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Coronado resident Jane Mitchell and her daughter, Lily, pose among the 28 Emmys she has won.
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CORONADO'S JANE MITCHELL

From resume tapes in a rental car to 28 Emmys

By **SOFIE FRANSEN**
The Coronado News

Jane Mitchell's career began with a rental car and a trunk full of resume tapes. Freshly graduated from Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism in 1986, then 23-year old Mitchell packed her things into a boxy Chrysler K rental car, purchased an Ann Taylor suit, called ahead to set up interviews and road mapped her way to TV stations all across the Virginias, Carolinas and Tennessee in search of a job. After 3,000 miles and 30 stations in three weeks, she received just two job offers. After two more road trips to the Southern California coast and Texas, her stamina and resourceful-

ness landed her a job at KAUZ-TV, a CBS affiliate in Wichita Falls, Texas, launching a career that would lead to 28 Emmy awards, one of the top achievements in TV journalism. In between those two vastly different points — from a rental car with resume tapes to a built-in at her Coronado home dedicated to the Emmys — Mitchell went through a few career switches. Along with hard news coverage, she produced 15 seasons and over 100 episodes of *One on One with Jane Mitchell*, and she was a caregiver for both of her aging parents. She now raises her daughter Lily as a single mother by choice in Coronado and assists others in preserving and telling their stories through her series *Your Story. Your Legacy*.

"She is a joy, she is so much fun and I cannot imagine my life without her."

- Jane Mitchell on her daughter, Lily

On the horizon for Mitchell is a podcast that would put her back into the sports world, reconnecting with many of her past interviewees.

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City creates committee to deal with sewage crisis

By **MADELINE YANG**
The Coronado News

The city of Coronado has voted to create an "AD HOC" subcommittee to address the cross border water pollution crisis following an investigation by The Coronado News. This subcommittee, created on April 4, would work with federal officials and focus on "outreach and advocacy," including visits to Washington D.C., said City Manager Tina Friend. Locally, the city would partner with nearby cities such as Imperial Beach, which held a special city council meeting on March 29, regarding the pollution crisis. The moves by Coronado and Imperial Beach leaders came after The Coronado News launched a five-part investigative series this year that examined the financial consequences for both cities as well as the public health crisis for beachgoers, U.S. Border Patrol agents and U.S. Navy SEALs as a result of tens of millions of gallons of raw sewage coming from Tijuana, Mexico.

At the Imperial Beach hearing, representatives from the International Boundary and Water Commission, Environmental Protection Agency, Scripps Institution of Oceanography and County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health and Quality presented the work they've been doing, and their findings from several experiments regarding the sewage flowing into San Diego County.

Opposing views on new sewage subcommittee

At the April 4 Coronado City Council Meeting, Council member John Duncan expressed concern that no one was at the Imperial Beach hearing to represent Coronado. "We want to be involved...it's one of our biggest issues we have," Duncan said, in favor of creating the subcommittee. Council member Casey Tanaka, however, was not in favor. "I think we're better off not having this AD HOC committee, and sticking with what we have done," he said.

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Coronado Flower Show's 101st event this weekend

By **FIONA RASAK**
The Coronado News

Sara Stillman, a 2006 Coronado High School graduate, says she's always had much love and appreciation for the community. She became an elementary school teacher in Coronado and got involved in the Coronado Junior Woman's Club, where she served as president from 2016-2018. What Stillman didn't know at the time was that being president led her to being a board member for the Coronado Floral Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching lives through education in and showcasing flowers,

plants and gardens. In 2018, Stillman decided to continue her work with the Coronado Floral Association and became chair of the 1922 Club, named after the inaugural year of the Coronado Flower Show. She said this served as a great way to stay involved and bring a new generation into the Flower Show, which has its 101st show on Saturday and Sunday, at Spreckels Park, 601 Orange Ave.

"Largest tented flower show"

The two-day event, dubbed the "largest tented flower show in the U.S.," includes landscape displays, a

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The Coronado Flower Show hosts its 101st annual event on April 15-16. Pictured here is the rose tent from 2022, part of the horticulture division and one of the most popular. Photo courtesy of the Coronado Floral Association

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CORONADO LOVE LETTER

Ivy Weston leads library staff and book clubs

By **FIONA RASAK**
The Coronado News

Ivy Weston, Senior Librarian for Programs, Outreach & Marketing at the Coronado Public Library, is hard at work coordinating events.

Weston has held this position for two years in May, but has been a librarian since 2007, and she has a master’s degree in Information Science.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Weston was living and working in Los Angeles, but was ready for a change which led her to Coronado.

Weston is in charge of supervising the Child Librarian, the Adult Services Librarian, the Teen Services Librarian and other assistants.

“This community is really special. They welcomed me with open arms and many have worked here and lived here for years,” Weston said.

“I felt very embraced from the start, and I would love to give back to the community by offering all these amazing programs.”



Librarians (left to right) Jacqueline Luna, Ivy Weston, Natalie Stringer and Kelly Andrade hold up selections for Coronado Public Library’s April book club meetings. *Photo by Andrea Soto*

Five different book clubs

The Coronado Public Library is home to five book clubs that meet monthly. Most of the clubs are welcome to adults, but teenagers are welcome to join in as well. The library also has a graphic book novel book club for teens.

Here’s a look at the various other book clubs:

- **Through Their Eyes** consists of memoir and biography style writing. This club is designed to see the world through other people’s eyes who may be different than we are.

- **The Mystery Book Club** is the oldest club, and its members are always making each other laugh and usually go back and forth reading modern mysteries and classic mysteries, Weston said.
- **The Spoiler Book Club** is very fun and unique since at the meetings they come together and watch the movie for the book they are reading, she said.
- The newest club is **The Best of the Best**, where members read Pulitzer Prize Award winning books.

Opportunity to meet community members

The Coronado Public Library’s book clubs are great for individuals who find themselves reading the same genres and the same authors, Weston said.

Weston added that book clubs are also a great way to get out and meet people in the community.

“The best book clubs are the ones who have people who love the book and have people who hate the book,” said Weston.

this week

16 • sunday

The Coronado Island Film Festival's Presents "People Will Talk" for the fourth screening in the Student Classic Film Series. The event begins at 1 p.m. in the Coronado Library Winn Room, 640 Orange Ave. The event is free to middle and high school students and their parents, grandparents and guardians. No adult is allowed to attend without a student. The screening is part of the Coronado Island Film Festival's Student Classic Film Series.

17 • monday

The Junior Volunteer Prep Program meets at 3:30 p.m. in the Ruby Room at the Coronado Public Library. Junior Volunteers help the library prepare supplies for programs and displays in the library. Duties may include organizing, cleaning, folding, cutting, painting, filming clips for the library’s social media, or preparing seeds for the Seed Library. Participants must have completed a Junior Volunteer application to attend.

18 • tuesday

San Diego Shakespeare Society Staged Reading: "Henry VI" (Part 2) is at 6 p.m. at the Coronado Public Library. RSVP for free on Eventbrite – <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/henry-vi-part-1-reading-part-two-central-county-tickets-491058076927>

19 • wednesday

The Historic Resource Commission meets at 3 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 1825 Strand Way. The group meets for preserving, maintaining and enhancing Coronado’s unique architectural history. The staff liaison for the Historic Resource Commission is Tricia Olsen. She can be reached at (619) 522-7329.

20 • thursday

The Coronado Unified School District’s Board of Trustees will meet at 4 p.m. at the district office board room, 201 Sixth St.

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SCHOOLS

CoSA gala raises \$75,000 to support youth arts

Coronado School of the Arts’ (CoSA) 25th Anniversary Gala, which included live student performances, raised more than \$75,000 through an art and live auction to help support student artists, the group announced on April 5.

The sold-out event occurred at the Island Club on Naval Station North Island on March 11.

“We are incredibly excited to share that the gala was a huge success,” said Shane Schmeichel, Coronado Unified School District Director of Special Programs. “We are so pleased that, after postponing this event during lockdown, we were finally able to share with the community all the amazing things CoSA is doing.”

Meanwhile, CoSA’s digital photography students are hosting a show at the Coronado Public Library from April 6-20.

Gala included interactive art

Organizers said guests at the gala were treated to hors d’oeuvres, wine, a sit-down dinner and student performances including music, dancing, digital arts exhibitions, and theatrical productions. In addition, visual arts students were on hand creating live interactive art.

Guests also danced to live music from the band IT’S NEVER 2L8.

John Weisbarth, from Tiny House Nation, emceed the event and helped auction off everything from a five-night trip to Costa Rica to a catered Trivia Night with former Mayor Casey Tanaka.

The money earned from the event will help fund CoSA programs. CoSA has been dedicated to



Digital photography students from CoSA are hosting a show at the Coronado Public Library from April 6-20. The organization raised more than \$75,000 from its annual fundraiser. *Photo courtesy of CoSA.*

enriching lives through the arts in San Diego since its founding in 1996. About 25% of the CoSA budget is raised each year by the CoSA Foundation.

Coronado School of the Arts (CoSA) is one of San Diego County’s premier public school arts conservatory, home to 200 students. The program provides a pre-professional arts education to students from Coronado and San Diego, who are admitted after a competitive application/audition process.

Each school day CoSA offers three

or more hours of instruction, pairing young artists with educators who are also industry specialists.

Students are immersed in their chosen specialty in one of six conservatories: Classical and Contemporary Dance, Digital Arts (Animation, Filmmaking, Game Design, and Graphic Design), Instrumental Music, Musical Theatre & Drama, Theatre Production, Design & Management and Visual Art.

CoSA is a State of California-approved Career Technical Education program.

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Stingray loves to play chase with him around the cat room, zooming through tunnels and climbing up the cat tree.

When Stingray isn’t busy playing, he enjoys lounging in the sun, sitting with each leg perfectly placed under his body like a loaf of bread.

If you have room in your home and heart for Stingray, apply to adopt him today from PAWS of Coronado (619-435-8247).

Please send your nominations for The Coronado News Pet of the Week to Editor Craig Harris at craig@thecoronadonews.com



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Fraud in Real Estate? Yes it happens!

With the pressure that comes along with buying a home, especially in a competitive real estate market like Coronado, it is important to ensure the safety of your investment and that you don't fall victim to suspicious and fraudulent real estate activity.

According to the FBI's 2021 Internet Crime Report, real estate wire fraud continues to be one of the most prevalent cybercrimes in the U.S.

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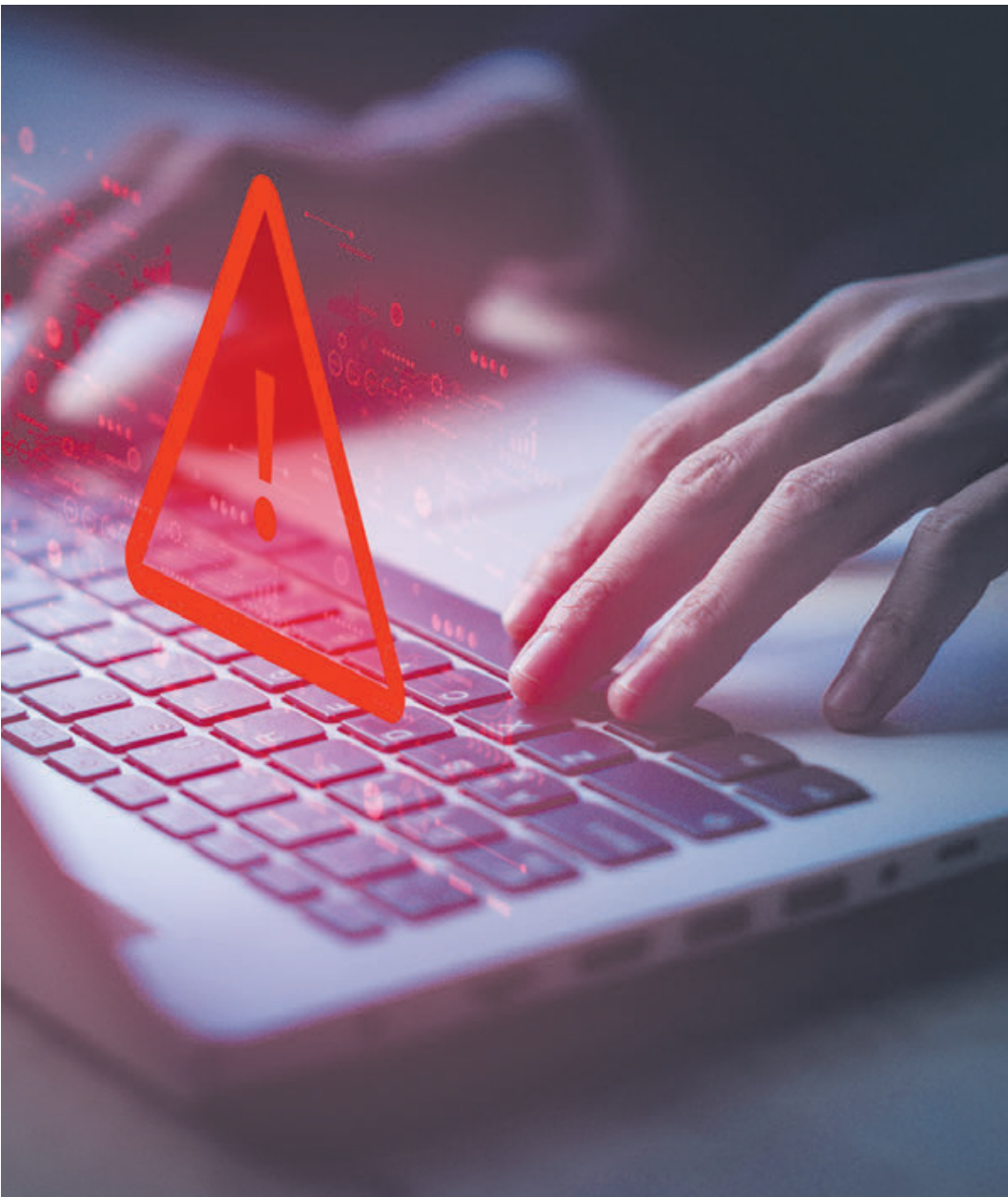
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OPINION

OP-ED: JIM KORVER

When will we ever learn?

I attended the Round Table Discussion at the Coronado Library on March 24, and guest speaker was Professor Gregory Daddis from San Diego State University on the subjects Faith and Fear.

Well, the gentleman from SDSU, because of his thinly veiled anti-war and indirectly, the military, he assured us somewhat light heartedly that he was not a Communist.

He started by mocking General MacArthur’s approach to war in the Pacific and didn’t really deal with the war in Europe. He spoke of Americans’ inordinate fear of the Japanese in particular.



Jim Korver

During the discussion period, I noted that he never mentioned FDR’s forcing of Japanese U.S. citizens into camps (1942-45), implying that may have exacerbated Americans’ fear adding to Pearl Harbor.

He somewhat passed it off as possibly land speculators in the West who wanted their land. Plus, he wrongly stated that it involved Congressional action, but it was an executive order by President Roosevelt.

President Carter later ordered an investigation into the incarceration to determine if the government was justified. In 1988, President Reagan signed the Civil Liberties Act which formally apologized, and it admitted that the government actions were based upon “race prejudice, war hysteria and a failure of political leadership.”

I believe the professor was dishonestly not going to blame FDR for anything.

Let’s look back for a moment.

A Democratic president had been in charge for eight years prior to Lincoln taking office and the Civil War started a few months later.

Wilson was in power four years before WWI; FDR, eight years before WWII; Truman, about five



Gregory Daddis speaks on “Faith and Fear: America’s Relationship with War in the Modern Era” at Coronado Roundtable Meeting on Friday, March 24. Staff photo by Willem Quigley.

years before Korea; Kennedy/Johnson four years before Vietnam; Clinton was president for eight years leading up to the Afghan War, which was trip wired by 9/11 under Bush nine months after taking office.

In the leadup to WWI, Wilson gave his famous speech, Peace Without Victory.

His peace at any price thinking was a mockery in the face of the German slaughter in Europe. FDR held out as long as he could until the Japanese forced his hand at Pearl Harbor again, in the face of Germany’s destruction of Europe, showing utter weakness.

Truman fired MacArthur for wanting to chase the Communist Chinese back to their own country and now we have a divided Korea with a threatening monster in the North.

And now the latest hot spot is Taiwan.

The U.S. under Carter in 1979, initiated the slip-

pery slope by signing an agreement that there’s only one legitimate China — the Communist one.

To add to the West’s capitulation, the UK returned Hong Kong, sending millions into ultimate slavery.

Do you see a pattern here? Contrary to the professor denouncing military strength as a cause of war, it’s the presidents who have been perceived as weak by our enemies which has invited war.

As The Russians stormed into Ukraine, our president “boldly” declared that “not one American boot will be on Ukrainian soil.” Which immediately emboldened Putin.

Oh, and by the way, where are the UN “peace-keepers?!!”

Jim Korver is a Coronado resident and married to Angela. The couple have 13 children, 34 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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Annual spring book sale set for April 15

The Friends of the Coronado Public Library will hold its 51st annual Spring Book Sale in conjunction with the 101st annual Coronado Flower Show. Like last year, this year's book sale will be held for one day only, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m, on April 15, according to organizers. The book sale will be held on the grounds adjacent to the Library's Winn Room, known as "Library Park." The collection of items for sale include books of all types and for all ages such as audiobooks, DVDs and CDs, as well as various gift items and collectibles. Most items are \$1 to \$8. All proceeds support Coronado Public Library programs and events. By buying books at the book sale, at the Second Hand Prose bookshop at the library, or the Library Lobby Friends of the Library Honor Shop, patrons help support the library. The night before the book sale, the Coronado community is invited to



The Friends of the Coronado Public Library will hold its 51st annual spring book sale on April 15. *File photo.*

the Friends of the Coronado Public Library's Annual Membership Meeting, which is from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, April 14 in the Library's Winn Room. Registration is requested. To register, please visit <https://www.coronadofol.org/events> and scroll down until you see the Register button under Annual Membership Meeting. The program includes an early bird book sale from 5 to 6 p.m. and then the meeting.

The Friends of the Library also will recognize winners of the Super Book contest, which was held at Coronado's Silver Strand Elementary School. Students from all grade levels will present their projects. Friends of the Library members who attend will have the opportunity to vote on amendments to the FOL By-Laws and on candidate for the FOL Board. To see the current and proposed amendments to the By-Laws, visit <https://www.coronadofol.org/events> and scroll down until you see the Annual Membership Meeting and a link to view the current and proposed amendments. Those who are not yet members or are unsure of their membership status are particularly encouraged to attend the meeting, join the Friends or renew their memberships, according to organizers. For more information, please visit: <https://www.coronadofol.org/events>

Friends of the Coronado Public Library scholarships available

The Friends of the Coronado Public Library is sponsoring four scholarships for graduating high school seniors in the Class of 2023. The deadline to apply for each is May 15. Here are the scholarships:

- The Wilf & Ruth Seaman Scholarship (\$1,500):** Wilf Seaman was the principal of Coronado High School during the 1950s and 1960s. He was a founder and Past President of the Friends of the Coronado Public Library, and a much beloved volunteer for many years. Ruth Seaman was a kindergarten teacher with the Coronado School District, ran a

preschool, and was a Friends of the Coronado Public Library volunteer for many years.

- The Susan Stark Scholarship (\$1,500):** Susan Stark was a volunteer at the Second Hand Prose bookstore, run by the Friends of the Coronado Public Library, from 2008 until her death in September 2015. A Coronado High School graduate, Susan was devoted to her family, and was an avid reader and world traveler.
- The Jim and Bette Sherman Fine Arts Scholarship (Two scholarships of \$1,500 each):** Bette and Jim Sherman brought their family

to Coronado many years ago. While Jim has passed away, Bette still resides here, is an active artist, and has brought an appreciation of art to children, most recently by way of funding art lessons for them in the Library (the Second Saturday Art classes). Two Jim and Bette Sherman Fine Arts Scholarships will be awarded, both in the amount of \$1,500. One will be awarded to a CoSA student with a passion for the fine arts, and the other will be awarded to a student with a passion for the fine arts who is enrolled in the Coronado High School regular curriculum.

For purposes of these scholarships, the term "fine arts" shall mean items of visual beauty but shall specifically exclude film and video digital media. Students applying for the scholarships should demonstrate character, integrity, honesty, be a positive role model, and be engaged in community service. A completed application, 750-word essay, and letter of reference are required. To learn more and apply, visit the Friends of the Coronado Public Library website at [coronadofol.org](https://www.coronadofol.org), click About Us, and then click Scholarships.

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City creates committee to deal with sewage crisis

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Tanaka praised Mayor Richard Bailey, saying he had taken the lead the whole time. He added a subcommittee would not add any value.

Bailey, Duncan to lead efforts

But the mayor said he was happy to do additional work on the issue. “I would certainly be willing to offer myself up to continue serving in this capacity,” said Bailey, commenting that he had built up good relationships with the county and with Washington D.C. officials, and he feels the continuity is important. Along with Tanaka, Council member Carrie Downey voted “no,” on creating a subcommittee. However, with three council members voting “yes,” it was created, with Bailey and Duncan placed on it.

“I think there is a tremendous benefit to have an additional person on the committee who can spend a significant amount of time focusing on that issue. And I have the time and the desire.”

- Council member John Duncan at the April 4 Coronado City Council Meeting



Sara Stillman poses here. She's a member of the Coronado Floral Association and a resident of the community. Photo courtesy of Joel Ortiz

Flower Show’s 101st event set for this weekend



A floral design created by a second grade student wins a yellow ribbon at the 2022 show. Photo courtesy of the Coronado Flower Association

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variety of floral competitions, educational lectures, live entertainment, food, beer and wine with locally crafted beverages from the Coronado Brewing Company, according to the organization’s website. Tickets are \$10-\$20. This year’s program is called “Hollywood in Bloom,” and Stillman in 2022 took on a big role as president to keep the show running after the COVID-19 pandemic. (The only time the Coronado Flower show has not had an event each April was in World War II and the pandemic.) The show comes down to all the amazing volunteers, Stillman said. “We have over 300 volunteers that make this show happen,” she said. “When one show ends the next show planning begins.” The show is broken down into five different divisions, and anyone can join, she said. The divisions are hor-

ticulture, design, special exhibits, youth, and botanical arts. “There is something for everyone and I mean that sincerely,” said Stillman. “Even if you don’t know anything about flowers, it is amazing to walk through a sea of flowers.” The Coronado Flower Show is judged by the standards of the National Garden Clubs, Inc., which provides attendees an opportunity to increase their knowledge of the environment and expand their interest in gardening. Doors open at 1 p.m. and the Flower Show runs until 5 p.m. on Saturday. On Sunday, the show runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Along with the two-day show, there is a 21 and older event of dining and dancing called “Lights, Camera, Flowers.” It runs from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday at Spreckels Park. Tickets start at \$100. It is co-chaired by Sam Bey and Colby Freer, who founded the event in 2014.

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Naval Special Warfare operators and Village Elementary School students play a game of tug of war during a community relations event in early April.
US Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Keypher Strombeck.

VILLAGE ELEMENTARY

Naval Special Warfare operators meet – and play – with students

Defense Visual Information
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Students from Village Elementary School on April 5, were able to meet – and play – with some of the U.S. Navy’s most elite operators at Coronado High School.

Naval Special Warfare operators met about 100 students and highlighted safety, fitness, and teamwork with the youth.

“It’s really rewarding to be here,” said Cmdr. Mason Jones, an officer assigned to Naval Special Warfare Command. “The energy and camaraderie of the children during the team-building exercises made this a memorable day for everyone involved.”

Naval Special Warfare is the nation’s elite maritime special operations force, uniquely positioned to extend the Fleet’s reach and gain and maintain access for the Joint Force in competition and conflict, according to the Navy.

The event started with a safety brief that encouraged children to look out for their classmates and was followed by warmup exercises and calisthenics.

“It is an honor and privilege to have our hometown SEALs lead the workout today for our Village Elementary students,” said Heidi Bergener, Village Elementary School principal. “Our Village students will remember this day and how excited and proud they felt during their workout and that’s what it’s all about. Who better to lead our students than our SEAL heroes!”

Team-building exercises consisted of relay races, medicine ball pushes, and animal walks and concluded with a tug-of-war competition between different grades and the NSW operators.

“Seeing the smiles on the kids’ faces throughout the event made it



Bergener



Above: Naval Special Warfare NSW operators perform warm-up exercises with Village Elementary School students during a community relations event. Top: Naval Special Warfare operators participate with students at the school.



Village Elementary School students raise their hands to ask Naval Special Warfare operators questions during a community relations event.

“It is an honor and privilege to have our hometown SEALs lead the workout today for our Village Elementary students.”

-Principal Heidi Bergener

all worth it,” said Jones. “Being able to interact and see them overcome adversity while cheering for their friends embodied the spirit of NSW operators.”

The event ended with a question-and-answer session where NSW operators encouraged students to consider the SEAL career path.

“It was heartwarming to observe a little girl ask if she could become a SEAL one day and tell her ‘yes,’” said Jones.

Story by Petty Officer 2nd Class Keypher Strombeck

NAVY



This March 28, 2023, photo shows Bruce Boolowon, left, posing with Maj. Gen. Torrence Saxe, the adjutant general of the Alaska National Guard, during a ceremony in Gambell, Alaska. Saxe presented Alaska Heroism Medals to Boolowon, the last surviving guardsman who helped rescue 11 Navy crewmen after they crash landed on St. Lawrence Island on June 22, 1955, and to the family members of 15 other guardsman who are now deceased. AP Photos by Mark Thiessen

Alaska Native Scouts feted 67 years after rescuing Navy crew

Associated Press

GAMBELL, Alaska — Bruce Boolowon, then a lean 20-year-old, and a group of friends were hunting for murre eggs in a walrus skin boat on a remote Alaska island in the Bering Strait when they saw a crippled airplane flying low.

“Something was wrong,” Boolowon, now 87, recalled of that day in 1955. “They came in and one engine was smoking.”

Long before drones or weather balloons became military targets, a U.S. Navy P2V-5 Neptune maritime patrol aircraft had been attacked at about 8,000 feet by two Soviet MiG-15 fighters roaring out of nearby Siberia. The plane’s right engine was destroyed and the pilot was making a controlled crash landing.

Its 11 crewmen had injuries in varying degrees of severity, caused either by the bullets sprayed by the two jet fighters, shrapnel or the fireball that erupted when the Neptune landed wheels up on the tundra of St. Lawrence Island and fuel tanks stored in the plane’s belly exploded.

“And as the plane decelerated, the fireball didn’t. And it rolled forward. It burned everybody,” the navigator on the flight, David Assard, told the Anchorage Daily News in 2015. Several of the men had severe burns.

The men took refuge in a ditch on St. Lawrence Island — just 40 miles from Siberia and 715 miles west of Anchorage — to avoid the exploding ammunition and waited, but for what they weren’t sure. When the armed Siberian Yupik Eskimo egg hunters showed up, the Navy men didn’t know if they were about to be captured or rescued.

“Well, they were glad to see us and that we were Americans,” Boolowon told The Associated Press.

Alaska Heroism Medals

They were not only friendly faces but members of the First Scouts unit of the Alaska National Guard who lived on the island and whose job it was to monitor the Soviet Union given their proximity. The 16 guardsmen and an unknown Air Force member helped the crew get medical attention and alerted military authorities the men were safe.

In late March, the guardsmen were honored with Alaska Heroism Medals, giving the Alaska Native men the recognition that wasn’t available 67 years ago.



This March 28 2023 photo shows Alaska National Guard personnel loading on to an HC 130J Combat King II at Joint Base Elemendorf Richardson Alaska for a flight to Gambell Alaska for a medal ceremony. Sixteen Alaska National Guard members were honored for helping rescue the 11 crewmembers of a Navy plane that was shot down in 1955 by Soviet jet fighters and crash landed about 8 miles from Gambell on St. Lawrence Island and 15 medals were presented posthumously.



An Alaska Heroism Medal

Boolowon, then a corporal, is the sole survivor, and family members of the other 15 received the medals on their behalf.

Maj. Gen. Torrence Saxe, the adjutant general of the Alaska National Guard, not only approved the medals for the men, he personally handed them out at the ceremony held with a driving snow outside.

Residents filled the gym at John Apangalook School in Gambell, home to the King Polar Bears — or Qughsatkut in Siberian Yupik— sports teams. Family members receiving medals sat in honored seats on the gym floor, and Saxe posed for photos with each after presenting the medals and a certificate. A community luncheon followed.

“I’m glad we’re going to get recognized a little bit for saving the crewmembers,” Boolowon said.

Navy and National Guard honors

Shortly after the June 22, 1955, rescue, two of the guardsmen, MSgt. Willis Walunga and SSgt. Clifford Iknokinok, received honorific letters and certificates from the Navy and National Guard.

They were taken to Washington, D.C., and presented “Wings of Gold” with the Honorary Naval Aviator Program designation. They were only the second and third persons so honored after the program started in 1949.

The other 14 only received letters. “I don’t know why they didn’t include us,” Boolowon said of the Navy designation.

There were no other medals available to the men for their deeds because it wasn’t a combat mission, and the rescue was considered a peacetime affair.

“The families felt like that the members should have received a better award than a letter of appreciation,” said Verdie Bowen, the director of the state Office of Veterans Affairs. “The best one that we could find that fit this feat of valor was the state of Alaska’s Heroism Award,” he said. It honors Alaska National Guard members who distinguish themselves by heroism, meritorious achievement or going beyond the call of duty.

First boat to arrive

Boolowon was with Iknokinok, Walunga and others in the first boat to arrive at the crash site, where they found the men.

He said they weren’t scared it was a Soviet aircraft because they were familiar with the U.S. plane from its frequent maritime patrols out of Naval Air Station Kodiak. On this mission, the plane was looking for icebergs and navigational aids in the Bering Strait. The wreckage of the plane still sits 8 miles from the village.

Boolowon and two other men from the first boat went to Gambell to get medical supplies, stretchers and more help. Another boat arrived, and the guardsmen eventually took the men to the village for treatment by a local nurse at a clinic and a church until a transport plane arrived about 12 hours later to take them to Anchorage. Seven of the injured were later flown to California to recuperate.

Possible “mistake”

The June 22, 1955, attack was labeled a possible “mistake” by embarrassed Soviet leaders and came at a problematic time for the Soviet Union. A summit to de-escalate Cold War tensions was planned the following month in Geneva with President Dwight Eisenhower, Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin and the prime ministers of Great Britain and France.

After learning the plane was shot down, Eisenhower directed Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to meet with Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov during the 10th anniversary meeting of the United Nations in San Francisco.

Molotov was unaware of the incident but promised an investigation. The Kremlin wired Molotov his instructions, which included presenting Dulles “with a conciliatory note that admitted the incident could have been ‘due to a mistake,’” David Winkler, the historian at the Naval Historical Foundation, wrote in his 2017 book “Incidents at Sea: American Confrontation and Cooperation with Russia and China, 1945-2016.”

It was the first time the Soviets both ever expressed regret and paid reparations, Winkler told the AP last summer, and the summit went on as planned. The Soviets agreed to compensate the U.S. for the plane, sending just over \$35,000 (about \$400,000 today) in reparations. The money was split among the crewmen.

SPORTS



Cameron Gary (left) enters his second season as Coronado High School track and field coach as longtime coach George Green (right) looks to wind down his career. Photo courtesy of Miguel Mathias.

PASSING THE TORCH

Cameron Gary starts 2nd year as Coronado High Track and Field coach, after George Green’s historic run leading the program

By NICK HANCOCK
The Coronado News

Coronado High School track and field is rooted in tradition. Led by Coach George Green for over 25 years, the program has established a signature culture during Green’s historic tenure. However, as Green looks to wind down his coaching career there is no indication that the standard of hard work this program holds itself to will waiver with the addition of a new coach. Enter Cameron Gary, who is in his second season as head coach of the track and field team.

Impressive resume

Gary is a former Division I athlete from San Diego State University and one of the few United States of America Track and Field (USATF) Level 3 coaches in San Diego County. That distinction is the highest level of the USATF Coaching Education Program and is currently offered in partnership with the World Athletics Academy. Gary’s no stranger to coaching, and has spent time instructing state championship-level athletes, coaching at San Diego State, and holding other coaching positions at various high schools in the San Diego area. “He came with impressive stats, and had been the head coach at several other schools. It was a no-brainer for the district to hire him,” said Green, who still is part of the program, when discussing the process behind finding Gary. Gary’s ties to the San Diego track community weren’t just newly formed, but took years of success in the sport to get him to this position. Born in Illinois, Gary grew up in San Diego, where he attended Helix High School.

His coach was legendary Coronado High School alumnus Mike Muirhead, and according to Gary was one of his biggest supporters when Gary got into coaching. After Helix, Gary competed for SDSU and was the men’s school record holder in the triple jump. He was also a conference champion, national champion qualifier, and Olympic Trials qualifier in 1984 for SDSU. According to Gary, coaching after hanging up the track shoes was never something he envisioned himself doing. But Gary, known for being a technical jumper, fell right into coaching as he was asked to train individual athletes.

From law enforcement to coaching

One-on-one coaching with championship level athletes gradually increased into coaching whole events for schools—Gary’s specialty being centered around sprint, jump, and hurdle events. But maintaining a career while remaining involved in the sport wasn’t always easy for Gary. “I worked in law enforcement for 30 years, and also operated a small martial arts school for many years. Sometimes my work assignments precluded my being able to coach track and field at all,” Gary said. Retiring in 2015, freed Gary from numerous commitments, and finally allowed him to begin considering accepting head coaching positions.

Breath of fresh air

According to Gary, this freedom has been a breath of fresh air. Now in the driver’s seat at Coronado, Gary will have all the time and the voice to implement his philosophy on track and field into the Islanders—

something Green said he’s looking forward to. “Track is a speed-based sport, and that’s how Gary trains his athletes, speed training from day one, and the endurance will come. I think that as more and more Coronado athletes and parents see the results he’ll get, we’ll have more kids coming out for track,” said Green. “One person can’t do it all,” said Green, but he added Gary has done a remarkable job so far in recruiting assistant coaches. Gary’s experience means he’s qualified enough to be an expert coach in several different events, but he can’t be everywhere on the track at once, according to Green.

Top-flight coaching staff

The coaching staff has come along quite nicely though, according to Gary. Assisting Gary with sprints and jumps is Sydney Rush, who is currently in the U.S. Top 50 in the long jump. Miguel Mathias and Scott Young, both former collegiate athletes, will assist in the distance running and throwing events. Donna Yee will assist in throwing as well, and she was a former thrower at the nearby Bonita Vista High School. Of course rounding out the bunch is Green, who remains an integral part of the program as a distance coach. According to Gary, it’s been a pleasure working with Green as he looks to fill the giant hole Green is soon to leave behind. “Coach Green has been gracious and supportive of me and my role while he transitions out of coaching over the next few years. He’s been very accommodating of me as I work to establish myself here,” said Gary.



Coronado Islanders track and field team. Front Row Girls L-R: Emma Slaughter, Stefanie Romero, Micaela Gistaro, Charlotte Kuite, Lindsey Balsley, Tatiana Potter, Maya Voltin, Caroline Cole, Natalia Amkie. Second Row Kneeling Boys L-R: Nathan Ayan, Sean Groeneveld, Noah Voltin, David Castillo, Anthony Jones, Von Pritchett, William Heyen, Oscar Alicandri, Detrik Heidt, Dylan Nasori, Nathan Cohenca, Mason Gibbs, Cian Eberle, Jace Larson, Elliott Spoor. Back Row L-R: Anton Youngblood, Head Coach Cameron Gary, Coach Sydney Rush, Marco Velarde, Jesse Contreras, Garret Shumaker, Sean Geary, Jackson Rohrs-Frazier, Rafael Roos, Mason Olsen, Loxly Johnson, Kaden Brown, Coltyn Dickerson, Saxton Sylvester, Jack Delcore, Reif Souder, Jaden Banner, Coach Scott Young, Coach Donna Yee, Jack Shumaker, Coach George Green.

SPORTS

Defending champ Coronado girls lacrosse starts hot in 2023

By NICK HANCOCK
The Coronado News

The Division 1 CIF defending champion Coronado High girls lacrosse team has picked up right where it left off from last year – getting six wins to start the season.

The Islanders had an impressive playoff run in 2022, earning themselves the No. 1 seed before taking down Carlsbad, La Jolla Country Day, and Bishop’s to come out on top of the Division 1 championship bracket.

Since those victories during their dominant playoff stretch, the Islanders have refused to take their foot off the gas pedal.

Carlson leads revamped team

Led by fourth year head coach Caroline Carlson, the revamped team went undefeated through the month of March — finally taking their first loss on April 3.

According to Carlson, the Islanders lost a couple key players from last season’s championship squad.

However a combination of reliable returning players, and an exciting young core has kept the team near the top of the San Diego rankings.

“We lost a few impact players from last year, but that only made room for others to come in and produce,” Carlson said. “We have strong starters and a strong bench that have consistently come in and made an impact in games.”

No looking back

As exciting as last year’s team was, Carlson and the 2023 squad aren’t in-



The Coronado High School girls lacrosse team, pictured here, got off to a fast start for the season. Photo courtesy of Jim Fabiszak

terested in looking back on the successes of the prior season.

“We’re not focused on the past, only the opportunities that lie ahead. We’re a new team with a fresh mentality, and I’m excited to see how we compete through the remainder of the season,” Carlson said.

The “take no prisoners” mentality that Carlson’s squad has played with this season has served them well.

Statement wins

The Islanders have already collected two statement wins against other top teams in San Diego County with victories over San Marcos and Torrey Pines.

Defeating two Open Division teams wasn’t any walk in the park for the Islanders.

Both games were decided by just one point, and the victory against San Mar-

cos came in brutal, rainy conditions.

“I think when we beat those strong teams like San Marcos and Torrey Pines, it created more excitement and instilled more confidence in the girls as the middle part of the season nears,” Carlson said.

According to Carlson, those wins were pivotal in the early part of the season but now her girls understand the importance of not becoming complacent.

Tough matchups coming

There are plenty of tough matchups looming in the future, and being in one of the more talented leagues in San Diego will make for some exciting games.

Carlson mentioned that the beauty of this team is that there isn’t just one girl who should receive all the credit for the Islanders’ hot start.

The roster—from top to bottom—has equally contributed during the strong run to start the season.

She named seniors Emma Fabiszak and Marianna Dick as the team’s main leaders, and their defensive presence has been a major factor in the Islanders’ ability to secure wins.

A slew of juniors and sophomores have filled the spots that last year’s key players relinquished.

Freshmen playing key roles

According to Carlson, despite the efforts of the upperclassmen, it’s been the freshmen who have arguably played the most important role through the first month of the season.

“The key difference for us this year is our freshmen class. They are hard working, disciplined, and own the field no matter who they’re playing,” said Carlson.

The freshmen core that the Islanders have seen make an immediate impact consists of five girls who start, according to Carlson.

Carlson speaks highly of her team, and the strides her squad has made since March when the season began.

“The season isn’t over; we have to keep winning and we have to keep working hard each day in order to earn those wins,” said Carlson.

The remaining months will be anything but easy for Carlson and her girls, but she remains confident in the abilities and mindset that her team plays.

“We’re playing faster, we’re playing smarter, and we’re more disciplined each game. We’re prepared and excited for the challenge,” she said.

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Matt Damon come up for ‘Air’



Top: This image released by Amazon Prime Video shows director Ben Affleck on the set of Air. Above: This image shows Matt Damon as Sonny Vaccaro, left, and Viola Davis as Deloris Jordan in a scene from Air. Amazon Prime Video via AP

to be regularly with his kids from his previous marriage to Jennifer Garner. Last year, he wed Jennifer Lopez.

Recruiting Viola Davis

One person they’ve convinced in their new endeavor is Viola Davis. Though Jordan’s mother was

originally a very small role, the NBA legend stressed her importance to the story when meeting with Affleck. Jordan said Davis was the only actor for the part. Davis recognized what Affleck and Damon were trying to foster. She has her own progressive production company, Juvee Productions, that

she runs with her husband, Tenenon. (It was behind last year’s “The Woman King.”) Davis calls working on “Air” one of the best experiences of her career. “What they’re doing is bringing filmmaking back to the artists, which is where it should be,” says Davis. “There are so many obstacles in your path as an artist and the biggest obstacle in your path is the business itself. It sometimes looms in front of you.” “What they’re doing is what our fantasy is as actors, especially once we’ve reached a certain level,” adds Davis. “We want autonomy and agency.”

Upcoming films

Upcoming films for Artists Equity include “The Instigators,” a heist film starring Damon and Casey Affleck, and “Unstoppable,” with Lopez and Jharrel Jerome. Though Lopez’s range has been on display in recent films like “Hustlers,” Hollywood has often seemed unsure of how to utilize her talent. “I agree with that observation,” says Affleck. “By having a set of expectations thrust upon her, it was inherently limiting. You saw with ‘Hustlers’ she was really able to show what she can do.” In “Unstoppable,” Affleck says, she plays a part not unlike Davis’ in “Air,” as the mother of a college wrestling champion born with one leg. “I think she’s in her prime,” says Affleck. “She’s doing extraordinary work in large measure because she’s taking that step to take responsibility for what she’s doing rather than say, ‘This is what I’m being offered.’” The notion of personal branding is at the center of “Air.” Nike at the time was a distant third to Converse and Adidas, but its executives hit on a concept that would presage much of

what’s since followed in marketing: The shoe wouldn’t just worn by Jordan but epitomize him. Now, Affleck notes, people take for granted that they’re brands. “I’ve always found that idea confusing and kind of anathema. People are very complicated and contrary and nuanced, and brands are simple,” says Affleck. “So the idea that a person can be a brand is a hard thing for me to reconcile. I’ve never been good at it or had interest in it. Obviously, Michael’s brand — excellence, greatness, majesty — if you’re going to have a brand, that’s one to have.”

Damon-Affleck brand

But the Damon-Affleck brand — if that is a thing — is doing alright. There have been plenty of hiccups along the way for both stars. But the notion of them as a creative duo and two of Hollywood’s fastest friends has endured. Who hasn’t dreamed of making it in the movies with their best pal? There’s affection for them because they have affection for one another. “Air” did present one new twist in their persisting partnership, though: For the first time, Affleck was directing Damon. It recently dawned on Affleck that the whole tenor of the project was due partly to Damon’s support of him as the director. “It was a very gracious and kind gesture that’s characteristic of how Matt’s treated me, and this friendship, his whole life,” says Affleck. “It’s like why you have good friends. When things like this happen, you almost don’t even notice that they’ve made the right choice and been gracious. It’s a testament to why we are still friends. I know it’s not me.” Damon, not missing a beat, smiles. “I only undermined you behind your back.”

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Three new ‘Star Wars’ movies coming, including Rey’s return

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — For “Star Wars” lovers, new entertainment is a little less far, far away — Lucasfilm announced three new live-action films in the franchise in early April.

The news, which includes the return of Daisy Ridley as Rey in one of the films, was revealed at Star Wars Celebration Europe 2023 in London by Lucasfilm President Kathleen Kennedy and also on the Star Wars website.



Ridley

Directing the movies will be James Mangold, Dave Filoni and Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy. Kennedy brought the directors onstage for the announcement.

Mangold’s film will return to the dawn of the Jedi.

Filoni’s will be about the New Republic, and “will close out the interconnected stories told in ‘The Mandalorian,’ ‘The Book of Boba Fett,’ ‘Ahsoka,’ and other Disney+ series,” the announcement said.

Obaid-Chinoy’s movie will focus on the events after “The Rise of Skywalker,” and feature Ridley back as Rey “as she builds a new Jedi Order.”

Mangold directed “Logan” and the upcoming “Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny.” Filoni helmed “The Mandalorian” and “Ahsoka,” and Obaid-Chinoy directed “Ms. Marvel” and “Saving Face.”



FILE – The Cal Neva Lodge and Casino in Crystal Bay, Nev., is pictured in this July 1997 photo. In a statement Friday, April 7, 2023, it was announced that a Denver-based real estate firm has acquired the Cal Neva Resort at Lake Tahoe, an historic hotel-casino that was built along the California-Nevada line in 1926 and once owned by Frank Sinatra but has been shuttered for 10 years. David B Parker/The Reno Gazette-Journal via AP, File

Denver firm acquires historic Cal Neva resort at Lake Tahoe

Associated Press

CRYSTAL BAY, Nev. — A Denver-based real estate firm has acquired the Cal Neva Resort & Casino at Lake Tahoe, a historic hotel-casino built along the California-Nevada line in 1926 and once owned by Frank Sinatra but has been shuttered for 10 years.

McWhinney, which owns properties in a half-dozen states including Texas and Massachusetts, announced the deal as part of a partnership with The Kor Group and luxury boutique operator Proper Hospitality.

Chad McWhinney, co-founder, chairman and CEO of McWhinney, said the company is “thrilled for the opportunity to craft the next iteration of this one-of-a-kind resort.”

“Our vision is to reimagine and re-

vitalize this iconic resort with deep historic roots into an exceptional experience for guests and the local community to enjoy for years to come,” he said in a statement Friday.

Report: Sales price \$58M

The terms of the deal were not disclosed. The Reno Gazette Journal reported the sale price was estimated to be about \$58 million.

Sinatra bought the property in 1960. Sammy Davis Jr. and Tony Bennett were among the frequent visitors, and Marilyn Monroe stayed there shortly before her death in 1962.

A group that included Oracle co-founder Larry Ellison bought the Cal Neva in 2018 for \$35.8 million after it closed in 2013 and the previous own-

er filed for bankruptcy in the midst of a remodel. But it’s remained closed ever since.

McWhinney said on its website it plans to offer a world-class spa and wellness retreat on the 13-acre (5-hectare) site, with plans to modernize the existing hotel tower “while retaining some of the original character of public spaces like the historic Indian Room and Frank Sinatra Showroom.”

“We believe the approach Proper Hospitality takes with each of our distinctive projects is the perfect fit for such a rare property,” said Brad Korzen, CEO of Proper Hospitality and The Kor Group. “We strive to create an experience that is anchored to its location and creates long-term lasting value that supports the local community.”

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UCLA Study: Hollywood films still go mostly to white men

Associated Press

NEW YORK — As Hollywood emerged from the pandemic, its biggest film productions dipped in diversity after years of incremental progress, according to a new study by UCLA researchers. Opportunities were notably greater for women and people of color on streaming platforms than in theatrically released films.

The annual UCLA Hollywood Diversity Report, published March 30, presented one of the most detailed looks yet at how the film industry was shaped and, in many ways, set back during the pandemic.

In analyzing 2022 movie releases, academics found that ethnic and gender inclusivity in theatrical films reverted back to 2019 or 2018 levels in many metrics, turning charts downward that had been slowly trending toward greater equity on screen and behind the camera.

As the film industry sought to claw back moviegoers in 2022, it did so by leaning more on films starring and directed by white men, despite considerable evidence that more diverse films attract larger audiences. Black, Latino and Asian American moviegoers make up nearly half of all frequent moviegoers, and for the biggest hits, often account for the majority of ticket buyers.

“Two-tiered system”

The film industry was still recovering in 2022, releasing fewer wide releases and seeing the box office return to about 67% of pre-pandemic levels. Though the 2022 movie year ended in triumph for Asian American representation at the Academy Awards with the best picture-winning “Everything Everywhere All at Once,” researchers see a potential turning point where opportunity for women and people of color is usually reserved for lower-budgeted streaming movies.

“It definitely was not an industry that was back all the way. But I really think it gives a picture of a two-tiered system that’s been created,” says Ana-Christi-



This image released by Paramount Pictures shows Tom Cruise as Capt. Pete “Maverick” Mitchell in “Top Gun: Maverick.” Paramount Pictures via AP

na Ramón, director of the Entertainment and Media Research Initiative at UCLA, which produces the report. “What will be interesting to see is what happens in 2023 if it continues to have this bifurcation.”

“The fear is that diversity is something is temporary or could be easily cut at any point in either theatrical or streaming,” says Ramón, noting that streaming services, after years of torrid growth, are now pulling back on original productions.

People of color: 22% of lead actors

In theatrical releases, people of color accounted for 22% of lead actors, 17% of directors and 12% of writers. Women were 39% of lead actors and 15% of directors. While roughly double the percentages of a decade ago, the numbers

are closer to those of five years ago, and still easily trail U.S. population demographics. Women have made gains in writing, composing 27% of writers in 2022 theatrical releases, up from 17% in 2019. Yet only one woman of color penned a top theatrical film in 2022.

At the same time, streaming releases are more inclusive, accounting for more films with diverse casts and more female leads. Sixty-four percent of original streaming releases in 2022 had casts that were more than 30% non-white, as opposed to 57% of theatrical releases. About a third of leads in top streaming films went to people of color — nearly 12% more than in theatrical films but still about 10% below population demographics. Leads for women in streaming films (49%) nearly reached parity with men in 2022.

But by considering budget levels,

which tend to be higher in theatrical releases, researchers found some of the greatest disparities. Studios are overwhelmingly choosing white male directors for their biggest productions. They accounted for 73% of film directors in theatrical release, in films that usually (60%) had a budget above \$30 million.

Budgets tended to be lower for female filmmakers and directors of color. Films directed by white women were usually (56%) budgeted less than \$20 million. For directors of color, 76% of their streaming films had budgets below \$20 million.

“With the industry unstable, what we could see was the culture that Hollywood has always relied on when in need of a surefire hit,” says Ramón. “They think of surefire hits as a code for no diversity, for white-led. It’s something that they’re comfortable with.”

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Jamie McArthur poses with an adapted sailboat. He will lead the 8th annual KMAC regatta in late April. Staff photos by Madeline Yang

KMAC Foundation to host 8th annual regatta in late April

By **MADELINE YANG**
The Coronado News

“MR. SMEE” is spelled out on his license plate as he leaves the Coronado Yacht Club.

Apart from relating himself to the old Disney cartoon, Jamie McArthur is known for his adaptive sailing foundation.

Adaptive sailing, or para sailing as it is known on international waters, is just like any other parasport. It’s meant for people with disabilities to participate in sports adapted to their disability. And para sailing is no different.

In Coronado, a big part of adaptive sailing is through the KMAC Foundation, named after McArthur’s son, Lt. Junior Grade Kyle McArthur, who was involved in a fatal automobile accident in 2013.

This year’s KMAC Foundation Regatta will be held April 28-30, with a racing clinic and practice along with a race and dinner to support the foundation at the Coronado Yacht Club. All donations go to support the foundation.

Kyle loved sailing, and the entire family spent most of their time on the water, according to McArthur who has been sailing for the last 59 years.

Foundation’s beginning

However, there is a lot more to how and why the foundation started.

McArthur has been a special needs dad for the last 37 years, and he taught special education for 15 years after spending more than two decades in the Coast Guard as a boat driver.

Operating boats and working with disabled individuals is something that McArthur has done for more than half his life.

And he believes that disabled people should have just as much opportunity to experience sailing as people who do not have disabilities, he says.

“We don’t care if you’re a veteran, a child, we will make it work,” McArthur says, seated at the Coronado Yacht Club. “And the freedom that sailing gives people, especially if you’re in a wheelchair and all of a sudden you’re driving! You’re going, ‘hey, I’m going to go over here.’”

The boats that the foundation have are three Hansa 303’s, a single or two-crew sailing keelboat.

Different people have different disabilities; so there are various technologies that are available for what is needed, McArthur says.

“Technology is phenomenal”

“The technology is phenomenal, to allow somebody to get in a boat and do that,” McArthur says.

There are button drives for people who have the ability to move their thumbs. There are chin drives, a technology that rests on an individual’s chin to allow them to drive the boat.

There are also assistive technologies based on air.

McArthur demonstrates by saying, “sometimes it’s a puff drive. They...” McArthur blows a short puff of air out his mouth before continuing, “...and they can control the servos, turn the sails and drive the boat.”

On March 31, McArthur received an adaptive boat to test drive.

It had two seats for adaptive sailors, and space for two people in the back for safety reasons.

Ran Whitrey, a retired Navy commander, tested out the boat.

The tiller, which is what steers the sailboat, is normally in the back of the boat. In the adaptive sailboat, there is an improvised tiller in front of the two seats. It allows the adaptive sailor to steer the boat from the seat.

McArthur oversees from the dock, staying on dry land due to a recent hip surgery.

“In his spirit”

Back at the Coronado Yacht Club, McArthur tells a story about Kyle, noting that even 10 years later the KMAC Foundation will hear Kyle’s name throughout events and regattas.

Captain of the football team and the lacrosse team in high school, Kyle was known as an excellent leader, says McArthur.

“He could be approached...you’d be surprised how many people still reach out to me from his class at the [Naval] Academy,” he said.

Kyle was a “hot-shot” stud in high school, says McArthur, but he understood leadership and he took on the role as mentor for younger classmates at the Academy.

“It’s in his spirit,” McArthur says.

Jeff Lee, left, retired captain of the US Coast Guard; Bill Rall, retired captain of the US Coast Guard; and Ran Whitrey, retired commander of the US Navy, test out the adaptive sailboat.





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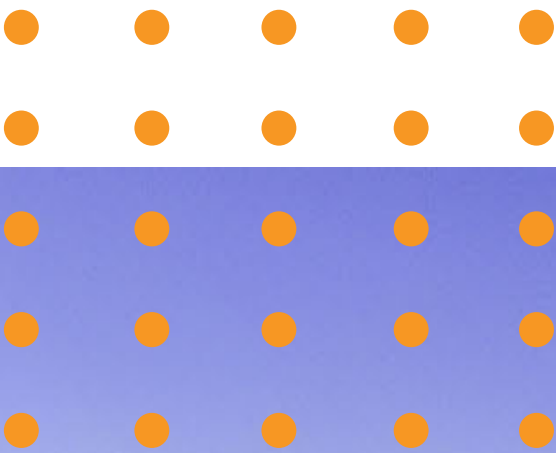
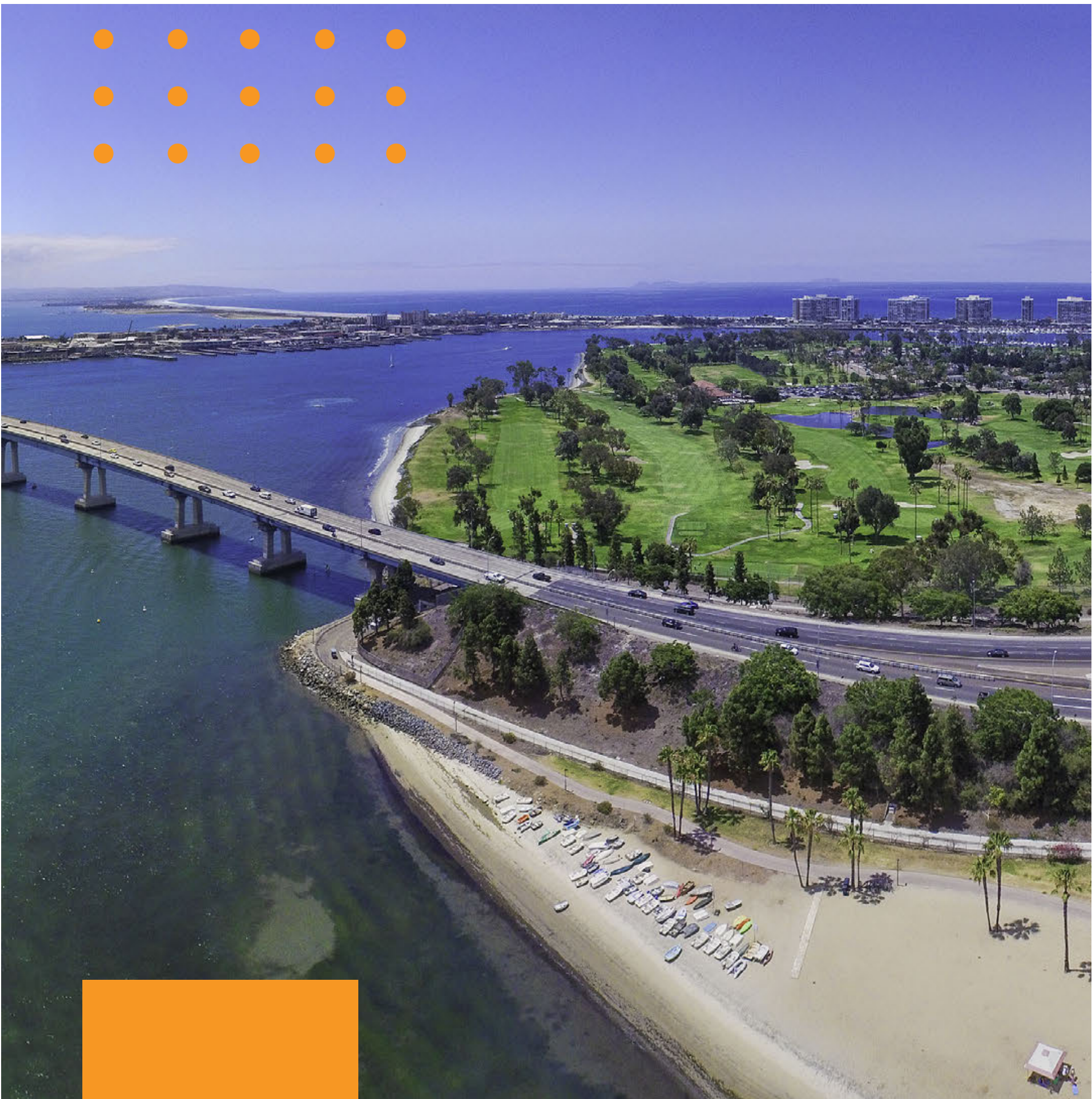


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