A blaze that gutted Red Rest and damaged Red Roost, two historic turn-of-the-century beach cottages overlooking La Jolla Cove, remains undetermined.

“At about 1:40 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26, San Diego Fire-Rescue dispatchers received calls about a fire in the 1100 block of Coast Boulevard,” said SDFR spokesperson Monica Munoz. “SDFD crews arrived within about six minutes and found a residential structure fully engulfed in flames and smoke. This residence had been boarded up for many years.”

Added Munoz: “Firefighters were forced to fight the fire from the exterior because it had fully engulfed the home. There are residences and other structures nearby, but the aggressive efforts by our crews prevented the fire from spreading. The fire was knocked down at 2:20 a.m. SDFD metro arson strike team investigators responded and have ruled the cause of the fire ‘undetermined’ at this time. The estimated damage to the home is $175,000.”

One firefighter at the cottages suffered a minor, non-burn injury that did not require hospitalization.

Built in 1894, the Red Roost and Red Rest cottages are rare surviving examples of late 19th-century beach architecture that proliferated in La Jolla during its early history. Both deteriorating structures have been placed on the “Most Endangered List” by Save Our Heritage Organisation, the state’s oldest continually operating historic preservation organization. SOHO has noted that the cottages “tell the story of the history and origin of La Jolla like nothing else,” adding that the design of the cottages was a “precursor to the California bungalow popularized after the turn of the 20th century.”

Pointing out there is a San Diego ordinance that prohibits “demolition by neglect” of historically designated properties, SOHO has brought pressure to bear previously to “maintain the cottages and prevent their continued decline” as well as to “take action to prevent the loss of these landmarks.”

Red Rest and Red Roost severely damaged by fire
A former volunteer member of the City’s Park and Recreation Board, Faulconer pledged to build a new generation of parks in San Diego. The four pillars of his plan included improving the regional Mission Bay Park, opening 50 new or improved neighborhood parks in five years, partnering with the San Diego Unified School District to upgrade parks on school property, and producing a new master plan for San Diego’s park system for the first time in over 60 years.

“The importance of quality parks and recreational opportunities has never been clearer as San Diego families have taken advantage of them to stay fit mentally and physically during this global pandemic,” Faulconer said. “The upgrades in Bonita Cove hold special meaning, and we’re proud to name it after a beloved San Diegan who lost her life while trying to make her community a better place.”

MISSION BAY PARK
Mission Bay Park is the largest aquatic park of its kind in the country and consists of more than 4,235 acres in roughly equal parts land and water. In 2018, Faulconer announced over $40 million in projects planned for Mission Bay Park that are the direct result of two voter-approved ballot initiatives he helped craft to dedicate millions of dollars to improve regional parks.

Then-Councilmember Faulconer helped author Proposition C in 2008 and later, as mayor, Measure J in 2016. Over the next five years, the City will implement several projects for environmental protection and infrastructure upgrades to improve Mission Bay Park, including new and improved playgrounds, comfort stations, and other public amenities.

PARKS MASTER PLAN
For the first time in more than 60 years, the City of San Diego is creating a new master plan for San Diego’s parks system. The Parks Master Plan aligns parks planning with the City of San Diego’s vision to achieve the shared Citywide goals of sustainability and resilience, equity, livability, and connectivity. The development of the Parks Master Plan will help implement the Climate Action Plan by providing a framework for thriving public spaces to be enjoyed by residents and visitors throughout the city.

50 PARKS IN 5 YEARS
In 2016, Faulconer pledged to build 50 new and improved parks in five years. The City has broken ground or completed 47 parks so far with additional park projects currently in various stages of design or construction bid phases. The City also implemented reconstruction and replacement projects at 43 other neighborhood parks and recreation centers to upgrade lighting, pools, playground equipment, comfort stations, and sidewalk and curb ramps.

PLAY ALL DAY PARKS PROGRAM
The Play All Day Parks Program is an initiative put forth by Faulconer in partnership with the San Diego Unified School District to create new, shared recreational opportunities for San Diegans by designating school sites for community recreational use during non-school hours. Since 2016, the City and school district have opened 14 joint-use parks and have more than 30 additional sites in various stages of construction or planning phases.
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“There’s not enough available street parking during peak times, especially for retailers on Garnet. Within that two-hour commercial central zone, drivers will cruise the neighborhood to find parking. This causes traffic congestion on Garnet and the adjacent streets,” said Sinsky-Crosby.

“Parking the pilot is limited to 121 two-hour or less-time-limited spaces in the commercial zone. CPD paid parking will help solve traffic problems. It’s a management solution and tool. It’s a revenue stream for Pacific Beach that stays in PB. “Banking are keeping a chunk of that revenue from parking in PB, funding community improvement projects, increasing turnover for prime parking, increasing space availability, reducing traffic congestion, and increasing pedestrian safety.”

“Based on emailed feedback for the paid parking pilot program, 34 businesses surveyed inside the pilot area are in support and none are against. Twenty-three business did not see any benefit from the survey and 30 businesses did not have contact information available. Five businesses outside the pilot zone support and one is against.”

Based on 13 public community meetings and events held since September, 18 residents have written in support of the paid parking program and 15 have written in support. Three have written neutral suggestions for the pilot.

“If you place meters on Garnet in the commercial area people are going to be parking right in front of our house,” instilled another resident living near Garnet’s commercial district.

Reacting to a comment about residential parking permits, Sinsky-Crosby replied: “The Parking Advisory Board is not proposing residential parking permits under the current pilot. However these types of annual, residential paid permits have been suggested by residents in several meetings. The Parking Advisory Board will be forming an ad hoc committee to explore residential parking permits in the future. But this is not part of the current pilot.”

“Paid parking forces cars into the commercial area, but it’s just a fact,” argued another participant.

“Does it matter to anyone on the board that the overwhelming majority of the community is vehemently opposed to this?” queried another community member.

“Nobody wants this. The fact that you’re trying to push this, sneak this through during a pandemic with no proper meeting,” the resident’s opinion that “nobody wants this,” was refuted Sinsky-Crosby after the meeting.

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A total of 18 influenza cases have been reported in the county this season compared to 400 at the same time last year. County health officials believe this is the result of the preventive measures San Diegans are taking to fight the spread of COVID-19. “When the stay-at-home order was issued last season, flu cases dropped dramatically. We’re seeing the same trend this season, and we hope it continues,” said Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H., County public health officer. “It’s clear that wearing a face covering, maintaining social distance, avoiding large crowds and taking other preventative measures are also helping to slow the spread of influenza.”

Also, no influenza deaths have been reported this season, which began July 1 and will through June 30, 2021. In comparison, three flu-related deaths had been reported at the same time last year. A total of 108 San Diegans died from influenza last season. A greater number of San Diegans also are getting vaccinated this season compared to the same point last year. To date, nearly 18,166 people have gotten flu shots compared to 746,095 at the same time last year. A total of 1,234,474 people got a flu shot last season, the highest on record.

“San Diegans are stepping up to get vaccinated against influenza and that is also a good thing,” Wooten said. “A flu shot helps to lower the risk of San Diegans getting influenza and the novel coronavirus at the same time and prevent the local health care system from being overwhelmed.”

The County Health and Human Services Agency publishes the Influenza Watch weekly report, which tracks key flu indicators and summarizes influenza surveillance in the region.

WHERE TO GET A FLU SHOT

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that everyone 6 months and older get a flu shot every year. It takes about two weeks for immunity to develop.

The influenza vaccine is now available at doctors’ offices and retail pharmacies and is covered by medical insurance. People with no health care coverage can get vaccinated at one of the County’s public health centers or a local community clinic. To find the nearest location, sandiego.gov/iz or call 2-1-1.

“The influenza vaccine is safe and effective,” Wooten said. “Get vaccinated now so that you can get protected when influenza begins to spread.”

TIPS TO PREVENT THE FLU AND COVID-19

The novel coronavirus and influenza are both spread from person to person, especially indoors and in crowded places. Here are some tips to help you prevent COVID-19 and the flu:

• Wash your hands properly and regularly or use a hand sanitizer.
• Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, throw it away and wash your hands.
• If you’re sick, stay home and isolate yourself from others.
• Use a face covering when in public and close to others. They prevent spreading germs and viruses.
• Maintain physical distance from others.
• Avoid crowded places to decrease your risk of exposure.


By JOSÉ A. ÁLVAREZ

San Diego Unified, UC San Diego reach deal on COVID-19 testing for students, staff

Students and school employees throughout San Diego Unified will receive regular COVID-19 tests with rapid results under a proposed agreement with UC San Diego Health. The testing program is the result of months of collaboration among the district, the San Diego Unified School District, UC San Diego in an effort to keep schools safe as in-person instruction is expanded gradually and in phases.

The San Diego Unified Board of Education is meeting tonight to authorize an initial $5 million investment in the testing plan, which includes a joint laboratory services testing agreement with UC San Diego Medical Center. Following approval, the county’s largest school district and UC San Diego Health will select several campuses where testing will begin. Eventually, the program could be expanded to include all 100,000 students within the district and its more than 10,000 staff members.

From the beginning of the pandemic, UC San Diego Health has provided expansive and growing COVID-19 testing services to patients, university faculty, students and staff and to external organizations and communities. UC San Diego Health’s Center for Advanced Laboratory Medicine can process thousands of COVID-19 tests per day, covering multiple types of testing. Results are typically returned within 24 hours. This capacity continues to grow.

“This testing program is an essential part of our plan to continue teaching students in the middle of a global pandemic,” Superintendent Cindy Marten said. “The science is clear. We can prevent 90 percent of disease spread at schools simply by putting in place a robust testing program like the one we are announcing today.”

Under the testing plan with UC San Diego Health, all employees and students would have access to PCR testing every two weeks on San Diego Unified campuses. Testing frequency would be adapted over time and based on virus and transmission rates, among other parameters. No decision has been reached on whether the testing would be mandatory, as district leaders say they want to assess voluntary compliance rates once implementation begins.
La Jolla residents complain about Black Lives Matter messages on bike path

By DAVE SCHWAB

Black Lives Matter chalk drawings recently created on the popular Fay Avenue Bike Path between La Jolla Village and Bird Rock have touched off a community controversy over the proper place of politically motivated art in public spaces.

At La Jolla Parks & Beaches, Inc.’s Oct. 26 meeting, Earl Dynes, athletic director at UC San Diego, was invited to address questions arising from LJPB board members’ comments about the bike path BLM chalk art from a previous meeting. Two board members had questioned the legality of unauthorized chalk art about BLM in the public right-of-way on the Fay Avenue Bike Path because it was pro-

At our last meeting, Barbara Bry’s office reported that the legal department had determined that the City would cease erasing BLM chalk art in the public right-of-way on the Fay Avenue Bike path because it was protected by the First Amendment,” said LJPB board president Ann Dynes. “I subsequently received complaints from members of the public contending two of our board members had taken racist positions and calling for their removal. I shared their complaints with those board members and attempted to respond to these complaints. But my explanation was unsatisfactory to those folks (complainants).”

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La Jolla veteran and Purple Heart recipient reflects on the random chaos of war

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Bob Tauber can retrieve details from 76 years ago like it was just last week. From his home at White Sands La Jolla senior living community, he fondly reflects on his service during World War II, and his participation in one of its most pivotal conflicts – The Battle of the Bulge.

A Chicago native, Tauber originally enlisted in the Navy, only to be rejected due to partial red-green color blindness. Instead, he went to community college, where he was eventually drafted into the Army.

“They gave me a choice – infantry or cavalry,” said Tauber, who turned 96 on Halloween. “I knew how to ride a horse, so I chose cavalry. Little did I know it was mechanized, so that’s how I wound up in the 94th Cavalry [14th Armored Division] under Patton.”

Tauber, 20 at the time, was part of a fast-moving, lightly armored group whose main job was intelligence. Always the tip of the spear, Tauber found himself reflecting on what he lived through.

In the dead of night on New Year’s Eve, 1944, Tauber’s position was attacked in what would become The Battle of the Bulge. Chaos reigned: at times friend only distinguished from foe by the silhouette of a helmet in the moonlight. Armed only with a Thompson submachine gun, Tauber’s orders were to simply slow the advance down.

“We couldn’t hold back their tanks,” he said. “We had 37mm cannons, but it was like throwing ping-pong balls at their Tiger tanks.”

Sometime during the night, Tauber was hit in the arm by a mortar shell or anti-personnel weapon. With the help of a morphine syrette and a tourniquet, he walked the mile-and-a-half back to an aid station for treatment.

He spent nearly a month recovering in a hospital in France, where he confronted the atrocity of what they were fighting against.

“They came to my ward and said they needed volunteers to unload survivors of concentration camps,” he recalled. “That’s one thing I’ll never forget – putting these guys on the stretchers. Some of them never made it to the hospital before they died.”

After he recovered, Tauber reunited with his outfit where he finished the war in Bavaria, or so he thought.

“I was sent to a replacement depot in France and was told to wait there until a ship came: we were to help with the invasion of Japan. They were estimating a million U.S. casualties. I thought, ‘I’ll never survive this.’”

But the atomic bombs scuttled those plans, and the war, and his service, truly came to an end.

When he returned stateside, Tauber went back to school where he earned an engineering degree from the University of California at Berkeley in 1949. Eventually, he and his family settled in San Diego, where he started a company that provided custom battery packs for medical instruments, universities, oceanographic equipment, grocery stores and other business in 49 of 50 states.

These days, from his home at White Sands La Jolla, Tauber keeps busy with a favorite novel or walking Roxy, his beloved pup, around the oceanfront campus. At various times in the year, and around Veterans Day in particular, he often finds himself reflecting on what he lived through.

“When I was 20, I often wondered if I’d live to see 21, to see my family again, to get married, or would I die in this snow-covered forest in Germany,” he said. “Fortunately, I didn’t. You realize that so much in life is out of your control, so many things are going on that affect your life. There were so many comrades in the wrong place at the wrong time. It could’ve been you. You had no control; it was just random chaos.”

According to the National WWII Museum, only 2% of the 16 million Americans who served during World War II are with us to share their stories. It’s a reality Tauber knows all too well.

“I’m the last one standing [from his friends in his outfit] – they’re all gone, as far as I know.”

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County moves to Purple Tier; restrictions to start Nov. 14

Restaurants, gyms, worship centers, museums must cease indoor operations

By DAVE SCHWAB

isng COVID metrics have forced the county to slip back from the red tier to the most-restrictive purple tier, which means indoor operations will once again be prohibited at restaurants, bars, fitness centers, worship centers, movie theaters, museums, zoos, and aquariums. Restaurants will once again have to turn themselves inside out, finding creative ways to move outdoors, or close. Many retail businesses will be required now to further limit capacity. Schools will not be permitted to return to in-person learning while San Diego remains in the purple tier.

Two weeks of coronavirus case rates exceeding the state-mandated threshold of 7 per 100,000 residents, finally triggered the county’s downgrade from the red to the purple tier. Beginning Nov. 14 at midnight:

- Restaurants will have to close indoor operations and operate outdoors only.
- Fitness centers and gyms must close indoor operations but can operate outdoors. This includes fitness centers in hotels and lodging.
- Indoor operations at retailers will be capped at 25% occupancy.
- Hair salons, barbershops, tattoo parlors, and estheticians can remain open for indoor operations, but with social-distancing modifications.
- Auto repair, appliance repair, plumbing, and other services can remain open with modifications.
- Bars, breweries, and wineries with no food service will have to close.
- Residents and business owners in Mission and Pacific beaches as well as La Jolla reacted to the news with a mixture of anger, sadness, and resignation.

“The tier system is a good measure of how communities are doing in controlling the spread of the coronavirus,” said Janie Emerson of La Jolla Shores. “It is a shame that those who aren’t wearing masks and not social distancing are spoiling the economic recovery for all of us.”

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JANIE EMERSON OF LA JOLLA SHORES

“It’s truly unfortunate to see our county backslide into a more restrictive tier, and the effect that will have on local businesses that have been playing by the rules and are just barely scraping by,” said Brian White, president of Pacific Beach Town Council. “I respect the public health experts, but the state’s chokehold on our local economy is becoming unbearable as livelihoods are destroyed.

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Nancy’s Nails offers a clean, safe salon following health protocols

By DAVE SCHWAB

Nancy’s Nails in La Jolla has taken that extra step—or two—in cleansing the salon to comply with COVID health protocols. “Nail salons have been very careful in preparing for the safety and comfort of clients during the pandemic,” assured a masked Holly Nguyen, who’s owned Nancy’s Nails at 721 Pearl St. for nearly 14 years.

“We have a lot of regular customers,” noted Nguyen, a Vietnamese native who is known to her clients by her first name only. “The problem now is the pandemic. People are afraid to come.”

Holly noted COVID has not been good for business. “A lot of our customers we haven’t seen since March,” she said. The salon owner glanced down a line of plastic-shielded, socially distanced serving stations where female patrons were being closely tended to. She discussed health protocols in place which are strictly adhered to by her, her staff, and all of her clients.

“We put guidelines on signs where everyone can see, asking people to keep their masks on and to keep socially distanced while washing their hands before getting service,” said Holly. “We have shields everywhere for the pedicures and manicures. They (clients) are confident.”

“I’m a regular customer. I’ve been coming here every week for seven years,” agreed La Jollan Adrian Roberts, who was in Nancy’s Nails on a Friday afternoon for a little pampering. “I feel very at ease. They’ve done everything beautifully. The shop is meticulous. That’s why I come here.”

Since the pandemic, Roberts said she is very careful about only going to places where she feels safe, adding Nancy’s Nails is one of the few. “They have the shields, they have the masks, everything is fine,” Roberts concluded.

Roberts added Holly is renowned for her salon Christmas trees, which she said are “A different theme a different color, every year. And there are very incredible ornaments which she stores.”

Nancy’s Nails was closed when the county was in the purple tier and has been reopened for about two months since the last COVID-forced closure. “If we have to close again, it will be the third time,” said Holly as San Diego County was on the verge of slipping back into the purple tier. A person has to go to cosmetology school to become a nail technician, said Holly, who added applicants must go to Los Angeles to take a written test to become licensed. She said Vietnamese people often gravitate toward the salon industry because “they are good with hand skills and they’re patient.”

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Guava Beach Bar & Grill has become a mainstay of Mission Beach community

By DAVE SCHWAB

Guava Beach Bar & Grill (GBG) has been a mainstay of the Mission Beach restaurant scene for the past 16 years. But it hasn’t always been that way.

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“It’s going to be tough on PB’s businesses, especially on Garnet,” said Eve Anderson of PB's businesses, especially on Garnet, “However, there is an awareness back open ASAP. “We now have vacation renters from Arizona coming out and staying longer,” he said adding, “We have more families coming in now and students coming in to study with our Wi-Fi.”

Though Guava Beach was shut down for a time due to the coronavirus, Christiansen noted he needed to shut down again.”

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Local are much more a part of the everyday scene now at Guava Beach, noted Christiansen.

“We've gotten to know the locals, some of whom come in several times a week,” he said. “We're like Cheers. They know our names. We know their names. They're our bread and butter. Without the locals, we would never have survived.”

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I have mixed feelings about distanced learning. I like that I can use my own bath- room, wear sweatspants, eat food from my house, and sit barefoot on my couch during my school day. However, that’s about it. I miss school so badly and I don’t like being home this much. I’ve gotten used to dividing up my day because it helps me expend energy and have different chapters in my days.

Last year my day went like so. I woke up and got dressed and came to school 10 to 15 minutes early just to hang out with my friends and chat. Then I’d wander into my first-period class and listen to Mr. Tellers and some smart- mouthed kids or the new season of “The Bachelor.”

Next, I had third period and I would frequent the bathroom to fix my hair and say hello to the usual suspects that gathered there as well. While taming flyaways, I’d talk to my friends near the hallway and stroll into second period. I sat next to one of my closest friends and we were positioned right in front next to our teacher. She was the sweetest lady ever and I miss her. We’d take notes, read stories or essays, and in the midst of corrections converse over our weekend plans or homecoming dresses or the new season of “The Bachelor.”

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Former La Jolla restaurateur will be sentenced Nov. 17

By NEAL PUTNAM

A former La Jolla restaurateur will be sentenced Tuesday, Nov. 17, on 20 sex charges involving four women. The prosecutor said she will be asking for 58 years in state prison.

The sentencing of Daniel Dorado, now 62, will be online only from the San Diego Superior Court website, in which viewers can hear the live audio of the sentencing by Judge Charles Rogers.

The plan was to have the sentencing in February or March 2021 when people can attend the hearing. But Dorado said in open court Nov. 6 he wanted it over with and that he will make a statement. “I don’t want to prolong this,” said Dorado to Rogers.

Dorado said he heard that Rogers is retiring and he wanted Rogers to sentence him since he presided over the three-week trial in December 2019. Rogers told him not to consider his possible retirement.

The courthouse is still mostly closed due to the spread of COVID-19, but most of the hearings are broadcast on sdcourt.ca.gov/Criminal with audio-only.

People who wish to hear the live sentencing can log onto the website and select Department 1002 in San Diego Superior Court, said Emily Cox, spokesperson for the court.

Deputy District Attorney Jessica Coto said at least one victim will speak at the sentencing. The attorneys and witnesses will likely appear remotely and Dorado will appear on a video feed in a room from the George Bailey Detention Facility.

His attorney, Kim Santini, said Nov. 6 she has advised Dorado not to make a public statement at the sentencing. She said she will be asking for probation.

Dorado has been in jail since a jury convicted him of 20 counts on Dec. 20. Jurors determined the victims were either unconscious or too intoxicated to give consent. Jurors acquitted him of three counts.

Dorado testified on Dec. 11 that all sex acts with eight women aged 22-57 were consensual. He denied drugging the women and said they were lying about being sexually assaulted.

Most of the women said they woke up in the early morning hours in either a hotel room, Dorado’s home, or the restaurant itself. One woman said she woke up to discover she was naked on the floor of the Voce Del Mare restaurant at 5721 La Jolla Blvd.

The restaurant closed after Dorado was arrested on March 28, 2018.

Jurors eventually deadlocked on 12 charges involving three women on Dec. 30 because they ran out of time and jurors who could serve, as all of the alternates became jurors.

Dorado was found guilty of six counts of oral copulation, six counts of rape, four counts of digital penetration, and four counts of assault with intent to commit rape.

The DA’s office may ask for a second trial on the remaining 12 counts, but if he gets a substantial sentence, they may decide against that.

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By Natasha Josefowitz, Ph.D.

In 1971, at one of the monthly lectures held at the child-guidance clinic where I worked, Dr. Marshall Klaus came to talk about his research on infant bonding. He had been to South America and the United States and was now studying the same in Switzerland. As the only bilingual staff member, I became his translator since he could not speak French. After his lecture, he asked if I would be willing to accompany him as his translator during his travels through Switzerland. At the time, I was working on my Ph.D. thesis on children services in the 1960s and well-being of the child, even the early relationship on the growth of the infant bonding. He had been to a satellite business school in Lausanne, as he had done in Calcutta and Amsterdam. He was looking for a social worker to work with him as consultants to a local hospital, I agreed to meet this professor. That evening I met Dr. Herman Gadon, and we decided that we could work together. This was the beginning of our consulting partnership.

Herman had many other consulting jobs in both non-profit and industry. In the 1960s encounter groups were taking off in the U.S. and becoming popular in Europe. Living in Switzerland, I had the opportunity to be trained in group dynamics, particularly in the Tavistock Method. So when Herman was approached to lead a week-long encounter group for executives of IBM International in Geneva, I joined him in this endeavor. We were a great team and went on to lead similar groups in other parts of Switzerland as well as in Paris. At the end of Herman’s two-year assignment in Lausanne, having successfully launched EMIDE, the satellite Harvard Business School, it was time for him to return to the United States, where he helped to start a new business school at the University of New Hampshire. At the prospect of separation, we both acknowledged that we had fallen in love. Herman asked me to join him as a faculty member at UNH. Herman thought I would fit in as I taught using the case method. After 25 years of marriage, I was faced with a most difficult decision, both professionally and personally. Given the escalating and lengthy number of separations from Sam, I went out on a limb and followed Herman to the United States. I started my new life teaching at the University of New Hampshire (UNH), first as a visiting lecturer, then as an assistant professor, and eventually as an associate professor at the Whittemore School of Business and Economics (WSBE).

That first year in New Hampshire, we lived like gypsies, staying at the homes of various professors while they went on sabbatical leave. Moving around didn’t matter; we were happy together. Eventually we were able to buy our own home. It was a little house with the Oyster River flowing through the backyard. In the summer months, Herman would catch trout in the river. In the winter months the river would freeze; we cross-country skied on it together. On snowy days, the roads were not always plowed so we had to ski to our classrooms. UNH was located in the small town of Durham, a lovely rural setting. It was a tight-knit, closed community which made it difficult for me to integrate. When Herman returned to the States with a red-headed Swiss woman and a French accent, it did not go over well in this small community. I was not welcomed at first and was excluded from social gatherings; this was a very tough time for me. UNH President Gene Mills and his wife Dottie made it their business to include me in their get-togethers to ensure that I would be seen as part of the legitimate faculty. I am forever grateful to them both for helping me to be accepted as a member of the university.

Natasha Josefowitz is the author of 21 books. She currently resides at White Sands Retirement Community in La Jolla. Copyright © 2020. Natasha Josefowitz. All rights reserved.

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Proceedings suspended in attempted kidnap case in La Jolla

by MEAL PETHAM

All criminal proceedings were suspended Thursday in the attempted kidnapping case of a man who tried to take a baby from a nanny in a La Jolla park and then went to escape into the ocean. Attorney Damian Lowe, who represents Michael Hudson, 51, told San Diego Superior Court Judge Laura Halgren he didn’t think Hudson was mentally competent to understand court proceedings.

Halgren ordered that Hudson undergo a psychiatric exam in jail on Dec. 3 and another judge will review the report in a Dec. 17 hearing. If a judge finds Hudson is competent, criminal proceedings will resume, but if he is found incompetent, he would be sent to a state mental hospital for treatment.

The incident occurred Oct. 14 at 4:30 p.m. in a park on La Jolla Hermosa Avenue. The nanny told police the man began arguing with her, saying she was Hispanic and the child was white.

The nanny told police he said she “can’t have the baby” and told her to leave the baby.

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Looking to build your dream home at the coast? 831 Reed Avenue is what you’ve been searching for! This full-sized, 6,300 square foot lot located in the coveted Braemar District of Pacific Beach features a cute 1942 beach bungalow that is only one block to the ocean, two blocks to the bay and is screaming for someone to turn it into their dream beach house. There are seemingly fewer and fewer opportunities these days at the beach to buy a property that will allow you to create your dream home, so don’t miss out on this “diamond in the sand.”

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724 VERONA CT.
3 BD | 3 BA | 1,373 SQ. FT.

Custom built home just 6 properties in from the ocean! The property features a spacious first floor master bedroom with an ensuite bathroom and sliders leading to a large front yard, a sizable ocean-view deck on the second floor, and two more bedrooms on the top floor that allow extra space for guests. The property is currently used as a vacation rental that grosses approximately $150,000 per year!

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In escrow after receiving multiple offers in less than two weeks!

PB Fun Fact:

Due to the increasing population in PB in the mid to late 1920’s, the school board purchased a 9 acre site between Turquoise and Tourmaline. With a budget of $55,000, Pacific Beach Junior High was built and opened on February 1, 1931 at what is now the Pacific Beach Elementary campus.