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Firsthand experience: jetpack flights come to Mission Bay
By ETHAN ORENSTEIN

rd soaring through the air with a water-pro-
pelled jetpack to the long list of recreational activities available in Mission Bay. Jetpack America offers an experience unlike any other.

Hovering high above the water gives a different perspective to Mission Bay. The feeling is foreign at first, but quickly becomes exciting. As the water pressure expels out of the jets, partic-

pants experience weightless flight as they float higher and higher.

A flight session, which starts at $159 for a 15-minute flight, begins with a brief instruction video and the jetpack R200 equip-

ment orientation. After that, it’s into a wetsuit, life vest and helmet. That’s also about when the nerves start to kick in.

No amount of athletic ability can prepare a participant for the first time they strap into the buoyant 30-pound, carbon-fiber jetpack harness and wade into the water. For the first flight, an on-shore instructor controls the throttle and offers advice through a helmet headset radio, but turning, main-

taining height and moving forward is left to the participant.

Two control arms adjust the angle of the jets, which are pro-
pelled by water pumping through a 30-foot hose attached to a 200 horsepower, four-stroke-engine boat unit.

The trick is making gentle adjustments and keeping the control arms aligned. Uneven adjustments cause sharp turns and can send the flyer dangerously close to the boat unit below.

But the instructor and a kill switch strapped to the partici-
pant’s wrist can immediately shut off the engine. A shut-off from high up can make for an entertaining splash-landing for those on shore.

It’s unnatural at first. Most people don’t fly around on jet-

packs. But after a few minutes of becoming comfortable with turning and moving on the water’s surface, it becomes easier.

There’s a tendency to white-knuckle the grip while gaining height, but smooth, relaxed adjustments really are the key.

The instructor explains how to increase and maintain height and, with a little practice, people are 10 feet in the air and flying with no hands.

The experience is offered by Jetpack America at Mission Bay Sportcenter.

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Summer brings more beachgoers, more injuries, more vigilance for lifeguards
By ETHAN ORENSTEIN

As the weather and water warm, people come from all over to visit the beach. The increase in beachgoers puts lifeguards on high alert for all types of medical emergencies.

San Diego Lifeguard Services Sergeant and union spokesperson Ed Harris said San Diego lifeguards are good at spotting emergencies and capable of treating all types of medical situations, but the massive crowds make it harder during the hot summer months.

“The more crowded it is, the more challenging it becomes for us to spot people in distress,” Harris said. “As it gets more and more crowded, more things happens. So when you talk about medical aid especially, every-

thing that happens to humans happens on the beach.”

Many emergencies have nothing to do with the water or sea life. Harris said every year lifeguards make a few cardiac-arrest saves, which is why each lifeguard vehicle is equipped with shock devices.

“We literally have millions of people going to the beach every year. We deal with a wide range of medical aid, every-

thing from seizures to strokes. In fact, people have babies on the beach.” Harris said.

In the water, lifeguards deal with everything from rip currents to stingray stings. Harris said rip currents are of biggest concern in the spring, after heavy winter surf digs holes in the sand. Harris said rip currents tend to ease throughout the summer as the holes are filled in by south swells.

During the winter, Harris said more experienced people are in the water and whether it’s big surf or a medical emergency — res-
cues are serious.

In the sum-

tertime it’s just the volume. It’s more the standard rip-current rescues. Due to the numbers, you get more people going to dive into the water and hit their head on the bottom. They’re not as experi-

cenced,” Harris said. “We get it all the time. We get people that take surfboards to the head or they cut their leg with the fin of the board, or run into each other or over each other.”

As the water warms, stingrays come closer to shore and stings become a common injury too.

“It’s not uncommon for us to have a couple a day, but I’m sure you’ve seen in the past where we

SEE INJURIES >> PG. 3
A few local businesses are spotlighting Pacific Beach as a burgeoning craft-brew capital through monthly Pacific Beach Craft Crawls, a safe way to scope out some of the beach community’s local craft beer hubs.

Bare Back Grill, Cali Kebab, Ciro’s Pizzeria & Beerhouse, TapRoom and the High Dive have partnered up to share a craft-pub crawl experience that highlights the best craft brews Pacific Beach has in store, as well as offer a free ride among the five establishments on the first Wednesday of each month.

The event was modeled after North Park’s Drinkabout to promote an often-unseen aspect of PB’s bustling beach district.

“The craft beer scene in PB is just as good as anywhere else in San Diego. We don’t get a lot of recognition for it in the craft-beer community,” said Ciro’s owner Kenny Casciato. “Plus, we have something that a lot of other neighborhoods don’t. We have the Pacific Ocean right there.”

The Pacific Beach Craft Crawl started in November as the brainchild of Bare Back Grill’s bar manager Rory Farrell.

The idea behind the concept is threefold: to promote Pacific Beach’s craft-beer scene, to thank local patrons who support the local merchants, and to encourage safe habits among their clientele.

“We’re all part of the community. All the money we generate as a small business gets spent here,” Casciato said. “Of course, we want a little recognition as a craft-beer scene, but we also want to do something good for the people that keep us going.”

He said although some patrons inevitably come to the beach bars to drink heavily, Casciato, Farrell and the rest of the craft-brew crew genuinely care about the wellbeing of their patrons and hope they can help take the danger out of having a good time.

“We really want to show that we, as small business owners, care about the people who patronize our establishment. We want them to be safe when they’re drinking,” said Casciato.

Each month, the five local business owners pitch in to rent two buses that loop among the five local venues every 15 minutes from 7 to 11 p.m.

“At each venue we try to do something unique,” said Casciato. “If nothing else, we want to be there for the community to get around safely.”

He said his local community is more multifaceted than it may appear on the surface.

“It’s not just the five places on the Craft Crawl. We’ve got Turquoise Coffee doing some really cool things with their craft-beer lineup and The Coaster in Mission Beach,” he said. “PB has a lot of layers, and this is one of those layers that needs to have a spotlight on it.”

Permit denied for event encouraging ‘BYOB’

A City Council committee voted 4-0 May 1 to deny an appeal of the FreePB organization, which was denied a special-event permit for a 14-hour “Leisure Olympics” at Crown Point Shores, in which participants were to be encouraged to bring their own alcohol.

Briggs, appealed a decision by police to the Public Safety & Neighborhood Services Committee.

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“They can have their event if they have a beer garden,” said Lansdowne, who explained that other organizations have a fenced-off area where adults can legally drink in public, but those under 21 years of age are not admitted.

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‘Jazz on the Green’ to thrill listeners, raise funding

By BART MENDOZA

Recognized on both a local and national level, it’s no secret that Mission Bay High School’s music program is one of San Diego’s treasures.

Generations of musicians have honed their skills at the school since original music director Roy Vinole founded the program in 1974. Helmed today by alumni Jean-Paul “JP” Balmat, the program continues to expand, with the school’s best musicians taking part in up to 40 performances around the state each year.

Funding for the arts is still a struggle at best. So on Saturday, May 18, the MBHS Music Department will hold its third annual “Jazz on the Green” mini-music festival at the school.

The New Orleans-inspired event will include all three of the school’s music groups, including the Jazz Ensemble, the Concert Jazz Band and the Preservationists, with the Euphoria Brass Band closing with a tribute to the Preservationists, with the Euphonia Ensemble, the Concert Jazz Band and school.

“Jazz on the Green” event, set for Saturday, May 18 this year. COURTESY PHOTO

“This is an event that is really a kind of showcase for Mission Bay and the beautiful aqua area that we have,” Balmat said.

“In the past, Jazz on the Green has really brought the community together. It’s a nice cross-section of people that attend: parents from middle schools, elementary schools and, of course, the high schools, as well as people who just read or see information about our concerts in the local press. It’s wonderful, all these different people coming to celebrate these young musicians at a really great venue. It’s really one of the most beautiful venues that I’d ever want to play in.”

According to Balmat, events like this are crucial to keeping the music program going. He’s also quick to note a lot of public support.

“The community has been amazing,” he said. “They helped send our students to New Orleans last year and make it a point to be at our performances.”

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Jazz for a Good Cause

Mission Bay High students perform during a previous “Jazz on the Green” event, set for Saturday, May 18 this year.

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have people lined up in buckets all the way out the door, and we could do a hundred in a day or 50 in a day,” Harris said. While many medical emergencies at the beach are handled by lifeguards, who are all emergency medical technicians, San Diego Fire-Rescue medics are called for more serious emergencies.

“Fortunately for us, San Diego Fire has a very good medic program,” Harris said. “Medics are always pretty close for us. We get medics on the scene usually with, in five minutes.”

“Low-level issues — like a wound that requires stitches or a sprain — Harris said lifeguards direct people to local hospitals and urgent-care facilities. Anderson Medical Center, located at 1945 Garnet Ave., is one urgent-care facility with a lead physician who has more than 20 years of treating beach-related injuries — be it surfing injury or sea-life-inflicted wound.

With a background in sports medicine and as SeaWorld’s medical director, Dr. Ken Anderson has treated everything from surfers with dislocated shoulders and fin cuts to animal trainers with stingray stings and seal bites.

“I got a call from University of San Diego the other week because they had a student who had been bitten by a seal, and they were like, ‘What do we do with this?’” he said. “So we talked about that type of thing. It’s a different type of thing to be exposed to, but I have developed experience with that over the years.”

A physician with experience like that is invaluable to the beach community, especially in the summer.

“A big focus of ours is urgent care and open access,” Anderson said. “That’s why we have the extended hours and why we don’t make appointments. It’s because we want to take care of injuries and minor emergencies, and we do very well at that.”

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Communities unite to repair police storefront

By MARIKO LAMB

Neighboors in Pacific Beach and La Jolla united on April 27 to tackle desperately needed repairs to the San Diego Police Department’s (SDPD) substation in Pacific Beach. From painting the exterior facade to landscaping the grounds, Mission Bay and La Jolla Rotarians, students involved in Rotary’s Interact Program and local community leaders got their hands dirty for a good cause on “Rotarians at Work Day.”

“This storefront is so valuable for our police officers here in the beach area, and it’s in desperate need of repair,” said District 2 City Councilman Kevin Faulconer, who stopped by the restoration event. “You can see the pride and the fact that this is just so needed by our officers. There are a lot of smiles on their faces today.”

Nearly a year after La Jolla Town Council vice president Nancy Gard-ner brought the deplorable state of the substation to light, community groups, local businesses and resi-dents answered the call for help with donations of funds, materials, time and services.

“A lot of people talked about it in the past, but we actually started tak-ing action, and it’s totally a grassroots effort by the community,” she said. “We’ve had so many donors and there just has been an outpour-ing of help from the community. This is totally a broad-based com-munity project and such a labor of love. That’s why it’s so important, and it came out beautifully.”

The restored storefront serves as an operational facility for police offi-cers to write reports, use the restroom or take a lunch break without having to make the trek up to the Northern Division police sta-tion in University City.

“We cannot do enough for the men and women who keep us safe,” said Gardner. “If they leave our community in La Jolla and Pacific Beach to go all the way up to UC, they’re out of service for at least 45 minutes just driving to do what they have to do. Here, it’s 10 minutes from La Jolla and it’s right in Pacific Beach.”

SDPD Northern Division Capt. Brian Ahearn said he was over-whelmed by the generous contribu-tions of so many community mem-bers to make the substation a func-tional, clean and workable facility.

“This building has been trans-formed. You would not believe the difference,” he said. “It is now a tremendous environment — very conduc-tive to getting some good, hearty work done by our cops so they can get back in the field and handle those very important calls for services in our community.”

“I think thank you is just inade-quate. It just doesn’t say enough,” he said. “I don’t know if there’s any-thing I can ever say to express my gratitude as the commanding officer of Northern Division to our communities for just stepping up and saying ‘thank you’ to our police offi-cers for a job well done.”

Donations are still being accepted for upgrades to technology capabil-ities, including LAN drops and wiring to support officers’ comput-ers, and funds for an HVAC system for heating and air conditioning. Checks can be made payable to the Police Officers Association with “storefront” listed in the subject line. Send donations to 1040 West Muir-lands Drive, La Jolla, 92037. Dona-tions are tax deductible.

11 Critical Home Inspection Traps to Be Aware of Weeks Before Listing your Home for Sale

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

Whether you own an older home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That’s why it’s critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether.

In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you’re looking for, and know-what you’re looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

To help homemakers deal with this issue before their homes are listed, a free report entitled “11 Things You Need to Know to Pass Your Home Inspection” has been compiled which explains the issues involved.

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MBHS Academic League makes big gain to make playoffs by KEITH ANTIGIOVANNI

The Mission Bay High School (MBHS) Academic League team finished the 2013 season with a play-off appearance, advancing to the semi-final round before falling to the Coronado Islanders on television on Time-Warner Cable. Coach Barry Dancher said he was pleased with the overall performance of the MBHS Academic League squad after a disappointing finish to the 2012 season, when the Bucs dropped their last regular season match and narrowly missed qual-fying for the playoffs.

“We did really well this year. If I knew at the beginning of the year that we would make the playoffs, considering our competition, I would be very happy. We had a very good year,” Dancher said.

The Academic League is a 5-on-5 countywide competition among 60 public, private and charter schools at three levels: varsity (juniors and seniors), junior varsity (sopromores and juniors) and novices (freshman and sopho-mores). The county is broken up into three divisions: central, south-east and northern, with MBHS in the central division.

MBHS finished the 2013 regular season with a 7-1 record and qual-fied as a wild-card team, despite tyning Madison for the division title. The Bucs lost the division on a tie-breaker because of a last-second, one-point loss to the Warhawks.

Despite the success the past few years, Dancher will be looking toward the 2014 season as a rebuilding year, with five of the seven varsity level players gradu-ating. The graduating MBHS academ-ic players will be team captain Brett Linley and fellow seniors Brett Ambrose, Daniel Fennell, Ywande Marajessa and Thomas Schoettel.

The other varsity players who par-ticipated in the semifinals are juniors Jerryn Goldberg and Tierra Gonzales.

In preparation for next year, Dancher said he decided to get his younger players some experience in the regular season.

“Several of our juniors and underclassmen got some playing time with the varsity while the ninth- and tenth-graders were able to participate with the junior varsi-ty. We’ll have some new kids next year and you never know who will turn up,” Dancher said.

In five years under Dancher, the MBHS Academic League team has grown from seven players to around 25 today, and has been able to draw students from all over the city thanks in part to the schools’ inter-national baccalaureate status.

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While floundering in the shallows, it can be hard to imagine that people start soaring over the bay early in their first session, but Jetpack America president and co-owner Dean O’Malley said most people tend to get the hang of it quickly.

“That’s one of the things we try to emphasize, how accessible it really is.” O’Malley said. “We’ve had customers from age 16 up to 85. We had three deaf customers who flew with us. We had an amputee. We’ve had a quadriplegic that we flew. It really is one of those things that if you give it a fair shot, in five minutes, maybe 10 minutes, we can have you flying. We’ve had a 95 percent success rate of getting first-time people up and flying.”

O’Malley said the activity took off when Jetpack America CEO John Morris partnered with the manufacturer, Jetlev, and offered the first customer flights in Newport Beach in August 2011. Since then, the company has expanded to Honolulu and San Diego.

“We’ve probably flown close to 5,000 people,” O’Malley said. “It’s definitely growing quickly, and we’ve taken a lot of people out to experience what it’s all about.”

The concept was developed by inventor Raymond Li in 2001. The inspiration — not surprisingly — came from a James Bond film.

“It was James Bond movie ‘Thunderball,”’ O’Malley said. “He saw the jetpack in that movie and he was blown away by it. It stuck in his head and he always wanted to figure out a way to make that work and make that a reality.”

O’Malley said it became a reality when Li decided to abandon traditional jetpack designs and develop a jetpack powered by water pressure. The constant flow of water not only allows for longer flight times, but also makes it safer.

“If something goes wrong and you drop in the water, it’s not going to be life threatening, O’Malley said. “It truly does make it a recreational jetpack that anyone can come out and try. We’ll have splashdowns, people will come crashing down a little bit, but it’s all part of the learning process.”

Jetpack America’s Mission Bay flight center opened April 6, but the team has been working since last fall to ensure everything will run smoothly with a trained staff in time for summer.

O’Malley said he expects a rush in the summer as the majority of customers have really enjoyed the experience.

“It’s not a one-and-done activity. It does kind of get you addicted,” O’Malley said.

If someone becomes seriously addicted, he or she could purchase a jetpack for $68,500, but Jetpack America does have some more affordable options to continue flying. It offers monthly memberships, returning pilot discounts and group rentals.

If a customer buys the video package and achieves more than 200 views on Youtube, he or she gets a free flight.

Jetpack America is located in the Mission Bay Sportcenter at 1010 Santa Clara Place. For more information, visit www.jetpackamerica.com.

> Be sure to check out our website, www.sdnews.com, for some video of Ethan flying with the jetpack, coming soon!
A little taste of New Orleans comes to www.pyslsoccer.org, or email soccer from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bob McEvoy for ages 4-14 on May 11 and May 18

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A little taste of New Orleans comes to San Diego via the 12th annual Gator by The Bay Festival, taking place May 10-12 at Spanish Landing Park. The celebration of Crescent City culture is expected to draw more than 6,000 people per day, serving up over 8,000 pounds of crawfish and providing all manner of entertainment, from zydeco dance lessons to Mardi Gras-style parades. The big draw is the music and, as always, organizers have put together a bill of rare and national talent, with more than 70 performers across six stages. On hand will be zydeco player Geno Delafose and French Rockin’ Boogie, bluesy Norteno band, Les Fabulocos and harmonica legend James Harman. Local favorites include Robin Henkel, Mercedes Moore, Chet and The Committee, The Bayou Brothers, Sue Palmer and dozens more. The festival’s highlight will likely be the return of bluesman Elvin Bishop, reuniting with guitarist foreground will likely be the return of bluesman Elvin Bishop, reuniting with guitarist

GATOR BY THE BAY: May 10-12 at Spanish Landing Park. sandiegofesti-

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~ Bart Mendoza

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Book Signing At Old Town Gift Co.
To Celebrate National Train Day

The Old Town Gift Co. will host a book signing to celebrate National Train Day Sat. May 11, featuring Kern Deutsch, author of “San Diego and Arizona Railway: The Impossible Railroad.” Free to the public, Deutsch will be present to sign copies of her book from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Named the Impossible Railroad by surveyors, the San Diego and Arizona Railway overcame a series of disasters including the Mexican Revolution, a prolonged lawsuit, French Rockin’ Boogie, World War I labor shortages, a tunnel cave-in and a deadly pandemic. Once it was up and running, the line was intermittent in and out of service and later sold and renamed the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway. To this day, the Impossible Railroad still faces constant challenges, however, freight and trolley service currently operate and tourist excursions are offered at its Campo, Calif., depot.

The Old Town Gift Co. is located within Fiesta de Reyes right in the heart of Old Town San Diego State Historic Park.

Fiesta De Reyes Implements The Round It Up America Program

Casa de Reyes and Barra Barra Saloon—two restaurants that anchor the convenient commission, Fiesta de Reyes, in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park—are spreading the Round It Up America program to generate funds for the Living History programs in the State Park. A national charitable giving program, Round It Up America provides restaurant patrons the opportunity to donate to charities by rounding up the total of their check amount when settling their restaurant bill. These donations are then contributed to three pre-selected charities that enhance and strengthen the surrounding community. In the case of Old Town San Diego State Historic Park, the charities that have been selected are the Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, the Pro-Start Student Culinary Program and the Living History in the Park programs.

“Living history programs are an important part of our State Park,” said Chuck Ross of Fiesta de Reyes. “We want everyone who visits Old Town to experience an active and lively park where history comes alive and leaders in the business community like us have a responsibility to support these critical programs. Round It Up America gives us the perfect way to allow the community to generate that support for just a few pennies when they dine here.

About 75 percent of funds raised through this program will benefit the Living History programs in the park. Funds will also be donated to the two other causes.

For more information about Round It Up America, visit www.rounditupameri-
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THE OLD MISSION BEACH ATHLETIC CLUB will, for the first time in two years, present its OMBAC Beach Music Fest on May 11 at Mariner’s Point in Mission Bay Park from 2 to 8 p.m. Included in the music lineup are Pepper, Vokab Kompany, Stranger and Natural Vibrations. Tickets are $25 ahead of time at ombacheastfest. efevent.aventivate.com or $30 at the gate. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/OMBAC.

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TASTE OF N’AWLINS Guitarist Johnny “V” Vernazza will play at Gator by the Bay at Spanish Landing Park from May 10-12. Courtesy Photo by Sandra Castillo


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With the opening of the San Diego and Arizona Railway in 1883, the Old Oxnard Club was formed and renamed the San Diego and Arizona Railway. To this day, the Impossible Railroad’s “San Diego and Arizona Railway: The Impossible Railroad”. Free to the public, Deutsch will be present to sign copies of her book from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Named the Impossible Railroad by surveyors, the San Diego and Arizona Railway overcame a series of disasters including the Mexican Revolution, a prolonged lawsuit, French Rockin’ Boogie, World War I labor shortages, a tunnel cave-in and a lethal pandemic. Once it was up and running, the line was intermittent in and out of service and later sold and renamed the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway. To this day, the Impossible Railroad still faces constant challenges, however, freight and trolley service currently operate and tourist excursions are offered at its Campo, Calif., depot. The Old Town Gift Co. is located within Fiesta de Reyes right in the heart of Old Town San Diego State Historic Park.

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Fiesta De Reyes Implements The Round It Up America Program

Casa de Reyes and Barra Barra Saloon—two restaurants that anchor the convenient commission, Fiesta de Reyes, in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park—are spreading the Round It Up America program to generate funds for the Living History programs in the State Park. A national charitable giving program, Round It Up America provides restaurant patrons the opportunity to donate to charities by rounding up the total of their check amount when settling their restaurant bill. These donations are then contributed to three pre-selected charities that enhance and strengthen the surrounding community. In the case of Old Town San Diego State Historic Park, the charities that have been selected are the Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, the Pro-Start Student Culinary Program and the Living History in the Park programs.

“Living history programs are an important part of our State Park,” said Chuck Ross of Fiesta de Reyes. “We want everyone who visits Old Town to experience an active and lively park where history comes alive and leaders in the business community like us have a responsibility to support these critical programs. Round It Up America gives us the perfect way to allow the community to generate that support for just a few pennies when they dine here.

About 75 percent of funds raised through this program will benefit the Living History programs in the park. Funds will also be donated to the two other causes.

For more information about Round It Up America, visit www.rounditupameri-
c.com.
Mission Bay High School senior Nick Schoettle will participate in the Region IV Presidents’ Cup from June 12-16 in Boise, Idaho, the U.S. Youth national soccer tournament, after his club NADO 16 and under (BU16) captured the California state championship in late April after placing first out of 51 teams.

Region IV includes teams from Western states like Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Utah and Washington.

NADO BU16 completed the regular season with an 8-1-1 record and outscored its opponents 21-1. In the state tournament, NADO BU16 had to win six rounds of playoff games and culminated in a 2-1 victory over Apple Valley in the finals. The BU16 club finished ninth last year when it was at the BU15 level.

The BU16 club has also had success in notable local tournaments this year after winning the Nomads Coaches Tournament in March, finished as a finalist in the Nomads College Showcase in November and had three draws in the North Huntington Beach Cup in August.

— Keith Antigiovanni

STARS ON THE FIELD Nick Schoettle, second row, far left, with his team win at the California Soccer Cup Tournament on April 28. The team placed first out of 51 teams over three weekends of play and will proceed to the national regional tournament in June in Boise, Idaho.

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Girl music power, prime blues and a CD-release weekend party

By BART MENDOZA

Does the world need another girl with a guitar? The answer is yes, at least when it comes to a talent like Sara Groban. Appearing at Brick by Brick on May 16 as part of a battle of the bands, Groban has a nice way with a melody and a wonderful picking style that sets her miles apart from the typical coffeehouse fare. When she plays solo acoustic tunes, she's good. For example, songs like “Promises” deserve a wider listen. But it’s when she plays with her band that things really light up. The bill also includes Locjawi and Tin Star, so no matter which band takes home the trophy, it’s the audience that are the clear winners.

THE SARA GROBAN BAND: Thursday, May 16 at BRICK BY BRICK, 1130 Buenos Ave. 8 p.m. 21 and up. Free. www.brickbybrick.com

There are plenty of blues bands to go around, most with decent guitar players. So what truly sets a band apart is its songs selections. Such is the case with The Charles Burton Band, performing at Tio Leo’s on May 16. Guitarist Burton is a solid player, but it’s his range of music that will please the audience. Mixing in the obvious like “Shake Your Hips” by Slim Harpo with obscure gems like “Gangster of Love” by Johnny Watson, and adding choice recastings like the Classics IV hit “Spooky,” The Charles Burton Band delivers a fine set that’s both satisfying and avoids cliche.

THE CHARLES BURTON BLUES BAND: Thursday, May 16 at TIO LEOS, 5302 Napa St. 9 p.m. 21 and up. Cover TBD. www.tioleos.com

Local music fans won’t want to miss a special CD-release weekend at Dizzy’s on May 17 and 18. Friday night will feature a performance celebrating the release of “The Excluded Middle,” a new album by jazz bassist Ben Wanick and his quartet, featuring guitarist Peter Sprague, saxophonist Ian Tordella and drummer Charlie Weller. On Saturday, the venue will host a CD-release show for the Rob Thorsen Trio. Also featuring pianist Joshua White and drummer Duncan Moore, the band will perform from its latest disc, appropriately entitled, “Live.” If you are a jazz aficionado, you won’t want to miss this opportunity to take in new music from some of San Diego’s finest musicians.

CD-RELEASE WEEKEND: May 17 and 18 at DIZZY’S, 4275 Mission Bay Drive. 8 p.m. $15. www.dizzyjsjazz.com

Mixing elements of rock, soul and electronica, Hills Like Elephants, may have only been together for a little over two years. But in that time, it has managed to make an impact as big as its name. Currently supporting its latest disc, “Feral Flocks,” Hills Like Elephants perform at The Griffin on May 21. Definitely a great live act, make sure to check out its San Diego-centric YouTube videos to get the full effect of this band’s musical sensibilities and humor. Songs like the dance-oriented track, “Ninjavitus,” not so much burst as glide from the speakers, making sure to check out its San Diego-centric YouTube videos to get the full effect of this band’s musical sensibilities and humor. Songs like the dance-oriented track, “Ninjavitus,” not so much burst as glide from the speakers, with melodies so catchy you’ll find yourself humming the tunes long after you’ve played the album.

HILLS LIKE ELEPHANTS: Tuesday, May 21 at THE Griffin, 1310 Morena Blvd. 8:45 p.m. 21 and up. $8. www.thegriffinsd.com

Superunloader frontman Jimmy Lewis has a new residency at 710 Beach Club every Friday evening at 5 p.m. Performing in solo acoustic mode, Lewis may not have the bombast of the band behind him, but he more than makes up for this with his excellent voice and heartfelt strumming. Best of all, Lewis has a truly impressive set list. Sure, he can reel off The Beatles, Bob Marley and Bob Dylan tunes like nobody’s business, so the hits are covered. But he’s also into deep tracks that musical connoisseurs will relish hearing. Few local acoustic performers have included songs like Alice Cooper’s “Generation Landslide” or Elton John’s “Captain Fantastic and the Brown Dirt Cowboy” in their set lists. Lewis’s expansive repertoire is the perfect way to get the weekend started.

JIMMY LEWIS: Fridays in May at the 710 BEACH CLUB, 710 Garnet Ave. 5 p.m. 21 and up. www.710bc.com

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Volunteers remove more than 1,000 tags at graffiti cleanup

“Every year, it seems like we have less to clean up,” said Adam Meyer, reflecting on a recent graffiti cleanup event in Pacific Beach. “That’s how we know it’s working. This year, we had 75 volunteers and we wiped out 1,042 graffiti ‘tags.’ For comparison, back in 2010 we cleaned, removed or covered up more than 1,300 of them.”

Meyer is vice president of the Pacific Beach Town Council. For the last six years, the council and the PB Presbyterian Church have joined forces for the Graffiti Cleanup Day.

Teams of volunteers met April 27 at the church, where they received a bucket full of supplies to remove paint, stickers and marking pen ink. Each team got training on how to remove or cover up graffiti and stickers.

“We couldn’t have done it without Motsenbocker’s Lift Off,” Meyer said. “They’re a San Diego company, and Gregg Motsenbocker lives in PB. The company makes environmentally safe products for removing graffiti and stickers.”

Meyer said the group also got donations of gear from other businesses, as well as cash donations from residents.

“Getting rid of graffiti in our community is not just a matter of pride,” said Beckett. “Research shows that when the appearance of a neighborhood declines, the behavior of people declines, as well. For example, when there’s more graffiti, there’s more litter, too.”

The result of the annual event has been a reduction in graffiti, said organizers. Volunteers tend to clean up graffiti as soon as they see it, instead of waiting until the following year’s event.

“[Students] learned how graffiti affects their neighborhood, and they take pride in how their neighborhood looks,” Beckett said. “That feeling of connection with their community means they’re less likely to litter or do any tagging themselves.”

To report graffiti, call the city’s Graffiti Hotline at (619) 525-8522 or fill out a graffiti report online at www.sandiego.gov/graffiti/forms/sighting.shtml.
Kids experience performing arts at Junior Theatre Camp

Join Junior Theater this summer and experience the wonderful world of performing arts where campers will take classes in acting, dance, and singing. Traditional, performance, specialty and advanced camps available in Balboa Park.

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Day Camps at La Jolla YMCA

The La Jolla YMCA offers day camps all summer long beginning June 12 through August 30. Day camps range from a variety of choices and for ages five to seventeen years old. There are more than 100 camps to choose from, including ice-skating, gymnastics, swim lessons, field trips to amusement parks and much more. Kids will grow, discover and explore while making lasting friendships and memories. Camps fill up fast, so please sign up as soon as possible. To ensure that every child and teen has the chance to go to camp, the Y offers financial assistance to those in need.

To register to either spring or summer camps, please visit peninsula.ymca.org or call (619) 226-8888 for more information.

The Peninsula YMCA

The Peninsula Family YMCA offers day camps all summer long beginning June 12 through August 30. Day camps range from a variety of choices and for ages five to sixteen years old. There are more than 100 camps to choose from, including ice-skating, gymnastics, swim lessons, field trips to amusement parks and much more. Kids will grow, discover and explore while making lasting friendships and memories. Camps fill up fast, so please sign up as soon as possible. To ensure that every child and teen has the chance to go to camp, the Y offers financial assistance to those in need. Also, it’s not too late to sign up for our spring camps beginning April 1 through April 5. To register to either spring or summer camps, please visit [lajolla.ymca.org](http://lajolla.ymca.org) or call (858) 453-3483 for more information.

Join SD Humane Society’s Animal Adventure Camp

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**Pacific Beach Elementary**

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*Note: More information will be available in next week’s edition of the Notebook.*
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