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COLORFUL PARKING SPOTS

Many seniors at Scripps Ranch High School enjoyed the creativity and camaraderie of painting their personal parking spaces in October for the 2022-23 school year. Pictured above (from left), Michael Chen, Ashley Ebert, Mika'la Chiaco and Abbey Leader enjoy some spirited fun while coloring their spaces. These students won the spaces through bidding during an annual auction that raises funds for senior activities at the school.

Photos by Lisa Shadburn



Marshall championships mark entrance of sports

By Hector Trujillo

San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) students in sixth through eighth grades are taking part in the opportunity to compete in organized team sports during the fall, thanks to an expansion of the district's new middle school athletics program.

"The district made the decision last year to start middle school sports district-wide in San Diego Unified just as a way to re-engage middle schools, re-engage kids, and get kids prepared for high school and beyond," said Thurgood Marshall Middle School principal Josh Way.

Basketball, along with track and field, started concurrently back on Sept. 6. Consequently, the Thurgood



A Marshall Middle School runner competes as the team captured its first championship. (photo by Lisa Shadburn)

Marshall Middle School track and field team — coached by Katrina Coffee — won the SDUSD D1 Championship. See **CHAMPIONSHIPS**, Page 18

Braylon Bishop is an inspirational athlete

By Hector Trujillo

The story of young Braylon Bishop is one that will resonate with those old enough to remember the inspirational story of Major League Baseball pitcher Jim Abbott who had an impressive 11-year career which included throwing a no-hitter in 1993 for the New York Yankees — despite being born without a right hand. Nine-year-old Braylon had his foot amputated at the age of 1 due to a condition called proximal femoral focal deficiency (PFFD), forcing him to use a prosthetic leg while given a low chance of ever walking unassisted. This rare condition affects about one in every 200,000 children and varies in severity



Quarterback Braylon Bishop (courtesy photo)

from child to child. None of this has stopped young Braylon from playing quarterback for the Scripps Ranch Pop Warner Football (SRPW) 9U team this season.

"Braylon's energy and enthusiasm inspires us all," said coach Gary Harrison. "He gives 100 percent on every play. I think everyone on the field with Braylon can take inspiration from him

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SR FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

Prepare Go bag; emergency binder

By Karen Herreros

We're squarely in the middle of fire season – a time to be especially vigilant about anything that could spark fire, like using power equipment incorrectly and at the wrong time of day.

Now is not the time to use mechanical equipment late in the day, for instance, because one spark could start a fire.

It's also time to make sure you and your family are prepared in case the worst (a wildfire) comes to pass. Assemble a Go bag for everyone in your family and make sure you have everything your pets need as well (food water, bedding, leashes, medications, bowls, etc.) in case you need to evacuate.

Also consider keeping an emergency binder. When it comes to being prepared, one of the best things you can do is organize an emergency binder of your most important documents. Include important items you have in your wallet by copying both front and back of



Prepare a Go bag and gather important documents in an emergency binder in case a wildfire strikes.

your driver's license, insurance cards, credit cards, etc. In addition, include birth certificates, marriage records, immunization records, wills, trusts, passports and all other important accounts. Same for information like that on your pets.

Make a master list of all important phone numbers you would need, don't rely on your cell phone for this information.

When creating your binder, find a system that works best for you. Consider group-

ing like document together in clear plastic protectors and consider keeping it in a fire-proof safe you can easily get to in case you need to grab it and go.

This can be a daunting task, but it is time well spent – and once organized, you'll have the peace of mind that everything is in one spot and easy to grab and go.

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Where's your elf, Scripps Ranch?

By Ashley Shah

As the holiday season approaches, elves start appearing around the house, which is a characteristic of the common holiday tradition "Elf on the Shelf."

Local resident Christina Hersch has found a way to spread the tradition with the Scripps Ranch community through a Facebook page named "Where's your elf, Scripps Ranch."

Hersch explained the premise of the tradition.

"Little elves start showing up around the holiday season that are sent from Santa Claus to monitor the children's behavior. The elves go back to the North Pole to let Santa know about the behavior of the kids at night, and when they come back in the morning, they are in different places in the house," Hersch said. "It is just a fun holiday activity, and it is a nice way for the kids to have an extra friend over the holiday season."

In December of 2020, she started the Facebook page that allowed residents to share the creative places elves were being discovered.

"The page was started during COVID, and I think the whole year people needed a way to connect with people, but especially during the holidays when people want to be around their family, and their loved ones," Hersch said. "The page is a nice way for people to connect over something that isn't the news, or the hustle



A variety of fun Elf On the Shelf scenarios have been sent to the Where's your elf, Scripps Ranch Facebook page. (courtesy of Where's your elf, Scripps Ranch)

and bustle of the workday."

There are around 160 members on the page so far.

"I have seen some really creative ways that people have seen their elves around the house. One post had the elves and Barbie Dolls set up as if they were having a disco party; it was almost like a 'Toy Story' where the kids woke up to find their dolls like that. I

have seen whole rooms decorated around the elves," Hersch said.

While the page is open all year, Hersch has seen an increase in the number of members joining the page around the holiday season.

"I think as the holidays approach, people try to find things to connect over, like Elf on the Shelf. So, I see a



Even elves need a coffee break occasionally. (courtesy of Where's your elf, Scripps Ranch)

peak in people joining the page. There are always about 30 to 40 new members joining," she said.

Hersch hopes to keep the page going.

"Right now, where there is a lot of division. It is just really nice to see people come together. This is just a really nice way to lift everyone's spirits," she said.

In her own home, Hersch

participates in the Elf on the Shelf tradition.

"I have five kids, so I have them look for the four elves in the morning. Sometimes, the elves have a gift, a note or something that the kids need to do. It is just a really fun thing for the kids to do when they get up," she said.

To join the page, visit: [facebook.com/groups/434022414206210](https://www.facebook.com/groups/434022414206210).

HOLIDAYS

Small Business Saturday

Saturday, Nov. 26, is Small Business Saturday – a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities. This year, we know that small businesses need our support now more than ever as they navigate, retool and pivot from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic. Please join Scripps Ranch News, the Small Business Administration (SBA) and organizations across the country in supporting your small businesses by shopping at a local small business this holiday season and beyond.

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Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary – Scripps Ranch Unit members Kathy Steinhouse and Ally Miller display wreaths available for any season of the year. (courtesy of Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary – Scripps Ranch Unit)

Holiday wreaths for sale

Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary – Scripps Ranch Unit is selling high-quality handmade holiday wreaths for all seasons of the year as a fundraiser for the unit.

Unit member Nancy Fleischman has wreaths for Christmas, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, 4th of July, Halloween or Fall/Thanksgiving. The Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary – Scripps Ranch Unit "A Wreath for all Seasons" offers beautiful wreaths for the front door, fireplace, front window or anywhere you decorate for holidays.

The funds from this effort benefit the projects of the Scripps Ranch Unit. One hundred percent of proceeds benefits projects of the Scripps Ranch Unit.

These one-of-a-kind, handmade wreaths are \$50 each. Reserve your seasonal wreath today by contacting Nancy Fleischman. She will email you pictures of the wreaths for sale. Email Fancynanc9@gmail.com.

Holiday Events

NOVEMBER 26

Small Business Saturday

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DECEMBER 4

SR Tree Lighting

Join Scripps Ranch Girl Scouts as they kick off the holiday season with Santa pictures, holiday inclusive crafts, a bake sale, a sing-along, a toy drive and tree lighting ceremony on Sunday, Dec. 4 from 3 to 5 p.m. in Jerabek Park, 10150 Avenida Magnifica.

DECEMBER 10, 11

34th Annual 'Nutcracker'

Tickets are now on sale for the Scripps Performing Arts Academy's 34th annual presentation of "The Nutcracker." See the outstanding cast of dancers, ages 3-19, in this magical, full-length performance of

a holiday classic Dec. 10 and 11, 2 p.m. at David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre in the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. The Scripps Ballet Theatre and Scripps Performing Arts Academy proudly present this all-youth production of the full length ballet, "The Nutcracker," features dancers ages 3-1/2 to 19 years old. Based on the timeless holiday tale by E.T.A. Hoffmann, this classic tells the story of a young girl named Marie and her magical adventure one holiday evening.

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DECEMBER 10, 11

'Mixed Nuts'

Lynch Dance Institute presents "Mixed Nuts," its annual holiday production full of joy, hope and possibility. The studio will hold its Mixed Nuts Mingle Jingle: Give for Good fundraiser immediately following

the Dec. 10 performance. Attendees will mingle, share food, meet new families, sing, dance, bid on special items and celebrate. Enjoy a fundraising event with light fare, a giving tree, silent auction, candy table and a performance by the Holiday Hipsters.

Tickets: mixed-nuts.bpt.me

DECEMBER 11

SR Holiday Concert

Scripps Ranch Symphony in the Park will hold its annual holiday concert beginning at 5 p.m. on Dec. 11 in Jerabek Park, 10200 Scripps Trail. The holiday band performing will be Christmas Tree Oh! Santa will arrive on a fire truck as in years past. Scripps Ranch Symphony in the Park plans to hand out light sticks and candy canes to the children attending. The sponsor for this event is Scripps ranch resident Greg Wisniew Certified Financial Planner. symphonyinthepark.org



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December schedule

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40th annual Tree Lighting

Join Scripps Ranch Girl Scouts and the Scripps Ranch Civic Association to kick off the holiday season with Santa pictures, holiday inclusive crafts, a bake sale, a sing-along, toy drive and tree lighting ceremony on Sunday, Dec. 4 from 3 to 5 p.m. in Jerabek Park, 10150 Avenida Magnifica.

Scripps Ranch Girl Scout Troop 3828 is busy putting together an amazing event, and everyone is invited to attend the 40th Annual Scripps Ranch Tree Lighting.

The troop will collect new, unwrapped toys for the Toys for Tots program. Every Girl Scout or Boy Scout who donates a toy will receive a patch.

The bake sale proceeds will go to SHARE, to help all girls become Girl Scouts even if they can't afford to.

New this year, Scripps Ranch Girl Scouts are partnering with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices CA Properties and Ride Above Disability (RAD) therapeutic riding center, to have some extra special



Scripps Ranch Girls Scouts sing holiday carols following the annual Tree Lighting at Jerabek Park. (courtesy of Scripps Ranch Girl Scouts)

surprises and photo opportunities.

The local Girl Scouts organization is looking for any Scripps Ranch residents who were part of Scripps Ranch Girl Scouts in 1982 – the first year the Tree Lighting took place – to honor them at the special anniversary of this event. Email troop-03828@gmail.com if you were a Scripps Ranch Girl Scout who attended the first tree lighting.

Enter the Home Lighting Contest

The Twenty Four Seven Realty-Scripps Ranch News Home Lighting Contest is underway for the 2022 holiday season.

Twenty Four Seven Realty is sponsoring this lighting contest for the third year in a row.

The contest was started in the midst of the COVID pandemic, and was enthusiastically embraced by Scripps Ranch residents as it provided a festive way for families to explore the festive decorations during a time that was otherwise marked by social isolation. It has become a warm holiday tradition for all of Scripps Ranch.

Now, the Home Lighting Contest not only allows entrants a way to showcase their outdoor light decorating skills; it also provides a convenient opportunity for those who appreciate holiday light decorations to tour the outdoor home displays. Scripps Ranch News will publish a map of entry locations in the December edition of the newspaper – and will provide updates online at ScrippsRanchNews.com. This way residents can plan a route to tour the col-



Scripps Ranch residents may enter their homes in this season's Twenty Four Seven Realty-Scripps Ranch News Home Lighting Contest. Deadline to enter is Dec. 4, 2022.

orful outdoor holiday light displays on a night of their choosing.

Anyone whose home is within Scripps Ranch and decorates the outside of their home with holiday lights this season is eligible to enter the contest. Prizes – provided by Twenty Four Seven Realty – will be awarded to the top entrants.

Judges will drive to the properties in the contest to view the lighted displays. All entry displays must be accessible to the public for street viewing. When judging is complete, the top dis-

plays will be photographed.

The winners of the contest will be announced on ScrippsRanchNews.com on the morning of Jan. 1, New Year's Day. Photos of the winning displays will be published in the January edition of Scripps Ranch News.

The deadline to enter the Twenty Four Seven Realty-Scripps Ranch News Home Lighting Contest is Dec. 4, 2022. Full contest rules and other specifics are provided in the online entry form. Those wishing to enter may fill in the form at scrippsranchnews.com/lighting-contest.

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Becky's Gift toy drive is underway

The 13th annual Becky's Gift Toy Drive to help families fighting cancer during the holiday season is underway.

Those going through treatment of cancer during the holidays face an emotionally, physically and financially difficult time.



Becky's Gift allows families affected by cancer to choose a toy for their children or grandchildren during the holidays while undergoing treatment. This way, cancer patients may focus on their treatment and health, and will not have to worry about the pressures of the season. They will know their child or grandchild will have a gift.

Thanks to the Scripps Ranch community, this nonprofit effort has surpassed all of its goals each year and successfully delivered loads of toys to local cancer centers in San Diego. Centers this year include UCSD Moores Cancer Center, Oncology Associates of San Diego and South County Hematology Oncology.

Anyone wishing to donate a present will help Becky's Gift reach its goals. Those wishing to help may donate new, unwrapped toys for children ages 1-16 years old. Monetary donations and gift cards are also accepted.

Drop off sites include Scripps Rock Dental, 12112 Scripps Summit Drive, Suite C; and St. Gregory the Great Catholic School, 15315 Stonebridge Parkway.

For more information, visit the Facebook page facebook.com/beckysgift. Visit the web page: beckysgifts.org. There is also wish list on Amazon: amzn.to/3WJvnAD.

Create a perfect holiday charcuterie board

(StatePoint) Are you hosting a holiday party and looking for a simple way to impress your guests?

The Texas Roadhouse Butcher Shop is sharing steps for building an eye-catching and mouth-watering charcuterie board that will add color, flavor and variety to your holiday table.

1. Grab a platter or surface to display your charcuterie. Anything will work, even a simple cutting board. Just be sure to choose a size that you can fill completely.

2. Use dishes or ramekins of mismatched sizes, shapes and colors to hold dressings, toppings and sauces. This will keep your board clean and add fun visual details to the display.

3. Include two to four cheeses of contrasting flavors and textures to please all palates, and to complement other elements of the board. The varieties you select should represent these basic categories: hard cheese (such as Chardonnay BellaVitano), soft cheese (such as brie) and blue cheese (such as French Roquefort).

4. While a traditional charcuterie board typically sticks with cured meats, the holiday season is the perfect occasion for adding depth and richness to your feast with grilled meats, such as filet, sliced into strips. Those from Texas Roadhouse Butcher Shop are lean, flavorful, and melt in your mouth, making them a natural choice for

a hearty holiday spread. Whether you are firing up the grill or preparing on a cooktop, allow any cooked meats to rest well before adding them to your board.

5. No charcuterie board is complete without some crunch. Add two to three options like pita crackers, crusty breads or toasted baguettes that will stand up to the weight of your meats and cheeses.

6. Now, add some brightness and sweetness to your board. Fresh fruits like blueberries, strawberries and green grapes, and preserves such as peach pepper jam, will add contrast to rich, salty meats and cheeses. Don't forget seasonal sweets and treats like soft peppermints, peanut brittle, chocolate dipped pretzels and candied nuts.

7. You'll want your charcuterie board to look as if it's overflowing. So, as you're building it out, start with the largest elements like the cheeses and meats first, followed by smaller items like crackers, fresh produce and sweets. Fill in any holes with sprigs of aromatic rosemary for trimming, along with additional portions of the smaller items. The various elements of the board should pair well together, so it's okay if they touch.

For additional hosting tips, or to shop for seasonal gifts and your holiday spread, visit trbutchershop.com. For 15 percent off your order, use the promo code PARTY15.



Home for the Holidays lighting contest

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These smooth wooden bowls are available at Carl Anderson's wood designs booth at the Scripps Ranch Farmer's Market & Family Festival. (photo courtesy of Carl Anderson)

SR FARMER'S MARKET Visit a woodworking wizard

By Jill Alexander

Carl Anderson III is someone who can fix and create anything he sets his mind to.

For instance, the 47-year-old Campo resident is a wiz at whipping up items from wood that he sells at various farmer's markets including the Scripps Ranch Farmer's Market.

The San Diego native graduated from Coronado High school and earned a degree in economics from SDSU. While he dedicates more than 40 hours per week to his woodworking, he also has a full-time job at Dixieline Lumber's La Mesa store selling doors and windows.

But give him a piece of natural wood and he's ready to create a work of art in his 1,000-square-foot workshop located on his property. He is also building an extension to it by adding another 800 square feet for his woodworking.

"I am also a skilled jeweler and love to fabricate pieces in sterling silver. My jewelry workshop is roughly 120



Carl Anderson shapes a piece of wood at his workshop. (photo courtesy of Carl Anderson)

square feet with the bulk in storage 'til I have more room. My plan/goal is to incorporate my silversmithing with my woodworking and blacksmithing," Anderson said.

For example, he hopes to add silver wire to wood, a faceted stone to a bowl with wrought iron handles, and hybrid wood and silver rings, Anderson said.

Anderson began selling his wood designs at markets and different local events in May 2021 and hasn't looked back.

"A co-worker of mine at Dixieline sold me his old

Sears Craftsman lathe in early 2019. I played around with making a few things and instantly fell in love," he said. "A month later I invested in a much larger unit. I just knew it was my calling. I watched over 1,000 hours of YouTube videos on wood turning."

Anderson needed feedback and coaching, so he joined the San Diego Wood Turners Club as its exhibits at the San Diego County Fair were his favorites as a youngster.

Anderson enjoys creating "natural edge/live edge" bowls.

"The more nature I can leave in my creations, the better. My favorite thing to make is my manzanita root burl bowls. They are my signature piece," he said.

His father has a large ranch in Campo and digs up the old dead roots of burls for him to use for his projects.

"They are filled with dirt and rocks, and are very challenging to 'birth' a piece off the lathe," Anderson said. "Over 60 percent of the time the process fails, so when a piece makes it to completion, I am filled with pride. Every piece is unique and special."

His customers are varied, and most are people who enjoy handmade items, he said.

"I make a broad range of wood items that have functional and artistic appeal – from a bowl to eat snacks out of to one that is a catch-all for keys or to display one's crystal collection," Anderson said. "I sell a lot of pepper grinders. My cutting boards are popular since I try to source figured wood that pops."

Anderson likes selling at the Scripps Ranch Farmer's Market since "they have a nice, varied group of vendors that have broad appeal to the area."

Prices for his creations range from \$5 for a key chain to the manzanita burl creations for \$500, with everything in-between.

"The best part of woodworking is starting with a piece of 'firewood' and turning it into a piece of art," Anderson said. "I just love creating things – taking a raw material and turning it into a usable item."

Visit Carl Anderson's wood designs booth at the Scripps Ranch Farmer's Market & Family Festival, held from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. each Thursday at 10045 Carroll Canyon Road.

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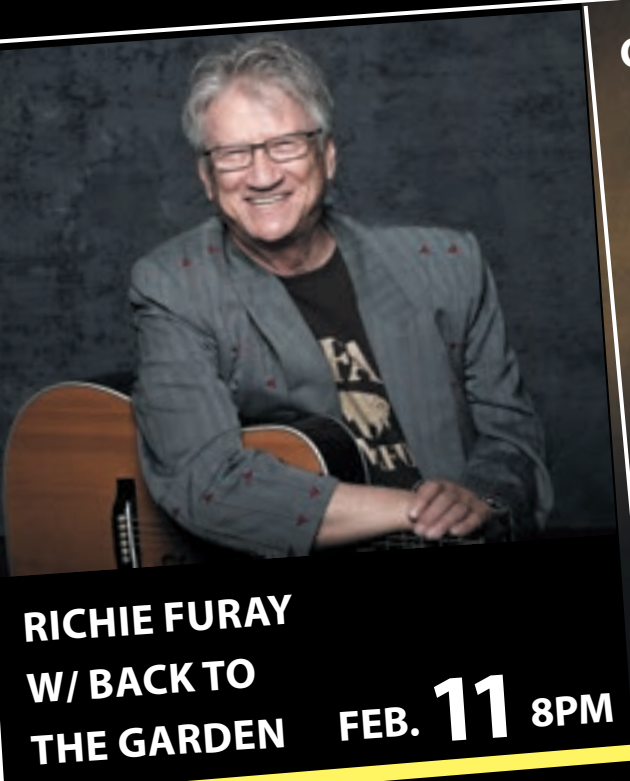
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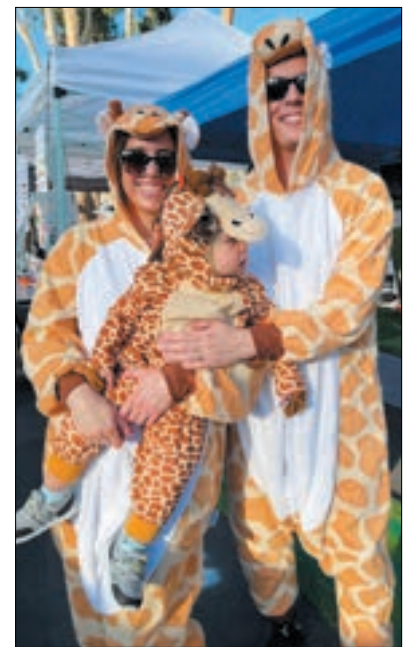
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SCRIPPS RANCH WELCOME CLUB

Welcome Club celebrates the holiday season

By Denise Stewart

It's still November, but the fun has already started. Welcome Clubbers are up to old and new tricks now that it's safe to gather again.

The Gadabouts group, earlier this month, led by Pam Savelsberg, enjoyed the morning showing of the movie "Ticket to Paradise" and then went on to lunch. The conversation was light and lively following the film with favorite Hollywood stars and a humorous plot. Pam is making plans for a December holiday luncheon that will, no doubt, be festive as well as delicious.

The Playgoers had a potluck supper the second weekend and later that same evening enjoyed Scripps Ranch Theatre's opening night performance of "Extreme Makeover." This playgoing event has long been popular with club members. The enthusiasm for the evening gathering, tasty buffet and a trip to the local playhouse are making this a well-attended occasion once again. Bev Macho is currently organizing these theatre events. She and her husband Ken hosted the 2022-2023 Playgoers season kickoff at their home in October. Alan Binks hosted the



Welcome Club members celebrated the first play of Scripps Ranch Theatre's new season. Friends, good food and a hilarious play made for a wonderful Saturday evening. (courtesy of Scripps Ranch Welcome Club)

festivities this month.

In the middle of the month, after the regular business, the club meeting featured a local a capella choir known as Bella Voce. The performance made for a joyful musical beginning to the holiday season. The music was sweet enough, but those gathered also enjoyed an ice cream social to top off the evening.

While all these special events are taking place, the Welcome Club's regular interest group meetings are going strong.

Cooler weather is making the local paths even more inviting for the Trailwalkers.

Fresh air, exercise and friendly chats make this group an especially energetic part of Welcome Club. The leader, Janell Boustany, plans the three-times-a-week walks on a variety of trails among our treasured eucalyptus trees and sometimes around our scenic lake.

Book clubs are meeting regularly to share their reactions to their reading selections. Four separate groups meet monthly for discussions and a snack.

Crafters, led by Sheryn Scherer, are using their artistic talents to make special items for their enjoyment.

Each month, innovative ideas and experiences stimulate this group's creativity.

Bunco players are back rolling the dice after taking a covid hiatus. It's an evening event and they are bringing veteran and inexperienced players together for some fun in the easy to play game.

As the Christmas season nears, Welcome Club members are continuing support of Operation Holiday Joy. The women are contributing checks and gift cards to the San Diego Armed Forces YMCA's annual holiday fund. Young military families will have a merrier celebration with the help of this charity.

And coming on December 12, the annual Holiday Party and gift exchange will bring the club's year to a celebratory close.

Welcome Club invites those who would like to learn more about the group to check its website: scrippsranchwelcomeclub.com. Joining might be a perfect way to end the year with new friends and then begin to look forward to 2023 and new activities.

Enter the 2022 Photo Showcase

Do you have a colorful or exciting photo you took in Scripps Ranch this year? If so, show it off in the 2022 Scripps Ranch Photo Showcase. Submitted photos will be published in the December edition of Scripps Ranch News and posted on ScrippsRanchNews.com.

It's easy to enter: Email a photo you took in Scripps Ranch in the year 2022 to info@scrippsranchnews.com. Photos must be high-resolution, at least 300 dpi. Include the name and address of the photographer (address will not be published). Include the date and location the photo was taken.

Rules: All photos must have been taken in the 92131 Zip Code area of Scripps Ranch. No Photoshop or other alterations are allowed. Only amateur photographers are allowed to enter their photos; no professional photographers may enter. There is no charge to participate. Deadline to enter is Dec. 1, 2022.



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Arturo, Jackson, Darlene and Sawyer Fiero as Master Roshi, Krillin, Vegeta and Goku from Dragon Ball.

FUN HALLOWEEN COSTUMES

A wide range of creative and colorful costumes adorned festive trick-or-treaters as they roamed Scripps Ranch neighborhoods seeking goodies on Halloween night. Thanks go out to all Scripps Ranch News readers who sent in these colorful photos!



James Saucedo as Ryder (Dad), Talia Saucedo as Skye (Mom), Emmett Saucedo as Rocky (4 yrs), Miles Saucedo as Marshall (2.5 yrs)



Jacob, Stephanie, Natalie and William Hoffman



From left to right: Angie Couvrette, Heather Davis, Mindy Davis. "It's the Sanderson Sisters...oh no wait; it's just the Davis sisters!" (photo by Shau-nie Davis)



Shresht and Viraj (photo by Crave Imagery)



From left: Sawyer Buck, Riley Buck, Asher Berney, Ellie Izadi, Evan Berney, Jake Izadi



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Naomi (left), Juliana and pet Jasmine. (photo by Lisa Shadburn)

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HALLOWEEN SUNSET

Mother Nature provided a spectacular display of color as if to celebrate Halloween evening as residents of Scripps Ranch were treated to this awesome sunset on Oct. 31 just as local trick or treaters began to venture out seeking goodies. (photo by Lisa Shadburn)

SUSTAINABLE SCRIPPS RANCH

What happens to your trash?

By Beryl Flom

EDCO is a trash hauling and processing company with franchises in San Diego County.

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- Sorts and treats greens and compostables in an anaerobic building while producing captured methane and slush which is composted.

Recycling: Recyclables from the blue bins are dumped inside on the floor. A front loader puts it on a conveyor belt which winds through the building for sorting.

Thirty people pull out non-recyclables. A machine removes the glass and breaks it up. Magnets pull out cans. Aluminum cans are removed. Plastic is separated into different types by machine. Paper is sorted from cardboard and blown off the belt by a machine, and cardboard is removed.

Outdated cans of food are opened and shaken by a de-packager. Each is baled and hauled in semi-trucks to the end user.

Most of the paper, pulp and cardboard is shipped to Asian countries, but not much to China. However, more domestic markets are opening.

Trash is taken to Sycamore landfill.

EDCO has less than 22 percent contamination. They run the belt slower, so workers are more accurate in what they pull. They run two 10-hour shifts/day and handle 1.9 million pounds/24 hours. Issues occur if a machine is not working properly. Even an hour of repair can cause big problems. Little fires can start if lithium batteries interact with water, but there are heat sensors to catch fires quickly.

Since March 2021, the selling price of products has dropped significantly. Each city with an EDCO franchise is paid for recyclables

that are sold. Once a year, EDCO does a characterization study for each city, taking samples and figuring out what percentage of each type of materia is brought in. In general, 21 percent is cardboard, 21 percent trash (in the recycling bins), 30 percent mixed paper, 27+ percent plastic.

Composting: A shaker separates smaller greens from branches and bigger greens. The smaller ones are ground up and go into the anaerobic digester and the larger ones go to their composter in Ramona.

The anaerobic digester adds water and keeps the temperature at 131 degrees F. Large paddles move the digestate through the building over 27 days. They have two digesters and are building two more. The methane is collected and put into SDG&E's grid and used to fuel their trucks.

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SCHOOLS

Mustang Theatre actors prepare for 'Roshambo'

By Kaila Mellos

Marshall Middle School's Mustang Theatre is practicing for its new production running at the end of this month. Mustang Theatre will perform "Roshambo" Nov. 29 through Dec. 2.

The play revolves around a very sarcastic game of rock, paper, scissors that follows a couple of players trying to win a tournament with some complications.

"It's very sarcastic in the sense of how excited people get about the World Series or the Super Bowl," said Scott Sussman, new theatre director and teacher at Marshall Middle School. "But these are kids who are championship Roshambo players."

Leading roles are being played by students Alessandra Fritz and Sanika Gangal, who will portray Taylor, the top-ranked Roshambo player. Another character, played by students Madison Smidt and Noelle Cooper, will take on the role of Becca, Taylor's best friend and teammate.

With the play only a few days away, the students have been practicing and preparing for their roles. One of the



Mustang Theatre student actors have been rehearsing to perform "Roshambo," running Nov. 29-Dec. 2. (courtesy photo)

things Sussman has been working on with the students during this production is their projection and voices. That is one thing that he is excited to see the performers grow through their practices.

"Getting them to project their voices has been our main focus for this production," he said. "Some of them don't have much of a problem. But others just have quiet voices. I've been telling them this is the most important aspect of putting on a play or of acting in a play, because if the audience can't hear your lines, there's no show."

But Sussman is excited about finally seeing the final product of all the hard labor the theatre kids have put into this show.

"These kids are amazing, and getting to work with them is great. They just love getting up on stage and having fun and being goofy," Sussman said. "They know that their parents are gonna be there and their friends are gonna see it. They like to not just put on a play, not just the acting aspect of it, but they really enjoy the show and the showmanship as a culmination of their work. We're taking it scene by scene and line by line, and it culminates in a show with sound effects and costumes and then an audience. The kids love it."

Once this production wraps and the students return from winter break, they will be putting on their rendition of "Seussical Jr."

Sussman is enthusiastic

about being Marshall Middle School's new theatre director and comes from an English background as a children's book author.

He has been impressed so far with the talented student actors through the theatre program and cannot wait to keep putting on productions.

"They're really, really incredible kids," Sussman said. "They are really genuinely very mature and talented, and I feel blessed and honored to be working here."

MRE is among healthiest schools

Miramar Ranch Elementary School in Scripps Ranch was one of 18 schools in the San Diego Unified School District to have been awarded the distinction as America's Healthiest Schools for its dedication to supporting the health and well-being of students, staff and families.

"As a district, we are committed to supporting the health and wellness of our school communities," Superintendent Dr. Lamont Jackson said. "These awards are a testament to the great work our schools do in this area, ensuring students' needs are met so they can learn, grow and thrive."

Presented by Alliance for a Healthier Generation, America's Healthiest Schools is a prestigious, annual award for schools that have demonstrated remarkable efforts to prioritize the essential health needs of their school community.

This year, schools were recognized in nine categories, including: Strengthening Social-Emotional Health & Learning, Cultivating Staff Well-Being, and Increasing Family & Community Engagement.

All San Diego Unified schools meet district level criteria for the district's strengths in nutrition and food access, local wellness policy, and school health services. However, the 18 schools that received an award meet or exceed best practice standards in one or more topic areas related to the physical, mental, and social-emotional health of students, teachers and school staff.

The 18 San Diego Unified schools being recognized are among the 406 schools nationwide awarded this year. Healthier Generation's list of America's Healthiest Schools remains one of the country's longest-running, nationwide recognition programs honoring schools for achievements in supporting the whole health of students, teachers and staff.



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Falcon Playhouse president sets the stage

By Patricia Overton

Drama students from the Falcon Playhouse at Scripps Ranch High School (SRHS) will hit the stage for the grand production of the comedy “You Can’t Take it with You.”

“It’s about a very eccentric family that lives day by day,” said Falcon Playhouse President Mika’la Chiaco, a senior who plays the part of Penny, one of the leading roles. “They’re very unusual people compared to your usual Wall Street kind of guy, and one of the daughters – her name is Alice – who is the most normal out of all of them, [she] falls in love with a businessman. ... The whole story is about their love and making the two families meet and getting to know each other.”

The rehearsals and preparations are underway and the set design is coming together nicely with a two story apartment building design and balcony, she said.

Chiaco, who has been a very essential part of the Falcon Playhouse, is often known as the “mom” of the group. She credits her success to theater teacher and director Patrick Garcia.

“He is such an amazing person – the way he handles the theater and playhouse and also the way he has trained me. I’ve taken his acting classes and learned so much from him. He is such an important figure in my life,” Chiaco said.

She also mentioned her admiration for her older sister, Kalea, now a college student and a role model for Mika’la.

“I love her work drive. She is such a big role model to me and especially since we grew up together and seeing how she works,” Chiaco said. “I’ve been able to take habits from her and been able to make



Mika'la Chiaco, Falcon Playhouse president (courtesy photo)

myself more successful.”

Chiaco’s interest in theater began in the sixth grade when her mother signed her up for musical theater at Marshall Middle School. It was there where her love for the arts started to grow and where she joined the drama club that led her to eventually join the Falcon Playhouse as a freshman at SRHS.

Her first musical was “Grease” her freshman year. She was in the ensemble and did a lot of the piano work. She had so much fun that she continued performances into her sophomore year and she became improv captain. By junior year, she got on board as publicist, in charge of all social media for the playhouse. Her senior year, she was elected president of the Falcon Playhouse while still remaining improv captain, since improv happens to be one of her favorite things.

While she loves theater, Chiaco has another impressive passion: music and songwriting. Growing up around music, she learned how to sing, as well as play the guitar, ukulele and piano.

“Lin-Manuel Miranda is my songwriting inspiration because he writes amazing musicals and music in general,” Chiaco said while talking about musical role models. “He writes so much for Disney and Broadway, and I think it’s so cool how he was able to turn his passion into a career – and that’s some-

‘Because I love the arts, I want to minor in music production.’

—Mika’la Chiaco

thing I would like to emulate in the future.”

She described her plans following high school.

“I definitely want to continue theater on the side, but want to major in biopsychology and neuroscience,” she said. “Because I love the arts, I want to minor in music production, and I hope to stay in California for college. My dream college is UCLA.”

She added that she wants to have fun and live her life and just wants to go with the flow.

Chiaco described the benefits of being involved with the SRHS Falcon Playhouse for future talent and anyone interested in joining.

“We are definitely a very diverse and close-knit community, and everyone’s so nice and we are so welcoming to anybody who wants to join,” she said. “We are also very sophisticated in the way that we do and run our playhouse. It’s very similar to the professional level. We don’t cast based on grade level or you don’t get any position because you’re older; you get it because you work hard. ... Everyone works so hard to get everything that they deserve and I really love that about our playhouse. I love that everyone loves coming to see the shows and I think that’s very important.”

“You Can’t Take it with You” runs Nov. 17-19. Everyone in the community is welcome. Tickets are sold at falconplayhouse.com.

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Program empowers young women

By Ashley Shah

Girls on the Run, a national program that empowers young women, was brought to Miramar Ranch Elementary School (MRE) by resident Erin Patel.

The MRE team is part of the San Diego chapter of Girls on the Run.

"This program does not just center around running, but also aims to help girls that are at an age where they are becoming more aware of social pressures, peer pressure and more. We try to teach them how to deal with intense emotions, gossip and more," Patel said.

It is offered to students from grade levels three to six.

"At MRE, we have students from third to fifth grade. We have about six girls from fifth grade, and the rest are evenly split between third and fourth grade," Patel said.

Girls on the Run runs during the fall at MRE. Sign-ups began Aug. 1 and ended in September.

A team consists of a maximum of 20 girls per four coaches.

"This year was the first



Students in the Miramar Ranch Elementary School Girls on the Run team. (courtesy photo)

year that we had a waitlist for the team, which we've never had. It really showed me that more people are getting interested in this program, which was nice to see," Patel said.

Practices began in mid-September. Practices are held twice a week and run for about an hour and a half.

"During practice, the first half an hour, we discuss a topic, and learn how to deal with it. For example, last week we talked about gossip," Patel said. "Then, for the next hour and a half, we run, while also incorporating an activity about what we discussed. Last week, after each lap, I had them write on the board about why they think people gossip, and how

to counteract it. In the last part of practice, we discuss how the lesson that day relates to all that we have learned. We work on developing a toolkit for dealing with tough situations."

Practices continue until December when the 5-kilometer run that all of the teams in the San Diego chapter are invited to happens – as a celebration of the end of the program. The run happens at Mission Bay.

"The run is not a competition. It is just a way for everyone to support each other on completing the program," Patel said.

Not only do the teams do their end of season run, they are expected to do a community impact project.

"The community impact project is entirely run by the girls. They select something that they want to do to help the community. This year, the girls have decided to try to gather toys for the [Rady] Children's Hospital. They are doing a toy drive at the school as well as a bake sale to raise money to buy more toys," Patel said.

Patel has been running this program at MRE since fall of 2019.

"I had heard about this program from my friends on the East Coast who said this was a big deal at their schools. I wanted to bring that to Miramar Ranch, so I reached out to the San Diego chapter as well as the principal, and was able to get a team at Miramar Ranch," Patel said. "I wanted to bring this here because I always tell my girls that women are the future. I really believe this program brings out the strength in girls and helps them become leaders. This program really encourages women to look at each other as a support system, rather than competition."

To start a team, or stay informed about the program, visit gotrsd.org. For information on the MRE team, contact Erin Patel at erine-wayman@gmail.com.



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CHAMPS: Beach volleyball team

By Hector Trujillo

Scripps Ranch High School (SRHS) closed out an impressive playoff run and undefeated season by beating Torrey Pines High School 3-2 in the open division beach volleyball finals on Oct. 28.

What made the achievement even more improbable was the fact that the SRHS campus was officially approved for excavation for beach volleyball in August of this year with steps that included filling the courts with sand and putting in the volleyball equipment immediately after.

“The boys team was loaded with a lot of seniors,” said head coach Lance Taschner. “I ultimately think that leadership and years of camaraderie helped propel us to a championship.”

Scripps Ranch won its quarterfinal match against Carlsbad High 4-1 and followed up with a dramatic 3-2 victory over Cathedral Catholic High.

The final set in the semis was decided by a 16-14 score thanks to back to back aces by Liam Hunter, which earned the team a spot in the championship match.

“It was an amazing season headlined by the community rallying together to help fund the beach courts and get them built just in time to start the season,” Judy Taschner said. “It allowed the team and school to have a place to practice their beach craft on a daily basis. The beach courts have blossomed into an area the students can use on a year round basis; and as the boys season just finished, the girls can look forward to their season in the spring.”

Besides Hunter’s performance against Cathedral Catholic, the team got an inspirational effort from Aidan Daza who came up with key plays throughout the post-season.

The first team of Blake Taschner and Ethan Hornyak had to tangle with the best players from the opposing side throughout the season, winning numerous tough league matches to help Scripps Ranch finish undefeated.

The second team of Daniel Stankoulov and Ryan Rodil also came up big and never lost a match all season despite Rodil dealing with cramping in the finals, but pushing through on the way to victory.



Jake Northcote makes a dig for Scripps Ranch High during championship beach volleyball action. (photo by Jim Wick)

The third team of Brody Erickson and Jett Reyes consistently dominated its opponents in its respective slot, using a large reservoir of volleyball knowledge and outstanding athletic skills.

“It was an amazing season filled with a bunch of seniors who have paved the way for an abundance of underclassman who joined the program this season,” Judy Taschner said. “Scripps has a bright future in beach volleyball and some amazing courts to practice getting better.”



Ethan Hornyak serves the ball. (photo by Jim Wick)



SPORTS

Lori Erlenbach, a longtime Scripps Ranch resident and Fitness Quest 10 member, competes in the Masters 50+ Fitness Competition. (courtesy of Fitness Quest 10)

Seniors compete in fitness games

For the third year, Fitness Quest 10 in Scripps Ranch organized and hosted the only fitness competition in California that is associated with the San Diego and California Senior Games: the Masters 50+ Fitness Competition.

Ninety individuals registered for the competition.

The events included med ball slam, keg toss, broad jump, Concept 2 rower, kettlebell box squats, jump rope, barbell bench press, overhand straight arm hang, 300 yard shuffle run, and

prowler push.

The competition was held Sept. 25. The bulk of contestants were in their 50s and 60s, but the 70-74 bracket had eight and the 75-79 and 80-84 each had four. Of those, 76 individuals received at least one medal.

Jeff Bristol, Fitness Quest 10 owner and general manager, organizes the event in coordination with FQ10 members Stan and Trish Williams, who serve as co-commissioners between the gym and the California Senior Games, and also compete.

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CHAMPIONSHIPS

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pionship in boys, girls and overall team.

Then, the Marshall Mustangs girls basketball team won a championship in their division in the first week of November.

All students in grades six through eight were invited to tryout and practice for whichever of the two sports they wanted to participate in.

“We started in the spring with only soccer, and it went fantastic. It’s exciting to see our kids represent their school in athletics,” Way said. “As long as the district is going to fund it, we will have it.”

Sports clubs had previously existed at some individual schools but now middle school athletes across the district have access to qualified coaching plus a chance to represent their community in competition against other schools under official district-managed sports at middle schools.

“There’s so much that kids get out of athletics. The thing that I’m most excited about is that kids get to represent their school in their athletic endeavors,” Way said. “You don’t really get that in mid-



The Marshall Middle School track and field team won the SDUSD D1 Championship in boys, girls and overall team. (photo by coach Katrina Coffee)

dle school. That’s a big part of high school, but there’s not a lot of ways where students are able to represent their middle school on the weekends or after school. We have some math teams, we have some science teams, but this is a way for our students to show their pride in their school and that’s something that I’m really excited about.”

Middle school sports teams will continue playing at their neighborhood high school athletic facilities, which also permits these young students a chance to establish a connection and familiarity with their future schools. The district plans to offer additional sports for winter and spring, including flag football, volleyball and soccer.



Braylon Bishop congratulates a teammate. (courtesy photo)

BRAYLON BISHOP

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with his perseverance and determination.”

Braylon was a fast learner and quickly picked up all the fine details that such a demanding position like quarterback requires. Despite enduring other obstacles which included previously being part of a league that did not give him much playing time, this did not dissuade Braylon from persevering and continuing to compete.

“He was seen as an obstacle by some and did not get many opportunities to

prove himself on the field,” said mother Corrina Bessenbacher. “We knew we had to find a program that would give him a chance. Scripps Ranch Pop Warner was recommended to us, so we reached out to them.”

It was there that coach Harrison and SRPW President Krista Clausen welcomed Braylon and his family with open arms into the program.

Braylon’s stepfather, Michael Bethea, has also been instrumental in his development, assisting with pass and drop back techniques at home. This has already yielded results as Braylon threw the team’s first touchdown pass.

“In first year of tackle football we let players pick their preferred position and our coaching staff does its best to accommodate,” Harrison said. “Braylon told me he wanted to play quarterback and so we let him go after it. He has done an outstanding job.”

Harrison has coached youth football in the Scripps Ranch community for 15 years, including having served as Scripps Ranch High School’s varsity offensive coordinator during the team’s first ever undefeated regular season in school history.

“Sometimes Braylon gets knocked down, but he pops back up so fast and keeps playing,” said teammate Luke Harrison.

Among the things that coaches and teammates noticed is that Braylon has never set limits on himself even during drills and full speed practices.

“On gamedays, the opposing teams, fans, coaches and even referees are impressed with his hustle,” Harrison said.

Time will tell what heights Braylon can reach playing quarterback, but don’t be surprised if he leaves the same mark on football as Jim Abbott did on baseball.

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A new vision for SR lacrosse

By Hector Trujillo

Bo Francy, known as Coach Bo, is the president of the Scripps Ranch Lacrosse Association and owner of Evolve Fit Studio.

He coached with the Scripps Ranch Youth Lacrosse Program, working with aspiring young players for the last four seasons. Prior to coaching in Scripps Ranch, he played lacrosse for nearly three decades at the high school and adult levels.

“The first and biggest change we’re going to implement this year is a Junior Falcons Program,” Francy said. “The program was created to introduce TK and kindergarten players, both male and female, to the fastest game on two feet.”

He stated his intention to create a foundation, since in the last three to four seasons, the youth lacrosse program has been top-loaded with seventh and eighth grade players, while interest at the younger grade levels has been limited.

Francy hopes to change the culture of lacrosse in the community. San Diego is largely a football, baseball and soccer town, with the last two being predominantly spring sports – and lacrosse has to compete with these.

“We wanted to put ourselves out there and offer an additional sport for youth players and individuals who are interested in playing something other than baseball and soccer,” Francy said.

Many youths are dual-sports athletes, which is beneficial. However, lacrosse is a secondary sport for many during spring, making it challenging to practice, field a team and be successful.

To increase the sport’s visibility, professional lacrosse team the San Diego Seals and Scripps Ranch Lacrosse will host Youth Lacrosse Night at the Scripps Ranch Farmers Market on Nov. 17. Youth players, high school players and staff will be available to answer questions. Additionally, during the San Diego Seals home opener on Dec. 9, the Scripps Ranch fifth-sixth-grade youth lacrosse team will play the San Marcos fifth-sixth-grade team during halftime.

The youth program will also offer about half a dozen “welcome to lacrosse” events between November 2022 and January 2023.

Francy also owns San Diego Lacrosse Academy and



Bo Francy (photo by Brett DeLong)

will have a full plate as he takes over the Scripps Ranch High School (SRHS) boys lacrosse program from head coach Anderson Caldwell.

“Coach Anderson built a fantastic program ... I aim to continue building on top of what he did and instill the same culture we are developing at the youth level,” Francy said.

The goal for the high school remains the same, however, which is to win CIF-San Diego and eventually take the team out of state to start having it compete against higher level competition.



THE PITCH IS ON ITS WAY: Naomi Shadburn delivers a pitch during Scripps Ranch Softball Association 10u fall ball action. The regular fall ball season ended with double headers on Oct. 30. (photo by Lisa Shadburn)



PLAYOFF VICTORY: SRHS senior Cassidy Lacey takes a shot on goal during a CIF Open Division 3-2 victory over Bishop’s on Nov. 8. SRHS faced Torrey Pines in a semi-final game Nov. 10 at press time. (photo by Jim Wick)

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Elves perform during the Jungle Bells celebration at the San Diego Zoo. (photo courtesy of San Diego Zoo)

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Join in Reindeer Games and trek through Northern Frontier's Holiday Forest, or visit Santa or his friendly helpers, Zoo characters Dr. Harry Lion, Churchill Polar Bear, Sydney Koala and all their friends.

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Jungle Bells is scheduled Dec. 9-Jan. 1, with the exception of Dec. 24 (when no Jungle Bells activities are scheduled). Visit sandiegozoo.org/junglebells.



Colorful banners are unfurled as the Scripps Ranch High School Falcon Corps and Color Guard performs in competition. (photo by John Gregory)

SRHS marching band captures many awards

The Scripps Ranch High School (SRHS) Falcon Corps and Color Guard gained more awards as it heads into regional competition in November.

The team captured first place in Division 4A in overall, percussion and auxiliary; first place in tournament in music; and was first place overall winner of the entire tournament at the Spirit of Champions Marching Band Tournament in Temecula on Nov. 5.

SRHS hosted the Falcon Invitational on Oct. 29, winning first place in their division; first place in auxiliary (visual) for their division; first place of the entire tournament in high visual; and was first place winner of the entire tournament.

The team won first place in the 4A Division; first in high auxiliary and first in high percussion at the Valhalla Field Tournament on Oct 15.

The team ranked second in 4A in the state last week, and was headed to the Southern California Division 4 Championships in Irvine on Nov. 12 at press time.



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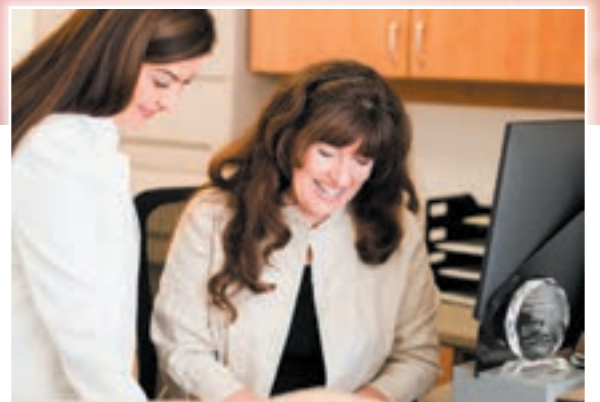
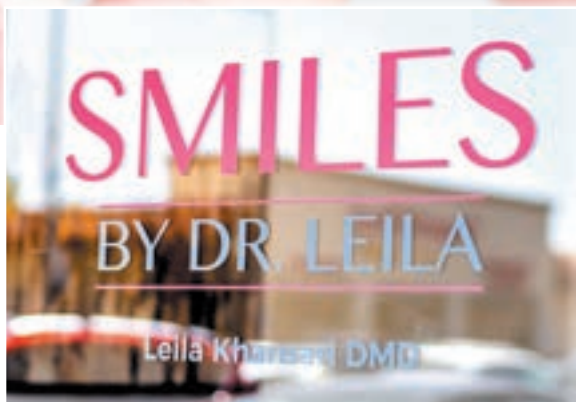


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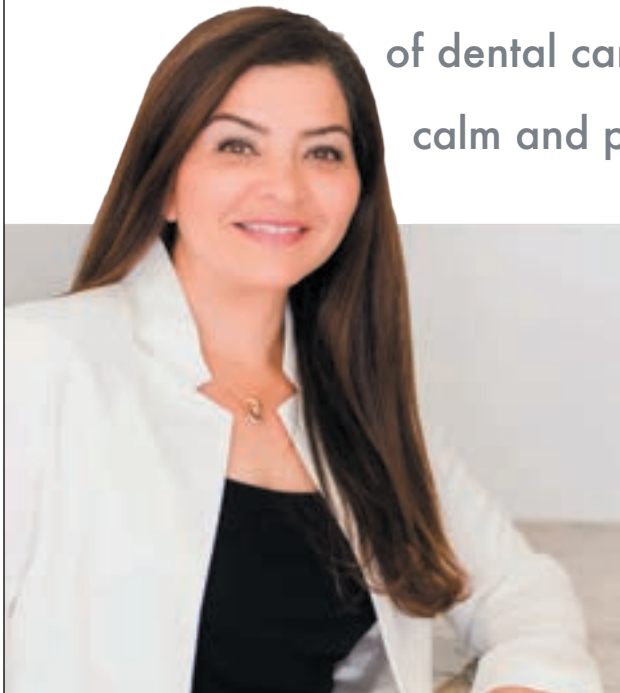


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NOVEMBER 17



Steve Smith performs "Ripples from Walden Pond."

Lit Alive

Write Out Loud presents Lit Alive, two one-person productions, running in repertory: "The Yellow Wallpaper" by Charlotte Perkins Gilman featuring Rachael VanWormer, and "Ripples from Walden Pond" by Richard Platt featuring Steve Smith. "The Yellow Wallpaper" is part autobiography – part gothic horror. "Ripples from Walden Pond" is an evening with Henry David Thoreau. LitAlive is running at the 10th Avenue Arts Center from Nov. 17-Dec. 10. \$30 tickets available online at writeoutloudsd.com/lit-alive/ or call (619) 297-8953

NOVEMBER 18



(courtesy of SD Botanic Gardens)

Lightscape

Lightscape will transform the 37-acre San Diego Botanic Garden from Nov. 18 through Jan. 1. The after-dark, illuminated trail will span one mile and feature spectacular sights with eye-catching artistic installations that come alive



(photo by Rich Soublet II)

'How the Grinch Stole Christmas!'

The Globe presents "Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas! 2022," running through Dec. 31 in the Old Globe Theatre. "Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas!" is a whimsical musical based upon the classic Dr. Seuss book. Celebrate the holidays as the Old Globe Theatre is transformed into the snow-covered Who-ville. Tickets: (619) 234-5623.

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at night. Tickets available online, with entry times available every 15 minutes. sdbg.org/lightscape.

NOVEMBER 20



Misha Dichter

Poway Symphony Orchestra

The Poway Symphony Orchestra Fall 2022 Concert features two concertos by renowned pianist Misha Dichter, Nov. 20, 4 p.m. in the Poway Center for Performing Arts, 15498 Espola Road. Tickets: (858) 748-0505 or powaycenter.com.

DECEMBER 5



Dr. Richard Lederer

Fun with Grammar

Dr. Richard Lederer, award winning columnist and author, will present a benefit performance of his one-man

show for Scripps Ranch Theatre, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 5, 9783 Avenue of Nations on the campus of Alliant International University. This benefit performance will support Scripps Ranch Theatre. All ticket sales and auction items (*Lederer on Language* or *Poker 101*) will go to SRT. Tickets are \$20. scrippsranchntheatre.thundertix.com/events/205128.

DECEMBER 9, 10

Christmas in the Park

Visit Old Poway Park for an old-fashioned holiday tradition that will take you back in time with caroling, live music, a visit with Santa, free children's crafts and model train displays. Purchase tasty holiday treats, finish your Christmas shopping at the craft boutique, or board the Poway Midland Railroad. Dec. 9, 5:30-8:30 p.m. and Dec. 10, 3:30-8:30 p.m. 14134 Midland Road

DECEMBER 10

Mission Bay Boat Parade

The Mission Bay Christmas Boat Parade of Lights, a distinctly California event features boats decorated for the holidays that will sail around Mission Bay. A highly anticipated event in the San Diego community, dozens of vessels take to the water for the parade. The boat parade begins at 6 p.m. from Quivira Basin. Best viewing is from Crown Point, the east side of Vacation Island or the west side of Fiesta Island.

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