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WAVES OF LEARNING

AT WALTER MUNK DAY

Ari Abelsohn, 5, tries out his surfing skills on the inflatable wave attraction during Walter Munk Day at La Jolla Shores' Kellogg Park on Oct. 4. The annual event honors Munk's 80-year legacy of scientific research, education, and ocean conservation; and also showcases Kumeyaay Heritage and Culture.

(Photo by Don Balch/Special to La Jolla Village News)

Photographer Thomas Mangelsen remembers friend Jane Goodall

By DAVE SCHWAB | La Jolla Village News

A JOLLA – Thomas D. Mangelsen will always remember world-famous primatologist Jane Goodall as a kindred spirit.

“There will never be another Jane Goodall,” said the 79-year-old wildlife photographer and conservationist, who lives near Yellowstone National Park and whose work is showcased locally at Images of Nature Gallery in La Jolla.

“All of us who were close to her are committed to ensuring her legacy doesn’t fade away. She was an incredible human being

Thomas Mangelsen and Jane Goodall share a toast and a picnic by the banks of a river.

(Photo courtesy of Thomas D. Mangelsen)

Earth and protecting wildlife.”

The wildlife photographer and conservationist stated that his friend's legacy encompasses numerous humanitarian endeavors.

“She was a lot of things,” said Mangelsen. “Obviously, she was an incredible scientist with her long-running study of chimps. As an anthropologist and animal behaviorist, she was so passionate – and compassionate – about all wildlife.”

Mangelsen said Goodall had respect for the sanctity of all wildlife. “There were flies on my window and she put a cup over them,

and worked so hard for everyone else. We need to carry on her legacy of helping the

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The Social Diary – Friends of Coast Walk Trail & Alison Brown Quintet. . .what a night!

By MARGO SCHWAB
Special to La Jolla Village News

LA JOLLA – It was one of those spectacular La Jolla nights that exploded with fun energy for a purpose. The evening was titled Cocktails on OFF Coast Walk with a venue at Wisteria Cottage, and it was on the calendar for many prominent La Jollans to support the revamped coastal trail. One who had to miss but was there in spirit was Diane Szekely. Szekely sponsored a new bench in honor of her late husband Alex, the coastal trail was part of their first date. Romance!

The night featured Turtle Rock Ridge Wines, sponsor Orli Hotel, Café Athena's fabulous taverna cuisine, and Deering Banjos. Why banjos? Well, the featured artist was banjo phenom Alison Brown and her Quintet. Brown is truly a treasure, a multi-Grammy winner. She now has quite the following in La Jolla!

Every detail was thought of including having members of the Bishop's Trail Squad and La Jolla Boy Scout Troop 4 escort guests to their cars at night's end.

The benefit is the result of tireless community members like Brenda Fake and Sherry Ahern. Fake had this to say: "Cocktails on OFF Coast Walk was an example of how La Jolla Coastal Conservancy hopes to bring our community together to continue restoring and protecting the places we love for generations to come."



Special guests, SDPD's Lt. David 'Bryan' Brecht, Lt. Jo Makwana, Capt. Tammy Clendenen and Sgt. Ricky Escalante.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
Special to La Jolla Village News)



Maggie Chambers with Nancy Borrelli and Madeleine Pavel.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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La Jolla Boy Scout Troop 4 volunteers.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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James Richardson and Jamie Colby with Sue Subkow and Jonathan Colby with Gracie.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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San Diego Native American Elders Kilma Latin - Pala Council, Johnny Bear Contreras - San Pasqual Council, Dr. Stanley Rodriquez of the Santa Isabel Council.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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Founder of The Other Side Productions and Street Scene, Rob Hagey, with Scorpion Bay Hotel's Fred Borrelli.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
Special to La Jolla Village News)



Former MCASD director Hugh Davies and Jonathan Colby with Gracie.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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Musician Garry West and his wife Alison Brown with Rob Hagey.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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Elaine Robbs and Kelly Hooker with Fred Borrelli.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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Sue Subkow of Love on a Leash therapy dogs with former Fox News anchor and correspondent Jamie Colby and her brother Jonathan Colby, retired judge with his famous therapy dog Gracie.

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Jody McLeod of legendary Jody's Muffin, Brian Malk and Edie Munk, yes the daughter of oceanographer Walter Munk, and a conservationist in her own right.

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Art & Wine Festival and La Jolla Open Aire Market founder/super supporter of the coastal trail Sherry Ahern and coastal patron Nancy Borrelli.

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Nancy Borrelli with Elaine Robbs, Kelly Hooker and Fred Borrelli.

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Brenda Fake, founding member of Friends of Coast Walk Trail.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
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Keep It Saucy! – Spooktacular Halloween cuisine!

By MARGO SCHWAB |
Special to La Jolla Village News

LA JOLLA – I love Halloween, it's a great time of year to get cuisine creative. Here are some frightfully easy recipes to make, if I may cryptically say!

Creature fingers in blood red sauce!

15 minutes

Ingredients: Whole Foods/ Costco or garden olive oil, tomatoes, cooked beets, asparagus, kalamata or your choice olives.

Tools needed: Blender, large



Creature fingers in blood red sauce.

(Photo by Margo Schwab/
Special to La Jolla Village News)

spoon, plate, colander, sharp knife.

Prep and serve: For two people, blend 3 beets, 1 cup tomatoes, 4

T. olive oil, pour onto 2 plates, rinse asparagus, break off asparagus tips with 3 inches of stem, place on sauce, tips out, make olive slices and place as "fingernails." Enjoy!

Spider web pumpkin soup!

25 minutes

Ingredients: Whole Foods/ Costco or garden monk fruit, cooked pumpkin, nutmeg, chicken stock, garlic, cayenne pepper, and organic thick yogurt.

Tools needed: Cooking pan, large spoon, 2 large soup bowls, chopstick or the like, plastic

sandwich bag, scissors, spoon.

Prep and serve: For two, cook 1 cup of pumpkin, ¾ cup of chicken stock in a pan, 3 cloves of crushed garlic, 4 shakes of Cayenne pepper, simmer 10 minutes, stir in 3 T of monk fruit, and pour into 2 large soup bowls, put approx. ½ cup yogurt into a sandwich bag, squeeze to the bottom corner, cut a tip, in each bowl, squeeze a dollar coin amount of yogurt, add a spiral to the bowl edge, draw 6-8 yogurt lines with a chopstick, spaced evenly, from the center to the bowl edge, voila, your spider web. Enjoy!



Spider web pumpkin soup.

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and then a piece of paper under them, then took them away and opened the door and let them go,” he recalled.

“From the smallest to the largest – she loved animals.”

Perhaps surprisingly, Goodall’s favorite animal was not the chimpanzee. “Dogs were her favorite animal, not chimps,” Mangelsen said. “That truly was the animal she loved the most.”

Goodall had a dog named Rusty. In honor of her, Mangelsen wanted to name his dog Rusty, too. “She told me I could name him Rusty

II,” he said.

Mangelsen, who’s photographed lions, tigers, bears, and other species in their natural habitats on all seven continents, confessed that he was in awe of Goodall when they first met at a book signing in Boulder, Colo., in 1987.

“She was there to receive a lifetime award and was getting that with David Crosby, Graham Nash, and songwriter Randy Newman,” he said, adding he was invited to meet her for the first time after that event. He said she came to Jackson, Wyoming, where he has a nature photography studio, a couple of years later.

He said he jumped at the opportunity to connect with her again. “She was such a huge personality and I was such a huge fan,” he recalled.

Mangelsen took Goodall on a personal tour of Yellowstone after being told by her that she didn’t like crowds or vans. He asked her what she wanted to see. “She said, ‘I want to see all of it,’ then added, ‘Just as long as you get me back for my flight tomorrow at 9:30 a.m., we’re good to go.’”

Mangelsen noted Goodall was appreciative of their private tour of the world’s first national park, given that “she didn’t have much time to be in the wild anymore as she was always lecturing, traveling over 300 days a year.”

Pointing out that Goodall was “incredibly personable and open,” Mangelsen noted they’d go out on picnics. “She was a vegetarian,” he recalled, adding he’d pack a

lunch for them consisting of a loaf of French bread, some carrots, celery, and avocado with some dip.

He added they would enjoy their repast while they talked for hours, “opening up about her early life and going to Gombe and working with Louis Leakey, who hired her to study chimps.”

Goodall told Mangelsen that Leakey was interested in her in part because “he wanted scientists and researchers who had no preconceived notions of chimpanzees.”

It was therefore prescient, added Mangelsen, that Goodall went on to find that chimps actually made tools (using grass strips to capture and eat termites), which caused the definition of human to be redefined to include them – “because humans are the only other animals to make tools, and because the genetic makeup of chimps is 2% or less different than humans.”

Carrying on the mission he shared with Goodall of protecting and preserving wildlife worldwide, Mangelsen himself is engaged in a battle with the present administration.

From 2017–2021, the Trump administration pushed several actions allowing and expanding the hunting of bears, wolves, and mountain lions by rolling back protections and transferring management authority to states.

These changes drew strong criticism from wildlife advocates like Mangelsen, who characterizes the

JANE GOODALL

Dame Valerie Jane Morris Goodall was an English primatologist and anthropologist regarded as a pioneer in primate ethology who died at age 91 on Oct. 1. She was best known for six-plus decades of field research on the social and family life of wild chimpanzees at Gombe Stream National Park in Tanzania. Beginning in 1960, mentored by palaeontologist Louis Leakey, Goodall’s work challenged prevailing scientific views by showing that chimpanzees make and use tools, hunt co-operatively, and display complex emotions and social structures once thought unique to humans. In the 1960s, Goodall published several accounts of her research in Tanzania, including a series of articles in National Geographic. Her first book-length study, “In the Shadow of Man” (1971), was later translated into 48 languages. In 1977, she co-founded the Jane Goodall Institute, a global nonprofit wildlife and environment conservation organization headquartered in Washington, D.C., to promote wildlife conservation. Throughout her career, Goodall wrote 32 books, 15 for children, and was the subject of over 40 films. She remained an active lecturer, traveling extensively to promote conservation and climate action.

practices as cruel and inhumane.

Mangelsen was especially fond of one grizzly bear he followed for years in Yellowstone, dubbed 399, her research number.

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La Jolla's Top Picks of 2024

Introducing the 2024 Readers Choice Award winners for Best of Retail and Services! This year's list is a delightful blend of long-standing businesses with loyal followings and new ventures that are thriving despite economic challenges. Our readers took the time to discover La Jolla's finest, casting their votes to create this esteemed list. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated!

From health clinics to bookstores, CPAs, banks, physicians, markets, hotels, and countless other categories, here's your ultimate guide to La Jolla's top retail and service stars, as chosen by you and your neighbors.

Are you on the hunt for a unique gift? Discover where our readers have found those perfect, one-of-a-kind items. Planning some home improvements? See who our community voted as the best. Facing

unexpected computer troubles? Find out who's known for providing speedy, reliable repairs in the Village.

When you spot a venue proudly displaying its Readers Choice Award, take a moment to stop in and express your appreciation to the manager. Your votes chose the winners, and they're working diligently to maintain their recognition and make La Jolla a shining example of community business ownership.

Now that you've spoken through your votes, we'd like to extend our gratitude to the entire business community for its tireless service in making La Jolla all it can be. Every venue in the neighborhood, whether a winner or not, deserves an honorable mention for their contribution to our vibrant community.

— La Jolla Village News Team

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Readers Choice Retail Award Winners:

RETAIL/SHOPPING

Antiques
Art Gallery
Art Gallery (Photography)
Auto Sales
Best Place To Buy Jeans
Bed,Bath & Linen
Bike Shop
Bike Shop (Electric)
Boutique
Book Store
Children's Apparel
Cell Phone Store
Coins & Precious Metals
Convenience Store
Discount Store
Electric Rideables
Eyewear
Fashion Accessories
Floor Covering
Furniture Store
Gift Store
Grocery Store (Specialty)
Gourmet Meat Butcher Shop
Grocery Store
Hardware Store
Health Food/Nutrition Store
Hotel
Jewelry Store
Liquor Store
Men's Apparel
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Resale Shop
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Swimsuits
Tourist Attraction
Womens Apparel

SERVICES

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Architect
Attorney
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Auto Repair (import)
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Cleaning
Computer Repair
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Stylist
Tanning Salon
Tattoo Parlor
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Yoga
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GOLD

Ark Antiques
Contemporary Fine Arts/Cosmopolitan Fine Arts
Ian Ely Gallery
O'Gara Coach
State & Liberty
Naturepedic
UC Cyclery
Pedego /La Jolla Ebike & Skate
Sigi's boutique
Warwick's
Little Love
Verizon
H.S. Perlin
Keg N Bottle
Goodwill
Pedego Electric Bikes
Be Seen Optics/Optical Artisans
Sigi's Boutique
Nativa
Nativa
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Pacific Pearl
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Connie Youngblood -Equanimity
Perfect 10
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Platform Lagree Fitness/SOULutions Pilates
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Gilda Hargis
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Prospect Ink
Urgent Care of La Jolla
Prana Yoga Center
Sarapy Clinic
Koi Wellbeing/Life Time La Jolla

SILVER

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Museum of Contemporary Art/K. Nathan Gallery
Mangelsen/Modernist Cuisine Gallery
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California Bicycles
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Aviator Nation
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Neighbor -Saver Market
CVS
La Jolla Ebike & Skate
Gordon Wong Eye Designs/Eye Structure

Aja Rugs
Rove Concepts
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Pavillions
Valley Farm Market

Trader Joe's
Inn by the Sea/Cormorant Boutique Hotel
Diamonds on the Rock
Bev Mo
State & Liberty
Zeglio Custom Clothiers/Bendl's
Meanley & Son Hardware
Decker's Dog + Cat
Boulevard La Jolla
Charleston Shoe Co.
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BRONZE

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Peter Lik
Grand Prix Classics

Avocado

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Eyecare at the Cove Optometry

Cabochon
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The Cave Store
Small Goods

Sprouts
Empress Hotel
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Dick's Liquor
Ralph Lauren
Bendl's

2nd Act

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Mitch's Surf Shop

Francesca's

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B Lash Studio
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Marque Urgent Care
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La Jolla Nutritional Health
Hormones & Wellness

Gold Winner Listings:

Best Antiques Ark Antiques

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Best Art Gallery (tie) Cosmopolitan Fine Arts

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Best Art/Photography Gallery

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stores.naturepedic.com/ca/lajolla/girard-ave.html

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7462 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla
858-454-0316 | calbike.com

Best Electric Bike Shop (tie)

PEDEGO Electric Bikes

(see under Best Ridebles)

La Jolla EBike & Skate

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les and local artisans, the boutique also gives back through charity art events—donating a portion of sales to schools, hospitals, shelters, and women’s organizations. Owner Lisa welcomes private fundraisers, trunk shows, and home events.

8657 Villa La Jolla Dr, 221, La Jolla
858-352-6398 | beboutiquesd.com

Best Bookstore
Warwick’s

A La Jolla favorite for generations, Warwick’s is known for its exceptional selection of books, gifts, and fine stationery. Locals love the warm, personal service and the store’s lively calendar of author events and signings. Whether you’re browsing best-sellers or finding the perfect gift, Warwick’s offers something special for every reader and occasion.

7812 Girard Ave, La Jolla
858-454-0347 | warwicks.com

Best Children’s Apparel
Little Love

Little love is a treasure chest full of gently used designer children’s clothing at excellent prices. The idea for the store was born out of the owner, Lindsey Fisher’s, quest for finding good quality, affordable, and gently used designer items for her son Cooper. It became clear that San Diego needed a designer children’s consignment boutique, and with a little love, she’s done just that.

1110 Torrey Pines Rd. Ste. M, La Jolla
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Best Convenience Store (tie)
Keg N Bottle La Jolla

The deli sandwiches menu is vast at Keg N Bottle and sandwiches are made to order with the freshest ingredients at really good prices! What’s not to love about this great neighborhood market! Headed to the beach? They have everything you need to fill your picnic basket. And don’t forget—the wine, beer and liquor selections are fabulous too.

1030 Torrey Pines Rd, La Jolla
858-459-1124

CVS
 CVS in La Jolla offers a wide range of pharmacy services, health and wellness products, beauty items, and everyday essentials. With a convenient location and friendly staff, CVS is your go-to spot for prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, and various household needs.

8831 Villa La Jolla Drive, La Jolla
858-455-6347

Best Discount Store
La Jolla Goodwill
 Yes, La Jolla has its own Goodwill—and locals love it! This 1,600-square-foot boutique-style store turns donated treasures into opportunities, supporting job training and employment programs for people with disabilities and other barriers to work. Shoppers enjoy the thrill of discovery, where luxury finds like Prada and Gucci often share the racks with everyday favorites.

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5702 La Jolla Blvd, 101, La Jolla
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info@pedegolajolla.com

Best Eyewear (tie)

Be Seen Optics

Locally owned and dedicated to style, Be Seen Optics is La Jolla's destination for luxury eyewear. Their curated collection features designer frames from around the world, blending fashion, function, and individuality. With expert fittings and a team that knows the latest trends, you're sure to find the perfect pair to match your personal style.

5702 La Jolla Blvd. Ste 102, La Jolla
beseenoptics.com | 858-291-8211

Optical Artisans

Formerly Richard R. Trainer, OD, Optical Artisans is La Jolla's oldest optical practice—now proudly owned by Suzanne Terán, who has served the community for more than 25 years. Carrying forward a legacy of personal care and expertise, the boutique offers a wide selection of designer frames and styles, quality lenses, and exceptional service—all from the same trusted Village location.

930 Silverado St, La Jolla
opticalartisans.com | 858-454-0191

Best Fashion Accessories

Sigi's Boutique

Women seeking high-end European designer fashions and accessories will love Sigi's Boutique. This elegant shop offers a curated selection of fine cashmere from Scotland, stylish classics from Italy and France, and sophisticated sportswear from renowned brand Herno. Whether you're looking for luxurious sweaters, chic dresses, or elegant outerwear, Sigi's Boutique has something to suit every taste. The boutique's commitment to quality and style ensures that each piece is timeless and impeccably crafted. It's the perfect destination for those who appreciate exquisite European fashion and desire to add a touch of luxury to their wardrobe.

7888 Girard Ave, La Jolla
858-454-7244 | sigislajolla.com

Best Floor Covering (tie)

Nativa Interiors

Did you know that Nativa furniture collections are crafted in-house using premium materials. From exotic wood species from South America to soft leathers from Italy or rare marble from Turkey, the list of unique components available to you are close to endless. To ensure that these materials are treated with the respect they deserve, they process them using old-world techniques in their own factories. Thanks to the close attention to detail they can personally guarantee that the pieces you take home will last you a lifetime.

7770 Girard Ave, La Jolla
nativafurniture.com | 858-454-1874

Cabochon Surfaces & Fixtures

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cabochontile.com | 858-454-3126

Best Furniture Store

Nativa

(see listing under Best Floor Covering)

Best Gift Shop

Warwick's

(see listing under Best Bookstore)

Best Gourmet Meat (tie)

Pavillions

(see listing under Best Grocery Store)

Valley Farm Market

(see listing under Best Specialty Grocery)

Best Grocery Store

Pavillions

Pavillions in La Jolla offers a premium grocery experience with a wide selection of fresh produce, gourmet foods, and everyday essentials. Known for quality products and

friendly service, the store features an extensive deli, bakery, and prepared foods section, plus a variety of organic and health-conscious options to fit every lifestyle. Visit Pavillions for all your grocery needs and enjoy a top-notch shopping experience.

8657 Villa La Jolla Dr, La Jolla
pavillions.com | 858-597-1550

Best Grocery Store (Specialty)

Valley Farm Market

At Valley Farm Market, you can expect the highest-quality USDA meats, the freshest produce, and one of the largest selections of craft beers. To stay up-to-date on all the latest happenings, the best way is to join their mailing list. Whether you have been a loyal customer for years or are discovering them for the first time, you will quickly see why they've become a Readers Choice favorite. Their commitment to quality and customer satisfaction makes them a stand-out destination for all your grocery needs.

6902 La Jolla Blvd, La Jolla
valleyfarmmarkets.com
858-999-0358

Best Hardware Store

Meanley & Son Hardware

Meanley & Son has been a staple of the La Jolla community for more than six decades, with roots tracing back to 1948, when Nackey Scripps Meanley, husband Tom and son William established the store. With gourmet cookware, paint, portable appliances, giftware, light bulbs, tools, electrical and plumbing fittings, cleaning and gardening supplies and all the widgets, fasteners, glues, and whatchamacallits you can imagine. Meanley and Son joined the Ace Hardware co-op in 1997, which enables them to keep prices low while still offering hometown service.

7756 Girard Ave, La Jolla
858-454-6101 | meanleys.com

Best Heath Food/Nutrition

Whole Foods

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Best Hotel (tie)
La Valencia

Coined "The Pink Lady," La Valencia Hotel has Old World charm and a new outlook, big picture windows and attention to the smallest detail. More than a La Jolla hotel, it's an icon, having hosted celebrities, celebrations, reunions and romantic getaways since 1926. Just steps from miles of stunning coastline, world-class museums, shopping and galleries, it's the perfect blend of location and recreation. The beachfront hotel's Mediterranean influenced architecture and décor, evoke colossal charm and is one-of-a-kind.

1132 Prospect St, La Jolla
lavalencia.com | 858-454-0771

The Grande Colonial Hotel

Since opening in 1913, the Grande Colonial

has remained the finest boutique hotel in La Jolla for one simple reason: their unwavering commitment to delivering an unparalleled experience to their guests. This means no request is too small, too large, or too difficult to grant. From the moment you arrive, you'll experience exceptional service and luxurious accommodations. Whether you're visiting for business or leisure, the Grande Colonial ensures your stay is memorable and delightful.

910 Prospect St, La Jolla
thegrandecolonial.com | 858-454-2181

Best Jewelry Store

Bowers Jewelers

Since 1945, Bowers is La Jolla's oldest family-operated jewelry store. In all that time, the staff has picked up expertly on its customers' tastes – that's why it finds itself filling a variety of custom orders and also stocking silver, crystal, porcelain and items such as cigarette lighters, candlesticks, platters and flatware. You'll find something every time for that hard-to-buy-for person in your life! Stop in and

see why are voted Best Jewelry Store.

7860 Girard Ave, La Jolla
bowersjewelersoflajolla.com
858-459-3678

David & Sons

David & Sons Fine Jewelers has been a family-owned and operated business since 1980. They offer one of the largest selection of certified loose diamonds in the San Diego area. Fancy and ideal cut diamonds are the venue's specialty. Its business has been built on satisfied repeat customers — and unlike many of its competitors, David & Sons offers free lifetime maintenance on merchandise.

**4485 La Jolla Village Dr, U. C.
davidandsonsjewelers.com
858-457-7664**

Best Liquor Store Keg N Bottle

(see listing under best Convenient Store)

Best Men's Apparel

Ascot Shop

Established in 1950, the Ascot Shop is a

high-end men's clothing boutique that has been offering brand-name apparel in both classic and modern styles. Located at the same charming spot with its iconic double Dutch front doors, the Ascot Shop has grown from a traditional men's haberdashery into a beloved local institution. With a commitment to quality and style, this boutique continues to cater to discerning customers seeking the best in men's fashion.

7750 Girard Ave, La Jolla
ascotshop.com | 858-454-4222

Best Men's Apparel (Formal)

Ascot Shop

(see listing under best Men's Apparel)

Best Painting Supplies Sherwin Williams

Founded in 1866, Sherwin Williams has spent the last 155 years creating a legacy of growth, creativity, and innovation to meet clients needs. It has become a household name and leader in the paint industry. Be sure to stop by its newest location in La Jolla. You'll enjoy the personable and help-

ful staff who look forward to partnering with you on your next painting project.

7477 Girard Ave, La Jolla
858-729-1801 | sherwin-williams.com

Best Pet Store

Bella Woof

Bella Woof is a woman-owned, full-service professional dog & cat boutique that provides first-class grooming services, premium pet products, and top-notch training and behavior modifications for your best furry friends. We've been serving the San Diego area since 1998. At Bella Woof, we believe that dogs play an important part in people's lives and we want to help foster that relationship! We're not just experienced trainers and groomers; we're also animal welfare advocates and educators who are here to provide the best care and products for your pets. Bella Woof is also a proud partner of the San Diego Humane Society.

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Best Place to Buy Jeans
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selections. A fully stocked bar adds a relaxed vibe to the luxury shopping experience.
7857 Girard Ave, La Jolla
stateandliberty.com | 619-867-2617

Best Resale Shop
La Jolla Goodwill

(see listing under Best Discount Store)

Best Shoe Store
Rangoni Firenze Shoes

Rangoni Firenze Shoes offers a unique

European vibe, specializing in handcrafted shoes from Florence, Italy, made in their own Amalfi Factory. This charming store also features a fine selection of leather handbags by Barbara Milano and Merci Marie, both crafted in Milan, Italy. With a focus on quality and craftsmanship, Rangoni Firenze Shoes provides customers with exquisite Italian footwear and accessories, ensuring a stylish and sophisticated shopping experience.

7870 Girard Ave, La Jolla
rangonistore.com | 858-459-4469

Best Sporting Goods
La Jolla Swim & Sport

(see listing under Best Swim Shop)

Best Sunglasses (tie)
Eyestructure

Eyestructure prides itself as being the ultimate luxury optical dispensary. The extensive inventory stems from all over the globe to offer customers a diverse choice of frame styles. Eyestructure stays current on all the eyewear trends, and is confident to state that the staff can find a frame that matches your style. Glasses are a custom accessory which expresses your personality. The knowledgeable and highly experienced staff maximizes the customization of the perfect pair of glasses. Customers are fitted into free-form progressive lenses by Zeiss. Your eyewear needs do not get more personalized than Eyestructure.

1232 Prospect St, La Jolla
eyestructure.net | 858-551-7959

Optical Artisans

(See under Best Eyewear)

930 Silverado St, La Jolla
opticalartisans.com | 858-454-0191

Best Surf Shop
Mitch's Surf Shop

Established in 1967 near Windansea Beach, Mitch's Surf Shop is the ultimate destination for local surfers and skateboarders. With a vast inventory of ready-to-go surfboards, blanks, handmade custom fins, and other essential accessories, Mitch's has everything you need to build your own board. The shop is also popular with the skate crowd, offering a wide selection of skateboards from brands like Arbor, Sector 9, and Skatedesigns. Mitch's continues to be a cornerstone of the local surf and skate community.

631 Pearl St, La Jolla
mitchssurfshop.com | 858-459-5933

Best Swimsuits
La Jolla Swim Sport

Issakov, who grew up swimming in La Jolla Cove, has channeled her love of ocean swimming into helping others feel at home in the ocean. "It's remarkable what has happened since I hung up the sign out in front of the swim shop. The response has been amazing." From Argentina to Canada, Australia to England, swimmers from all over the world have joined in. La Jolla Swim Sport has become a hub for ocean swimming enthusiasts globally, creating a welcoming and supportive community.

7852 Ivanhoe Ave, La Jolla
858-454-4002
lajollaswimandsport.com

Best Tourist Spot (tie)
Birch Aquarium

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2300 Expedition Way, La Jolla
858-534 3474 | aquarium.ucsd

La Jolla Cove

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for anyone traveling to San Diego. Whether you're exploring underwater or enjoying the breathtaking scenic views from the shore, La Jolla Cove offers an unforgettable experience. For more information, visit LaJolla.com and plan your visit to this beautiful destination.

Best Women's Apparel
Sigi's Boutique

(see listing under Best Fashion Accessories)

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Best Accounting (tie)
Steven Alpinieri, CPA

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858-459-3769

Best Attorney
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Best Auto/Detail Shop

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lajollahandcarwash.com
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Best Auto Repair (All Makes)
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1027 Virginia Way, La Jolla
858-260-2000

Best Auto Repair (Imports)
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BMW & Mini Service

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7464 Draper Ave, La Jolla
marcopoloindependent.com
858-454-2002

Best Bank (tie)
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wellsfargo.com | 858-454-0361

Best Car Wash
La Jolla Hand Carwash

(See under Best Auto Detail)

Best Childcare/Preschool
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Best Insurance

Terry Hudkins State Farm Insurance

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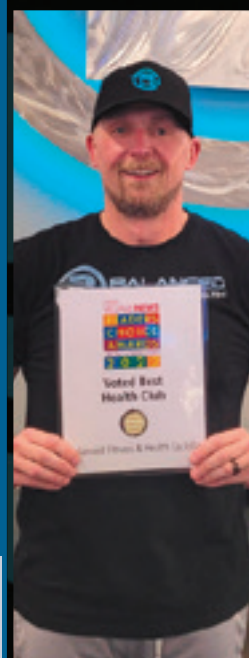
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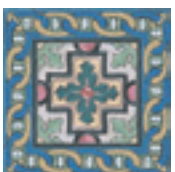


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Coastal California is one of Gregg 'Viz' Visintainer's intricately detailed pen-and-ink illustrations filled with hidden messages and micro-stories.

(Photo courtesy La Jolla Art & Wine Festival)



Gregg 'Viz' Visintainer is the 2025 Featured Artist.

(Photo courtesy La Jolla Art & Wine Festival)

LA JOLLA – Celebrating its 17th year on Oct. 11-12, the La Jolla Art & Wine Festival is highlighting Gregg "Viz" Visintainer as its 2025 Featured Artist.

More than a decade after first exhibiting at La Jolla Art & Wine Festival (LJAWF), he returns with an impressive resume of collaborations including Disney, DC Shoes, and the Grateful Dead, as well as a TEDx talk on how art became his therapy and career.

Known for his intricately detailed pen-and-ink illustrations filled with hidden messages and micro-stories, Visintainer's work traces back to his earliest days doodling in a classroom.

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If you think fast moving zombies are scary, wait 'til you see zombies riding a bus.

Thriller San Diego has added a shocking new twist to its annual October dance performances, zombies cruising the coastal neighborhoods in a party bus.

The Zombie Party Bus Flash Mob will take place on Oct. 11 from 1 to 5 p.m., with stops at the Oceanside Pier, Moonlight Beach in Encinitas, Fletcher Cove in Solana Beach, La Jolla Cove, Belmont Park in Mission Beach, and the Imperial Beach Pier.

"This is the first year we're doing the party bus," said Larisa Hall of the nonprofit dance studio Tap Fever in Pacific Beach, which is home base for Thriller San Diego.

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intricate detail and hundreds of hidden elements tied thematically to the larger image in each piece.

In his early 20s, Visintainer started selling his art at local farmer's markets around San Diego and opened the Viz Art Gallery in Carlsbad in 2013. He has since closed the gallery's doors to focus on new endeavors, including a move from San Diego to Idaho, where he currently lives and works with his family.

Today, Visintainer gives back through his "Doodling with Viz" workshops and school programs, helping students discover their own voice through art. His message is clear: creativity matters, even if you don't always color inside the lines.

"Gregg's story is the perfect embodiment of how creative potential can be sparked in the classroom," said Brenda Chand, executive director of the LJAWF.

"His journey from schoolroom sketches to a full-time career as a working artist reflects exactly why we champion arts education in public schools – to give kids like Gregg a chance to explore their full potential. We're honored to welcome him back as our Featured Artist, and to show students what's possible when imagination is encouraged."

Hosted by the La Jolla Art & Wine Festival Foundation, the free, family-friendly event

raises funds to support underfunded programs at local public schools within the San Diego Unified School District, making Visintainer's return a powerful reminder of how access to the arts can shape a future.

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San Diego International Film Fest re-centers in La Jolla

By DREW SITTON | Times of San Diego

SAN DIEGO—For 23 years, the San Diego International Film Festival (SDIFF) was spread between downtown, Balboa Park and La Jolla. For the first time, this year's event will occur solely in La Jolla and north.

It was a move that occurred over the past five years, with the closure of the Theatre Box in downtown during the pandemic. Prior to 2020, screenings were split between Westfield UTC in La Jolla and Theatre Box. After 2021, Downtown and surrounding neighborhoods remained connected to the festival through the opening night screening held at Museum of Photographic Arts (MOPA) in Balboa Park until this year.

On Oct. 15, the 2025 opening night film premiere and party is taking place at The Lot, La Jolla where Luca Guadagnino's "After the Hunt," starring Julia Roberts, Ayo Edebiri, and Andrew Garfield, will be shown.

Tonya Mantooth, CEO and artistic director of SDIFF, said they love the theater at MOPA, which has a lovely ambiance from the lights overhead creating a night sky. However, the move from the Balboa Park museum to The Lot was necessary simply for seating space.

"The Lot gives us more a bility to expand," Mantooth said.



The 2025 Night of the Stars tribute will be held at The Conrad in La Jolla on Thursday, Oct. 16.
(Photo courtesy SDIFF)

SDIFF FOOTPRINT

In addition to moving opening night to The Lot, another new location was added: The iconic Belly Up Tavern in Solana Beach. This year's Party with a Purpose, where film insiders dance the night away, supports the San Diego Film Foundation's education programs for high school students.

"Belly Up is just such a great vibe," Mantooth said. "That is a party that all the filmmakers who come into town want to go to, and we just thought it would be a great experience, not only for our patrons and our attendees, but also our filmmakers to experience."

Solana Beach is the exception. Other special events will be held in La Jolla, with Night of the Stars being held at The Conrad. There, Mark Hamill will receive the Gregory Peck Award for Cinematic Excellence on Oct. 16.

Another popular

program, Culinary Cinema with TV chef Shawn Styles from CBS8's "Cooking with Styles," begins at the Capitol One Cafe inside Westfield UTC, featuring extravagant eats. Then, attendees will head to the mall's AMC Theaters for a cuisine-themed film followed by bites and drink pairings from local chefs.

The closing night film, the next entry in Rian Johnson's "Knives Out" mystery series starring Daniel Craig as Benoit Blanc, also will be held at AMC Theatres at Westfield UTC.

Aside from signature parties, the festival's 100 screenings will be held at The Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, La Jolla, and AMC14 hosted by Westfield UTC from Oct. 16 to 19.

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occurring in La Jolla and Solana Beach, SDIFF introduced new efforts to bring in audiences from across the San Diego region. “Our goal is to bring films from around the world to San Diego, to really present them to the audience,” Mantooth said. For one, the fest is partnering with the House of Pacific Relations

International Cottages (HPR) in Balboa Park. HPR will promote the fest as a path for cultural understanding. The marketing partnership includes inviting the 35 expat communities organized through each house to films from and about their home countries. Cross-cultural promotion also will occur, as Mantooth and HPR see film as a way to expand people’s viewpoints. “Everyone would really benefit,”

said Joe Mazares, president of HPR. “(Film) kind of creates a more open gateway to understanding different people’s perspectives.” Mazares believes people are more likely to watch an accessible film than take a history class, attend a lecture or get open access to world cultures. Plus, film is multi-sensory, even more so than some other art forms. “Film is a medium that transcends,” Mazares said. He also thinks the theater experience is

safe for people. They can go by themselves or friends. The screen gives them a distance and separation from the artists that avoids awkward social interaction, unlike one-on-one interactions at an art gallery for example. Mantooth sees the fest’s Foreign Films track as more important than ever. “We need to be able to see other diverse cultures, understand people, really open up to a new perspective of what’s going on in the

world,” she said. The curated films in the festival give San Diego audiences a chance to see movies before their theatrical release as well as short films and documentaries that do not always make it the big screen outside of the film fest circuit. “We take on important social, global issues in our curating, and then also films to make you feel good,” Mantooth said. For the schedule and ticket information, visit the film fest online.

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Boys water polo: Knights and Vikings clash in Western League faceoff



Bishop's junior Cutter Leach (3) is hounded on a shot in the second overtime by Ryder Jaseniuk (behind in black cap), showing the physical nature of the game.
(Photo by Ed Piper/Special to La Jolla Village News)

By ED PIPER | Special to La Jolla Village News

LA JOLLA – The Bishop's and La Jolla High boys water polo teams clash this month in Western League play as talented equals — but they took totally different routes to get there.

In pre-league play, coaches Doug Peabody and Ian Davidson's Knights endured fewer games and competed in the South Coast Tournament in Orange County. It was tough sledding, but the 6-5 Knights felt ready for conference play after downing San Marcos (Santa Barbara), 12-7, and Mira Costa (Manhattan Beach), 15-11.

Peabody-Davidson's entity, which plays year-round as the club team La Jolla Shores, then fell to Newport Harbor — the No. 1 team in the nation, according to MaxPreps, with a 12-0-0 record — in the quarterfinals of the tourney, 15-8, the next day.

Meanwhile, coach Tom Atwell's black-and-red Vikings played many games, culminating in winning the annual America's Finest (AFC) Tournament in Coronado with lopsided victories over Le Jardin (Kailua, Hawaii), 13-2, Valhalla, 21-9, Damien (La Verne), 15-4, and Canyon Crest, 21-8.

Returning All-CIF First-Teamers Dexter Black and Tor Martin and crew were hardly tested in the AFC, but that was the route Atwell has chosen in the long-running tourney, which used to field 32 teams, but is now down to 12 in a reduced format. In fact, La Jolla was able to play the first day of group (pool) play in the friendly confines of Coggan Aquatic Complex on campus at

LJHS.

With the shadow of Cathedral Catholic, the other league power, looming in future combat, Knight All-CIF First Teamer Colton Bell, a 6-foot, 180-pound junior, led Bishop's into its Western League opener last week against La Jolla at Coggan. Interestingly, he plays for coach Tommy Corcoran, the Dons' coach, on the Del Mar club team.

The teams played to a 12-12 tie in regulation time. Bishop's broke out to a 12-8 lead with 1:16 left in the third quarter on goals by senior J.T. Moss and sophomore Hanrui Liu.

But La Jolla clawed back behind Black, a 6 feet 6 inches tall junior, who scored on a penalty shot. The officials were a little jumpy in front of the big, vocal crowd, which included students from both local schools. They ruled that Lui didn't immediately leave the pool after an exclusion, ejected him, and cleared the pool, resulting in awarding Black his penalty shot.

Martin, a center, scored at 5:49 of the fourth quarter, 12-10; Dexter again with 2:49 left. Junior Henry Glenister then applied the pièce de résistance on a pass from Ryder Jaseniuk with 57 seconds left to knot the score at 12-all and send the game into overtime. Two three-minute OTs are required — it's not sudden death.

Black, whose older siblings also starred at La Jolla, netted two goals at 2:20 and 1:18 of the first overtime, and the Vikings held on through the second OT to survive, 15-14. At this writing, they are ranked sixth in the nation by MaxPreps at 15-2-0.

Court rejects beach yoga ban

By DAVE SCHWAB | La Jolla Village News

SAN DIEGO – Yoga classes in San Diego parks and beaches can continue.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday unanimously rejected a request to reconsider a previous court ruling, which concluded the city's ordinance banning yoga classes in public places was unconstitutional.

Earlier this year, a three-judge panel ruled that yoga classes are protected by the First Amendment. However, all judges on the Ninth Circuit have now rejected a city petition to rehear the case with a

larger panel of judges, known as an en banc hearing.

In its ruling this week, the court found that public yoga in outdoor places falls within the Constitution's First Amendment, protecting fundamental freedoms including religion, speech, the press, assembly, and the right to petition the government.

San Diego initially implemented its ban as part of an ordinance regulating street vendors, classifying yoga classes attended by four or more people as commercial activity requiring a permit.

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