An impasse between the lifeguard’s union and San Diego Fire-Rescue over how water-related emergency calls are routed has lifeguards talking secession.

SDFD chief Brian Fennessy recently changed the way radio dispatch works. All water-related 911 calls now go first to the fire department, instead of going directly to lifeguards, who’ve historically made all water rescues.

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NTC Foundation celebrating 10 years of arts at the former naval campus in Point Loma

The 10th anniversary of Liberty Station’s Arts District is being celebrated throughout 2017 with programs and activities on the former Naval Training Center’s 100-acre campus.

Now, through the rest of the year, the foundation is planning activities to honor the past, including an enhancement of Arts District signature events – monthly free Friday Night Liberty art walks, Salute the Season holiday events and seasonal block parties.

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Cabrillo National Monument looks for public input on trails

Cabrillo National Monument superintendent Andrea Compton invites the public to attend an open house meeting to solicit input on the park’s proposed Trails Management Plan. Cabrillo National Monument staff will be holding two open houses for the public (noon to 2 p.m. at the Visitor Center/View Building, and 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium) on Tuesday, March 21.

The purpose of these open houses is to collect public feedback to aid in the development of Cabrillo’s proposed Trails Management Plan. No formal program is scheduled but those interested in attending may stop by to learn and inquire about the plan. Cabrillo National Monument would like your feedback, such as:

- What types of opportunities should be included in the trail system?
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Cabrillo National Monument contains an existing network of roads and recreation trails. The development of a trails plan is critical for protecting the special natural and cultural features of the park and providing quality recreational experiences for park visitors. The Trails Management Plan will help guide the future development and management of roads and trails within the park.

The public comment period will be open through April 16. To review the plan or to submit comments, visit parkplanning.nps.gov/cabrillo.

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The applicant field includes Jeffrey Barr, Josh Dean, David Dick (incumbent), Francisco Garcia, Frederico Kosmo, Jon Linney (incumbent chair), Geoffrey Plagemann, Michael Ryan (incumbent), Don Sevrens (incumbent), Kellen Stewart, and Margarit Virissimo.

Candidate statement from their application:

• Attorney Frederick Kosmo said his primary concerns were “responsible growth, airplane noise and pollution, traffic and congestion.”
• Architect Francisco Garcia said he’d like to see Point Loma continue as a “neighborhood where families can establish roots, where children are safe to play, where local businesses can thrive, and where the history and tradition of the military are respected.”
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Losing ‘legacy’ trees affects lives in Point Loma neighborhoods

A Point Loman, whose 75-year-old “legacy” Monterey Pine is dying, is on a quest to ensure that doesn’t happen to any of his neighbors.

Environmental consultant Dan Johnson’s tree and home are at the corner of Santa Barbara Street and Point Loma Avenue.

Pointing out his tree there has been a topic of conversation, Johnson noted that means “It’s apparently beyond saving due to bark beetles.” But he was quick to add his contention that, “It could have been saved with some preventative maintenance, had we only known.”

Johnson thought at first his landmark pine just needed water due to the recent drought. But, he added, a neighbor chided him in that, “By the time it starts to turn yellow/brown – it’s too late.”

But, added Johnson, “You can treat ahead of time. I bet people with big trees would like to know that, and also to push the city to take better care of them.”

Johnson’s dying tree is drawing lots of attention.

“Now we get one to two knocks on the door per week, what is wrong with your pine tree, did you know it is sick,” he said.

Ian Campbell, of Davey Tree Service, concurred with Johnson on two points: Bark beetle infestation is a serious and growing problem, and yes, something can and should be done about it.

Noting invasive beetles are continually entering the country clandestinely through things like wood shipping containers from China, Campbell noted “there are a slew of boring insects we deal with when trees are under stress.”

Acknowledging that the climate was plenty stressful the previous four years of severe drought, Campbell said drought weakens trees making them more accessible to beetles.

“As a byproduct of that stress, the tree begins to release more ethanol, which is an attractant to the boring insects, which know from scent which trees are sick and weaker—the ones they go for,” he said.

The licensed arborist noted there are chemical treatments that “help suppress boring insects.”

But Campbell added those treatments must be done preventively as beetle-infected trees have “a 95 percent mortality rate, with the trees being completely dead in a matter of weeks or months.”

But, pointed out Campbell, if done appropriately, chemicals can be injected into trees that have proven results in warding off beetles.

Campbell said it’s also a misnomer that such chemical treatments are not effective in forests, pointing out San Diego is an urban forest where, “We have very good success rates of keeping beetles from spreading.”

He added, “Taking steps, now, is the only way to prevent them.”

Campbell wrote a letter to the city on Johnson’s behalf noting, “There are no treatments to the tree in question that will prevent its inevitable death. Based on my experience and training, I recommend immediate removal of the tree to limit the spread of infestation into other nearby healthy trees as a cultural control to manage boring insects.”

Johnson said his point in drawing attention to his dying legacy pine is to “raise awareness of people who can do something to affect the outcome of (their trees).”

Johnson pointed out his pine is 75 years old, ‘legacy’ Monterey Pine at the corner of Santa Barbara Street and Point Loma Avenue, which is dying.

“You have to act technically on city property, and despite begging them to take care of it, they have refused, and continue to refuse saying, ‘not planning on taking any action at this time,’ despite best management practices dictating removal upon infection to attempt to prevent other trees from being infected.”

Johnson added, whenever the tree is removed, he’d like to replace it “with a nice specimen tree or a local pine to pay homage to the tree that used to be there.”

“It’s too late for me – but it may not be too late for other people. We actually are going through a grieving process if you can believe that.”

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Driver plows into Midway motel

BY SCOTT HOPKINS | The Beacon

The driver of a pickup truck brought emergency crews rushing when he crashed through the wall of a motel last week.

According to a San Diego Police Department officer at the scene, the driver, believed to be in his 20s, left the Pacers Showgirls International club on Midway Drive at about 9:30 p.m. March 5 at a high rate of speed when he suddenly made a left turn onto Wing Street and lost control of the vehicle.

The Ford truck first struck a parked Lexus SUV before roaring into the parking lot of the International House of Pancakes restaurant at Midway Drive and Wing Street, and blasting through a concrete wall of the Bay Inn and Suites, an L-shaped business with a row of rooms running behind the restaurant.

The parked Lexus sustained major damage.

Following the crash into the wall, the driver leaped from his vehicle and ran south on Wing Street several blocks, reportedly removing his shirt. When police arrived, witnesses, who followed the driver, but did not attempt to detain him, pointed him out and officers took him into custody.

The unidentified driver was not injured but was charged with hit-and-run and was being evaluated for drunk driving, according to an officer at the scene.

Police and San Diego Fire-Rescue Department personnel inspected the motel building where only parking spaces were located on the level of the vehicle’s entry.

Two of the eight rooms above the damaged area were occupied and those guests were relocated to different rooms as a precaution.

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‘Huffing’ driver who killed girl in Midway crash, gets 10 years

A motorist who killed a Pacific Beach girl in 2010 after "huffing"/inhaling chemicals from computer keyboard cleaner cans was sentenced March 3 to 10 years and eight months in state prison.

However, attorney Kerry Armstrong, who represents Romeo Balbin Dumlao, 41, told the judge "he’ll be out in a couple of weeks" because he received credits for already having served seven years in prison.

Ashley Heffington, 9, died Jan. 12, 2010, after Dumlao’s vehicle struck her mother’s car at a stoplight at 9:15 a.m. West Point Loma Boulevard and Sports Arena Boulevard 13 days earlier. Dumlao has been in custody ever since.

Armstrong said Dumlao only has to complete about half the prison term imposed because he was not convicted of inflicting great bodily injuries upon the girl’s mother and others injured in the collision. Dumlao received 16 years in prison in 2010 when he pleaded guilty to all charges, but that was reversed by an appeal.

San Diego Superior Court Judge Louis Hanoian ordered Dumlao to pay $367,643 in restitution to Cindy Heffington, the girl’s mother, for both her and her daughter’s injuries. He was fined $4,294, and given credit for 4,997 days spent in custody including time off for good behavior.

“She was a loving, kind, and happy girl. Our lives will never be the same,” said Cindy Heffington in court. “Losing a child is like an amputation.”

“She was taken from us from a man who chose to huff and drive, a selfish man who I think should never (be free),” said Zoe Fisher, the girl’s aunt. “No time will ever be enough, so please sentence him to the full extent of the law.”

Armstrong read into the record his client’s apology letter to the family, but all the grieving family members walked out of the courtroom at that point. Dumlao wrote he “felt ashamed of myself” upon seeing the grief he caused.

Deputy District Attorney Nicole Rooney said Dumlao’s blood showed high levels of the chemical difluorothane, an odorless gas in keyboard cleaners. Armstrong had argued there was no state-wide standard for measurement of the chemical, but jurors convicted him Jan. 18 of gross vehicular manslaughter while under the influence of a drug.

“Based on the evidence in the trial, he was huffing a lot,” said Hanoian. “It’s hard to imagine, a rear-end collision in broad daylight without braking at 50 mph.”

Rooney showed jurors four cans of the keyboard cleaners that were found in Dumlao’s Toyota 4Runner and a rag filled with the cleaners that he apparently applied to his face while driving.

The eight-man, four-woman jury deliberated one day before convicting him, but they also determined there were no great bodily injuries suffered by three others which would have earned consecutive sentences.

Hanoian said, because Dumlao pleaded guilty in 2010 to all the charges, “that demonstrates remorse for me.” While acting as his own attorney from prison, Dumlao successfully appealed that another judge erred over interpretation of sentencing enhancements.

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Point Loma’s robotic team wins regional, heads to worlds

Residents in the Fleetridge section of Point Loma may have been suspicious after noticing a group of Point Loma High School students entering a home, coming and going regularly on afternoons, weekends, and weekdays, some disappearing into the house for hours at a time even when the residents are away. Any neighbors who were concerned can now relax.

The students are part of a robotic team and have been working tirelessly for months building a robot. And not just any robot—their electronically powered mechanical creation just won the First Tech Challenge Super Regional event, topping 74 area winning teams from 17 Western states over the three-day event in Tacoma, Wash., that will send the device—and the 11 students who have spent literally thousands of hours preparing it—to a world competition coming up in Houston April 19-22.

Team captains are seniors Collin Nilsen and Allison Trent.

The team, representing the Point Loma community, actually went undefeated throughout the grueling event, earning the title of “Winning Alliance Captain,” which means they were the top-ranked team when choosing other teams to join in alliances for certain portions of the competition.

Students in Point Loma have been working on such projects for the last eight years, but this is the first time they have qualified for the super regional, something that required them to finish among the top four of 36 teams at the local level.

And work they did. By team mentor Matt Nilsen’s calculation, the teens spent over 5,000 hours of time conceiving, building, testing, evaluating, rebuilding and retesting all aspects of the finished robot. A notebook which includes engineering notes and drawings, now runs more than 300 pages.

To ensure fair competition, a new common challenge is announced each year. One of the challenges for this year’s teams was to construct a robot that could not only recognize the difference between red and blue plastic Wiffle balls, but also scoop them up and shoot them into a raised basket in the middle of the competition area.

Another challenge involved picking up large inflatable yoga balls and depositing them atop the same Wiffle ball basket.

Robots built must be no larger than an 18-inch cube. Competition takes place in a 1-by-1.2-by-1.2 foot space with 1.2-inch high glass walls and interlocking rubber floor mats as a surface.

“Of the great things is they give us no plans. Each team starts with nothing and comes up with a unique robot,” said Casey Wilson, one of four sophomores on hand to explain the group’s project.

“There are some definite limitations,” said Joe Landon, “Your robot can’t shoot the Wiffle balls over a certain height and you have to be conscious and aware of other robots and be spatially aware of the battlefield. There are two teams on the field at once, each with three people, so communication is very important.”

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PLHS winter sports athletes honored

Two soccer players at Point Loma High School led a group of athletes honored for their skills during the recently completed winter sports season.

Senior standout Riley O’Toole, a midfielder, achieved the highest honor, being named to the first team All-CIF girls soccer, making her one of the top 12 players in San Diego and Imperial Counties. She has committed to Villanova University.

O’Toole, a four-year member of the Pointers, helped lead her team to a Div. II CIF championship in 2015 and a Div. I semifinal appearance in 2016. This year, the team finished 9-5-5 (4-1-4, second place in Western League) before being eliminated in the quarterfinals of the Open Division (eight best teams in the section).

Senior defender Jerzy Piotrowski was named second team All-CIF boys soccer for his outstanding play. A three-year letterman, Piotrowski played a key role as the Pointers won the Div. II CIF championship in 2016 and saw his team reach the Open Division semifinals this year before losing two gut-wrenching games on penalty kicks after 90 minutes of scoreless play.

First, the Pointers saw St. Augustine edge them 3-1 and then, just two days later in a state playoff game, Oceanside ended the Pointers’ dreams with a 4-3 shootout win. Overall, the Pointers finished 10-8-4 (2-2-4, third place in Western League).

Other honored athletes:

Boys basketball

Vassine Gharram, only a freshman, was named first team All-City League while senior Darnell Johnson and junior Kyle Johnson were

Soccer

The #Questfor15 continues, but not after a scare at Ontario Fury. The Sockers fell 8-4 in the second game of the series, but were able to claw back and win 1-0 in the mini-game. The 15 minute mini-game is the “third” game of the series and is the ultimate decider for the series. After the restart of play, Brian (Flash) Farber jumped on to the long ball and crossed to midfielder Luan Oliveira who slotted home for a 1-0 lead in the mini game. Moments later, Ontario had a shot bounce off the wall and saved off the line, inches from the equalizer.

The San Diego Sockers now advance to the Western Conference Championship to face S.C. Salerno at 5:05 p.m. on March 19 at the Valley View Casino Center.

The Sockers traveled north on

Tuesday in search of a road win versus the Ontario Fury that would close out the Pacific Division series. Ontario came out flying and were rewarded with two early goals through on form striker Leonardo de Oliveira and Chico Francisco.

Sockers started to get back into the game but couldn’t find an opening and were stunned by a third Fury goal just before the end of the first quarter.
Woman missing from Sunset Cliffs found dead on Mission Beach

On Saturday, Feb. 18, Amanda Cruse arrived in San Diego from out of town. That afternoon, Cruse visited the area of Sunset Cliffs. On Sunday, Feb. 19, at approximately 5 a.m., Cruse traveled back to the Sunset Cliffs area and parked near Sunset Cliffs Boulevard and Mona-co Street. Cruse was last seen walking in the direction of Sunset Cliffs.

She was reported missing by family members on Feb. 21. The San Diego Police Department has been actively searching for Cruse since her reported disappearance.

On Sunday, March 5, at approximately 4:44 p.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call that a body was found on the beach at 1900 Ocean Front Walk in Mission Beach.

When San Diego Police Department officers arrived on scene they found the decomposed body of an adult female. Due to the condition of the body, identification could not be made at the scene and the body was transported to the Medical Examiner’s Office for examination.

On Wednesday, March 8, the body was identified as that of 30-year-old Amanda Cruse through dental comparison.

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“During extremely large surf, a woman was washed off the rocks and into the ocean by the Red Tile rip at 437 Coast Blvd.,” Harris said. “While guards were available, they did not know a woman was in distress. She was rescued by a citizen, then brought to the road for assistance. Fire-Rescue called lifeguards five minutes after the 911 call was made and asked if we were aware of the call. The lifeguard dispatcher said no.

“The call was not transferred to lifeguard dispatch due to changes imposed by the San Diego Fire chief,” Harris continued. “The changes require police to transfer some water emergencies to Fire-Rescue dispatch, rather than lifeguard dispatch, as it has been done for more than 30 years. While most (responses) are not delayed five minutes, all water emergency calls routed through Fire-Rescue dispatch are now delayed 1-2 minutes before lifeguards are called.”

Lifeguard union members have since filed a grievance in opposition to the recent radio-call routing changes with San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer.

In response to the lifeguards’ challenge on emergency call dispatch changes, Fennessy replied: “SDFD’s mission is to protect life, property and the environment. The Lifeguard Division is a key component of our success providing seamless services to community members. We understand the tremendous value they bring in their everyday interactions with everyone who works, lives near or visits our coastal areas.

“When someone calls for help, responding quickly with the right resources remains our focus,” continued Fennessy. “Developing a new department would not provide any demonstrable benefit to the community members we serve. We will continue to work with all employees and stakeholders on innovative programs and projects to improve the services we provide.”

Noting SDFD is “in the business of saving lives and keeping our neighborhoods safe,” Fennessy added, “That was never more evident than during the recent storms when lifeguards and firefighters worked together for the common good and saved lives.

“It’s unfortunate that Local 911 leadership would suggest public safety has been compromised in some way to score political points. Nothing could be further from the truth. Using scare tactics like that as a public safety professional is irresponsible and dangerous.

“Statewide, the services that local lifeguards provide fall within the scope of local fire departments. Creating a separate department for lifeguards would be unprecedented, do nothing to improve public safety and increase costs. We are going to continue to respond as one department, and not let politics get in the way of doing the right thing for the public we are sworn to serve.”

Harris noted that lifeguards and fire have been collaboratively working since the ’40s when “it was determined it would be a good fit.” He said lifeguards were subsequently moved out of the city’s park and recreation department and placed with fire.

Harris noted the lifeguard department is unique, for a variety of reasons, including the sheer volume of calls and rescues they deal with.

“We have about 300 personnel who’ve made about 9,000 water and 300 cliff rescues the last six years,” Harris said. “We work with fire, and we call them when we need them. But we don’t need 18 firefighters showing up on every call.”

Harris contends Fennessy was out of step in instituting the new call routing system “without consulting the lifeguards.”

The mayor will now investigate the change Fennessy instituted with water-related emergency calls.

“The mayor will make a determination as to whether Fennessy can do what he’s doing (with emergency calls),” said Harris. “If the mayor’s office doesn’t uphold our grievance, then it will move to the City Council.”

What if the lifeguard union’s demands to go back to the old emergency call-routing system are not met?

“We’ll be having those conversations (about seceding from SDFD) with our members to try and get them to understand we’re not happy (with new emergency call system), and we don’t think the public is safe,” concluded Harris.

City votes to continue annual predator cull in Mission Bay

The City Council voted 8-1 to deny an appeal by animal advocates and the Sierra Club to end the annual predator cull at Mission Bay, which is in place to protect endangered bird species.

The controversial program is conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

District 2 Councilwoman Lorie Zapf cast the dissenting vote.

The program has caused a stir because the California least tern and light-footed Ridgway’s rail are safeguarded, in part, through trapping and shooting cats, gulls, crows and rats. The appeal centered on the more narrow issue of whether city officials correctly declared that the 25-year program is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

Representatives of the Sierra Club and San Diego Animal Advocates contended that not enough supporting evidence backed the city’s CEQA exemption.
Blood drive in OB
San Diego Blood Bank to hold mobile drive in Ocean Beach 1:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 at 4840 Niagara St., Rite Aid parking lot. One pint of blood, which is the amount volunteers give when they donate blood, can save up to three lives. Approximately 38 percent of the U.S. population is eligible to donate blood but less than 10 percent do annually. Since blood is always needed, volunteers are asked to give blood for patients, such as those going through cancer or trauma.

Donors must meet the following eligibility requirements: 17 and older (age 16 requires a parental consent), 114 pounds and in good health. It is recommended that donors consume an adequate meal and plenty of fluids prior to giving. A photo identification must be presented upon signing up to donate.

Donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment for their convenience but walk-ins are also welcome. To schedule an appointment, call 619-469-7322 or visit www.SanDiegoBloodBank.org.

OB Historical Society Wisteria Garden Party
Come celebrate spring at the Ocean Beach Historical Society Wisteria Garden Party as they thank members and also pay tribute to Carol Hart Bowers, co-founder of the Ocean Beach Historical Society 1 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at 4761 Niagara Ave.

Spend the afternoon in the garden of a historic OB Wisteria Cottage under the largest wisteria canopy in Ocean Beach. Enjoy tasty hors d’oeuvres and desserts while listening to live music, including songs from the 1920s by local Billy Lee and the Swamp Critters band (includes dance area). Enjoy a beautiful afternoon of OB history, culture and fun. Dress: historic, garden party, purple attire, or OB casual. Minimum suggested donation: members $10, or $20 (admission plus membership) includes an opportunity drawing ticket. Visit www.obhistory.wordpress.com for more information.

Westminster Presbyterian spring production
Westminster Presbyterian Church’s Vanguard Theatre Ministry has announced its spring production “Who Am I This Time?” (And Other Conundrums of Love), by Aaron Posner, which is an adaptation of three early comic masterpieces by Kurt Vonnegut. Take a walk through simple, mythical small-town America and catch a glimpse of humankind’s most elusive, complicated and basic sentiment. Real folks. Real love. Real fun.

Shows will be March 24, 25, 26, 31 and April 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are available for purchase at www.facebook.com/vanguardtheater.
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Once karaoke leads to a life in music

While it’s likely that most folks reading this have partaken in a round of karaoke at some point in their lives, the number of folks for whom such a performance actually led to a musical career is likely miniscule. Yet that’s precisely how BayView Senior Assisted Living in Encinatas, has received multiple community recognition as a premier home care agency. They provide non-medical assistance to residents of San Diego County. In addition to providing assistance with personal care, meal prep, light housekeeping, errands and companionship, they also offer two new RN managed programs. The Care Management program can help coordinate your loved one’s appointments, social activities and assist with community outreach. Their new C.A.R.E. program can provide hospital ER companionship within 1 hour, thereby providing peace of mind. BayView Senior Assisted Living has been providing excellent care for elderly in San Diego. The owners are not only on site, but their motivation is not to focus on that as we have lots of our own music that fits the bill for club shows.

With five years in the band, Walker is happy with the progress made by Sometimes Julie. “We really like the creative process,” he said. “We like starting with the gln of an idea, fleshing it out and taking it to audiences. Getting a positive response from a crowd after that work is the most important as well.”

Sometimes Julie prefers to stick to evergreen, “Rock ‘n’ Roll,” but also covers such as Lucinda Williams song “Essence” or Led Zeppelin’s “Kneehole.” Sometimes Julie says she loves to be releasing a new single, “My Bones,” he said.

The band does perform occasional covers such as The Rolling Stones’ “Satisfaction” and Cheap Trick was really important as well.”

San Diego Music Awards highlight musical talent

The local music community’s biggest night, The San Diego Music Awards, takes place at the House of Blues on March 21. The 26th annual edition is open to the public and will feature performances from indie rockers Verigold, reggae chart toppers Hirie, costumed garage rockers The Creepy Crevs and manic rock ‘n’ rollers Schizophrenics. Also performing will be two ensembles, trumpeter Gilbert Castellanos and the Young Lion All Stars, featuring students from local schools, and jazz guitarist Steph John and the Voices of Our City Choir, which is comprised of singers from San Diego’s homeless population.
leadership of the NTC Foundation, a nonprofit established in 2000 by the City of San Diego. Empowered to make the proposed Arts District a reality, the group has accomplished what was given to the NTC Foundation by the city were 26 abandoned Navy buildings, all in various states of disrepair by the city. To see how far the district’s reality, the group has accomplished, the nonprofit established in 2000 by the leadership of the NTC Foundation, a creating a different group each night.”

“Later I was invited to curate a series of group shows in the Command Center at Liberty Station in order to get the resident artists’ work into a common space where the variety and quality of artwork could be visible ... I also had a chance to set up a table in the Public Market every Tuesday morning,” LeVieux added.

“Being part of this artistic community has really evolved the programming that we offer,” said Matt Carney, executive director of San Diego Dance Theater. “In the past, we would mostly just produce our own shows by our artistic director and resident choreographer.

“Now we are helping to promote and produce a community of artists from San Diego and beyond. An example of this is our 10-day dance festival, Live Arts Fest, where we produce 10 evenings of dance showcasing a different group each night.”

Noting that redeveloping Liberty Station has been a challenge given the architectural limitations imposed by the historically designated former Naval base, Ziter talked about Arts District changes yet to come.

“Ideally we’ll have a 300-seat performance venue, as well as more art installations,” he said, adding, “The key thing here is the money. Historical buildings are expensive to renovate.”

Ziter said funding to renovate Arts District buildings comes from a number of sources, including historical tax credits, private donations, financing a mortgage and fundraising.

“Going forward, we’ll be looking for development partners,” said Ziter. “We would talk with any developer who has a compelling idea that aligns with our mission of creating a vibrant arts district.”

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get inspiration from past designs,” said Shannon Lee. “We also make lots of prototypes and this year we’ve also done some preview modeling of what we think could be a good design. We test our prototypes, and if they work, they go on the robot.”

With the challenge of shooting Wiffle balls, the group went through much testing.

“We’ve gone through lots of different designs,” Lee continued, “and we finally came up with a flexible shooter that can change the angle of the shots so we can shoot from anywhere on the field. We changed many things, but the end product has been worth it.”

And how are the needed changes made?

“The programmer and the builders have to work closely together,” said Hailey Schmidt, the team’s programmer. “We need to come to an agreement about what will be most effective for each of our specialties. Over time, we’ve added a lot of new sensors and different ways of approaching the challenge.”

Some changes involved large amounts of patience during very time-consuming adjustments.

“At first, we had a program so the robot could follow a wall by reading how far away it was,” Schmidt explained, “but the robot was redesigned and we changed to using a gyro to detect what angle it’s facing so it can drive in a straight line.”

When teams partner up, a set of standards becomes crucial. It’s called “gracious professionalism.”

“On the field,” said Wilson, “you want to help each other out. All the teams are friends, so you want to help each other out. All the teams are friends, so you want to help each other out.”

The competition is under the auspices of the Advancement for Science, Inspirations, and Recognition of Science and Technology, a nonprofit organization that began in 1989 and is based in Manchester, N.H. Today it has grown to include programs for all ages from kindergarten to high school that globally involves over 460,000 students, 52,000 teams, 40,000 robots and 230,000 mentors, coaches, judges and volunteers in 15 countries.

Across the world, there are 3,400 teams with 85,000 participants at the grades 9-12 level.

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Mentor Nilsen has a mechanical engineering degree from UCSD and works as a battalion chief for San Diego Fire-Rescue Department. He offers gentle suggestions and corrections as the students manipulate and adjust their robot.

“My older son was interested in robotics,” he said as the students checked the progress of charging batteries on his garage workbench.

“When he was in eighth grade and his mentor left, I took the team on. This year’s team is special to me, not only having my younger son on the team, but having them all around and seeing how much they enjoy this.”

Nilsen installed a lock box on his garage and provides keys to all team members, some of whom, such as Lee and Wilson, spend countless hours working even on weekends.

The team named their robot “The Rise of Hephaestus” based on the Greek god “who built the first robot,” according to Wilson. “The name changed from ‘Sons of Hephaestus’ when girls returned to the team several years ago.”

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Aspiring seamstress Caroline Austin's passion for the craft matches her talent. Which is why Ocean Beach seamstress Mary Ann Haskell has taken the 11-year-old under her wing.

For the past two years, Austin’s been taking two-hour weekly sewing lessons with Haskell, owner of Seams to Me at 1862 Bacon St., next to Nati’s Mexican Restaurant for 14 years.

“I do want to be a sewer when I grow up because it's really fun – and I like it,” said Austin. “I like making clothes because it's creative.”

Austin’s already got a lot to show from being Haskell’s understudy. “I’ve made dresses and a jacket.”

Austin said. “I’ve also made a (stuffed) dog and teddy bear, an overnight bag and a car holder.”

A bartender-turned-seamstress who’s returned to the craft she’s been honing since childhood, Haskell’s happy to have such an aspiring protégé.

Talking about a new, more advanced project Austin has taken on, Haskell noted, “She’s working on a project sewing a leather jacket on, Haskell noted, “She’s working on an accomplished seamstress in her own right.”

Karen Austin, Caroline’s mom, supports her daughter’s calling. But she admitted though her daughter's aspiration seems “a bit retro when compared to the many kids who play soccer and other sports during their off-school hours.”

The Aunts’ “popped in one day after lunch” to ask Haskell if she’d be willing to meet with Caroline and explore the possibility of teaching her how to sew.

“Now, two years later, Caroline is an accomplished seamstress in her own right,” Karen said. “She has sewn her own amazing clothes, outfits for her little dog, gifts like aprons and button, sew pleats and darts, put in zippers, etc.”

Caroline’s mom characterized her daughter and Haskell's relationship as “unique and wonderful. It is priceless to see how eager Caroline is to learn how to sew straight lines, make her own buttons, sew pleats and darts, put in zippers, etc.”

Carol Ann Bowers (née Hart), from Ocean Beach, passed away on January 4, 2017, at 82 years old. She was born on June 8, 1934, to George and Esmerelda Hart in Los Alamitos, California. Carol grew up on Newport Avenue, between Santa Barbara and Venice. She attended Ocean Beach Elementary School and Dana Middle School before moving to Lomita, California in the ’40s.

She went to Narbonne High School where she met her future husband, Jim Bowers. Jim was a standout athlete, drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates, and they married on Nov. 28, 1952. They had three daughters: Laurel, Holly, and Cristine.

Carol raised her family in Fullerton and Anaheim, and received her Master’s degree in English from CSU Fullerton in 1974. She taught high school English in Los Alamitos until she relocated back to Ocean Beach following the death of her youngest daughter, Cristine, in an automobile accident. She worked as an editor at Copley Books until she started her own firm, Tecolote Publications, out of her home in Ocean Beach. She published over 200 books, along with countless pamphlets and newsletters for local authors, until her retirement in the early 2000s. She contributed to the Beacon, the Union Tribune, the Reader, and a PBS special on the zip code of 92107.

Her first and only work of fiction, The Mysterious Stranger of Ocean Beach, starred her two eldest grandsons.

During this time, Carol was the Ocean Beach Citizen of the Year, had a production of her life's story performed at the La Jolla Playhouse, and co-founded the Ocean Beach Historical Society with her longtime friend, Ruth Varney Field. She was an active contributor to the San Diego Friends of the Library and held a Writer’s Workshop in a Robb Field bungalow for local authors.

Carol suffered from Alzheimer’s disease and spent her final years in Portland, Oregon. Her family is grateful to the Emerson House and House Call Providers Hospice Services for their compassionate treatment.

Carol is survived by her older brother Jim Hart, her daughters Laurel and Holly, her son-in-law Dean, her seven grandchild (Adam, Alison, Brad, Chris, Dylan, Jonathan, and Lindsay), and seven great-grandchildren (Gracie, Joshua, Nathan, Penelope, Nolan, Ryan, and Taylor).

The family will be holding an open house memorial on June 25th, close to Carol’s birthday. For more info, write to islandwhites@msn.com.
Women’s International Film Festival at Liberty Station next weekend

By GAVE SCHINDLER | THE BEACON

The 2017 Women’s International Film Festival San Diego hosted by the Women’s Museum of California at Liberty Station runs March 24–26.

This annual international film festival not only features the finest films directed by women, but offers a rare opportunity to meet many of the actresses and directors in-person. It was created to celebrate women’s stories and experiences through film.

The festival is held during March in honor of Women’s History Month. Its goal is to select films that represent the diversity of women from around the world.

“This is our third annual film festival,” said Diane Peabody Straw, executive director of Women’s Museum of California. “The Lot at Liberty Station has partnered with us to show all of these films, and to have some panel discussions there, and at the women’s museum.”

Peabody Straw noted there are some new developments at this year’s film fest.

“We’ve had previous panel discussions, but this year’s panels will be more topic-oriented,” she said. “We’ve also been very lucky to have women filmmakers flying in from all over the world to participate.”

The museum director noted one feature film in particular, “I Am Jane Doe,” about sex trafficking, will likely stand out.

“We’ll have a panel discussion with a surviving sex traffic victim, now an activist, on Saturday night,” Peabody Straw said.

Peabody Straw noted the women’s film fest “fulfills our mission of providing another opportunity for women’s stories to be heard.” That’s especially important, she said, given that “less than 8 percent of directors in Hollywood are women, in terms of the big blockbuster films that come out every year. Here, women have their films shown that they put their hearts and souls into.”

This year, the WFFSD welcomes films from Canada, Indonesia, UK and the United States. The movies, all directed by women, give independent female filmmakers a platform, while allowing women-focused issues to come alive on-screen. Films range from scripted comedies to issue-focused documentaries, from short, 10-minute films, to full-length, 90-minute features.

Selected festival films will be screened at The Lot in Liberty Station, 2620 Truxtun Road. Panel discussions about the films, and VIP receptions, will be held at The Lot and the Women’s Museum of California from Friday, March 24 through Sunday, March 26.

**Featured films include**

- “The Things We Do They Don’t Understand” – A short film about a girl who wakes up after a one-night stand and finds herself alone in the man’s apartment — with his mother. Written and directed by Ashley Michelle Holban.
- “I Am Jane Doe” – Chronicles the epic battle that several American mothers are waging on behalf of their middle-school daughters, victims of sex trafficking on Backpage.com, the adult classifieds section that for years was part of the iconic Village Voice.

The Women’s Museum of California is at 2730 Historic Decatur Road Suite 206. For more information visit www.womensmuseumca.org.

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to be with Mary Ann, week after week. I know the feeling is mutual.”

A bartender in OB for 20-plus years, Haskell worked at the Sunshine Company and Pacific Shores. But having sewn since she was Car-

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