A Night on the Edge at Cabrillo National Monument

A Night on the Edge at Cabrillo National Monument on Sept. 16 featured dance performances by Erika Malone and other dancers from around San Diego.

Joan Green, this year’s artist in residence, collaborated with the dancers and helped direct the choreography. “Whenever I come out to Cabrillo, I feel the physical edge of this place. So almost immediately, my concept became The Edge of Cabrillo,” Green said.

“This relates in many different ways to people. When we’re standing on the edge, the energy is intense, exciting, fearful, an unknown.”

The main event was the full Harvest Moon rising above the city (above). Cabrillo National Monument, normally closed to the public after 5 p.m., periodically has special fundraising events after dark.

Harvest Moon rises over San Diego

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Peninsula group approves bike lanes for Wabaska

In September, Peninsula Community Planning Board adopted a preferred alternative for bicycle improvements on Wabaska Drive, as well as getting an update on San Diego International Airport redevelopment.

Nicole Burgess, District 2 rep on the City of San Diego Bicycle Advisory Committee, gave a presentation detailing four different options for bicycle improvements on Wabaska Drive between Voltaire Street and Nimitz Boulevard.

“These design options are for the road diet bringing it down from four lanes to two,” said Burgess. “We wanted space to put a bike facility, and not just have bikes on the outside of parked cars in a typical bike lane.”

Burgess noted two options, numbers three and four, “put bikes on the inside making the vehicles be the buffer, so the bicyclist does not have to go next to fast-moving traffic.”

Protected bike lanes have some sort of physical, stationary, vertical separation between moving motor-vehicle traffic and the bike lane.

“For Wabaska, this physical barrier will be a variety of parked cars, bollards, flex posts, and maybe even some planters,” Burgess said noting an unprotected bike path “is just paint and has no physical barrier. In these types of facilities, cyclists must ride next to moving vehicles and be cautious of door-zone conflicts. A protected bikeway is safer, more comfortable, and therefore increases bike ridership.”

“We are supporting options 3 or 4 to provide a protection there,” concluded Burgess, adding, “There really aren’t that many homes in that area.”

Burgess said it’s hoped introducing bike improvements on Wabaska will “provide a model for the city.” She noted the bicycle infrastructure improvement project will dovetail neatly into railing and other improvements being planned on the Voltaire Street bridge nearby.

A motion was made to approve option 4 and PCPB’s vote was 9-2-1 in favor. Keith Wilschetz, director of airport planning and noise mitigation at San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, updated community planners on a long-range $2.2 billion replacement plan, approved about a year ago, at the airport’s Terminal 1, opened in 1967. The plan is to replace all of that terminal’s 19 gates within 10 years, adding more capacity in future phases.

From the audience, Dr. Lilah Schmidt expressed fear, following testimony given at a recent Airport Authority board meeting, that airport arrivals are going to be overwhelming, increasing by several hundred thousand during the next few years.

Wilschetz replied the airport has approximately 34,000 arrivals annually today noting “that will go up to 800,000 between now and 2025, about a 120 percent increase, just over double what we have today” utilizing the airport’s lone airplane runway, he said.

In other action:

• Jack Straw from the mayor’s office fielded group and audience questions about proposed changes to the city’s municipal code governing the 30-foot height restriction in the coastal area.

Work on a controversial condominium development on Emerson Street in Roseville was recently temporarily halted, because area residents complained the project had an extra story, exceeded 30 feet, because of the way its height was measured, which constituted a loophole in city regulations.

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Mid-Coast Trolley project receives $1 billion federal grant

The good news though is that “for the most part, the project is in the public right-of-way.” Gallegos added.

SANDAG’s chief said the trolley extension will be an important transportation cross-connector. He noted the Trolley Blue Line extension will connect the San Diego region’s two largest employment centers (downtown and UTC) with the rail networks in South Bay and East County.

Pre-construction activities for the Mid-Coast project, primarily the relocation of underground utilities out of the project alignment, are already under way. Once the extension is built, transit riders will enjoy a one-seat ride from San Ysidro to University City.

According to SANDAG, construction of the Mid-Coast project is expected to produce more than 14,000 new local jobs. Even after construction is over, the Mid-Coast Trolley will have an estimated $116 million of annual economic impact on the region by reducing congestion, reducing parking needs, and increasing access to jobs. The Mid-Coast corridor supports more than 325,000 jobs. Planners estimate the trolley-extension project will provide more than 20,000 new transit trips every weekday.

The grand vision is to try and give San Diegans more transportation options and better choices,” Gallegos said. “This gives San Diego commuters working in the two largest employment centers something to do other than just drive (alone).

Midway planning group discusses new BID, homeless camps

Midway Community Planning Group in September got updates on a renewed effort to re-establish a Business Improvement District (BID), as well as agreeing to support closure of Moore Street at a troublesome intersection.

Midway Community Planning Group (MCPG) board member Gil Kennedy said progress is being made networking with local businesses in an ad hoc committee to resurrect the old North Bay BID that has been inactive for years.

“We’re trying to create a BID and a Maintenance Assessment District,” said Kennedy adding there was a consensus on what the priorities should be for a new BID.

“The three common themes shared were security, trash and outreach,” he said noting other items including hardscaping, landscaping, signage and panhandling on medi ans were also discussed.

San Diego Airport starts construction on Terminal 2 Parking Plaza

The Terminal 2 Parking Plaza building is now under way as near by 100 elected officials, Airport Authority board members, business and community leaders and construction team members celebrated the groundbreaking last week at San Diego International Airport.

The cutting-edge Parking Plaza will be located in front of Terminal 2 and will have three floors with approximately 3,000 parking stalls. It will replace the existing surface parking lot for Terminal 2.

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Former SeaWorld manager gets 30 months for fraud

A former manager at SeaWorld who embezzled $818,000 from the company was sentenced Sept. 23 to 30 months in federal prison for wire fraud and filing a false tax return.

Wilfred David Jobin-Reyes, 48, who is known professionally as Sebastian Jobin, was ordered by U.S. District Court Judge Jeffrey Miller to repay SeaWorld the $818,000 he took from them. He worked for SeaWorld for 17 years.

Miller also ordered Jobin to repay $177,000 to his former roommate, whose identity he used to get credit cards to spend at casinos and trips. Jobin has reached an agreement with the Internal Revenue Service to pay $217,000 as a penalty for not declaring his total income to the IRS.

Jobin will get credit for the seven months he has spent in prison since his arrest in Dallas where he had fled after SeaWorld investigators determined they had paid money to a phony company that Jobin owned for non-existent merchandise.

Jobin claimed the firm was a real company that sold trinkets and that some of his merchandise was for sale on a consignment basis in a Point Loma business. SeaWorld could only document one delivery of merchandise over eight years. “I take full responsibility for my actions,” said Jobin.

Jobin read a letter about previous difficulties in his life, such as being molested by a teacher 30 years ago and developing an addiction to gambling and work. He said being fired from SeaWorld was his “biggest relief” so the fraud wouldn’t continue.

Miller told him bringing up unrelated things seemed to him like a “disertation of excuses” rather than acceptance of responsibility. “You were living a pretty high life... a pattern of conduct you were very comfortable with,” said Miller. “This was a highly sophisticated, carefully orchestrated scheme over a long period of time,” said Miller, noting Jobin’s lavish trips, cruises, and clothing that he spent money on from illegal proceeds.

Noting the theft from his friend, Miller said this: “That was unconscionable what you did to him.”

Miller said once Jobin is paroled, his release conditions will bar him from gambling, having a job with fiduciary responsibilities, or soliciting any type of funds in any job.

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Pointers hang on to beat Olympian

By SCOTT HOPKINS | The Beacon

Point Loma football fans at last Friday’s game against Olympian High must have felt they were at a major amusement park as the team took them on a revived-up-point scor- ing thrill ride in the first half followed by a second half letdown that had them covering their eyes and gasping for breath as if on the most terrifying of fright-inducing roller-coasters.

The crowd, along with Pointer players and some friends, heaved a collective sigh of relief when an Olympian field goal attempt in over-time sailed wide, allowing the Pointers to revel in a 27-24 victory.

Olympian’s field goal attempt in over-time was the ball lose from an Olympian player, the Pointers recovering the ball near the Eagles goal where quarterback Kyle Grady hit tight end Patrick Rutledge for the Pointer running back Josh Ball (26) has a step on an Olympian defender during last week’s dramatic 27-24 overtime win.

Adjustments made during half-time by the Eagles clearly changed the game’s course. On offense, the Eagles finally were able to get lightning-fast running back Rashaun Brown into open space and Pointer defenders had trouble bringing him down as he scored on runs of 69 and one yard.

“Pedro was a big part of our suc- cess tonight with the two field goals and his placement on the kickoffs,” said Pointer head coach Mike Hast- ings as his players continued to cele- brate with their senior teammate. “Both teams left the field with 3-2 records.

To get the win tonight was huge,” Hastings said. “We got up big but knew they were a good team and for our kids to hold on and win in overtime was really special.”

This was a game that had looked like a Pointer blowout from the opening kickoff when Borjon booted a high and short ball that landed in an area uncovered by Eagle special teams players.

A hit by Cameron Auva’a jarred the ball lose from an Olympian play- er, the Pointers recovering the ball at the Eagle 31. Several run plays took the Pointers near the Eagles goal where quarterback Kyle Grady hit tight end Patrick Rutledge for the game’s first score with only 3:02 elapsed.

Again, the Eagles failed to cover the ensuing kickoff, the Pointers recovering at the Eagle 34. Several Josh Ball runs covered much of the distance before quarterback Grady found wide receiver Malik Moore in the right corner of the end zone for the 14-0 lead with only 6:04 gone.

Borjon sent his next kickoff deep, a desperate longer field defense forced the Eagles to attempt, but we all have fun!

PLHS volleyball takes tourney title

By SCOTT HOPKINS | The Beacon

The girls volleyball team at Point Loma High School hoisted a trophy as champions of the recent Firebird Classic, an annual tournament hosted by Pacific Ridge High School in Carlsbad.

The Lady Pointers won all seven matches over two days en route to the title, defeating Alemany High School (Mission Hills) in straight sets 25-17 and 25-21 in the finals.

“It was a great team effort, and everyone stepped up to defeat Ale- many,” said a happy Pointer head coach Davis Ramos, who is assist- ed by Daniela de Kervor.

Team members Sophia Alotbella, a junior libero, and sophomore out- side hitter Sierra Coffo were named to the All-Tournament team, while junior outside hitter Charlie Ekstrom was named Most Valuable Player of the event.

Other team members include Hai- ley Brockett, Angelina Desmond, Mia Hegerle, Sydney Hill, Kylie Komto, Rebecca Nunez, Katherine Oclott, Sierra Pennell, Delaney Saunders, Reese Turner, Lauren Valenzuela and Maggie Wolf.

Teams entered in the tournament besides Pacific Ridge and Alemany were El Camino, Seaquam (Delta, British Columbia), Calvin Christian and Steele Canyon.

The Lady Pointers have moved into their league schedule, where they play in the Western League against La Jolla, Cathedral Catholic, Our Lady of Peace, Patrick Henry and Scripps Ranch.

Based on the program’s success, the Lady Pointers play in Div. I with the county’s top teams.

Last year, the team’s overall record was 19-16 with a 3-7 fourth place league finish after the team soared to a 24-9 finish and a CIF Div. I championsh- ip in 2014.

Upcoming home games are: Oct. 5 vs. Patrick Henry; Oct. 14 vs. Cathedral Catholic; Oct. 19 vs. Scripps Ranch; Matches begin at 4:30 p.m.
On defense they disrupted Grady and the Pointer passing game. A 14-yard touchdown pass to a wide-open receiver 11:24 before the end of regulation brought the Eagles to within 24-21, and a field goal with 5:30 left lifted them to a 24-all tie as the Pointers struggled on both sides of the ball.

“(Olympian) came out and put us on our heels a bit,” Hastings said. “Even though we gave up those points, we were able to figure it out and stop them at the end and miss that field goal. We got one more point than they did and that’s all that matters.”

Then, in overtime, Borjon’s foot rescued the Pointers.

**Pointers 27, Bonita Vista 20**

The Pointers shook the Turnover Bug and found their offense in a 27-21 win over the Barons Sept. 10 at Southwestern College’s nicely renovated DeVore Stadium.

Anthony Quintanilla opened scoring with a 45-yard run on the Pointers’ first drive of the game.

On the Barons’ opening drive they drove downfield before Pointer Michael Blakely intercepted a pass in the end zone to end a threat. A second quarter run by Ball of 28 yards built the Pointer lead to 13-0, and after Bonita Vista ran two plays on their next drive, Ball, playing defense, scooped up a fumble at their 34 yard line.

From there, the Pointers marched to the end zone again, building a 19-0 lead at the half.

The Barons found life in the third period, scoring twice, once after a pass interception. A fourth quarter touchdown and two-point conversion by the Pointers proved critical as the Barons finished scoring for the night on their next drive. The Pointer defense held up over the final nine minutes of the game to secure the victory.

The Pointers out-gained the Barons 397-271, with Quintanilla (13 carries for 153 yards, 2 TDs) and Ball (22 carries for 145 yards, 2 TDs) leading the charge. Defensively, Rutledge had 3.5 tackles, 2.5 of them for a loss and recorded a quarterback sack. Lineman Davey Folsom was credited with six tackles, one for a loss.

**Extra Points**

Pointer freshmen shut out Bonita Vista (27-0) and edged Olympian (34-26). The JV team beat Bonita Vista (22-8) and lost to Olympian 27-7. Both teams are also 3-2 midway through their season.

The varsity team has scored at least 14 points to open each of its last two games, both wins.

A vocal, ample crowd made the trip to the South Bay the past two weeks as the Pointers continue a stretch of road games that ends Oct. 21 with the final three games at home.

All Pointer football teams are resting during their annual Bye week and preparing for Western League play that begins on Sept. 30. This year’s league is likely the county’s toughest, with no less than three Top 10 teams among the league’s five members. St. Augustine (No. 1), Cathedral Catholic (No. 2) and Madison (No. 6) remain on the Pointer schedule. Only the Pointers and Mira Mesa are not ranked in the Top 10.

Alison Jacobson, The Safety Mom, is a preeminent voice on the subject of children’s safety, wellness and healthy living and a Cox Communications partner. From environmental toxins and healthy eating to sports injuries and cyber bullying, The Safety Mom is always on the lookout for the issues facing children of all ages, as well as the entire family. Here she provides cyber safety tips for parents just in time for the summer months when kids may be home alone more often.

Know your child’s passwords and review their social media sites weekly. Ask them how they know new friends or connections and if they don’t know them, do not allow them to follow.

Kids often have numerous accounts. Along with reviewing who is following them, look at their activity. If there isn’t a lot of activity, they may be using a different account. Investigate further.

Be sure that geo-tagging is off on all social media sites, which prevents someone from identifying where your child is posting from.

Teach them never to post the name of their school, home address or areas where they frequently hang out.

Assume that status updates, photos and videos posted on social networks are permanent. Just because a profile is deleted or information is removed, older versions can continue to exist on other sites.

Never allow your child to arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone they’ve met online by themselves.

Teach kids to not respond to messages that are inappropriate. Encourage children to tell an adult if they ever encounter anything that makes them feel uncomfortable.

Parents and guardians should consider downloading a monitoring service app that allows them to view the child’s smartphone activity.

Cyberbullying over the weekend spills into school on Monday. Inform school officials if your child was involved in a cyberbullying incident so that they can monitor the situation during the day.

Don’t dismiss the issue. Whether your child plays it down or is seriously upset, get involved. Parents of “bully-cide” victims (kids who have committed suicide due to bullying) frequently comment that they wish they had taken the issue more seriously.

If necessary, get law enforcement involved. Many school districts around the country have a police officer or several assigned to the school who are always on campus. This would be the first law enforcement personnel to approach. Ask him/her for their suggestions on handling the situation.

Teach your child to get involved. It has been shown that the best person to help stop bullying is a peer who intervenes. If your child witnesses someone getting bullied online encourage him/her to tell you.

For more information on safe behavior in the digital world, including valuable tools and information to empower parents, visit www.cox.com/takecharge.
Surfrider’s Paddle for Clean Water around Ocean Beach Pier this Sunday

The Surfrider Foundation San Diego County Chapter’s annual Paddle for Clean Water marks its 25th year a.m. to noon Sunday, Oct. 2 at the Ocean Beach Pier.

The paddle is a non-competitive event demonstrating support for pollution-free beaches and waterways. Participants are encouraged to bring a surfboard, kayak, SUP, body board or other human-powered craft to paddle around Southern California’s longest pier in a mass display of solidarity for the protection of our precious coastline.

Paddlers are able to help raise funds at classy.org/surfriderpaddle2016 to support clean water initiatives in San Diego County.

The morning’s festivities offer something for everyone — in and out of the water. A donation-based yoga class will start the day at 8:30 a.m. on the beach, followed by a free light breakfast for all paddlers at 9 a.m. The paddle begins at 10 a.m. with hundreds of ocean-enthusiasts of all ages making their way around the pier.

There will be a group photo and presence from guest speakers including Supervisor Dave Roberts, Councilmember Lori Zapf, and local activist Cori Schumacher. The event will be emceed by FM94.9’s Chris Cantore, and will feature live music from local reggae band Tribal Theory.

This year’s paddle is focused on San Diego County’s environmental growth over the past 25 years. For more information, visit surfrider-sd.org or contact Caroline Canter 301-648-7612 or caroline@surfridersd.org.

Point Loma couple works on climate change solutions

Solving global warming is now the primary objective for a retired couple living in Point Loma. Carl and Kate Yaeckel have been actively engaged with a national organization called Citizens Climate Lobby.

Carl, a retired Harvard Law attorney, and his wife Kate, a retired elementary school teacher, have for the past two years been promoting a popular solution to saving the planet for their grandchildren.

On Sept 10, Carl and Kate met with several residents, at the Point Loma Library, for a presentation and discussion on what many economists now agree is the simplest, fairest, and most effective solution to global warming.

The basic plan is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions enough to stabilize the climate, while actually boosting the economy. Citizens Climate Lobby is working towards legislation that would reduce the demand for fossil fuels and make alternative energy sources more affordable.

Simply stated, the solution of this plan would be to first levy a federal tax on fossil fuels at their origin. The next step would be to distribute all the revenues, from the fossil fuel tax, to U.S households. This revenue would help everyone to offset the higher costs of clean energy.

Citizens Climate Lobby is a non-partisan, nonprofit organization that empowers people, from all walks of life, to become effective advocates for a livable world. Thousands of volunteers from all over the country have been spreading a popular solution for climate change.

For further details on how to stabilize the climate and boost the economy, visit citizensclimatelobby.org.
A navel disaster during rush hour

A tractor-trailer hauling oranges crashed on a freeway transition in the Torrey Pines area on Sept. 27, which prompted a closure that stretched into the morning commute. The semi truck hit a barrier on the ramp from southbound Interstate 5 to Carmel Valley Road and state Route 56 around 2:45 a.m., according to the California Highway Patrol. The trucker was not injured. The ramp was shut down so the load of oranges could be transferred to a second truck.

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Ryan added he’s learned from city parks that “crews have started watering the dog parks again on a limited basis.” But, when it comes to completely denuded pooch parks like Dusty Rhodes, “the picture doesn’t lie,” he noted.

“Off-leash dog areas were designat- ed as places the City would no longer water during the drought,” said Tim Graham of the city’s communications department. “Once that happened, much of the existing grass died and hasn’t come back.”

Graham said water restrictions went into effect on June 1, 2014. “Regulations were eased on July 15, 2015,” he added.

Weighing-in on Dusty Rhodes, Denise (Denny) Knox of Ocean Beach MainStreet Association said, “Dusty Rhodes Dog Park isn’t under our umbrella. It is taken care of by Park & Rec. Not sure why they wouldn’t water it. I get the un Happi ness about it.

“If they are going to have a dog park, it needs to be kept up by the City, or by a citizen’s group that wants to retain the park for dogs. The OB Town Council might be the logical group to go to for support to get improvements made to the maintenance of the dog park,” she said.

Ryan argued there may be health issues as well with a dry Dusty Rhodes.

“Several months ago my vet, who visits Mexico often, told me that recently there is a Parvo outbreak there,” he said, noting, “Diseases can be spread through direct contact between dogs, shared bowls and equipment, contaminated water, soil, insects and other methods.”

According to Wikipedia, Canine parvovirus is a highly contagious and potentially lethal virus that can affect all dogs, but unvaccinated dogs and puppies younger than four months are most at-risk. The virus affects dogs’ gastrointestinal tracts and is spread by direct dog-to-dog contact and contact with contaminated feces, environments or people.

Melanie Wilson, policy advisor and community rep for County Supervisor Ron Roberts, on Ryan’s behalf, inquired with the county veterinari an about the potential dan- ger of Parvo in regional dog parks.

“The veterinarian indicated that dogs defecating and urinating on soil in a dog park are not health haz- ards unless someone ingests the excrement,” Wilson said. “Further, the sprinklers not being active may cause the park to be unsightly and odi- ous; however, the feces and organisms within the feces become dehydrated and inactive.”

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Break out the lederhosen, steins and oompah music as the 12th annual Ocean Beach Oktoberfest is ready to roll Friday and Saturday, Oct. 7-8 in the coastal community.

Southern California’s wildest and only Oktoberfest party at the beach will feature live music, a beer garden, contests, a beer tasting and a $1,000 Sausage Toss competition.

Denise (Denny) Knox, executive director of Ocean Beach MainStreet Association (OBMA), the community’s Business Improvement District (BID), said the annual fundraiser benefits many organizations.

“All the people pouring beer are working for their own charities all geared towards youth sports,” said Knox adding, “The OB Community Foundation is raising funds for local youth sports with their OB Brat Trot. OB MainStreet is raising funds for beautification projects and maintenance projects in the commercial areas of Ocean Beach.”

Noting the BID is looking forward to the fall classic just like everyone else, Knox added, “This event is very popular and brings a lot of shoppers downtown. It’s the kind of event where you can pop in the beer garden to hear your favorite band, and then meet friends up and down the street.

“And, since we allow re-entry to the beer garden, people can come and go as they please. Lots of people enter the various contests and really enjoy being near the beach for all the activities.”

Knox added Friday night’s bands are on the main stage in the beer garden while Saturday, in addition to the main stage in the beer garden, “the Seaside Stage will be on the grassy area along with our all-ages area full of merchandise booths and food booths.”

The two-day festival kicks off with live music in the beer garden at 4:20 p.m. Friday it will also feature the festival debut of the OB Oktoberfest Band, a cross-pollination of musical cultures. Contests on Friday include stein holding, the balloon blow and the new “das booty flip” with a cash prize.

Saturday’s festivities will include a drill instructor workout on the beach at 8 a.m., the annual Brat Trot, a 2k family beach run at 9 a.m. and a 5k at 10 a.m. that ends at the beer garden. Registration is available at www.OBBratTrot.org.

Saturday’s fun also includes a free area with beachside food and craft vendors as well as an all-ages stage on the grassy area at the foot of Newport Avenue starting at 9 a.m. All-ages performances will include the traditional oompah band and local music artists.

The Saturday beer garden schedule is highlighted by a German brewfest tasting from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The event will feature unlimited tastings of 12 authentic Bavarian and homegrown Oktoberfest beers.

The special tastings dubbed “Poured with Courage” tastings will be served by active and retired wounded service members on behalf of The Warrior Foundation Freedom Station, which will share in the proceeds. Tasting tickets are $30 and will be sold online at www.OBOktoberfest.com prior to the event and at the gate as long as they last.

Traditional bratwurst-eating, stein-holding contests and the outrageous balloon-blow, as well as the annual Ms. Oktoberfest competition, will be held.

Music, beer, brats and sausage tosses at OB Oktoberfest
OB Welcomes the Belching Beaver

Belching Beaver Brewery is proud to announce the opening of their fifth location at 4836 Newport Ave in Ocean Beach. The owners of the company are thrilled to be a part of the local community and the growing craft beer scene in O.B. Belching Beaver joins established breweries including Culture, Pizza Port, Hess, Helms, Ocean Beach Brewing and others.

The company was eager to embrace O.B.’s historical character by restoring part of the building to the original red brick and displaying vintage images of the neighborhood. This location will be offering over 20 signature beers in a wide variety of styles. The menu will include fine stouts, I.P.A.’s, special releases and their new sour series.

Celebrating their four-year anniversary on October 29th, the brewery is proud to represent their craft in this most vibrant and lively location. Come and join the scene Sunday through Thursday 3pm-10pm or Friday and Saturday from noon to midnight, Oktoberfest Beer Garden!

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All ages are welcome. Both races start and end near the entrance of the OB Oktoberfest Beer Garden in the OB Pier parking lot. The 5K OB Brat Trot Beach Run runs along the beach from the OB Pier to the river channel, up to the skate park and back. The 2nd Annual 2K Family Fun Run will also be run on the beach along the same route - just to the lifeguard tower by the jetty and back. It is a fun family event!

Oktoberfest themed costumes encouraged, so dust off your lederhosen and yodel down the beach with your favorite hot dog! Prize for Best Costume.

This annual event is sponsored by the Ocean Beach Community Foundation.

All OB Brat Trot Beach Run Proceeds to Benefit Local Youth Sports. Sorry, no refunds.

To register, go to: obbrattrot.org. Event details and schedule

2K FAMILY FUN RUN
Cost: $25 per family (up to 6 runners per family entry) Check in is 8:30 am. Race Time is 9 am.

Trophy for 1st place family. Families must finish together.

5K BEACH RUN
Cost: $30 per runner
Check-in at 9:30 am. Start Time 10 am.

Trophy for 1st place runner. Entry fee includes entry into the OB Oktoberfest, tickets for 2 free beers*, and entry into prize drawing*. 21 years of age & older with valid ID

5K BONUS: Racers - bring a friend* before 11 am and your friend gets free admission into the OB Oktoberfest Beer Garden!

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Friday Main Beer Garden

4:20 Boogie Brothers DJs
4:30 Happy Hour Start
4:45 Das Bootie Flip
5:00 OB Oopah Band
6:00 Club Kingston
W/ Piracy Conspiracy
6:01 Happy Hour Ends
7:30 Balloon Blow
8:00 Womens Stein?
8:15 Bang Pow
9:15 Mens Stein
9:45 Brothers Gow
9:30 Last drink ticket sold
9:45 Last beverage poured
10:00 Close

Saturday Main Beer Garden

8:30 Brat Trot check in
9:00 DI Workout Hard / Fam 2k
10:00 DI Workout / Brat Trot 5k
11:00 Beer Garden Opens
  Brat Trot Prizes
11:30 Brewfest Starts
AM Gold
1:00 Bratwurst-eating
1:30 OB Oompah Band
2:15 Warrior Stein Holding
2:30 Brewfest Ends
2:45 Todo Mundo
3:45 Ms Oktoberfest
4:15 Atlantis Rizing
5:00 Ms Oktoberfest
5:30 AJ Froman
6:15 Stein Final - Women
6:45 Mike Pinto
7:45 Stein Finals - Men
8:15 One Drop
9:30 Sausage Toss Final
8:40 Electric Waste Band
10:15 last drink ticket sold
10:30 last beverage poured
11:00 Close

Sea Side Stage

9:00 Merchants Open
11:00 OB Oompah Band
12:30 Stein-holding Preliminary
1:00 Rey Vinole Oktoberfest Band
3:00 Stein-holding Preliminary
3:30 Millionaire Beach Burns
5:30 Stage Closed

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See/Saw children’s toy shop opens in Point Loma Village

By DAVID SCHWAB | THE BEACON

Practically everything in Theresa Renfro’s new children’s toy shop in Point Loma Village has a tale to tell about it.

Which Renfro doesn’t mind telling. Which she did one recent morning while grabbing a toy bow-and-arrow set.

“There really is a story behind every toy,” she said pointing out the boy-and-arrow’s creators were boys (ages) 10 and 7, who started making bows with their mom for a school science project.

“They then started making them for local businesses,” Renfro said. “And now they are a national company.”

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“I had some of these things in my other store, as well as a children’s section with a garden theme,” she said. “I just found a huge demand for low-tech things, and I wanted to bring all this stuff together in the Village. We also like toys that are educational and make kids successful.”

Her inventory includes lots of fluffy stuffed animals, interactive puzzles, toy trucks of all types and children’s apparel. You’ll also find non-toxic, safe, stimulating, fun.

“We also do source products for her kid’s business,” noted Renfro.

“Then they started making them for local businesses,” Renfro said. “And now they are a national company.”

The entrepreneur said there are lots of young families who “are coming to the Point for the schools, which are outstanding. That’s what main street does. You get to know the shopkeepers, the people walking down the street, their children, their dog, and that’s the resurgence in the Village with all these new businesses popping up. It’s just growing.”

She added the Village, which gets a lot of foot traffic with all the recent changes, has become a “convenient” place for locals, and visitors alike, to shop.

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San Diego Pastel Society member Terri McMurray talks at Liberty Station’s First Friday Liberty about the portrait she painted of her granddaughter.

At the First Friday Liberty in September at Liberty Station, members of the San Diego Pastel Society met to show their created works in the second Dusty Finger Challenge. The challenge had been for members to create portraits.

Recording secretary Margaret Larlham, who has many years of experience in working with pastels, encouraged the artists to talk about their work.

Carol McClure presented her portrait of a young girl with a big smile, sporting a cowboy hat. “This is my granddaughter. I don’t normally do portraits, so I was really excited to try a painting of her,” she said. “Great job,” Larlham said.

Artist Terri McMurray also received lots of encouragement for the portrait of her baby granddaughter. “Wonderful skin tones,” remarked Julianne Ricksecker.

Next up was Linda Reyes who put on the easel her finished painting of a girl walking a dog. “Now I really was afraid to do portraits, so I thought this would be my version of one,” Reyes said, laughing.

“Nice work,” everyone said. Larlham agreed. “This is a good example of a painting that incorporates the surrounding scene as part of the portrait. It works very well.”

Tamara Stautland agreed. “You have to be willing to get your hands dusty from the pastels. Some people like it, others don’t,” said Stautland, who used to paint primarily with other media but now prefers working with pastels.

The San Diego Pastel Society welcomes visitors to their next meeting at 2 p.m. on the first Sunday of October at the Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire St. At the meeting, there will be a demonstration by a pastel artist. For more information about the San Diego Pastel Society, go to www.zhib-it.org/pssd.

Finger painting at its finest at Pastels Society

By CYNTHIA ROBERTSON | The Beacon

The annual Taste of Old Town event will return to the streets of Old Town San Diego on Thursday, October 6, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Produced by the Old Town Chamber of Commerce, Taste of Old Town gives the neighborhood’s top restaurants a chance to roll out tastes of their best dishes. Most are carefully paired with a sample of a premier tequila or beer. Attendees meander the streets from restaurant to restaurant to experience the best of the best.

According to Fred Grand, president of the Old Town Chamber of Commerce, Taste of Old Town surpassed all expectations last fall and 11 restaurants in Old Town have begun the planning for the third year of the popular event. “Nearly 1,000 San Diegans blazed through the streets of Old Town last year for the sell-out event,” Grand said. “Participating restaurants and tequila sponsors said it was wildly successful. We received nothing but rave reviews from the public as well.”

Taste of Old Town tickets are now on sale for $35 per person at www.tasteofoldtown.com. Food-only tickets are available for $25. Tickets will be $40 if purchased the day of the event. Proceeds from Taste of Old Town will be used to keep parking free in Old Town San Diego and both Meals on Wheels of San Diego and Old Town Academy will offer their supporters the opportunity to purchase tickets as a fundraiser for the non-profit organizations. Participating restaurants are Alamo, Barra Barra Saloon, Café Coyote, Casa de Reyes, Casa Guadalupe, Cosmopolitan Hotel and Restaurant, Miguel’s Cantina, Old Town Mexican Cafe, Old Town Tequila Factory, Berta’s and Rockin’ Baja.

Sponsoring tequila brands are Herradura, Corralejo, Milagro, Tres Agaves, Frida Kahlo, Dulce Vida, Anejo, El Jimador, Cruz, and Jose Cuervo. Visit www.tasteofoldtown.com or call Christine Smith at (858) 254-9519 for more information.

Enjoy the Beauty of Old Town

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Many of San Diego Pastel Society’s members have worked with pastels for a number of years. Some of them switched entirely to pastels after having worked with watercolor or oils, such as what Monique Straub experienced.

“My in-laws gifted me with a wonderful, vintage set of Grumbacher pastels. Once I took a test drive with all those beautiful colors, I’ve never looked back.

“The learning curve was difficult, and I’m mostly self-taught in pastel, with the exception of a week-long plein air pastel class with a master pastelist that I was awarded by the Pastel Society of America through its scholarship program,” Straub said.

Pastel painting is good for plein-air work, according to Larlham.

“I love the vitality and freshness of the mark. Also I find the pastels easy to take on my travels.

“Whether painting outdoors in San Diego or overseas, I have my box of pastels, paper and a light board to press on,” she said.

Most artists use a dry medium like charcoal to sketch, Larlham explained. The pigment sticks in a box of pastel allow both sketching, in which much of the paper ground is seen, and painting, which covers almost entirely the paper.

“It is a very direct medium—linking to ancient cave paintings. There is no need for brushes—one simply uses fingers. The pastel can be applied generously on its side or more tightly controlled on the tip. Either way the energy of the hand translates directly into the mark of the pastel.

“I think this dance of the hand on the paper is one of the key things that makes pastels such a delight for me,” Larlham said.

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San Diego Dance Theater presents annual Trolley Dances off the Blue Line this weekend

The 18th annual presentation of the Trolley Dances takes to the rails Oct. 1-2 along the MTA’s Blue Line.

This year the taking off point will be the Continuing Education/César E. Chávez Campus at 1901 Main St. in Barrio Logan. The Trolley Dance guides will meet you there to guide you to the sites along the route of each new dance composition.

Jean Isaacs, artistic director of the San Diego Dance Theater based in Liberty Station and founder of the Trolley Dances, has created two new dances for this season.

Solo dancer Bill Shannon has a bilateral hip deformity and does contemporary performance art on crutches, sometimes adding skateboarding and breakdancing. He creates his own dance language.

Monica Bill Barnes studied dance at UCSD and now is a fixture in the NYC dance scene. She returns often to choreograph for the Trolley Dances, and will work this year with the core dancers of The San Diego Dance Theater.

Dance Magazine has noted her “playful slapstick charm” and she has also been called “the Tina Fey of Dance.”

Jess Humphrey, who teaches dance at San Diego State University, is creating a multigenerational piece using young children, professional dancers, and seniors from the Aging Creatively program.

Zaquia Mahler Salinas is a SDDT company dancer with a unique, youthful perspective who will create a new work, this time focusing on the culture of the Barrio and its importance to local Latino history.

Ticketed guests may board the trolley at 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 1 p.m., or 1:45 p.m. Ticket prices are $40 general, $27.50 seniors and military, and $15 for students with ID.

The project has been underwritten this year by the National Endowment for the Arts Challenge America program, the City and County of San Diego, and by the California Arts Council.

Your Trolley Dance ticket is an all-day MTA transit pass.

For further information, go to www.sandiegodancetheater.org.

Grassroots Oasis a hidden gem for local musicians

San Diego is fortunate to have lots of great music venues, but one of the most unique is the Grassroots Oasis, an event and meeting space located at 3130 Moore St. Available for everything from birthday parties to receptions, the location has also held significant music concerts by the likes of Peter Case and Cindy Lee Berryhill, as well as fundraisers for numerous worthy events.

Hosted by Martha Sullivan, the location opened in April 2015, with seating for 100 inside and tables with a view of the stage outside on the patio.

According to Sullivan, who arrived in San Diego from the Bay Area in 2001, the inspiration for the venue is twofold.

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The second inspiration is more personal. “Since about 2003 I’ve been doing grass roots political organizing,” she explained. “It’s always tough to find spaces for events and places that you can do training or have gatherings. So, I was really trying to work my two passions together, hosting live music and also doing community based political organizing.”

She spent three years before finding the Grassroots Oasis location. “I wanted to live onsite as it’s easier to manage that way,” she commented. “And I wanted place that was pretty easy to get to and centrally located.”

Though the building’s use for meetings is a big part of the happenings at Grassroots Oasis, Sullivan considers music the key to activities. “Beyond the concerts, a lot of the political events that I either host myself or that I provide the venue for, feature music. I really see music as a great way to connect people and bring people together, helping bind our common ground.”

Upcoming performances include Nashville-based Americana performer Matt Haeck on Oct. 14.

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Cross this lawsuit off the list as Mount Soledad icon to remain

**DEAR SCHMIDT** | The Beacon

The back-and-forth battle over the legitimacy of a towering cross on Mount Soledad in La Jolla is finally over after a 25-year court fight.

The 27-foot cross, built as a Korean War Memorial in 1954, will remain as it is, where it is.

An agreement has been reached to allow the sale of the cross, along with its surrounding memorial granite plaques, from the U.S. Department of Defense to the Contingent Veterans Memorial Association, (MSMA) Inc. The La Jolla veterans group bought the half-acre parcel containing the controversial Mount Soledad cross from the Department of Defense about a year ago.

James McElroy, the attorney who represented the late Vietnam Vet- eran Phillip Faulon who originally challenged the cross, and then the 25th Circuit Court of Appeals, who took Faulon's place, is convinced the cross's sale is this time legal.

So is all said and done, Faulon concluded McElroy say, “We won at the Ninth Circuit Court. Faced with a court order to come up with another solution other than removing the cross, the U.S. government finally put together something that was used to transfer the cross to a private entity.”

The cross has been sold to the Soledad vets previously, but the courts invalidated that sale and it wasn’t accepted.

“Previously the city tried to give this property to the Mount Soledad Memorial Association, and I challenged it because it was an unconstitutionally large piece of property,” said McElroy. “It wasn’t a level playing field. It wasn’t fair market value. It was a sham sale.”

McElroy described the most recent sale as “a constitutionally acceptable remedy.”

“They sold it to the vets for $1.4 million, which I think is in the ballpark of a reasonable value, that just a little postage on the cross itself and it can only be used for parkland,” he said.

MSMA president Lou Scanlon said all conditions for the Soledad cross sale have been met.

The only thing that it must be transferred at fair value, and there is a restriction that it must be maintained in perpetuity as a veteran’s memorial,” he said. “So we can’t put up another monument.”

News that the opposition was willing to drop its case against the cross after its most recent sale was welcomed by vets.

If the new owners are able to operate the memorial now without the cloud of litigation that has hung over us and our operations for the last 25 years,” Scanlon said adding MSMA is now embarking on “a major fundraising campaign to replenish the money that was spent on the cross.”

The legality of the Soledad cross in been in question since 1989, when U.S. Army combat veteran Philip Faulon, an atheist, became the first in a long list of citizens seeking to remove the memorial from the mountaintop, arguing its presence constituted an illegal public endorsement of one religion over another.

But the legal battle continued with the ACLU replacing him.

The U.S. Supreme Court has twice denied hearing arguments for and against the Soledad cross. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, as memorial cross being an endorsement of religion. The high court remanded the matter back to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The Ninth Circuit court ruled the memorial cross is not an endorsement of religion, the cross is a symbol of a war or conflict, not the state, and must be removed.

In 2000, the association expanded the memorial including six curved walls, which have since been outfitted with black granite plaques.

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200-ton galleon and flagship San Salvador, the smaller La Victoria, and the lateen-rigged, 26-oared “fra-gata” or “bergantín” San Miguel. On Sept. 28, he landed in what is now San Diego Bay and named it San Miguel. About a week later, he reached Santa Catalina Island, which he named San Salvador, after his flagship.

Cabrillo died on Jan. 3, 1543 after breaking his leg and developing gangrene. Forget all that controversy about whether Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo was actually Spanish or Portuguese – he sailed into San Diego Bay either way – and celebrate both cultures at Cabrillo Festival. For more information, visit www.cabrillofestival.org.
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San Diego-based Sushi Lounge recently announced the opening of its third restaurant on Sept. 9. Co-owners Katie Rooney and Frank Interlandi are partnering again to expand their innovative sushi restaurant to Point Loma. The new location, right in the heart of the community, joins Sushi Lounge Poway, which opened in 2006, and Sushi Lounge Encinitas, which debuted in 2012. Rooney and Interlandi, two friends who originally conceptualized Sushi Lounge while working together for another restaurant, will continue to provide a neighborhood option for fresh and inventive sushi in a welcoming, lounge-like atmosphere. Their focus has always been on the utmost integrity, from the way they choose ingredients and prepare the food, to the way they treat staff, customers and the community.

Sushi Lounge Point Loma is located at 1304 Rosecrans St. The restaurant features bar seating for 15, along with a sushi bar that seats 22 and another 65 seats at tables and booths throughout the restaurant. The modern, open space is warm with earth tones, bubble lamps and natural elements, such as bamboo and granite.

Guests are welcomed into the lounge-like space by two large jelly fish inspired lights on the wall. Point Loma resident and restaurant industry veteran Alison Mollenhauer will be at the helm of Sushi Lounge Point Loma as the general manager. Sushi Lounge Point Loma will feature all the signature menu items found at Sushi Lounge Poway and Encinitas. All sauces are made from scratch in house, fish is delivered fresh daily and guests can enjoy unique items, such as the Tsunami Roll and Ring of Fire. An expanded bar menu will feature premium sake, sake flights, as well as local craft beer and wine.

“Frank was a resident of Poway when we opened Poway and both Frank and I have deep ties to this community,” explained Rooney. “Frank, now resides in Encinitas close to Sushi Lounge Encinitas, while my family and I have been long-time residents of Point Loma. We cannot wait to bring Sushi Lounge to our neighborhood.”

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Baja Chefs on the Point

The Point Loma Optimist sponsored Baja Chefs presentation will be held from 1 to 4 p.m., on Sunday, Oct. 16, at the NTC Foundation Gallery, Barracks 17 Plaza, Liberty Station. Jim Seman and his committee have organized another spectacular happening at which top Baja Chefs will create a dining experience mirroring Valle Guadalupe. The gourmet experience will include Baja regional wines as well as local, craft beers.

This is an important community event in that all proceeds go to Dewey Elementary School curriculum and equipment. Last year’s event provided funds for a science lab and equipment valued at more the $20,000. The Point Loma Optimist Club selected Dewey Elementary School as the beneficiary of the money raised because the students there are primarily from families headed by enlisted military personnel, who simply cannot contribute the hundreds of thousands of dollars contributed by parents at the other Point Loma Cluster elementary schools.

The price of the event remains the same, $150 per person. Last year’s party was outstanding and this year is shaping up even better. There are only 250 tickets available, so please hurry to take advantage of this once-a-year opportunity to enjoy this Valle Guadalupe experience, without having to leave town.

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