

Subject: re: Harassed at Childrens poll
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I would like to describe an incident that happened to my son and I at the Children's pool beach in La Jolla which has left my son and I scarred for life. I'll attempt to describe it to the best of my recollection. There is video of this event that a man named David Pierce has that could be viewed if necessary.

I took my 6 year old son up to Children's pool so he could see the seals. He was so excited about our little outing together. when we got there, I explained to him the importance of not disturbing the seals in anyway. He is a bright boy and understood. When we went down the stairs, we were yelled at by a few people on the bathroom level and I turned and stated that we were aware of the seals and had no intention of disturbing them. Even though we continued to be called names, we continued to the beach. We were the only people on the beach and there were about 30 seals on the west side of the beach. I told my son to stay behind me at all times so I could see if we were causing any disturbance to them at all and I could signal him to stop. I was behind the warning sign on the beach and about 50 feet from the seals when my son came running to me crying. I turned and saw a man behind me with his broom sweeping a trench into the sand acting like nothing happened. When I asked my son what had happened, he said that the man had approached him and told him what a bad man his father was and how I was teaching him bad things. My son was very disturbed this and was difficult to comfort. I had words with the man (James Huddnel) and we left. As we were going up the stairs we were harassed by a few women on the bathroom level again and my son was told again by one of them what a bad father I am. All this happened while being video taped by strangers.

My son never wants to go back there and I really can't blame him. I grew up swimming at the children's pool and have done

many scuba dives from there. The Children's pool had a special place in my past that I wanted my son to have also. That will never be now that this has happened.

Please put a stop to this. The people there are nothing more than terrorists by Webster's definition and they're being allowed to continue terrorist activities. Parents and even children are being harassed and terrorized. Let me say that again.....TERRORIZED! **"To Serve and Protect"** Please let these words mean something again, especially to my son.

I'd be happy to discuss the event in person or over the phone if it will help bring peace back to the Children's pool.

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