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# Find expert tax help at RJS Law

If you have personal, small business or corporate tax problems with the IRS or California state tax authorities, know that RJS Law can help. It's the largest boutique tax-controversy firm in San Diego.

"All of our attorneys have or are pursuing a Masters of Laws in Taxation," explained Principal/Senior Attorney Ronson J. Shamoun. "And because of our specific focus in tax law, we continually work with the San Diego offices of the federal and state taxation agencies and have a great rapport with their personnel and the local legal community."

In 2009 and 2010, Shamoun was awarded the San Diego Daily Transcript "Top Young Attorney" award and is a frequent legal commentator for news stations including Fox 5, NBC 7, ABC 10, and KUSI News.

The firm's honors include recognition by the San Diego County Bar Association for their commitment to diversity, and an A+ rating from the BBB for the last eight years.

RJS Law offers free consultations and has a strong commitment to pro-bono services. "Our attorneys frequently speak in the community to help lower income

individuals with their tax problems," said Shamoun.

The firm recently moved to brand new offices in the Crabtree Building across from the San Diego Civic Theatre. Their address is 303 A Street (at Third), Suite 400. For more information, visit www. IRSsolution.com or call 619-595-1655.

Shamoun is also the owner of numerous local businesses including 0B Quik Stop, Newport Quik Stop, the Charcoal House Restaurant, and the Junction Steakhouse and Sports Bar.

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## Art exhibit unites local treasures with museum treasures

A groundbreaking new art exhibit takes visitors on a global journey of the unique yet universal ways that different cultures celebrate milestones. Rites of Passage: Our Journeys Through Life is on display at the Center for Community & Cultural Arts through January 2013, in the Joe & Vi Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Ave. The CCCA is San Diego's newest cultural arts venue and home to an innovative partnership between Balboa Park museums, residents of southeastern San Diego, and the Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation.

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Rites of Passage is the first exhibition born from this joint venture, and combines cultural treasures on Joan from The San Diego Museum of Art, the Museum of Man, and Mingei International Museum, alongside pieces donated by the residents of southeastern San Diego, representing more than 20 cultural groups.

Organized to reflect four passages through life — Birth and Youth, Coming of Age, Identity and Status, and Death and Beyond — the exhibit features items such as wedding attire from different cultures, Zultu and Ndebele pregnancy aprons, baby carriers from Indonesia, and a war shirt from the Blackfoot peoples of North America. There are also photographs, hands-on workshops and storytelling videos. Learn more at CommunityAndCulturalArts.com.

# Support for brain injury survivors

Medical professionals, friends, neighbors and survivors of traumatic brain injury are working together to raise money for services that benefit those affected by brain injury, at a "Friendraiser" this Saturday, Sept. 22, from 6-8-30 p.m. at the Mission Trails Regional Park, Sponsored by the San Diego Brain Injury Foundation, the event will include wine, hors doeuvres, a silent auction, art by brain injury survivors, astronomers with telescopes, and more. Tickets are \$50. Toregister, call 6i9-294-6541 or go to www.sdbif.org.



# Before and after Bouari

Though some pictures paint a thousand words, some paint only one. Wow. That's pretty much the word painted by every before-and-after picture of clients of the Bouart Clinic. This nationwide weight loss clinic, started in Las Vegas in 2007, now has two offices in San Diego, owned by Bonnie Walter, who was a client of the Bouari Clinic in Vegas before its focus even included weight loss. "Dr. Carol Anne Chaney Bourai is a holistic doctor, and my family and I were her patients for alternative medicine," explained Bonnie. "Dr. Bouari realized there were too many unhealthy ways that people were trying to lose weight, so she developed an FDA-registered program for weight loss." Bonnie tried the program, lost 25 pounds in just over six weeks, has kept it off for over two years, and has been an avid advocate of the program ever since. So much so that she opened two Bouari Clinic franchises – one in Del Mar, the other in Mission Valley.

What's the secret to the Bouari program? You use all-natural supplements that support fat burning and reduce lunger and cravings, while eating real food. Nothing is pre-

packaged. You simply relearn how to eat right by having four to six small meals day.comprised of lean meats and fresh fruits and vegetables. Because the weight comes off quickly its very motivating, said Bonnie. "On average, women lose half a pound a day, and men lose a pound a day, and men lose a pound a day, and you're losing fat, not muscle."

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Programs are generally 30 or 60 days With the current \$100 discount, the one-month program is \$399 and the two-month is \$499, which includes the initial consultation, all supplements and all follow-up visits (approximately one per week). The supplements are sublingual (underthe-tongue) drops of Bouari Advantage — an herbal blend that supports the body's systems involved in weight loss (pituitary gland, thyroid and hypothalamus) — and drops of B12 to increase metabolism and support the immune system.

"By the time you stop using the supplements, you're used to eating well and we work with you to help bring good carbs back into your diet, said Bonnie." It's exciting to see so many people have success."

If you'd like to be a Bouari success story.call \$58-433-4933 for a free consultation.

# 'Hidden Wealth' party at Gold Trust Store, Sept. 22

Specializing in the appraisal and purchase of treasured assets, The Gold Trust Store is celebrating its one-year anniversary with a Hidden Wealth Party this Saturday, Sept. 22 from 10 a.m.12:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring their valuables and treasured assets for a free appraisal and cash offers. Everyone who accepts a cash offer will get a \$50 bonus (some restrictions apply). "We offer the highest possible prices for gold, silver, diamonds, platinum

jewelry, watches, silver tea sets, rare currency, collectables, silverware, and heirlooms," said owner Ken Fabian. The experienced staff also assists clients with the purchase of gold, silver, precious metals, rare coins, and gold IRA investments. During the party, the Gold Trust Store will be giving away Hidden Wealth Gift Packages that include day spa and salon gift cards, silver coins, and wine. There will also be a Golden-Opportunity Prize Raffle,

free food from the French Gourmet, and expert instruction on the real value and investment potential of one's treasured assets.

Appraisals are free, and should you chose to convert your assets to cash, you can do so immediately.

The Gold Trust Store is at 7837 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. in the Ethan Allen Shopping Center. For more information, please call Ken at 858-268-4653 or visit www.goldtrust-store.com.

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