



# Shorerider

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## Message from LJSSA Menehune Contest Director *Stephanie Hoffman*

Thank you again for all your support in making LJSSA 2007 kids surf contest in April a huge success. This was our biggest year ever (150 competitors!) and the kids truly scored with our surf conditions. I would like to send out a special thank you once again to **Ed Newton** for his incredible wood working abilities and **Rina Fehrensen** for her contribution of glass blown wave trophies. These trophies were commented on extensively. I also want to thank all the volunteers for their energy and efforts on the day of our event. The success of our contest is directly related to everyone coming down and pitching in. We are looking forward to continued growth and improvement in this event and we hope you will get involved again next year. (see photos page 2 & 3)

Thanks Again!



### It's in the water....

Watch out because our local waters seem to be particularly fertile right

now...We're proud to welcome a whole new crop of babies to our surfing community:



**Kalene Guadalupe Larson** born on July 10, weighing in at 7lbs 2 oz., 20 inches to proud parents **Ryan Larson and Lupita Peraza.** ! *Que linda!*



## Coalition Contests Update

One of the many benefits of membership is surfing for the "team" at one of the Coalition Contests in Southern California...This past August, LJSSA competed in Oceanside...conditions were good, and our small team managed a few spots in the finals: Legends **Dave McLeod** (6th), Masters Women **Lorraine Schmalenberger** (6th), and Junior Women **Sarah Goldstein** (4th). Our team came in 10th overall. The next contest is hosted by Swamis Surfing Association and it's back at **Cardiff Reef** the weekend of **October 6 & 7th**. The sign up is at Dave's truck. Fees are \$80 for longboard and \$50 for shortboard. To compete, please contact [lorraine@ljssa.org](mailto:lorraine@ljssa.org) or tel: 858.692.5235. **GO for it.**



**Riley Steven Straka** born July 17 weighing in at 7lbs 11 oz., 20 1/2 inches to proud parents **Rebecca and Ryan Straka.** If he's anything like his mom, he'll be hanging five soon!

**Alessandra Belle Fehrensen** born August 19, weighing in at 8 lbs 4 oz., 20.5 inches, to Prez. Louis Fehrensen and wife Michelle.

If these kids grow up to surf like their parents, we'll have one hell of a future surf team! Congratulations to all. ♥

## Mark Your Calendars!

- ⇒ **WED. SEPT. 26**  
LJSSA Annual Meeting  
6:30 p.m. at LJ Rec.  
Center Election of Officers & Charitable giving nominations
- ⇒ **SAT. Sept 29. 9 A.M.**  
**Surfrider** beach cleanup. .join in & pick up some trash...then eat:
- ⇒ **SAT. Sept. 29, LJSSA**  
Take Back the Beach breakfast potluck...bring a dish to share & meet other club members!  
**10 a.m to noon.**
- ⇒ **SAT/SUN Oct 6 & 7:**  
Windansea Surf Club Annual Menehune Contest @ LJ Shores
- ⇒ **SAT/SUN Oct 6 & 7:**  
Swamis Surf Assoc. Coalition Contest @ Cardiff Reef. Sign up @ Dave's truck
- ⇒ **Wed. Oct. 24:** Monthly Meeting 6:30 p.m. LJ Rec. Center: election of charitable funds \$\$ designation

# LJSSA Donates Custom Board to UCSD Cancer Center

The La Jolla Shores Surfing Association was proud to sponsor a custom board for the silent auction of the UCSD Cancer Center Longboard & Luau Invitational. The board raised \$1,100 for the UCSD Cancer Center, one of our many charitable donations to good causes designated by you, our membership. We would like to thank the following shaper, artist, and glassing company who created this unique custom board, donating their labor in the process.....a true collaborative labor of love and the Aloha spirit!

**Don Laughlin** is a local La Jolla Shores shaper who began surfing the Shores 45 years ago and hopes the board reflects the love and respect for the ocean that this stretch of coastline has given him. Don Laughlin Sea Brothers Surfboards: [www.seabrotherssurf.com](http://www.seabrotherssurf.com)

**Stacy Vosberg** has been an artist for as long as she can remember. Born and raised in Southern California, her years of experience working in the outdoors and on the ocean instilled a deep love and respect of nature, reflected in her painting. Stacy's art can be found in numerous private and public collections in the continental United States, Hawaii, Europe, Central America, and Australia. [www.stacyvosberg.com](http://www.stacyvosberg.com)

**Pacific Glassing LLC** boasts years of industry experience. **Kurt Boeche** and **Roy Sanchez** have teamed up to form a full service surfboard glassing factory. Kurt is



known as one of the best "Resin men" in the business and Roy is respected as a board builder who has hand shaped tens of thousands of surfboards. Telephone #: 858.530-8066.

*At left: Artist Stacy Vosberg and shaper Donnie Laughlin with the board at Survivor Beach event in early August.*



**Thanks  
to all  
our great  
volunteers!**

*Photos by Lorraine*



**LJSSA Shores  
Menehune  
Contest 2007**

To order view more contest photos, please visit John Slavin's website:  
[www.johnslavin.com](http://www.johnslavin.com)



## Paid Parking at La Jolla Shores? *Not on our watch*

We would like to personally thank **Greg Spaniol**, longtime Shores surfer, for staying on top of the parking issue for all of us. He has attended every public meeting of the La Jolla parking board, the Town Council, etc., in order to keep an ear to the ground on this hot button issue. We'll alert you should we need to do a petition drive and/or attend a council hearing.

*Following is Greg's report:*

There has been very little discussion about the Shores parking lot at any of the meetings I have attended. The discussions have focused almost entirely on the La Jolla business district.

A gentleman at one of the meetings took an informal poll of 60 businesses in the Village and found that all but one believed that there is no significant parking problem now and that paid parking would be harmful to their business.

The City has told the Parking Board that they have no interest in the Kellogg Park lot but the Board disagrees. The proposed Parking Plan is so broad that it is hard to deal with. What does Kellogg Park have to do with Park

Row or Bird Rock? The Parking Board has said that they are going to break it down with separate plans for the different areas. However, I don't believe much of what the Parking Board says.

The Board says that the Proposed Plan is not about money. From what I have heard it is all about money! Parking meters at La Jolla Shores would just be another revenue stream.

The La Jolla Town Council appears to be opposed to the Proposed Parking Plan but they were unable to vote on a motion to either support or oppose because a couple of members wanted some time to get more information. I would say that of the 18 Town Council members 12 to 14 were strongly opposed.

I have seen very little public support at any of the meetings I have attended for paid parking at the beach. I hope the La Jolla Shores Association (planning group) would get more involved with this issue.

There you have it,  
*Greg*

## DUES REMINDER

**NOTICE:** *Please renew your membership in the LJSSA by paying your annual dues—notices are being mailed this week. We appreciate your support! The dues help fund our "operations": newsletter, website, mailbox, postage, printing, special events & parties.....We donated or set aside \$5,000 for charitable causes last year and with your help, this trend will continue. The LJSSA always welcomes new members. If you would like to join as a new member or invite someone to join, please bring them to attend a monthly meeting and stop by Dave's truck for a club application. Dues are \$35 for individuals, \$25 for students, and \$10 for each additional family member. First time members pay an additional \$10 and receive a club t-shirt. We do have club stuff for sale embroidered with our LJSSA logo: hats (\$15), navy blue hooded sweatshirts (\$27), & t-shirts (\$10), Ask Dave or Pete Z.*



## Feeling the Adrenaline *By Amelia Opean*

August 4, 2007: Everyone could tell that I was excited, but as I was carried into the surf, I realized that I was scared. It took awhile for me to get used to the feel of the ocean before I could attempt to swim. I just hung there, suspended in time, treading water. Stephanie tried to get my mind onto the task at hand, coaching me to press on. I shook my head and stayed put, too scared to talk. If I hadn't been ocean kayaking this past year, I might not have ever attempted this swim. But with the kayaking experiences fresh in mind and all the determination that I could muster, the adrenaline and fear just took a few minutes to overcome. Beside, having a few surf boards nearby was a comfort; it was like having the edge of the pool within reach. After getting my bearings, I started swimming to the first buoy. It wasn't until I reached the buoy that I looked around to see where I was. And when I did, I saw many friends right out there with me and this made me smile, the kind of smile that goes all the way to the soul. We swam approximately 40 minutes and I didn't drown--so I consider my first ocean swim since the early 1980's to be a success. I would like to thank everyone for coming out and supporting me. I know that most of you are not even avid swimmers. Of course, now that you all know how much help and support I need, I hope you will be there as I continue to try new things and go new distances! See you in the water. (Amelia is a paraplegic, injured in a car accident in 1978.)



**The Entourage:** *With a little help from her friends— Hannah, Bill, Kathie, Mary, Joe, Stephanie, John, and Art*