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CENTRAL LIBRARY TO SCREEN “GOAL DREAMS” ABOUT PALESTINIAN IDENTITY AND SOCCER

Players from Different Countries Merge through the Universal Language of Sports

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library will screen the film *Goal Dreams* in conjunction with the ongoing One Book, One San Diego community reading campaign. The film will screen at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 7 in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is free to the public.

Directed by Maya Sanbar and Jeffrey Saunders, *Goal Dreams* is a feature length documentary about personal and national identity as seen through the Palestinian National Soccer Team, a team like no other. Comprised of multiple nationalities, speaking different languages and having no home field, the Palestinian national soccer team and its players must overcome obstacles of physical, emotional, cultural and geographic nature just to exist. The film chronicles the lives of four Palestinian players hailing from different parts of the world during the team's preparation for their most important World Cup qualification match.

The *One Book* campaign, sponsored with KPBS, is designed to encourage all San Diegans to read the same book at the same time, and to educate and enlighten on topics and themes of concern to the community. This year's selection is *Outcasts United* by New York Times journalist Warren St. John. Throughout the year the San Diego Public Library, KPBS and other partner organizations will present workshops, lectures, discussion groups and TV and radio programming.

Learn about other events at the SDPL's Central Library and 35 branches, including an entire section for *One Book, One San Diego*, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's catalog at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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