Another U.S. president was immortalized with a black granite plaque on Mount Soledad during the annual Memorial Day ceremony on the mountaintop May 30.

"Today we pay tribute to our 26th president, Theodore Roosevelt, and pay homage to those who have sacrificed their very lives in defense of this nation," said Lou Scanlon, president/CEO of the Mount Soledad Memorial Association (MSMA), which hosts the annual holiday ceremony. "We’d also like to recognize the service and sacrifice of all our nation’s veterans."

Scanlon noted MSMA has made great strides this past year, one in particular. "We not only continue to manage and maintain the memorial, as we have done since 1954, we are honored to now own it," he said.

"It was purchased this year from the federal government. And we now have control over the whole site – the Mount Soledad ceremony remembers fallen heroes

Gymnastics coach pleads guilty to sex with minor

By NEAL PUTNAM

A 25-year-old gym coach pleaded guilty May 27 to having unlawful sexual relations with a teenage girl at La Jolla Shores.

Patrick Jay Wehrung was remanded into jail Friday after his guilty pleas once the prosecutor told the judge he was in violation of the no contact order with the victim. Wehrung had been free on $80,000 bond.

Sentencing was set for June 27 by San Diego Superior Court Judge Dan Link. Wehrung remains in the South Bay Detention Facility without bail.

Deputy District Attorney Nicole Roth said Tuesday Wehrung faces a maximum sentence of five years and four months in state prison. She said probation was not ruled out.

Wehrung pleaded guilty to committing unlawful sexual intercourse, oral copulation, and digital penetration with a minor. Nine other charges will be dismissed.

He met the 15-year-old girl at Champion Gymnastics & Cheer, a gym in San Dieguito where he used to work. He was fired after his Feb. 9 arrest. All of the sexual activity took place in La Jolla.
cross, the memorial walls and the American flag, which proudly flies above us.”

Scanlon noted MSMA is about to embark on a fundraising campaign to “ensure that this beacon of freedom shines brightly in the future ... to tell the stories of the sacrifices of our veterans and to educate and inspire future generations.”

MSMA’s current president added other recent improvements made to the memorial site include bringing electricity to light its stairs and American flag, the repainting of its towering cross and renovation of the fence surrounding it.

“The theme for this year’s event was ‘If you love freedom, thank a veteran and our active military.’

“This memorial is TR all the way. In fact, its democratic principles are strikingly akin to those of the Spanish-American War. TR always believed that the bonds forged amongst diverse groups of soldiers would last a lifetime, and serve as fundamental building blocks of American democracy.”

Pointing out his famous relation to other presidents, admirals and generals, Hollywood stars and many of the lesser-known heroes here. From the Roosevelt family to all of you, thank you for what you have done for the country.”

The event’s keynote speaker, Capt. Craig Clapperton, USN, commanding officer of the USS Theodore Roosevelt, CVN-71, gave a stirring speech to “recognize our fallen American heroes, remember their sacrifice, and remind ourselves of the cost of freedom.”

Noting “America is the greatest country in the world, and its single greatest hope,” Clapperton added that “we are the oldest, longest-standing, greatest democracy the world has ever known, an extraordinary sociological experiment that proves that government of the people, for the people, and by the people, is the only way.”

The Memorial Day ceremony concluded with a military flyover of the site and the singing of “God Bless America” by Angela Petry, the audience and the Marine Corps Band.

Mayor Kevin Faulconer and District 1 Councilwoman and Council President Sherri Lightner jointly presented a proclamation on behalf of President Sherri Lightner jointly presented a proclamation on behalf of the city honoring veterans and their service.

A memorial wreath was also presented to honor those who’ve paid the ultimate sacrifice.

A descendent of Theodore Roosevelt, Phil Roosevelt, the editor of Barron’s magazine, thanked MSMA for honoring his family and the legacy of the renowned former U.S. president.

“Theodore Roosevelt would have liked the Mt. Soledad National Veterans Memorial,” Phil Roosevelt said. “This memorial is TR all the way. In fact, its democratic principles are strikingly akin to those of the Rough Riders, the famed cavalry unit that TR assembled for the Spanish-American War. TR always believed that the bonds forged amongst diverse groups of soldiers would last a lifetime, and serve as fundamental building blocks of American democracy.”

The Marine Corps Color Guard at the Memorial Day ceremony at Mount Soledad. PHOTO BY DAVE SCHWAB

Scripps Health new outpatient clinic opens

Scripps Health opened the John R. Anderson V Medical Pavilion on June 1, a state-of-the-art $130 million outpatient clinic featuring 17 medical and surgical specialties including cardiology, neurology, diabetes and endocrinology, gastrointestinal, dermatology, nephrology and family medicine.

Medical services are being provided by Scripps Clinic Medical Group.

The Scripps outpatient center and one operated by Cedar Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles are the only ones in California operating full-service outpatient catheterization laboratories outside a hospital through special state legislation approved in 2012.

“The medical pavilion brings together exceptional physicians, staff and technology in a one-stop-shop for comprehensive outpatient medical services,” Scripps Health president and CEO Chris Van said.

Located near the main entrance to the Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla campus, the seven-level, 175,000-square-foot building was constructed with the help of a $2.5 million donation from Eileen and John “Jack” R. Anderson IV. The clinic is named for their son.

Patients will have access to more than 50 physicians in an on-stage/off-stage space configuration inspired by the Disneyland design model that puts patients at the center of care activities in a comfortable environment while supporting efficient, collaborative work spaces for staff.

The center includes four outpatient cardiac catheterization laboratories made possible by passage of a state law making life-saving procedures such as stent and pacemaker implants more convenient and accessible to patients by allowing them to be performed in an outpatient facility.
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NOAA offers tips for safe viewing of seals and sea lions

NOAA Fisheries is teaming up with several San Diego-area hotels to inform local residents and tourists how to enjoy San Diego’s stunning beaches without disturbing or harassing seals and sea lions that share the shore.

NOAA Fisheries has produced a public service announcement (PSA) with guidance on the best way to enjoy viewing the wildlife. The PSA will be hosted on selected local hotels in San Diego, and available to conservation NGOs, tour operators and others to inform the public on proper marine etiquette.

The campaign is especially timely following reports of sightings getting dangerously close to marine mammals in the Children’s Pool area. “This PSA informs those visiting the beach to avoid getting too close to seals or sea lions especially in the Children’s Pool area,” said Justin Vezebicke, NOAA Fisheries West Coast Region stranding coordinator.

“By giving the animals adequate space to rest and recover we are protecting them as much as ourselves and our pets.”

Harbor seals and sea lions come up on the sand to rest, modulate their body temperature, nurse their young or give birth. Although they may appear docile they can, like other wild mammals, bite and carry diseases that may be contagious to pets.

Like other marine mammals, sea lions and harbor seals are protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act, which makes it a federal offense to disturb them or do anything that may make them change their behavior.

Some of the tips are:

- Keep your distance. You’re too close if an animal starts to stare, follow or flee.
- Seals on land are especially wary and may rush into the water or abandon their pups, threatening their survival.
- Keep pets away and on a leash. Pets can disturb or harm wildlife or separate mothers from their pups.

City Council bans Spice, bath salts

By NEAL PUTNAM

The synthetic drugs in bath salts and the cannabimimetic Spice – which have caused hundreds of overdoses – were banned Monday in an 8-0 vote by the San Diego City Council. The drugs are sometimes sold in smoke shops or other small stores and also sold on the street. Some bath salts are sold under the label of potpourri or incense.

The possession, sale, distribution and manufacture of the items was declared a misdemeanor, and violators would be subject to six months in jail and/or a $1,000 fine.

“This is really important to my council district,” said Third District Councilmember Todd Gloria, who made the motion to declare the drugs illegal.

Gloria said the drug also adversely affects homeless people and that it “keeps people homeless” if they use it. Second District Councilmember Lorie Zapf seconded the motion.

Councilmember Marti Emerald was absent.

San Diego is the first city in the state to pass a law outlawing these synthetic drugs, according to City Attorney Jan Goldsmith. The state outlawed five versions of Spice in 2011, but chemists changed the way the drugs were made, and they were therefore not classified illegal.

The ordinance will require a second reading in June for it to become official, and is expected to go into effect in July.

Scott Chipman, who represents San Diego for Safe Neighborhoods, said his group was “strongly in support” of the measure.

The use of these drugs is known to cause seizures, hallucinations, coma, vomiting, aggression, foaming at the mouth and death.
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Rosenblatt ‘family’ includes sons, grandchildren and a lot of patients

By SANDY LIPPE

When Jane Reilly opened the first Postal Annex in the USA in Market-place Shopping Center in 1986, she went looking for a family dentist. Ron Rosenblatt, a Cleveland native, had already been practicing since 1972. He welcomed her to “his family,” as he referred to the staff and his patients. Reilly found the right match: good dental skills, funny sense of humor, and keen interest in the patient beyond dental needs.

“Ron was always caring, sensitive, and kind,” Reilly said.

Rosenblatt has a contagious, rau- cous laugh and upbeat attitude. These positive characteristics were tested in April 2015 when he was diagnosed with a cancerous brain lesion, liver and lung lesions. This cancer diagnosis blindsided him.

Reilly sat in on a recent interview of her favorite dentist, the father of two. Rosenblatt is proud of his two adult children: an attorney son Brett, and a director of commercials, Adam. Besides those two, he is a proud grandfather of 12.

Ron has four grandchildren and his wife, E.J. McDuffey, has eight. Father’s Day will be very special for the family this year.

The patriarch chose to leave the dental office for the last time on May 5, 2015. “I worked hard to build up a practice that originally had no patients,” he said. “My partner, Dr. Andy Friel, is doing a great job. I was fortunate to bring him into the practice 16 years ago. There has been an outpouring of support from my former patients...cards, emails, phone calls.”

Rosenblatt spent 43 happy years in U.C. and kind of grew up with the community. He served on U.C. Plann- ing Group for two years in the early days. “UC. was supposed to be a bed- room community for UCSD. Origi- nally a low-density shopping center was planned. The developers ruined it. I quit UCPG. I asked myself why am I coming here?”

Ohio State is his college alma mater and Case Western Dental School awarded him his doctor of mater and Case Western Dental School. Ron made sure he took the patients. He is living in Encinitas now in a manufactured home in a 55-plus community with a salt water pool.

“Dad had an internship in Chicago at Michael Reese Hospital. He was activated in the Navy, sent to Camp Pendleton Hospital for two years and then found University City in 1972. Most of his Midwestern

ments couldn’t wait to retire to Florida. Ron made sure he took the California dental boards early on so that he could live in beautiful San Diego all these years rather than just retire here.

His cancer diagnosis began with a slight tingling feeling in his hand. Two oncologists have worked with him. His new vocabulary includes biop- sies, radiation, chemotherapy and many words beginning “neuro...” Still, he can make a joke about it.

“I’m the greatest patient because I’m in total denial,” he laughs. “My recent scan says everything is hold- ing, I feel great now...a little short- ness of breath, muscle and joint pain, and I’ve gained 30 pounds. My oncologist said that I am her favorite patient because I don’t complain about anything.”

When Jean Rockwell, his former hygienist, reached her 20th year in the practice, Rosenblatt sent her and her husband to Paris. When his office manager Heather made the 20th anniversary, she and her hus- band got a trip to London. Pretty generous boss, right?

Jean had to take an early retirement in 2010 because of arthritis in her hands. Unfortunately, she contracted cancer in 2013 and lasted only 10 months. Going through chemothera- py, patients are asked at each daily visit to visit their name and their birth date. It gets kind of old for the patients.

Rosenblatt, always the funny man, had a shirt made for her with her name on the top line, her birth date on the second line, and “K” cancer on the third line.

Two or three years ago he talked about retiring in the future. He never anticipated leaving so abruptly in 2015. It was all about the people for him and his practice: the staff and the patients. He is living in Encinitas now in a manufactured home in a 55-plus community with a salt water pool.

“I don’t know what came over me. I drove to the top of this park and saw this 2003 coach with solid wood floors, everything first class, I own the land. My wife and I love it.”

His little grandson asked him “Papa, where’s the steering wheel?” A kid- der, a chip off the old block like his grandpa, the good Dr. Rosenblatt. “That’s my story,” he said as he pushed back on his chair to get up. “I’ve enjoyed U.C. Money never drove me. It was always about the people. As long as I can grip a golf club...” he smiled. Reilly grinned at her favorite dentist and gave him a good- bye hug.

MIKE FARRELL speaks out in La Jolla against death penalty

By MANNY LOPEZ

Actor and long-time human rights activist Mike Farrell was recently in San Diego at the La Jolla home of Bill and Michelle Lerach into raise funds and awareness about The Justice That Works Act of 2016, an initiative on the November ballot that if passed, will abolish the death penalty in California and con- vert the sentences of every death row inmate to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Dozens of community members attended the paid event on May 20, to hear the acclaimed actor best known for his eight years on the hit TV show “M*A*S*H” as Capt. B.J. Honeycutt, and five seasons on “Providence” as Dr. Jim Hansen.

“The death penalty demeanus us all,” Farrell said. “We can protect ourselves from people who act out violently by imprisoning them, and

‘The death penalty demeanus us all.’

MIKE FARRELL

ACTOR AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST

if necessary, without the possibility of ever being released. But we shouldn’t stoop to the level of mur- derer by murdering, and that’s something that I think is very important.”

The initiative’s declarations iden- tify the death penalty as a “failed government program that wastes taxpayer dollars,” and asserts that over 150 innocent people have been sentenced to death in the United States and several innocent people have been executed. The measure also restates exist- ing law that requires all incarcer- ated murderers work, and that up to 60 percent of earned wages be appropriated for victim restitution.

Farrell said that since the state reinstated capital punishment in 1978, more than 850 people have been sentenced to death, but only 13 people have been executed dur- ing that period. He added that the average time from sentencing to execution takes about 25 years. Execu- tions in California are currently on hold because of lethal injection litigation.

According to the California Department of Corrections, there have been a total of 103 non-exe- cution deaths since 1978. Of those, 70 were from natural causes, 25 from suicide and eight were described as other. Two California inmates were executed in other states bringing the total number of executions to 15.

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Dr. RON ROSENBLATT

LONE-TIME U.C. DENTIST WHO IS BATTLING CANCER

Dr. Ron Rosenblatt and former patient Jane Reilly share an afternoon.

Bill Lerach, Shelly Fabares, Mike Farrell and Michelle Lerach on May 20 in La Jolla at a fundraiser for the Justice That Works Initiative of 2016.

PHOTO BY MANNY LOPEZ

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What does this year’s presidential race say about our country? With the presidential primary on June 7, we wondered what people were thinking

By ANNA JENSEN and RONAN ELLIOTT

Peter Neubauer and Kelly Gorman: I think it’s very divisive. No one’s going to win, with any candidate. Nothing will get done. The public is fed up with Washington, and that’s why Trump got the nomination.

Dean Bone: I’m 66, and I have yet to see them [in Washington] solve any problems. We’re as smart as they are. We can vote online. We don’t need representatives, we need a true democracy. If I had to, I would vote Bernie.

James Kahn: It’s pathetic, the demise of our culture. Trump is a bum in a fancy suit. The lower and middle classes feel betrayed. Everyone loves a winner and he portrays himself as a winner. But Trump is a nasty guy.

Jackie Young: Not Trump. I’m voting for Bernie.

Steve Edwards: God and country does it all. See a movie. Stay in church.

Isaac Jordan: [This election] shows the fractioning of the political system.
Positive nonverbal communication may increase happiness

By Natasha Josefowitz, Ph.D.

When we think of communication, we assume two or more people talking or writing to each other. Nonverbal communication occurs often unconsciously, sometimes reinforcing what we say and sometimes belying it; for instance, shouting loudly “I am not angry” is an example of non-verbal communication, we assume two or more people talking or writing to each other. Nonverbal communication may increase happiness.

1. Gait: Walking on a treadmill in a depressed way with shoulders slumped will increase negative thoughts, whereas working out with shoulders back and arms swinging will increase the recall of happy events.

2. Posture: Just standing erect for two minutes with legs spread and hands on hips increases levels of testosterone (a hormone connected to dominance) and decreases levels of cortisol (a stress hormone).

3. Facial expression: Smiling, even a fake one, makes the brain believe something good is happening and will lift up your mood.

By paying attention to how you sit, stand and walk, become more aware of your facial expressions and body language. You will not only communicate what you intend—you will start believing it yourself. This is particularly important on a first date or if you want to make a specific impression on a recruiter in a job interview, so decide ahead of time what you really wish to convey, and act accordingly.

~ Natasha Josefowitz taught the first course in the United States on women in management and is the author of more than 20 books. She lives at The White Sands in La Jolla.

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Teamwork makes everything sing, Bishop's volleyballer says

By ED PIPER

Having been to the prom the night before, and with a volleyball playoff game scheduled later in the day, Nico Langlois is playing it pretty cool. He looks rested and is animated in a conversation about his activities and outlook.

One is impressed with his maturity. In response to a question about his views on the increasing sophistication of high school and club sports and the resulting pressure on student-athletes and their families to land college athletic scholarships, the 16-year-old says: “I can only speak from my experience. Here at Bishop’s, you’d never hear, ‘Don’t go to class, (go train more for your sport).’ With (volleyball coach) Jack-ie (Bernardini), no. The coaches are really conscientious here.”

He blends an interest in the linear nature of math with his passion for singing in the school choir. The common denominator between The Bishop's Singers and being an outside hitter on the volleyball team is the opportunity to work as part of a team.

“In choir,” he explains, “everyone has a separate part, but it fits together.” The Knights’ volleyball team has only eight players this year — six play at a time — and “we’re short.” Nico measures only 6’0” as an outside hitter, going up against opponents much taller. “It’s an uphill battle,” he says without intending the pun. “You have to keep your morale up, don’t get down on yourself.”

He cites La Jolla High and Danie Pieper, who measures 6’1”, but the Vikings can also go up to 6’6” on their setting. “We just had a choir director change (the longtime director retired after 25 years). I don’t know the theme of our music. We sing nice music. ‘The Earth Song,’” for example. There are about 20 students in our group. Could I see studying music as a minor in college? Probably. It’s one of my passions.

“With the choir,” he continues, “it’s really fun when the group can sound like one unit. Everyone has a separate part, but it fits together.”

 Asked about the difference between his position in volleyball as an outside hitter and a middle hitter-blocker, he explains: “It’s a consistency thing. Inherently, to get a good pass at the middle position is difficult. You can set outside all the time, whereas to the middle about 20 percent of the time, because it’s harder to get the perfect pass.”

Informed of the view of U.S. Olympic soccer head coach Jurgen Klinsmann that developing athletes should be trained in a sports academy setting instead of playing for a school team, Langlois is thoughtful.

“My parents have brought me up with a focus on priorities,” he says. “Education is very important. But they will support me. I’m the one deciding, and I think my mom would support me. It’s not too many sports heroes who have to face the rest of their greatest athletic achievement. But the admission comes with a sincere credit to his teammates for setting up the situation: “The penalty shooters made all of their shots (in the shootout, which followed overtime) so I could do what I did,” asserted the 17-year-old, who plans to play for a Premiere club team next year in addition to returning to his senior season for the Vikings. After the initial five-shot phase of the penalty kick format – with La Jolla and the Conquistadors alternating shots one by one – the two teams had to go to additional kickers to break the hour-and-a-half deadlock. That meant, with the Vikings kicking first and having netted their sixth straight kick, a block by Nguyen on Serra would mean automatic victory.

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La Jolla High School soccer goalie Tai Nguyen crumples in a heap as he defends what proved to be the defining shot of La Jolla’s game against the Serra Conquistadors. The Vikings won, 5-4.

PHOTO BY ED PIPER

Big save, big mouth fuel Nguyen’s claim to La Jolla High School’s soccer fame

By ED PIPER

Tai Nguyen, goalkeeper for La Jolla High School’s CIF championship soccer team, makes a startling admission about his save in the shootout that won the semifinal game at Serra.

“I blacked out,” says the eccentric junior. “After the ball touched my glove, I blinked. Everything stopped.”

Not too many sports heroes would confess that they weren’t eyes-open alert at the moment of their greatest athletic achievement. But the admission comes with a sincere credit to his teammates for setting up the situation: “The penalty shooters made all of their shots (in the shootout, which followed overtime) so I could do what I did,” asserted the 17-year-old, who plans to play for a Premiere club team next year in addition to returning to his senior season for the Vikings. After the initial five-shot phase of the penalty kick format – with La Jolla and the Conquistadors alternating shots one by one – the two teams had to go to additional kickers to break the hour-and-a-half deadlock. That meant, with the Vikings kicking first and having netted their sixth straight kick, a block by Nguyen on Serra would mean automatic victory.

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Music, Art and Culture at Kalabash this Summer!

This summer Kalabash School of Music + the Arts will be hosting a series of camps for the young explorer of 5 years old to the creative teen artist. July kicks off with a Comic Book Art Camp followed by the Artist Village Camp where students will create their portfolios using and exploring various mediums and curating their own art show! For the teen songwriter, you can join the Songbird Label Camp where you’ll learn about creating, recording, performing and releasing your own music with artist Natasha Kozaily. In August a unique Trade Winds Camp series for kids will explore the music, dance, culture and art from the Americas all the way to Europe. Kalabash has a lot in store for the young creatives this summer, all taught by a team of kind and talented artist teachers. For more information please visit KalabashArts.com

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There’s more to Donovan’s than steak, potatoes and new construction

By MARTIN JONES WESTLIN

The fallout from La Jolla’s first recorded nuclear explosion, which devastated the 1250 block of Prospect Street as early as February amid a wholesale facade reconstruction project, may soon be lifting. The Hake Kitchen & Bar, which quickly became known for its California-centric dishes, has already announced that it’ll reopen June 27 replete with an outdoor deck and an expanded drinks list: iconic Africa and Beyond, the go-to place for African art and textiles, never really closed. For the moment, though, the whole block still looks like a displaced hospital, with its family of burly refurbishers hanging off rafter and scaffolding like so many critical patients.

Donovan’s Steak & Chop House long an area fixture before its 2014 transfer from Westfield UTC Mall, isn’t about to let a little multimillion-dollar facelift get in its way. It opened in January of 2015 in the space occupied by Steakhouse Anzu La Jolla, only to encounter the current facade’s aftereffects several months later – but it’s holding its own right now against a sea of obstacles from all that rebuilding. The best steakhouse in town is still the best steakhouse in town, and when the dust clears, its name recognition will only recrystallize in the public mind.

A few little zigs and zags off Prospect places you in an atmosphere of high-end refinement, with expansive views of La Jolla Cove just steps away and first-class service even nearer. A recent lunch brought an excursion off the beaten path, with seafood the order of the day even as USDA prime holds sway here. The Alaskan Red King Crab Legs are as fat and juicy as you are, and the dipping sauce is so plentiful that you could take it home as a separate meal. Meanwhile, the Blackened Salmon Caesar comes with deviled eggs, an ingenious choice for a side.

And don’t overlook the less obvious items on this menu. Ahh tuna, barbecue beef, crab cake, steak and bacon: All make perfectly fine sandwiches, and each is prepared with as large an eye for detail as the next. A 16-ounce ribeye will cater to the most ravenous appetite (or two), while a lettuce wedge with bleu cheese is designed to satisfy the daintier sensibility. See? There really is more to this venue than its name, whatever its stock in trade may suggest. And to boot, it has locations in the Gaslump Quarter and Phoenix. Meanwhile, this facelift will make the 1250 Prospect segment of La Jolla Cove much cooler – something about the Village’s height restrictions made the pre-construction strip look squalid and squall and nondescript, like a doddering aunt frantically bending the ear of any relative who’d listen.

The new facade will bring a certain uniformity to the area, making things easy on the eyes and inviting to the consumer’s imagination – and Donovan’s, amid its considerable history and presence and variety, will be there every step of the way.
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Diamonds on the Rock is operated by Debra Levine and her son David. "I grew up working in my family’s jewelry store in Upstate New York and always prided myself on giving personal attention and great customer service," said Debra. My favorite thing to do is help someone fall in love with their jewelry again. Many people have things in their collection that they do not wear because it may not fit their current taste. We can redesign, reset, trade or even buy your piece so that it will be worn again!

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A Silicon Valley startup is moving to La Jolla and plans to change the city’s tech industry.

Bizness Apps is a do-it-yourself mobile application maker for small businesses that originated in the dorm rooms of California State University at Chico.

CEO Andrew Gazdecki said he was tired of seeing businesses overpaying for applications and struggling to get them to function effectively.

Following a successful start in San Francisco and being named one of the fastest-growing companies in America two years in a row, the company decided to move to San Diego, or as Gazdecki calls it “the tech haven of tomorrow.”

“The mobile industry is booming and San Diego is the new frontier where we will lay the foundation for our future and change the future of small businesses in San Diego,” Gazdecki said.

The purpose of Bizness Apps is to make building a mobile application for any small business as easy as possible. Bizness Apps enables anyone, regardless of programming skill level, to design, edit and manage their own mobile application or website. For those looking for a bit more help with the process, there is a variety of training and support videos, webinars and articles offered on the Bizness Apps website.

The features provided by Bizness Apps allow any kind of small business to grow and succeed via a mobile application. Functions like food ordering, online shopping, loyalty programs, multimedia, dynamic content and third-party integration ensure that any small business’s needs can be met.

The company also provides notifications and robust analytics, which allow businesses to engage directly with customers and examine what is working and what isn’t. According to Gazdecki, the saturation of tech giants in San Francisco hinders the growth of many companies. They end up spending a lot of money to appear competitive with technology giants such as Google, but in the end they see no return. Gazdecki said he has high hopes for success in San Diego.

Mayor Kevin Faulconer agrees with Gazdecki, and hopes this is the next step on San Diego’s path to becoming a major tech city.

For more information and how you can get your small business involved, visit biznessapps.com.

Skaggs family gives $2M for TSRI grad program endowment

The Skaggs family has given a new $2 million gift to support students in The Scripps Research Institute (TSRI) graduate program.

“I would like to thank members of the Skaggs family for their remarkable generosity, which has had a transformative effect on this institution,” said TSRI CEO Peter Schultz.

“This new endowment, which brings the family’s total gifts to TSRI to approximately $1.3 billion, will help us continue to recruit the best students for advanced training at the intersection of biology and chemistry. In so doing, the gift also benefits our faculty, whose research programs will be enhanced by the efforts of these outstanding fellows.”

The new gift was made through the Skaggs family’s foundation, The ALSAM Foundation. Beginning this fall, one exceptional member of the entering class will be selected by the TSRI admissions committee to be designated as a Skaggs Fellow.

The Skaggs Fellow’s first-year stipend will be paid from the new endowment funds. In addition, in subsequent years of study, the student will receive a research supplement of up to $5,000.
Praying mantises religiously give pests the boot

By LINDA MARRONE

(2) Linda decided to republish this article from several years ago after being contacted about it by a UCSD student.)

Last winter, I purchased a praying mantis egg sac for my garden. In all the years I’ve lived in San Diego, I’ve never seen a praying mantis in my garden, and I thought it would be fun to see how beneficial it might be. In recent years, my garden has been plagued with walking sticks and grasshoppers that have a taste for every plant I grow. I was hopeful that if the eggs hatched, maybe the praying mantises would put a dent in the large, pesky bug population in my garden.

I placed the mantis egg sac on a branch of a large camellia bush, leaving it encased in the plastic mesh bag it came in. The sac should be suspended from a branch, away from ants and hidden in the leaves from birds. It should also be kept outside to adapt to our climate, since the baby praying mantises will emerge from their sacs in about three weeks after the outside temperatures reach about 70 degrees.

In late June, I was working in the garden and noticed a tiny insect sitting in the center of a Shasta daisy. Since grasshoppers have been quite successful at raising their families in my garden, at first glance I thought it was a baby grasshopper. Luckily, I realized the ant-size insect was actually a baby mantis before the tiny creature ended up between my thumb and forefinger.

Each praying mantis egg sac encloses about 200 eggs. The tiny young, referred to as nymphs, will emerge from the sac, scatter into the garden and immediately begin eating. While they start off with a voracious appetite, eating aphids and other small insects, they also can fall prey to predatory insects when they are this small.

One day, I removed a tiny mantis from a hungry spider’s web just before it became lunch and placed it on a rosebush. As months went by, this tiny creature stayed on the same rosebush and has now grown into quite a specimen, measuring about five inches long. Females are said to stay contently in one place as long as there is food, and the males will wander here and there throughout the garden.

There are 2,000 species of praying mantis throughout the world, with about 200 of them living in the United States. They will take about four to six months to mature, and as they grow, they will molt and shed their skin, which prompted one of my gardeners to worry that a particular mantis had died. Clearly upset, he brought the empty skin to me, telling me that one of my new “pets” had perished.

We went to look at the rosebush he found the skin in, and sure enough, we found the mantis, now much larger and still sitting in her favorite bush.

The mantis will shed its skin five or more times during its growth period, and during its final molting, it will emerge with wings. Right now, all of my praying mantises appear to have their wings, and we think there are about 12 of them happily living and feasting in my garden.

A territorial insect, each mantis will stake out its own area of the garden, and it is rare to find more than one on a single plant, unless it is fall and the mating season has begun. Mantises have 10 eyes that can see color and distances up to 60 feet away, and their heads can look over their shoulders, moving about 180 degrees. When I get close to them, they slowly turn their heads to look at me.

Masters of disguise, the mantises’ green or light brown coloring allows them to blend in seamlessly with their surroundings, which enables them to grab unsuspecting insects who venture too close. With a motionless prayerlike stance, the mantis can strike at its prey with lighting-fast precision, grabbing it with long, spiky forearms.

Great to have in the garden, they feed on most harmful plant pests, including aphids, thrips, whitefly, mosquitoes, flies, grubs, beetles, caterpillars, leafhoppers, grasshoppers, crickets and, hopefully, walking sticks. It may take another season to see if they are feeding on the pesky walking sticks, and if I find they are, I will everyone know.

The only problem may be that praying mantises are active during the day and the walking sticks are nocturnal eaters. I am hopeful that if a walking stick crosses paths with a praying mantis, the walking stick will become a midnight snack. I have noticed fewer grasshoppers in the garden lately since the mantises have taken up residence.

Since they are not long-distance travelers, the mantises will live and die close to the area in the garden where they were born. In the fall, the female will lay her eggs and encase them with a liquid she produces that will harden and form the sac. Females can produce one to five walnut-size sacs, or ootheca. Sadly, my family of mantis friends will die within the first year of their lives, usually about three weeks after their eggs have been laid. Hopefully, next spring, their eggs will hatch, and the life cycle will begin again with a new family of mantises hunting in my garden.

Most nurseries stock mantis egg sacs in late winter and early spring, before the weather gets too warm. Some nurseries store them in refrigerators. One egg sac is said to cover 5,000 square feet.

The praying mantis, along with other beneficial insects, help to rid our environment of garden pests, and therefore, it is essential not to use pesticides, or they, too, will perish along with the unwanted bugs. A healthy garden has both good and bad insects, and by not using poisons, we are promoting a healthy balance, not perfection, so all creatures, including humans, can thrive. The Greek word for “mantis” means prophet, and maybe it was named because of the blessings your garden will have if the insects are found residing there, not to mention the good fortune of creating a cleaner, healthier environment.

Update: When the praying mantises are around, there have been fewer walking sticks. While they have laid their eggs here in the garden in the past, it seems like every three years I need to purchase another egg sac.

Linda is a Realtor with Coldwell Banker in La Jolla. Pictures of her garden have been published in local and national magazines. Take a tour of her garden at LindaMarrone.com.
La Jolla High looks to enhance Viking Plaza with mosaic crest

By LAINIE FRASER

The Foundation of La Jolla High School has created a GoFundMe in an attempt to raise funds for an artistic element for their new stadium.

With the opening of the stadium on schedule for this fall, the school was presented with an opportunity to enhance Viking Plaza, a new entryway connecting the stadium to the campus.

“We were given this unique offer by the architects to make an artistic contribution to the walkway,” said Beth Penny, president of Foundation of La Jolla High School. “We simply could not pass that up because of a lack of funding.” According to Penny, they unanimously decided to contact Jane Wheeler, a local artist known for her handcrafted mosaic bench artwork in Bird Rock. Wheeler has been praised for her work around the city and has completed projects with schools in the community before. Wheeler was ecstatic to begin the project and almost immediately created a mosaic crest rendering for the project.

According to La Jolla High athletics director Paula Conway, the foundation does plenty of fundraising throughout the year for a variety of projects not paid for by the school district, including sports-related events.

“We are always trying to find creative and innovative ways to promote the needs of the school in a way that is appealing to our community,” Penny said.

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The school’s GoFundMe account has been up and running for nearly three weeks and has received more than $4,000. With a goal of $6,000, Penny expects they will meet that goal in no time thanks to the generous community members who have always supported the school and the athletic department.

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The school’s GoFundMe goal will be used to beautify the remainder of the stadium through projects such as painting the stands, building a press box and installing a new sound system. Remaining funds will assist any other unfunded projects the school may be interested in.

Preuss School student awarded Gates Millennium Scholarship

San Diego nonprofit Reality Changers has announced that Preuss School senior and Reality Changers graduate Tatiana Jones was awarded the prestigious Gates Millennium Scholarship, which covers full tuition costs from undergraduate to doctorate or medical degrees for minority students majoring in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) subjects.

The award is granted to only 1,000 students across the United States each year.

“Being a Gates Millennium Scholar has showed me that there are no limits to what I can accomplish in life as a minority,” says Jones. “I am so blessed to have received this honor and can now put my parents’ hearts at ease knowing I will be able to fulfill my dreams of furthering my education with no financial burden.”

Jones will attend Syracuse University this fall to study forensic science. She started F ANCY (Focused and Naturally Confident Youth), a student organization at Preuss designed to uplift, motivate and inspire young women. Jones and her peers identify and discuss teen issues such as self-esteem, depression, body and body image.

“FANCY at Preuss became the gateway to future women leaders and spread hope and direction from one culture to another,” says Jones. “I hope that women of color can be proud of who they are.”

This award brings Reality Changers to the $100 million mark in generating scholarship money for local high school seniors who will be the first in their families to attend college. Three hundred students this year alone have earned $2.5 million in scholarships.

Charter School expanding mental health plan

The Charter School of San Diego, which serves students from grades 7-12 at risk of dropping out, has announced it is expanding a mental health training program for teachers and school leaders. Working in partnership with the San Diego Police Department, the City of San Diego and the Social Advocates for Youth, more teachers will be trained on the signs of mental health issues in students, enabling them to intercede and get students the help and resources they need before a crisis occurs.

Charter School of San Diego is expanding the program following a successful two-year initiative funded by a federal grant. As the only charter school to receive the $100,000 expansion grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the school has trained nearly 300 teachers and community leaders to respond to mental health and substance abuse crises since 2014.

Following expenditure of the grant in September, the school will continue the mental health training program by absorbing the cost into its budget.

Altus Schools combined serve the largest number of 6th- through 12th-grade students at risk of dropping out in San Diego County.
New photography gallery opens on Prospect Street

By DAVE SCHWAB

Aaron Goulding’s been a punk rock musician, a professional body boarder and a surf photographer. Now he’s got an art gallery in La Jolla showcasing his work.

The 1,300-square-foot Aaron Goulding Photography Gallery at 1273 Prospect St. debuted Saturday, May 2 with a ribbon cutting ceremony along with the La Jolla Village Merchants Association. Goulding autographed posters for the first 100 guests.

You don’t have to talk long with Goulding, who moved to La Jolla 16 years ago from Orange County, to figure out what his central focus is.

“The waves, the coastline, the reefs, the rocks up against the ocean, the little nooks and crannies: I learned to photograph all of those,” said Goulding, whose love for the ocean is partly a byproduct of his being a professional body boarder in the early ‘90s.

“I got into photography in the late ‘80s and would shoot shore-break stuff back then, and it was difficult shooting with film,” Goulding recalled, noting his personal back-up shooting with film, “I was a professional body boarder for five years, then moved to Sweden where I joined a Swedish-American punk rock band, Pridebowl,” he said. “We were the first punk rock band to ever tour in China.”

Goulding’s clientele has varied from rock musicians, a professional body boarder and a surf photographer. “I was a professional body boarder for five years, then moved to Sweden where I joined a Swedish-American punk rock band, Pridebowl,” he said. “We were the first punk rock band to ever tour in China.”

Moving to La Jolla was a no-brainer for the surf photographer. “It’s pretty breathtaking where we live – paradise,” Goulding noted. “This is my home. I see why Dr. Seuss loved it.”

Goulding’s new art gallery is in addition to his smaller studio space, which he’s been operating for years at 1255 Coast Blvd. Specializing in surf, scenic, portrait and underwater photography, Goulding’s clientele has varied from high-profile celebrities to advertisers, magazines and, what he describes as, “just regular folks looking for a good portrait.”

Goulding said his life thus far has been so interesting that “I’ve retired early and am going to live my life backwards. He added, “I’m OK with the path of life I chose. At the same time, I’m doing everything in my power to live my dream.”

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Speaking of his new art gallery, and his motivation behind creating it, Goulding said, “This town needs a gallery where people can find local imagery. I want to show the world what I have seen for the past 25 years in and around the ocean – all the beautiful sunsets and sunrises by the sea, waves, and sea life, all from the water, land and air.”

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Martinez could get up to five years in prison and she is free on $25,000 bond.

Martinez admitted that she and other senior bank executives accepted cash bribes and kickbacks from borrowers in return for issuing hundreds of millions of dollars in loans to unqualified borrowers.

Also set for sentencing on June 13 is Annand Sliuman, 35, who pleaded guilty in 2014 to bribing an officer at the bank to approve loans on his behalf. Sliuman was a small business owner from Spring Valley who received a $1.8 million loan in 2008 after working with a third bank employee, Laura Ortuondo, 36, who submitted two tax forms that falsely stated he had satisfied his tax liabilities.

Ortuondo, of Cupertino, was sentenced in 2014 to one year of house arrest, a $1,000 fine, with terms of three years probation.

Sliuman agreed in court records that his restitution figure is not less than $2.15 million. Sliuman is free on $15,000 bond.
Local students earn accolades at excellent ceremony

By ANNA JENSEN

The 10th annual Salute to Excellence ceremony honored more than 75 high school seniors who are considered to be in the top 1 percent out of all seniors in San Diego at Sea-World on Wednesday, May 25.

Of those honored at last week’s event, local students named were Kyra Forsyth (Mision Bay High), Dan Tran (Mission Bay High), Clay Halbert (La Jolla High), and Dalton Omens (Point Loma High). For these four students, obtaining excellence was not an easy task.

For these students, this award is more than just a recognition of their work. “This honor reminds me to work even harder in college to be successful in life,” Tran said. “It also reminds me how I can make use of my talents to efficiently gain control in my life.” The four all have high aspirations. Forsyth wants to be a geneticist. Omens wants to be an animator for Disney. Halbert wants to be a physics professor or an attorney, and Tran wants to become a computer programmer or a math teacher. All four of these kids are UC-bound (UCSD, UC Berkeley, and UCLA) and ready to take on the world one well-planned day at a time.

“Business and stamina and dedication of these students is truly amazing,” said Hans Becker, principal at Point Loma High School. “I am honored to support these students and look forward to their exciting futures. They are wonderful examples of what we call, ‘The Pointer Way.’”

Coalition urges SANDAG to spend tax dollars on communities’ needs

People from around San Diego and members of the Quality of Life coalition recently called on the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) to prioritize mass transit projects before it asks voters to support a raise in the county sales tax.

The coalition represents more than 20 community-based, regional organizations and 150,000 San Diego residents. San Diego residents and community leaders urged SANDAG to prioritize funding for projects that promote clean air, better transit, good jobs and no-cost youth bus passes.

Community leader Maria Cortez said, “Bus passes increase access to jobs, healthcare (and participation in their faith communities, and (they teach) youth how to be independent. These youth could be any one of you. Who knows; they could become our next council members, superintendents and mayors.”

The rally preceded a crucial vote that took place last month, when SANDAG decided on transportation projects to be funded by a half-cent sales tax ballot initiative proposed for November. If the ballot measure passes, voters have the opportunity to generate San Diego transportation funding for the next 40 years.

Coalition leaders also highlighted the overwhelming support needed for a tax measure to win at the ballot box. “We want to work with SANDAG, but they can’t win a tax measure without broad community support. If voters are asked to support a half-cent sales tax, SANDAG must show that it understands the issues that voters care about,” said Nicole Capretz, executive director of the Climate Action Campaign.

Soccer

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goal on the Q’s field, raised both hands in a gesture seeming to appeal to the heavens. What was going on there? “I was saying, ‘I’m here. I’m in the moment. I’m going to compete.’”

As the penalty kicks unfolded, Nguyen says, “I was trying to read the shooters.” Then the sixth kicker for the Conquistadors, Richard Gaeta, lined up his shot a distance in front of the goal. As Nguyen relates, he blanked out during the shot – possibly from the intensity of the moment – and came out successfully on the other side.

Looking ahead to next year, he has dual reasons for being excited, coming on the heels of the first CIF boys soccer championship for La Jolla since 1998. One, the Vikings return a talented bunch. Nguyen ticks off the names of the returnees, Lewis qualified for the U.S. soccer academy, so he appears to be headed to that. But Cesar Canton, a quick striker, will play for the Aztecs club and La Jolla’s school team. Estrella will return, as well as Furlanix, who plays center midfielder. Romano at right back and Max Leonard, a right midfielder. Mason Matalon, a sophomore, is another.

The second reason for Nguyen’s enthusiasm is the refurbished stadium. A new surface is being installed on the elbows field. New facilities will house the Vikings’ new weight room, a new boys locker room, coaches’ offices, a concession stand and a press box. Construction appears to be on schedule, with word of the field being ready for play in August for the Viking football team’s preseason practice.

Nguyen and his fellow juniors will get to play their senior seasons in the new sports complex.

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LA JOLLA VILLAGE NEWS
La Jolla & University City Real Estate

La Jolla | $1,850,000
5445 Taft Avenue | 4BR/3.5BA | 2,350 sq ft
Archways grace the entrance of this serene Spanish style custom home. Roof top get away is the perfect spot to take in the sunset & ocean views. Re-built from the ground up in 2010. Michelle Dykstra | 858-344-7653 | mdykstrasells@gmail.com

La Jolla | $2,495,000
835 La Jolla Corona Ct | 3BR/3.5BA | 1,868 sq ft
Unrivaled & unobstructed Pacific panorama. Perfectly positioned to optimize the sweeping south, action views. Expansive floor plan. On a cul-de-sac. Michelle Dykstra | 858-344-7653 | mdykstrasells@gmail.com

La Jolla | $1,495,000
5389 La Jolla Mesa Dr | 4BR/2BA | 2,364 sq ft
Watch the waves roll in from this contemporary home in Bird Rock. Sparkling ocean views and glorious sunsets. Walk to school, beaches, restaurants and shops. Michelle Dykstra | 858-344-7653 | mdykstrasells@gmail.com

La Jolla | $1,645,000
5568 Linda Rosa Ave | 3BR/3.5BA | 1993 sq ft
Bird Rock Craftsman, with art-deco details. Lush yard, wowing porches. Finished basement unit. A vintage classic, remodeled and upgraded. Michelle Dykstra | 858-344-7653 | mdykstrasells@gmail.com

La Jolla | $5,499,000
1624 Torrey Pines Rd | 4BR/4.5BA | 3,800 sq ft
Prepare to be surprised! Breathtaking day & night ocean and north shore views. Multiple levels of expansive decks. Bottom level guest studio has its own entrance/exit. Remarkable opportunity to purchase on the bluff and create your own dream home. Tracie Kersten & Ryan Mathys | 619-886-5294 | Tracie@LaJollaAgent.com

La Jolla | $1,795,000
5440 Cliffridge Lane | 3BR/3.5BA | 3,600 sq ft
A move in ready traditional 2 story family home in north La Jolla. Ocean view from 2nd story large bonus room. Quiet cul-de-sac, walkable to TPE & YMCA. www.5440Cliffridge.com. Tracie Kersten & Greg Noonan | 619-886-5294, 858-459-0501 | greg@lajollahomes.com

La Jolla | $2,695,000
6365 Mercer St | 4BR/6BA | 5,772 sq ft
Majestic Mediterranean home on cul-de-sac completed in 2007. High end finishes, panoramic views and amazing architectural detail. Quality and luxury! Barbara Ostroff | 888-761-8359 | barb@lajollahomes.com

La Jolla | $2,159,000
1307 Caminito Floreo | 3BR/2.5BA | 2,621 sq ft
Immaculate & abundantly upgraded home in one of LJ's favorite gated communities. Quiet interior street, attached 3 car garage. Dream Home. Included is prized membership in Alta LJ Club featuring: pools, tennis, sauna, spa, gym. Janet Douglass | 619-540-5891 | janet@lajollahomes.com

University City | $780,000
9110 Towne Centre Dr 76 | 2BR/2.5BA | 1,386 sq ft
Spacious and bright and unit townhome. Tastefully remodeled and highly upgraded kitchen and baths, granite counters, newer appliances, and AC with extra large 2 car garage with generous space for laundry/storage. Walking distance to all. Mohammad Ayari | 858-414-0808 | mayari@san.rr.com

La Jolla | $2,485,000
6036 Waverly | 5.5BR/5.5BA | 4,411 sq ft
Gorgeous Mediterranean Villa! Grand entry with sweeping staircase opens to the formal living and dining rooms. Enjoy views, ocean breezes and tranquil sunsets. Seller will entertain offers between $3,650,000 and $3,895,000. Gina Hessen | 858-405-9100 | gina@hessen.com

511 Colina St | 6BR/4BA | 2,530 sq ft
Quality, elegance and superb attention to detail stand out in this new custom Craftsmen home. Roof top ocean view deck. Michelle Dykstra | 858-344-7653 | mdykstrasells@gmail.com

5615 Soledad Rd | 4BR/3BA | 3,002 sq ft
Live the La Jolla lifestyle! Captivating views, an entertainers delight with integrated flow & open concept living! Yvonne Oboe | 619-316-3188 | yobere@willisallen.com

University City | $2,195,000
6211 Avenida Chamnez | 3-Car Garage | 4,150 sq ft
Beautiful contemporary home with high ceilings. Ocean views on private cul de sac street in very upscale neighborhood. Perfect for bonus room. Over sized 3+ car garage and extra living space. Peter & Judy Corrente | 619-997-3577, 858-997-3577 | peterandjudy@msn.com, PeterandJudyCorrente@gmail.com

La Jolla | $2,925,000
3580 Via Del Amigo | 4BR/4BA | 3,486 sq ft
Beautiful contemporary home with ocean views. Multiple levels of expansive decks. On a cul-de-sac. Michelle Dykstra | 858-344-7653 | mdykstrasells@gmail.com

University City | $580,000
5430 Avenida De Leon | 3BR/2BA | 1,260 sq ft
Enjoy beautiful sunrise views from this move-in ready, two story. Enjoy easterly views from nearly every room! Gorgeous rose & low maintenance yard! Nancy Beck | 858-945-5478 | NancyBeckRealEstate@gmail.com

6365 Mercer St | 4BR/2BA | 1,754 sq ft
Gorgeous Kitchen & GREAT ROOM, open, spacious and fabulous. Beautifully updated custom kitchen, wood floors, brick patio, large lot, walk to park, shopping, dining. For Price & details: www.6365MercerSt.com Ruth Mills | 858-967-7722 | rath@willisallen.com

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**OPEN HOUSES**

**PACIFIC BEACH / MISSION BEACH / CROWN POINT**
- Sat & Sun 1-4pm  | 5925 Humboldt Rd  | 2BR / 2BA  | $610,000  
  | 5827 Windsor Dr  | 2BR / 4BA  | $1,950,000-$2,150,000  
  | 838 Queenstown Ct  | 3.5BR / 2BA  | $1,145,000  
  | 1716 Vinyl St  | 5BR/4.5BA  | $1,850,000  
  
**POINT LOMA / OCEAN BEACH**
- Sat 11am-4pm  | 1150 Bangor St  | 4BR / 4BA  | $1,750,000  
  | 662 Rosarito St  | 2BR / 2BA  | $1,495,000  
  | 820 Avenida Terra  | 3BR/3BA  | $2,250,000  
  
**MISSION HILLS / HILLCREST**
- Sat 1-4pm  | 3015 Mead St  | 3BR / 5BA  | $1,475,000  
  | 3943 Third Ave  | 4BR / 4.5BA  | $2,395,000  
  
**LA JOLLA**
- Fri 1-4pm  | 5616 Abalone Place  | 3BR/3BA  | $1,950,000  
  | 7115 Vista Del Mar  | 3BR/3BA  | $3,075,000  
  | 1041 Coral Reef Ave  | 2BR / 2BA  | $1,085,000  
  | 7942 Avienda Kirsh  | 4BR / 3BA  | $2,695,000  
  | 9677 Claiborne Sq  | 2BR/2.5BA  | $1,095,000-$1,200,000  
  | 1493 Caminito Solidago  | 3BR/3.5BA  | $1,149,000  

**NEW LISTING – BAY PARK**
- Klatt Realty has just listed this mint condition condominium with 2BR, 2BA and an office with City Lights and Bay Views! Priced to sell at $439,500. Call for details and your appointment to see this quickly!

**NEW LISTING – DEL MAR**
- Klatt Realty is offering Ocean View 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1,181 square foot single family residence which is zoned R-2: MINOR that was built in 1941, has a one-car garage, and a 9,500 square foot lot priced at $2,700,000. Tenant occupied through July 1, 2016. Please do not disturb tenant. For full details, call Klatt Realty at 858-454-9672 !

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**WINDANSEA AND BIRD ROCK GEMS - STEPS TO THE OCEAN**

**7115 Vista Del Mar**
This classic 3BR/3BA charmer is located on a cul-de-sac in the highly coveted La Jolla neighborhood steps away from the infamous Windansea beach. Renovated in 2010 & designed to embody the Coastal CA lifestyle, the décor emulates sophistication and class. Imagine enjoying your morning coffee while taking in the ocean views from the master retreat’s balcony. An open floor plan, appointed chef’s kitchen and roof top deck makes this 3 bedroom home even more desirable. This delightful home is being sold furnished.

**Offered at $3,575,000 - For Sale or Lease $10,750 - Furnished or unfurnished.**

**5616 Abalone Place**
Build your Bird Rock dream home on West Side of LJ Blvd. with SPECTACULAR 270 DEGREE OCEAN VIEWS from both levels! Included are design plans to build 2775 SF of 4 BR, 3.5 BA contemporary with pool. Walk up to see surfers riding the waves and enjoy exquisite sunsets at day’s end. This property features ideal elevation and dual access from the ocean front street of Dolphin Pl. and Abalone Pl. Walk to Bird Rock coffee shops, restaurants and elementary school for a top quality SoCal Lifestyle.

**Offered at $1,950,000-$2,295,000**
Hidden Shangri-La in the Barber Tract

Located near the beach and hidden from view behind lush landscaping that provides a tropical private setting, this charming property offers 2 homes - a 3 BR/2 BA main house and a spacious 1BR/1BA cottage. Both homes have been remodeled and are filled with character and colorful coastal style. The full sized lot is zoned for 2 homes (RM 1-1). When you open the garden gate, you are greeted by cheerful flower-filled gardens and numerous outdoor living areas that include; fountains, a built-in BBQ and hot tub.

Offered at: $2,400,000

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