# **PENINSULA** NEWS BRIEFS

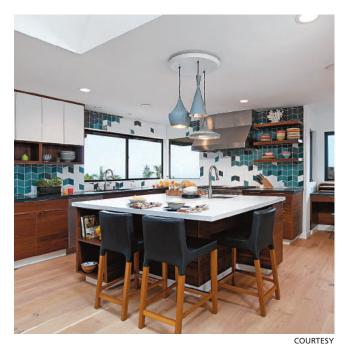
#### **Remodeled OB kitchen** wins design award

A Jackson Design & Remodeling (JDR) design for an Ocean Beach couple is one of five winners in the 27th annual San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles Magazine Kitchen of the Year competition. Designed by JDR senior interior designer, Rosella Gonzalez, the kitchen, according to a press release, "is a fresh and rustic take on a Mid-Century Modern sensibility. The bold handmade-tile backsplash in vivid shades of turquoise was customized with exacting attention to detail. Updated classics, such as a stainless steel hood and minimalist cabinet pulls, complement a balance of natural woods and gleaming white surfaces. The design captures ocean views and natural light while communicating colorful style in an open and airy layout."

Designers from across San Diego submit their best projects to this annual contest, which is judged by an independent panel of editors and design industry leaders. -jacksondesignandremodeling.com

#### Phil's BBQ benefit sets record raising funds for Operation Bigs

For the first time and for its 10th year, *Phil's Big BBQ at* the Ballpark reached its goal of raising more than \$100,000 for Operation Bigs, a Big Brothers Big Sisters one-to-one mentoring program for military children. Nearly 3,000 people came out to Petco Park, July 29 to support the event that included food, drinks, live music, a kids zone and more. The 2018 Big Brothers Big Sisters "Bigs of the Year," "Volunteers of the Year," "Liaison of the Year," were recognized for their contributions.



This remodeled kitchen in Ocean Beach by Jackson Design & Remodeling won a design award from San Diego Home/Garden Lifestyles Magazine.

Operation Bigs was launched in 2004 to meet the increasing demand for BBBS from military families. Since its inception, Operation Bigs has served more than 2,638 Navy and Marine Corps children. The program operates at eight schools in four communities throughout San Diego County including Camp Pendleton, Point Loma, Coronado and Murphy Canyon. Operation Bigs enrolls military dependents, ages 7-17, at no cost to families.

Volunteers are in high demand. To learn how you can positively impact a child's life, donate or volunteer today at sdbigs.org or (858) 536-4900. -sdbigs.org

### Gianni Buonomo Vintners earns 'best of' award

After winning gold and double gold medals from coast to coast this year, Gianni Buonomo Vintners has been crowned Best of San Diego by San Diego Magazine. (August 2018)

"It's been a heck of a season and being recognized as San Diego's best winery is a great honor," said winemaker and Minnesota native Keith Rolle, whose tasting room at 4836 Newport Ave. in Ocean Beach.

How does a small winery like Gianni Buonomo compete against the biggest players in the world of wine? "I'm not totally sure," Rolle continued. "I just know I

don't rush anything to market and I stick to sound, fundamental wine-making. All the wines spend two years in oak and one year bottle aging before they're released. I'm sure that has something to do with it. Plus, I source some really nice fruit (from both El Dorado County, California and Washington State)." -GBVintners.com

## Veteran's Coalition to offer Entrepreneur Summit

The San Diego Veteran's Coalition and its community partners will host the second annual Military, Veterans & Spouses Entrepreneur Summit, beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 at Liberty Station.

Attendees will learn about starting, financing and growing a business, doing business with the government,

> Saturdays at 8 a.m.



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