**NEW ADVENTURES IN NORTH PB**
A bigger and better installment of the second annual Sip ‘N’ Stroll social event is now in the works for August to showcase all that North Pacific Beach has to offer on an intimate scale. 

**Egg-citement builds for Easter festivities**
By DAVE SCHWAB

Pacific Beach and Mission Beach residents will have a multitude of events and activities to look forward to during the Easter weekend celebration — including an Easter egg hunt at the beach and other community offerings.

Among the more notable events is the second annual Easter egg hunt on the beach at Belmont Park, which returns by popular demand. Belmont Park will stage the egg hunt on the sand, as well as within the park itself. Organizers said there will be more prizes and fun this year.

The Easter egg hunt is planned for Sunday, April 20, beginning at 9 a.m.

**Veteran lifeguard tapped to finish out remainder of Faulconer’s term**
By DAVE SCHWAB

It took two ballot rounds for the San Diego City Council to select Point Loma resident Ed Harris, a longtime lifeguard and former Marine, to fill the District 2 seat vacated by now-mayor Kevin Faulconer over the next eight months.

“There were numerous highly qualified and inspiring candidates in the field, and I’m very humbled by the council’s decision,” said Harris after his April 7 appointment. “I look forward to working directly with community leaders to strengthen District 2 neighborhoods.”

The diverse field of candidates for the temporary District 2 post included a TV producer, a retired judge, a disabled persons advocate, an attorney and an architect, among others.

Harris was immediately sworn in after being selected by the council. His candidacy drew the support of council members Sherri Lightner, David Alvarez, Mark Kersey, Scott Sherman and Lorie Zapf, who will run to become the next full-term District 2 councilmember in the June primary.

**Pushing a world-class recording studio in PB**
By Bart Mendoza

San Diego’s music community has grown by leaps and bounds over the past few years, and nowhere is this more evident than in the businesses that have been established surrounding the performers themselves. Of particular note has been the number of world-class studios that have opened up. There’s a reason artists from U2 to Keith Richards have spent time in San Diego for recording sessions.

The newest location to open up is also one of the longest running — Pacific Beat Recording (926 Turquoise St.). The room opened in 1974 as Seacoast Studios and has had several owners in the years since. It is now owned by Grammy Award-winning producer and engineer Alan Sanderson.

Working behind the board for such artists as Fleetwood Mac, Elton John and Madonna, Sanderson has spent time

**MUSIC TO HIS EARS**
Grammy Award-winning producer Alan Sanderson, owner of Pacific Beat Recording studio on Turquoise Street, believes his studio will attract some of the biggest names in entertainment because of the appeal of Pacific Beach.

Photo by Bart Mendoza

**BEACH LIFEGUARD**

Rick Wurts. “We recognize the city is still going through its recovery in the budget and that there are many important needs throughout other departments like police and fire. The list of needs we’ve submitted are our top priorities.”

Wurts’ recent budget proposal to the city asked for about $5.28 million over the next five years. This includes...
Now that experts have weighed in on how Pacific Beach, Mission Beach and Mission Bay Park can become more eco-friendly and environmentally sustainable, it’s up to local residents to make that happen.

The first step in accomplishing that objective is to map out a strategy.

Local residents will be doing exactly that at the long-awaited EcoDistrict/Livability Workshop, to be held Tuesday, April 29, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Pacific Beach Middle School, located at 4676 Ingraham St.

“We will be giving a presentation to review some key proposals, then participants will go to various stations of their interest to learn more and give more input,” said Chris Olson, a member of beautifulPB and Pacific Beach Planning Group, in touting the April 29 workshop. “We will also be looking for more people to volunteer in these efforts, as we are all volunteers and this is community-driven.”

Olson said a plethora of topics — including zoning and land use, community gardens, public spaces, PB parks, watershed/stormwater issues, Rose Creek matters, neighborhood greenways and safe routes to school, Garnet/Grand/Mission Boulevard improvements, community identity, signage and entryway improvements, creation of a community benefit district, Mission Bay gateway and a transit-oriented development Balboa trolley stop — will be discussed at the workshop.

In 2013, several members of the American Institute of Architects’ sustainable design assessment team (SDAT) visited the beach areas to collaborate with local residents on ways to develop concepts for making communities more environmentally sustainable.

SDAT members are nationally accredited professionals in numerous areas of expertise, including those of urban design, planning, landscape architecture, renewable energy, traffic and transportation. They were invited by local stakeholders to offer expertise on how best to make beach communities greener, cleaner and more economically lean.

Pacific Beach resident Ambrose Wong of Burkett & Wong Engineering will be presenting at the April 29 ecodistrict workshop.

Wong said the SDAT’s assessment of what could be done to make the beachfront more sustainable has been broken down into four main categories for further analysis: sustainable infrastructure, urban design and community identity, transportation and economy and land use.

“We’re taking a neighborhood-wide approach to planning for the future in such areas as street and alley improvements and sustainable design, including such things as rain gardens and pervious pavements,” said Wong. “We’re also integrating that with bike lanes, pedestrian crosswalks and ramps and stormwater improvements filtering water before it reaches the bay or beach areas.”

Wong said SDAT’s experts have “passed the ball to us (residents) and now we’re going to have to run with it. This meeting is to involve everyone in creating that game plan — how we run with the ball.”

Wong is lending his expertise as a civil engineer, having chaired the sustainable infrastructure committee. PBPG chairman Brian Curry will head the economic and land-use committee at the ecodistrict workshop. Elvin Lai, president of Discover PB, is heading the transportation committee.

The urban design and community identity committee will be chaired by Danielle Page Buttacavoli.
Roll up those sleeves for Rose Creek, Earth Day awareness

By KEITH ANTIGIOVAN

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Sip 'N' Stroll event to showcase all that North Pacific Beach has to offer

By DAVE SCHWAB

Last year’s inaugural North PB Sip ‘N’ Stroll business street fair was so successful that organizers held a workshop recently to solicit public input on how to make this year’s second annual event on Aug. 3 even better.

Locals turned out at event presenter Turquoise Cellars at 5026 Cass St. on April 14 to discuss what worked — and didn’t — at the initial event that showcased products and services from businesses in North Pacific Beach.

North Pacific Beach is loosely defined as the area of the beach community north of the Grand and Girard avenues commercial district, bounded by Felspar Street on the south, Turquoise Street on the north, Mission Boulevard on the west and Ingram Street on the east.

“We wanted the community to be even more involved this year,” said event organizer Mike Spangler of Spangler Event Productions.

Spangler said the objective of this month’s public meeting was to “get more feedback on how we can get more local businesses involved.”

He said the business street fair is intended to have a “truly neighborhood focus.”

Conceptually, Sip ‘N’ Stroll is an attempt by North Pacific Beach to distinguish itself from the rest of the community by establishing a unique identity.

As a result, the event was created to showcase the “sip” of wine tasting at Turquoise Cellars with a “stroll” down a family-friendly, business-marketing street fair.

Spangler said it is his hope that Sip ‘N’ Stroll will continue to be a very “hyperlocal, grass-roots effort,” promoting both brick-and-mortar and at-home local businesses in accounting, financial services, digital marketing and numerous other growing fields.

There is room for the event to grow, Spangler said.

“We want it to grow in participa-
tion, get more PB businesses to be involved and really come down and market themselves,” he said.

Sip ‘N’ Stroll 2013 is sponsored by the North Pacific Beach Town Council and supported by the Discover PB Business Improvement District.

For more information, visit www.spanglereventproductions.com.

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$1.77 million in fiscal year 2014-15, to add personnel and address maintenance and equipment needs.

Wurts said his department’s budget proposal was projected over five years, “to take a comprehensive look at areas where we felt we could augment operations to be able to continue to provide even better service in all aspects of our operations.”

On Monday, April 14, Mayor Kevin Faulconer released his proposed budget, which will be vetted in the city’s current $19.2 million proposed budget, which will be vetted in the city’s current $19.2 million...
Janice Thompson, 87, nature enthusiast

Janice Thompson, a longtime teacher at the private Evans School, passed away peacefully at her Pacific Beach home on Saturday, April 5, surrounded by family. She was 87.

When once asked what her dream job would be, Janice respond- ed, “Mother.” According to her three sons and their wives, Janice fulfilled that goal beautifully. Janice was a natural giver, joyfully attending to the needs of everyone around her.

An outstanding teacher, Janice earned her bachelor’s degree and special-needs certification from San Diego State University. She taught for 15 years at The Evans School and tutored many other students on her own time. She cared deeply about her students and stayed in touch with many of them long after they established their own careers.

Janice loved nature. As a Canyoneer with the San Diego Natural History Museum and as a master gardener, she led nature hikes throughout the county. Perhaps some of her love of nature came from her father, who lived above the Mission Valley and hiked there in the early 1900s.

Janice served as deacon and elder during her 57-year membership at La Jolla Presbyterian Church. She founded the church’s English as a Second Language program, assisted the homeless and generally lit up the church with her presence.

Once, when Janice was a hospital patient, a medical technician stopped to thank her. He had once been homeless, and Janice had helped him write a resume.

Janice leaves behind her husband Frank; sons Don, Bruce and Doug; daughters-in-law Donna and Maryanne; and six grandchildren.
Bucs seize league opener in battle with Point Loma High

By SCOTT HOPKINS

Mission Bay High junior Erick Lopez pitched a perfect seventh inning, earning a save in the Bucs’ 6-4 Western League opening win at Point Loma’s David Wells Field on April 11.

The “W” left the struggling Bucs atop the league standings at 1-0 (3-9 overall). The Pointers dropped to 0-1 (2-10-1 overall).

As the final Pointer batter lofted a routine fly ball to center field, the Mission Bay bench and supporters in the stands erupted in a celebration made sweeter after a tough pre-season schedule that saw them outscored 78-34.

Earlier in the week, the Bucs ended a seven-game losing streak with an 11-4 thrashing of rival Clairemont High, giving them their first winning streak of the season.

Against the Pointers, head coach Rick Frink’s team unleashed a potent offense, racking up 11 hits, including two doubles (by sophomores Michael Escoto and Derrick Clark), two triples by senior Jesse Sandoval and a home run by Clark. Sophomore Tim Daly had two runs batted in. Sandoval twice benefited from Point Loma fielding miscues as his hard-hit line drives to right field were misplayed on the field’s hard surface. Each team was charged with three errors.

On the mound, another sophomore earned the victory. Angelo Berumen yielded four earned runs on six hits over five innings. He walked five and struck out two before Lopez took over in the sixth.

Lopez gave up one hit and one walk over the final two frames. Clark’s 335-foot solo blast over the left field wall in the visitors’ seventh inning was particularly devastating to the Pointers, who were hoping to retaliate after the Bucs broke a 4-4 deadlock with a run in the sixth.

On the season, Clark leads the Bucs with a .400 batting average, 16 hits, three doubles and the team’s only home run. Senior Alberto Escoto’s five runs batted-in are tops.

With 11 hits in their rout of Clairemont, the Bucs’ team batting average now stands at .255. Mission Bay pitchers have combined for an earned-run average of 4.84, while the team is scoring 3.33 runs per game.

Next up for the Bucs is a home game against league rival Madison High on Monday, April 21. The first pitch is at 3 p.m., and admission is free.

Remaining home games, all starting at 3 p.m., are:

- April 25 vs. La Jolla *
- April 28 vs. La Jolla Country Day
- May 5 vs. Point Loma *
- May 12 vs. Madison *
- May 14 vs. University City *
- May 21 vs. La Jolla *

* Denotes Western League games

LEAGUE OPENER Mission Bay senior Jesse Sandoval (No. 13) scores a run as Point Loma catcher Collin Clack (No. 2) dives for an errant throw. The Bucs opened their Western League season with a 6-4 win at Point Loma. Photo by Scott Hopkins

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MISSION BAY HIGH

Engineers for a Sustainable World (ESW), a student organization at UC San Diego, is offering a Student Sustainability Outreach Day on Thursday, April 24, at Mission Bay High. It will feature interactive workshops and a panel of speakers that will teach students about environmental and social sustainability. For information and/or to register, visit esw.ucsd.edu and click the “Events & Outreach” tab and “Student Sustainability Outreach Day 2014.”

PACIFIC BEACH MIDDLE SCHOOL

Congratulations to PB Middle student Taylor K., who coordinated a service project that collected 387 books to be donated to St. Jude’s Hospital. Taylor serves as the Builders (Service) Club president and is a member of the Garden Club, Mathletes Club and plays on the school volleyball team. She’s a great example of a student who enjoys all that PB Middle IB has to offer.

PACIFIC BEACH ELEMENTARY

Don’t miss Mardi Gras at the Soledad Club and an opportunity to support Pacific Beach Elementary. Join us April 25 from 5 to 10 p.m. for an unforgettable night of music, food, drinks and auction offerings. The first auction table closes at 6:30 p.m.

KATE SESSIONS ELEMENTARY

Help Kate Sessions win $5,000 and Susie Horton win the DonorNation.org Volunteer of the Year Award. Horton has been nominated as Kate Sessions’ School Volunteer of the Year on DonorNation.org. Visit DonorNation.org. If Susie wins, Kate Sessions will receive a $5,000 donation from DonorNation.org. Cast votes online through April 24.

CROWN POINT JMA

250 Crown Point Junior Music Academy students will be attending the upcoming Classics 4 Kids concert on April 24 at 9:30 a.m. at the Balboa Theatre. Classics 4 Kids has invited CPJMA Suzuki Violin students once again to perform onstage with a live orchestra and special guest Wylie Gustafson, the yodeling, singing cowboy from Montana.

FRIENDS OF PACIFIC BEACH SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Register for the School Yard Dash 5K Run or just donate. Our largest fundraiser is the School Yard Dash 5K Run on Saturday, April 26, and now is the time to donate $20 or register for freebies. Proceeds go toward books, classroom supplies and enrichment.

MISSION BAY CLUSTER

The next Mission Bay Cluster meeting will be Thursday, May 1 at 6 p.m. at Kate Sessions Elementary School.

View the complete school calendar at bbp.com.
Guitarist Arnie Vilches performs at the Kona Kai Resort on April 19. Vilches is a stellar guitar player, having performed with everyone from Mark Farner to Blue Oyster Cult. Using backing tracks and a few friends for harmonies, percussion and the like, Vilches performs classic rock with passion and fire. His set includes classics from Santana, the Doobie Brothers and more, providing a great Saturday-night soundtrack perfect for dancing or taking in a nice dinner at this scenic venue.

- **ARNIE VILCHES:** Saturday, April 19 at the KONA KAI RESORT, 1551 Shelter Island Drive, 7 p.m. www.resortkonakai.com.

If Pacific Beach had to be identified by a musical genre, it would be reggae. It’s the perfect sound for any place with sunshine, palm trees and a proximity to the ocean. On April 19, the Typhoon Saloon will host a special performance from Hawaiian group Hi Roots. The seven-piece group’s sound ranges from dancehall influences to dub rhythms, all meant to spur guests to the dance floor. The band plays at the Typhoon Saloon on April 19. Courtesy photo

- **HI ROOTS:** Saturday, April 19 at the TYPHOON SALOON, 1165 Garnet Ave. Call for show time. 21 and up. No cover. www.typhoonsaloon.com.

The words legendary and iconic are often overused these days, but when it comes to the works of guitarist Mundell Lowe, they barely do the man justice. Even if you don’t know his name, you’ve heard his music. A major label artist since 1953, Lowe has recorded dozens of classic, essential jazz albums. But perhaps the public might know him best as the guitarist on such TV show themes as “The Wild, Wild West,” “Starsky and Hutch” or “Hawaii 5-0,” to name a few. On April 19, Dizzy’s will be the site of a celebration of his 92nd birthday, a celebration that should bring out many of the other area jazz notables. This is certainly one of the year’s top jazz events.

- **MUNDELL LOWE:** Saturday, April 19 at DIZZY’S, 4275 Mission Bay Drive. 8 p.m. $15. www.dizzy’sjazz.com.

Perhaps it’s because of San Diego’s close proximity to Tijuana, where Carlos Santana first plied his trade, but the much-respected guitarist has a special place in San Diego’s heart. One of the country’s best Santana tribute acts, Viva Santana, performs at Humphreys Backstage Live on Saturday, April 26. Expect few surprises, but with a set list that includes such evergreens as “Europa,” “Black Magic Woman” and “Supernatural,” audience members will leave more than happy.

- **VIVA SANTANA:** Saturday, April 26 at HUMPHREYS BACKSTAGE LIVE, 2241 Shelter Island Drive. 9 p.m. $12. www.humphreysbackstagelive.com.
**MUST HEAR >>**

Alan Iglesias and Crossfire is the best Stevie Ray Vaughn tribute band you are likely to hear, but the band's appeal is much broader than that. Appearing at Tio Leo’s on May 3, the trio replicates Vaughn's sound amazingly well, and Iglesias has a more-than-passing resemblance to Vaughn, even dressing the part. So fans of the late guitarist will love every second of the show. However, if you just like blues music or stellar guitar playing, this performance works. The set includes numerous standards, and Iglesias' fretwork skills are impressive, so it’s easy to imagine you are really listening to Vaughn. Few tribute acts sound this close to the real thing.

* ALAN IGLESIAS AND CROSSFIRE:
 Saturday, May 3 at TIO LEO’S, 5302 Napa St. 9 p.m. 21 and up. Cover TBD. www.tioleos.com. – Bart Mendoza

**MUST DO >>**

The 13th annual Point Loma Garden Walk is set for Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event is a self-guided tour of eight private gardens in the Fleetridge area of Point Loma. There is also a garden boutique featuring local artisans. Presented by the Dana Unit of Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary, the event raises proceeds to benefit the Craniofacial Services Unit, highlighted will be a special Diamond Tour, with transportation provided and a gourmet lunch served in a beautiful private home not on the regular tour. Tickets are $25 at Walter Anderson’s, Armstrong Garden Center, Ace Hardware and other locations. For more information, visit www.pointlomagardenwalk.com.

**REMEMBER WHEN? >>**

Remember when there was a Union 76 station at Ingraham and La Playa streets? I took this night shot on Aug. 1, 1982. It’s now a mixed-use residential building, soon to feature a Promiscuous Fork eatery.

— John Fry may be reached at (858) 272-6655, or by email at mail@johnfry.com.

**PB’s most beloved neighborhood eatery: The Patio**

Since opening its doors in November 2012, The Patio on Lamont Street has evolved into one of Pacific Beach’s most beloved neighborhood eateries. Exemplary service and innovative dishes are at the heart of what The Patio represents.

Over the last few months, The Patio’s management team has implemented several strategies in order to accomplish their goal of providing the best service in the city. The staff is constantly sampling new menu items and is quizzed daily on the ingredients of various dishes. Managers mentor servers and “coach” them through different dining scenarios they may encounter on any given day. Humm, a digital survey tablet presented with the check, allows guests to rate the host stands, food and service, while managers are able to track performance of servers and monitor guest feedback to ensure a consistently superb dining experience.

The Patio’s high standard of service will continue with the opening of their second restaurant, The Patio on Goldfinch, located in Mission Hills. They are currently searching for exceptional staff to fill all positions.

“We are very humbled to be involved in adding close to 100 new jobs in the restaurant industry here in San Diego. Our goal is to add the most driven, passionate and talented people we can find,” said Lucas Reeve, Director of Operations for The Patio.

Interested candidates are encouraged to apply by sending their resumes to jobs@thepatiosd.com.

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MB Women’s Club helps local heroes with heroic fundraising of their own

By DAVE SCHWAB

The Mission Beach Women’s Club (MBWC) raised $27,000 and counting at its annual April 5 fundraiser at Mission Bay Yacht Club to aid the local, selfless heroes of Pacific Beach Fire Station 21.

The fundraiser was hugely successful, said Maruta Gardner, past women’s club president and fundraising co-chairwoman, along with Phylicia Cicalo-Aiken.

“We had a silent auction and games with 284 donated items largely from businesses and people in the community,” said Gardner. “It was amazing. The support we got from the community, with about 350 people attending at the Mission Bay Yacht Club, which is a great venue donated to our club as their contribution.”

Donated items for the fundraiser included tickets to the San Diego Padres and the San Diego Zoo.

Firefighters now join a select group of recipients of MBWC’s largesse over the years, which has included the San Diego Junior Lifeguards program, the music program at Mission Bay High School, the Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol (RSVP), lighting along the Mission Beach boardwalk and a canine for the San Diego Police Department.

Gardner said Fire Station 21 was selected as this year’s fundraising beneficiary because “the city just isn’t able to provide them with all the things they need. This is our fire station and it covers all of PB, south La Jolla and all of Mission Beach.”

Pacific Beach firefighters, who sometimes work 24-hour shifts, will put such donated funds to good use.

“The money will go for new TempurPedic mattresses and new refrigerators, as well as helmet lights, fencing for their parking lot and a rowing machine to complete their work station at the command center,” said Gardner. “Those things make their fire station more comfortable and their work environment better for them.”

MBWC presently has about 120 members. Members nominate organizations each year that the group feels are deserving to be recipients of the club’s annual fundraiser profits. Gardner said the recipient group is selected in December by a club committee.

Established in 1926, the MBWC is the oldest philanthropic social organization in Mission Beach, said Gardner. The club “gives away anywhere from $30,000 to $50,000 every year to charitable organizations in the community.”

The club is continuing to accept tax-deductible donations for PB firefighters. Those wishing to contribute can do so at: Mission Beach Women’s Club, 840 Santa Clara Place, San Diego, 92109.

For more information about the club, visit www.mbwc.org.
Easter Worship Services 2014

Eggs & Goodies at Pacific Beach Recreation Center.
Egg hunts by age plus games, food, a jumper and crafts.
April 19, 9 am-noon. Food/game tickets: 4 for $1; egg hunt free. 1405 Diamond St. 858-581-9927

Easter Surprises at Belmont Park. Get hoppin’ and hunt for treat-filled eggs on the beach and throughout the park, and pose for pictures with the Easter Bunny. April 20; beach egg hunt, 9 am-noon; park egg hunt, noon; bunny pictures, 2-4 pm. Also, bring your appetite to Wavehouse Beach Club’s delicious Easter brunch from 9 am-3 pm. For reservations, call 858-228-9283. Park egg hunt is free; $5 each for egg hunt on the beach. Online registration required. 3146 Mission Blvd., San Diego. www.belmontpark.com/easter.

Find Eggs in La Jolla. April 19, 10 am-1 pm. Free. La Jolla Recreation Center; 615 Prospect Dr. 858-552-1658

Easter Services
Maundy Thursday, April 17th, 7:00 pm
“with Communion”
Rev. Dr. Alan W. Dawel
April 20th
10am Easter Worship Service
11:30am Egg Hunt @ Kate Sessions Park
7pm “Roots” Young Adult

Pacific Beach Presbyterian
1675 Garnet Ave, San Diego, CA 92109
Tel: 858.273.9312 www.pbpres.org

Easter Services
Eggs, Eggs, Eggs in Ocean Beach. Age-specific egg hunts starting at 10 am on April 12. Robb Field Athletic Area, 2525 Bacon St. www.sandiego.gov; 619-531-1563.


Spring EGGStravaganza at Birch Aquarium at Scripps. Make a shark egg craft, join an underwater egg hunt, take a closer look at animal eggs and more. April 18-20, 11 am-1 pm. Free with admission. $12.50-$17. 2300 Expedition Way, La Jolla. www.aquarium.ucsd.edu; 858-554-7474.

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April 20
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Sunrise on the Beach
(Meil at the Foot of La St.)
9:00 & 11:00 a.m. at church
Children’s Easter Egg Hunt - 10:15 a.m.
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Pacific Beach - Sunday, April 20th at 9:00am & 10:45am
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In Balboa Park
SPRECKELS ORGAN PAVILION
SUNDAY, APRIL 20, AT 6:30AM
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Message by:
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Pat Park, Prudential Dunn Realtors

Pat Park, president/CEO of Prudential Dunn Realtors on Cass St., has directed a firm that has changed with the times in the real estate industry over the last 36 years. Courtesy photo

body looking up to $500,000 is not going to see your condo," said Park. “But it’s value-ranged at $475,000 to $525,000, you’re going to pick up somebody looking in that range. It’s a very good feature of the San Diego city and county markets and throughout Southern California.”

Real estate prices are rebouncing from the doldrums of a few years ago, Park said. “What we’ve seen in the past two or three years are that prices are recovering,” he said. “As an example, our average sale price last year was in the mid-$400,000s,” he said. “This year, the average has been more than $530,000, though not for the same properties.”

Park speculated San Diego’s notoriously nice weather — and bad weather elsewhere — may have something to do with escalating San Diego real estate values.

“It shows that San Diego is still America’s finest city in every way: shape, form or price,” Park said.

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