the PIT count has been useful in reflecting current trends in homelessness in

San Diego revealing a growing – and aging – unsheltered population. "For every 10 people who found housing –16 people experienced homelessness for the first time in San Diego County," noted Blanton. "At The Compass Station, Shoreline Community Services' drop-in resource center, 35% of the 600 individuals who visited last year were over 55 years old."

"Whether you have a strong opinion about the homeless situation, simply don't know what to think about it, or don't know how best to help, I strongly urge you to challenge yourself by volunteering for this vital count," said Dawn Reilly Jessop, who participated in last year's count volunteering with The Compass Station.

"It will provide you the opportunity to speak directly with those affected and better understand the individual experiences of our unhoused neighbors. Yes, it is early. Yes, it will be cold. But it will be eye-opening. You will meet like-minded people, help secure more funds for San Diego, hand out socks and gift cards, be rewarded in smiles, and there will most likely be free donuts and coffee."

Reilly Jessop suggested checking with your employer, as many will be willing to pay employees to take the day off to volunteer for the PIT count.

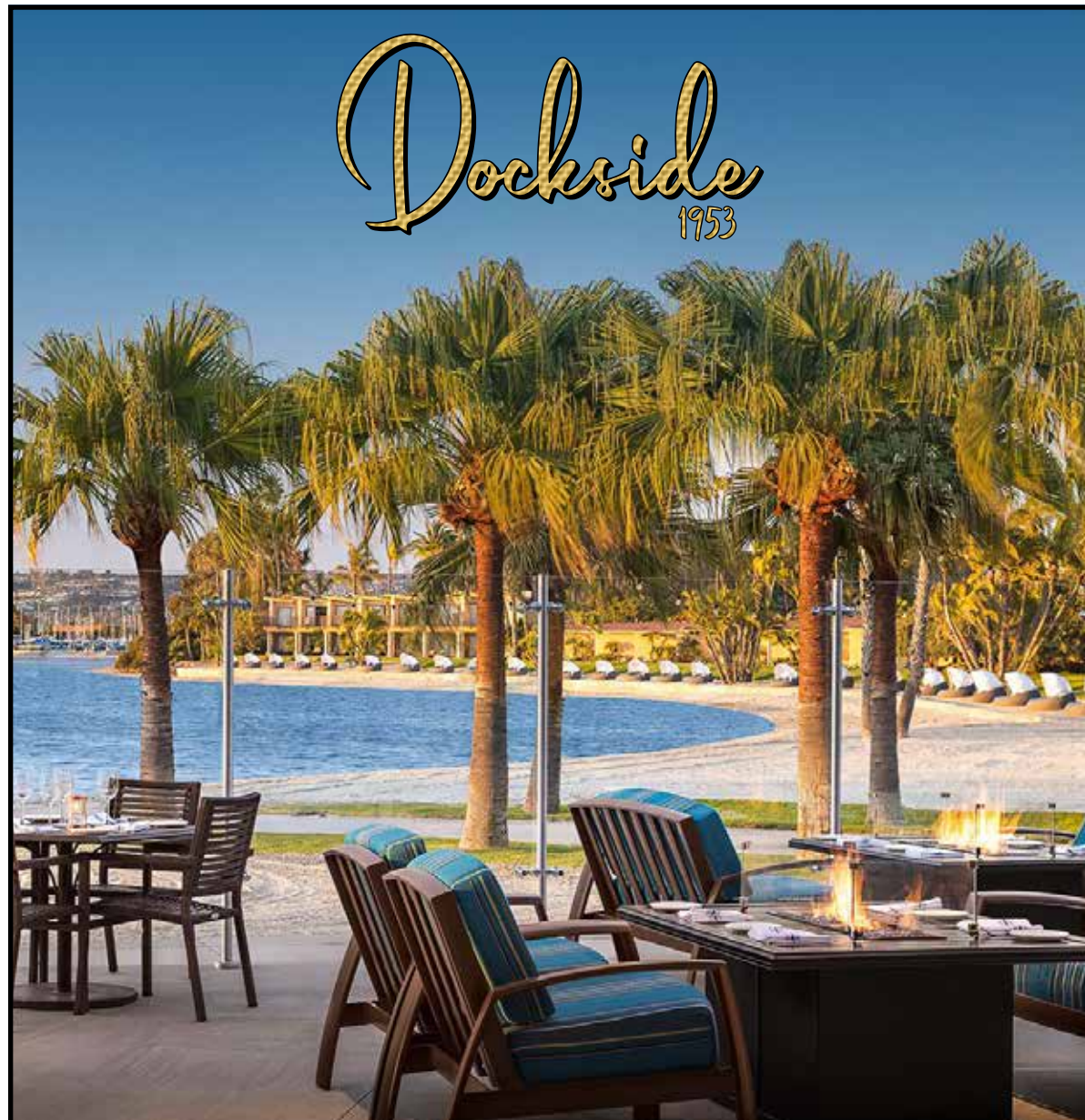
Another Shoreline PIT volunteer, Susan Harrison, agreed helping do the count is fulfilling. "This Jan. 25 will be my third experience working with the annual PIT in the San Diego beach area assisting in setting up and directing the (volunteer) teams," Harrison said.

"The irony of this small time to count is the extended amount of preparation by the County to make this small window of time come together. Maps are created for each team to search a specific area and are numbered by priority. A highly valued pair of socks is provided for each person located. Stacks of gift cards are provided for those who answer the surveys, which have been downloaded on the volunteers' cell phones."

Added Harrison: "So impressive is the recruitment and online training the County provides the volunteers. Enthusiastic people show up at 3 a.m. with high expectations for contributing. Some come as teams of friends or work teams. The work teams of Councilmember Joe La Cava and Supervisor Tara Lawson stood out as the most prepared and aware of the significance of the event. Others show up and our team helps to put them into safe groups to work together."

Concluded Harrison: "One of the values of this count is to help our community understand the scope of the situation, and to provide them opportunities to be part of the solution."

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Namvar remembers precious memories with her grandparents, such as watching classic movies and playing card games with her grandfather or helping her grandmother with cooking on Thanksgiving. "It is very sad to see your grandparent's house gone when that house was their pride and joy," said Namvar.

Mary Shiloff and Edward Shiloff, the grandparents of Namvar, are currently living in a hotel and are looking for a house to rent in the meantime. Donations will be used for rebuilding the Shiloff's home. If you would like to support them, visit GoFundMe.

HOLLINGSWORTH FAMILY NEEDS HELP AFTER LOSS OF FATHER, PB VOLUNTEER

The Hollingsworth family needs support after the beloved father and volunteer, Russ Hollingsworth died on Dec. 13. He suffered a traumatic brain injury from a car accident, leaving behind his daughter and wife.

Hollingsworth is remembered as a great family member – father, husband, brother, son, and the best dog dad. "He loved surfing, golfing, and being with his family. He coached his daughter in soccer for many years," reads the fundraiser written by Sara Weiss, the GoFundMe organizer.

He was also a volunteer as a member of OMBAC (Old Mission Beach Athletic Club) and worked actively throughout the Pacific Beach community for charitable causes.

His daughter, Kylee Hollingsworth, and wife, Tracee Hollingsworth, have been confronted with both emotional and financial challenges all of a sudden, and are having a difficult time. They are looking for financial aid from the community while they navigate through the period of grief. "Your generous contribution, no matter the size, will make a significant difference. It will not only help alleviate the financial strain but also serve as a reminder that they are not alone during this painful journey," reads the fundraiser.

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The journey began ten years ago when the current owners took over the franchise. Since then, they have been dedicated to creating a welcoming environment for all, especially

tourists who visit La Jolla. Their passion for connecting with visitors and witnessing their enjoyment while savoring delicious ice cream has been a driving force in making Haagen Dazs a cherished spot in the community.

"We feel incredibly lucky to have been a part of this wonderful journey and to have witnessed the joy on the faces of our customers," says Houda. "Our local patrons have been incredibly generous and friendly, and we've felt their support every step of the way. It's allowed us to keep our doors open until 10 pm, providing a safe and cozy place for everyone to enjoy."

As Häagen-Dazs La Jolla enters 2023-2024, the store is excited to introduce a delightful addition to its menu - coffee! Customers can now enjoy a variety of coffee options, including espresso, cappuccino, latte, and the popular Iced Brewed coffee. However, the standout addition is the Turkish coffee, which has quickly become a favorite among patrons.

To complement their ice cream and coffee offerings, Häagen-Dazs La Jolla is now baking

fresh waffle cones every day. They take pride in offering samples, allowing customers to indulge in the delicious aroma and taste of freshly baked cones before choosing their ice cream flavors.

"Our commitment to delivering exceptional ice cream and coffee experiences remains steadfast," says Houda. "This business is not just a venture for us; it's our retirement hobby, and we pour our hearts into it every day to ensure our customers leave with smiles on their faces."

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She brings a professional background in marketing, advertising and leadership positions to her 20+ years in real estate in La Jolla and the surrounding San Diego coastal communities.

Her book, *Getaway Home*, was recently published. When she is not selling real estate you'll find her with her family, traveling or writing.



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Rosa is passionate about helping people accumulate wealth through real estate and achieve financial stability for retirement. As an investor in real estate herself, she has put the model to the test and succeeded. As a Founder of the La Jolla Compass Real Estate office and a four-year recipient of the Five Star Real Estate Agent Award, she is a sought-after real estate expert. She is an outspoken advocate for her clients which has earned her a reputation for prioritizing client relationships, strategic negotiation skills and an impeccable attention to details. She is a trust and probate specialist, and a certified negotiator.

The same integrity, professionalism and commitment that has propelled her professional and business successes, she devotes to her volunteerism, philanthropy and community service. She currently serves as the chairman of the board of trustees of New Americans Museum and Immigration Learning Center leading efforts to uplift the stories of the contributions of immigrants to America's success. She is a founding member of Latinas Foundation and has served on the executive committee of the board of the National Latina Business Women's Association, San Diego Chapter. Throughout her career, she has received many industry accolades and has been recognized for her volunteer work and civic service.

Rosa calls Pacific Beach home where she remains grounded in family life and savoring time spent with her son Teddy. She enjoys traveling, hiking and sports, wine and great food, and especially spending quality time with family and friends.

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Woman faces up to 27 years for stabbing man on trolley in La Jolla

By NEAL PUTNAM

A woman who stabbed a man on the Blue Line Trolley while it was stopped in La Jolla faces up to 27 years in prison after she pleaded guilty to attempted murder.

It has not yet been disclosed if Angelina Montes Stricklen, 31, knew the sleeping victim, 21, but they were not together when the Oct. 22 incident occurred.

Witnesses said Stricklen came up beside the man and stabbed him several times. The man woke up and managed to stumble out of the trolley where it was stopped at 3449 Nobel Drive in La Jolla at 5 p.m.

Police said witnesses told them she said nothing and went back to her seat. She exited the trolley at the UTC station on Genessee Avenue, police said.

The victim flagged down Metropolitan Transit System security for help on the elevated structure and paramedics were called, who then took him to a hospital.

The Nobel Drive stop is on the Blue Line Trolley and is the first stop on northbound trains in La

Jolla after the 5-mile gap as trolleys navigate Rose Canyon.

San Diego Crime Stoppers released photos of Stricklen to the media on Oct. 25 and offered a \$1,000 reward to anyone who provided info that led to her arrest and conviction. She was arrested Oct. 30.

Court records show she pleaded guilty to attempted murder and admitted to all allegations and all prior offenses including a prior violent felony, which is why she faces a maximum 27-year sentence.

San Diego Superior Court Judge Rachel Cano set sentencing for Jan. 25. Stricklen remains in the Las Colinas Women's Detention Facility without bail.

Her previous conviction from 2021 from Vista Superior Court says she committed child endangerment with a weapon, but it does not say what happened. The court document says it was a "violent felony."

The prosecutor and defense attorney could not be reached for comment. The file from the 2021 case is at the Vista courthouse. She also has a prior conviction for vandalism in 2012, according to court records.

Enhance La Jolla looking to build on last year's successes in Village

ENHANCE LA JOLLA

Passed by a 56% to 44% margin by mail ballot of residents and businesses in November 2016, Enhance La Jolla, a maintenance assessment district, is dedicated to preserving and physically improving the Village of La Jolla. Established as a nonprofit, Enhance La Jolla and its 13-member board are operated by commercial and residential property owners within the boundaries of the La Jolla MAD. The organization's primary goal is to help create inviting and appealing public spaces that bring people together improving quality of life. The La Jolla Community Foundation was established in 2008 to enhance the aesthetic character of the community through private investment and to create inviting public spaces to bring people together. As an affiliate of The San Diego Community Foundation, The La Jolla Community Foundation is the fundraising arm of Enhance La Jolla. The City's Economic Development Department oversees nine MADs, while its Parks and Recreation Department manages 55 MADs citywide. Seven of the MADs administered by Economic Development are self-managed by nonprofits.

Enhance La Jolla board meetings are held the first month of each quarter on the third Thursday at 4 p.m. For more information, visit enhancelajolla.org. To report issues needing attention within the La Jolla MAD, call 858-444-5892 or email manager@enhancelajolla.org.



By DAVE SCHWAB

Looking back – and ahead – Enhance La Jolla, the community's maintenance assessment district, was productive in 2023, and looking forward to building on that success in 2024.

Enhance La Jolla is one of 64 MADs citywide. "We are the third-largest MAD by size and budget in the City of San Diego," said Brian Earley, district manager of Enhance La Jolla, which was created by the La Jolla Community Foundation to meet the demands of the level of care needed for the public right of way in the boundaries of the district. Its services include landscape, janitorial, power washing, and graffiti abatement.

La Jolla's MAD was highly active in 2023 with numerous administrative goals spearheaded and achieved by Enhance La Jolla's board of directors including:

- Hiring a new district manager (Earley) with seven days a week oversight;
- Request for quotes issued

in open bidding for vendor services;

- Signing a new three-year contract with San Diego's Economic Development Department eliminating trip and fall liability;

- Tremendous response to Enhance La Jolla Day on May 13 where many of La Jolla's planning groups and nonprofits met with local officials and the public;

- Enhance La Jolla to meet all requirements for contractual obligations and compliance for FY24.

Enhance La Jolla president Ed Witt discussed the accomplishments of La Jolla's MAD last year praising La Jolla Community Foundation, the fundraising arm of Enhance La Jolla, for "raising money to do things in the Village we wanted to do in the public right-of-way."

Witt pointed out that most of the City's MADs are managed by the Parks and Rec or by business improvement districts. He noted La Jolla is one of the few communities where the MAD is "managed locally by citizens," which he added was the reason for establishing it as a tax-exempt nonprofit.

"Enhance La Jolla works seven days a week to make La Jolla a better place to live, work, and play," said Witt, noting property owners and businesses in the district fund the MAD's roughly \$570,000 annual budget.

Concerning last year's achievements, Witt said: "We continued to expand our year-round hanging flower baskets. Enhance La Jolla was out there seven days a week doing trash abatement and five days a week doing landscaping and maintenance."

District manager Earley noted recently in a year-in-review report that Enhance La Jolla "created 10-15 hours a week of additional production time" in 2023.

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"The (state congressional) session for 2024 has reconvened," noted Kallhoff about the Assemblymember's 77th District. "E-bike safety is a top priority, and we are working on requiring e-bike licenses for children ages 13 to 15 ½, to get them educated on safety laws and the rules of the road. A second priority is a California Public Utilities Commission audit being done on behalf of consumers, who are concerned about the fairness and cost of their energy bills. We're going to be having a town hall next month with CPUC staff, who will help explain what we found in the audit."

"The supervisor's priorities are both housing and the homelessness crisis," said Taylor noting

their 3rd Supervisorial District, which stretches along the coast from Carlsbad to Coronado. "The County is putting money into (new) housing and is especially looking at County-owned properties (for development). We're also concerned about homelessness, particularly seniors over age 55, making sure the unhoused have continuing access to mental health services."

Following the panel discussion on District 1 legislative priorities, La Jollans in small groups discussed what they'd like to see in a new chief of police, coming up with a "wish list" of preferred leadership qualities. That preliminary list included characteristics such as humility, transparency, and employing a collaborative approach to decision-making, as well as possessing the communications skills necessary to bridge the gap between disparate communities.



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Increased orca activity off SD coast may be because of The Blob

By DAVE SCHWAB

More orcas than usual this time of year are being spied increasingly in San Diego's coastal waters. And it's the job of Alisa Schulman-Janiger, lead research biologist for the California Killer Whale Project (californiakiller-whaleproject.org), and her team, to figure out why this is happening, and what it all means.

"Over the last 40 years, we've never had anything like this, where you've had orcas sticking around together (hunting) for a month or longer," said Schulman-Janiger, who's spent years tracking orcas and studying their behavior.

She added their most recent high-profile presence in San Diego's water is due in part to this particular species of killer whales being of the more "boat-curious" type. She added this particular orca pod they've been studying has been seen approaching boats and "turning on their sides to look at people," noting this has "added a special glow to the encounters making them super special."

One clue as to why these orcas are here now in greater numbers may have come in the form of an endangered fin whale found washed up near Pacific Beach on Dec. 10. Originally, biologists thought wounds found on that fin whale were from sharks, as they could find no signs of ship strikes or propeller wounds. However, it was later determined that the non-fatal wounds found on the fin whale's body were more likely caused by killer whales,

according to Michael Milstein of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

"It's hard for us to know (for sure)," said Schulman-Janiger about the reason for the whales increased presence in San Diego waters, while pointing out the answer might be found following the food chain. "This group of killer whales came from Mexico," she said noting the marine mammals feed "wherever food is abundant. But we can't possibly know why they decided to go on a 'road trip.' Perhaps these are (just) more adventurous whales that are more curious," she said.

Noting orca pods can be comprised of one or more families, Schulman-Janiger said they know this particular pod has two nursing mothers with young calves, which translates into their needing to eat more to survive. She added the orca pod being studied was found in the area where the fin whale "with fresh-bleeding tooth bites" was beached just 24 hours later. "This group of killer whales could likely have been the ones that wounded that fin whale causing it to beach and later die," Schulman-Janiger



A pod of orcas recently hit and attacked dolphins off the coast of San Diego. PHOTO BY PATRICIA VANOVER INDICTOR

concluded.

The wildlife biologist pointed out killer whales, and their prey, are sensitive to changes in water temperature, which may also account for the orcas being present in the now warmer-than-usual waters. "El Ninos (warmer-than-average sea surface temperature events) used to happen every 5-8 years, but are happening closer together now, with shorter intervals in between," Schulman-Janiger said. She added that another weather phenomenon known as "The Blob," could explain why killer whales and their prey are ending up in San Diego waters more now this time of year.

The Blob is a large mass of relatively warm water in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of North

America that was first detected in late 2013 and continued to spread throughout 2014 and 2015. An example of a marine heatwave is ocean water temperatures with The Blob can be between 4 and 10 degrees above average.

"During The Blob in 2014, we had waters several degrees above normal up and down the Pacific Coast from Mexico into California and we saw an uptick in birds, fish, and killer whales coming from Mexico into California waters," said Schulman-Janiger.

KILLER WHALES

The orca (*Orcinus orca*), or killer whale, sometimes referred to as the "wolves of the sea," are toothed whales and the largest members of the oceanic dolphin family. Recognizable by their black-and-white patterned body, orcas are found in diverse marine environments, from Arctic to Antarctic regions to tropical seas.

Orcas are apex predators with a diverse diet often specializing in particular types of prey including a variety of fish, sharks, rays, and marine mammals such as seals, other species of dolphins, and whales. Killer whales are highly social. Some populations are composed of highly stable matrilineal family groups (pods). Their sophisticated hunting techniques and vocal behaviors are passed along from generation to generation.

Orcas are not usually a threat to humans, and no fatal attack has ever been documented in their natural habitat. There have been cases of captive orcas killing or injuring their handlers at marine theme parks.

"That leads us to believe this change may be tied to the warming of the waters. That isn't necessarily global warming. But it's definitely climate change."

Schulman-Janiger noted the dolphins may be coming here more now because of climate change as "they know San Diego is a good place (to feed)." Consequently, she surmised, killer whales may be following them to their new feeding grounds.

Paradise Point pays fine, Margaritaville redevelopment plan awaits approval

By KEITH ANTIGIOVANNI

The transition for Paradise Point Resort in Mission Bay into becoming a Margaritaville resort took another step forward in January when the owner of Paradise Point, Pebblebrook Hotel Trust based in Maryland, paid the \$1 million fine levied on it by the California Coastal Commission in September.

Changes to the property to become a Margaritaville await approval by the Coastal Commission.

The Coastal Commission fined the resort after years of violations by the previous owner restricting public access to the property, located at 1404 Vacation Road on Vacation Isle, just southwest of the Ingraham Bridge. The fines are from decades of violations when the previous owner of Paradise Point Resort when the resort was known as Vacation Village, restricted public access to the beach and did not post any free parking or public access signs on the 44-acre property. Until recently

the public was not aware of the access and some of the changes will include a way to alert the public through the installation of signs.

When the City of San Diego established the plan to develop Mission Bay into a public recreation area in 1958 part of the original plan included complete and unfettered public access to Vacation Isle's coastlines. The privately owned Vacation Village was established on the isle in 1962.

Some of the changes made to the property include funding an educational outreach program to bring lower-income students and families to the resort for free overnight stays, new signs indicating public access and free parking on the property and on the Ingraham Bridge Southbound, marine debris reduction plan, the removal of any barriers on the coastline to obstruct movement along the entire island and the construction of a public restroom. Pebblebrook will also replace a wooden pier with a newly constructed pier that is expected to cost around \$1 million.

The proceeds for the fine will go toward a statewide reserve for initiatives that include improving public coastline access, acquiring open space, and completing regional trails.

Pebblebrook's plan in 2018 after it acquired the property was to build a Margaritaville resort on Vacation Isle however they ran into a series of delays when the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020 prevented any progress in that direction. Pebblebrook presented a redevelopment plan to the Coastal Commission in 2022 and was on the Commission's agenda in June 2022 but the company was forced to pull its application due to pressure from local government officials.

Then another attempt was made in 2023 to present a redevelopment plan was presented and it was decided by the Coastal Commission for the company to get approval it would make a series of changes to the property and pay a \$1 million fine.

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SWOT: Oceanographers raving about new tool to understand sea level

By ROBERT MONROE

Circling above Earth at a speed of seven kilometers (four miles) per second, the SWOT satellite altimeter only needs three weeks to image the entire surface of the planet.

Its focus, however, is on the 73% part of it that is covered with water: the ocean and large lakes and rivers. Instruments deployed off the California coast by Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UC San Diego and other research centers have been helping calibrate SWOT since February 2023. Even during this initial shakeout, the satellite delivered a goldmine of data, leaving scientists reaching for superlatives to describe how far SWOT might advance the basic understanding of how water in the ocean moves. With that might come a new way to describe climate based on the behavior of the oceans, the climate's main driver on Earth.

"It deserves the attention it's getting," said Scripps oceanographer Sarah Gille, who hosted one of the first international SWOT workshops at Scripps Oceanography 15 years ago.

SWOT is short for Surface Water and Ocean Topography, topography here refers to the elevation of the ever-roiling ocean surface. The instrument-packed



Technicians and researchers prepare a Wirewalker profiling instrument for deployment. PHOTO BY TYLER HUGHEN

satellite joined the constellation of human-made objects orbiting the planet on Dec. 16, 2022. It is a joint creation of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) and its French counterpart CNES (Centre National D'Etudes Spatiales) with contributions by the Canadian and UK Space Agencies. Scripps joins six other research institutions leading ocean campaigns based on calibrating SWOT data.

Sea level sounds like a simple enough concept. The ocean is the flat thing against which elevations on land are measured and designated whatever number of feet or meters above sea

level. However, sea levels on Earth are not uniform and are in constant motion in every ocean basin. Picture yourself swirling water in a shallow pan. The spin makes the water level higher around the edge of the pan while water at the center is lower in comparison. Thanks to Earth's Coriolis force, this also takes place in the oceans.

Whatever might be simple about the process going on stops there. Myriad other forces – eddies, winds, storms, and tides among them – influence the sea level in any given place. Just in the Gulf Stream, a mix of influences makes sea level a

steady meter (or yard) higher in one place than it is in another.

Until now, if scientists wanted to know what the elevation of the sea surface was at one exact spot, they could use existing satellite altimetry. This technology measures sea level at a single spot just below the satellite, but there are a lot of exact spots on the ocean surface. Measuring them in relation to each other at any ever-changing moment as swells roll and eddies pass was just never possible.

Enter SWOT. The satellite is taking an image not just of singular locations but of swaths of ocean that are 120 kilometers (74 miles) wide. Where before scientists had still photos to work with in determining the topography of the ocean, SWOT is producing the equivalent of an IMAX movie every time it passes overhead, with spatial resolution that is far superior to conventional altimetry.

"It's going to provide us a generational shift in how we understand sea surface topography," said Drew Lucas, also a Scripps oceanographer who spent much of 2023 deploying the instruments that could validate SWOT measurements as it flew overhead.

In oceanographic terms, SWOT's data are exceptionally detailed, said Gille. The satellite can render the ocean

surface down to two kilometers (one mile) Even if its highest resolution were more like 10 kilometers (6.2 miles), that would have been transformative enough. A traditional unit of measurement in the oceanographic community is the mesoscale, which is a middle range between 10 kilometers and several hundred kilometers in which live ocean phenomena like eddies and squalls that were previously invisible to satellite altimetry.

"We haven't been able to bridge the gap between basin-scale sea-surface topography and what you see at the beach," Gille said. "We've never had a way to do it day after day after day and do it globally."

That high resolution allows for new kinds of reverse engineering. When oceanographers can see variations in sea surface height over large swaths down to the scale of a few kilometers, then they can try to understand what is behind what they are seeing.

That is vital, Gille said, for an understanding of a natural system that makes Earth habitable at its most essential level.

"More than 90% of the heat gained by our planet is stored in the ocean, and that has consequential impacts on our climate."

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Caves of La Jolla on screen throughout the years, and director Allan Dwan

By JILL ALEXANDER

The famous caves of La Jolla are not only picturesque and known throughout California for their beauty, but they have also appeared in several documentaries over the centuries.

There are seven caves nestled between La Jolla Cove and La Jolla Shores but only one is accessible by land; the other six can only be viewed by kayaking with a guide.

The caves are set within a 75 million-year-old sea cliff and all have names: White Lady, Little Sister, Shopping Cart, Sea Surprise, Arch Cave, Sunny Jim's Cave, and Clam's Cave.

Sunny Jim's Cave is the only known land-accessed cave along the California shoreline. You are not allowed to enter any caves without an experienced tour guide, because of the possible dangers from changing tides.

EARLY DOCUMENTARIES

One of the earliest documentaries to be filmed at the caves is a short dating to 1911 called "The Caves of La Jolla." It is a silent 35 mm, black and white, and 45 minutes long.

It was filmed by one of Hollywood's most well-known directors at the time Allan Dwan, born April 3, 1885, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

He was a director and writer, known for such films as "Bound in Morocco" (1918), "A Perfect Crime" (1921), and "Panthea" (1917).

According to an article at the time in Movie Pictures World, on Oct. 21, 1911, P. 238, about the documentary: "Many beautiful pictures have been made by foreign manufacturers of picturesque places in their own country, but none of them surpass the natural beauty and rugged grandeur of our own West. The American Co., bearing in mind that very few pictures of this class have been produced for the pleasure and instruction of the American public, has produced a marvelous picture of the Caves of La Jolla, which is stereoscopic in photography, magnificent in perceptive, sublime in grandeur, and faultless in every respect. The splendid vista unfolds itself to the spectator as if he were looking upon the actual scene himself," Moving Picture World synopsis.

The IMDb site states the documentary was released as a split reel along with the Western "Three Daughters of the West" (1911).

Also, in the same issue: "The scenes embrace views of the coastline of California near Point Loma. The action of the waves on the rocks has created remarkable results. Here is a majestic natural bridge resting



The well-documented caves of La Jolla north of the Cove.

on pillars that have escaped erosion, the arches being formed by what were the tops of caves. There are stretches of stupendous rock walls, veritably honeycombed, and presenting weirdly fantastic, rock-fashioned figures. Yonder the breakers dash mountain high on the towering cliffs, leaving partly uncovered, as they recede, 'dark, unfathomed caves.' Attention is directed to a view of the coastline in which the rocks show distinctly the gradual rising of the land bordering the Pacific. Geologists estimate that the rise is nearly three feet in one hundred years," according to Moving Picture World, Oct. 21, 1911.

Another article about the

documentary in November 1911's Motography calls it, "As good as an actual trip to the caves ..."

Other documentaries, shorts, and films made in the La Jolla caves area include:

"The La Jolla Grapevine" short, "Seal or No Seal," and La Jolla Golf Clubs among many TV episodes and podcasts.

The popular area is visited year-round by tourists and locals and has become a popular spot for all kinds of sea life sightings and more.

Some comments from visitors include:

"The caves here are lovely. You can only reach one by foot – the Sunny Jim cave, which charges a \$5 entrance fee and makes you

sign a waiver. Other than that, the other caves can be reached by kayak. It still is wonderful!" wrote Lauren I. on TripAdvisor.

"Check out the caves. The caves were at the top of my list of things to visit. I was not disappointed – a bargain entry fee of \$5. You are going to get some good exercise, especially walking back up. Great place to take a few photos. Leave your car at the hotel and take a Lyft as it is crowded with no parking near the caves and beachfront," wrote Anthony W. also on TripAdvisor.

DWAN

As for Dwan, he headed up the American Film Manufacturing Co. later nicknamed the Flying A, which had plenty of actors and cowboys all of whom he inherited when their director went on a drinking spree.

Headquartered in Chicago, Flying A was founded in 1910 when it held a talent raid on Essanay, another Chicago studio.

In search of the great Western frontier land and seeking to escape patent enforcers, Dwan discovered Lakeside in San Diego County and shot movies there for three months.

He then went to La Mesa where he opened up a storefront studio and filmed throughout the backcountry of San Diego County.

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George's at the Cove celebrating 40 years of renowned cuisine, views

By DAVE SCHWAB

George's at the Cove is marking its 40th anniversary with a year-long celebration featuring special events including a guest-chef dinner series by alums who started there.

George's at 1250 Prospect St. boasts stunning ocean views and an award-winning culinary team. The establishment is renowned for offering an unforgettable dining experience showcasing fresh, locally sourced ingredients along with an extensive wine list.

Owner-founder George Hauer saw the infinite potential of opening a restaurant on Prospect Street in La Jolla offering sweeping ocean views from all three levels, one of the restaurant's trademarks. Yet after 40 years, the core value of the business – to continually improve – is still very much intact.

In 2024, plans are for Georges to invite guests to a celebration of the immense amount of work and dedication that has allowed it to thrive for four decades.

Special events will take place beginning in February and continue each month throughout the year. One such event will be a Level2 Bar takeover by Stephen Kurpinsky and Sam

Peters, with tasting menu-style dinners served in the lower-level events space.

Trey Foshee, executive chef/partner at Georges, said the restaurant has not celebrated anniversaries because it “never wanted to feel old” and because it “continually reinvested and changed. We've had 40 years of constant improvement and have continually been moving forward when we could have rested on our laurels.”

Foshee noted Georges has refreshed its image and brand over the years. “That's required a commitment,” he said adding Georges has now “transitioned into more of a special-occasion restaurant.”

A pivotal remodel of Georges' dining room in 2007 allowed Foshee to evolve the concept away from a traditional menu structure to a looser design based on what was locally available from farms such as Chino Farms and seafood companies like Catalina Offshore.



Diners on the Ocean Terrace have a view of the sunset.

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Georges California Modern menu concept also influenced many other San Diego restaurants at the time, while Georges' decision to implement an entire vegetarian menu in 2009 was cutting edge at the time.

In 2011, Foshee started TBL3 (Table Three), a 14-course tasting menu experience designed to feature the creative abilities of the kitchen and local ingredients at their peak. Available for only one table per night and only on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights, it was groundbreaking for San Diego

restaurants and the foodie culture. It quickly sold out and became recognized on a national scale.

In 2016, the Ocean Terrace at Georges was expanded to include a new bar and quickly became one of the premier open-air bars in Southern California with an ocean view. In 2022, after being closed during the pandemic, California Modern was transitioned into a dedicated events space for corporate or social events, book signings, holiday events, and special dinners.

Regarding the future of

GEORGE'S

George's at the Cove opened its doors on Aug. 9, 1984. Originally occupying the lower and second levels of 1250 Prospect St., in June 1991 the Ocean Terrace was opened creating a three-level ocean view dining destination. Founder George Hauer, general manager Mark Oliver, and chef Scotty Meskan ran the restaurant for the first 16 years until Trey Foshee, having just received Food & Wine magazine's Best New Chef award for 1998 while at Robert Redford's Sundance Resort, was brought on as executive chef/partner. In 2016, Foshee took over as operating partner with general manager Mike Grave and executive chef Masa Kojima.

For four decades, Georges at the Cove has been committed to improving through an annual strategic plan to formalize growth in three mission-critical areas: people, products, and the environment. Each year, the partners meet and theoretically tear the restaurant down and build it back up, always asking what can be improved in each area. Out of these meetings came many ideas that shaped the restaurant and the San Diego dining scene.

Georges, Foshee is optimistic. “I'm excited about it,” he said. “We'll be using these guest-chef dinners as an inspiration for using our event space differently and elevating it, taking our skills and abilities to do creative and unique dining experiences.”

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9024276 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. POINT PR COMMUNICATIONS, 1662 PUTERBAUGH STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92103 Is registered by the following: a. JOHN B.B. FREEMAN is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 12/4/2023 Registrant Name: a. JOHN B.B. FREEMAN is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 04, 2023 ISSUE DATES: December 15 , January 5, 12 & 19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9023420 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. COAST HOME REMODELING, 424 15TH ST #2503, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 Is registered by the following: a. COAST EXTERIORS, INC. is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 08/08/2023 Registrant Name: a. COAST EXTERIORS, INC. is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor LIZA GOIS, CEO statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: NOVEMBER 20, 2023 ISSUE DATES: December 15 , January 5, 12 & 19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9023554 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. METLA HOUSE CLEANING, 330 13TH STREET, APT 2004, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 Is registered by the following: a. METLA, LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 04/01/2022 Registrant Name: a. METLA, LLC is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor ART-SIOM MACHEKIN, MANAGER statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: NOVEMBER 21, 2023 ISSUE DATES: December 15 , January 5, 12 & 19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9024824 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. MR BENJAMIN'S 3344 FENELON ST, SAN DIEGO, CA 92106 Is registered by the following: a. MR BENJAMIN'S COTILLION, LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 10/15/1983 Registrant Name: a. MR BENJAMIN'S COTILLION, LLC is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor PETER G. BENJAMIN, MANAGING MEMBER, statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 12, 2023 ISSUE DATES: December 15 , January 5, 12 & 19

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9023881 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. PACIFIC BROKERAGE, 5638 TAFT AVE, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 Is registered by the following: a. KIRK PATRICK ZURBRIGGEN MR conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 02/07/2019 Registrant Name: a. KIRK PATRICK ZURBRIGGEN MR is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: NOVEMBER 29, 2023 ISSUE DATES: December 15 , January 5, 12 & 19

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME; CASE NO: 37-2023-00055043-CU-PT-CTL SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO; STREET ADDRESS: Superior Court of California, County of San Diego: 330 W. BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 BRANCH NAME: HALL OF JUSTICE COURTHOUSE . TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner (name) RAMOND ERNEST APODOCA III filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: a. RAMOND ERNEST APODOCA III . To proposed name: RAYMOND ERNEST APODOCA THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before the court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 02/05/2024 TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT: 61; a. A copy of this Order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county (specify newspaper): LA JOLLA VILLAGE NEWS, AND PENINSULA BEACON. Date: 12/08/2023 . JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Michael T. Smyth ISSUE DATES: January 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2024 Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, and the Court not conducting in-person hearings, the following order is made: NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE. The Court will review the documents filed as of the date specified on the Order to Show Cause. If all requirements for a name change have been met as of the date specified, and no timely written objection has been received (require at least two court days before the date specified), the petition will be granted without a hearing. One certified copy of the Order Granting the Petition will be mailed to you. If all of the requirements have not been met as of the date specified, the court will mail you a written order with further directions. If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a hearing date and contact the parties by mail with further directions. If you are a respondent objection to the name change, you must file a written objection at least two court days (excluding weekends and holidays) BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED. Do not come to the court on the specified Date, you will be notified by mail by the Court of a future hearing date. Any petition for the Name Change of a minor, that is signed by only one parent, must have this Attachment served along with the Petition and Order to Show Cause on the other, non-signing patent, and proof of service must be filed with the court. IT IS SO ORDERED

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025755 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. PAKMAIL US 119, 7586 LA JOLLA BLVD, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is registered by the following: a. MELHI GUNAY is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 03/01/2012 Registrant Name: a. MELHI GUNAY is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 27, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025865 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. FAMAS FASHION MAFIA STYLIST, 510 ESCONDIDO BLVD, ESCONDIDO, CA 92025 is registered by the following: a. LORENA SALDIVAR is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 09/16/2012 Registrant Name: a. LORENA SALDIVAR is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 28, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000189 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SAN DIEGO SCUBA GUIDE LLC, 5248 MOUNT ALIFAN DR, SAN DIEGO, CA 92111 is registered by the following: a. SAN DIEGO SCUBA GUIDE LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 03/01/2012 Registrant Name: a. SAN DIEGO SCUBA GUIDE LLC is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor DAVOR POTUONJAK, PRESIDENT statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 4, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025081 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. THREE SIXTEEN STUDIO AND EVENTS, 2375 MARRON RD, CARLSBAD, CA 92008 is registered by the following: a. EVELYN FRANCISCA SELL b. JOHN LANDON NELSON is conducted by: e. JOINT VENTURE The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a. e. EVELYN FRANCISCA SELL b. JOHN LANDON NELSON Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 15, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000080 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. POSTAL ANNEX + #20 AKA POATSL ANNEX + SERVICE CENTER #20, 7514 GIRARD AVE, STE 1, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is registered by the following: a. J.L. KANG, INC is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 09/015/2007 Registrant Name: a. J.L. KANG, INC Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor JEAMI LEE KANG, SECRETARY statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 3, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025958 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. BLUE SKY SERVICES,

ness was: N/A Registrant Name: a. KALLIN FRANCHISEGROUP, INC is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor MICHAEL COLE, PRESIDENT statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 08, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 5, 12, 19 & 26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9024802 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. FLIGHT PATH CONSULTING, 9110 JUDICIAL DR #8525, SAN DIEGO, CA 92122 is registered by the following: a. ALEKSEY ROZHOKOV is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 02/01/2023 Registrant Name: a. ALEKSEY ROZHOKOV is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 12, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 5, 12, 19 & 26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025942 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. LEAH KING REIKI, 4901 MORENA BLVD, STE 209A, SAN DIEGO, CA 92117 is registered by the following: a. LEAH KING is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 01/03/2019 Registrant Name: a. LEAH KING is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 29, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 5, 12, 19 & 26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000082 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SD LEAK SPECIALISTS, 2249 CITRUS AVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92154 is registered by the following: a. ALBERT JAMES FEDERICO is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 01/02/2024 Registrant Name: a. ALBERT JAMES FEDERICO is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 3, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 5, 12, 19 & 26

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME; CASE NO: 37-2024-00000543-CU-PT-CTL SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO; STREET ADDRESS: Superior Court of California, County of San Diego: 330 W. BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 BRANCH NAME: HALL OF JUSTICE COURTHOUSE . TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner (name) BRENTON ANTHONY REASIN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: a. BRENTON ANTHONY REASIN . To proposed name: BRENTON ROSE O'DONOVAN THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before the court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 02/20/2024 TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT: 61; a. A copy of this Order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county (specify newspaper): LA JOLLA VILLAGE NEWS, AND PENINSULA BEACON. Date: JAN 08, 2024 . JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Maureen F. Halahan ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2, 2024 Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, and the Court not conducting in-person hearings, the following order is made: NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE. The Court will review the documents filed as of the date specified on the Order to Show Cause. If all requirements for a name change have been met as of the date specified, and no timely written objection has been received (require at least two court days before the date specified), the petition will be granted without a hearing. One certified copy of the Order Granting the Petition will be mailed to you. If all of the requirements have not been met as of the date specified, the court will mail you a written order with further directions. If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a hearing date and contact the parties by mail with further directions. If you are a respondent objection to the name change, you must file a written objection at least two court days (excluding weekends and holidays) BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED. Do not come to the court on the specified Date, you will be notified by mail by the Court of a future hearing date. Any petition for the Name Change of a minor, that is signed by only one parent, must have this Attachment served along with the Petition and Order to Show Cause on the other, non-signing patent, and proof of service must be filed with the court. IT IS SO ORDERED

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025755 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. PAKMAIL US 119, 7586 LA JOLLA BLVD, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is registered by the following: a. MELHI GUNAY is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 03/01/2012 Registrant Name: a. MELHI GUNAY is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 27, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025865 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. FAMAS FASHION MAFIA STYLIST, 510 ESCONDIDO BLVD, ESCONDIDO, CA 92025 is registered by the following: a. LORENA SALDIVAR is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 09/16/2012 Registrant Name: a. LORENA SALDIVAR is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 28, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000189 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SAN DIEGO SCUBA GUIDE LLC, 5248 MOUNT ALIFAN DR, SAN DIEGO, CA 92111 is registered by the following: a. SAN DIEGO SCUBA GUIDE LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 03/01/2012 Registrant Name: a. SAN DIEGO SCUBA GUIDE LLC is Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor DAVOR POTUONJAK, PRESIDENT statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 4, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025081 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. THREE SIXTEEN STUDIO AND EVENTS, 2375 MARRON RD, CARLSBAD, CA 92008 is registered by the following: a. EVELYN FRANCISCA SELL b. JOHN LANDON NELSON is conducted by: e. JOINT VENTURE The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a. e. EVELYN FRANCISCA SELL b. JOHN LANDON NELSON Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 15, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000080 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. POSTAL ANNEX + #20 AKA POATSL ANNEX + SERVICE CENTER #20, 7514 GIRARD AVE, STE 1, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is registered by the following: a. J.L. KANG, INC is conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 09/015/2007 Registrant Name: a. J.L. KANG, INC Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor JEAMI LEE KANG, SECRETARY statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 3, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025958 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. BLUE SKY SERVICES,

6041 VILLAGE WAY #406, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130 Is registered by the following: a. GALINA SCHOETTGER is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a. GALINA SCHOETTGER , if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 29, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000410 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. WINGS OF CHANGE UNLIMITED, 4389 CAMINITO DE LA ESCENA, SAN DIEGO, CA 92108 is registered by the following: a. RACHELLE RENE is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 10/3/2005 Registrant Name: a. RACHELLE RENE Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 8, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000467 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SECOND NATURE, 5026 CASS STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92109 Is registered by the following: a. TURQUOISE CELLARS, LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 12/28/2017 Registrant Name: a. TURQUOISE CELLARS, LLC Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor EDWARD D. OKINO, MANAGING MEMBER statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 8, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME; CASE NO: 37-2023-052048-CU-PT-CTL SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO; STREET ADDRESS: Superior Court of California, County of San Diego: 330 W. BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 BRANCH NAME: HALL OF JUSTICE COURTHOUSE . TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner (name) Joseph Parker and Felicia Parker on behalf of a minor filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: a. Quinn Nicholas Parker . To proposed name: Quinn Michael Parker THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before the court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that indicates the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: 02/26/2024 TIME: 8:30 AM DEPT: 61; a. A copy of this Order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county (specify newspaper): LA JOLLA VILLAGE NEWS, AND PENINSULA BEACON. Date: JAN 12, 2024 . JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Maureen F. Halahan ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9, 2024 Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, and the Court not conducting in-person hearings, the following order is made: NO HEARING WILL OCCUR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE. The Court will review the documents filed as of the date specified on the Order to Show Cause. If all requirements for a name change have been met as of the date specified, and no timely written objection has been received (require at least two court days before the date specified), the petition will be granted without a hearing. One certified copy of the Order Granting the Petition will be mailed to you. If all of the requirements have not been met as of the date specified, the court will mail you a written order with further directions. If a timely objection is filed, the court will set a hearing date and contact the parties by mail with further directions. If you are a respondent objection to the name change, you must file a written objection at least two court days (excluding weekends and holidays) BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED. Do not come to the court on the specified Date, you will be notified by mail by the Court of a future hearing date. Any petition for the Name Change of a minor, that is signed by only one parent, must have this Attachment served along with the Petition and Order to Show Cause on the other, non-signing patent, and proof of service must be filed with the court. IT IS SO ORDERED

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000817 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SIDE PIECE, 3010 CLAIREMONT DRIVE, STE A, SAN DIEGO, CA 92117 is registered by the following: a. 3010 HOSPITALITY, LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 01/01/2023 Registrant Name: a. 3010 HOSPITALITY, LLC Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor EDWARD D. OKINO, MANAGING MEMBER statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 11, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9025732 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. MARIA & JAVIER'S CLEVER, 9361 LAMAR STREET, SPRING VALLEY, CA 91977 is registered by the following: a. MARIA DONACIANA DIAZ DE ORTIZ b. JAVIER ORTIZ MARTINEZ is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE The first day of business was: 3-02-12 Registrant Name: a. MARIA DONACIANA DIAZ DE ORTIZ b. JAVIER ORTIZ MARTINEZ Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 27, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000828 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. YAKITORI TAIISHO, 5185 CLAIREMONT MESA BLVD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92171 Is registered by the following: a. USA YAKUUDORI, INC conducted by: A CORPORATION The first day of business was: 03/12/2014 Registrant Name: a. USA YAKUUDORI, INC Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor MASASHI NABETA, PRESIDENT statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 11, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-9024932 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. EXPAND REAL ESTATE GROUP, 10620 TREENA ST, STE 230, SAN DIEGO, CA 92131 is registered by the following: a. OMAR ALFARO conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: N/A Registrant Name: a. OMAR ALFARO Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: DECEMBER 13, 2023 ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000458 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. AVB SOFTWARE, 3258 CAMINITO EASTBLUFF, UNIT 90, LA JOLLA, CA 92037 is registered by the following: a. ANDREW BURDA conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL The first day of business was: 01/07/2024 Registrant Name: a. ANDREW BURDA Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 8, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-9000640 Fictitious Business Name(s) a. SHAKES & BELLS, 1007 30TH STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92102 Is registered by the following: a. ECO FRESH TOILE LLC is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The first day of business was: 01/09/2024 Registrant Name: a. ECO FRESH TOILE LLC Officer, if Limited Liability Company/Corporation Title of Signor GREGORY WISNIEWSKI, MANAGING MEMBER statement was filed with Jordan Z. Marks, , Jr. Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on: JANUARY 09, 2024 ISSUE DATES: January 19, 26, February 2 & 9

Allen R. Glick: Casino mogul with La Jolla, Las Vegas, and mob ties

By JILL ALEXANDER

There's a lot more going on in La Jolla than beautiful beaches, historic homes, and hotels.

Of course, there's a big military connection and a Bronze Star from Vietnam for one former resident, Allen R. Glick, a businessman who got tangled up with mobsters.

Glick died at the age of 79, in August 2021, after a long fight with cancer, at his La Jolla home close to Kate Sessions Park. His death was the end of a journey that some say included the underworld of Las Vegas in the 1970s.

When he died, a celebration of his life was held at the La Jolla at Congregation Beth Israel, followed by a graveside service at El Camino Memorial Park in Sorrento Valley.

Who was Glick? Keep reading to find out more.

MOB TIES

Besides his military achievements and special operations, Glick did have a key role in the Mafia's takeover of Las Vegas, according to many reports.

For example, his life story was showcased in the film "Casino," where Glick, portrayed Phillip Green, a man caught in the mob world.

According to the Mob Museum's curator in Las Vegas Geoff Schumacher, vice president of exhibits and programs:

"I did not know Allen Glick, and he did not have any association with The Mob Museum. After his involvement with the Stardust Hotel in the 1970s and the resulting indictments and trials, he returned to California. He seemed to stay as far away from the lime-light as possible. He reportedly kept security around him all the time," he said.

"I don't think 'fond memories' are relevant in this case. Glick was known as a frontman for the Chicago Mob. His Argent Corp. acquired four casinos in Las Vegas – the Stardust, Fremont, Hacienda, and Marina resorts. He obtained a \$63 million loan from the Teamsters Union's Mob-controlled Central States Pension Fund in order to buy the properties. Glick was forced to hire mobster Frank 'Lefty' Rosenthal to run the casinos," added.

What happened with Rosenthal and his mob associate, Tony Spilotro, inspired the movie "Casino," starring Robert De Niro, Joe Pesci, and Sharon Stone. The Allen Glick character was played by Kevin Pollak, Schumacher added.

"Glick's legacy in Las Vegas is that he was embroiled in the biggest casino scandal in the city's history. It's not clear whether he fully realized what he was getting involved with at the beginning, but it wasn't long before he realized that he had lost control of his own company.

"When the indictments came

down in the early 1980s, Glick was granted immunity from prosecution in return for his testimony. He testified for four days, laying out in detail how he had gotten the Teamsters loan, and how he was forced to do things and physically threatened if he did not comply. He was a very good witness and helped the prosecution greatly."

But walking away from the mob wasn't an option and had life-threatening consequences.

Nicholas Pileggi, known for his work – be it writing books or screenplays, etc. – of many gangster flicks including "Goodfellas," "Wise Guys" and other classics, offered insights into Glick's life after his death stating Glick as a "fascinating figure – a legitimate businessman forced to operate under the mob's shadow ..."

In one obit, Pileggi said at the time of Glick's passing: "Not many people I came across had the nerve to take the chance. It was only later that I realized he had been a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. He didn't need nerve. He just had it."

Glick did collaborate with federal agents at personal risk, leading to the imprisonment of top Mafia bosses. Yet, his own life was quite mysterious, including the murder of his partner Tamara Rand.

EARLY DAYS, MILITARY SERVICE

Born on April 11, 1942, in Pittsburgh, Allen Robert Glick was the son of Jack and Pearl Glick and attended The Kiski School. He earned his BA at Ohio State University and his JD from Case-Western Reserve School of Law. Allen was later admitted into both The California and Pennsylvania bars.

Allen entered the military in 1967 as a first lieutenant in the

Military Police Branch. He was transferred to Special Operations where he served as a captain in Vietnam.

He learned to speak Vietnamese to help the Army in military search and rescue operations. While there, he was awarded The Bronze Star, three Combat Air Medals, and the Vietnamese Medal of Honor. He was honorably discharged in 1969.

BUSINESSMAN

As for business, he had projects other than Las Vegas including in the Southwest and around the globe. Glick is also credited with introducing the Siegfried and Roy show and lottery operations in Caracas.

Locally, Glick joined the American Housing Guild of San Diego, and the Saratoga Land Development Co. He went on to form his own company, which bought the Hacienda Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas. The hotel was developed into a first-class location with one of the biggest recreational vehicle parks in Southern Nevada.

By 1974, Allen acquired Recrion Corp., later renamed Argent Corp., and served as its chairman and president. He also owned and operated the Stardust Hotel and Casino, Fremont Hotel and Casino, and Marina Casino.

Argent was known as one of the largest owners of casino and hotel properties in Nevada in the mid-1970s, adding the first race and sports book operation to the "Strip."

By 1980, Allen sold his Las Vegas holdings and was second only to Howard Hughes in the ownership of hotels and casinos.

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CLUES ACROSS

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10. Coat with sticky substance
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13. Myth (Spanish)
14. Ultrahigh frequency
16. Former NBAer Jeremy
17. Where rockers work
19. Your consciousness of your own identity
20. Soft-finned fishes

21. Localities
25. Paddle
26. Union
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29. Small shrill flute
30. Small constellation in the Milky Way
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32. College kid on vacation
39. de Armas and Gasteyer are two
41. Part of the human body
42. A progressive grading

43. Sound unit
44. Noise some birds make
45. Abba ____, Israeli politician
46. Portuguese city
48. Be extremely, uncritically fond of
49. Resembling old Norse poems
50. Ask for out of extreme need
51. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
52. Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

1. An insane person
2. ____ Boothe Luce, American author
3. Buttock muscles
4. Men's fashion accessory
5. "Hotel California" rockers
6. Electronic communication
8. Magnetomotive force (abbr.)
9. Hostelrys
11. A way to resound
14. Exclamation: yuck!
15. A resident of Indiana

18. Exclamation of surprise
19. Make a mistake
20. Boundary
22. Antilles island
23. It's used to make furniture
24. Clod
27. They indicate where places are
28. Bobby ____, NHL champ
29. Prints money
31. Honorable title (Turkish)
32. Appetizers
33. Midway between north and northwest

34. Spanish be
35. Breezed through
36. Grilled dishes
37. In a way, excites
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40. Popular candy
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47. Wood or metal bolt

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Mission Bay High School's award-winning Preservationists Jazz Band on a previous trip to New Orleans. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Mission Bay High School's Preservationists Jazz Band to hold fundraiser concert

By DAVE SCHWAB

Mission Bay High School's award-winning Preservationists Jazz Band will hold a fundraising concert at the historic Soledad Club, 5050 Soledad Road, from 7-9 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 28.

Tickets cost \$30 per person. Event proceeds will support the band on its trip to the birthplace of jazz, New Orleans, where the band has been selected to perform and represent San Diego in April.

To help MBHS students meet their \$20,000 fundraising goal for the trip, the Mission Bay Band Boosters and young musicians have planned an exciting evening of jazz, food, a silent auction, and more at the Soledad Club. Tickets will be available at the door and for purchase from band members. Sponsorship opportunities and cash donations are also welcome.

In New Orleans, the Mission Bay Preservationists will partner with the Preservation Hall Foundation and the Trombone Shorty Foundation to attend workshops with local professionals. Additionally, the Mission Bay Preservationists will perform at the New Orleans Jazz Museum, and New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park, as well as at street performances around town. The upcoming trip will be the MBHS jazz band's sixth adventure to "The Big Easy," referring to New Orleans' laid-back lifestyle.

"The renowned MBHS music program is proud to have another amazing opportunity to represent our city in the birthplace of jazz," said MBHS music director Jean-Paul Balmat. "Our talented young musicians will experience so much professional growth and personal development from the New Orleans trip. We appreciate the community's generous support. Your attendance at our event and donations and sponsorship

will resonate far, helping us reach New Orleans and beyond."

Balmat is a self-described "hometown boy" who went through the Mission Bay Cluster of San Diego Unified School District including graduating from MBHS and its music program. He talked about how the high school's jazz program has evolved and grown over time.

"It started from the creation of the high school's jazz program in the late '60s by Rey Vinole, Jr. who retired in 2000," Balmat said. "It was the crown jewel in the music program, even as far back as the '80s. Then Prop. 13 (tax-cutting measure) was passed and funding for the arts was cut."

Added Balmat: "After that, we were losing students in the music program, and they couldn't support their large jazz ensemble anymore, which, when I was in the program, was called the Dixie Jazz Band. I resurrected it because it was such a special thing for our community and city."

Reactivating, revamping, and revitalizing the high school's jazz band and its format became "one of my main goals," noted Balmat, who added the new name for the school jazz band was derived from Preservation Hall, a historic music venue in the French Quarter working to protect, preserve and perpetuate the spirit of traditional New Orleans jazz.

The Preservationists continue a tradition of more than 30 years of music at MBHS, a Pacific Beach magnet high school. The Preservationists are known as one of the nation's finest traditional youth jazz bands.

The music program is a major draw to MBHS, which uses International Baccalaureate academic standards. The high school draws many of its students from communities outside of the beach areas. The Mission Bay Band Boosters, a nonprofit, supports MBHS music programs.

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LIVE FROM SAN DIEGO – Music performances on the coast this week

By BART MENDOZA

SPOTLIGHT

One of the biggest talents in San Diego, Rebecca Jade (above), performs at the Athenaeum on Jan. 29 as part of the venue's free lunchtime concert series held each Monday. Jade is a terrific vocalist, well on her way to establishing herself with jazz and R&B fans worldwide. She's had an incredibly varied career, working on numerous projects with a national reach. A multiple San Diego Music Awards winner, she has performed with the likes of Dave Koz, Shiela E, and Elton John, also recording the official theme song for the San Diego Gulls, while releasing a series of acclaimed solo albums. If you have yet to catch a set from Jade, this free concert shouldn't be passed up.

Rebecca Jade: Monday, Jan. 29 at the Athenaeum Music & Arts Library, 1008 Wall St. Noon. Free. ljathenaeum.org.



RECOMMENDED

It's no secret that Gilbert Castellanos Young Lions Jazz Conservatory has been a major success, shining a spotlight on San Diego's young jazz talent. Less known is that the music school also offers adult classes. On Jan. 21, students from those classes, aka The Not So Young Lions, will take part in a free, all ages, showcase concert at Tio Leo's. The conservatory is one of the reasons San Diego's music community is so vibrant, helping local artists achieve their potential. This show is a great opportunity to check out the latest crop of talented players just hitting local stages.

The Not So Young Lions: Sunday, Jan. 21 at Tio Leo's, 6333 Mission Gorge Road. 5

p.m. No cover. tioleos.com.

Fans of five-time Grammy-winning jazz fusion group, Snarky Puppy, won't want to miss an appearance from three of the band's alumni at Dizzy's on Jan. 24. Formed in Texas circa 2004, Snarky Puppy is considered a musical collective, with a rotating cast of performers which in its history has featured over 40 musicians as part of its lineup. This show will include three of the band's mainstays, as heard on Snarky Puppy's most recent album, "Empire Central"; Zach Brock (violins), Bob Lanzetti (guitars), and Keita Ogawa (percussion). All three are instrumental virtuosos, jazz aficionados will enjoy every second of this intimate concert.

Snarky Puppy Alums: Wednesday, Jan. 24 at Dizzy's at Arias Hall, 1717 Morena Blvd. 8 p.m. \$25. dizzysjazz.com.

Side Street is the name of the new combo, featuring Joshua Taylor, Sandi King, and Tony Econom, all also members of soul favorites, The King Taylor Project. Appearing at Humphrey's Backstage Live on Jan. 24 as part of a monthly residency, Side Street offers the KTP musicians a chance to work with other artists, making each outing a unique experience. This month's edition will include appearances from keyboardist Josh Weinstein, promoting his new album, "Mind The Gap," country singer Stacy Antonel, and bassist Ken Dow, who has performed with the likes of Pete Townshend and in touring productions such as Jersey Boys.

Side Street: Wednesday, Jan. 24 at Humphrey's Backstage Live, 2241 Shelter Island Drive. 6 p.m. \$5. humphreysbackstagelive.com.

Country singer Cody Johnson performs at Pechanga Arena on Jan. 26. A true indie success story, Johnson self-released six albums, building up a fan base and scoring two top 10 albums in a row before landing a major label deal. Inspired by the likes of George Strait and Waylon Jennings, Johnson's songs, such as sentimental rocker "Till You Can't," manage to be both anthemic and heartfelt, having a universal appeal. It's a testament to Johnson's popularity, that although his most recent single, "Long Live Cowgirls," with Ian Munsick, didn't chart, it still quickly went Gold.

Cody Johnson: Friday, Jan. 26 at Pechanga Arena, 3350 Sports Arena Blvd. 7:30 p.m. \$45-\$150. pechangaarenasd.com.

guitarist," would be quite an understatement. An expert in the various types of acoustic blues, Henkel is a fountain of information on both the artists and the techniques they used to make their music. Long considered a local treasure, Henkel has mentored generations of performers, easily winning over new fans with a manic performing style that's endearing and a lot of fun. Appearing at the La Jolla Community Center on Jan. 26, Henkel will perform a set touching on early rock 'n' roll, rockabilly, and jump blues, for a night that's equal part history lesson and dance party.

Robin Henkel: Friday, Jan. 26 at the La Jolla Community Center, 6811 La Jolla Blvd. 5:30 p.m. \$20. ljcommunitycenter.org.

PUPPIES & GOLF

On Monday, Jan. 22, Mavericks Beach Club at 860 Garnet Ave. will be holding its annual Puppies & Golf Farmers Insurance Open Kick-Off Block Party from 5-9 p.m. In support of Puppies & Golf Charity, the beach bar will be transforming into a 6-hole putting course for guests to "take a swing," as well as enjoy a raffles and silent auctions, including Farmers Insurance Open tickets. Mavericks will also have adoptable dogs from Labs and More Rescue, dog bars, a Java Earth Coffee Bar, specialty cocktails, permanent jewelry, and much more. Puppies & Golf, founded in 2020, was created to protect and advocate for dogs in need while helping people understand and take advantage of the healing and health benefits of having a dog in their life. Puppies & Golf also provides grants to families, shelters, rescues, and assists military veterans.

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Mission Bay basketball wins three straight, tough schedule ahead

By CLARK E. FAHRENTHOLD

There is only one acceptable standard at the Mission Bay basketball program. Win.

Coming into the season, the Buccaneers were viewed as one of the top teams in San Diego County. With most of their starters returning to the floor this season and a fleet of talents such as Pablo Balderas, Kevon Fitzpatrick, and Atreju De La Cruz also supplying high-quality minutes, it's a team that goes 10-plus deep.

So far, the young Bucs have lived up to their billing and showed again this past week why they are still in the top tier of San Diego basketball as they ripped off three straight wins against Madison (55-45), San Diego (61-45), and Bonita Vista (56-38).

"It took us a bit of time to get rolling with players coming back from playing football since they had not played basketball in over a year, but they're starting to get in a rhythm, shots are starting to fall, they're getting their legs back, touch and timing," said Mission Bay head coach Marshawn Cherry. "The team is starting to get on a good roll, and the continuity is starting to come together."

In last week's trio of Bucs victories, what perhaps stood out most was the edge and intensity

the team brought on both ends of the floor. The fuel to that fire can be directly traced to the senior duo of Marcos Korch and Isaah Whitehurst.

The duo played physical defense, effectively drove to the paint, and set the tone physically for the Bucs.

"Marcos was great all week for us, and he's one of our 'pit bulls' as I call him. He's tough, gets after people, likes to get physical, makes contact, and talks to you a little. He ran the point, extremely well for us, and hit his shots," Cherry said. "His best friend Isaiah is our other 'pit bull' he was excellent against San Diego and Madison.

Also stepping up for the Bucs was senior Gavin Girouard. The smooth-shooting senior would be in the double digits versus both San Diego and Bonita Vista. He used his speed and ball handling to create space and create high-quality shots from the mid-range and beyond the arc.

"Gavin is our silent leader, and he hit big shots for us again this week, just as he has done since he's been with us," Cherry said. "He just keeps getting better and better. He's a capable defender and shot-wise, he is our most reliable shooter. Plus, he always brings quiet confidence to the floor, and when he talks, the guys listen."

Another Buc who posted an

efficient week was senior Charlie Hutchison. The 6 feet 6 inches tall power forward shined in the win over San Diego, going into double digits as he was too much for the Cavers to handle in the low post.

"Going into that San Diego game, we knew they were softer in the middle, so we wanted to take it inside. Charlie responded with a great game," said Cherry. "Charlie was an All CIF second team player and all-league player last season, and he is a mismatch with his combination of size and ability to put the ball on the floor, get the rim, and facilitate. He had it working around the rim, and when he's playing like he did against San Diego, he is hard to guard."

With the 3-0 week, Mission Bay has now won four of their last five and boasts an overall record of 13-7. The streak indicates that the Bucs are starting to get hot at just the right time, as five of their final eight regular season games are with Western League foes.

"Coming up, we've got a tough one versus the Saints, and we feel like that is a make-or-break game for us," said Cherry. "We feel like we have to get this win and that win can catapult us and give us the momentum we need to get us to playoffs and hopefully a spot in Open playoffs as a top-four team in the county."



Sophomore point guard Caleb Newton attempts a shot in the Bucs win against Sage Creek.
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Farmers Insurance Open showcases La Jolla lifestyle, along with championship golf

By DAVE SCHWAB

La Jolla is gearing up for the Farmers Insurance Open, PGA Tour's annual West Coast swing making its annual stop at Torrey Pines Golf Course on Jan. 24-27.

The Century Club of San Diego, a charitable organization established in 1961, organizes the annual Farmers Insurance Open, with event proceeds often going to the Monarch School for homeless students or those at risk of being homeless.

Marty Gorsich, Century Club's CEO, discussed the event's significance, noting it has become much more than just a pro golf tournament.

Promoting the Farmers Insurance Open has evolved, noted Gorsich. "An event of this scale with an international broadcast now needs to be organized on a year-round basis," he said pointing out its regional economic impact has also grown. "Tourism is the second-largest industry in San Diego,

and this international event drives the economy for our city," said Gorsich adding the event, with 20 hours of live commercials and international TV coverage "really puts San Diego out to the world. This event supports charities as well as promoting our city."

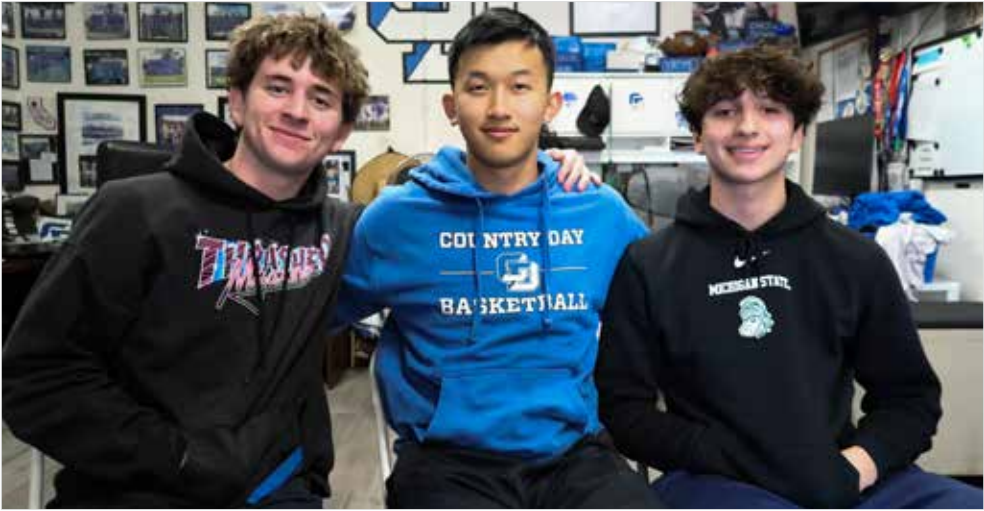
"For many years the Farmers Open was very golf-centric," said Gorsich. "But since then it's become so much more, a social lifestyle event for San Diego where golf is the backdrop."

Added Gorsich: "Before I was born, this tournament started at the Stardust in Mission Valley. It has since relocated to a true championship golf course at Torrey Pines, where the best players come to compete on one of the PGA Tour's hardest courses and test themselves."

What makes Torrey Pines tough to play? "A variety of factors, the length of the course, its topography, the way it lays out above the ocean," Gorsich said. "If you don't hit the ball straight and end up in the rough – it can make for a very challenging round."



Farmers Insurance Open has become a social lifestyle event for San Diego where golf is the backdrop.
PHOTO: FARMERS INSURANCE OPEN



From left, La Jolla Country Torrey basketball players Isaac Herman, a junior guard; James Wei, a senior forward; and Chris Carrillo, a junior guard.
PHOTO BY ED PIPER

LJCD basketball: Torreys play for purpose

By ED PIPER

When James Wei was in the fourth grade, he followed his older brother Jonathan into basketball. Playing a year up, with older kids, he entered the vast gym at Alliant University. Awed? Maybe. But "I was an early bloomer. I was always one of the younger players" on his team, Wei, a senior 6 feet 2 inches tall forward on the Country Day Torreys, remembers.

Also gaining his height early, he was one of the taller kids in the league at Alliant. "The coach knew I wouldn't grow 6 feet 6 inches tall." He played alongside future LJCD teammate Chris Carrillo, a 5 feet 11 inches tall point guard, a junior who is a two-year starter.

Besides the two cogs of first-year coach Patrick Casey's squad having been long-time teammates, "We've been playing together since last summer," reports Carrillo, a savvy situational player who helped the Torreys to win the third-place game in the Torrey Pines Holiday Classic Governor's Division over Punahou of Honolulu, 61-58, Dec. 30. This year's squad is 14-5 overall, 3-1 in the Coastal Conference at this writing.

In addition to that gutsy win, Country Day faced Mission Bay in the Bucs' tourney on Nov. 22. "They went up by 12 in the third quarter," recalls Casey. Carrillo: "We stuck together. We weren't fazed." They came back as a unit to win by 10, 46-36. Wei and Carrillo are the captains.

Isaac Herman, a 5 feet 10 inches tall junior, comes off the bench as the sparkplug

sixth man to inject energy and "keep it positive". "When Wyatt (Tilson, 6 feet 4 inches tall sophomore front court player) gets discouraged having a hard time," says Herman, a Knick/Kristaps Porzingis nut through his dad, "I make him feel better."

"I don't get too beat down. We always hype each other" in the tight-knit group, which also includes Ely Elegado, a 6 feet 2 inches tall wing/guard, Henry Kiamilev, a 5 feet 9 inches tall shooting guard, and Ekin Matanza, a 6 feet 2 inches tall wing/forward, as Casey's crew plays small ball in a scrappy way. Wyatt Harris, a senior returning from a torn ACL, also gets in the mix.

"We talk about the four core values embodied in the acronym F-A-T-E, family, accountability, trust, and excellence," teaches Casey, a freshman history instructor on campus. "Once a week we hold a leadership meeting among the players, where they also hold the coaching staff accountable," unthinkable in old-school, top-down coaching of yesteryear (this writer's experience). "When we break down a huddle, we go 'F-A-T-E' on three."

Herman, the New York phile, describes in detail eating the delicacy "uni" ("ooney"), a black, spiny sea urchin, with his dad. It sounds pretty gross. But: "I love New York. The food is great. I love Chinese and Japanese food. Uni is good. It's costly, so we get it on special occasions."

Casey: "I'm pretty fortunate to coach such a connected group."

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The tournament's Championship Days (Rounds 3-4) on Friday, Jan. 26, and Saturday, Jan. 27 will feature late-afternoon finishes, with golf being played nearly until sunset and aired on prime-time television on the East Coast.

Grounds tickets and passes to shared hospitality venues, such as the Canyon Club overlooking the 17th and eighth greens, and the upgraded Ultra Pass presented by Michelob Ultra at the ninth tee, can be purchased at FarmersInsuranceOpen.com. Tickets sell quickly for the world-class tournament at 11480 N. Torrey Pines Road.

Individual grounds tickets (day-specific) start at \$80 per day for Rounds 1-2, \$90 for Friday's third round, and \$100 for Saturday's final round.

Prices on all ticket types will increase on Jan. 21. Children 15 and under receive free grounds admission with a paid adult (one free children's admission per adult), and special discounts are available on Wednesday and Thursday tickets for seniors and military.

This is the 72nd year that a PGA Tour event has been held in San Diego, beginning with the San Diego Open in 1952. The 2024 tournament also marks the 57th time the event is being held at Torrey Pines Golf Course and the 15th year of Farmers Insurance sponsorship of the tournament.

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Max Waitt and an entourage of friends. PHOTOS BY MARGO SCHWAB

The Social Diary – Ringing in the New Year at Joan Waitt’s!

By MARGO SCHWAB

Hostess with the mostest, and a Balmain couture dress and those boots too, Joan Waitt invited close friends to ring in 2024 with an overload of fun! The tented and well heated evening was full of ‘spirit’ and perfect bites by chef Drew, plus must dance tunes by The Mighty

Untouchables. Among the many there included Judy and Peter Corrente, the Sheltons, Andrew and Linda, Rocio and Mike Flynn, Joan’s super close friends Deborah and Claude Anthony Marengo, and those pictured. Yes Joan thought of everything. A party to remember, till later than you think!



– Margo Schwab with Joan Waitt, mom of four and chief of four businesses... at last count!



Stephanie and Les Khourie family.

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