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‘WE WANT SOMETHING TO CHANGE’

BY VICTORIA DAVIS | BEACH & BAY PRESS

With the words, “As a girl, I hope to have as many rights as a gun someday,” written on a hot pink sign, which she held high above her head, Chloe Pardo marched alongside thousands of other protesters on March 24.

Chloe, a cheerleader at Mission Bay High, went with her parents and brother to support the March for Our Lives rally in downtown San Diego. “I felt like there was a lot more than the 6,000 people they were all saying were there,” Chloe said. “It must have been more like 7,000 or 8,000. It was really cool to see everybody there for the same reason and bringing their own ideas forward with the signs.”

Chloe’s brother Jack, a student at Pacific Beach Middle, whose sign read, “Arms are for Hugs,” added, “There was just a ton of passionate people out there yelling for a change. It was awe-inspiring to see people choose to spend their Saturday morning that way.”

The rally began at 10 a.m. in Waterfront Park with speeches from students both local and from out of town. People of all ages, from babies holding signs that their parents had made for them, to grandmothers proudly showing off their “Grandma’s for Gun Control” posters, congregated next to the County Building.

While many politicians and local activists expressed a desire to also speak at the rally, Mohamed Elnakib, a grad student at Alliant International University, and one of the organizers who oversaw the student-led committees, explained that the goal was to...
A suspect in the now-infamous Pacific Beach patio bandit case, who has been pillaging front-porch furniture, has been arrested and is in custody.

On March 22, San Diego Police Department Northern Division patrol officers arrested 44-year-old Jose Luis Manjarre-Ledesma in connection with the crime series.

Officers made a traffic stop on the suspect. He was interviewed and later arrested. His vehicle was impounded.

For several months, PB residents had been reporting patio furniture being stolen from their front porches in the late-night and early-morning hours.

In several of the cases, video surveillance captured the picture of a Hispanic male with a mustache. Surveillance also had captured video footage of a dark SUV with Baja plates. In one scene, the thief reportedly was in his stockinged feet, having removed his shoes.

SDPD Sgt. John Harberth said the patio-theft series remained under investigation.

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“Crooks will pick the car that is unlocked, rather than break into cars that are locked,” he said.

It was uncertain whether the patio thefts would be considered felonies or misdemeanors. Harberth noted that a total theft evaluation of $950 is the dividing line between felonies or misdemeanors. Harberth added that the absolute minimum the alleged perpetrator should get is “three years in prison suspended, 365 days in jail (must do at least half), victim restitution, forfeiture of his vehicle and GPS monitoring during three years formal probation.”

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“Let’s see how this justice system works,” said Gary Ries of Riviera Sail Bay. “Will he have to pay back his victims that we caught on video?”

“Will he walk, or get 30-, 90-, 180- or 365-days in jail and be released after doing half or less time? Will he be sent to prison for two or more years?”

“Consequences matter, even if they seem small at the time,” said Lynda Schmidt, also of Riviera Sail Bay. “The important thing is repetition. Very glad to hear the thief was at least inconvenienced, and is now on record.”

With our liberal system and judges he’ll get off easy,” said Larry Weeks Jr. of southeast Bay Ho.

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Dockless vehicle reps defend new bike-share businesses to Pacific Beach Town Council

BY DAVE SCHWAB | Beach & Bay Press

A community forum at Pacific Beach Town Council on March 21 drew a packed house questioning representatives from all four dockless vehicle companies — Ofo, Mobike, Limebike and Bird — whose products are proliferating along the beachfront.

The recent dockless “invasion” is causing consternation among some startled by the new bike technology, which is operated by a smart-phone app. Critics claim dockless, intended to get people out of cars providing a last-mile link with public transit, is unsafe, unfair and unwanted.

Dockless reps Carl Hansen of Bird, Zack Bartlett of Limebike, Katie Stevens of Ofo and Keven Duran of Mobike briefly profiled their companies. All four defend dockless technology, arguing it fights carbon pollution and climate change, gets people out of cars and reduces traffic congestion while improving access to local business.

Conceding dockless “has some rough edges,” Hansen said Bird was created by Lyft and Uber executives “out of concern over the traffic impacts of ride-sharing. We know 40 percent of car trips are less than two miles. The solution they came up with was electric motorized scooters as an alternative.”

Bartlett said Limebikes offer five different types of vehicles costing $1 to unlock and 15 cents a minute to rent. “This mode of transport fits in well with PB and will have a positive impact on San Diego’s Climate Action Plan,” he said. “We want to ensure everyone who wants a scooter has access to them. But we don’t want them to become a nuisance.”

Steven’s said Ofo is different in that its vehicles are not electric, and don’t require overnight charging or warehousing. “We are the oldest dockless company focusing on educating people about how to use them, and where to park,” she said. Ofo offered dockless rides free throughout March.

Duran said Mobike wants to “grow its presence in San Diego organically,” working with local businesses to “positively impact storefronts” while facilitating the business to “positively impact organically,” working with local businesses to “grow its presence in San Diego” through the City’s Climate Action Plan. That plan calls for eliminating half of all car trips in San Diego by 2035.

Matthew Gardner, a beachfront bike-rental operator, who previously opposed Discover Bike’s boardwalk docking stations as unfair competition, surprised the crowd by saying he didn’t see dockless as a threat.

“They are going after different clientele than I have, that last-mile commute,” said Gardner, whose rentals are geared mainly toward tourists and recreationalists. Gardner added, however, he felt dockless has been “rolled out in a terrible way with no public vetting or vot- ing.” He said it was a “classic case of technology moving faster than government’s ability to react to it.”

From the audience, Pamela Taylor of Crystal Pier Batt & Tackle, conceded dockless was playing by a different set of rules shortchanging traditional small businesses like hers.

“This isn’t about reducing cars or sustainability or helping the environment — it’s about green, as in the color of money,” Taylor said. “This has only created chaos and a dangerous situation. They don’t even provide helmets at the time of rental: It’s breaking the law.”

Bicycle enthusiast Marcie Becket agreed. “You’ve brought these motorized scooters into our community and made money and it’s created a safety hazard,” Becket said. “You have an obligation for your riders to follow the law. Your scooter riders don’t even know that it’s illegal to ride on the boardwalk or the sidewalk.”

“Do you pay sales tax on your revenue?” asked Brian Curry, former PB Plan Group chair. “Would you be willing to take your businesses down until we get some regulations?”

PBTC’s next meeting on April 18 will be a forum for candidates running for public office.

Discover PB’s annual awards night highlights local businesses

SAN DIEGO. According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the eleven most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an older home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. To help homeowners, the following are some of the most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

1. Structural Problems

Structural problems can be caused by a variety of factors, including poor construction methods, improper maintenance, and even natural disasters. Some common structural problems include cracks in the foundation, sagging roofs, and tilted walls. These issues can be costly to repair, so it’s important to have your home inspected for any potential problems.

2. Electrical Problems

Electrical problems can cause a variety of issues, from simple flickering lights to more serious issues like fires. Some common electrical problems include faulty wiring, overloaded circuits, and inadequate grounding. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also be dangerous.

3. Heating and Cooling Problems

Heating and cooling systems are essential to keeping your home comfortable. Some common heating and cooling problems include malfunctions in the furnace or air conditioner, inadequate insulation, and poor venting. These issues can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased energy bills.

4. Plumbing Problems

Plumbing problems can cause a variety of issues, from simple leaks to more serious problems like sewage backups. Some common plumbing problems include clogged drains, broken pipes, and improper venting. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased water bills.

5. Roofing Problems

Roofing problems can cause leaks, water damage, and even structural damage. Some common roofing problems include missing or damaged shingles, poor installation, and improper drainage. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased insurance rates.

6. Foundation Problems

Foundation problems can cause the structure of your home to shift or settle. Some common foundation problems include cracks in the foundation, tilted walls, and settlement of the building. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased insurance rates.

7. Insulation Problems

Insulation is essential to keeping your home comfortable and energy-efficient. Some common insulation problems include inadequate insulation, improper installation, and damaged insulation. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased energy bills.

8. Windows and Doors

Windows and doors are essential to keeping your home comfortable and energy-efficient. Some common window and door problems include rotting frames, broken glass, and poor weatherstripping. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased energy bills.

9. Exterior Problems

Exterior problems can cause leaks, water damage, and even structural damage. Some common exterior problems include missing or damaged shingles, poor installation, and improper drainage. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased insurance rates.

10. Mold and Mildew Problems

Mold and mildew can cause a variety of issues, from allergic reactions to respiratory problems. Some common mold and mildew problems include sustained dampness, poor ventilation, and improper moisture control. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased insurance rates.

11. Pest Problems

Pest problems can cause a variety of issues, from simple annoyance to serious damage. Some common pest problems include roaches, ants, and termites. These problems can be costly to repair, and can also lead to increased insurance rates.

By taking these steps, you can ensure that your home inspection is thorough and effective. To learn more about these and other issues, read our report on home inspections today at sdnews.com.
Flame Broiler in Pacific Beach to offer specials on four-year anniversary

By ASHLYN LIPORI-RUSSIE | Beach & Bay Press

There’s some quality food sitting in the heart of Pacific Beach, at the Flame Broiler on Garnet Avenue. This franchise location is about to celebrate its fourth anniversary by offering a special deal to customers in the community.

On Wednesday, April 18, the eatery is offering buy-one-get-one-free deals on delicious Korean-style bowls all day.

The Pacific Beach restaurant will also be handing out free tote bags, tumblers, notepads, and gifts to any-one who walks in the door.

Owner Koy Nichols says it’s his way of giving back to the PB community that is making his business such a success.

Nichols took over this location about five months ago, and is loving the opportunity to offer great food in his neighborhood. “We are a Pacific Beach-oriented business,” said Nichols. “People pop in on their lunch breaks or on their way home from work, leaving with a healthy, affordable, and satisfying meal.”

Customers can choose from a series of bowls with a variety of original sauces. According to Nichols, “What separates us is the quality of the product.”

The Flame Broiler uses local California rice, organic tofu, natural chicken, lean Angus beef, and fresh vegetables in all their dishes. There’s also plenty of vegetarian options.

“It gives you that full sensation without slowing you down,” said Koy. “With all the health-oriented people in California, it’s the perfect plan.”

Koy strives for the Flame Broiler to be convenient, keeping up with the fast pace of PB locals. The restaurant aims to have people in and out in less than five minutes, while also offering plenty of options for takeout and delivery through app services.

The Flame Broiler franchise started in Orange County in 1994, and there are now almost 200 locations across the country. This spot in Pacific Beach has been cooking up quality food for four years. There are five other locations in San Diego, in La Jolla, Mission Valley, Sorrento Valley, Mira Mesa, and Chula Vista.

If you’re new to the Flame Broiler, or a regular customer, stop by on April 18 to help celebrate the eatery’s success. If you can’t make it, the Flame Broiler has more promotions coming up. Follow @flamebroilerpacificbeach on Instagram for deals any time of year.
Filippi’s Pizza Grotto celebrates 50 years in Pacific Beach

Vincent DePhilippis was born in New York, but spent his youth in Naples, Italy. After returning to New York at 18, Vincent met Madeleine Manfredi. They settled in Westchester, Pa. after marrying in 1925. In 1947, the two moved to San Diego, and three years later, the pair opened Cash & Carry Italian Foods on India Street.

Cash & Carry Italian Foods eventually became a part of the family’s first restaurant location of Filippi’s Pizza Grotto. It is still a bustling and successful pizza place in Little Italy, with both the original market and a restaurant attached.

With all 15 locations owned and operated by original family members of the founders, Filippi’s has proven itself to be the traditional pizza spot of San Diego.

“Quality, affordability, and quantity, along with the family atmosphere,” is what makes Filippi’s stand out from other pizza joints, in Karen DePhilippis’s opinion. Karen serves as the owner of several Filippi’s, including the Pacific Beach location.

What made PB an attractive market to the family? One of the original sons, Richard DePhillippis, wanted to expand the restaurants in the 1960s. His schoolmate was in real estate, and had a vacant spot open up in Pacific Beach. The lot was originally just the right side, and when the insurance office on the left went out of business, that side also became a part of Filippi’s.

This year marks 50 years since the opening of Filippi’s on Garnet. Karen says her favorite things on the menu are “the pizza and the lasagna. The lasagna is her mother’s original recipe, and it’s what Filippi’s started with,” she says.

Karen says she enjoys being part of the pizza empire her family has built for the simple reason that it’s all about the family. “We watch after all of our employees like they’re our brothers and sisters, too. It’s all about family here,” Karen said.

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Vincent DePhilippis was born in New York, but spent his youth in Naples, Italy. After returning to New York at 18, Vincent met Madeleine Manfredi. They settled in Westchester, Pa. after marrying in 1925. In 1947, the two moved to San Diego, and three years later, the pair opened Cash & Carry Italian Foods on India Street.

Cash & Carry Italian Foods eventually became a part of the family’s first restaurant location of Filippi’s Pizza Grotto. It is still a bustling and successful pizza place in Little Italy, with both the original market and a restaurant attached.

With all 15 locations owned and operated by original family members of the founders, Filippi’s has proven itself to be the traditional pizza spot of San Diego.

“Quality, affordability, and quantity, along with the family atmosphere,” is what makes Filippi’s stand out from other pizza joints, in Karen DePhilippis’s opinion. Karen serves as the owner of several Filippi’s, including the Pacific Beach location.

What made PB an attractive market to the family? One of the original sons, Richard DePhillippis, wanted to expand the restaurants in the 1960s. His schoolmate was in real estate, and had a vacant spot open up in Pacific Beach. The lot was originally just the right side, and when the insurance office on the left went out of business, that side also became a part of Filippi’s.

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From soaked smartphones to trampled tablets, Indiana Phones can fix it

By DAVE SCHWAB | Beach & Bay Press

Air Force alumnus Nicholas Williams has always been “hands-on” and “tech-savvy,” which proved invaluable when he launched Indiana Phones smartphone repair in Pacific Beach.

“My grandpa and I used to build remote-control airplanes together when I was a kid,” said Williams. “I added most cell-phone repairs can be done easily and quickly in front of the customer.

Indiana Phones smartphone repair in Indiana to 1630 Grand Ave. adjacent to Cycle Coffee. On sdindianaphones.com, the company bills itself as the “go-to phone-repair shop for customers who want to bring their broken phones back to life.”

Is there life after near-death for cell phones?

“You betcha,” said Williams, who added most cell-phone repairs can be done easily and quickly in front of the customer.

“The most common repair is broken screens,” he said. “The second most-common repair is the portal not taking a charge. Battery replacement is third. Then home button and camera replacement. Most repairs can be done in 30 minutes.”

There are other, more-extensive repairs that take longer, like water-damaged devices, another of Indiana Phone’s specialities.

“That, and iPads, take a full 24 hours to do,” noted Williams describing the process.

“We remove any water from the phone then take the motherboard out and put in an alcohol solution to get rid of any rust particles so it won’t rust after we repair it,” Williams estimated about 70 percent of water-damaged phones are repairable. Indiana Phones also does laptop and computer repairs.

About his unique, movie-themed business name, Williams, who’s big on puns said, “It just came to me one day hanging out by the pool trying to think of a catchy name for mobile cell-phone repair.”

Indiana Jones is the fictional archaeology professor Dr. Henry Walton from the “Indiana Jones” movie series who has survived a few death-defying chase scenes.

Williams is pleased about his second high-profile location on Grand Avenue in a brand-new building.

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Syncopaths to bring rhythmic appeal to Dizzy’s

Dr. BART MENDOZA | Beach & Bay Press

Traditional sounds have been making a welcome return to the spotlight over the past few years, and one of Southern California’s leading lights in this field is the Syncopaths, who perform at Dizzy’s on April 13. Featuring Ryan McKasson (drums), Ashley Broder (mandolin), Christa Burch (bodhran) and Jeff Spero, (keyboards), the band started in 2003 as a contra dance band, mixing Scottish, Irish, and American folk traditions, showcasing the music’s rhythmic appeal.

The Syncopaths: Friday, April 13 at Dizzy’s at Arias Hall, 1717 Morena Blvd. 8 p.m. $15. dizysjazz.com.

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The Jason Hanna Tric: Fridays, at the Bahia Resort, 998 West Mission Bay Drive. 9 p.m. 21 and up. No cover. bahiahotel.com.

Rob Zombie guitarist John 5 performs with his band The Creatures at Brick by Brick on April 5. He has recorded with numerous major artists, including Marilyn Manson, David Lee Roth and Ace Frehley, but material for this tour will be selected from his nine solo instrumental albums to date, as heard on his new album “It’s Alive.” John 5 normally plays arenas and stadiums, making this club date a must for fans of any of the aforementioned groups or hard rock in general.

John 5: Thursday, April 5 at Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Ave. 7:30 p.m. 21 and up. $23. brickbybrick.com.

Kash’d Out performs at the 710 Beach Club on April 6. Not to be confused with San Diego’s Cash’d Out, a Johnny Cash tribute band, Kash’d Out is one of the hottest players in town, with a saucy stage presence and a terrific repertoire of both top-notch originals such as, “Over the Moon,” and countless standards. Hanna can be heard around town with his own group, The Bullfight-Hanna can be heard around town notching originals such as, “Over the Moon,” and countless standards.

Kash’d Out: Friday, April 6, at the 710 Beach Club, 710 Garnet Ave. 9 p.m. 21 and up. $10. 710bc.com.

Specializing in Elvis Presley’s Las Vegas, jumpsuit era, Graceland returns to Tio Leo’s on April 6. Though this phase of Elvis’ career has been much maligned, it’s not without it over-the-top charms. Singer Marlon Von Raths has a passing resemblance to the King, and an impressive selection of rhinestoned jump suits, but more importantly he and his band nail Elvis showmanship.

Graceland: Friday, April 6 at Tio Leo’s, 5302 Napa St. 9 p.m. 21 and up. Cover TBD. tioleos.com.

Fighting Ship,” set for Friday, May 25; and Wednesday, June 5; and Thursday, June 7; and Friday, June 8; and Saturday, June 9; and Wednesday, June 13, respectively.

Maritime museum fighting ships exhibit

The Maritime Museum of San Diego has announced the Memorabilia Day weekend opening of “Man-of-War: Adventures Aboard a Fighting Ship,” set for Friday, May 25 at 9 a.m. on a replica of a noted British fighting vessel.

The new interactive exhibit is designed to bridge time to the wooden world of the fighting sailing ship, educating patrons on what it was like to live as cabin boy, marine, sailor, midshipman, surgeon and captain on a man-of-war from the Age of Sail.

The Age of Sail is a period in which international trade and naval warfare were dominated by sailing ships and lasted from the 16th to the mid-19th century.

Neighborhood Block Party at Mavericks

Jameson Irish Whiskey plans to celebrate the Pacific Beach community at Jameson’s San Diego Love Thy Neighborhood Block Party from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 8 at Mavericks Beach Club, 860 Garnet Ave. As a brand that was born in a local neighborhood in Ireland and grew up in local neighborhoods across the country – Jameson encourages you to love thy neighborhood by coming together to celebrate the things that make Pacific Beach unique.

Join bartenders, native bands and Jameson music artists, while sampling local food, vendors and craft beer from Green Flash Brewery alongside neighborhood tastemakers. As part of the collaboration for the festival, 100 percent of proceeds will support Keep America Beautiful, which is passionate about supporting local communities and will continue to improve and beautify community environments.

More crawfish cookouts

Pacific Beach Fish Shop’s crawfish cookout dates are Wednesday, April 11 and Tuesday, April 24; Wednesday, May 8 and Tuesday, May 22, and Wednesday, June 5 and Tuesday, 19. The venue is at 1775 Garnet Ave. The number is 858-483-1008. Beginning at 3 p.m. and lasting until the crawfish are gone, traditional Louisiana crawfish will be served by the pound, with corn on the cob, red potatoes and andouille sausage and local craft beer in bottles or on draft. Pacific Beach Fish Shop features 50 microbrews and allows customers to tote their own wine inside, with no corkage fee.

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highlight and elevate the voices of the younger generation.

“Many students would come up to me and say that they feel their voices don’t matter, that they can’t make a difference,” said Elnakib. “Working on this march with the students felt great because it really showed them that there are people out there who want to listen to them, and that they can make a difference.”

Goc Jerry Brown recently signed a new law, measure AB 1407, to allow 16- and 17-year-olds, with a valid California driver’s license, the ability to pre-register to vote. This will be the largest expansion of youth voter access in American history.

At the rally, registrars made the rounds to groups of 16- and 17-year-olds, asking them if they wanted to pre-register. Amazingly, one of the women Chloe’s mother, Yooune, spoke to had only been able to sign up one 16-year-old because everyone else, including Chloe, had already pre-registered months in advance.

“You would think that these 16- and 17-year-olds have nothing to say and that they’re not aware but now that this issue means a lot to them, and they have the pre-registration that works in their favor, they feel even more empowered,” said Chloe.

“My parents have always raised me to be really observant and socially aware, and I’ve always tried to pass that along to my friends. Now that this movement is something that they can really sink their teeth into, it’s cool to see them wanting to be more active,” she said.

But for Chloe, the most impactful moment was right before the march started, where everyone was asked to make a path for the students who would be leading the protest. The crowds parted, and young activists made their way to the front of the masses. Chloe said that it was a "really moving moment."

“We wanted to give our students that platform to chant, scream, cry and grive at the very front with all eyes on them,” said Natasha Salgado, a junior at the University of San Diego, who partnered with Mohamed to organize the students. "When the crowds parted, it was like watching one generation handing the torch to the other.”

Salgado explained that the moment was meant to symbolize who really has the power and the leadership in this movement. It was meant to show that the younger generations, "they got this," and it’s the job of the older generations, including college students, to back them up and help their voices be heard.

At a march or rally, it’s sometimes easy to lose sight of the message behind the chanting and adrenaline rush, so seeing that image of these students was incredible because we need to realize that they don’t feel safe anywhere,” said Salgado. "Our students are scared of even stepping out of their home, so for them to willingly put themselves in the front of a march where anything can happen, is bravery beyond words."

Manny Martinez was one of the students from Mission Bay High who also marched among “I thought you were pro-life” and "enough is enough" posters. He said that the event made him feel more powerful as a person.

“This march shows everyone that we students are not working as individuals, but more as a family, wanting to protect each other from people that are willing to go to extremes (such as school shootings) and say that we want something to change."

“It’s not just our civic duty,” added Chloe. “We have the power and moral obligation to use our votes and our voices to make the change that we want to see. Whether you strongly about the gun issue or not, you should still be involved in politics and aware, no matter what your opinions are.”

Thousands attended the March for Our Lives rally at Waterfront Park in downtown.

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Dr. Susan Weinshanker

Project Lead the Way emphasizes science at PBES

Students at Pacific Beach Elementary are fortunate to have two supplemental science programs: San Diego Youth Science, led by Stacy Circuit and Danielle Adler, and Project Lead the Way, led by Dr. Susan Weinshanker.

PBES is in its second year of the Project Lead the Way grant, which provides students with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) units of study, and introduces them to computer science (coding), biomedical studies, and engineering.

Weinshanker works with every grade an hour each week in the new maker’s space at the school. Trained as a biochemist, Weinshanker has been a teacher and school administrator since 1984. She’s taught elementary school, middle school, and high school, including a number of years at Mission Bay High School, where she earned the teacher of the year honor twice.

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Mission Bay spring teams see tournament action

By DAVE THOMAS | Beach & Bay Press

With the spring break over, Mission Bay teams will look to league action soon. But before that happens, several teams will wrap up tournament play.

Baseball
Mission Bay (5-7), under head coach Dennis Pugh, opened action last month in the Bill Whittaker Invitational. The Bucs defeated Chula Vista (3-2), with losses to Saints, Francis Parker, San Marcos and University City, respectively.

Moving on to action in the Bill Dickens Tournament, Mission Bay topped Footballs Christian and Sweetwater, with a loss to Mater Dei Catholic.

In the San Diego Lions Tournament, the Bucs defeated Roosevelt and Valley Center, with losses to Bishop Manogue and South, respectively.

Mission Bay is slated to meet Mar Vista in a return to the Bill Dickens Tournament on Thursday (April 5).

Once tourney play is over, the Bucs will be at Clairemont (April 9), host San Diego (April 11) and visit University City (April 13).

Softball
The Bucs, under head coach Vince Ichihara, came into play this week with a record of 5-2 and on a three-game winning streak. The Bucs got there with wins over Helix, Chula Vista, and Madison, respectively. Mission Bay is scheduled to host San Diego on April 5.

Track and field
Mission Bay, under head coach Danny Perez, looks to duplicate or even improve on the great finishes a season ago by the boys and girls, respectively.

In 2017, the boys finished undefeated (7-0) to capture their first league title since the mid-1990s. The girls finished strong in third place with a 5-2 record.

The Bucs return many CIF finals competitors such as Blake Edmunds (400m), Alyssa Hernandez (triple jump and 300m hurdles) and Xavier Brandon (CIF Division II runner-up in the triple jump). Perez also noted the addition of freshmen with Karrin Evans (400m, 4x100m) and Gina Queck (1600m, 800m, 3200m).

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“This year team success is about who practices hard and who competes on the meet days,” Perez commented. “We have a strong team. With the addition of strong CIF basketball players, we expect to be competitive in our league on the boys’ side, and just as competitive on the girls’ side.”

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK>>

Mission Bay High
■ The Mission Bay High School Talent Show will take place 6:30 p.m. on Friday, April 13. The community is welcome to enjoy the performances of the talented students in the school’s auditorium, with celebrity judges and cash prizes to the top performers. The price of admission is $5.

■ Congratulations to Lynsey Littlefield for winning San Diego Unified’s Teacher of the Year award and Erin Leszynski, vice principal, as she won Assistant Administrator of the Year award for Region 18.


CPJMA
■ Join Crown Point Junior Music Academy from 6 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, April 7 at Mission Bay Yacht Club to support the school’s PTOT fundraising event. This is an all-adult-only event. Child care is available for $5 per child. For ticket information, visit CPJMAuction.com.

Kate Sessions
■ Sessions’ Online Auction will go live on April 9. They are asking for donations. If you own a local business and would like to donate, contact sessionsauction@gmail. If you are interested in bidding on the items, go to sandiegounified.org-schools/sessions/online-auction.

■ Sessions would like to thank sponsors: Fish Shop, Duck Dive, PB Shore Club, and Shawn VanMeter of Coldwell Banker.

Barnard Elementary
■ Barnard Mandarin Magnet Elementary School held its annual Science Night on March 14. The school’s auditorium was filled with students and their families who wanted to experience science in action. This year’s theme, “Physics is Fantastic,” offered many opportunities for fun, hands-on, and engaging activities for science enthusiasts of every age.

The Fleet Science Center brought a series of experiments that explored concepts like air pressure, gravity, buoyancy, electricity, motion, sound, and light. In addition, award-winning Point Loma Nazarene University physics professor Heide Doss helped the kids explore electromagnetism. A highlight of the event was the unveiling of the school’s new 3D printer, which wowed students with its ability to make three-dimensional solid objects from a digital file.

The Da Vinci Jr. 1.0 Pro 3D Printer was hard at work making sea creature figures and Barnard name plaques one layer at a time. The tool will continue to be used within classrooms at Barnard and for after-school enrichment programs.

“I love science because you can do fun experiments, learn new things, and answer tough questions,” said second grader Jasmine V. “I’d like to work in science someday for my job so I can do experiments and solve problems. Then I can tell the results to my coworkers so that they will know more, too.”

It is no coincidence that Barnard’s Science Night was held on March 14, which is otherwise known as National Pi Day. In addition to the array of science stations presented at the event, pies of all sorts were served up for attendees.

“The students and their families now have scientific proof that noth- ing pairs as well with physics as a slice of pie!” For more information on Barnard Elementary, or to find out about the SDUSD’s School Choice program, visit sandiegounified.org-barnard.

FOPBSS
■ The Friends of Pacific Beach Secondary Schools meeting will take place 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25, at the Mission Bay High School library.

■ May 18 will be the night of fun and fund raising at the annual FOPBSS Auction at the Soledad Club. More details to come.

Hudson Souders
“Kiwanis Student of the Month”

Hudson Souders, from Kate Sessions Elem, is the Kiwanis Student of the Month. This student represents outstanding leadership in his classroom. He was honored by the Kiwanis Club of Pacific Beach and Brian McNullen of Afflatte PB. with breakfast at the Broken Yolk.

CONGRATULATIONS!
$9,000 reward offered in Point Loma homicide of Pacific Beach biz owner

Authorities offered a $9,000 reward Saturday, March 17 for information leading to the arrest of a man suspected of gunning down a competitive rival last month outside a Point Loma Heights workout center.

Ernesto Castellanos Martinez, 41, allegedly killed 27-year-old Alexander Mazin, a Pacific Beach businessman, in a parking lot behind 24 Hour Fitness, 3675 Midway Drive, shortly before 11 a.m. Feb. 25, according to police.

Police soon identified Martinez as the suspected assailant and determined that he might have fled to an apartment in the 3000 block of Upas Street in North Park. About an hour after the shooting, officers surrounded the residence and tried in vain to contact Martinez. Following a roughly six-hour standoff, a SWAT team forced entry to the apartment, discovering that the suspect was not there.

The victim’s parents told reporters their son had been going out with a woman that Martinez previously had dated and that the suspect had assaulted her several weeks prior to Mazin’s slaying.

Family and friends of Mazin have added $8,000 to a $1,000 reward in the case previously posted by San Diego County Crime Stoppers. Anyone who might be able to help investigators track down the suspect is asked to call the nonprofit agency at 888-580-8477.

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