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Cynthia Hudgins and granddaughter Cynthia May Hudgins

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Early Black Settlement, part 2

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Ballpark lobby With the future of the downtown baseball stadium seemingly hanging in the balance, employees of the construction company that has a big contract to build it are shoveling thousands of dollars of campaign funds to San Diego city council members. Fifteen employees of **Douglas E. Barnhart** have each given between $100 to $250 to the campaign committee of Councilman **Brian Maienschein**; 11 Barnhart workers have contributed similar amounts to his colleague **Jim Madaffer** ... Fallen mayor **Roger Hedgecock** and wife **Cindy** have given $1000 to the Mayor **Dick Murphy** campaign committee. Other employees of Clear Channel, the radio-station chain where Hedgecock is employed as a talk-show host, also gave to Murphy. They included **Michael Glickenhaus** and **Kevin McCarthy**. Clear Channel has the contract to carry Padres games. Yet another media type and avid ballpark booster listed as giving to Murphy: *San Diego Magazine* owner **James Fitzpatrick**. Murphy used the money to repay himself the $75,000 he had lent his campaign last year.



Brian Maienschein



Jim Madaffer

From La Jolla, with love La Jolla's wealthy Evans family is bailing out of a 100-acre hotel and conference resort it wanted to expand in Newport Beach. A slow-growth measure passed by voters there last year has jeopardized plans for the 370-room project, reports the *Orange County Register*. Under the city's so-called Greenlight measure, Newport Beach voters get to decide the fate of any development that exceeds the city's general plan by more than 40,000 square feet, 100 daily car trips, or 100 homes. "The recent Newport Beach election results clearly indicated the community's support for a different hotel on the Newport Dunes property than the one we proposed," **Tim Quinn**, project manager for Evans Hotels, wrote the city council. The family, run by matriarch **Anne Evans**, owns the Bahia, Catamaran, and the Lodge at Torrey Pines, in addition to the historic Newport Dunes resort ... San Diego Unified School District member **Ron Ottinger** is sending out letters to a list of big-money donors who chipped in for 1998's $M school-bond campaign. This time, Ottinger wants the contributors, including contractors with business at the district, to ante up $250 a head for a ticket to a September American Jewish Committee banquet for school superintendent **Alan Bersin**. "I hope you will honor Alan Bersin's leadership, vision, and commitment by sponsoring a table for ten (10) guests in the amount of $2500." ... **Charles Brandes**, a wealthy La Jolla investment manager, has just bought an 11-room duplex penthouse on New York's Torry Park Avenue for a record $22 million, reports the *New York Observer*. The five-bedroom condo, featuring a skylight over the limestone spiral staircase and a 360-degree view of Manhattan, had been offered at $29.5 million. Brandes and wife Linda are trying to sell a smaller unit on a lower floor in the same building for $15.5 million.

Reminder money The Neurosciences Institute of La Jolla, a center for Alzheimer's research, has received a $10 million challenge grant from New York's **Lewis B. Cullman**, who recently sold the At-A-Glance calendar company, reports the *Chronicle of Philanthropy* ... San Diego Gas & Electric is paying the City of San Diego $45,000 to promote the giant utility company in a quarterly city newsletter mailed out to 70,000 small businesses. According to a recent contract, SDG&E gets to put its logo on the "front page and back panel" of the publication and be able to include a "45-word article on the second or third page." In addition, the city "may provide other story placement locations and additional space for SDG&E articles and photos." ... Artist **Joyce Cutler-Shaw** is being paid $217,750 by the city to create public art for the new Mission Valley branch library ... National University is breaking out a new advertising campaign in an attempt to discard its "remedial" image, reports *Adweek* magazine. "We are presenting NU not as an alternative to traditional programs but as a better and more modern approach to higher education for the real world," said **Millie Olson**, president of San Francisco's Amazon ad agency, handling the account.

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I Can't Eat Peanuts!

By Robert Kumpel

Erin Bushie had no idea that her one-year-old daughter, Aubrey, had a severe food allergy until the call came from day care.

"At the day care, they all had a spoonful of peanut butter at lunch. She had trouble breathing and her eyes swelled up, and they called me right away. My boss let me go, and I took her to the doctor immediately. But when I got there to pick her up about ten minutes after the call, her eyes were so swollen that they were almost shut. It was scary."

Erin and her husband David now live with the reality that Aubrey must not have certain foods. Now almost three years old, Aubrey doesn't seem to care that some foods are off-limits for her. She is bright, energetic, and outgoing, blurting out, "I can't have eggs!" Her mom corrects her. "Not anymore. Now you can." Aubrey adds, "I can't eat peanuts!" then rushes off to the living room of their Talmadge home. Erin lists her allergies: "It used to be eggs, peanuts, cats, and dogs, but she's outgrown the allergy to eggs already. She used to be fatally allergic to peanuts, but her scores have gone down — lower than most kids who have allergies to peanuts, but they said to still not give her any. She might outgrow that too, but they don't expect her to. We worked with Dr. Michael Mellon at Kaiser and he was just great."

"What made it so scary was that I didn't know. One time, probably the third or fourth trip to the hospital, the respiratory therapist said, 'She probably has asthma.' I didn't know allergies were related to asthma at all. That was in September of 1999. By January 2000, we had her tested. They skin-tested her by making some pricks in her back."

Kaiser put Aubrey in a study, since she was too young for the regular therapy of inhalers. "They were starting this new medication, called Pulmicort, that was supposed to be like an inhaler. They provided us with everything, including the nebulizer [which reduces medicine to a fine spray], and did the study with several different babies. She responded well to it, and at the time she was around cats and dogs, and she could do that with the Pulmicort, even though she was allergic to them. In fact ever since we've started it, she has not been back to the hospital once."

Pulmicort is the generic name for Budesonide, a popular anti-inflammatory steroid used in treating asthma. A corticosteroid, Pulmicort inhibits the body's ability to react to allergens or cause inflammation.

Erin brings out a machine about the size of a school lunch box with an electrical cord. It is a compressor nebulizer. The dosage of medicine is placed in the machine, and it produces a "fog" of medication for Aubrey to breathe through a mask connected by a hose. A new, smaller, battery-operated machine is still unopened. The new machine will allow Aubrey more flexibility, as it can be used anywhere. Erin calls this process "fogging."

While wearing a mask to inhale vapor is easy for an adult, getting a one-year-old to do it is not easy. "At the hospital, they used a Barney character with a mask, and they let the kids put it on Barney, then themselves. She didn't like it the first time, but after that she was okay. I think it's because she started so young."

Like other allergy patients, Aubrey needs an emergency dose of adrenaline on hand in case of anaphylactic shock, but she was too small at first for a standard "Epi-pen" kit. "We had to carry around a syringe and fill it ourselves with the proper dosage in case she ate the wrong foods. Whenever we went to the hospital, we went because she was having trouble breathing. Her passages were shutting on her, though she never broke out in hives or anything like that. Now that she's older, she can handle a bigger dosage, so we have the 'Epi-pen Junior' kit."

David is aware that, like most parents of allergic children, they have to go out of their way to inform anyone who comes in contact with Aubrey of the dangers. "All of Erin's awareness and reactions of what she has to do — every situation we have to go into — we're pretty informative to all the people involved. It takes an effort, but Erin, being a former teacher, she's really attentive to detail. She lets people know, not in an offending way, but just so everyone becomes aware of it. Everybody contributes, and there hasn't been any issue as far as her ingesting any foods that give her reactions." David produces an elaborate instruction sheet printed for babysitters, parents of friends, and teachers. It lists Aubrey's allergies and offers instruc-

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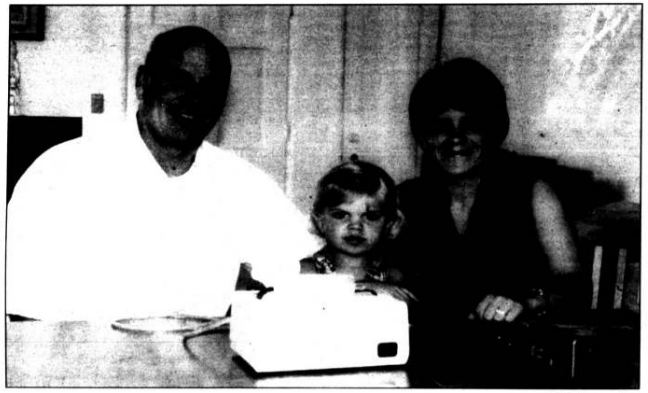

David, Aubrey, and Erin

Pretty Woman

By Deirdre Lickona

On a recent Saturday, I visited the jam-packed sands of Pacific Beach. The constant breeze tempered the sun's rays and made the day ideal. Like bees busying themselves with their honeycomb, these sun-worshippers busied themselves with recreation — beer, tanning, horseshoes. The tanned flesh of the toned twenty-something crowd was dotted here and there with bits of ink and metal, belly-button piercings and tattoos having slid from roguishness into trendiness. Like a drone, I weaved my way through the buzzing crowd, searching for a queen bee who would give me her perspective into the feminism of the new millennium — and in particular, how it manifested itself in her own body image.

My first attempt was with a group of youngsters — still in high school, barely old enough to test the more political waters of womanhood. Drue, 16, blissfully glossed over the distinction — whatever it may be — between "feminist" and "feminine." When I asked after the definition of a feminist, she replied, "Being in tune with women, being involved in your looks and the way your image is with people. I'm not really one. I want myself to look good, but I don't take all hours of the day on my looks."

As it happened, only one of the 17 women I spoke with declared herself a feminist, with any kind of conviction. Most said they were not, usually citing a lack of political drive. A few wallowed in the mushy middle, saying they supported "equality" and "equal pay for equal work" — the only issue mentioned with any regularity. All said they wanted to get married, and all but one said they wanted to have children.

I followed Drue's lead — discussing looks and image — and inquired after her bikini: black and white zebra-print with red trim. What had been her criteria in selecting it? "I need something that covers my butt, because they're making bathing suits that are nice and skinny and don't cover much. I like to buy bright colors, because it makes me look tan, but I'd rather have guys look at my face than my body. I mean, I don't love my body. There are things that I wish were smaller, or bigger." What? "My boobs, like everyone. But I'd rather guys look at my face, because you can tell more about a person from their face."

I turned to the more slightly built Erinne, 17, and asked about her own body image. "If I could have any body, I would be tall. I wouldn't have to be really skinny, but toned. I would like to have bigger boobs, because I think clothing would look better on me if I had a fuller chest." Do you like to be looked at by guys? "Yeah. Most girls do. It's flattering, self-assuring, and just kind of fun. But there's different kinds of guys. There's guys that drive around and catcall you and are nasty — that's gross. Or there are guys that just come and talk to you and have a natural conversation. That's kind of the way I like to be noticed."

I pushed a little. What about girls who show themselves off, perhaps prompting the catcalls from the "nasty boys." "It makes me feel bad for [those girls]. And it's bad for guys, because the guys will be like, 'Oooh, too bad you're not like that.' They get an image of the perfect woman, and then we have to live up to that. It makes us feel worse about ourselves, and that's not how we should feel. We should feel comfortable with our bodies."

As I moseyed down the beach, I zeroed in on two attractive, bikini-clad sunbathers. Both were blond; both were endowed with the height and chest that Erinne longed for. Neither considered herself a feminist. Christina, 26, spoke first. "I guess a feminist is someone who stands up for women's rights and issues. I'm probably not one. I'm kind of old-fashioned. I don't believe women should be barefoot and pregnant; I believe in equality and whatnot. But I'm not like a real political person. I work, and I'm independent and single, but when it comes time to get married, I want to have kids and marry someone who can take care of us."



Drue and Erinne

Erika, 27, echoed some of Christina's sentiments. "I don't consider myself a feminist, because I'm not actively involved in feminist issues. I have my own beliefs, but I don't make a point of going out and voicing my opinion or making a difference in those issues." I couldn't imagine that either of these beauties would wish for different bodies, but Christina was not absolutely content. "I'd like to have a tighter ass, a tighter stomach — all the things you get from going to the gym." Erika merely shrugged, "I'd like to be a little more fit, but I don't have any serious issues about how I would like my body to be."

I turned to Christina: what do you want men to notice about your body? "My boobs."

To Erika: What do men think of your body? "I don't know; that's a hard question."

Christina was incredulous. "That's not a hard question!"

"I know, but to say it out loud... Yeah, they like it. I mean, I would just never say that."

I asked what seemed an easy question — would you rather be smart and homely or dumb and pretty? "Fortunately," answered Christina, "we're lucky enough to have both. I can't say. I wouldn't want to be not pretty or to be stupid." Erika thought for a moment. "Beauty is on the outside. It doesn't last forever. So I guess I'd rather be smart and homely — but that's if I had to choose."

Twenty feet down the beach, Vicki — 30, voluptuous, busty — answered in a heartbeat. "Smart and homely, because I'd rather have men respect me for my brains. Guys stare at my chest when I'm talking to them instead of my eyes. If I could change something about my body, I'd get rid of my big boobs. I think some women don't understand what it's like to have big boobs. I like to

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Erika and Christina



Ann, Vicki, and Tiffany

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tions on medications to use and dosage. "Erin has a gift for enrolling people into the idea of taking care of our kid!"

Erin doesn't think any of this has been embarrassing, nor has anyone treated them as oddballs because of their concern. "Everyone's been great about it. I think, too, when I say that she's fatally allergic to peanuts, they hear the word 'fatal,' and they understand that this isn't something that she's just going to be coughing at. After going to the hospital three or four times and seeing what a struggle it was for her to breathe — and sometimes it was an hour before the respiratory therapist was able to see her — after seeing your child struggle like that, you're not going to be timid about letting people know.

"If she has to go to a friend's house or day care, you have to let them know she's allergic to peanuts so they don't give it to her. Dr. Mellon said this is common with babies, that she seems to instinctively know what she's allergic to, and she won't eat it.

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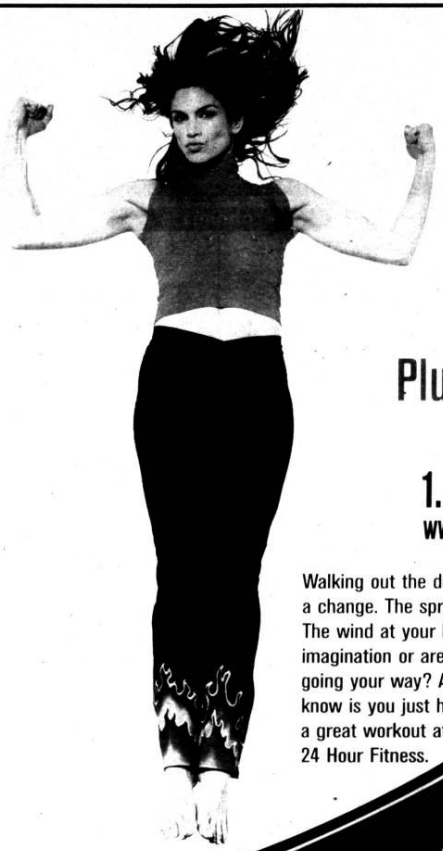

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When she was allergic to eggs, she wouldn't eat them, when she would eat everything else under the sun. At the home day care I used to send her to, she'd say, 'I can't have peanuts' and 'I can't have eggs,' and a lot of the kids were older, so they'd all look out for her."

David: "With Chinese food, she would normally eat certain things. But with cashew chicken or any type of food cooked in peanut oil — which a lot of Chinese food is cooked in — there's no trace of peanuts that you can see. She would spit it out or push it away, but she wouldn't keep it in her mouth. She had a sense of what was bad for her."

Erin moved to San Diego from Missouri when Aubrey was a few months old. First working as a teacher, Erin had to use day care for Aubrey her first year in San Diego. Divorced from Aubrey's father, she met David when Aubrey turned one, and he has assumed the role of father since. David romps with Aubrey on the living room floor as he lavishes her with attention and affection. Since their marriage two months ago, Erin has quit her job to stay home with Aubrey.

Being alone in a new town with a sick baby was not easy for Erin. "I felt really scared and helpless. I didn't know what to attribute it to. I didn't know it could be related to food or anything like that. It's pretty scary. With your first-born, everything is pretty new to you already. I thought, 'This is something where I don't even know where to go read about!' I didn't know if I could handle it on my own, and this whole hospital thing can be kind of intimidating. It makes you feel really out of control, but the people I was working with — the doctors and the others — they made us feel relaxed and comfortable. They would tell us stuff when they didn't have to, just to make us relax. For instance, at the hospital, when they were talking among themselves using all their medical terminology, the doctor came over and explained what it was they were saying in laymen's terms."

Erin is not as afraid as she once was about Aubrey's allergies. "Before, there weren't many medications out there for babies. Then I would have really been concerned, but now there's something to help her deal with it. Plus, I learned that she can outgrow some of this stuff, like she has with eggs, and the peanuts are no longer fatal. They said that most kids outgrow allergies they had as babies when they hit three or four.

"In fact, right now, she's going off the Pulmicort. Her dosage was originally .50 milligrams every day. She would inhale through the 'fogger' for 10 to 15 minutes each morning. Over the last six months, we've reduced the dosage down to .25 milligrams, and for the last week, we've been using it every other day. We're trying to wean her off of it altogether. We want to see how she breathes on her own now, because this is supposed to be the best time of the year [July] to get off the medication. It seems to get better as she gets older."

David gives credit to Aubrey for their progress in the allergy game. "Probably every parent says this, but Aubrey is really bright. She's kind of independent, probably because she's been in day care since day one and has

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mixed with people. She's not easily influenced by people to do something she knows she's not supposed to do. If she believes something, nobody's going to persuade her. For instance, at Easter, she might see a bowl of candy, somebody will say, 'Go ask your mother,' she'll ask her mother, and her mother will say, 'You can have one.' She'll go back to this huge bowl of jelly beans, and she'll take out one jelly bean. She's pretty responsible about stuff like that, and she does know the difference in which foods she should be eating, to some degree, as much as a young child can. I think it would be very difficult if there was difficulty communicating with her. She's pretty aware of what's going on." ■

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play sports, and I have to wear a regular bra and a sports bra to jog. It's like, 'Why bother?' You can have pretty breasts at a 34 B." As for the girls who show it all, she says, "Hey, if you've got the body, show it. If I had the body, I'd show it."

Tiffany, 28, lounged next to Vicki on a beach blanket. Her tan skin shimmered against her leopard-print bikini. She longed for the greener pastures (hills?) on Vicki's side of the fence. "I would like to have larger breasts, because ever since I started going through adolescence, I've felt uncomfortable and awkward about my breasts. A lot of it probably had to do with people around me. I'm very hippy; and I just want to even everything out into an hourglass figure."

I assumed that she therefore had no beef with breast augmentation. "I think it's about how the individual handles it. Some girls get a boob job, and they're all about showing their boobs to everyone and wearing slutty clothes and being promiscuous. I don't like that, but if somebody grows up like I have, being very uncomfortable about it, and gets a boob job and still dresses and acts the same way, it's great."

Ann, 21, who filled out her bikini in a perfectly proportionate manner, said she was satisfied with her figure. She listened serenely as I spoke with her friends, but her voice boomed with brazen proclamations when I turned to her. "Hell, yeah, I'm a feminist. A woman can do anything in the world that she wants. A feminist is independent, smart, beautiful, everything. She just knows what she wants and goes and gets it, understanding that she has to use her brain and personality in getting what she wants, and not her body."

So are you opposed to breast augmentation? "I didn't get boobs until I was 18. I was flat-chested the whole way up. I think if you let your body mature the way it's supposed to and then get a boob job, great. If you can carry it off respectfully, do it. But you don't have to show your tits to every single guy in the world. If you have the mind-" state that 'I know I'm doing what I want to do,' and you can pay for it without a sugar daddy paying for it, then it's all right."

I wondered what Ann thought of women that used their bodies, that liked to show it all. "If you've got the body, then that's cool. But don't be rubbing up on my man, because if you rub up on my man, I'm going to [beat up on you]. I'm going to get up in your face and be like, 'Don't you ever come near my boyfriend again.'" ■



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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE



Illustration By Rick Geary

Hey, Matt:
A friend of mine got a ticket on Third Avenue, between Juniper and Ivy [downtown], *for not having her tires turned in toward the curb. She was legally parked at a meter, had her emergency brake on, and the car was in gear, so it wasn't endangering other cars. I don't think that part of Third Avenue even qualifies as a hill, so what's the deal? How steep does a road have to be to qualify for a ticket like that? I don't think I've ever heard of anybody getting a ticket for not having their tires turned toward the curb!*

— Toni, North Park

I feel your pain. I applaud the outrage-by-proxy — sticking up for a friend who's been wronged. That said, I hope your friend just paid the ticket and is now a habitual wheel-crimper. According to parking enforcement, the San Diego muni code adopted state guidelines, which say that a 3% grade is a hill. That's a 3-foot elevation change every 100 feet. Not much of an incline, but enough to send your parked motor home careening down the slope. That section of Third is a hill, by state definition.

Parking enforcement doesn't have a list of streets that qualify as hills. Experienced meterpersons know them when they see them. Some parking police are sticklers for this violation, some are more lenient. Whoever tickets the Bankers Hill–Middletown area probably spends lots of time looking for uncrimped wheels, since there aren't many level streets around there. On some streets, you'll find reminder signs about wheel-crimping. I'm told those only go up when there have been a large number of crimper tickets written in the area. If a ticket is challenged in court, the city's engineering department will drag out its maps and confirm the degree of slope.

Hey, Matt:
Was the apparently universal word "binky" just some anonymous, orally fixated infant's cute term for a pacifier or a trade name cooked up by some anonymous, orally fixated ad executive?

— Mark in Normal Heights

The board of directors of Worldwide Alice LLC is proud to say we've never heard the word binky before. Guess we don't hang around with enough babies or ravers. But in the interest of scholarship, we poked around in our big bag o' facts and determined that Binky is a trademarked name, now belonging to Playtex, for a line of pacifiers: the Binky Firm Comfort, the Binky Gel Filled, and the Binky Newborn Orthodontic. I guess "Binky" was just too icky cutesy to resist, so it's now the "Xerox" and "Kleenex" of the babygoods world. The Playtex attorneys would appreciate it if, from now on, we'd say, "Hey, man, here, take my Binky-brand Firm Comfort pacifier. You've got this rad jaw thing going on. You're beautiful, man. I love you. Let's dance." The Worldwide Alice board of directors has added "binky" to the list of words never to be used again in the office, along with "comfort zone," "personal space," and "closure."

Hi, Matt:
Where does the necktie come from?

— Tieless Tim Cotes, Shelter Island

They came from hell, I tell you! HELL! Well, actually, France. The same country that gave us high heels. In the first century, Roman soldiers tied water-soaked hunks of material around their necks to keep themselves cool while they marched around Europe slaughtering people. I guess it's understandable why neckwear never caught on as a fashion statement then. But one day in the late 1600s, soldiers from Croatia showed up in Paris. They wore linen scarves around the necks of their uniforms. The French nobility took one look, and the next day men and women in the trend-setting upper classes had long, flowing things tied in a knot around their necks. The rest of Europe looked to the French court for guidance before they got dressed every morning, so soon everyone was wearing ties. The British King Charles seemed particularly fond of them. Neckties became a fashion and status statement. Serious treatises discussed proper knotting techniques. Ties and knots were named after famous people and places. And we sheep have been knotting cloth around our necks ever since. There's no indication that the Croatian soldiers used their scarves as the Roman soldiers had. So it looks as though the necktie was useless on day one and is still useless 350 years later.

Got a question you need answered? Get it straight from the hip. Write to Matthew Alice, c/o the *Reader*, P. O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803, or fax your questions to 619-231-0489, or e-mail to *heymatt@cts.com* via the Internet.

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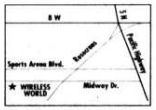

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SportingBox

By Patrick Daugherty

No Mas

For most of us, the sports year starts when the National Football League says it starts, usually on a Sunday, somewhere between the first and tenth of September. The sporting year moves smoothly through college and pro football until February, when it's time to eye college basketball, the NCAA basketball playoffs, then on to the NHL playoffs, and concludes in June with the NBA playoffs. July and August—if it's not an Olympic year or a World Cup soccer year, or if there's not a compelling boxing match, any Tour de France, the NASCAR weekend, the odd rodeo, or when Tiger Woods is playing for the PGA championship—is the time to pat your kids on their mushy little heads and tell them to play in the backyard. Unless, of course, you like baseball, in which case, leave the money-sucking wretches a note.

Either way you do it, there are only a few weeks left until the 2001 NFL season... I believe the term is, kicks over. No. Kicks high. No. Kicks-to-my-Lou. No. Kicks off. That's it, a few more weeks until the NFL season kicks off. I have come in early to prepare for another sporting year.

I will start by saying the hardest thing first. There will be no Sporting Box Football Contest this year, and, most probably, there will never be another football contest hosted by your servant. (The San Diego Hot Line for suicide and mental health problems is 800-479-3339.) For many readers, this is grim, evil news. The football contest has been running for seven years, which is seven generations as these things are counted.

It began, as these things often do, with a simple idea, "Gee, why not set up something like a sports book and let readers pick football teams against the spread? We'll give out prizes. Yeah, you bet, that'll be fun."

Now comes Mr. Handyman with a tip. Whenever you have a simple idea that begins with, "Gee, why not...", insert the phrase, "build a bathroom in the basement" in place of your original inspiration. If building a bathroom in the basement still sounds good to you, then carry on and don't stop until all the money is in my hands.

Year 1 and Year 2 readers e-mailed and faxed their picks to me. As I remember, there were 80, perhaps 90 contestants. Every week, I retrieved picks, wrote them into forms I had made up, then, after the week's games were played, I manually scored each person's pick and arranged contestants from highest to lowest.

My life became paper. The NFL season, through the Super Bowl, is 21 weeks. Let's say we have 80 contestants who average eight picks a week. That's 13,440 picks, each one important to the picker, and, taken together, impossible for me to manage. Therefore, we have errors on a constant basis which produces another weekly blizzard of e-mail and faxes. I averaged 20 hours a week dealing with...pieces of paper.

Things changed in Year 3. I had a computer, I had the Internet, mix-and-match and leave-me-the-fuck-alone. There were 300-plus contestants. An acquaintance, who claimed advanced computer skills, was brought on board to devise a system in which readers made their picks on an Internet site and computers would chew said picks, spit them out, leaving me to post the organized data back on the site. Free again.

Said acquaintance designed a truly insane system, requiring 63 steps from start to finish. Each step had to be done in sequence. It took four months, more or less, to learn his system. One day did not pass—not one day out of the 147 days that comprise an NFL season—that I failed to speak with this acquaintance, either in person, at his residence or mine, or on the phone, or by e-mail, or fax, usually on the topic of why step 23a wasn't working. The contest had become a seven-day-a-week job with no sick leave or overtime pay.

The following August I drove to a nest of high-tech offices and knocked on the door of every damn one until I found Jerry Fong. Fong is a one-of-a-kind guy. At 23, he'd already started and dumped a half-dozen companies. He is the smartest computer personhood I've ever known. It still wasn't easy. There were 700 contestants. It took two years to get his program right. I must have called him in the middle of the night 20 times. "Jerry, the site is down." I'd hear a grunt and ask, "Where are you?" "Taiwan," he'd say. "I'll take a look at it." And he did and the site would be up within the hour.

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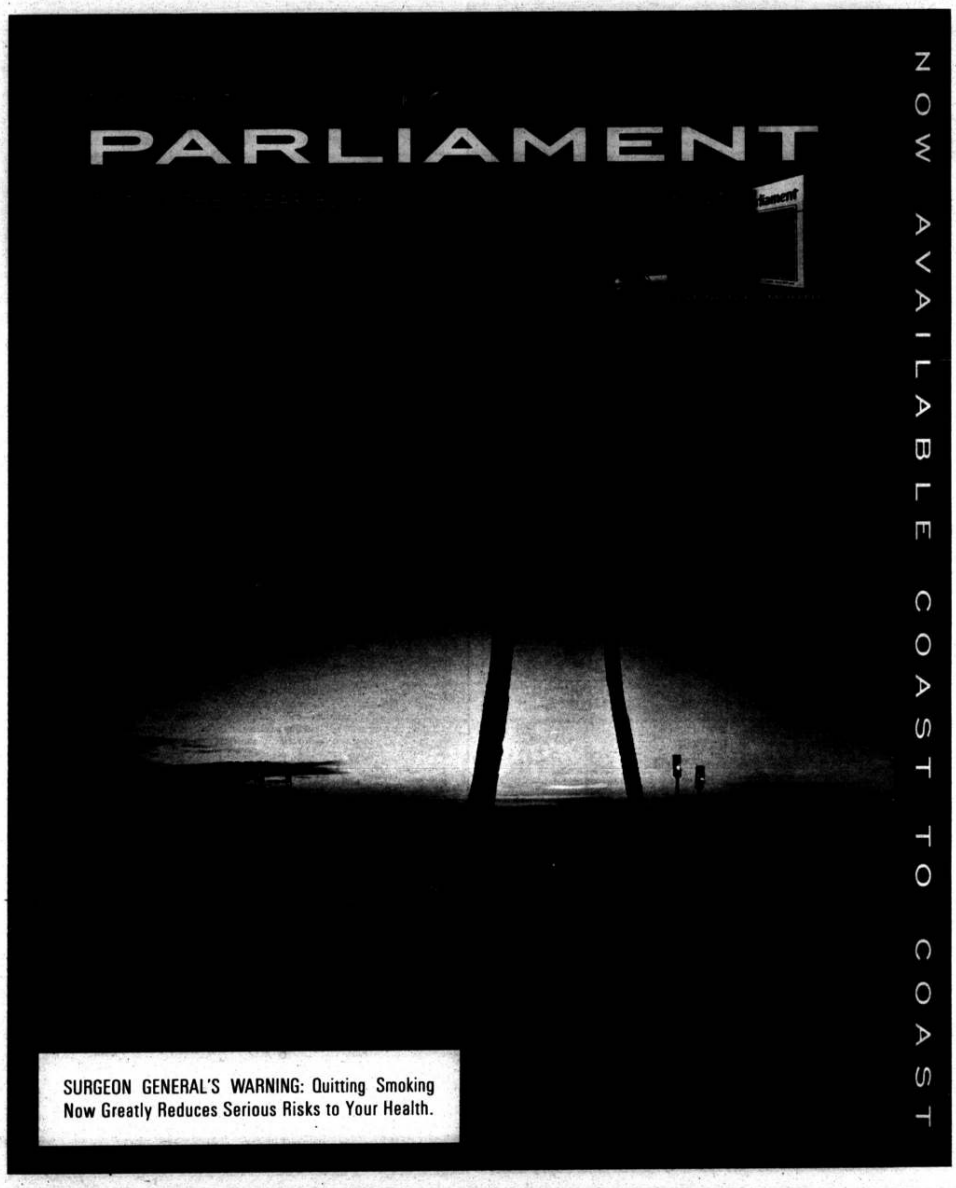

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Singles program: no
Diversity: predominately white, some Hispanic and African-American
Dress: dressy
Services: Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

Fundamental Baptist Church sits in a part of Escondido where the lots are wide and deep. Swamp coolers rust beside clapboard homes. In some backyards stand what must have been, decades ago, chicken coops. Mature orange and grapefruit and apricot trees bend low over lawns. And all around, to the east, stony hills rise.

Many of those stony hills are being leveled and terraced for hundreds of pink stucco homes. Fundamental Baptist's pastor, Reverend David Earnhart, told me there were 1000 homes in construction in the hills around Escondido. But his church is in the city's flatlands where little new is being built. Across from his church, Mexican families fill a Jehovah's Witnesses hall parking lot with late model vans and SUVs.

"There's fresh coffee in the kitchen," Reverend Earnhart told me when I arrived early for last Sunday's service. "Help yourself."

In the church "auditorium," folks were finishing a Sunday school lesson on the World to Come. *Will we be reunited with our loved ones in Heaven?* "The husband will recognize his wife and the wife her husband, and it will be a loving recognition. They will doubtless love one another as well as others in a lasting perfect love." *Will there be old and young in Heaven, according to the age at which they died? Or will all people in Heaven be the same age?* "The Bible does not give an explicit answer on this."

Nor does the Bible give an explicit answer about neckties, but most men at Fundamental Baptist wear them. The women tend to wear long dresses. In the entry, or narthex, where there are pamphlets like *Scriptural Truths for Roman Catholics*, you also find *Uncovering the Truth About Modesty*, which cautions against "ostentation or pretension," and whose author states that "too many Christian women overdo it when it comes to putting on their make-up." ("Charm is deceitful," the author quotes Proverbs. "And beauty is vain. But the woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised.")

Reverend Earnhart's service began with a hymn, which, like others that followed, was written in the 19th or early 20th Century. Reverend Earnhart also acted as choir director. His prayer requests included an elderly church member who took a fall and hit his head on a bathtub, and evangelist Rich Tozour who will be holding a "family tent crusade" at the church, August 19th through 24th. A bulletin Reverend Earnhart passed among the congregation gave detailed biographical information about Reverend Tozour: "traveled as an intern with Dr. Ron Comfort (evangelist), summer 1987"; "worked as a counselor at The Wilds Christian Camp (Brevard, NC), summer 1989."

Last Sunday morning, Reverend Earnhart preached on Revelation 21. He addressed in particular New Jerusalem, which he described as an "immense city" descending from "God out of heaven, like a diamond, like a jewel," capable of accommodating "50 to 70 billion people."

The chapter's verse describing New Jerusalem's streets as being paved with "pure gold, transparent like glass," was vexing, Reverend Earnhart admitted. What sort of gold, after all, was transparent like glass? Reverend Earnhart told us that such details, like many described in Revelation, were beyond our understanding. To illustrate this point, he provided an example from physics. "If we say, for example, that an atom's nucleus is the size of a pinhead, at that scale the nearest orbiting electron is a hundred yards away. A great distance. And what is between the nucleus and the electron? *Nothing.* How can we comprehend that?"



DAVID EARNHART

Fundamental Baptist Church
Escondido
★★★

Sermon	
content	★★★
delivery	★★★
Liturgy	no liturgy
Music	
congregational	★★
choir	★★
Snacks	★★★
Flowers	★
Architecture	★
Friendliness	★★★★

Poor to satisfactory	(none)
Good	★
Very good	★★
Excellent	★★★
Extraordinary	★★★★

Reverend Earnhart went on to expand on certain principles of quantum physics that suggest that there are other universes, and other natural laws, coexistent with our own. It was a surprising, but not unexpected, turn for a fundamentalist.

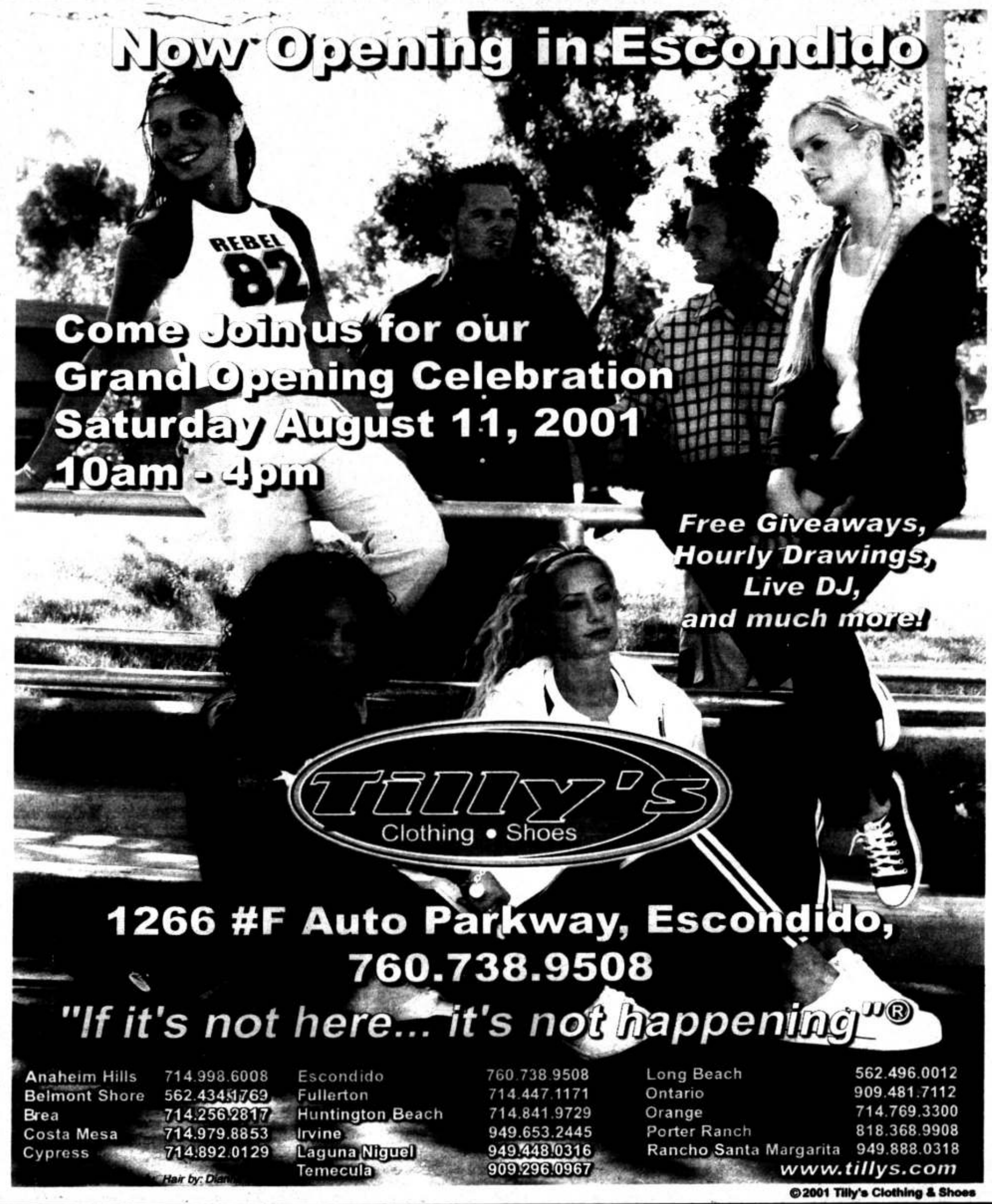
"Being a fundamentalist," he told me later Sunday night, "doesn't mean that you're a traditionalist. That you're totally unaccepting of everything new."

Reverend Earnhart is of a fundamentalist variety that, in his words, "isn't treated fairly, perhaps by design, by the media." Of an independent Baptist persuasion, he and others like him identify themselves with a New Testament Christianity that has defied convention since before the 10th Century. In other words, he doesn't see himself as Protestant. "I find much to agree with in Martin Luther, but I'd differ on many theological points."

Reverend Earnhart sees the great strength of independent Baptists as "our ability to think for ourselves and draw from different sources." In other words, he's difficult to pin down theologically and is comfortable with that. "I'd say Spurgeon is one of our heroes. And A.W. Tozer." He has a son who's a missionary in Peru, a daughter who's a missionary in Albania. ("She and her husband have been there a year and have got the language pretty much down pat. But there are other challenges.")

As for his own church, "I'm in charge of the doctrine. Everybody else's job is to be friendly. If we're friendly and kind and caring, that makes up for a whole pile of stuff."

— *Abe Opincar*



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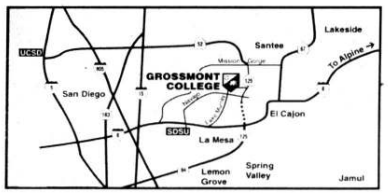

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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My husband (we have no children) is very sensitive to smells. He feels assaulted (his word) by many odors, especially chemical smells. I never wear perfume anymore, and I've never minded when he expressed his preference about the type of deodorant I use. In the past few months, he has started rubbing baby powder all over his body. He says it makes him feel fresh and clean and not so bothered by smells. He began by putting it in his shoes, then his underarms, and now pretty much everywhere. The problem is that he wants me to do the same thing, and he has started checking under my clothes to make sure I am powdered, which makes me very uncomfortable — I am shy about my body and normally do not even undress in front of my husband. I know this seems silly, but I have never cried so much in my life as I do lately. He is a good man. I love him and would like to have children with him. Do you have any ideas for how I can learn not to be so bothered by this?

SNIFFLING IN SANTEE

Dear Sniffling,

It pains me to think of you weeping in the bathroom, dusting yourself with clouds of baby powder! Honey, your husband needs to curb his rabid scent tyranny a bit. Your well-being and privacy are being infringed upon. Please talk to him frankly. Does he know these powder inspections upset you? Are other things going on at home that are distressing you too? We're all wired up differently. Some of us are hypersensitive to blazing lights, loud noises, exotic food. If your man wants to keep the talcum companies in business, fine. But his "sensitivity" sounds like it's increasing to proportions that interfere with rationality and domestic happiness. Not many of us would tolerate being "skin-searched" every day as though we were suspected drug smugglers! If talking this over doesn't solve the problem, he and/or you could see a psychotherapist. Let's make sure he isn't developing an obsessive disorder. He could get a physical, too — I've read that zinc deficiency can cause olfactory distortions. Address this problem now. Your cramped spirits will lift. Later on, you won't have to worry that your husband will sniff the kids each time they leave the house. Children tend to take a dim view of such shenanigans.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

We're worried about our pal who recently separated from her husband. One reason "Daisy" left "Cliff" was that she felt disappointed in him as a breadwinner. Now she's full of plans for financial independence. Sadly, Daisy's get-rich-quick schemes are absurd. She's never really had a job besides being a mom. Consequently, her employment ideas are like those of a dreamy teenager — though she's 40 with a couple of kids. She says she's going to start her own clothing line, though she knows nothing about business or fashion and can't draw or sew. Or she tells us she'll give private dance lessons to rich people's children, though she has no dance training and no connections to potential clients. "I just can't bear to work for anybody else," she tells us. "I have to be free to do something creative, where I'm my own boss." That's nice, but is it realistic? The way her divorce settlement is shaking out, Daisy will need a profitable job, fast. What should we do? We want to be supportive and not throw cold water on her ideas, but we're scared she's not going to be able to make ends meet. Should we say something? Or just keep nodding and smiling encouragingly?

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Dear Four,

Gently try to help Daisy see reason, if she's receptive. That's a big *if*. Her whole world is going to capsize right about now. At 40 she suddenly has to adjust to being a single parent and a novice worker bee all in the same breath. This is going to be tough. She could use employment training and counseling, leads on decent jobs, help pulling her résumé together (such as it is), and tips on how to interview well, dress for success, etc. But if she's in the kind of major denial hinted at in your letter, it may be a while before she's ready to grapple with the reality of her situation. As friends, you can stick by her and offer assistance and advice when she's ready to accept it. For her and her children's sake, I hope that's sooner rather than later. But you four better be prepared to back off if she isn't able to listen yet. People in her position often feel like shooting the messenger who brings bad news. Stay out of the line of fire.

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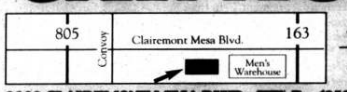

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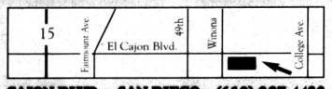

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Chorizo

by MAX NASH

If you've spent time in Cuernavaca, the "City of Eternal Spring," you've wandered the better neighborhoods northeast of the cathedral. You've browsed the ceramics shops. You've browsed the pottery shops. You've passed Fernanda's chorizo shop, which was likely shuttered.

Tourists who recall Fernanda's shop recall the mural beside the entrance — a rendering of Xochicalco, a pyramid 24 miles to Cuernavaca's south. Painted by Enrique, Fernanda's husband, the mural is so detailed you can see each step leading to the pyramid's summit. You can see the cracks and pits in every stone. What makes the mural memorable isn't its realism, the tropical sunset shimmering in the background, but a scene at the pyramid's top. A Mayan priest, with an arm corded with muscle, holds a knife heavenward. Before him cowers a pig.

Fernanda once considered printing postcards of the mural to sell in her shop. She had second thoughts. It wasn't so much that the priest atop the pyramid was Mayan. (The Maya had penetrated Mexico that far north, and there were anthropologists who believed that the Maya had in fact visited Xochicalco.) It was the pig and the human-like terror Enrique had rendered in its eyes.

Mexicans make more than 100 different kinds of chorizo, and the small towns outside Mexico City, like the one Fernanda was from, are known for making the best kinds. Everyone agrees that the pork must be chopped, not ground, and that it must be seasoned with at least chile, paprika, and coriander seed. Of course proportions are open to debate and there's always someone who adds a secret ingredient that produces a chorizo surpassing all others.

Fernanda's hometown was noted for its unfriendliness. At some point in its history, the inhabitants hit upon sour inwardness as the distinctive quality that would distinguish theirs from the region's other towns. Tourists who found their way to the unattractive market in Fernanda's hometown didn't linger. The fountain at the market's center was broken. Just beneath its stagnant green surface, hundreds of mosquito larvae twitched. The women who ran the market's stalls answered questions with a sneer.

Fernanda, a tall girl from a family of merchants, married Enrique, a thin boy from a family of farmers. Enrique hoped to be an artist. His big break came when the Department of Health commissioned him to paint a mural on the town hall illustrating the prevention of cholera, dengue fever, and syphilis. Two-thirds of the mural was a success. Enrique depicted syphilis, however, as a spiny-tailed devil attacking naked Adam and Eve. This was judged an affront to public morals and was immediately whitewashed. Disgusted, Enrique swore off murals and took up jewelry-making instead. Fernanda, pregnant, took to making chorizo and selling it in her hometown's market.

Because Fernanda had no particular faith in Enrique's potential, because she was pregnant and needed cash, she was more friendly than the other women in the market. She smiled. Business was slow. The townspeople didn't like her smile and they doubted her chorizo could be better than their own. But it had a mysterious flavor and soon people were buying it out of curiosity. Inevitably, a woman from Cuernavaca bought some, too. She told her wealthy friends about the tall girl who sold remarkable chorizo in a small unfriendly nearby town.



Enrique knew that Fernanda's secret was a certain quantity of powdered cinnamon she mixed into the coarsely chopped pork. It disgusted him that something so simple brought his wife fame. When Fernanda opened her chorizo shop in Cuernavaca, she tried to soften Enrique by asking him to please paint the mural beside the front door. (The idea was that Fernanda's chorizo was an authentic regional product, and what could be more authentic and regional than Xochicalco?) Naturally there were passersby who said a pig was never sacrificed on a Mexican pyramid. And, anyway, the animal's frightened human-like eyes were a scandal. At first Fernanda liked the mural, but in time she saw the pig for what it was.

Fernanda and Enrique had long ago stopped sharing the same bed. They barely spoke at dinner. They were polite to each other only at weddings, baptisms, and funerals.

"We were just children when we married," she said about herself and her husband. She remembered what it was like to love him. She remembered trying to keep her hands away from his face when they kissed. She knew her fingers smelled of cinnamon and pork.

Fernanda was relieved when a large supermarket chain made overtures about her chorizo. The lawyers said her chorizo would be sold in a hundred stores. The Cuernavaca shop would be maintained as a symbol of the product's regional authenticity.

Fernanda has done well by her hometown. She paid to have to market's fountain repaired and cleaned. She buys textbooks and shoes for the poorest children. She has an apartment in Mexico City and a vacation home on a remote Oaxacan coast. She doesn't visit her hometown a lot.

She comes sometimes to Cuernavaca and you might meet her at a cocktail party there. She's stout now and matronly. Enrique is quite thin. They never speak to each other. The only way you might know they are related is that Fernanda always wears one of Enrique's necklaces, a string of simple stones carved with Mayan glyphs.

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Hey, Idiot

Despite all of his outrage and bombast, Hunter S. Thompson has always had the best gig in town. Make no mistake: gonzo journalism has been his ticket to a lush life. True, you can't fake it; your conviction has to be consistent, genuine, raw, and ardent, but if you happen to have a mind like Thompson's, if you happen to be whip smart *and* impulsive, then it's easy street. Thompson himself has defined gonzo journalism as "a style of reporting based on William Faulkner's idea that the best fiction is far more true than any kind of journalism." In other words, say whatever in the hell you want, so long as it means something. Thompson recently explained gonzo journalism to NPR contributor Hugo Perez this way: "It was really born of innate laziness.... I'm a monument to the triumph of laziness, because I just took the notebooks really and typed them up. I was trying to compete with photographers and illustrators. Whenever Annie Leibowitz would finish a story, she'd just send her film in. But I'd be left with the empty pages to slave over, so I thought, well, I can do that too."

Thompson's most recent soapbox has been a weekly column for ESPN.com. Since November of last year, he has been writing "Hey, Rube!" (*espn.go.com/page2/s/thompson*), which appears on the Disney-owned sports site's



From espn.go.com/page2/s/thompson

irreverent Page 2. "Hey, Rube" means "Hey, Dummy," as in "Hey, idiot, if you think this column is about sports then that's your fault," though it's worth pointing out that in Rubin "Hurricane" Carter's autobiography *The Sixteenth Round*, the incarcerated boxer's prison buddies address him as "Hey, Rube."

Not surprisingly, ESPN coddles Thompson. He's an old pal of ESPN executive editor John A. Walsh, who was managing editor of *Rolling Stone* in the early '70s, when Thompson was its national affairs editor. "Hunter will call me and rail at me and want to know how he can watch an obscure basketball game that he's having trouble getting on the satellite," Walsh told the *American Journalism Review* in February. Walsh added that he has no idea whether Thompson's column will arrive every week at ESPN headquarters in Bristol, Connecticut, though so far, so good. "I've made 24 consecutive deadlines with ESPN.com," Thompson boasted to Perez.

Thompson told Perez that he's no stranger to making electronic submissions. He said that he used to travel around with a small fax machine for sending in his newspaper stories from the road. "I could pull into a gas station," he explained, "a closed gas station in South Miami, anywhere at all, and I used to carry a 50-foot extension cord, so I could plug it into the side of the building over by the rest rooms. And as long as I had a phone that I could get a quarter into, the machine would run." But just because Thompson is up to date technologically doesn't mean that he's in step. He may be a sports buff (he began his career as a sportswriter in Florida), but in his inaugural "Hey, Rube!" column, he proposed several

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ways to shorten baseball games, a sport he abhors. "Not even the New Rules would drag me back to the Ballpark," he wrote, "but I am a Doctor of Wisdom, a professional man, and some of my friends in the Business have asked me to have a look at this problem, which I have, and this is my solution, for good or ill." First, "Eliminate the pitchers, and they won't be missed. Pitchers, as a group, are pampered little swine.... They are as useless as tits on a boar-hog & should all be put to sleep." Thompson also proposed allowing all base runners to run to any base ("but not backwards"): "First to Third, Second to Home, etc. And with NO PITCHER in the game, this frantic scrambling across the infield will be Feasible and Tempting."

The column usually begins as a gambler's take on pro sports, then segues into politics, which Thompson understands as just another high-stakes games spoiled by capital. "I can Play in this league," Thompson stated in one early column. "I don't like it — but when my own editors at ESPN start asking me to get outraged about the Huge Salaries being paid these days to Baseball Pitchers — instead of the truly Insane high-stakes Gambling that is going on right now in our national Political Arena — I know how Thomas Jefferson felt when he said, 'I fear for the fate of my country when I reflect that God is Just.'"

But as is typical of Thompson, he reserves the most crushing blows not for his subjects — "preternaturally arrogant" athletes — but for the corrupted press that feeds off them, that "rude & brainless subculture of fascist drunks" who are "more disgusting by nature than maggots oozing out of the carcass of a dead animal." Your "average career sportswriter," Thompson charges, is a "jock-sniffing nerd or a hired human squawk-box with the brain of a one-cell animal."

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On April 25, 2000, I conducted an oral-history interview with Cynthia May Hudgins. Her good friend's daughter was present at the interview. Cynthia begins by telling me:

My great-grandfather was probably mulatto. Grandpa Amos was very light but had Negro features. Grandma Cynthia's father was English — her mother was perhaps mulatto as well. Grandma Cynthia was light brown and did not have Negro features. Both my grandparents spoke perfect English as well — no patois. Their son, my father, was a member of the old East End Gang and attended the old Lowell School in South San Diego.

While I am of black ancestry, both my father and I appeared, and could have passed for, white. For many years I did. This is the reason I could not as a child understand why I was treated differently from the other children, by them and by my teachers. My Scottish mother left me to live with my grandmother. Coronado was a small town in the '20s and '30s, so everyone knew I was "colored" except me. I didn't know until I was 11 years old and my friend told me about the one-drop-of-black-blood rule.

Her mother was the only mother who let her child be friends with me, until I was in junior high and another woman let me associate with her kids and come into her house — when I went to live with my parents after my grandma's death. The Tsuneyoshis lived on our block and Fusako became a friend. In high school, another woman let her daughter be friends with me too.

My grandparents were married at Richmond, Ray County, Missouri, on June 19, 1874, by John W. Anderson, minister of the Methodist-Episcopal church. My grandfather signed up for the Civil War, giving his credentials as "farmer." That's all I know. And he was only just 18 years old or so.

This is the story that I read at a Memorial Day thing. I saw it just this afternoon when I was going through this stuff. Amos Hudgins was born in Missouri in 1844. Joined the 2nd Kansas Colored Volunteer Infantry, Company K, when he was 18 years old. Fought mostly in Arkansas. Mustered out in Kansas.

Fought admirably. After the war went back to Kansas. Starving. Ragged. Barefoot. They ate the mules' food, and then ate the mules. Amos was wounded by a mini ball in the left knee. Married Cynthia Ann Renfro in Fay County, Missouri, in 1874.

Cynthia was born in Maysville, Kentucky. She was a slave until age 12. Lived in Topeka. He rejoined the Army, 7th Cavalry, as a Buffalo Hunter and Scout, with Reno. Grandma had a millinery store — my mother told me that. Moved to San Diego County in 1887. My father was born in 1891 in Logan Heights.

My grandfather was hauling for a time with a team and wagon. He homesteaded in the El Cajon Valley. Homesteading didn't work out. That was when they came out here. He couldn't handle it, because of the knee. So he came into town with his team and wagon. He was offered the corner of Fifth and Broadway, where Walker Scott was, in exchange for the wagon and team, but he couldn't do it. He was a teamster — it was his livelihood.

So then he went off up to the Yukon, to the Gold Rush. He came back with three nuggets. My grandmother did hairdressing and sewing for ladies while he was gone. Probably straightening hair. She was very talented. They moved to Coronado in 1905 — maybe 1903?

He came back to San Diego and joined the California Naval Militia, because of the Spanish-American War. He was one of the three founders of the Masonic Fidelity Lodge No. 10, 1903. He was senior steward. Two members told me he was senior steward. In 1905, he was in Arizona, working on the San Diego and Arizona Railroad track.

He was barbering when Poppa was a little boy, but that probably didn't last too long. Poppa used to remember being in his shop and seeing the important men of the day come in — you know, Father Horton and some of those other people, shop owners and wealthy men.

The shop was around the corner from the old Golden Lion restaurant, between Fourth and Fifth on Broadway. The barbershop was on E Street, between Fourth and Fifth. I thought he might have owned it, but he just owned a chair in it, because the shop was William's shop.

In 1905, a Mexican hurricane came up. There was beach down along the oceanfront in Coronado, just like there is now. This Mexican hurricane came up and washed the beach all out. And the houses all along the oceanfront were inundated with water. Some of them were moved to other locations. Dr. Kneedler's house was moved from there to A Street.

So then the San Diego and Arizona Company decided to put in this seawall, and that was what my grandfather was working on. They were putting in these great rocks with horse and wagon. And one of those fell off the wagon and fell on my grandfather. The horse moved, and the rock rolled off and fell on him. It crippled him for life — he was really wrecked with this one, because he never worked again. As I remember, he was bent over and walked with a cane.

The beach washed back in again, because they dredged the bay to let the big ships come in. And they dumped the sand off Coronado. It washed in, so now we have a seawall and a beach.

We lived at 845 B Street. Because he was working for the San Diego and Arizona Railway, they gave him the job of night watchman down by the old ferry building. They kept stuff there, railroad ties and such, because there used to be a train that came over to Coronado every Thursday. It came around the strand and down Pomona. They turned on First Street and went to North Island, carrying supplies for the Navy.

At that time, my grandmother worked for the Babcocks and for Reverend Spaulding at the Episcopalian manse. I only knew that she worked for the Babcocks because Poppa told me he would go up there and play with the Babcock boy while she was working. I don't know what she did for them. I think she was a cook for the Episcopalian manse.

We were Episcopalian. Grandma and I went to church. We always sat way in back. I didn't know why, of course. I always wanted to head up to the front and sit up close, but she would pull me back and we'd sit in the back.

She was a lovely lady. Everybody in Coronado admired her. White men on the streets tipped their hats to my grandmother. Nobody ever called her by her first name. She was Mrs. Hudgins. They'd tip their hats and say, "Good morning, Mrs. Hudgins," or "Good afternoon, Mrs. Hudgins." Madame Schumann-Heink, the world-famous opera star, used to sit outside on her front porch. "Mrs. Hudgins, Mrs. Hudgins, wait for me." And she'd hoist herself up off of that big rattan chair she sat in and come down and stand on the sidewalk and talk to Grandma while I messed around on the sidewalk, until I got bored and said, "Come on, Grandma, let's go, let's go!"

What is your first memory?

Being waked up in the middle of the night, late at night, and taken outside to watch the *Shenandoah* come over, the zeppelin, you know. All the ships in the bay — the bay used to be full of ships because this was a Navy town — had their searchlights planted on it. And it was going to dock at North Island. And Grandpa got me up and was holding me. It must have been Grandpa. I don't see how he could have. Maybe Poppa came up. I was only four, and I was sleepy.

Well, it scared me, and I turned my face like this, and they said, "Look, look." This big silver thing went over, and it was so low, you could almost touch it. It was *huge!* As long as this house, and maybe longer. And then everybody went in and said, "Wasn't that wonderful. Wasn't that something." And they slammed their screen doors as they went into the house. So that was my first memory.

What is your next memory?

The night my grandfather died. That was just a few months later. I woke up, I guess. I was still sleeping at the foot of my grandmother's bed. And the lights were on in the house, and I heard people talking, and I heard my father's voice. So I called out. Somebody came in — it wasn't Poppa — and they said, "Shush, your grandfather's dying. Go back to sleep." And the next morning, of course, he was gone. That's all I remember. He was gone. Grandma was crying.

And I went to the funeral at Benbough Mortuary. There was a black mortuary in town, but he didn't go there. The Benboughs were friends.

Grandpa came to me after the funeral, and everybody said he was gone and he wasn't coming back. I had gone to bed. The bedroom was dark. The light was shining in from the kitchen. By that time, we had moved from the big house to the little house in the back, in my father's radio shack [Cynthia's father was a pioneer in early radio], so we could rent the big house. My grandmother didn't believe me when I told her Grandpa had come to me.

Grandpa didn't get around too well. He always wore that old campaign felt hat with the insignia on it — the Buffalo Soldier hat. A lot of people were at his funeral. We sat in a separate room with a sheer curtain. I could see the coffin, see the minister, hear the voices, and smell the flowers. There were a lot of people. I was four, so it was 1925.

He was friends with Captain Hines, who I think was in the military. And of course our Dr. Kneedler. He had been in the war — it had to be in the Civil War.

At our church we sat in the back. I had never heard anybody tell us to. Now, grandmother was never treated separately. That's why I couldn't understand why people treated me the way they did. She was friends with the streetcar conductor. She was friends with the men who worked on the ferry. Everybody respected my grandmother.

Like I said, white ladies stopped her on the street to ask about the family. We were never followed around in stores. I was, though, when I got older



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Amos and Cynthia Hudgins (grandparents of Cynthia May), 1874

"I'm sure that there's no place that I would say is more prejudiced than right here in San Diego."

and went to the store by myself.

The kids at school called me "nigger" and threw dirt in my face. They wouldn't let me play on any playground equipment and wouldn't let me use their bathrooms, so I wet my pants in class. In first grade, there were four girls that used to beat me up every afternoon. And I'd go home, cry on the way home, dry my face, and nobody'd ever ask about school, so I never told anybody.

Do you know whether your grandfather was discriminated against?

I don't think so. People would always ask my grandmother, "How is Amos, and how is your son and his wife?" We went to visit at the big house on the corner, at Eighth and E. We'd go to visit the lady and go into the kitchen and sit — a white lady. Her daughter was the telephone operator — there was only one telephone operator in Coronado. Then we went to visit down at Ninth and B. There was another white lady, and we'd go to her house and sit in her kitchen. And sometimes she and my grandmother would go into the living room, where she had a big cast-iron stove that was always lit with fire, and I was fascinated by that stove.

Then, we would go and see Mrs. Wilson. Coronado has those funny little jogs, where streets go off at an angle. Now, Mrs. Wilson was a lady who wasn't — she wasn't very dark. She lived at Olive and at one of these angles on Olive. She had a son named Tommy, who was a chauffeur at the Hotel del Coronado.

Who else did we go to see? We used to go see the Alcaraz family. That was a white family. Mrs. Alcaraz never invited Grandma into the house. They sat on the porch. Oh, and then Mrs. Holmes. She was another little old lady. She had a son that my father used to play with, and we'd go and visit her and would go into her house. I didn't go into her house, I played outside, but my grandmother would. So she was invited to visit white ladies.



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Amos Hudgins (Cynthia May's grandfather), 2nd Kansas Colored Volunteer Infantry

What about black servants? Where did they live?

Some of them commuted every day, and some of them lived in apartments over the garage. I don't know whether they actually lived in the house or not. They usually wore their uniforms — green or white heavy starched uniforms. They commuted by ferry or by streetcar. In the late afternoon, they'd be sitting in the park with their kids or charges, because the Navy wives went over to North Island to play cards in the officers' club or swam in the pool.

Navy people were separate from the other people. They rented houses all over Coronado. But these were not sailors, these were officers. It was elite.

Did Navy people live west of Orange Avenue?

No, there were some nice houses east of Orange that they probably rented.

There were at least three Mexican families and three Japanese families. Regarding where they lived, I couldn't tell you. One of the Silva families lived along here. There was Silva and Israel. There were Japanese, the Takashitas. They're all dead, gone. Fusako was my friend. She was a Tsuneyoshi. Heidi and Horuki, they were cousins. So there were two families. Their fathers were gardeners.

I never saw Japanese kids or Mexican kids being harassed. Never. Me, I was the target until the fourth grade.

What else did the children say to you?

They said, "My mother says I'm not supposed to have anything to do with you." "My mother says that I'm not supposed to play with you." That kind of thing. And they'd call me over and throw dirt on my face and run away laughing. Or they'd get me on the teeter-totter and drop me. It's a wonder I don't have a ruptured spine! I got so I wouldn't come when they called me.

How did you cope?

I read. As soon as I learned how to read, I poured myself into books. There were a few girls that would play with me, like the girl on my block. She would play with me if there was no one else around. Several would walk home with me from school once or twice, and then they would drop me if someone whispered to them, and they would leave me alone. So I didn't really have any friends until I met my first friend when I was ten. This was in grade school, which was K to the eighth grade. I went to high school in

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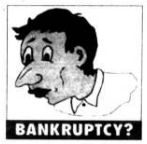



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Coronado too, graduating in 1939.

I can brag about myself. I had the highest IQ in my graduating class. In the fourth grade, when we did the Standard Achievement Test — I didn't find this out until after I was gone and married — my test was so high at the school that they said a high school student's test had gotten mixed up with the fourth graders' by mistake.

And that was when my life changed. The teachers started being nicer to me. My fourth-grade teacher — I didn't really like her, because I thought she was prejudiced. By that time, I had figured that out. They were next-door neighbors. Her mother was the sister of the Father at the Catholic church, and she lived with him, right next to us. She was pleasant to Grandma, but she wasn't to me. But I think she's the one who stopped the harrassing.

At that time, I lived at 845 B Street. We lived in the little radio shack in the back — little teeny kitchen, two bedrooms, and a bath. That's all it was. It was torn down 10 or 15 years ago.

The front house was a two bedroom. This house — the radio shack — was on the property when we bought the house. It was all shingles. I was in that house until I was 11 or 12, until Grandma was killed, or died as a result of her injuries.

I wasn't born in that house. I was born in the front house in 1921, and I was about three when we moved into the radio shack, about 1924. I don't remember the actual rooms, but I do remember when the front house was rented. So I was in the back house with my grandmother and grandfather.

Grandma wasn't doing anything by that time. My father sent the papers so they had the pension from the Civil War. I don't know the amount they got, but after Grandpa died and she got his pension, it was only $43 a month. And when President Roosevelt took office, he cut the pension by one-third and really knocked those old ladies for a loop. And that's when she started going downhill.



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Amos Algernon Hudgins (Cynthia May's father), c. 1916

She had lost Grandpa and the Depression hit. The house was sitting vacant, her pension had been reduced, and she began to fail. I know that now — I didn't know that then. It was so slow. I went to school hungry and dirty. She wasn't taking care of me. But the teacher knew that.

Why did your parents leave you at your grandparents' house?

My mother moved across town and took my dad with her. They let Grandma come on Sundays for dinner until maybe I was four or five years old, and then that stopped. My mother was cold. I communicated with a Scottish cousin, and his mother was the same way. Not loving. My father met my mother on a street in Glasgow. He was on liberty in WWI, in his chief's uniform.

He was walking down a street and saw a shipmate coming towards him. My cousin and I had talked about this in recent letters. This fellow had a woman on either arm, and she thinks that the other girl was my mother's sister — her mother — and she was chaperoning my mother, more or less, because my mom was only about 17 or 18, and Poppa was about six or seven years older than her. Anyway, he stopped, and he was introduced to the two girls.

He watched my mother walk away and heard this little bell ring in his head. He told me this — that the voice inside his head said she would be the future Mrs. Hudgins. When he got back to the ship, he said, "Which girl is the one you have claim on?" And his shipmate said it was the other one. So he got my mother's address and corresponded with her for two and a half years. Told her about his ancestry, asked her father's permission to marry her, saved the money, and sent for her to come.

They met in Kansas City. Traveler's Aid brought her to Kansas City and stood up for her at the wedding to make sure that it was okay, that she was married. They spent the night in a hotel, and the next day, they came out to California. There was no prejudice in Britain in those days. She knew that he was part colored and had received a picture of my grandmother and all that. And the first time she went out on the streets — it was being stopped on the street. They said to her, "Why did a nice white girl like you marry into that nigger family!" That's all I know. One of her friends told me that.

That did it. She didn't have a phone in the house, and she got closed into herself.

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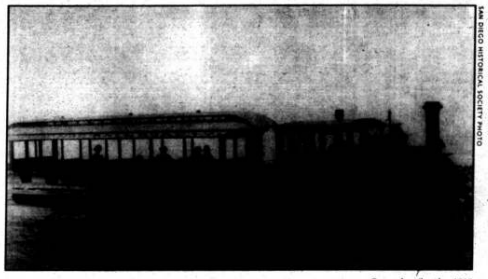
empty trunk — she brought a steamer trunk, but it was empty. I think she thought all Americans were rich. Father was well-to-do by normal standards, you know. He worked for a title insurance company as a poster. He started out as office boy, took classes and became a surveyor, then he became a poster, and eventually, he was head of the posting department, and I think that just before he retired, he became an officer of the company, but I'm not positive.

So she arrived at 845 B Street. And I was born in the back bedroom. The only thing she ever told me was that when she stepped off the ship — she was so seasick the whole way over, and when she stepped off the ship, if she had been able to get back on it and go back, she would have. But she was too sick.

The Traveler's Aid lady was there to take her, and there was nothing she could do. She told me that her mother was a cold, cruel mother. There was a brother that she had favored over the two girls. They lived in Glasgow, Scotland, in a tenement building. My grandfather was a switchman for a railroad, not well-to-do at all. And they thought all Americans were rich, you know. Look at how good-looking my father was, in his uniform, especially.



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Coronado railroad, c. 1910

Coronado then was a very small town. Everybody knew everybody. Every other block in Coronado was owned by the Spreckels Company, and they were all vacant and kids could play. You could run all over. I lived on the beach. Everybody lived on the beach in the summer. The wealthy people came out and stayed in the hotel and stayed at tent city, in the tent buildings sitting off the Hotel del Coronado, or they rented a big house.

Did your mother ever join anything?

No, I don't think she was shunned. She just withdrew. My father introduced her to some ladies from the office where he worked, and he was in the Foreign Legion and tried to get her with those ladies. They were having one of those things that ladies had — a little tea or something — and people were supposed to bring things. She baked a cake. She knocked at the front door and the butler came to the front door and told her to go around to the back. She thought that it was a personal thing, not realizing that the food went into the back and came out the front later.

She had two friends. One was a policeman's wife, and the other was a Canadian lady. I don't know how she met them. They were her friends until the day that she died.

We all lived on B Street. So then my parents rented the house on J and then they bought it. I don't remember anything about their moving out, because I was too little, about two or three. All I remember was sleeping in my grandmother's bedroom, in the crib at the foot of the bed. I was taking a bottle, so I was pretty little. I remember that. And when she weaned me, I hollered a lot about it. So did my son when I weaned him.

Every Sunday my father would come and get me, and I would go over to J and then back. I'd stay there until the day was over and then would go back home. They finally found out through some grapevine that my grandmother was neglecting me and I wasn't being fed properly. They decided I was old enough to come to their house after school to have dinner. And then my father would drive me home at ten o'clock and I would go to sleep at my grandmother's house.

Mother only had two friends. Well, she would be friendly with the next-door neighbors. They were rentals, and people would come in, and she would be friendly with them. There were some Joneses living next door to us. At this time, I was five, six, seven, or eight.

Did the kids in elementary school ever start to like you?

Not really. There were two schoolteachers. They saw the situation. They were Campfire Girl leaders, and they asked if I would like to join the Campfire Girls. And I asked my mother, and she didn't have any money, so the two teachers chipped in to pay the money for the dues. My friend and I joined the Campfire Girls. But the other girls didn't mingle with us, so we dropped out.

My grandmother died when I was 11, and I was 12 when I started junior high. I went home to Grandma's every day from school to see if she needed anything, and then I walked back to my mother's.

You were still commuting back and forth?

Yes. I had my bicycle by then. I stayed late at school that day for some reason and hopped on my bike and rode to Grandma's. I see that she is okay, and I started to leave, and she asked me to go to the store to get some food for my cat. And I said I couldn't, that it was too late, and that Momma would be mad at me if I wasn't there to set the table. It was probably in the early part of the year, because Grandma died in the spring.

She was just an old lady. She wore a long, black dress, usually. Wore an apron, a white apron. She wasn't doing laundry by then or cooking. She wasn't doing anything, except sitting in her rocking chair and holding her Bible and falling asleep. She was a Christian person. She read her Bible religiously. I remember saying my prayers at my grandfather's and grandmother's knees. They both sat in their rocking chairs side by side in that little kitchen.

Anyway, she wanted me to go to the store, and I said, "I can't, Grandma. I can't. If I'm not home to help Momma, she'll be mad at me." And I took off. I was supposed to be there to do what I had to do. And I went to the movies that night. They gave me the dime or 25 cents, whatever it was. And I heard sirens. And I thought, it has nothing to do with me, and I went back to watching the movie. Then I rode my bicycle back to my parents' house. And when I walked in the door, I knew something was wrong.

Mom was sitting on the couch, and my father was awake in his chair. Usually he was asleep. I walked through the door and Momma said, "Grandma's been hit by a car."

And I said, "You're joking." And she said, "Why would I joke about a thing like that?" And I said, "Where was it?" She said, "It was at the corner at the Episcopal Church." She was cutting catty-corner, crossing in that black coat she wore with a black satchel and a black hat.

It was during the movie. You know where the church is, because you've seen it. On the corner of Ninth and C. She was crossing the street to go to the store, to get food for my cat. The neighbors on the corner — they had been our neighbors and now lived on the corner near the church — heard her scream. She was thrown 15 feet. The kid was speeding. He had his father's car without permission.

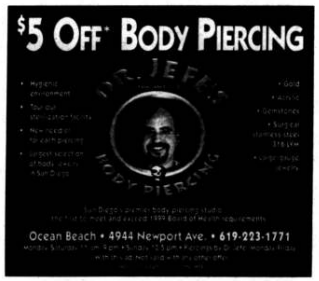
What kind of car was it?

I don't know. It was a Navy officer's son, so I'm sure it was something better than a Model T. And the police took her to the county hospital in San Diego.

My mother had her taken back to Coronado, and they put her in the Coronado hospital. But they put her in a little room that was kind of — it had been a storage room, I guess. It was discrimination, because I wasn't allowed to come through the front of the hospital. I had to go back down the side and go in that door. And she was sort of comatose.

I don't know where she was hit. She was badly hurt. There were broken bones, I guess. She was thrown 15 feet. She murmured to herself, but she didn't really know anybody or anything. In the beginning, when they asked her where she lived, she gave the address on Julian Avenue [her earlier home in Logan Heights]. She was doing that reverse thing that people do when





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they are getting ready to die.

And so the hospital — I don't know how Poppa found out that she was close to death, because they didn't have a phone. I know when I came in that night from the movies that the police had finally gotten around to coming and letting them know about it, because it happened about 7:30 or 8:00. It was an hour or an hour and a half before they were notified. And then they had taken her to San Diego. I don't remember.

She lingered two or three months before she died. I know that I was there. Momma left. Poppa said that he had better get to town to sign some papers before she dies, before she's gone. And so Momma took the car keys and drove Poppa down to the ferry, so I was alone with her when she died. She was just lying on the bed there breathing hard. And the nurse came in to look at her and went out again. Three times the door opened for no reason, but nobody was there.

And just before she died, her eyes rolled up, and she looked like she was seeing something she feared. And the nurse came in just at that moment and looked at her, grabbed her arm and felt it, and she ran off and came back with a hypodermic and slipped it into her arm. And then she said, "She's gone." And I sat there 10 or 15 minutes before Momma got back.

The coroner here in San Diego said that she was old and she was going to die anyway — that she had had a brain tumor. Dr. Kneedler said her injuries were due to the accident. The boy wasn't cited, and nothing came of it at all.

I didn't go to her funeral. I figured it was my fault that she had gotten killed. I felt pretty terrible about that.

So I went down to live with Momma and Poppa. And I lived in a little room off the back of the house. It was a little house. And that was when Poppa started saying, "We need a bigger house." And he had gotten their $500 wartime bonus, and they bought half of a lot. Then he began negotiating with Cal-Vets.

He got all the specifications for what constituted a house. And that room I was sleeping in had a door that opened to the outside, and they put it off as a bedroom. So he got the okay to go ahead. Then they had to come up with the $1000 for the lot. Cal-Vets wouldn't pay for the lot. They'd pay for the building but not the lot. So he borrowed the money from some people at work.

How were you treated in high school?

Pretty much the same. Of course, my friend and I did not mingle. Well, if somebody would say "hello," I'd say hello, but I wouldn't say hello first. I wouldn't be rebuffed.

"Well," Cynthia's friend's daughter says, "my mother was the one that told her why she was being rebuffed, because she didn't know."

Was it because of the lightness of your skin that you didn't know?

Um-hum. That was in the sixth grade. By that time, my friend's mother let me come and play at their house. And I guess she took a lot of flak from that. Especially from — what was the name of that woman who used to tell everyone that my father was a "big black nigger"? I forget what her name was.

Did you have a boyfriend in high school?

No. There was a boy in the sixth grade that I was really smitten with. And the first time I went to the Saturday afternoon matinee, he came down and sat alongside me. And then, some of those other kids, they called him up. And I saw him go and I knew that was it. And I started dating boys that I met in San Diego, when I discovered skating rinks. This was in Ocean Beach, and they didn't know anything about me either.

I was in a skating club. We had trips and went up to L.A., to one of the big skating rinks up there on one of the movie lots. I saw Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney. Anyway, I had a boyfriend there, a sailor. I told him about me and he said good-bye. Nicely though, very nicely. The streetcar conductor, every time he saw me with a guy, he would tell them. I'd meet them, they'd take me home, and they'd make a date. And then I would be stood up. They never showed.

He never got to tell my future husband, though. He always walked from the ferry to the door of our house. It was just three blocks, or a couple of blocks away. He never got to tell him. The conductor waited until we were married and then told my husband, "Well, you can't have any kids!" But it was too late, because the first month, I was already pregnant and I had a boy. Eleven years later, a girl.

I met him at the skating rink at Ocean Beach, down at the end of Newport Avenue. My friend came out on the floor and said, "There's some Marines over there and one of them wants to meet you." I said, "Okay." My friend always called me "Cynny." She's the only person that I ever allowed to do that, until much later in life. I know that I'm Aunt Cynny to that family.

So she introduced me to my future husband and the other two fellows he was with. He fiddled with my name about three times, and I was thinking, "What a dolt." He was in the Marines. He went through boot camp at the Marine base. He had just made PFC. He was from L.A., born and raised. He was a PFC when I met him, and when we were married, he was a sergeant.

After he floundered over my name about three times, I said, "Oh, to heck with it." They offered to drive us home. One of the other guys had a brand-new Willys-Knight, and they offered to drive us home around the strand. So we drove home with them. Boys didn't do anything in those days. They were gentlemen. But my friend and I were together that night. We made a point when we went out that we would never separate. I met him before college. When I went off to college, I dumped him.

Why did you go to college out of town?

Looking back, I think that's why my mother did it — to get me out of town. I think somewhere along the line, she woke up to the fact that I was being ostracized. I think that they thought my skin color wouldn't make any difference. My grandmother never told me anything and never asked me anything. Momma never asked me, but one time she looked funny when I came home from Valentine's Day and only had about three valentines. And she looked at them and said, "Is this all you got?" And I said, "Yes." She said, "Did the other kids get more?" I said, "Yes." And one of them was one of those penny, nasty ones. And she said, "Oh, this isn't very nice, is it?" I think that's when she got wise. I was eight or nine years old when that happened.

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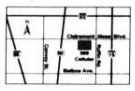

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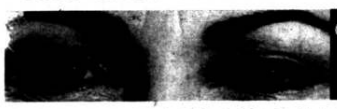

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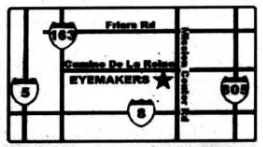

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I went to college. My major was art. That was one thing — by the time I got to high school, I would always have a bevy of people standing around watching me draw. But by that time, I wasn't very friendly. I couldn't tolerate people. I didn't say hello first if I passed them on the street.

I made a couple of friends at college, but I've lost track of them. There were a few people from Coronado at the school. The school said to my mother that they wanted people of "your child's caliber" at Woodbury college, on my grade level and all that, and my mother bit it, hook, line, and sinker. She borrowed money on my father's insurance — didn't tell him — and shipped me off. When I came back, and after she was dead, I said, "Why didn't you say something, Poppa?" He said, "I thought that you and Momma had talked it over and that it was all right with you." And I said, "No, it wasn't. I wanted to go to State." State had one of the better art programs at that time. I wanted to be a dress designer and illustrator. I did sew for myself, but the clothes were all for me.

I didn't finish, because I got so sick that I had to come home. I lived with people for room and board. And I got so sick that I scared the old lady and she got in touch with my mother somehow through the school — Momma wouldn't have a phone. And I came home and she was mad at me, of course. The money had been spent, and I guess she couldn't get it back. When I was up there, I was so homesick. And I remembered that my future husband would come up every weekend to visit his folks. So I looked in the phone book and found his family's name and called him.

He wasn't too thrilled at first, but I started crying and that got him. So I came back to Coronado. I learned that there was a vocational school that had a couturier class. I knew how to sew, but I wanted to design clothes. That's what I wanted to do. So I went to that school.

I got hornswoggled into marriage on New Year's Eve. I was going to the class and dating my future husband again. We went to visit some military friends that he knew. In the meantime, I had accepted a ring from him. She noticed that I had the ring, and she said, "Oh, you're engaged." They had a new car and they wanted to go on a fairly long trip with it to break it in. And she said, "Let's take you to Reno and get you married." I said, "No, no, no." And they all started in on this. Her brother was there, and so on.

My future husband thought it was great. So I said, "All right. If you'll take me right this minute, I'll go." And they all jumped up, saying, "I can get off work," because they had to work a half day the next day. It was the night before New Year's Eve. And they had to drive to the depot to get permission. And the commanding officers were all having a good time because of the holiday. They said okay.

I knew the night I met him that it was meant to be. I fought it for two or two and a half years. It was a comic thing, I know. We then lived in San Diego and moved down in a canyon off Park Boulevard at University. We didn't want to live in Coronado. We couldn't afford to on $60 a month. We paid $25 of that for rent and received $15 a month for rations in-kind from the mess hall. I did live in Coronado again, after my mother died, for six years. Then we were shipped back East, and it was back and forth. We moved in here in 1955 and we've been here ever since.

My dad stayed in Coronado until he had a stroke just before his 78th birthday. My mother let herself die of cancer. She knew she had it and didn't have anything done about it. Her own mother had died of cancer. My mother was taking care of her when she was 18 or 19 years old, I guess. Her mother had had surgery, but they didn't get everything. And in her dying agonies, they couldn't give her enough morphine and she would scream, "Oh, if I hadn't let them operate on me, I'd be dead now." They believed that — once you got a cancer and they opened you up and the air hits it and they didn't get it all. There seems to be some truth to that.

My dad lived on alone after that. She was only 49. Poppa had a stroke. He was 78 or 79. So he came to live with us, and I had to take care of him. He was somewhat paralyzed. He was good-looking until he died. He was a beautiful man. He had a beautiful spirit. He was sort of a father figure to all of the young girls at the office. He had a wonderful sense of humor. Dad was in the Foreign Legion. He also was a Boy Scout leader. But my mother wasn't a joiner. And neither am I.

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Eva Crawford came to San Diego in 1942. She and her husband built their house in Mountain View, just east of Logan Heights.

> "I didn't ever know anything about a person going to snatch my purse."

Arthur Casey interviewed Eva Crawford on February 19, 1993 (interview transcript available at the San Diego Historical Society Oral History Interview Collection). Mr. Casey introduces the interview by stating that Eva was born in Topeka, Kansas, and did teacher training at Washburn University and Kansas University. She taught for several years in Oklahoma. During World War II, her husband heard about the "wonders of California" and came here for a visit. After he'd been in California just one summer, he sent back to Oklahoma for Eva to move out too. She spent her first night here in the storeroom of a grocery.

Eva, what kind of people did you find in San Diego who could help you? I understand you had no friends or relatives here at all.

Mainly the church. I didn't have a background of knowing about anyone else. Then I went to the priest to ask, and Father Madigan was right there on 32nd and Imperial.

And the first little house that we built was right there across from Stockton School. And he came every day. So I talked, and I just asked him, "What would you do about this?" and "What must I do about that?" and it was just a matter that those people there at the church were my closest friends, and still today are....

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after you arrived in San Diego that you had an occasion to meet Dennis Allen, and how did that go?

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So the lady that I went up there with that day — she spoke broken Spanish and English — made him understand that she wanted a job. Well, everybody said Mr. Allen gave you jobs, so I assumed he could almost do what a senator could do. I didn't know anything about Mr. Allen. But I found out that Mr. Allen had gone around the room, you know, and had given everybody in that room a job — from sorting nails to doing the cleanup in the bathrooms with the three shifts that they had. I didn't know anything about that. I didn't know people worked at night like they did.

Coming from a small town, and Topeka was quite a small town, you were limited, even though the state capital was there. We could always go to the representatives and senators. You always made everything that they had. You knew the governor. He lived on the same street with you. Well, what difference did it make? But when you get to a place like this, it's quite a lot different.

But Dennis Allen was sending people to Convair to work.

Yes, Convair to work.... So when he came down, he looked at me. I kept looking and he said, "Well, what did you come for? Now what kind of job can I fit you with?" And I said, "Oh, thank you so very much. I would like to have a job teaching school. That's all I've ever done." And he looked at me and he said, "Well, where did you come from? Maybe you'd better go back." He said, "I'm not giving out jobs teaching school. They don't have black teachers here." "Colored teachers." "Colored" is the word that he said. And I said, "What? I didn't know that." And he said, "No."

I thought that California really and truthfully was quite a lot different. I did not know. I was as far south as I had ever been when I got to San Diego. And that is being very truthful. People were more prejudiced. I had not lived in the South farther than Oklahoma, but I'm sure that there's no place yet that I would say that is more prejudiced than it is right here in San Diego.

So he just told you to go home?

"Go home." But before we left, his wife came in with the nice little cool mint drink of iced tea and she passed it around. I just knew I liked that lady. As a matter of fact, I did. We became very good friends. Dennis Allen, I'd say, was one of my very best friends before he passed. He used to laugh about that time and say, "When you walked through the door, I told myself, there's something odd about that woman — the way she throws her head and hair." I said, "Well, I just thought that maybe you was 'it,' you know, that I was going to come out of that hole at the store." But it all turned out to be all right.

Well, you were telling me earlier that you went home and thought about not having a job, and then you went on your own to go to Convair.

I decided to go to Convair and ask those people, "Now, wait, you must have a job for me." And they did have a job for me. They told me that I could be a storekeeper.

This is in 1942, and Convair is, of course, overwhelmed with work.

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At that day and time, why, no. Any time of night the bus driver would let you off, he'd say, "Well, good night," and you were free.

You had two small children or three children by now?

Two small children.

And how did you manage children and work?

Well, my husband was to take care of the children in the mornings early. I had to be at work at 7:00 a.m. And then he would go to work late at night when I came in, supposedly. Then in the meantime, he left the kids with Mrs. Hancock, the lady that took care of them and gave them their dinner, for the first part of the night.

But that meant coming in in the evening, bathing a baby, washing clothes, bathing the little girl — oh, she could splash in the tub, mainly — but the baby had to be fed. Bottles had to be boiled and washed. Everything. And then to prepare yourself for the next morning to leave the house at 6:00 a.m.

"He could not find an attorney that would take the case."

so that I would be on the job by 7:00 a.m.

Makes you tired now!

Just to think about it. I don't know how I got off and on the buses that passed then, but I never missed a day. No.

So how long did you stay with Convair?

I stayed with Convair until 1942 or 1943. It was about a year and a half that I worked as a storekeeper, keeping inventory of the parts coming in and out of the planes.

So then, what was your escape from this airplane-manufacturing business?

My husband and his brother went to an NAACP meeting, and they met Dr. Will Crawford, who was superintendent of schools. He came home and told me Dr. Crawford said that anything that he could do for him, he would be very glad to do it....

So I went back to Crawford's office, and the secretary said, "Good afternoon." I said, "Oh, yes, I'm Eva Crawford, and I'm from Topeka, Kansas." And she said, "Did you have an appointment?" and I said, "Oh, no, just tell him Eva Crawford is here." And her mouth fell open and she looked at me, and she went in and she told him. I'm sure out of curiosity or amazement or whatnot, he got up and came out to see who Eva Crawford was.

Well, we shook hands, we talked, and I rather liked him. And I'm sure that he rather liked me, because he offered me a job. I was to do long-term substitution work here in San Diego, which I did until after VE Day in 1945. And then I got a regular job at Central School, which I wasn't really prepared for. But I got that job, and I kept that job.

Did you talk, you know, with other teachers? Was there anger in the community about coming to California and being qualified to teach and being just ignored by a school district which was in desperate need of teachers? I mean, I know this is 45 years later, but...

You know, people weren't qualified. We didn't have that many black people going to school. The ones who came in here that were qualified had come from Texas or come from a Southern area.... There were not that many people. Northern people didn't come this way, and the people — I guess it was a little difficult to go to school. You didn't have enough money, and there wasn't anything like those federal grants and things of today. You did the best you could to go.

Now, there had been quite a lot of dissatisfaction about Lorraine Van-Low, and that was written up in the little black paper that he had called the *Light House*, and they had marched down there.

This was the native San Diego teacher who had gone through the San Diego school system but who still was refused a full-time job.

Uh-hum. That's right.

And so there was community resentment and protest.

But there was no community resentment.

About you outsiders, non-Californians. You just didn't deserve a job in California.

No. They thought it was just wonderful if they had jobs as mail carriers. Well, at one time, I thought that wouldn't be such a bad job, but I wanted to hurry up and get a job teaching school.

But even the job that Crawford sent you out to was a

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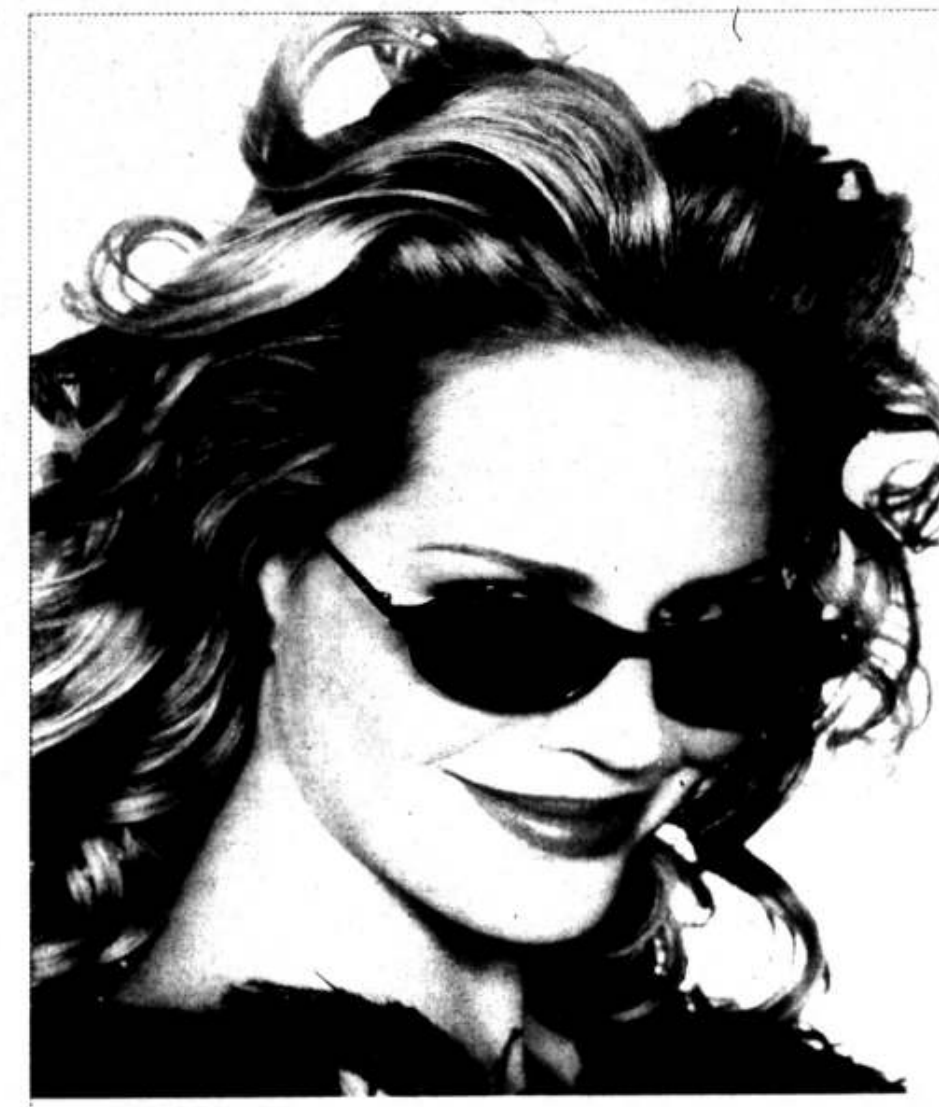

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really rough, tough job.

Very.

The children you encountered at Central School were problem children, and you had how many of them?

Twenty in the classroom to begin with, and then they weeded them down until I had 15. They took 5 of the older ones out of the class. I mean, at the same time he started a class of upper-division mentally retarded children. That was on the other side of the class building.

And it was sink or swim. You had no preparation for this.

No-o-o-o, not at all. But I didn't sink. I swam. I started right out to State College and I found out exactly how to work with those people. Then, from there, I went to USIU and got my master's degree, and I just continued.

And at this time, you're raising a family of your own.

Yes. I had eight of my own children.

Your husband had gone into the contracting business?

My husband went into the contracting business and was the first black contractor that ever passed the board. He had to take a test, and the test was for three days. Every day he was up there, moaning and groaning about the test, the test. But he made it, and he had made it in buildings. Later he went in for lathing and plastering, and still later, he passed a test similarly for plumbing.

But then, you know, when he first came and there would be jobs [posted] on the board downtown at the union hall, and it would say, "We need lathers." You know what a lather is — when you put the paper and the wire up, and so on. No white man would work on the same boards with him. And this was in San Diego, in 1945....

And he would come home. Oh, he would be very disillusioned and upset. And I said, "Well, let's go home!" "No, I'm not going. I'm going to prove it right here." Well, it wasn't long before, when I started and did my first long-term work at Washington School, that the people from down in that area found out that he could build, and they hired him, one after the other. All of the houses went up. And he was doing very nicely.



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Eva Crawford, c. 1960s

We got some rough ways to go on things. Every house would just be fine. The people would be renting the house, the money was coming in for them. But what, "Oh, the man that put the roof on left that, and it's leaking." "Well," he would say, "I wasn't on the roof, I didn't have nothing to do with the roof." He would say, "I'm not a roofer." But, "Well, maybe some of the mud that you were mixing up sprayed up." Oh, no! And do you know, he could not find an attorney that would take the case and beat them fair and square.

Well, that's, yeah, so the whole system...

The whole system as well.

...rejecting, first of all black people, and especially black people from the Midwest or from out of California, which most people were.

Well, the ones that were here weren't doing anything. I have to admit that. Because, I mean, you would run into people that had lived here for 25, 30, or 40 years, and I'd say, "Well, where is your house, why didn't you own something?" "Well, I...I just never had a chance to." Um!...

So your career, then, was with San Diego School District. You just stuck with it. You're saying you did special education preparation at San Diego State and actually got a master's degree with USIU.

I got the master's degree in guidance and counseling.

Oh, you were looking for a way out of the classroom?

That's right.

How many years were you actually there with those children?

Well, not just in the classroom, because you never got out of the classroom, even while you were counseling. I ran a counseling group. I thought that it was nice to know my people, and so, in the mornings, I always called six children in every morning out of whatever the end of the alphabet was. And we sat around and talked.

And the first thing in the afternoon, I called in six more, and we sat around and talked. And I always served them a little cookie or a little something that kind of opened them up, you know. And they would confide. And you could say, "Well, let's don't do this. That isn't the good way, I don't believe. Now, I don't want you to take my values, but I want you to think about it."

I ran into a girl just Monday whose grandmother died, and when I walked in the house, she didn't speak. So I didn't really recognize her. And so, when her mother said, "I know Jackie has been asking when was the teacher coming by." And I said, "What teacher?" I didn't think she was talking about me. They know that I am a teacher in this area, you know. And Jackie walked out and she said, "You don't remember me." And I said [her name].

"All of that time... Do you know, I'll never forget what you told me. On Sundays, go to church. Every Sunday, go to church. I don't care what church you go to, but you go to church. Don't go to that park." This very park here that turned out to be the worst park in the world for a while, but it's one of the best now. She said, "I'll never forget that." She said, "I was in your group." So she was one of the ones that I'd passed a little Kool-Aid and cookies to, and she remembered then that she must go to church. And she said, you know, "I go to church every Sunday." So, some things do rub off on the children.

So you were counseling young teenagers in San Diego during that Civil Rights chaos time, the Lyndon Johnson times, War on Poverty times.

Nineteen sixty-six. I was counseling when they had the Watts riots.... I had gone up to retrieve some children from up there and didn't know whether I was going to be able to get back when I saw all these fires going up every place. So it's something that you lived with. It's something that you try to make a lesson out of — everything that goes wrong. It's not really "wrong." You've got to look at it like the other man sees it too.



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Dennis Allen

Sometimes we feel about people on welfare: "They're here, now they're getting more than I'm getting. I've worked all my life, and they're taking it all." You don't realize. They may be taking it all, but they aren't taking the good that you have gotten out of life. I can feel sorry for them no matter how much money they get. Money is not everything.

In the last of your school work, you were at O'Farrell, which was a new school, I think, in the 1960s.

Nineteen fifty-three.

Nineteen fifty-three. So you stayed there a long time, about 10 years or 15 years or so at O'Farrell Junior High School?

Until they closed down O'Farrell. I was there 20 years.

...Maybe we should talk a little bit about the park. You say, when you came here, Mountain View Park [at 40th Street and Ocean View Boulevard] was pretty undeveloped. It was probably an abandoned piece of city property.

Yes, there were no houses below the park.

This was the end of the city. You were right on the very edge when you built here?

That's right.

When did your husband build this house?

Nineteen forty-three.... This street out here was mud. There was no street. And this was the end of the bus line. It was just right for us. The children and the park. And they had two wonderful, wonderful park people that were at that little house. A woman and a man. And you know, their names escape me. They were both Caucasian. Wonderful people. They'd take the children to the zoo. They took the children — oh, anything that they had — the State Fair. They just took the children. Oh, they were wonderful.... But there

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was nobody hardly at the park. Maybe they could put all the children in one car. A Mexican man lived across the street, and he had two children. We had the most children. Nobody around, much. All of that was vacant. No houses over there. None back here. And we had goats, chickens. We had an old cow. A garden.... And now I see the police go through. Why, I didn't ever know they had policemen, hardly. What did we need a policeman for here? Everything was pretty good.

It really was country?

Yes, they didn't have any problems.

How far away did your kids have to go to get to school?

Eight blocks up here to Catholic school.

Oh, they went to St. Jude's?

Uh-hum. From there they got scholarships and went to Saints, and from there, the oldest one went on and got another scholarship.

Let's talk a little bit about San Diego history and Mountain View Park right here. As you said earlier, it did go through a very rough, tough period when there was a major drug exchange here in Mountain View Park.

Oo-o-o-oh, that's right! Do you know, between about 1964 and 1968, on a Sunday morning, for example, the park would be just like you see it now, nobody there. Everybody going to church. At one o'clock, you couldn't walk. It would be just like that. Crowded. Just a crowd. Everybody would have a broken glass to try to get somebody. There was dope being sold. There was a band that sat out there that played and danced and oo-o-o-oh, just about ran you out of your mind.

They'd park double-parked in the street. You couldn't go past. You couldn't get home. Fortunately, we walked, so we were just going that way anyway. And I guess in about 1967 I just begged my husband, "Please, let's move!" and he said, "No, we're not going to run." ... He would say, "We're going to stay right here." Do you know, once I got up and there were 22 bullets that had been shot right there in the front yard. I had a grandchild here that was three and one that was five that was just screaming to high heavens.

The policeman came to the bathroom window and said, "Get in the tub! That's the place to stay safe." I said, "I want to get out of this house." He said, "Stay in. Get in the tub." And we did. I'm sitting almost where I am now when a woman walked up and gave a gun to her son — they told me it was her son after he was killed — to shoot a policeman, and he got shot. That boy wasn't more than 15 or 16 years old. Fell right out there.

There wasn't anything. My husband got up one morning and one was laying right over there. The reason that my husband's got this monument that people built for him was that he went to the park every night, circling the park, to see if everybody's all right — he and a man named Mr. Williams. I said, "Somebody's going to kill you. They'll kill you and leave you out in that park." He said, "Nobody's going to kill me. Nobody's going to bother me. They don't want to. I just walk with the Lord, and we just go all around the park, and that's how things are." And I said, "Well, bless you and God, but I'll tell you!..."

Do you know, now they send people from the GR, which is General Relief, or they send people to work on their food stamps, and you see how clean it is along there, and everything is nice and clean and picked up. It wasn't so then. They didn't have any programs like that. They had one man that came down, and, poor man, he would sweep this and try to get all that up that they'd left out there.

Every night, my husband and old man Williams would get that broom and go sweeping along. They kept up everything, that is, after they got the pavement in. But of course, when we came down here, we didn't have any walks. We didn't have sidewalks all the way down here. We had that piece in the front, and they didn't have any over there. They didn't want any. He said, if he had to pay for it, he didn't want to.

Did the neighborhood eventually change?

Well, people began to move....

Except you?

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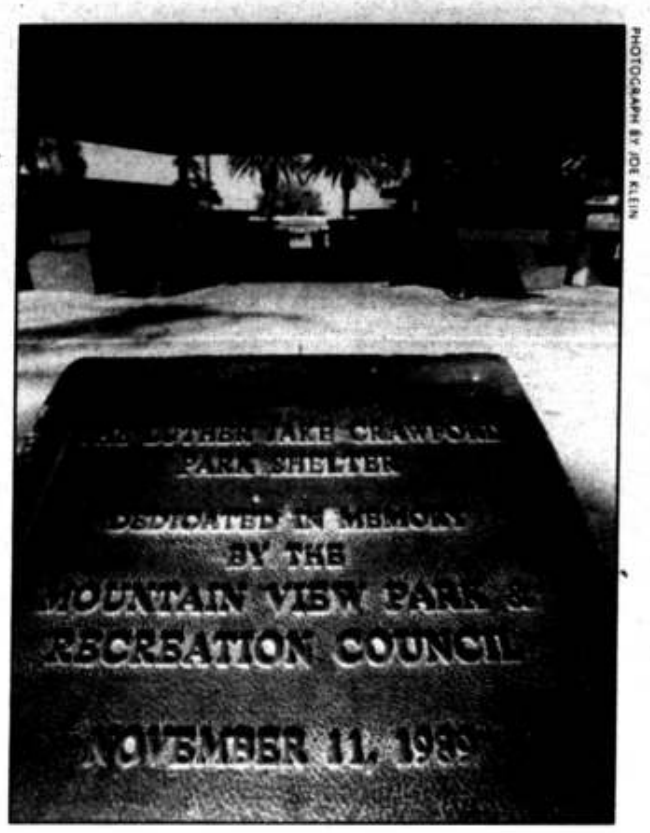

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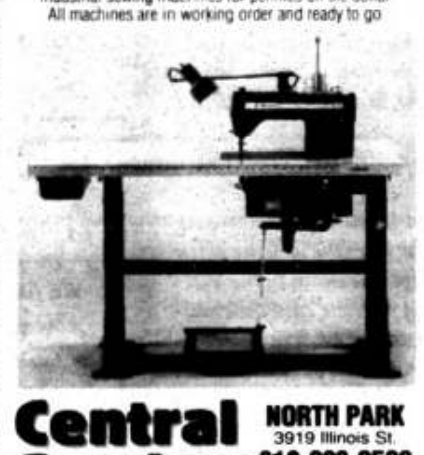

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Yeah. No, he wasn't moving. He's going to stay right here, he said. And if they had all stayed here, we would have had a better community. We would have stayed together! Well, I guess so.

You never know.

You never know, because the community now is solidly Mexican, and I'm going to stay because I've got no place else to go now.

This is a phenomenon which I've watched myself driving down Imperial Avenue. I've watched the commercial world change from black to Mexican. Here we are clear out at 40th Street.... The black community has just scattered. There really is not, in your perception, a black community in San Diego anymore?

No. I guess down around 30th and Imperial, maybe, would be three or four blocks in there where all the business is Mexicans....

At St. Jude's, you only have one English-language mass in all the masses here — otherwise they're Spanish?

Yes, and he has 500 or 600 people at each one of them.

Well, so, this is a new idea. This is black flight. I mean, we've talked about white flight, but this is black flight?

Uh-hum.

And it was blacks running away from the violence of the drugs, the chaos of the Vietnam protests, and the craziness of repressive police in those years. And meanwhile, here you are.

Yes, and I think I may as well stay.... [My children and grandchildren] like the old house. They come for breakfast. Twice a week, I have two that are dentists here that will drop by. First thing, they put up the bars — you know, have somebody put the bars up, and the garage door opener, and a dog on the back porch, and he's big as I am, and he wouldn't bite anything other than a cup of coffee and a biscuit. Now, what good is he, I don't know.

But, they've all said, "Mom, we have a room, you know, you can move right in with us." And I said, "Well, now, I couldn't see out all over to meddle into everybody's business...."

When you were at O'Farrell, you had probably mixed white and black out there?

At O'Farrell, I'd say, I had a slight mix. I had very few Mexicans. I had mostly whites and blacks. The whites were just on their flight seat because...they were just moving out, so there were quite a number. But, as it moved down to around 1969, they were mostly black. Not Mexican.

And so, were you a counselor for racial integration. I mean, were you trying to teach human relations in your counseling?

I had a son to do that. He had a doctorate, and so he knew.... [I was trying to keep] them in school and not bring all of the things that happened at home to school. And there was a time when, "Don't touch." That was during the time that Bob was there. "Don't put your hand on me, don't touch me." No!

Black pride.

Yes. That came out of the Muslims, and that kind of stuff. "Don't touch me!" And I used to love to go up to one. He was the blackest one that we had at that school. But he didn't have — they weren't wearing the beads, those head things. And I just loved to

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go up and put my arms around him, and say, "Don't touch me. What are you touching me for?" He'd have to laugh, and he said, "I don't like these old farts touching on me." I said, "But you look so go-o-o-od, and that purple shirt is just beautiful."...

But I saw him on dope after that when I was working here at the hospital. I volunteered at the hospital for the next 12 years. And they'd pass and say, "Hey, Teach," and I'd say, "Yes, this is 'Teach' all right, and Teach didn't bring no dope to school or have you interested in it." He said, "I'm getting off it today. That's why I'm up here in this new ward — this new building they've got up here. Now, I'm off of it, Teach, I'm off of it." Going into it farther then than he had been before.

So this is another aspect of your life. This was at Physicians and Surgeons Hospital.

Yes.... I worked in the gift shop, and I was president of the board there.

You were just hoping that the hospital would make it and be a community resource.

Yes, because, see, every hospital board met with every other hospital board throughout the whole county down to El Centro, because our little president is from El Centro. So, you've got to see people. And some of them would look at me and say, "You know, you look like some, oh, that is." Well, they might be all white and you wouldn't be maybe but two blacks there, myself and somebody else. But it didn't matter, because when they looked up on the head table, I'm up there and I'm on the board voting. It was something that I liked. ■

— Barbara Palmer

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voted to do it to yourself. When two wolves and a sheep vote on what to have for dinner, the sheep is just as dead. Unfortunately, Father Carroll is among those who believe that enough votes are all that is needed to trample on a person's right to be left alone and unmolested.

You cannot do a good deed to one person by first performing a foul one — such as theft — on another. Victimizing others is wrong. By constantly seeking government subsidies and resources for his business, Father Carroll undercuts the true meaning of charity and leads well-meaning people astray by his evil example. I think Father Carroll should just drop the priest costume and become an honest tax-subsidized thief like so many other businesses across the nation. At least then he would not compound his wrongs by adding hypocrisy to the list. At the very least, he could paint a big fat H on his forehead.

Lawrence Ludlow

Meltzer No Lester Bangs

Richard Meltzer. Music reviewer? Give me a break. All this time, I just figured he was entertaining himself at the expense of the readers and the artists of the CDs I assume he gets for free. Now, to very little surprise, I learn he doesn't even listen to the CDs he reviews, he judges them on the artwork (this from a *The Lounge* interview). Is this something you deliberately keep from your readers (and music fans who actually want to hear what a CD may sound like), or do you feel it isn't even an issue? I know if I was a band whose CD was reviewed by Meltzer, positive or negative, I would consider the review worthless, even detrimental.

What is it going to take to get you to stop these reviews in "Blurt" by this masturbatory waste of reviewing space? I mean, come on, give him a column or something where he can rail at the system that gave fame to Lester Bangs and obscurity to him...but leave him out of actual music reviews. Please.

Ken Meyer Jr.

Richard Meltzer responds: Evidently my ears are better than yours, Ken, 'cause if you'd actually been paying attention to that show, you'd have heard me respond to the host's QUESTION regarding my listening-or-not to every dang CD that comes my way by telling him that, YES, indeed, fortunately or unfortunately, I damnsure bloody well do. Listen. That I also from time to time judge them by their artwork, and their smell, and whatever the hell else comes along for the ride, is no more, no less, than consumers of these whatsems as product normally do in making their own binary decisions re

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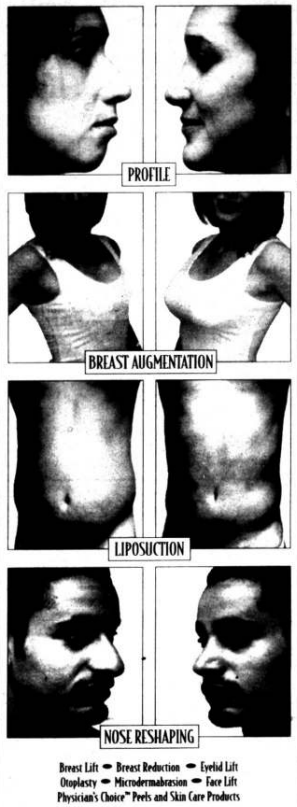

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buy-or-not, keep-or-not, etc. I'm as much of a "music fan" as you are, buddy, and if my own fannish take on things doesn't jibe with yours, well, that's part of what you get when perspectives on music aren't MANDATORY. I'm sorry you feel like such a pathetic outsider, but if you were a "band" and you made with all this desperate, whining b.s. of yours, nobody (myself included) would give you a second listen.

Stolen Aitches

I wish to report a theft. Nearly all the *H*'s have been stolen from page 138 of my personal copy of the August 2 San Diego *Reader*. Who stole them? Or at least, what happened to them?

Kurt Sadrow
National City

Esoteric Duncan

Now we all know Mr. Duncan Shepherd's blood type — "typo," thanks to page 138's obviousness. Oh, if only it was May 18, 2001 — the 138th day of the year. To all of Mr. Shepherd's detractors: it doesn't matter whether or not you agree with his points of view, because even though he may be esoteric, he's increasing our vocabularies. Word up — easement.

Name Withheld

Don't Drug The Kids

The article "A Mom Fights for Her Son" (July 26) really hit home for me because I am expecting my first child any day now. I believe the mother in the story should be commended on the way she raised her special son. I would like to know the schools this child attended so I can keep my child far away from them. I am appalled with the solution of drugging children as a way of making them conform. The way the author described children lining up at lunchtime to receive their medication at this school was like something out of Pink Floyd's *The Wall*. Children are supposed to be rowdy and full of energy; that is what being a child is all about. The schools today are not equipped to deal with children that challenge the system. The teachers of this child were so quick to label him with a handicap that they were missing the bigger picture. This child was further along with his pattern of thinking in kindergarten than most students his age. Instead of trying to come up with a way to make this child like the rest of the children in his class, his abilities needed to be nurtured. Children with these abilities have the potential to grow up and be world leaders.

Sean Larson
Santee

Urinal-Phobia

This letter is in response to "Ps and Qs" ["City Lights," July 26]. I am surprised that psychologist Victor Kops would admit to a fear of urinals. I have met my share of men who dislike the urinals very much. They find it uncomfortable and hard to "concentrate" when they are trying to do what they are there to do. Even though I've heard this repeatedly from many people, I still considered it strange for a man to be uncomfortable in that situation because they've been living through it all their lives. But it makes sense for them to be uncomfortable, though. Whoever came up with the idea of the urinal didn't think much about comfort and mimicking the "home toilet" feeling in a public bathroom. But there is a solution: all men's bathrooms also have toilets. So if a lot of men dislike the fact that they have to urinate next to another man, there's always the option of going in the toilet. But when people notice what you're doing, they might consider that a little strange, because not everyone feels the same way. But just go with it. Heck, if a psychologist is admitting to it, now everyone can. Just remember, if you're using the toilet instead of the urinal, remember to put the seat down.

Diana Sillero

Albrights Are Guinea Pig Killers

My goodness, is this what the poor domesticated animal population on this earth has been reduced to? Mrs. Anne "ignorant to her own tribe" Albright wrote in her weekly "Kid Stuff" article (July 26) that her family has been through three guinea pigs since Easter. Thank goodness she has finally come to the revelation *not* to buy any more pets. Just because the veterinarian performed a

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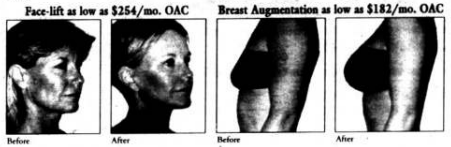

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necropsy and ruled out any obvious reasons for the last guinea pig's death, that still doesn't mean, as Mrs. Albright states, that they "hadn't done anything to kill Smoky." Of course your family had everything to do with killing both guinea pigs. From reading your column every week, I can say with most confidence that your family is just an overpopulated giant whirlwind of everything I am truly against. For your children's sake, *get a clue already!*

P. Flores
Golden Hill

Pigs Are Excitable

Anne Albright: Your guinea pigs all died because they were in cedar shavings ("Kid Stuff," July 26). Cedar and pine shavings are deadly toxic to rodents. If you ever decide to get a pet guinea pig again (which I and 99 percent of the San Diego *Reader*-ship population hope you won't) please use Carefresh brand pet bedding, or at least ripped-up newspaper or clean rags. Also, the pigs are excitable little things and should not be handled by exuberant young children, so if the time comes that you (not the kids) decide to buy another piglet, please make sure that the kids are calm enough to understand the delicate nature of this particular pet.

And, Anne, should you venture down the pet path again, please find another vet: that one that performed the necropsy should have detected respiratory distress and failure due to aromatic poisoning.

Caliana

KOGO, Not KGTV

It was interesting reading Jay Allen Sanford's piece ("Blurt," July 26) on the Beatles' one and only visit to San Diego in August 1965. However — and I don't know Mr. Sanford's age — he made a few factual errors which I noted that I'd like to set the record straight on.

First, and most obviously, there was no *San Diego Union-Tribune* then. The two San Diego Copley newspapers in 1965 were the *San Diego Union* (morning rag) and the *Evening Tribune* (afternoon). Second, the call letters for TV 10 at that time were KOGO, not KGTV.

Third, Mr. Sanford describes our airport in 1965 as a "new" and in quotations "International" airport and states that it wasn't called Lindbergh Field yet. Well, I don't know what he meant by "new," but we had had an airport using the same runway (as we do currently) for decades before 1965, and for at least most of that time it was called Lindbergh Field. Perhaps by "new" Mr. Sanford is referring to the Harbor Drive terminal, which wasn't opened until early 1967, a year and a half later. The Pacific Highway terminal was still in use when the Beatles were here, and one moniker which I don't think our airport was known as until the opening of the Harbor Drive terminal was San Diego International Airport.

Doug Landale
Point Loma

Schubert Didn't Use Chinese

I read Saville's review of Jennifer Bates's art-song recital (July 26).

The special beauty of the voice as a musical instrument is that information and emotion is transmitted simultaneously with abstract music.

Yet, classical singers feel compelled to sing in languages (French, German, Italian) which few in the *American* (as opposed to European) audiences comprehend easily.

Thus, the females might just as well be flutes and the males, cellos.

The important texts are thus unappreciated as part of the performances.

Printed translations leave something to be desired, and the idea of overhead projections in recitals is ludicrous and distracting.

If the English singing translations (often archaic) of the great European art-songs are presently not felicitous, at least the American audience can *understand* them.

Let those schooled in poetry *and* the needs of the singing voice offer singers better singing translations.

Remember, the Europeans chose their native languages for their audiences. Schubert would not have used Esperanto or the Chinese language for his words.

Musical snobbery should not be allowed to triumph over audiences' fuller appreciation.

Jock Nicholson
San Diego

Thanks For The Dance

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Keep An Eye On Molesters

In the article by Thomas Larson, "Not Only the Man Down the Street," in the July 12 *Reader*, he says, "In our zeal to expose the abusers, you and I and the rest of the country are up against the limitation of law, in general, and Megan's Law, in particular." Larson discusses the problem that is faced when implementing the Megan Law in that it causes these child molesters to move around more frequently, making it hard to keep track of them. I think that it is good to have a resource for parents to go to for the protection of their children, but I agree with Larson that too much attention can be detrimental. No matter how much is done for us, it will not eliminate the problem we face of child abuse. The ultimate responsibility is ours. First of all, as was pointed out by Larson, the more publicity these convicted child molesters get, the more they will move around. It is better for them to stay in one place so that more people will be aware of where they are so that they can take the necessary precautions. Parents have the responsibility to keep their children safe, and having a resource to find out for themselves where possible danger might be is very helpful, but it can be taken so far that is defeats the original purpose.

Larson also stated, "There's no wrist bracelet, no scarlet letter, to tag a molester for life so that everyone knows what he did." Again it comes down to the fact that the responsibility is ours; the government can't solve all our problems for us. Even if the government was to implement every idea we had, it would not eliminate child abuse. People are always complaining about the government getting involved with too many things. However, when there is a problem, those same people want the government to fix everything.

Child molesters are never going to be extinguished. I have known several people in my life, that I am very close to, that have been molested. Some of them had good parents that were very cautious, but that still wasn't good enough. Then there were other parents who are definitely to blame for what happened to their child. It is true that you cannot always be with your children, but I believe that it is important to make them aware of certain situations and to let them know what is and what is not acceptable behavior from other people. We will never be able to totally prevent these treacherous things from happening because there are always new molesters.

For those that are abused it has a great effect upon their lives. Child abuse is definitely a serious matter. However, no matter how serious it is, we will never be able to put a stop to it. The most effective thing that we can do is to have the upper hand in the matter by knowing where the offenders are and do the best we can to keep our children protected from them and other potential offenders out there. The thing that we don't want to do is create such a commotion that the molesters move from place to place to where it becomes hard to keep track of them at all. When we finally come to realize that the government isn't the answer to everything, something might get accomplished and it will happen without using more and more of our tax money.

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Monsters
Limited thought process? (Letters, August 2) Hmmmm. That's quite a catchy phrase. How did Mr. Pedophile ever find the spare time to think of that one?

My vision of this monster? A homely inbred married to his computer — endlessly downloading hours of child pornography. Since he has never "acted" out his fantasies (thankfully), he must be using other methods to satisfy his perverted urges. No matter what he claims, he and others of his ilk are…(Oh, what words can I say, that you can put in print?) Demented? Pathetic? Genetically missing a few?

Or perhaps he was a victim as a child. ("Today's victim could be tomorrow's pedophile.") What people don't seem to realize is, these people cannot be rehabilitated (without the process of a full lobotomy). So I wonder why other readers keep urging these types to seek help.

He will never convince me that it's normal behavior for an adult to get sexually stimulated/gratified using children/babies as stimuli. I wonder what he meant when he said that nonpedophiles (a small percentage, he says) "find it appropriate to rape children." To which group of people is he referring? Homosexuals? I think not. I know a few gay couples who have adopted. Some of these babies were previously physically or sexually abused and guess what? In a loving, nurturing environment these children are now begin-

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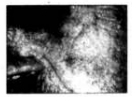

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ning to blossom. (But what you monsters have done to them will scar them forever.)

You were right in one regard. Jeffrey Dahmer, John Wayne Gacy were monsters. And so is anyone within the evil circles that you travel in. What you people do to children is the worst possible thing that could happen to them. I'd love to send y'all on an all-expenses-paid vacation. Say, San Quentin? Attica? Pelican Bay? Ever hear of the convicts' code of ethics? Can we book your seat tomorrow?

And as far as your *Springer* reference, I bet that "Steve" would love to get you face to face for a few minutes.

Bets Kimble
South Bay

Does Pedophile Want A Medal?

Oh please. You seem to have unearthed your very own literate resident "nonpracticing" pedophile who can predict his own future sexual behavior... as well as that of "literally millions" just like him, who lust after children but are "above" molesting them ("Letters," July 19, August 2). Amazing! And that he knows there are "literally millions around the world" who are just like him too! What statistician was able to pull off the survey on that one, anyway? A pedophile abhorred by the thought of raping a child...does he want a medal? Unlike adults, young children don't have to be raped. Pedophiles intentionally choose (1) children who know and trust them and (2) children lacking in the social skills and maturity to deal with their pedophilic brand of coercion.

Well, here's a small suggestion straight from the heart. How about a bumper sticker just for pedophiles (practicing or otherwise). It could say, "I'M NOT SICK, I'M NOT SICK, I'M NOT, I'M NOT..."

Name Withheld

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This is for all those who write letters to the *Reader*.

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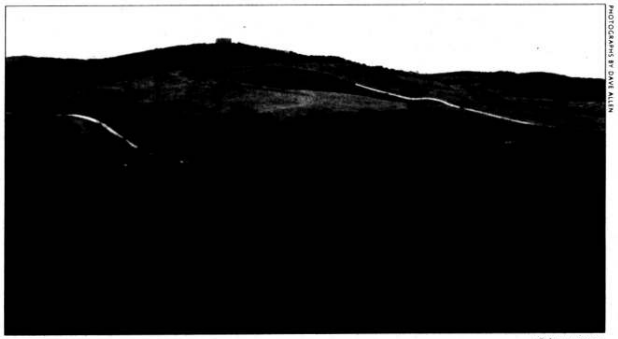

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Calavera preserve

LOCAL EVENTS

Several lifetimes ago, it seems, people who wanted to affect political change organized protest marches. Now some of them are organizing nature hikes.

The members of Preserve Calavera in coastal North County give their hikes names like "Last Chance Hike" and "The 14 Million Dollar, 1.3 Mile, Destroy Our Nature Preserve Twilight Hike." Besides touting the ocean views and scenic farmland to be seen on these outings, hike leaders point out the "coastal sage scrub that will be destroyed" when the new four-lane highway is built — to accommodate all the new housing developments.

But Gigi Orlowski of Calavera Hills, who leads one of the twilight hikes, says the mood isn't glum. "Some people are only now realizing that these spots exist, and they're in awe of them. The wonderful thing about these hikes is that people of all ages walk together: senior citizens, people with small children, people carrying babies on their backs. The real story here is that the people of Carlsbad, Vista, and Oceanside are working together to try to create a regional preserve."

This weekend, Diane Nygaard of Ocean Hills will lead a morning hike to the summit of Mount Calavera. She says the extinct volcano is the "centerpiece" of the area, which is currently 3000 acres of open space. "But there are about half a dozen developments proposed, so that over 60 percent of it will be lost over the next couple of years. And we're not saying that there should be no development but that it should be done responsibly, so it minimizes adverse effects."

Preserve Calavera not only wants land to remain open; the 500-member group also wants the parcels to be contiguous, because of the danger of otherwise creating what are known as "blink-out zones." "These are wildlife preserves in name only, because they are surrounded by roads or houses," says Orlowski. The birds in those areas may do all right, because they can fly over the highway to get from one preserve to the next. "But bobcats and mountain lions that try to follow the same path will get crushed by traffic. So they become isolated and tend to weaken and die, because there's no new blood coming into their gene pools. That wildlife isn't sustainable."



Gigi Orlowski, Calavera Mountain in background

The words of these women are measured. They are used to meeting with developers; they know that compromise is key. And so Orlowski, like Nygaard, is careful to mention that she isn't against all development. "You can't stop it, but it could be done in a way that's sensible. It doesn't have to be so random and so project-by-project. If it's planned well, it doesn't have to be either/or. Wildlife can continue to thrive alongside development."

Not so decorous are the words of some who have posted messages in the forum section of the group's website, *www.preservecalavera.org*. They are angry that dirt bikes find easier access into the area, thanks to pathways left by bulldozers. They want walls built around their neighborhoods, not roads leading through them. "As to the argument that [the time saved by a new road] may mean 'life or death' for one old fart someday," writes Phil of Carlsbad, "well, okay, then move next to the hospital if you're so worried about it."

A few people who have expressed opinions are appalled that the Carlsbad police want some acreage for an outdoor shooting range. The current range may be displaced by Carlsbad's proposed new municipal golf course.

Asked about the status of these projects, Orlowski says, "We are hoping to meet with the city soon and discuss the various plans. We did meet with a developer last week." She admits being frustrated by "all the ifs, ands, and ors. There's still a lot of uncertainty."

One thing is clear in her own mind: she looks to L.A. as an example of what San Diego should *not* aspire to be, although she finds it difficult to think of an example of good habitat management planning, or HMP, as it's known in bureaucratic circles. Finally, she recalls hearing a series of stories on public radio about what's being done in Nepal, where planning for contiguous wildlife corridors is "a country-wide thing, and I mean, we're talking elephants and tigers."

In the meantime, her hike, according to the website description, may be one of the last chances to see the western part of Calavera Hills before it becomes 781 more homes.

— Jeanne Schinto

Hikes with "Preserve Calavera"

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6K Run, the start point is Boulevard Costero, Sunday, August 12, at 9 a.m. For route and more information, call 011-526-174-4001. (ENSENADA)

Bullfights, the next event is Sunday, August 12, 4:30 p.m., Bullring by the Sea. For more information, call 619-428-9517. (TIJUANA)

Fiestas de la Vendimia 2001 (Wine Harvest Festival 2001) continues through Sunday, August 12, in the city of Ensenada. Activities include winery tours each day (the $20 fee includes lunch), grape stomping, and sunset concerts at each of the participating wineries. Tickets must be purchased in advance, by calling 011-52-61-74-0170 or 011-52-61-78-3136. (ENSENADA)

"Dolphins" screens Tuesday through Friday at 2, 4, 6, and 8 p.m., with additional screenings at noon on Saturday and Sunday, at the Omnimax Theater in the Tijuana Cultural Center. Join in the *Three-D Mania* Tuesdays through Fridays at 3, 5, 7, and 9 p.m., as well as at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on weekends.

The center is located at Paseo de los Heroes and Mina Street in the Zona Rio. For more information, call 011-52-66-87-9600. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Orioles, the bright yellow- or yellow-orange-and-black birds seen flitting among the palm trees, are summer residents of San Diego County's coastal areas. A century ago, the orioles preferred to nest in sycamore trees, which were then more common in our area's river bottoms. Today these birds are most likely to take up residence in the planted palm trees, where they obtain fiber to build their nests from the easily shredded fronds.

The Milky Way appears at it most glorious during August summer evenings free of strong moonlight (this year, these evenings occur from now through August 21). You'll need to be in the mountains or the desert to see it clearly; too much artificial light in or near the urban parts of San Diego County renders it all but invisible. The Milky Way seems to broaden and become generally brighter over the south horizon, specifically near the constellation Sagittarius. When we gaze in this direction, we look toward the crowded heart of our galaxy, where millions of dim stars are so closely spaced in the sky that taken together they resemble puffs of steam.

"Rocks, Plants, and Animals," naturalist Jack Pomeroy leads a guided hike of the southwest section of Daley Ranch and discusses the natural setting, Saturday, August 11, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The 3.5-mile walk is moderately strenuous and covers the ranch house, Boulder Loop, and Rock Ridge trails. Meet at the Daley Ranch parking lot on La Honda Drive. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

The Place Is Very Birdful, guides from the Chula Vista Nature Center will help you identify the denizens of the Sweetwater Marsh wetland area on Saturday, August 11, beginning at 8 a.m. For reservations and directions to the meeting place, call 619-409-5903. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

The Sleek and Beautiful Terns are the featured subjects for this bird-watching hike led by an educator from the Natural History Museum. Learn about the different species of terns, their vocalizations and preferred habitats. You'll also see herons, egrets, and other shorebirds, waterfowl, and gulls. The birding class (geared for adults) is scheduled for Saturday, August 11, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. To register and obtain details about the meeting place, call the museum at 619-232-3821 x203. $55 members, $65 nonmembers.

Calavera Mountain, there's a movement afoot to save some of the area around the mountain from development. Join this moderately paced two-hour hike to the peak to observe the surrounding area and the acres of native vegetation that will be lost to home and road building. The hike is set for Saturday, August 11, from 8:45 to 11 a.m. Meet in the parking lot of Oak Riparian Park, off Lake Boulevard. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. Free. For more information, call 760-724-3887. (OCEANSIDE)

"Looking for Living Things," learn to follow animal tracks and other signs, with tracker Dave Kiser, Saturday, August 11, 9 a.m., Blue Sky Ecological Reserve, Espola Road. Wear comfortable shoes and bring water. Free. 858-679-5469. (POWAY)

Native Plants for Medicine and Food, the theme of this week's four-mile guided hike in San Dieguito River Park is how early native residents of the area used plants for food, medicine, baskets, and many other things. The walk and talk is set for Saturday, August 11, from 9 to 11 a.m. Call the park for reservations and for directions to the meeting place. 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Local Botany, join this guided hike to learn about the native vegetation of the eastern end of Los Peñasquitos Reserve, Saturday, August 11, at 9 a.m. Meet at the Mercy Road parking-staging area, upper level, at the junction of Mercy Road and Black Mountain Road (take the Mercy Road exit off I-15, then go west to Black Mountain Road). Free. For information, call 858-484-3219. (MIRA MESA)

Nature Walk, guides from the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy lead nature walks on the second Saturday of every month at this ecological reserve. The next one will be Saturday, August 11, beginning at 9 a.m. Meet the guide at the Rios Avenue trail head. Free. 760-436-3944. (SOLANA BEACH)

The Park's Palms are the subjects of this week's guided walk through Balboa Park, led by rangers and Off-shoot Tours, Saturday, August 11, beginning at 10 a.m., in front of the park's visitors' center. Guides will discuss the botany, growth habits, and landscape value of these trees. It's free. 619-235-1100. (BALBOA PARK)

University Heights, Urban Safaris leads a guided tour of this neighborhood, explaining 100 years of history of the area, Saturday, August 11, 10 a.m. Meet at Caspian Corner, 4646 Park Boulevard, just off Adams Avenue. Space is limited; please call for reservations. $10. 619-222-9960. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Beginning Birders are especially welcome on these monthly guided walks, sponsored by San Diego Park and Recreation Department. The next hike is set for Saturday, August 11, from 11 a.m. to noon. You'll learn about coastal birds and their habitats, especially great blue herons, terns, brown pelicans, grebes, loons, egrets, teals, and turnstones. Meet the park ranger at the kiosk along the bike path beside the wildlife preserve (the flood-control channel) across from Sea World. Bring binoculars and drinking water. Free. 858-581-7603. (MISSION BAY)

Star Party, join members of the San Diego Astronomers Association to look at the heavens through their various telescopes, Saturday, August 11, 8:30 to 10:30 p.m., Blue Sky Ecological Reserve, Espola Road. For information and reservations, call 858-679-5469; $1 per person donation. (POWAY)

The Perseid Meteor Shower, the best known of the many meteor displays that return year after year, will take place under fair conditions this year. The moon, at last quarter phase, will rise near midnight and prevent you from seeing fainter meteors during the prime (early-morning) hours. Near dawn (4:30 a.m.) on the two best mornings, Sunday and Monday, August 12 and 13, you might catch meteors at the rate of about 15 to 25 per hour, assuming you are watching from a clear site in the mountains or the desert.

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Trail Maintenance, volunteers are needed to join the ranger staff to help create a section of the new 9.4-mile Mule Hill/San Pasqual Valley Trail in the North County's San Dieguito River Park, Sunday, August 12, from 8 a.m. to noon. Call the park for details of meeting place and other information: 858-674-2275 x5. Free.

Walk Under Shady Oaks at the Blue Sky Ecological Reserve in this guided nature hike, Sunday, August 12, 9 a.m. Wear comfortable shoes and bring water. The reserve is located on Espola Road. Free. 858-679-5469. (POWAY)

Birds of the Salt Marsh, one of the best local birding spots is the Tijuana Estuary. As many as 370 species of birds have been identified in the area. A volunteer guide from the Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve will help you identify the population this Sunday, August 12, from 3 to 4 p.m. Bring binoculars if you have them. Meet at the visitors' center, 301 Caspian Way. Free. For more information, call 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Local Geology is the focus of this easy-paced two-mile hike through Daley Ranch, Sunday, August 12, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Meet your guide at the Daley Ranch entrance on La Honda Drive. (Take the El Norte Parkway exit from I-15, and go four miles east to La Honda Drive.) Free. 760-839-4680. (ESCONDIDO)

Critters at Night, wildlife is very active after dark. Join nature interpreter Patty Heyden for a very quiet 1 1/2– to 2-hour hike through the Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Espola Road, Sunday, August 12, 8:30 p.m. Not recommended for kids under 10. Group size limited. For reservations and information, call 858-679-5469. Free. (POWAY)

Walk for Therapy, the Elizabeth Hospice sponsors two weekly walks for those who have experienced grief and loss. The next event, along the hiking trail around Lake Hodges, will be Monday, August 13, at 9 a.m., beginning in the parking lot across from Hernandez Hideaway restaurant on Lake Drive. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

On Tuesday, August 14, at 9 a.m., take a beach walk, meeting at the sea wall at the west end of Tamarack Street. Free. For more information on either walk, call the hospice at 800-797-2050. (CARLSBAD)

The Waning Crescent Moon and Venus form an attractive close pair (1.5 degrees apart) in the eastern sky at dawn next Thursday, August 16. Jupiter, which is somewhat less brilliant than Venus, lies well above the pair. Look no later than 5 a.m. for best results.

DANCE

West Coast Swing, an evening of dancing starts with classes for beginners. The West Coast Swing Dance Club holds two events each week. The next ones are scheduled for Friday, August 10, with intermediate classes from 7 to 7:45 p.m., followed by open dancing at 8; and Sunday, August 12, with beginners' classes from 3 to 3:45 p.m., with open dancing beginning at 4. All ages welcome, with or without partners. Members $5, nonmembers $7 (which includes lessons). Jump and jive over to the Starlight Dance Studio, 6506-H El Cajon Boulevard. For information call 619-491-1808. (COLLEGE AREA)

From Mexico, the Middle East, and India, this dance performance features the Ballet Folklorico Jalisciense, Raks El Anwar "Dancers of the Light," and the Kinhal Sisters, Friday, August 10, 7 p.m., City Heights Urban Village Performance Annex, 3795 Fairmount Avenue. Free. 619-641-6100. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Zydeco! The band is Gator Beat, from the Bay Area. The event is sponsored by the Bon Temps Social Club, Saturday, August 11. The dancing begins at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6; Cajun-style dance instruction at 6:20) on the big wooden dance floor at the Balboa Park Club (near the Aerospace Museum). Admission $10. Questions? Call 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

Flamenco, the Hollywood Star Grille (1320 Fifth Avenue) and Flamenco Vivo Productions offer a flamenco show on Friday, August 10, and every Friday, beginning at 8 p.m.; $20 includes show and two drinks. 619-232-2102 or 858-571-5683. (DOWNTOWN)

Folk Dance DJ Janice Donovan spins her favorites at this event sponsored by the San Diego Folk Dance Center, Saturday, August 11, 8 p.m., 4569 30th Street ($3, $4, $5). 619-281-5656. (NORTH PARK)

Funky Swing, beginners' and advanced lessons are available before the dance. Swing dance to funk, hip-hop, disco, and R&B, Saturday, August 11, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., Starlight Dance Studio, 6506-H El Cajon Boulevard. All ages welcome. Cover $5. 619-287-9036. (COLLEGE AREA)

Annual Recital, Jean Isaacs' San Diego Dance Theater presents its 27th annual faculty-student recital, Saturday and Sunday, August 11 and 12, 8:30 p.m., in the SDSU Studio Theatre (room ENS-200). The all-original works are offered by a cast of more than 60 dancers, with guest choreographers from New York, San Francisco, and San Diego. Tickets will be available a half hour before the performance at the theater. $12 general, $10 students. 619-594-6824. (COLLEGE AREA)

English Country Dancing, beginners' lessons are from 6 to 7 p.m., intermediate from 7 to 8 p.m., with dancing for everyone from 8 to 9 p.m., Sunday, August 12 (and every Sunday evening), at the Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road (diagonally across the parking lot from Denny's). For admission information or other details, call 858-676-0699 or 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

And More Zydeco! This Tuesday, August 14 (and every Tuesday), there are dance lessons from 7 to 8 p.m., then a DJ spins Cajun tunes until 10:15 p.m. Bring this notice for your first free admission; otherwise, it's $3 for the dance and $2 for lessons at Tio Leo's, 5302 Napa Street. 619-857-8409. (MISSION BAY)

FILM

"Reflections of the '60s," it's the theme for the summer outdoor film festival at the San Diego Museum of Art. Today, Thursday, August 9, enlist for *Platoon*, offering a grunt's view of the Vietnam War directed by Oliver Stone. Next Thursday, August 16, the series continues with *Gimme Shelter*, the story of the 1969 Altamont riot at the Stones concert. The free screenings begin at dusk, projected on the museum's east wall. For information, dial 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

"Butterfly's Tongue" *(La Lengua de las Mariposas)*, Spanish director Jose Luis Cuerda's 1999 film is the next offering in the Film Forum on Monday, August 13, 6 p.m., at the San Diego Public Library. It's set in Galicia in 1936 and is described as "a young boy's coming of age on the eve of the totalitarian sweep across Europe." Find the library at 820 E Street and by calling 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

"Long Hot Summer" is the next entry in the City of Carlsbad's "Hot Summer Nights" film series, screening Wednesday, August 15, at 6 p.m. It's Martin Ritt's 1958 blend of Faulkner short stories, starring Newman, Woodward, Remick, Welles, and other famous last names. See it at the Ruby Schulman Auditorium, 1775 Dove Lane. It's free. 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, travel back in time in *China: The Panda Adventure*. The film is set in 1936, based on the true story of Ruth Harkness, an independent woman who traveled to the forests of China to follow in her late husband's footsteps and achieve his dream of bringing the first live giant panda to America. See this film through the end of the year.

Did you know there are 50,000 known caves in the U.S., and every state has at least one? *Journey into Amazing Caves* squeezes into some of the earth's alien, hidden realms, guided by two cavers seeking these often unexplored frontiers. The latest MacGillivray Freeman Films offering follows "extreme scientists" Hazel Barton and Nancy Aulenbach as they seek organisms that might hold new medical applications. *Caves* continues through November.

He doesn't know how to swim or ice skate, but Michael Jordan has often been called the greatest athlete of the 20th Century. The "real-life story" of Michael Jordan is presented in *Michael Jordan to the Max.* Expect a "larger-than-life tribute to a larger-than-life figure." See the film through October.

For ticket prices and showtimes, call 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

Women Are from Mars, says Claire France-Perez, who will be speaking at the next meeting of the San Diego Astrological Society. "A look at male-female relationships from a Jungian perspective" and how they relate to astrology is her theme. The talk is scheduled for Friday, August 10, 7:15 p.m., in the Joyce Beers Community Center, Uptown District Shopping Center entrance, Vermont Street entrance. First-time guests free; $12 general admission; $7 members; $2 students and seniors. 1-888-405-6825. (HILLCREST)

"Maintaining Turf Lawns, Watering, Fertilizing, and Pest Control" is the subject for a seminar by Dave Shaw, turf advisor for the U.S. Cooperative Center, Saturday, August 11, 9:30 a.m., at the Water Conservation Garden at Cuyamaca College, 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West. Free. 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

"Genealogy 30 Minutes at a Time," break the job of searching your family tree into small bits. Nancy Ellen Carlsberg tells you how at the next meeting of the San Diego Genealogical Society, Saturday, August 11, noon, at St. Dunstan's Parish Hall, 6556 Park Ridge Boulevard. Stay around and hear Carlsberg at 1 p.m. discussing the roadblocks sometimes encountered in genealogical research: "Analyzing Your Family Tree: What to Do Next." Free. 619-464-8824. (SAN CARLOS)

Japanese Gardens, Steve Beimel, publisher of the Japanese arts journal *Kyoto Diary*, offers a slide-illustrated talk about the art and design of Japanese gardens at a meeting of the San Diego Horticultural Society, Monday, August 13, 6:30 to 9 p.m., at the Satellite Wagering Facility at the Del Mar Fairgrounds, Jimmy Durante Boulevard. Free. 760-630-7307. (DEL MAR)

Genealogy and Computers, the North San Diego County Genealogical Society meets for a regular business session and sharing of research techniques on Tuesday, August 14, at 10 a.m. in the Carlsbad City Council Chamber, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive. From 1 to 2:30 p.m. that same day, the Computer Genealogy Group meets to hear speaker Lance Dohe talk about configuring your Windows operating system to make file management easier. It's free. 760-723-1342. (CARLSBAD)

Script Consultant and Producer Michael Palmieri (*Six Days, Seven Nights; Kept; Blossoms and Veils*) explains why some films hit and others bomb. He'll deconstruct one of last year's box office biggies when he speaks on Tuesday, August 14, 6:30 p.m., at the Cambridge Park private movie theater in Stonecrest Village, 3394 Daley Center Drive. For reservations, call 858-571-7614. (SERRA MESA)

Bankruptcy, attorney Mark Miller hosts an educational seminar on what it really means to "go bankrupt," recent changes in bankruptcy laws, and whether bankruptcy is the best solution for financial problems. He'll answer questions from the audience, Wednesday, August 15, from 6 to 7 p.m., in the auditorium of the San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. Luckily, it's free. 619-236-5894. (DOWNTOWN)

"Tiger Sharks, Reef Residents or Ocean Ramblers?" Chris Lowe of Cal State Long Beach is the speaker at this presentation sponsored by the Birch Aquarium of Scripps Institution of Oceanography. He'll discuss what's known about tiger shark behavior and bring you up to date on tagging studies in Hawaii and the incidence of attacks on humans. The talk is set for Wednesday, August 15, at 7:30 p.m. Find the aquarium at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road); $10. For information, call 858-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

Lecture Series, "Holocausts" is the theme for this summer's Master of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences lecture series. The next talk, by Nina Evarkiou, director of the Hellenic Cultural Center, details the Green holocaust in Asia Minor. It's set for Wednesday, August 15, at 7 p.m., in Hepner Hall, room 213, on campus. Dial 619-594-4426 for more information. (SDSU)

Art in the Afternoon, the series hosted by the Timken Museum of Art continues with a Spanish-language gallery talk by Monseratt Sanchez, professor from the Centro de Humanidades de Baja California. She'll be discussing the art of Venice, from Carlevarijs to Canaletto. It's scheduled for next Thursday, August 16, at 12:30 p.m. Admission is free. Questions? Call 619-531-9636 for answers. (BALBOA PARK)

"Spanish Masters," assistant curator Claudia Leos leads a tour of the museum's collection of Spanish Renaissance and Baroque art, highlighting recent acquisitions, next Thursday, August 16, 6 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. Free with museum admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Historic Basket Weaving, local fiber artist Carol Lang offers a talk on the history, development, and various techniques of basket weaving. This event is part of the "Passages" series sponsored by the Mission San Luis Rey to foster a greater appreciation of mission life and the impact it had on early California history. Hear the talk next Thursday, August 16, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the mission at 4050 Mission Avenue. Take I-5 to Highway 76 east, turn left on Rancho del Oro

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IN PERSON

Cirque Orchestra, this week's Summer Pops at Navy Pier concert features the Cirque Eloize and the San Diego Symphony. The circus is a troupe from Montreal. They perform to the music of Tchaikovsky, Sibelius, and Rachmaninov, with acrobats, balancing artists, dancers, and trapeze artists. Performances are set for Friday and Saturday, August 10, and 11, 7:30 p.m., at Navy Pier, 960 North Harbor Drive. Single ticket prices range from $15 to $59. For ticket information, call 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Summertime, and Music's in the Air, free concerts proliferate at this time of year. The 16th annual TGIF Jazz in the Parks series features contemporary blues by singer and guitarist Whitey Conwell, on Friday, August 10, at 6 p.m., in Poinsettia Park (at Hidden Valley Road and Camino de los Ondes, off Paseo del Norte between Palomar Airport Road and Poinsettia Lane). Shuttle service is available. 760-434-2904. (CARLSBAD)

In aChord performs modern jazz, pop, and contemporary vocals at Trolley Barn Park for the Summer in the Park concert series on Friday, August 10, at 6 p.m. Bring a blanket and picnic dinner. The park is found in the 1900 block of Adams Avenue. Dial 619-297-3166 for details. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

The Concerts on the Green series at Prescott Promenade on Main Street continues with blues and soul by Martha's Kitchen, Friday, August 10, at 5:30 p.m. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

J.C. and the Bluesbusters perform on Saturday, August 11, at 2 p.m., for the summer concert series at Chula Vista Center (at Fifth Avenue and H Street). 619-427-6700. (CHULA VISTA)

"Music in the Park," part of the Chula Vista Summer Concert Series, continues with hot dance tunes by Los Principes del Merenge on Sunday, August 12, 4 p.m., in Memorial Bowl (385 Park Way). 619-691-5071. (CHULA VISTA)

It's soul, funk, and Cajun when Gumbo Ya Ya entertains for the series hosted by the Village Faire Shopping Centre (300 Carlsbad Village Drive) at 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 12. 858-695-2700. (CARLSBAD)

The La Jolla Concerts by the Sea series features rock and roll by Rockola, Sunday, August 12, at 2 p.m., in Scripps Park (at the foot of Girard Avenue). Dial 858-454-1600 for more details. (LA JOLLA)

The City of Encinitas's Summer Concerts by the Sea opens with danceable world beat and reggae by PsydeCar, Sunday, August 12, 3 to 5 p.m., Moonlight Beach, at the foot of B Street. No dogs, alcohol, or glass, please. 760-633-2740. (ENCINITAS)

The Oceanside Sounds in the Park 2001 Concert Series continues with tunes from south Louisiana by Steve Riley and the Mamou Playboys on Sunday, August 12, at 5 p.m., in Rancho del Oro Park (at College Boulevard and Avenida Empressa). 760-435-5570. (OCEANSIDE)

The USA Jazz Band entertains in the final event of the Summer in the Park series at 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 12, at the Standley Park Recreation Center (3585 Governor Drive). 858-552-1652. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

The City of San Diego's "Twilight in the Park" series continues next Tuesday, August 14, with America's Finest City Freedom Band; Wednesday, August 15, with close harmonies by the Sweet Adelines; and next Thursday, August 16, with a performance by the City Ballet. Concerts begin at 6:15 p.m. at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. (BALBOA PARK)

"Hard Hat Gala," to inaugurate its new theater location, the La Jolla Stage Company offers food, festivities, and entertainment by G. Scott Lacy on the piano and the La Jolla Stage Company Singers performing selections from past shows, Friday and Saturday, August 10 and 11, 7 p.m., 5661 La Jolla Boulevard. Suggested donation $10. 858-459-7773. (LA JOLLA)

"Van Meegeren Master Forger," David Wiener's play (currently running at Octad-One Productions) will receive an open reading by the Scriptteasers, Friday, August 10, 7:30 p.m., at 3404 Hawk Street. Contribution: $1. RSVP to *dwiener@ucsd.edu.* (MISSION HILLS)

Laugh Out Loud when the Comedy Codependents perform at the Creativity Centre, 4716 32nd Street, Friday, August 10, 8 p.m. Suggestions from the audience gladly accepted. 619-280-5177. Free. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Love.com, Eric Fagan found his soulmate on the Internet, then wrote a book about it. Hear him discuss *Cast Your Net* on Saturday, August 11, at 11 a.m., at Waldenbooks, 4007 Friars Road. His digital sweetie will also be there. Free. 619-296-2537. (MISSION VALLEY)

"American Empire: *Blood and Iron"* is a new title by Harry Turtledove in an "Alternate History" series. Imagine…it's the 1920s, and Upton Sinclair is president. Meet Turtledove when he appears at Mysterious Galaxy, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard #302, on Saturday, August 11, at 2:30 p.m. Free. 858-268-4747, 800-811-4747. (CLAIREMONT MESA)

Shakespeare without Charge, *Measure for Measure,* presented by Shakespeare in the Park, will be offered every Saturday and Sunday through August, including August 11 and 12, at 4:30 p.m. in Zorro Gardens (west of the Reuben Fleet Space Center). Bring a picnic and something comfortable to sit on. It's free. (BALBOA PARK)

The Sarod is an ancient stringed instrument with its roots in Persia and Afghanistan. A master of the instrument, Amjad Ali Khan, offers a benefit concert, accompanied by Amaan Ali Bangash, Ayaan Ali Bangash, and Rashid Mustafa on sarod and tabla, on Saturday, August 11, 6:30 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium. The event is organized by the Association for India's Development, which benefits the poor in that country. Tickets are $20, $30, $50, and $75, available by calling 858-558-7605 or at Little India (Mira Mesa), Galoka (La Jolla), or Heaven on Earth (Encinitas). (UCSD)

Native American Flute, enjoy a sunset concert and an evening by the fire with the sounds of the Four Winds. They perform on flutes and other traditional instruments. It's at Mission Trails Regional Park, Saturday, August 11, 7 p.m. Meet at the visitors' center on Father Junipero Serra Trail. 619-668-3275. (MISSION TRAILS)







American Traditional, grit and groove on guitar and harmonica by Steve White, plus the country blues and pop of Raw Courage (Randy Sterling and David Morgan) are on the menu at the next concert sponsored by San Diego Folk Heritage, Saturday, August 11, 7:30 p.m., San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena. $10 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

Dulcimers, there are two different instruments commonly referred to as "a dulcimer." The first, the hammer dulcimer, is a percussion instrument played by striking the strings. The "other" dulcimer is a fretted instrument in the guitar family. You'll get a firsthand lesson on Saturday, August 11, when Carilyn Vice (of Fallbrook) and Cyntia Smith play fretted (Appalachian) dulcimers; European Union (Jim Hayes and Mike Jerauld) play world folk music on hammer dulcimers; Jennifer Neal plays a Slavic variant of the hammer dulcimer, the *hutsulski;* and Phee Sherline and Ken Graydon also sing along.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at Hilltop Center, 301 East Elder. It's presented by the Fallbrook Americana Music Series. Tickets at the door are $10 general, $5 children 17 and under. Need more information? Call 760-723-7255. (FALLBROOK)

Improv, not just comedy, but improv songs, too, with live accompaniment, all based on audience suggestions. Creative Urges Improvisational Comedy Troupe offers its final show of the summer, Saturday, August 11, 8 to 10 p.m., the Swedenborgian Theater, 1531 Tyler Avenue. $10. 858-581-0050. (HILLCREST)

The Ninth Annual Summer Concert of the Coastal Communities Concert Band is scheduled for Sunday, August 12, at 2 p.m. at the Poway Center for the Performing Arts. Don Caneva conducts the 75-piece ensemble, which just returned from an international festival in Switzerland with a coveted gold medal. Tickets are $10 general, $7 seniors and students. For advance tickets, call 760-436-6137 or 760-749-3113. The center is located at 15498 Espola Road. (POWAY)

Mystery Authors L.A. mystery author Paula Woods (*Inner City Blues*) will be discussing her newest Charlotte Justice title, *Stormy Weather.* And author John Billheimer has penned another Owen Archer sleuther involving murder and corruption in West Virginia: *Dismal Mountain.* Meet them both at Mysterious Galaxy, Sunday, August 12, 2:30 p.m., 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard #302. 858-268-4747, 800-811-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT MESA)

Open Poetry Night, it's open mike, so bring some of your work at this Sunday's poetryfest, August 12, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Fish Connection Restaurant, 36 North Euclid Avenue, suite F; $3 cover. Young poets especially welcome. 619-263-8899. (NATIONAL CITY)

"Latin and Pops in the Park," the National City Community Concert Band offers marches, samba tunes, a medley from *The Lion King,* and classics by Rodgers and Hart, Gershwin, and Ellington. They're joined by Mariachi Aguadulce, a student ensemble from around the Sweetwater Union School District, Sunday, August 12, 7 p.m., at Pepper Park, 3400 Tidelands Avenue. The event ends with fireworks. Bring a blanket or beach chair to sit on and maybe even a picnic. Free. 619-336-4290. (NATIONAL CITY)

Open Reading, another open-mike night for poets is set for Monday, August 13, at Twiggs Tea & Coffee, 4590 Park Boulevard (at Madison). Sign up at 7:30 p.m.; readings from 8 to 10 p.m. 619-296-0616. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

"American Buffalo," the San Diego Actors Theatre presents a one-night-only staged reading of this Mamet play, starring J.J. Johnston, who originated the role of Donny in 1975 at Chicago's Goodman Theater and is the man to whom Mamet dedicated the play. David Gianopoulos and George Ye are also featured; Patricia Elmore Costa directs. The performance is set for Monday, August 13, at 7:30 p.m., 6th@Penn Studio, 3704 Sixth Avenue. This is a benefit for SDAT; $10. 858-268-4494. Seating is limited. (HILLCREST)

"Smokescreen: A Novel of Medical Intrigue" is a thriller written by SDSU biology professor Vernon Avila. He'll read from his work, then there will be a discussion of the art, craft, and business of mystery writing, Tuesday, August 14, 7 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 7610 Hazard Center Drive. Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Broken Promises and new beginnings are the themes of Jill Marie Landis's novel *Summer Moon.* She'll be appearing at Esmeralda Books & Coffee, 1555 Camino Del Mar #307, on Tuesday, August 14, at 7 p.m. Free. 858-755-2707. (DEL MAR)

Crime Writer Robert Crais's new novel is *Hostage,* which combines an ex-con with a psychopath, a police chief, a former SWAT negotiator, and a family held hostage in a rich L.A. suburb. Crais makes an appearance at Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue, on Tuesday, August 14, at 7:30 p.m. It's free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

A Talent Showcase, is planned by the Lazarideus Foundation for the Talents of the Performing Arts on Tuesday, August 14, 8 p.m., at the Academy of Sound and Music, 1495 C Street. Interested singers may audition for monthly competition for prizes and scholarships. Free. For more information, call 619-702-1495. (DOWNTOWN)

Swing Band, listen (and dance) to the music of 14-piece Dean Mora's Modern Rhythmists from L.A. on Wednesday, August 15, at 5:30 p.m. in the Sculpture Court of the San Diego Museum of Art. Tickets are $10 general, $8 members. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Poetry Slam, the Full Moon Poetry Society is the host, Wednesday, August 15, 7 to 10 p.m., at the Pine Hills Lodge and Dinner Theater, 2960 La Posada Road. Come read, judge, or just enjoy. 760-765-1100. Free. (JULIAN)

Two Authors, mystery author Robert Skinner's *Pale Shadow* is his fifth Wesley Farrell New Orleans novel. He'll be appearing at Mysterious Galaxy on Wednesday, August 15, at 6 p.m. At 7 p.m. that same night, stick around for Gregg Andrew Hurwitz, whose near-future thriller, *Minutes to Burn,* envisions an ozone-depleted world. They'll be discussing their work and answering questions at the bookstore, located at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard #302. Free. 858-268-4747, 800-811-4747. (CLAIREMONT MESA)

Art and Music, every Thursday night through August, the Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, features live music, a no-host bar, and refreshments, free with museum admission. This Thursday, August 16, from 5 to 8 p.m., the sounds are provided by the Latin jazz ensemble Kokopelli. The museum is located at 700 Prospect Street. Museum admission is $4 adults; $2 students, seniors, military; free for members and kids under 12. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Beyond 12 Steps, psychologist Tina Tessina discusses how you can discover confidence, self-reliance, and independence beyond recovery programs. She's the author of *The Real 13th Step,* and she'll be appearing at Barnes & Noble, 7610 Hazard Center Drive, next Thursday, August 16, at 7 p.m. Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Waiting: The True Confessions of a Waitress," author Debra Ginsberg will discuss and sign her book of memories of waiting tables, from greasy spoons to five-star clubs, next Thursday, August 16, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

SPORTS

International Challenge Track and Field, there will be eight world record holders in this field of 245 elite physically disabled athletes. They'll be competing at the ARCO Olympic Training Center from today, Thursday, August 9, through Saturday, August 11. This is an invitational meet for advanced wheelchair athletes and amputee competitors. For schedule information or other details, call 619-656-1500. The center is located at 2800 Olympic Way. (CHULA VISTA)

Take Me Out to the Ballpark, the San Diego Padres are on the road most of this week with three at Pittsburgh, Friday through Sunday, August 10 through 12, broadcast at 4:05 p.m. Friday and Saturday (radio and Cox TV) and 10:35 a.m. on Sunday (radio and KUSI Channel 9/51).

Then they're home to the Mets, Tuesday through next Thursday, August 14 through 16, at 7:05 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday and 2:05 p.m. next Thursday. Cox Channel 4 carries the home games Tuesday and Wednesday.

Tickets range from $5 to $26, available by calling 619-297-2373 and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). All games are broadcast in English on KOGO-AM (600) and in Spanish on station KURS-AM (1040). For additional details, dial 619-280-INFO. (MISSION VALLEY)

Tennis Grand Prix (nonsanctioned) tournaments will be held Friday through Sunday, August 10 through 12, at the Pacific Beach Tennis Club. All ages, all levels. Top point winners earn a slot in a tournament against the winners from Orange County and South Bay. For times and more details, call 858-274-0912. The club is located at 2639 Grand Avenue. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Snorkeling, naturalists from the Birch Aquarium will lead a snorkeling expedition through the San Diego-La Jolla Underwater Park and Ecological Preserve at La Jolla Cove on Saturday, August 11, from 8 to 10 a.m. Meet garibaldi, lobsters, and maybe octopuses on their own turf. For ages ten through adult. Advance reservations required: 858-534-7336; $25. (LA JOLLA)

Bike across the Border, the San Diego Wheelmen and the Knickerbikers combine forces and invade Tijuana. Meet up with the crowd on Saturday, August 11, at 8:45 a.m., at the south end of the I Street Marina. They leave promptly at 9. In TJ you'll shop, eat, shop, eat, and do some sightseeing, and you can cruise right by the long lines of cars waiting to get back into the U.S. on the return trip. It's a total of about 25 miles. Free (except for the discount Kahlua). Questions? 858-453-2363. (CHULA VISTA)

Family Kayaking, you'll have two chances to explore Mission Bay (for ages eight and older). The event includes basic instruction and is led by docents from the Natural History



READING

The WELL: A Story of Love, Death & Real Life in the Seminal Online Community



Katie Hafner

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FROM THE DUST JACKET:
Online Communities

It was the Orwellian year of 1984, when Stewart Brand, originator of the *Whole Earth Catalog*, and Larry Brilliant, a philanthropic doctor, created the Whole Earth 'Lectric Link, or The WELL. Yet, rather than heralding Big Brother, it soon became a liberating cultural innovation that has helped change our world.

A balky VAX computer and a rack of modems in ramshackle offices in Sausalito, California, The WELL provided a place in the virtual world for people to discuss myriad topics online. It also had a dual existence as members organized parties and rallied to give emotional and financial support to fellow members in crisis. The WELL quickly became a community as cherished by its denizens as any small town in America.

This fascinating chronicle of an innovative business venture is also a moving story of interconnected lives. WELL Beings ranged from commune-dwellers to technologists to business people to Deadheads. But all members adhered to founder Brand's original credo of personal responsibility, "You own your own words." As revealing as diary entries, dozens of verbatim electronic postings provide unique windows into such events as:

Maurice Weitman's reunion with his biological mother: "After over 12 years of searching, and almost 40 years of wondering, I've located the woman who gave birth to me and then relinquished me for adoption."

A brutal lover's quarrel between Tom Mandel and Maria Syndicus that dominated conversation on The WELL for weeks, followed months later by his farewell, amid a tragic bout with cancer: "So, thank you all, my best wishes and prayers to each and everyone of you. It's been a fabulous life, and it wouldn't have been the same without you."

As this spirited history unfolds, Katie Hafner probes the many reasons for The WELL's legendary success, never since duplicated, from its inception just 17 years ago up through its recent purchase by Salon.com.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Katie Hafner, a technology reporter for *The New York Times*, was born in 1957 in Rochester, New York, and grew up in California and Western Massachusetts. During her elementary school years, Hafner lived in San Diego. The school to which she went, she said, on the day that we talked, "is not there anymore. It used to be called Scripps Elementary, and it's down at the bottom of Torrey Pines, the intersection of Torrey Pines and La Jolla Shores. It's a private school now."

Hafner graduated from the University of California at San Diego with a major in German literature. "And then," she said, "I went to Columbia Journalism School. And after that I went to work for a small paper in Lake Tahoe, *The North Lake Tahoe Bonanza*. That was a great job. And then in 1983 I went to a computer publication, *Computer World*."

"That," I said, about Hafner's working at *Computer World*, "was very early for that kind of thing."

"Yes, it was early. In 1984 I went to another computer publication in New York, *Data Communications*. Then in 1985 I went to work for the *San Diego Union*." Hafner was at the *Union* for a year. Defense was her beat. "It was a good year for that. There was a lot of breaking news. That was the year the shuttle exploded, and it was one of the years of Star Wars. And then I went to *Business Week*, and moved up to San Francisco, and was at *Business Week* for about three years, and then moved to New York, and quit my job to write books."

"When did you get your first computer?"

"In 1984, I got a PC Junior. It had a 300-baud modem. I had an MCI mail account. I was so proud. And then I got a Mac."

For several years Hafner had written for the *The New York Times*. Since 1998 she has been on that paper's staff. Hafner is author of *Where Wizards Stay Up Late: The Origins of the Internet; The House at the Bridge: A Story of Modern Germany*; and *Cyberpunk: Outlaws and Hackers on the Computer Frontier*. She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with her husband and their daughter.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Hafner joined The WELL in 1989, when the price to subscribe was $8 per month plus $3 per hour to dial into and be "on" The WELL's system. At that time, approximately 3000 people subscribed to The WELL. The system, back then, was used variously as information-storage warehouse, electronic conference room, a place to compile a program on The WELL's UNIX system, or an address from which to read the worldwide system of computer networks, USENET. Some WELL members (who by 1989 sometimes spoke of themselves as "WELLbeings") logged in once per week, some rarely, if at all. A core group of perhaps 300 people logged in every day and stayed on for several hours. Hafner was one of the more casual members. She used the system primarily as a place at which to send and receive e-mail. She occasionally visited conferences on The WELL but tended to "lurk" and read what others had written rather than publicly post messages herself. She felt too shy, "too intimidated by all the activity," to add her own messages to those on the system. Also, exchanges on The WELL can become quite antagonistic. Hafner, explaining further why she rarely posted, laughed and said, "I really don't like to be criticized."

I asked how Hafner remembered The WELL of the late 1980s, early 1990s. "It was small," she said. "It was very intimate. That's the best way of putting it. It was clear from the beginning that there were very smart people on it. And that really sustained it."

Hafner writes that Stewart Brand decided early on to offer free accounts to journalists, a decision that turned out to be "one of his savviest moves. Over the years, dozens of newspaper and magazine articles were written about The WELL, a business with roughly the cash flow of a convenience store, so that by 1990 The WELL had become a force whose influence was wildly disproportionate to its size. A discussion that started on The WELL had a way of bleeding into the larger world; it would be taken up and then written and talked about in more mainstream forums. As a result, many ideas first generated on The WELL became pivotal in the history of cyberspace, including the name of cyberspace itself."

I asked Hafner about The WELL's influence in the larger world.

"Over the years," she said, "some of the best journalists who were covering computers got onto The WELL. And so a lot of really important discussions started happening on The WELL about things like the First Amendment. Very early on, groundbreaking intellectual discussions were taking place on The WELL, and then they were being covered in the press, an important combination. They weren't taking place in a vacuum. Therefore, they got important coverage. Things like The Electronic Frontier Foundation had its start through The WELL as did important discussions about intellectual freedom and the First Amendment, and pornography on the Net. People on The WELL are not stupid. And they were saying, 'These are important issues' and people outside The WELL paid attention."

The WELL, as the book's subtitle promises, is also "a story of love, death, and real life." What goes on in this online community is not only a series of discussions of issues. The WELL also has always been an online village, a community where people, many of whom will never meet face-to-face, have rather dramatic interactions with one another. Hafner tells the heartbreaking story of Tom Mandel and Maria Syndicus (known on The WELL as "Nana") — their courtship, love affair, breakup, Nana's breast cancer, the couple's make-up, Mandel's lung cancer, the couple's marriage, and in 1995, Mandel's death. "The WELL," Hafner said, "really tapped into all dimensions."

As to why The WELL encouraged both the intellectual and emotional response, Hafner suggested, "I think it appealed to people who like to take the time to think before they type, but also it appealed to people who like a constant back-and-forth. And as anyone knows, constant backing and forthing can lead to some pretty emotional scenes."

As to how The WELL differs from a system like America Online, Hafner said, "AOL I've always thought catered to the lowest common denominator and so, by definition, The WELL was kind of self-selecting, which is what gave it a small but disproportionate influence in cyberspace in the early 1990s. When Bruce Katz [founder of Rockport Shoe Company] went in [during the mid-1990s] and bought The WELL [in 1994], he was criticized for wanting to turn The WELL into another AOL. People really rose up against him. They didn't want to be another AOL. And I think, 'Who could blame them?' "

By the mid-1990s, The WELL had some 10,000 subscribers. Since that time, with the rise of the use of the Internet and the growth of AOL and other, lesser launch pads onto the Internet, WELL use has decreased. Over the years, ownership of The WELL has passed through several hands. The system is now owned by Salon, a company, like many other companies who make their home in cyberspace, in financial trouble. The WELL, however, remains one of the most interesting sites in cyberspace.

A visit to *www.well.com* will allow you to see for yourself. There's still romance, there are still quarrels, there is still interesting talk about books and politics and the media. And, The WELL, unlike almost every other entryway onto the Internet, does not sell subscriber data to marketers or flash advertisements across one's screen.

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Now that *The WELL* has been in bookstores for several months, Hafner said that she had begun to feel that she and her publisher were marketing this book incorrectly. "It just dawned on me that we were doing this. The subtitle is 'A Story of Love, Death & Real Life in the Seminal Online Community.' Not that this is misleading. But people who are not interested in what they imagine as 'online' may be misled by the title. I've had so many friends say, 'WELL, I can't read your book because I wouldn't understand it.' And I want to answer them by saying, 'Hey, the book is not about computers. It's not about online, it's about *people*. All kinds of people.' "

— Judith Moore

Museum, Saturday, August 11, from 9 a.m. to noon; if you can't make that, it's repeated again on Sunday, August 12, same hours. To register and for details about the meeting place, call the museum at 619-232-3821 x203. $55 members, $65 non-members. (MISSION BAY)

Charger Preseason, the Bolts play San Francisco in their first preseason game at Qualcomm Stadium on Saturday, August 11, 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, call 619-280-2121. (MISSION VALLEY)

Speed Trucks are the feature at the Cajon Speedway this weekend, plus G.A. mods, bombers, and pony stocks. The first race starts at 6:45 p.m., with qualifying runs starting at 5:15 p.m.

The 3/8-mile track is located next to Gillespie Field. Take I-8 to Highway 67, and use the Bradley exit. Drive left for two blocks to Wing Street, then right one block to the track entrance. Adult admission: $8 (west side) and $9 (east side); $3 for those 6 to 12; free for kids under 6 with an adult. For information, call 619-448-8900. (EL CAJON)

Snorkeling Basics, expand your horizons, learn to snorkel. The class is sponsored by Birch Aquarium and will be held on Sunday, August 12, from 9 to 11 a.m., in the calm waters of Mission Bay. It's for ages ten through adult. Reservations are required; call 858-534-7336; $25. (MISSION BAY)

Racing at the Velodrome, there are bicycle races every Tuesday night through September 11 for riders from ages 12 to 50+ in various skill categories in races from 1 to 60 laps. These bikes have one gear, no brakes, and can reach speeds of 40 miles an hour on the 333-meter oval. The action starts at 6:30 p.m. Spectator admission is free. The San Diego Velodrome is located at 2221 Morley Field Drive. 619-692-1313. (BALBOA PARK)

Thwock! The San Diego Polo Club hosts Rossmore Cup preliminary matches on Sunday, August 12, 1:30 and 3 p.m. (Gates open at 12:30 p.m.) "Thoroughbred Thursdays" continue next Thursday, August 16, when the gates open at 5 p.m. (after the last race at Del Mar); there's music from 8 to 10:30 p.m. and matches throughout the afternoon. The celebrity match at 7 p.m. features club members and jockeys and trainers from Del Mar. Food and no-host bar is available at all events. General admission is $5. The grounds are at 14555 El Camino Real. For information and reservations, call 858-481-9217. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

The Horses Are on the Track, the 2001 seaside racing season hosted by the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club continues through Wednesday, September 5. Racing takes place Wednesdays through Mondays; post time is 2 p.m. daily except Fridays, when racing begins at 4 p.m.

"Donuts at Del Mar" is slated for Saturday, August 4, from 8 to 10 a.m. This "family oriented" event features doughnuts and beverages for racing fans, viewing of the morning workouts, and a question period led by track announcer Trevor Denman; jockeys and trainers are on hand to answer questions. Free.

General admission is $4 for adults, free for those 17 and under. Del Mar Racetrack, at the fairgrounds, Jimmy Durante Boulevard and Via de la Valle. For information, call 858-793-5533. (DEL MAR)

SPECIAL

Quilts, the 20th annual San Diego Quilt Show runs at the Community Concourse from Friday, August 10, through Sunday, August 12. More than 300 pieces will be displayed, including work from as far away as France. The studio art quilts of guest artist Libby Lehman are featured. There will also be vendors of quilts and quilting supplies. The show is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. The Community Concourse is located at 202 C Street. Admission is $7 (11 years and older); $3.50 (ages 4 to 10); free for kids 3 years old and younger. No strollers, please. 619-443-2706. (DOWNTOWN)

"Hot Summer Nights," this get-together, sponsored by the Main Street Merchants, features a show of vintage woodies and street rods, oldies music, drumming, and other entertainment, Friday, August 10, from 6 to 8 p.m., on Main Street. (FALLBROOK)

Needlepoint, the San Diego Chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild welcomes designer Jane Moes to its 16th annual stitch-in, Saturday, August 11, at 9:30 a.m., at the Torrey Pines Christian Church, 8320 La Jolla Scenic Drive North. For $45 admission, you'll get Moes's "Ribbon Heart" kit, a continental breakfast, catered lunch, and door prizes. You'll need to bring stretcher bars and some other supplies. Call 760-728-0053 for details and reservations. (LA JOLLA)

Navy Day, Imperial Beach celebrates our seagoing forces. See Coast Guard swimmer search-and-rescue demos, water drops from hovering helicopters, hear the Navy band, see a SEAL equipment display, an SH-60 helicopter, plus entertainment for kids too. It's scheduled for Saturday, August 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Portwood Pier Plaza. Free. For more information, call 619-423-8303. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Psychic Fair, readings, "energy healings," books, and other things will be on hand, Saturday, August 11, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Readings and healings $15. Admission free. Stagecoach Park Community Center, 3420 Camino de los Coches. 760-509-7326. (CARLSBAD)

"Second Saturday," as part of the monthly celebration along Grand Avenue, Saturday, August 11, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., there will be on-the-spot antique appraisals. The appraisers will be on hand from noon to 3 p.m. From 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., the "Sky Hunters" show will feature an educational demonstration of the flight of hawks, owls, falcons, and other birds of prey. The event takes place downtown, in the blocks surrounding Grand Avenue and Kalmia Street, an area of galleries and restaurants. Free. 760-480-4101. (ESCONDIDO)

Teddy Bears, the 46th Linda's Teddy Bear, Doll, and Antique Toy Show and Sale is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, August 11 and 12, at the Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South. There will be four rooms of displays and vendors, plus identification specialists, appraisals, and repair consultation. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. Early buyer admission (Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 20 a.m.) $15; regular admission $5. Parking is free. 760-434-7444. (MISSION VALLEY)

"CityFest 2001," Hillcrest's 18th annual neighborhood celebration features a juried art show, food, live music, and other entertainment, and the always-popular Ms. CityFest pageant, open to anyone wearing a dress. It's crowded, it's crazy, and this year it's scheduled for Sunday, August 12, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., on Fifth Avenue, between University and Washington. Admission is free. (HILLCREST)

"The Voyage of Cabrillo" is a fictionalized account presenting different viewpoints of the 1542 encounter between Juan Rodriuez Cabrillo's crew and the Native Americans living in the San Diego area. Abel Silvas narrates, while other cast members represent the views of a priest and sailor accompanying the expedition and a Native American woman.

See the program at 12:30 and 2 p.m. each Sunday through September 9 at the Cabrillo National Monument. Admission is included in the regular park entrance fee of $5 vehicle. 619-557-3450. (POINT LOMA)

Marcus Garvey Birthday Celebration, the WorldBeat Cultural Center celebrates the life of the founder of the United Negro Improvement Association in Harlem. There will be international foods and a crafts fair, plus famian, an dub poet Mutabaruka, and reggae by Shine Eye, Tribe of Judah, and WorldBeat Center class performances. It's Sunday, August 12, from 1 to 6 p.m., at the center at 2100 Park Boulevard. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

"Creativity at Any Age Risk-Taking Workshop." Author Sam Keen will conduct an AARP workshop aimed at "exploring unfulfilled visions and dreams." He'll lead a variety of exercises reflecting on fear, trust, and the joy of letting go. It's scheduled for Sunday, August 12, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., at the San Diego Art Museum. There'll be a private tour of the Grandma Moses exhibit from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Admission is free, but space is limited. RSVP a must: 877-926-8300 (toll free). (BALBOA PARK)

Film and Barbecue, the San Diego Model Railroad Museum's BBQ and movie night will be Monday, August 13, with dinner served from 6 to 7:30 p.m., followed by a film. It takes place at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Barbecue tickets are $12; call 619-696-0199 for reservations. (BALBOA PARK)

Hate Public Speaking? Toastmasters International is there to help. The Mission Trails club (one of many in the San Diego area) meets every Tuesday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the San Carlos Library, 7265 Jackson Drive. Don't be afraid to call 619-466-9194 for more details. (SAN CARLOS)

"Noche Latina," chef Christophe Vessaire of the Westgate Hotel's Le Fontainebleau restaurant will prepare a four-course menu for this special dinner: tapas of spiced sea scallops and mango salsa; posole-hominy soup with garnish; margarita granita fresh lime sorbet; filet of beef with cornbread pudding or paella; and flan or cactus fruit sorbet for dessert. Classical guitarist Julio De Lahuerta entertains. The meal will be served Tuesday, August 14, at 6 p.m.; $45 per person (plus tax and tip). Seating is limited. Call 619-557-3622 for reservations. The hotel is located at 1055 Second Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

The Greatest Show on Earth? The 131st edition of Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey hits the San Diego Sports Arena for shows through Sunday, August 12, boasting ringmaster Johnathan Lee Iverson, Bo and Bello, animals, acrobats, the Max Air Blizzard Battalion, and clowns, clowns, clowns.

Shows begin at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Friday; 11 a.m., 3:30, and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday; and 1 and 5 p.m. (in Spanish) on Sunday. Tickets range from $10 to $19, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

FOR KIDS

Puppet Shows, "Mother Holly" presented by Millie Patterson and Weavers Tales is the show through Sunday, August 12. On Wednesday, August 15, and next Thursday, August 16, see Tom Jensen's Puppets in "Aqui electric."

Performances begin at 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Regular admission is $3 for adults, $2 for children under 12. For more information, call 619-685-5045. (BALBOA PARK)

There's Always Tomorrow! Theatre West Youth Theater presents *Annie* — book by Thomas Meehan, music by Charles Strouse, and lyrics by Martin Charnin — through Sunday, August 12, at the Hearth Theater.

Find the theater at the San Marcos Community Recreation Center (3 Civic Center Drive). Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. on Friday, 2 and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is $8 general, $6 seniors, $5 youths and students. For reservations, call 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

"Children's Classics," this family entertainment program continues Saturday, August 11, 11 a.m., in the garden amphitheater of L'Auberge Del Mar, 1540 Camino Del Mar. See performances of *Hansel and Gretel, The Big Brag, The Mad Tea Party*, plus poetry and songs; $4 per person admission. 619-268-4494. (DEL MAR)

Wacky Science, Miss Frizzle and the Magic Schoolbus tackle the subject of bugs and parasites. Kids love this icky stuff. It's scheduled for Sunday, August 12, at 10 a.m., noon, and again at 6 p.m. Space is limited. Free with museum admission: $7 adults, $6 seniors (60+), $5 children (3 to 12). 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

Mummies! The Young Explorers Book Group will read the *Missing Mummy* mystery and then have fun with mummy games. Sunday, August 12, 3 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 7610 Hazard Center Drive. Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Toddler Story Time, storyteller Mickey Harrison reads pop-up books and other stories, Wednesday, August 15, 10:30 a.m., Barnes & Noble, 7610 Hazard Center Drive. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Tide's In, Tide's Out," the Junior Rangers program this week focuses on the tide and why it changes every day and varies from season to season. The program's held at the Tijuana River Estuarine Reserve next Thursday, August 16, at 3:15 p.m. The free program takes place at the reserve's visitors' center (301 Caspian Way) for kids 7 to 11 years old. 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

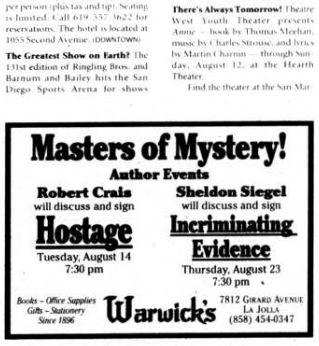
Children's Discovery Museum of North County, animals are amazing architects, with abilities to burrow, weave, sculpt, and shape. "Animals as Architects" introduces visitors to these skilled workers who work without blueprints, tape measures, or T-squares. Life-sized models of an African termite mound and a paper wasp nest are on view, along with opportunities to hunt for hidden moles and gophers in tunnels and burrows and make and take spider web rubbings. Enjoy the exhibit through Sunday, September 9.

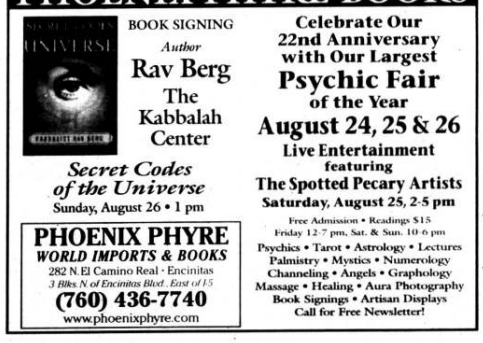
In conunction with the show, Donna Sullivan will talk about "Birds as Architects" on Saturday, August 11, at 1 p.m.

"The World of Sound" observes instruments from a variety of cultures and activities focusing on the science of sound, sound waves, and how sound travels. The museum is designed as an educational environment through art, science, and social









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activities for children 2 through 12. Look for a medieval castle, magic mirror, mini-city, and renovated children's marketplace. Find the museum at 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, suite 103; 760-720-0737. (CARLSBAD)

Children's Museum of San Diego, in August, the focus turns to India, and artist of the month is Abanindranath Tagore (1871-1951). Tagore, founder of the Bengal School, is considered the father of India's modern art. Learn about Tagore and create your own painting in a workshop set for Wednesday, August 15, at 11 a.m.

The peacock is the national bird of India. Create a brilliant peafowl with paints, paper, and other materials during a workshop (for those four and older) set to begin at 11 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, August 10 and 11 (and August 22, 24, and 25).

Make two patches for a quilt with C'Love (one to take home, one to leave for a museum-wide quilt), on Saturday, August 11, 11 a.m.

"Crone Show II: The Full Circle," offers work by painters, fabric artists, poets, photographers, sculptors, and performers, combining their talents to share "multigenerational, multiethnic visions." Share the vision through Saturday, September 15.

"Van Gogh Living," designed and created by students in Seonad McArthur's class at Mesa College, is a life-sized, three-dimensional replica of Vincent Van Gogh's painting of his bedroom in Arles, France. The exhibit includes interactive activities focusing on color, mood, perspective, and art history. Visitors are encouraged to paint on the walls! Enjoy the exhibit through August.

The theme for the museum in 2001 is "One Puzzle, Many Pieces: Building Community Through Cultural Awareness." Continuing exhibits include "The Book Stop," "Improv Theater," and "Lotta's Rainhouse." Find the museum at 200 West Island Avenue. Dial 619-233-8792 for additional details. (DOWNTOWN)

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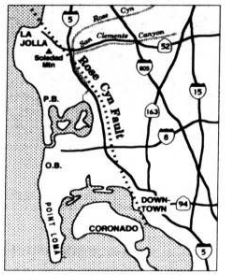
(Art museums are listed in the Reader's Guide to Art.)

Roam-O-Rama

A Guide to Unexpected San Diego and Beyond • By Jerry Schad

San Diego County — indeed all of California — is an orthopedic basket case. For millions of years, the ground beneath us has been shattered by slow but sure, incremental changes that can be read, by subtle observations, in the jumbled topography existing here now. Tectonic forces have bent, broken, displaced, and distorted our county's granitic bones; fractured its backbone (the Peninsular Range of mountains); sliced and crumpled its sedimentary skin; and altered the circulation of its surface water.



While California's most wrenching and violent movements tend to take place east and north of here, close to the great San Andreas Fault, even coastal San Diego bears the obvious marks of a landscape broken into sliding strips during geologically recent time. Faults with monikers such as Coronado, Silver Strand, Rose Canyon, Florida Canyon, and Texas Street cut north-south across the geologist's maps. Most are considered to be relatively moribund, but not so the Rose Canyon Fault, which may muster a magnitude 6.5 or 7 earthquake sometime in the next few centuries. The Rose Canyon Fault is thought to be the extension of the historically active Newport-Inglewood Fault — the culprit in a damaging 1933 earthquake centered at Long Beach.

Fault traces are tough to spot in the paved-over urban environment; however, the following excursion may increase your understanding of the Rose Canyon Fault: Start at Soledad Park atop Soledad Mountain. The inclusive near view encompasses La Jolla Shores in the north, where the fault makes landfall, and a fault-underlain section of Rose Canyon along Interstate 5 to the south. Farther south, the fault slices across the slopes in Bay Park, just east of Mission Bay, continues along I-5 into downtown San Diego, and finally goes under San Diego Bay.

The land west of the Rose Canyon Fault has been creeping north, in fits and starts, relative to land on the east. Soledad Mountain itself has been thrust upward on the west side, which is why the normally east-west-trending drainages of upper Rose Canyon and San Clemente Canyon join, veer south, and follow a path of least resistance to Mission Bay. From Mission Bay south, the land west of the fault has sunk; water from the Pacific Ocean has invaded to form south San Diego Bay.

Next, visit Tecolote Park and Recreation Center's south baseball diamond, which is tucked into a steep alcove of friable rock. Behind center field, outside the diamond's fenced rim, you'll discover an interpretive sign. It marks the boundary between half-million-year-old, dark-beige conglomerate rock on the right, and 50-million-year-old, light beige sandstone on the left. Your two feet straddle a strand of the fault that may one day bring urban San Diego to its knees.

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, the museum's activities include locating, collecting, documenting, and preserving historical gas-, steam-, and horse powered equipment related not only to agriculture, but to the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil drilling, and construction industries. In addition, the museum has a blacksmith and wheelwright shop, a country kitchen and parlor, a steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. Find the museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. For further details, call 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, the museum highlights the history of the Sweetwater Valley from the mid-1800s, with historical photographs; artifacts, tools, and farming implements; the district's 1953 fire engine; and bound copies back to the 1930s of the *Chula Vista Star News*. Find the museum at 4035 Bonita Road. Dial 619-267-5141 for additional information. (BONITA)

Chinese Historical Society and Museum, the museum is located in a building originally built in 1927 for the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the building is an Asian garden, including a statue of Confucius, a waterfall, stream, and a large Chinese gate. Find the museum at 404 Third Avenue (at J Street); 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

Chula Vista Heritage Museum the museum features glimpses of Chula Vista's past; exhibits feature lemon packing crate labels, photographs of downtown Chula Vista, doors and adobe blocks from the original *Star* newspaper building, and relics from the Otay Watch Company. Find the museum at 360 Third Avebue. For further information, call 619-420-6916. (CHULA VISTA)

Creation Museum, a museum contrasting the evolution and creation world views is found at 10946 Woodside Avenue North. For more information, call 619-448-0900 x231. (SANTEE)

George White and Anna Gunn Marston House, this historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, which emphasizes simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue; 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages are open every Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. to present the history and traditions of 30 ethnic groups. Select cottages are also open on the fourth Tuesday of every month, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Children Around the World videos are shown in the Hall of Nations on the fourth Tuesday of every month. 619-538-4069. (BALBOA PARK)

J.A. Cooley Museum, an eclectic collection of items — including displays on nickelodeons, phonographs, and beaded purses — is featured at the museum. The grand attraction, through October 2001, is an exhibit on the development of the automobile. The display includes an 1885 Benz, described as "the first car ever built." Each of the (over 20) vehicles on display reveals a large step in the progress of the automobile.

Find the museum at 4233 Park Boulevard. For more information, call 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum, housed in a historic building, the museum features five permanent galleries with artifacts, uniforms, vehicles, weapons, and photographs depicting Marine Corps history. The museum is located in Building 26 at MCRD, just inside Gate 4, off Pacific Highway. 619-524-6038. (MIDWAY)

Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove, the human fascination with the wheel and its possibilities for speed and convenience are traced in "Kids and Motion: Wheeled Toys and Vehicles 1900-2001," through a variety of vintage toys and vehicles. Among the objects on display are a 1950s pedal tractor and go-cart, a 1969 Honda mini-bike, a restored 1940s pedal airplane, toys and models dating from the '20s and '30s, a 1920s Harley motorcycle, early versions of skateboards and metal shoe skates, and the current scooters and skateboards.

Find the museum at 7715 Church Street; 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, "ExploraZone 2," the newest round of exhibits from the Exploratorium in San Francisco, boasts more than 30 exhibits designed to make science, math, and technology engaging and fun. These interactive exhibits involve learning about hearing, speaking, seeing color, electricity, and magnetism and continue on display through June 2002.

A range of topics including communication, problem solving, and gender stereotypes are explored in "Psychology: It's More Than You Think." Over 17 interactive experiments are included in the exhibit, addressing fundamental questions about how people behave, learn, and develop. Delve in through Friday, January 4, 2002.

Ongoing exhibitions include "Technovation" (through 2001), "About Faces," and "Skyscapes." The permanent exhibitions present a variety of hands-on exhibits illustrating scientific principles. Explore the various methods of transmission and storage and retrieval of information, such as lasers, flashing lights, waveforms, and more. For further information, call 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Automotive Museum, vacation, migration, and the cars that ruled the road in the Golden State are examined in "California, Here We Come!" The most rustic road included in the exhibit is the Old Plank Road, originally built in 1912 of wooden planks nailed to crosstie. The primitive road carried drivers across a six-mile stretch of sand dunes between Yuma and San Diego. Other featured highways include El Camino Real, Pacific Coast Highway, and historic 101. Make this trip through Sunday, September 23.

Although he disappeared from posts atop drive-through boxes in 1980, Jack's back! To commemorate the 50th anniversary of Jack In The Box, an exhibit of memorabilia from this "drive-through pioneer" is on view through Monday, September 4. Visitors are greeted by an authentic clown head on a reconstructed speaker box, menus, photographs, uniforms from the '60s and '70s, and more.

More than 80 automobiles and motorcycles from horseless carriages to future prototypes are included in the museum's permanent collection. Find the museum near the Starlight Bowl; 619-231-2886. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Historical Society Museum, "Out of Our Vaults II: Curatorial Curios" features artifacts from the society's collections of fine art, decorative arts, furniture, textiles, tools, instruments, photographs, architectural drawings, documents, and ephemera. The exhibition changes periodically though Sunday, September 2, drawing from the society's stored collection of over 17,000 objects.

The museum is located in the Casa de Balboa building; 619-232-6203. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Hall of Champions, the museum — dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement — is located at 2131 Pan American Plaza. Call 619-234-2544 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Maritime Museum, examples of ships from the 14th Century to the present are included in "Masterpieces in Miniature: A Precious Collection of Tiny Yachts." Nearly 50 tiny and elaborate models are included, ranging in size from three inches to three feet. The exhibit, continuing through Monday, December 31, also includes ships in bottles.

"Pirates!" offers an entertaining romp through history and Hollywood, with a look at the real life of the pirates who inspired the fiction, the movies, and the romanticized perceptions of the foul mariners. The exhibit includes an actual cutlass owned by pirate Charles Gibbs, who was hung in 1831 for his deeds, as well as a silver-painted skull believed to be the skull of Blackbeard himself, and original paintings by Don Maitz. Movie memorabilia includes the original coat worn by Errol Flynn in *Captain Blood*, along with costumes for Burt Lancaster and Charlton Heston, prop cannons and pistols, a display of characters from *Muppet Treasure Island*, and small statuettes from which the robotic inhabitants of the Pirates of the Caribbean ride at Disneyland were created. Enjoy the show through August.

Rare original paintings by Willarts, van de Velde the Younger, Backhuysen, and Porcellis are featured in "Art of the Sea: 17th-Century Dutch Masters and Their Legacy," on exhibit through Tuesday, September 11. The lasting influence of these masters over the ensuing three centuries of European art is reflected in the other art included in the exhibition.

The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego's waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, including exhibits concerning the old San Diego–Coronado ferryboats, the tuna fishing industry, and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark *Star of India*, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat *Berkeley*, and the 1904 Scottish steam yacht *Medea*. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

San Diego Museum of Man, spiritual paintings, vivid sequin banners, and papier-mâché, wood, and iron sculptures are included in "Voodoo: Spirits in Haitian Art." The exhibit features a variety of objects relating to the voodoo religion, which evolved from a mixture of African religions and Roman Catholicism. See the show through Sunday, January 27, 2002.

Skeletal remains reveal fascinating stories from the past in "The Bones Don't Lie: Stories from the Grave," on view through January 27, 2002. The exhibit explores everything from bone recovery and identification techniques to uncovering evidence of nutrition, disease, and trauma, to the use of skull and bone imagery in popular culture. The exhibition includes hands-on learning and interactive displays.

Rare rock art from eastern California is explored in "Echoes of Antiquity: Rock Art of the Volcanic Tableland," an exhibit of color photography on display through January 6, 2002. The show features work by San Francisco photographer Jean Allsworth highlighting the petroglyphs of the southwestern edge of the Great Basin north of Bishop. Some of these rare petroglyphs may date back to early archaic times, perhaps as much as 10,000 years ago.

Fetishes are carved objects representing animals or other beings revered by American Indians and others for their beauty and power. The exhibit "Zuni Fetish Carving: Past to Present," available for viewing through June 2002, celebrates contemporary fetish carving. Expect to learn about fetish history, symbolism, process, and materials.

For more information, dial 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Railroad Museum, over 80 pieces of vintage railroad equipment are collected here. Among the pieces: five antique steam locomotives, seven large diesel electric locomotives, a number of small switchers, old freight cars and cabooses, a U.S. Army kitchen car used on troop trains during World War II and Korea, and a variety of passenger cars.

The museum also offers train adventures through San Diego's backcountry. Miller Creek trains depart every Saturday and Sunday from the Campo Depot at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Find the Campo Depot off Highway 94 and Forrest Gate Road. For information, call 619-595-3030 or 619-478-9937. (CAMPO)

San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. A narrated slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. A self-guided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road. Call 760-737-2201 for additional details. (ESCONDIDO)

Villa Montezuma, built in 1887 for internationally celebrated author and musician Jesse Shepard, serves as both a historical house museum and cultural center. Find the museum at 1925 K Street (at 20th Street). Call 619-239-2211 for more information. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

William Heath Davis House Museum, said to be the oldest surviving structure in the new town area of downtown San Diego, the house is a well-preserved example of a pre-framed lumber "salt box" family home shipped from the East Coast to California by boat around Cape Horn in 1850. Guided walking tours focusing on the history and architecture of the Gaslamp Quarter depart the museum each Saturday at 11 a.m. Find the museum at 410 Island Avenue (at Fourth Avenue); 619-233-4692. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

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Not Romero But Beethoven

Romero seemed to relish the density of events in these early works.

REVIEW
JONATHAN SAVILLE

Once again, the Athenaeum has put San Diego music lovers in its debt by featuring pianist Gustavo Romero in a comprehensive series devoted to a single great composer. Two years ago, Romero played Chopin. Last year, it was Bach. This time, the composer is Beethoven, whose 32 sonatas will be performed over the course of two summers.

The first installment actually consisted of three sonata recitals at the Neurosciences Institute, plus a fourth concert of concertos by Beethoven, Haydn, and Mozart. The sonata programs all followed the same format. Each began with one of the composer's first three sonatas (Opus 2, written in the 1790s when Beethoven was in his early 20s). A selection of early sonatas followed (seasoned by the two short works from 1809, at the end of Beethoven's fourth decade). After intermission, the programs continued with one of the late sonatas (dating from 1816, 1820, and 1821). Each program ended with one of the Beethoven "blockbusters" — that is, his most frequently performed solo piano works: the "*Appassionata*," the "*Waldstein*," and the "*Moonlight*." The standing ovations that followed these sensational performances induced Romero to offer a generous number of encores, emphasizing the *Bagatelles*.

Romero's Beethoven, like his Chopin and Bach, provided an engrossing experience. It was not that one heard amazingly innovative interpretations; nor did the pianist's personality draw attention to itself. These concerts were not about Romero, not a display of virtuosity or an occasion for vaunting the performer's talents. The focus was exclusively on Beethoven, and above all on the revelations about the composer's creative development that are underlined when so many of his sonatas are performed one after the other. Romero has gone deeply into these works and into the soul that produced them, and his purpose in playing the sonatas seemed principally his own mesmerized exaltation in re-experiencing and sharing what he had discovered. After each sonata he left the stage smiling to himself, as though carried away by the composer's fabulous imagination, indeed as though the music were still surging through him and lifting him on its crests.

This was true not only of such dazzling masterpieces as the "*Waldstein*," which Romero played with tremendous brilliance and power, but also of the lesser-known works. The early sonatas, including those of Opus 2, are astonishing in their inventiveness and in their plethora of ideas. Here, Beethoven is building on the heritage of Haydn, but from the very first he establishes his own unmistakable voice. Romero seemed to relish the density of events in these early works, pointing them up with strong dynamic contrasts and with articulation and phrasing that brought out the vivid individuality of each successive episode. His — and Beethoven's — impulse to give a sharply outlined individual character to each theme and each change of key or texture or direction or pace extended itself to the radical differences of character found among the array of works presented in a series like this. Every one of Beethoven's sonatas has its unique tone; he never repeats himself; from Opus 2 to Opus 111 he continually surprises the listener with the unexpected — and Romero followed the composer in this perpetual self-transformation, so that each performance (there were five on each program) offered a wholly fresh perspective on the possibilities of the form.

The density of thoughts, emotions, inventions, and surprises on such a program was naturally a bit overwhelming, especially when the performances were so colorful, so intense, and so vibrantly reflective of every nuance of meaning. A longer series, with fewer sonatas on each program, would have allowed the audience a greater opportunity to take everything in. On the other hand, the sense of being overwhelmed (Romero himself was probably the only person in the house who did not feel it) is an appropriate reaction to any confrontation with Beethoven, who is never a relaxing composer, even in his slow movements, and even in those sections (prominent in the earlier sonatas) where his sense of humor is at its most vital. Compacted drama is his signature. Everywhere there is struggle, whether comic, tragic, or transcendent (this last being a persistent characteristic of the late sonatas). It is his recognition of this fundamental fact of Beethoven's creative identity that gives Romero's performances of the composer's sonatas such ability to compel the listener's fascination. ■



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Beethoven

Gustavo Romero, piano: all-Beethoven recitals Neurosciences Institute (under the sponsorship of the Athenaeum)
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If It's August, It Must Be Time for SummerFest! The La Jolla Chamber Music Society's SummerFest La Jolla 2001 continues through August 19, with concerts, workshops, and encounters.

Friday, August 10, will be a salute to the late David Golub, once a mainstay of SummerFest. At 6:30 p.m., there's a pre-concert talk by composer in residence Bruce Adolphe, artistic director Cho-Liang Lin, and others who knew Golub. The concert (7:30 p.m.) features Mozart's Clarinet Quintet in A Major (John Bruce Yeh, Kyoko Takezawa, Cho-Liang Lin, Cynthia Phelps, Gary Hoffman); Bruce Adolphe's "Thousand Years of Love" (Adolphe, Sylvia McNair); Brahms's Andante from Piano Quartet No. 3 (Schub, Lin, Paul Neubauer, Hoffman); and Dvorák's "Dumky" Piano Trio (Schub, Mark Kaplan, Hoffman).

On Sunday, August 12, the pre-concert talk at 2 p.m. will be by Felix Fan and David Chan, former participants in SummerFest's "Rising Stars" program. The concert (3 p.m.) features Prokofiev's Overture on Hebrew Themes (Schub, Yeh, Lin, Chan, Neubauer, Fan); Debussy's Sonata for Violin and Piano (Lin, Helen Huang); Stravinsky's "L'Histoire du Soldat" (Yeh, Chan, Huang); Brahms's Piano Quintet in F Minor (Schub, Takezawa, Chan, Neubauer, Ralph Kirschbaum).

On Tuesday, August 14, the pre-concert talk at 6:30 p.m. features renowned guitarists Celin and Pepe Romero. The concert at 7:30 p.m. the Romeros with Mark O'Connor offer a program of works by Guiliani, Granados, Albéniz, O'Connor, Debussy, and Schumann.

On Wednesday, August 15, at 6:30 p.m., SummerFest's young artists offer their perspectives on the evening's program. The concert at 7:30 p.m. features the workshop ensembles performing Ravel's String Quartet in F Major, Mendelssohn's String Quartet No. 4 in E Minor, and Schubert's String Quartet in D Minor ("Death and the Maiden").

All of the concerts take place in Sherwood Auditorium at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Tickets are $35 or $45. For reservations and information, dial 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

Violin Prodigy (and San Diegan) Eugene Ugorski, 11 years old, joins the San Diego Chamber Orchestra's Festival Pops Orchestra for a concert on Saturday, August 11, at 8 p.m. The program, titled "Passport to the World," will feature selections from Europe, Africa, South America, and the Far East, plus some Elvis selections, African dance and drumming, and other surprises. It's held at the Del Mar Fairground's horse arena. Ticket options range from $6 to $85 for single tickets. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. The fairgrounds are located on Jimmy Durante Boulevard. 760-753-6402. (DEL MAR)

"I Love Opera" is being presented by the Small Opera at San Diego at 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 12, at the Academy of Sound and Music (1495 C Street). Singers of all ages will be performing arias, art songs, and Broadway favorites (a professional accompanist is provided). You're invited to sing, listen, or both! The suggested donation is $5. For more information, call 619-702-1495. (DOWNTOWN)

Guest Organist Dennis James is the performer for this week's concert at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Sunday, August 12, at 2 p.m. Free. Call 619-702-8138 for further information. (BALBOA PARK)

Symphony Principal Harpist Sheila Sterling offers a recital at the College Avenue Senior Center, Tuesday, August 14, 1 p.m., 4855 College Avenue. Tickets are $2 for members, $4 for nonmembers. Reservations: 619-583-3300. (COLLEGE AREA)

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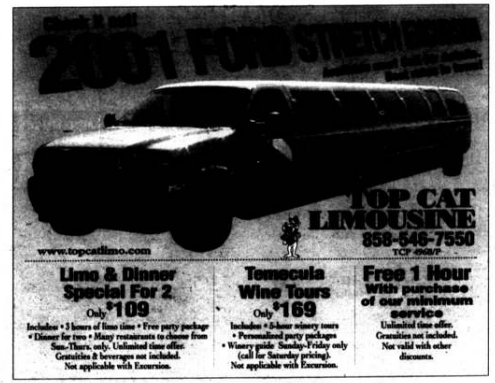





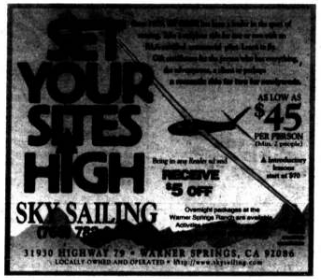





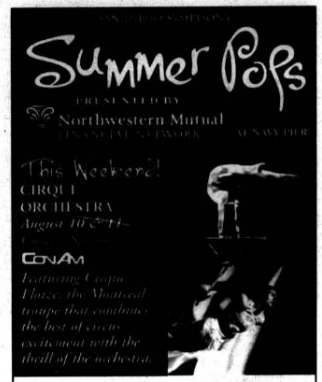



Visual Noisemakers

Traditional hierarchies have long since melted down into an egalitarian, improvisational, issue-driven free-for-all.

REVIEW
W.S. DI PIERO

I have no formal education in art history. I lasted one day in the only art course I took in college and commenced my education, such as it is, with visits to the Philadelphia Museum of Art and local galleries. I don't have, never will have, the global, finely tuned command of art history that scholars and possess. The Boston poet and art writer William Corbett, whose good book on Philip Guston I recommend, titled a recent memoir *Furthering My Education*, an apt phrase for the way I (and Corbett and other poets I know) have gone about educating ourselves in public.

I've never been a big reader of high-profile art magazines, so in the interests of public education — mine — I thought I'd go through a recent sampling and see what I could see. I picked up a lot of information and even tidbits of real learning, but my excursion reinforced a suggestion someone once made about literary magazines: all should merge into one publication, because it's easier not to believe in one God than it is not to believe in many.

With the exception of the British publication *Modern Painters*, which I'll come to later, the magazines I read — *ARTnews*, *Art in America*, *Artforum* — are intelligence reports from the trenches of contemporary art where traditional hierarchies, developed since the age of anonymous guildsmen in the Middle Ages, have long since melted down into an egalitarian, improvisational, issue-driven free-for-all. A seven-page stretch of the June *ARTnews* touches on motorcycle-painting art; comic-book aesthetics; Reneé Cox's photo, *Yo Mama's Last Supper*, in which the artist appears nude (you read about it when the opportunistic Rudolph Giuliani denounced its appearance in an opportunistic exhibition at the Brooklyn Museum of Art); the questioned authenticity of one of Goya's most famous paintings, *The Colossus*; and the recent rejection of a public work by Frank Stella, a 37-foot-high, aluminum-and-stainless-steel sculpture titled *Bandshell*, which cost $2.8 million to build and ship. Moolah makes the art world go round. The first third of a typical *ARTnews* or *Art in America* is devoted to news (and the kind of black-tie gossip I guiltily relish) about acquisitions, auctions, museum politics, and art-world big shots.

The feature articles have mostly to do with taste, trends, historical revisionism, and evaluations of who's hot and not. *ARTnews* contains a profile of the sculptor Mark Di Severo who, like Stella, works in big steel, and a piece on the renewed interest in Mies Van der Rohe, long in bad odor among postmodern architects for his cool, greyhoundish, skin-and-bone structures. But each is a two-page sprint, which left me wanting something chewier. The longer, more detailed articles balance contemporary themes (how sculptors working in different media — rubber, plastic dolls wrapped in beeswax, video setups using cathode-ray-tube monitors — treat the body "as a metaphor for emotions") and contemporary artists (like Polly Apfelbaum, who lays out on the floor hundreds of pieces of colorfully stained velvet) with attention to market-related matters such as the dissemination of Hans Arp's estate and a controversial auction of art owned by high-ranking Nazis.

Art in America, like *ARTnews*, has to cover local and international scenes, keep its nose in the money, so to speak, and satisfy the intellectual needs of a diversified audience, while trying to maintain a balance between the trendy and the enduring, what's passing and what's passed. For readers like me who believe in the ongoing vitality of painting, the July *Art in America* has an astute article on Vuillard's treatment of Place Vintimille, where he spent the last 13 years of his life, and on the contemporary American painter Lisa Yuskavage, whose soft-focus paintings of juicily busty, big-nippled women (usually in lingerie) have become so trendy that she turns up in two of the other magazines.



Mark di Suvero, from ARTnews

Artforum has a narrower field of vision, since it's concerned mostly with contemporary art and is more politically forthcoming. Its articles tend to be grounded in the assumption that the European canon is untenable, suspect, or at the very least unstable, and that formation of taste is pressured by socioeconomic power structures. It pays more attention to contemporary visual noisemakers than to canonical artists like Vuillard. This isn't a complaint. I like certain kinds of noise. It wakes me up. The summer *Artforum* contains articles on Frank Gehry, Clyfford Still, and the British installation artist Mark Wallinger. Unlike its sisters, it pays considerable attention to photography and film and always includes stuff like the smart-looking portfolio of photographs by Philip-Lorca diCorcia made in — here's the political spin — "Mayor Giuliani's tarted-up Times Square."

Normally, the title of the British publication *Modern Painters* tells all you need to know about its contents. Since its inception in 1987 it's been devoted to the criticism and exposure of artists working in traditional media. Each issue features subjects ranging from the Nabis to Balthus, from Italian Futurism to the so-called School of London, whose "members," Lucian Freud, Francis Bacon, Leon Kossof, and Frank Auerbach, have in recent years drawn renewed attention to figurative painting. (*Artforum*, on the other hand, pays more attention to the Saatchi-sponsored "Young British Artists," who go by the moniker YBAS, the most notorious being Damien Hirst.) *Modern Painters* sometimes tries too hard to be sassy and irreverent — it once featured a dull, preening interview of Balthus by David Bowie! — but it has kept its sights trained on an artistic practice played down or shunted aside by other magazines.

That said, however, the spring number is a rousing exception to the rule. Half of it treats other visual media — still photography, movies, video — which have altered the way some painters do their work and have provided new formal possibilities. The development of modern painting in the mid-19th Century was tweaked by the invention of photography, which forced a new definition of Realism. In fact, painters almost immediately began to use photographs as models. (Vuillard not only painted Place Vintimille, he photographed it many times.) *Modern Painters* features a profile of the gifted young German photographer Andreas Gursky, and the reproductions of his grandiose, congested color images alone justify the $10.95 cover price. But the most interesting piece, as one might expect from this magazine's usual editorial bent, is an interview with the late Euan Uglow, a superb British painter whose work, except for an occasional show at Salander-O'Reilly in New York, is little known here. Uglow's figures, many of them nudes, are peculiarly dry, and they're constructed on sketchy grids left exposed as part of the compositional structure. Though he wasn't interested in novelty, Uglow did novel work. He was one of those painters who advanced the ancient practice in modestly sized, innovative increments, enlarging the possibilities of painting and creating rich occasions for those of us who are still furthering our education. ■



Lisa Yuskavage's Day, from Art in America

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GALLERIES

Duo Show, "sensuous landscapes" by George Alphonso Walker and works of "inspirational realism" by Ricardo V. Gomez go on view with an artists' reception today, Thursday, August 9, at 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Lyceum Gallery. Proceeds from art sales benefit the San Diego Repertory Theatre. Live jazz will be provided by the Pulaski Skyway. 619-231-3586. (HORTON PLAZA)

Monotypes, bold and colorful works influenced by psychedelic art and the culture of the Grateful Dead by local artist Todd Doerr go on view with an artist's reception, Friday, August 10, 6 to 9 p.m., at the Emporium Gallery (inside Ducky Waddle's Emporium), 414 North Coast Highway 101. Regular viewing hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday; noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday. The show remains through the end of August. 760-632-0488. (ENCINITAS)

"Bodily Intent," the paintings of Misty Hawkins go on view at an artist's reception, Friday, August 10, 7 to midnight, at 838G Gallery, G Street, between Eighth and Ninth. 619-239-3862. (DOWNTOWN)

Horses are the inspiration for the paintings and photography of Mary Weldy. She's the featured artist at the Olde Ramona Hotel Gallery, which opens with an artists reception on Saturday, August 11, at 5 p.m. The gallery is located at 845 Main Street. 760-789-0095. (RAMONA)

"A Proud Nonagenarian," when Dr. Albert Richardson Sr. retired from his dental practice in San Diego he took up painting. He'll be in attendance at a reception to open a show of his work on Saturday, August 11, from 6 to 9 p.m., at ShannonDon Photo Art studio, 5735 El Cajon Boulevard. The exhibit of oil paintings remains on view through September 4. 619-287-1267. (COLLEGE AREA)

"The Art of Jazz: Recent Paintings by Victor Bailey" go on view with an artist's reception, Saturday, August 11, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Porter Troupe Gallery, 301 Spruce Street. Bailey is perhaps better known as a bassist and recording artist with the likes of Coltrane, Weather Report, and Madonna. The exhibit remains through September 8. 619-291-9096. (HILLCREST)

Sculpture by Liana Spear can be viewed through September 9 as the featured artist in a show of works by the San Diego Sculptors Guild. There's a reception scheduled for Sunday, August 12 from 1 to 4 p.m., at studio 36, Spanish Village Art Center. 619-238-0522. (BALBOA PARK)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, over three decades of innovative printmaking are explored in "Kenneth Tyler: Thirty Years of Printmaking." Printmaker and publisher Tyler transformed American printmaking by extending its boundaries into areas once considered the domain of painting and sculpture. The exhibition focuses on the influential artists who have worked at Tyler Graphics, including Josef Albers, Helen Frankenthaler, Nancy Graves, David Hockney, Jasper Johns, Roy Lichtenstein, Robert Motherwell, Claes Oldenburg, and many others. The exhibit includes "mini-retrospectives" of work by Hockney and Lichtenstein.

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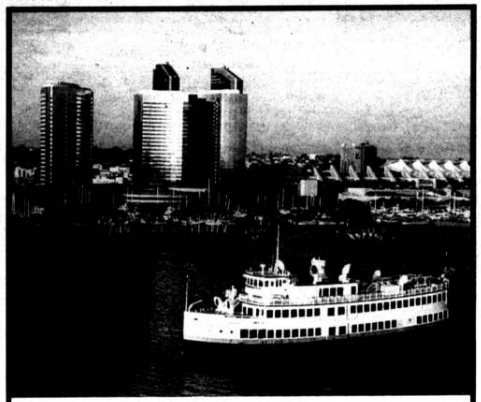

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tures works acquired since 1998 by 12 artists including Mary Plaisted Austin, Richard Baker, David Baze, Doris Bittar, Robert Mapplethorpe, Harry Sternberg, Jorge Tacla, and Eloy Tarcisio. The museum's collection has an emphasis on California-based artists, particularly those living and working in San Diego County.

Both shows close on Sunday, August 12. Find the center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard (at Valley Parkway); 760-738-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, coinciding with the artist's 80th birthday, "Eighty-Eight Turnings — A Retrospective of Bob Stocksdale," features the turned bowls he's known for. Stocksdale began turning wood as a hobby on his family farm, where he made baseball bats, honey dippers, tops, and spindles. He turned his first bowl while interned in a camp for conscientious objectors during World War II; since then he's turned more than 10,000 bowls on his lathe.

Concurrently, view "Kay Sekimachi — An Intimate Eye — Woven and Paper Objects," an exhibit of work by this fiber artist (who happens to be Stocksdale's wife). Both shows conclude on Sunday, September 23.

"Venini — Glass and Design in a World Perspective" centers on the work of the Venini factory in Venice. The exhibition also contains art glass by contemporary artists and by Louis Comfort Tiffany, as well as examples of ancient Egyptian, pre-Roman, Roman, and Islamic glass. Art glass by Benjamin Moore, Marvin Lipofsky, and Dale Chihuly, all of whom have worked at the Venini factory, are also included in the show, which closes on Sunday, January 6, 2002.

The Mingei is located on the square with the San Diego Museum of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. For additional information, call 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown, the diverse works of a Tijuana-based consortium of artists and designers whose work encompasses fine art, architecture, clothing, graphic design, and electronic music are gathered in "Torolab: Laboratorio of the Future in the Present." "Torolab — its name a play on the Spanish words for 'laboratory' and 'bull' — was established in 1995 as a socially engaged workshop committed to examining and elevating the quality of life for residents of Tijuana and the transborder region through a culture of ideologically advanced design." The exhibit features environments, architectural models, clothing, design objects, and sound installations by architects and artists Raúl Cárdenas Osuna, his wife Marcela Guadiana Cadenas, and other members of the collaborative. For this project, Torolab engages the idea of the "*Una Futura Urbana*" (Way of the Urban Future), creating three ambient spaces. The show concludes on Tuesday, September 25.

Surveying the depth and range of the museum's holdings, "Selections from the Permanent Collection: The 1970s," on view through Tuesday, September 25, suggests the variety of approaches employed by artists in the U.S. during this decade. It was a time "dominated by a spirit of radical investigation centered on expanding the definitions of what a work of art could be." Expect to see work by artists regarded as leading figures in the period of the '70s.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot, adjacent to the America Plaza trolley transfer station. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, "Design from X to Z: Jerry Hirshberg and Nissan Design International," explores the creative activity of the engineers, modelers, researchers, and designers of this San Diego-based design studio. The exhibition explores the design process behind the Nissan Xterra, one of the company's best-selling vehicles, and includes preliminary concept sketches, interior mock-ups, scale drawings, and hand-sculpted clay models. The exhibit also features the wide range of consumer products created at NDI, as well as the new design of the 2002 "Z." The show concludes on Monday, September 3.

Since the mid-1980s, Los Angeles-based photographer and filmmaker Sharon Lockhart has created a body of work investigating the tensions between the often-conflicting desires for dispassionate observation of and emotional connection with the human subject. "Sharon Lockhart" features approximately 40 photographs and multiphotograph series, along with the films she's created since 1994. See the exhibit through Monday, September 3.

"Skeet McAuley: The Garden of Golf" features a series of large-scale panoramic photographs of golf course landscapes taken at architect-designed golf courses in San Diego County. The photographs are said to "illustrate the diverse golf landscapes of the region." Scout the courses through Monday, September 3.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Photographic Arts, a fascination with and fear of water fueled the creation of surreal images revealing the "reflective and distorting properties of water and mirrors on nude figures" in "Connie Imboden: Beauty of Darkness," on exhibit through Sunday, September 30. All of Imboden's photographs are unmanipulated gelatin silver prints. "Seen from above and below, the forms of Imboden's water images occupy varying relations to the surface of the water they are suspended in and are recreated through the transparency or reflectivity of that surface."

A midcareer retrospective spanning more than two decades and several continents is offered in "Philipp Scholz Rittermann: Navigating by Light." All of the work included in the show is said to explore the element of time; the artist is said to be "particularly interested in the conflicting perceptions and perspectives of the eye and the camera." View the show through Sunday, October 21.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado. For information, call 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, 50 years of Los Angeles art is celebrated with work by artists, faculty, and students associated with the Chouinard Art Institute, an icon of contemporary art during the years spanning 1921-1972, in "Chouinard: A Living Legacy." Presented at three North County locations, 137 painters, sculptors, and ceramicists are featured simultaneously at the Oceanside Museum of Art, the Kruglak Gallery at MiraCosta College, and the Boehm Gallery at Palomar College. Each venue highlights artists from different periods of the school's history, with a Chouinard graduate curating the exhibition for each venue.

At the Oceanside Museum, Ed Flynn is the curator for "The Last Years: Third-Generation Artists, 1956-1972," on view through Sunday, August 26. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, who was Anna Mary Robertson Moses? "Grandma Moses in the 21st Century" seeks to answer that question, featuring a large selection of her most important paintings. The exhibition charts the evolution of her style, providing the opportunity to reexamine her art on its own merits and in the context of modern art history. The show examines the degrees to which Moses relied on both memory and personal observation in rendering her subjects; also considered is the relationship of Moses' work to the tradition of American folk art as it existed in the early years of the 20th Century, as well as to the contemporaneous Regionalist movement. Although Moses began painting at an advanced age, her longevity resulted in a career of more than 20 years, and this show concludes with her last painting, *Rainbow*, created when she was over 100 years old. At her death in 1961, she had completed more than 1600 works of art. Take in this retrospective through Sunday, August 26.

The popular advertisements of three pleasure-driven cultural environments are examined in "High Societies." The exhibit offers a collaboration between three of the museum's curatorial departments: American art, European art, and Asian art. The largest section of the exhibition, "Psychedelic Rock Posters of Haight-Ashbury," is drawn from the collection of Paul Prince and focuses on work by Victor Moscoso, Wes Wilson, Stanley Mouse, Alton Kelly, and Rick Griffin, "from whose collective efforts flowered a psychedelic renaissance in American graphic art." "Toulouse-Lautrec and the Cabarets of Montmartre" features the complete set of 31 Toulouse-Lautrec posters. The images vibrate with the energy of the famous red-light district where such renowned Parisian cabarets as the Moulin Rouge flourished in the 1890s. The colorful world of the "floating world of Edo" (modern-day Tokyo) is captured in "Japanese Woodblock Prints and the Floating World of Edo," revealing the lifestyles and fashionable dress of Kabuki actors and courtesans. In spite of the diversity of time, place, and culture among the components of the exhibition, all present graphic images that promoted popular entertainments by imparting a sense of their spirit and experience. The show concludes on Sunday, August 12.

For additional information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, the first American exhibition focusing on the Italian view painter who updated images of the grandest public spaces in Venice nearly 300 years ago is currently on display. "Luca Carlevaris: Views of Venice" brings together paintings from public and private collections in the U.S. and Europe, including eight Carlevaris works and comparative paintings by Gaspare Vanvitelli and Canaletto. The show is anchored by Carlevaris's *Piazetta at Venice*, a large oil on permanent display at the museum. See the show through Friday, August 31.

The museum's permanent collection includes European masters, 19th-Century American paintings, and Russian icons. For information, dial 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)

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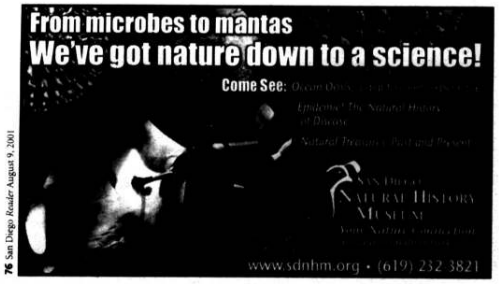

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Terminal Flanks

First prize meant so much, they should have to risk their lives.

REVIEW
JEFF SMITH

San Diego has two Tony Award–winning regional theaters — the Globe and La Jolla Playhouse — yet each tells us zip about our region. We're off-limits. Because there's nothing to us? Because they're terrified of offending season subscribers? Or, since both send so many to Broadway, do they tailor shows to please New York audiences?

The La Jolla Playhouse has broken this streak with a world-premiere comedy-drama, by a local playwright, that holds a mirror up to us in ways both unflattering and quite funny. Annie Weisman was a cheerleader at Torrey Pines High. *Be Aggressive* turns her experiences into an apt metaphor ranging far beyond rooting a team to victory.

In fact, rarely do Laura and her four cohorts at Vista del Sol High mention a specific sport, game, or opponent. Their cheers, which encourage extreme violence, are generic. They exist in a frenetic vacuum, yet can be as Darwinian as anything on the field. Not long ago a national cheerleading competition banned certain moves — a blind back-flip from a ten-person pyramid being one — as too life-threatening. When they heard the ruling, several squads hit the roof. First prize meant so much, they argued, they should have to risk their lives.

They wanted, in Weisman's phrase, to "be aggressive." Laura and Leslie regard their senior year as terminal. It's the "last cheer year." When they graduate, life will cease or, at best, lose all meaning. Since they urge the team to get manic, why not go over the top on the sidelines? No, wait. Not just "perky coastal" mania. Unlike their mates, Laura and Leslie seek the rabid essence of cheer — to be what they say, with "Bible Belt intensity." They're "Ginsu," they're convinced. The rest are just "butter knives."

Freud said jokes are an acceptable means of making harsh social commentary. For teens, cheerleading's a means of venting with precise, formal outbursts. School pride is but one of its triggers. Laura and Leslie use it to process emotional trauma: for Leslie, a dysfunctional family; for Laura, the recent hit-and-run death of her mother.

Laura faces sudden loss. Baby Boomers, who still want it all, never had to deal with deaths by drive-by, AIDS, teenage suicide, or idiots gunning down their classmates. Today, death and teens walk hand in hand, a constant reminder being weapon-checks at school. Like Laura, teens today see more of life by 17 than Baby Boomers did by their dreaded Big Four-Oh.

And as happens to Laura, the culture turns its back on grief. The citizens of Vista del Sol — i.e., adult Baby Boomers — cultivate happy faces, images of achievement, and spend small fortunes keeping both wrinkle free. They act like grown-up cheerleaders, accentuating the positive and banishing the negative.



Angela Goethals, Jennifer Elise Cox in Be Aggressive

Be Aggressive, *by Annie Weisman*
Mandell Weiss Forum, *La Jolla Playhouse*
Directed by Lisa Peterson; *cast: Jennifer Elise Cox, Daisy Eagan, Linda Gehringer, Angela Goethals, Mark Harelik, Tamala Horbianski, Carly Kleiner, Joy Osmanski; scenic design, Rachel Hauck; costumes, Audrey Fisher; lighting, James F. Ingalls; sound, Laura Grace Brown*
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Similar to advertising agencies and public relations firms, cheerleaders support teams uncritically (my older sister was head yell-leader and never once asked why my basketball team, when I was a sophomore and we stunk up the gym, didn't win). *Be Aggressive* offers other examples of cheerleading with the volume turned down. Laura's father tries to put a positive spin

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on developing an endangered wetlands. And when Laura's working at the Smooth Talk Juice Bar, she roots buyers on, minus pom-poms.

Laura's lucky to have cheer, even though she and Leslie are Vista del Sol's least chipper students. With the latter, Weisman's written one of the funniest, most acerbic characters San Diego's ever seen. Leslie's a Dorian Gray. Beneath her Be-True-To-Your-School smile and Valley Girl slang lurks a bitter, confused, hilarious human being. She might be pregnant. Or might not. Whatever... When asked if she has low self-esteem, Leslie replies, "Yes-s-s... I hate myself. Duh!"

Laura and Leslie are so alienated they're even outcasts among the cheerleaders. They're "terminal flanks," meaning they don't get to do fancy antics. "These bitches are dedicated to fear and mediocrity," says Leslie in one of her more toned-down remarks. So Laura and Leslie make a pilgrimage to the Spirit Institute of the South — or S.I.S. — a Canterbury for those with the true calling. The trip involves robbery, theft, and misread maps.

They never make it to S.I.S., which is a shame, since the play promises to show us that scenario. *Be Aggressive*, in fact, could use a stronger second act; it's much better with the inertia of the first than the activity of the second. Even though constructed like improv skits, short scenes and blackouts, and though director Lisa Peterson energizes it like a homecoming pep rally, the play herks and jerks unevenly.

Be Aggressive has a Mercutio problem. Shakespeare had to kill his comedian, in *Romeo and Juliet*, so the tragedy could begin. As played by the wonderful Jennifer Elise Cox, with invective ablaze, Leslie's so funny, so stark, everyone else looks vapid. Weisman shouldn't kill her by any means. Just share her wealth. One example: Leslie has a line about Nixon pulling out of Vietnam. It's a keeper, but doesn't fit the character. Give the line to Leslie's mother and it could explain a ton.

The script's also facile with grief. It dawns on Laura (a deft, driven Angela Goethals) and her father (Mark Harelik, as comical as he is nerdy) because dramatic form says it's time for breakthroughs. She's been running away, and he running in place, long enough. Both feel contrived.

I can't remember a year, in years, when we've had more consistently top-notch acting. Add Cox to the list, also Daisy Eagan. She plays Laura's 11-year-old sister Hannah, who'd love to abandon deep denial, only those around her won't allow it. As Hannah questions her environment, Eagan eloquently shows how received culture conditions her to its demands.

As an ever-present emblem of that culture, scenic designer Rachel Hauck placed a gigantic red, eyelike structure, almost center stage, and a green bull's-eye on the floor. You can explore those metaphors as much as Weisman's. Audrey Fisher's costumes are Del Martian casual. And the cheerleaders, wearing red-and-white outfits and sporting a plethora of pig- and ponytails, risk life and limb, during scene changes, on roller skates.

Be Aggressive is imperfect. Big deal. Its troubles are fixable, it's definitely worth seeing, and the La Jolla Playhouse merits its praise.

Regional theaters can do as they please. But one of the original notions, when they began springing up in the '50s and '60s, was they could do work not meant for Broadway. They could be experimental, and regional. This is what the playhouse has done. In an age of images, markets, and hard-sell spins — an age of cheerleading, if you will — the playhouse has staged a no-name author's first effort. What a radical choice! ■

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith. Information is accurate according to material given us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.

American Buffalo
For one evening only, San Diego Actors Theatre presents a staged reading of David Mamet's play as a fundraiser for the company. Patricia Elmore Costa directed.
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American Rhythm
For 12 straight summers, the Lamb's Players Theatre has showcased one of its productions at the Lyceum. This year, Lamb's also showcases its creative team: Kerry Meads and Vanda Eggington at the Lyceum *and* at Lamb's Coronado theater. They wrote and orchestrated *Boomers* and *American Rhythm*. Each combines songs — or song bytes, actually — with history, and the songs gain striking resonance in this context. Director Meads has a genuine flair for the format, and Eggington's arrangements are always fresh and interesting (she can stitch one song out of three or four). Talent runs all through the cast, especially Tracy Hughes, who turns every assignment, from "Blues in the Night" to Tina Turner, into a show-stopper, and Tom Stephenson as the genial narrator. Newcomers to this version perform as if born for the role: Sandy Campbell's singing of "I'll Be Seeing You" is a Kleenex-grabber; and Michael Dalager's versatility amazes. Another huge plus: Jeanne Reith Waterman's excellent costumes — from pseudo-Edwardian finery, to flapper, to Dust Bowl, to dark '90s mortuary chic — sweep through the history of 20th-century fashion. Led by pianist Don LeMaster, the seven-piece back-up band propels the nicely paced, entertaining, and surprisingly poignant evening forward.
Worth a try.
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Barefoot in the Park
OnStage Playhouse presents Neil Simon's romantic comedy about newlyweds setting up housekeeping. Bob Christiansen directed.
ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH AUGUST 11; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Be Aggressive
Reviewed this issue.
LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH AUGUST 26; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

The Boswell Sisters
The night I caught the world-premiere musical, many in the audience stood and applauded the curtain call. And the three singers, playing the famous harmonizing sisters, are terrific. Michelle Duffy, Amy Pietz, and Elizabeth Ward Land (with a warm, smoky 1930s radio voice) blend voices beautifully in the Boswells' "syncopatin' songbird," roller-coaster style. The Stuart Ross and Mark Hampton book, however, couldn't be more thin or contrived and just disappears in Act two. Ross wrote *Forever Plaid*, and *The Boswell Sisters* uses the same formula — reunion of a group of harmonizers — but falls flat with pseudo drama. Like the Plaids (and their clones in *Triple Espresso*), the sisters complain: they can't sing anymore; then sing great (especially Duffy's "Until the Real Thing Comes Along" and Ward Land's "Stormy Weather"). Everything gets trumped up then tossed away. The result is a musical revue with filler. The sisters are ciphers (it's amazing how little we learn about them, almost as if their music happened by fiat; you want to find out what the musical *didn't* tell you). The staging is static. Nothing builds. And the ending, which comes from just north of nowhere, is sheer manipulation.
OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Bullshot Crummond
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He'll put Da's affairs in order — won't amount to much — and get on with his life. But recollections accumulate "like bills you thought you'd never have to pay," and Charlie must put his own life in order. A play about letting go becomes about holding on. *Da* is strange, in that the leads are less developed than the minor characters. As "Charlie Now," Joel Anderson does little more than react. Da is also more attitude than character, though Jonathan McMurtry fills him out with like amounts of blarney and charm. James Winker makes Drumm, who devoted his life to standards, unforgettable. Stiff, stern, Winker's Drumm, "like a Victorian father," is the anti-Da. As Charlie's mother, Robin Pearson Rose does one of 2001's best jobs of acting. She's lived in Robin Sanford Roberts's rustic, woodgrainy set all her days, doing a million chores a million chimes. Rose's deeply resonant performance suggests that when Charlie's made his peace with Da, he should turn attention to his Ma.

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Worth a try.

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The Member of the Wedding

Frankie Addams, "a gangling girl of 12," has an urge to belong. She's always been an "I person," never a "we." When her brother gets married, in a small Southern town, Frankie wants to join the wedding — make it a three-way marriage. Carson McCullers's rarely performed coming-of-age play (1950) was among Broadway's first hit shows concerned with race relations (even boasted one of Broadway's first integrated casts). Based on her short novel, it's more a mood piece than a play. For most of its three acts, little happens, then everything. Because it's so static, the acting must be expert. The Muse Theatre's opening-night performance, however, was not. A majority of the cast was somewhere between reciting the lines and speaking them. They were several rehearsals away from the essential spark for a living give-and-take. Carolyn Leone-Smith's mid-'40s summery costumes were ready to go. As was Rick Mittleider's set: a detailed kitchen and back yard in the MMPAC's small space, though his lighting (which went from day to night in seconds) and Peter Hashagen's sounds needed more tech-rehearsals.

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A Midsummer Night's Dream

Independent Players stage Shakespeare's comedy of mistaken identities with a "modern retelling."

MIRACOSTA COLLEGE, SAN ELIJO CAMPUS. THROUGH AUGUST 11: THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-501-7593.

National Comedy Theatre

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on AstroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try.

MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS. OPEN-ENDED RUN: FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-295-4999.

Shear Madness

Mystery dinner theater minus the meal. The longest-running nonmusical in American theater history is set in a unisex hair salon in Mission Hills. In an upstairs apartment, someone stabs erstwhile pianist-diva Isabel Czerney with clipping shears. Whodunit? Up to this point the cast — performing as if on second base, unmiked, at Qualcomm Stadium — overkills every word, gesture, and joke. Then in a *volte face*, the house lights come up, and the audience becomes the detective. The show's core, and obviously the cause of its longevity, lies in the give-and-take between cast and audience. During the interrogation the actors become re-actors. They ad-lib and trounce hecklers. Although many ad libs sound scripted ("You don't have a butler? How do you eat?"), the cast, especially Rick Meads as top cop Nick O'Brien, is at its best in this format. *Shear Madness* began in 1978. Along with physical comedy and malaprops (one character gets labeled a "genital liar"), the play derives humor from topical and local references. Several topical references need updating (when was the last time you equated Sandy Duncan with Wheat Thins?). The show bills itself as mindless fun. Much of it is, and no more. But some local references — negative remarks about Lakeside and Paradise Hills, for example — raise nagging questions about the anything-for-a-laugh mindset behind the production.

Worth a try.

THEATRE IN OLD TOWN. OPEN-ENDED RUN: TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

Shotgun Wedding Anniversary, or, Who Wants to Murder a Multimillionaire?

Let's get this straight: Basil and Petals Wilcox-Smythe will renew their wedding vows on their 25th anniversary? Hey, call me daft, but do they even like each other? And who invited Brenda Socrates, cosmetics mogul and Petals's worst enemy (or is she?), to the festivities? And Basil and Petals's strange son and his pal Maricella...what is *that* all about? Not to mention Joffrey and Sperus, behive-bouffanted event-coordinators (Petals likes theme events, like "Grief: A Funeral"). Turns out these folk aren't just ten kinds of whacko. The phones are down, a storm's outside, and they're suspects in a multiple homicide. Each has enough motivation to make you question not who — but who didn't — dunnit. Mystery Cafe Dinner Theatre's latest has a relatively loose script and a cast adept at comedy and zinging ad libs. James Pascarella, one of the funniest people in San Diego, again reigns supreme in multiple roles (audiences be warned: Think you're witty? This guy's all-pro). Her hair an orangish red not found in nature — maybe on Mars — Diane Thrasher's a scream as Petals, who never met a situation she didn't yearn to control. Gerry MacKinnon, William Fredrick, Megan McLeod, and Crystal Verdon (whose middle name should be "Talent") keep the show rolling, even when the script lulls.

Worth a try.

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South Pacific

The Welk Resort Theatre stages Rodgers and Hammerstein's popular musical, set in the south seas during World War II.

WELK RESORT THEATRE. THROUGH AUGUST 25: TUESDAY, AND THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M.

Spooks

The Fault Line Players present three one-act comedies: *S.P.O.O.K.S*, by Ted Falagan; *A Dude's Perspective*, by Kevin Hettinger; and *Talk of the Town*, also by Falagan.

THE FAULT LINE THEATRE. THROUGH AUGUST 11: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Taming of the Shrew

The Coronado Playhouse's fifth annual Free Outdoor Shakespeare Festival presents the Bard's comedy about wiving in Padua. Keith A. Anderson directed.

CORONADO PLAYHOUSE. THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2: FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene-making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons, but Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening uses various formats. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience: and "Gorilla Theatre" — five "directors" invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit." Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group is talented enough (and know when to blackout best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (*Impro*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."

Worth a try.

REHEARSAL ROOM THEATRE, MARYLAND HOTEL, 644 F STREET, DOWNTOWN. FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-465-SHOW.



Van Meegeren, Master Forger

Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy

Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced).

Worth a try.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, SAN DIEGO. OPEN-ENDED RUN: WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-234-9583.

Twelfth Night

Jack O'Brien's done such an odd thing with *Twelfth Night* that watching it requires an adjustment. In the last ten years local productions of Shakespeare's comedies left the impression the directors would rather be in Philadelphia. We've been in a decade-long gagathon in which shtick, not Shakespeare, ruled. In O'Brien's staging no one wears a Padre uniform. Chewbaca doesn't do a cameo. O'Brien doesn't exaggerate any element. Instead, he blends tones like a choirmaster. His direction is so balanced and gimmick-free one can almost overlook its slow pace (by Act five, when characters start seeing double, the show should frenzy but doesn't). James Leonard's set, in which water drops off the world's edge, is gorgeous (though out of season: wisteria and geraniums bloom in spring; the play takes place around January 6). The Globe has stacked the deck with some of its finest male comic actors. In their midst, Deborah Taylor's every bit their match as Maria, an ardent social climber and the play's real schemer. Paxton Whitehead's Malvolio is a chronic control freak, but with a tincture of innocence, as if he'd know better if he wasn't such a repressed "enemy of life." Whitehead is excellent. So is Harry Groener as Feste. He matches the Clown's verbal dexterity with physical inventiveness and leaves the haunting impression that Feste has already read the play.

Worth a try.

LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK. THROUGH AUGUST 11: THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Van Meegeren, Master Forger

Octad-One Productions, Inc., presents the world premiere of David Wiener's drama, based on the true story of a "master forger." Wayne Alan Erreca directed.

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"All night long car alarms were blaring. But apparently neighbors had a problem with my soundproof space."

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Eric Colona said that his underage nightclub Venus, on El Cajon Boulevard right next to a towing yard, got special attention from the neighbors and police.

"There were hookers and drug dealers on the boulevard all night long. But whatever is complained about is what the city responds to. I've been told by the police that they don't respond if no one complains. I guess no one cares about hookers and drug dealers."

Opened June 2000, the Venus nightclub is now out of business. Colona, a substitute teacher, said he had a lot of success presenting bands like Big Provider, Under the Stone, the Bipeds, and Proof of Burden to the under-21 set.

"We got a lot of pressure from the city, so we decided to move out [of San Diego]. They kept increasing the amount of security required. They kept checking IDs and the customers would leave. After the curfew [10 p.m.] only those 18 and up could stay. Before the curfew, no one under 18 is allowed if you had dancing. It was on my shoulders if children were caught past curfew."

Colona said he is facing a court date over an incident at Venus. "They caught a kid who used his brother's fake ID to get in. The police cited me. A kid being out past curfew is my responsibility, and I'm not even his parent."

He said the laws are different just two blocks away in the city of La Mesa. Venus was in the city of San Diego.



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UNDER THE STONE LOOKS FOR NEW HOME

Colona said there is one clear message the City of San Diego is sending out to young people: go party in TJ.

"By continually harassing people who are going out to have fun and making it impossible to have any fun in city limits, it leaves them no choice but to go to Tijuana and get drunk."

He said alcohol and San Diego laws don't mix.

"If people are drinking in my parking lot, in my opinion *they* should be cited, not me.... How come you can drink in the parking lot of the stadium? It is completely illegal to drink in anybody else's parking lot except the stadium. Why is that? Is it because the stadium has so much money, or is it people on the city council are always involved with the stadium?"

He said his patrons get different scrutiny from other area youth.

"When it comes to underage drinking [at SDSU], campus police look the other way. I was at a stop light the other day on College Avenue, and right in front of me these college kids were on the lawn drinking beer out of a keg. A campus policeman was right next to me at the light. He just drove by."

Colona, 34, said he is abandoning the 250-capacity, 3000-square-foot building that housed Venus, which previously held a factory that made blinds.

"I'm looking for another location." He said he will use what he has learned at the next Venus.

"We started out as a rave club. But ravers were too hard to deal with. They were overly sensitive. They were always complaining that I was creating a bad vibe. They were a bunch of sissies. I guess you could say we evolved into a rock club.... If you catch somebody smoking a joint at rock events, they say, 'I'm sorry, I'll put it out. I'll get rid of it.' If you catch somebody smoking a joint at a hip-hop show, they will go over there and smoke it. If you tell the same thing to someone at a rave event, they'll look at you dead in the eye and say, 'What are you talking about? I'm not smoking.'"

— *Ken Leighton*

The closing of Venus underscores the fact that there is a shortage of all-ages venues in San Diego. UCSD's Ché Café and the Epicentre in Mira Mesa exclusively serve those under 21. Occasionally Pokeez Café idowntown and 'Canes in Mission Beach serve the underage crowd.

Jim Diaz works at the Epicentre, where his title is director of the music industry institute. He admits that at his club, fans under 18 are allowed to stay after the 10 p.m. curfew.

"This is a different business [than Venus]. We are a nonprofit teen center."

"They are assholes there," said one local musician who declined to be identified. "We played there last week. They told us we had to pre-sell 30 tickets at $5 and show up with the $150 and a list of 30 names of everyone who bought a ticket. We did that. The money went straight into their hands. There were three



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other bands, none of which showed up with $150 or names.... And they didn't care that the other bands showed up without the money or a list."

He said his band did not get paid.

Diaz said he did not work at the show in question. He said the person who would know was James Barnum, who books the Epicentre from Fullerton.

"When some local artists play for the first or second time, and we don't feel they have a tremendous draw, we ask them to sell tickets. However, it is not a pay-to-play situation. If they only sell 19 [out of 30], so be it. It's our way of seeing which bands are serious, to tell us which bands we should select to play on nights we have bigger artists.... Without locals, we are not able to exist. We understand that."

All four bands that were supposed to play that night did play.

Barnum said one of the of the four bands who showed up did not sell their tickets in advance.

"We were not very happy about that," he said. They still played. He said the other three bands did sell at least 30 tickets in advance and turned their money in.

Barnum said if the band in question did not get paid, "They were supposed to. I'll have to look into that if they didn't."

But not all local bands are eligible to play the Epicentre. Chris Knowles of Under the Stone said the Epicentre wouldn't even consider them.

"When I talked to the guys who booked at the Epicentre, they said they needed a CD and a promo kit for us to play there."

Knowles admitted that the band hasn't been able to afford one yet.

"We will submit it to them as soon as it is ready. I'm hoping the guys at Venus will open another club. It's perfect for bands trying to get their start.... That place has been like a home to us."

— *Ken Leighton*

"I got sick of calling some dude Daddy Cool," said former Kottonmouth Kings rapper St. Dog about the band he started in 1996. "It got to the point where it wasn't funny anymore. I made a paycheck with them, but I'd rather be broke than call some guy 'Daddy.' "

St. Dog — who doesn't see the irony over his beef about calling someone a



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MR. ST. DOG HIMSELF

funny name — has some issues with the hip-hop troupe he cofounded in 1996.

"I wanted to do more musical things with a band. They just want to play off the DAT [recorded tape]. I wanted to mix it up with a couple of punk songs and with a live band."

Mr. St. Dog now lives in San Diego County. He doesn't divulge his real name or his hometown. He admits he's losing out financially by no longer being a member of the band that had a radio hit with the song he cowrote called "It's a Dog's Life."

St. Dog started his own label — USA with a circle around the *A* (an old punk icon for "anarchy"). It is pronounced "US Circle A." He plays around the Southland with his older brother Big Hoss. But when he left the Kings a year ago, he said it took a while to get back in the groove.

"I got such a bitter taste from music, I completely dropped out of the scene and moved to San Diego [from Riverside] and started surfing," St. Dog said he was responsible for "60 to 70 percent" of the Kottonmouth Kings' lyrics, but he shared songwriting credits with everyone in the band.

"A lot of people come into the music industry and everything is a bro deal. On 'Dogs Life' we split all royalties on the lyrics equally. You want to be cool, but at the same time you're really sacrificing your life for music."

St. Dog says the lesson he learned from the Kottonmouth Kings should be a lesson to other lyricists who share songwriting credits and the resulting royalties with band members who didn't create the songs.

"Before you make any rash decisions, get a book and find out what you are entitled to. Do not be afraid of hurting people's feelings by knowing your rights. If people's feelings get hurt, tell them to write more lyrics next time.... I was clueless in that situation. Music in general has always been like that. People should read books like *Everything You Need to Know About the Music Industry.*"

St. Dog does not blame his former bandmates for benefiting from his lyrics: he only blames himself. But he says he does not get simple respect when he shows up at Kottonmouth Kings shows.

"They see me and they don't give me no love.... They don't even throw a dog a bone.... They were bro when I was supplying the lyrics. Now they don't promote me onstage. They just want people to forget me."

But longtime fan Johnny Russell of Fallbrook says real Kottonmouth fans remember.

"I believe his talent is what led the group. When fans find out that St. Dog is back in the picture [as a solo artist], he's gonna take their fans over."

St. Dog says some fawning press articles may have contributed to his exit from the Kings.



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THE CASUAL ROTATOR

"One of the questions was 'How old are you?' " said Jeff Trageser about his audition for a new MTV show in development.

"It wasn't me saying I was the front man. It was the press.... Things went south from there. The next thing you know I'm in a band with my brother. I went from a major label to my own indie." He says the Kottonmouth Kings got a three-record distribution deal with Capitol.

St. Dog now sells his own CD, *Spun Crazy*, at his own shows.

"I'm content where I'm at now. I have no plans to get back together."

St. Dog and Big Hoss appear at 'Canes (18 and up) tomorrow, August 18 at the Galaxy in Santa Ana, and August 23 at the Whiskey in Hollywood.

— *Ken Leighton*

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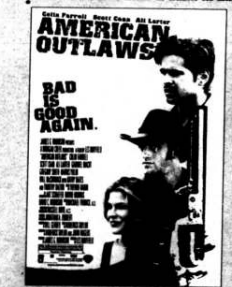

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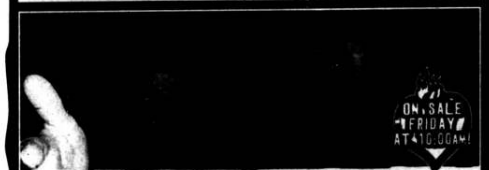

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Trageser works as a nurse at Mercy Hospital. His partner, local artist Mark Sgarbossa, make up the electronica duo Rotator.

"I said we're both 32. The room went silent. After a big long pause, [MTV producer] Ted Smith finally goes, 'That's okay. You don't look 32.' Obviously we realized at that point it wasn't the best time to be honest."

Rotator was one of 90 artists invited to tape an audition for a pilot for a new show featuring unsigned bands.

"I think the show is going to be called *Your Turn* or something like that. We taped our [audition] at this place in L.A. called the Complex, which is the same studio where they do the voiceovers for *The Simpsons* and where Fleetwood Mac recorded some album or other."

Rotator joined 30 other bands on the day of their audition. A ten-man MTV production crew taped the band segments and eventually selected ten groups or solo artists for the final pilot.

Rotator did not make the cut, but they learned a lot about what matters in MTV-land.

"Everyone was from L.A. We were the only out-of-towners. It was a surreal experience. We were fish out of water. Everyone had an entourage and big hair and bigger chests."

Everyone else, said Trageser, seemed to care more about looks than their music.

"We met this folk singer who made me think [of] Joni Mitchell or some kind of earthy singer. She had the biggest fake tits I've ever seen. They were barely contained in her top. After she played [for her audition tape], I said, 'Great show.' The first and only thing she said to us was, 'Who's your agent.' Everyone seemed really competitive and secretive. Most of these acts had agents who get auditions for them. I call them acts because I don't want to call them musicians because they weren't."

Trageser said Rotator got the audition from a reference from an employee of MP3.com. He said everyone but Rotator came to the audition with their agent or their mom.

"There was this young girl group. All five had the exact same tight shorts and baby doll shirts. There was a blonde, a brunette, an Asian, a black, and a Hispanic. What was weird was they all had the exact same color skin. They were all mocha.... And they each had their mothers standing off in the background.... There was this one punk band. Everybody's hair stood straight up and was a different color. They were all pierced from head to toe. Their look was over the top. Which is where we failed. We just showed up in T-shirts and cargo pants...

"The only other electronic artist besides us was this one guy who showed up with a CD he was going to sing along to. I had just spent all this time setting up all my music gear and this kid shows up with a CD. What kind of electronic musician doesn't bring his own gear? I wanted to slap him."

Trageser and Sgarbossa say they want to continue their campaign to get locals interested in a live electronica band à la the Chemical Brothers. "If you go around town and ask kids where electronica comes from, they say from DJs and turntables, which is not the case. When you go out to see live bands, people expect guitars, bass, and drums.... We want to play electronica like a live band. Not everybody is ready for it."

Rotator appears Friday at the Ken Club in Kensington.

— *Ken Leighton*

CD review: Blood Runs Cold, *Hoagy Carmichael*, Furniture Frolic 000002

"*MTV'S Hip Hopera: Carmen*, the soundtrack to the music network's groundbreaking 'first hip-hop musical,' is a modern retelling of Georges Bizet's 19th century opera incorporating contemporary urban music. The inaugural release on Matthew Knowles' Music World Music features performances by some of the biggest names in hip-hop including Da Brat, Royce Da 5'9", Rah Digga, Mos Def" — oh, 'scuse me, I'm reading the wrong thing. I'm on so many mailing lists all of a sudden...uh...where's it?...okay:

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Of all unlikely hybrids, what we've got here is REGGAE-SPEEDMETAL versions of a buncha Hoagy songs, almost all of which STINK. I hate to be binary, but the *only* thing that doesn't stink is "Rocking Chair" — that's a fact.

No, it's NOT a fact: just one keen observer's critical judgment.

— *Richard Meltzer*

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"I walked over to the first cellist and grabbed her cello."

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Cellist Felix Fan says one of the "weirdest" concerts he every played took place in June in Hong Kong. He performed there with Chinese composer Pan Dun (who won an Oscar for the soundtrack to *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*).

"We were in this huge stadium and it was really full [about 8000 people]. It's not that common for me to do a stadium gig; the most we usually get is two, maybe three thousand people, and it's usually enclosed. This was outdoors. It was a concert to mark the fourth anniversary of the turnover of Hong Kong to the Chinese," says Fan.

Although Hong Kong is his favorite city for performing, Fan says the audience reaction was strange. "It kind of came and went. They applauded, then they didn't. And in the front row were all these Communist military people. Lots of kids running around and screaming. It was a very weird vibe," he says.

Fan is one of the local musicians performing at this year's SummerFest in La Jolla from August 1 through 19. Most concerts will take place in Sherwood Auditorium at the Museum of Contemporary Art. The roster includes violinist David Chan, concertmaster for the Metropolitan Opera in New York; harpist Deborah Hoffman; and pianist Bruce Adolphe, among others.

During a brief stint at Yale University in 1994, Fan performed at a benefit concert for Senator John Kerry. The show took place in a dormitory, and Fan dropped his bow twice during a piece before his string broke. "It was pretty frustrating. I finally just stopped playing."

Why does a cellist drop a bow?

"Why do you drop your pencil? No reason, not nervousness, just clumsiness. Just one of those things. I ran into the wall this morning and bumped my head — that kind of thing....

"Another time I broke a string — which doesn't usually happen — was during a performance with the Tai Pei National Symphony. I broke two strings in rehearsal, and then during the concert I broke another one," he recalls.

"The piece of music was modern," says Fan. "You can fake your way through a lot of it.... The audience, generally, with a very modern piece of work, won't recognize it. It's not as if it's Mozart or Beethoven, where, if you make a huge mistake, they are going to notice. It's not good to break any string, period. You only start with four. Depending on the piece, it's worse to break one than another. For instance, certain pieces rely heavily on the C string, others on the A string. So if you're performing a piece that relies on the A string and you break the A string, you're really in trouble."

After faking it for a while with only three strings, Fan says he did the only thing that seemed reasonable. "I walked over to the first cellist and grabbed her cello. She didn't really know what was going on and she looked shocked. But I had a page left to play, so I took it. I was the soloist."

Fan, a 26-year-old La Jolla native, graduated from the Bishop's School before spending those four months at Yale feeling, he says, "stagnant." He left after a few months and went to Cologne, Germany, for four years, to study with Boris Pergamenschikow, a well-known Russian cellist. Fan splits his time between La Jolla and New York City when he's not on the road.

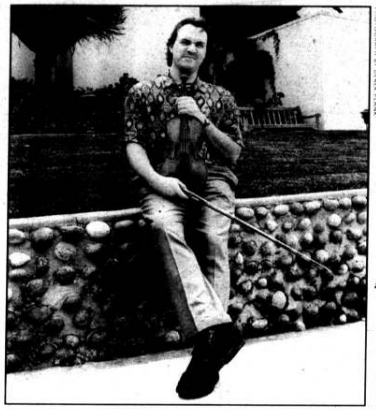
He started playing violin at four, at his mother's insistence, then switched over to cello, he says, out of laziness. "Something about standing up and playing violin was hard for me. Also the sound of a cello, even today for me, is more soothing to my ears. I also played piano for about seven years."

Fan says he and Dun have put on concerts in Asia with an orchestra, percussionist, and cellist, somewhat like a concerto version of the *Crouching Tiger* film score. "There are more extended cadenzas in the middle, instead of just playing the film score verbatim.... Pan Dun put in these three cadenzas — and a candenza, in the baroque sense, 300 years ago, was something Haydn or Bach or another composer put in where the performers could improvise, do their own thing. These days cadenzas are written out, but for Dun, he was more old school in this case. You are playing with an orchestra and the orchestra cuts out. Pan Dun's music has its own characteristics, so although you could theoretically play anything you want, you don't. I played something that pertained to what had just been played, to keep it consistent. Otherwise, it sounds like you're just messing around...

"Dun has turned [the piece] into a more abstract piece ...and he uses this huge screen with video art installations. It's really different. I still love doing chamber music, but it's because I get to do this other stuff," says Fan. "Otherwise, it can get monotonous, because concerto repertoire for cellos pre this century are not that vast."

Then there's the ska band Common Sense that Fan records with and performs with when possible. In July the band played at the House of Blues in Los Angeles. "That's like 'go ahead and get drunk and get onstage and do what you want.' They are so damned loud, I can't hear what I'm playing anyway," he says.

Mark O'Connor, a Bonsall resident and one of three composers-in-residence this season at SummerFest, will perform his own compositions on the violin. O'Connor is a rarity in the classical music business — a composer who performs only his own work. "It's rare to be a composer/performer in classical music because there are so many demands to hear the great classics."



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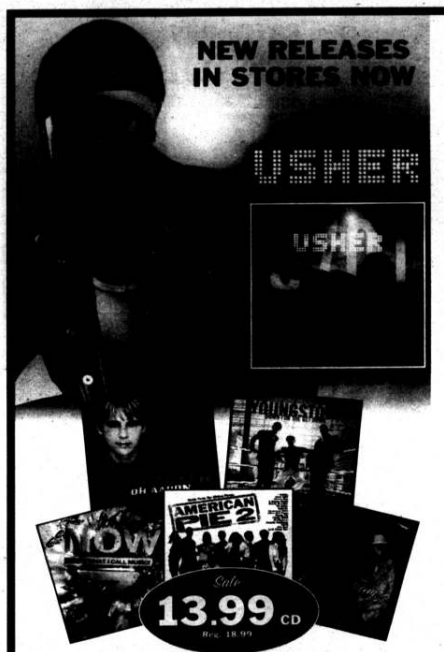



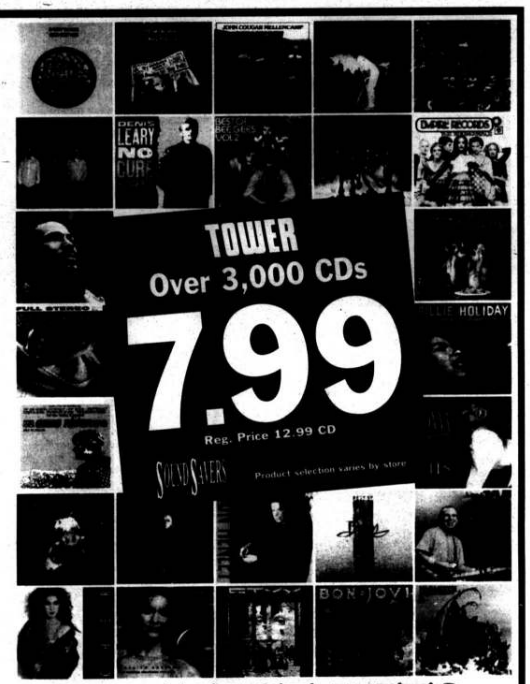



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Two things that are toughest for solo artists to do, he says, is open up for another act and to play in venues other than concert halls. "When you have to play in places that serve alcohol or food, there's

"All of a sudden you hear, 'We'd like two popcorns.'"

all kinds of noise going on and talking and ordering of food. It's so distracting. You're trying to create a magical moment and all of a sudden you hear, 'We'd like two popcorns.'"

With a Grammy under his belt for the recording *Appalachian Journey* — some of which he will play opening night of SummerFest — O'Connor no longer has to worry about movie-trained audiences who think a performer is invulnerable to chatter.

The *New York Times* said last year that O'Connor's journey from self-taught fiddle player to "concert-hall virtuoso is already one of the most spectacular, if underpublicized, journeys in recent American music."

O'Connor grew up in Seattle, son of an alcoholic father and a mother who had cancer. His mother wanted him to take guitar, and he started at three.

"I started taking violin at 11. I released my first fiddle album at 12, and by the time I was in my teens, I'd released six albums," he says. By 19 he was playing electric violin with the rock band the Dregs (also known as the Dixie Dregs), and from 1990 to 1995 he was the Country Music Association's Musician of the Year. At the same time O'Connor began working with classical composition.

"I originally chose violin because…I felt like through this one little instrument you could articulate how happy or sad you felt."

About the mixed reaction his music gets from audiences, O'Connor says, "They might like something that I don't think is all that great, but I get a standing ovation for it.… Other times I'll be playing something I think is very serious and pretty darn good and I won't get the reaction I thought I would. You always have to be prepared to…move on; that's what performing is all about. If everything happened the same every time, there'd be no sense in repeating it." ■

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Bits and Pieces: I was having a drink with a couple of buddies recently on a Sunday afternoon, a guilty pleasure, and one of them, a cabdriver who happens to be a classically trained violinist, complained to all of us about these "young jerks" who had been getting into his taxi of late and talking about jazz, as if they were experts. They were not experts, my friend explained; they didn't know "jack shit about jazz," but they'd seen the Ken Burns PBS series *Jazz* on TV, so now they were experts.



Elmo Hope

I know where he's coming from, as the expression goes, and am not unsympathetic. My friend knows a great deal about jazz and music in general, and it's irritating for older people to watch or listen to younger people preen in foolish ways. But that's what they do, and that's what my friend and I, doubtless, did way back when we were young. Actually, we were at university together and had mutual friends in the late '60s but never met until 20 years later. Maybe he would have found me to be a preening jerk at the time. I can't imagine why anyone wouldn't.

REVIEW
AUGUST KLEINZAHLER

The Burns series has generated much discussion and not a little argument: not just in here but in the pages of journals like the *New York Review of Books* (sometimes referred to as the *New York Review of Us*). Everyone seems to have an opinion, and, using my own crude instruments of statistical analysis, opinions tend to run negative, at least among those with a more than casual acquaintance with the medium.

The objections to the series are of interest. Not a few seem to involve the paucity of white musicians and commentators. I don't buy that one. I don't think Wynton Marsalis and Stanley Crouch were appealing, especially the former, who is transparently self-regarding, but they were bright, knowledgeable, and articulate. Among white commentators, not many would be preferable to Gary Giddins. Whitney Balliett, perhaps, but I have no idea what he'd be like on camera, and I'd guess he was approached and he declined — just a careless speculation on my part.

Actually, Balliett, the dean of jazz writers (and not at all shy to volunteer his displeasure), gave the Burns series a generally favorable review in the *New Yorker*. What I think is going on (and I think it's a good thing) is that people take their jazz very seriously, very personally, and they haven't seen this most American of art forms discussed in so public a forum before. I empathize with that discomfort.

Quite apart from Marsalis and Crouch — and far too much Ellington and Armstrong — my objection to the series was that they didn't have my favorite guys on board: artists like Elmo Hope, Sonny Criss, Randy Weston, Tete Monteliu, Warne Marsh. None of these is a household name, but they are in *my* household, dammit, and they all make it onto my desert-island top 20.



Sonny Criss

None of them is a major figure like Ellington or Armstrong or Miles Davis or Coleman Hawkins or Monk or Bud Powell or Lester Young or Charlie Parker. In fact, Hope is an amalgam of Monk and Bud Powell and himself; Weston is deeply beholden to Monk, as Monk was to Ellington and Basie and James P. Johnson before him. Monteliu's principal debt is to Bud Powell and Marsh, I should think, comes out of Lennie Tristano via Lester Young. And Criss? Ain't no Sonny Criss without Charlie Parker, that's for certain. But if I'm sore at Ken Burns, I'm sore because my guys weren't up there waiting in the spotlights. In my view, apart from broader structural complaints, that's what everyone's grousing about, at least deep down.

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Last week I wrote about the outstanding 20th-century pianist Dinu Lipatti, a French-trained Romanian musician whose life and career were tragically cut short by leukemia. Since my favorites have become the subject of this week's column, let me return to a recently discovered favorite of mine, the great Russian (of German ancestry) Sviatoslav Richter. I return because it's a pleasure to return, but also because I've uncovered a video of the great man that contains, among other things, rare footage of Richter in performances over several decades, including excerpts from performances of J.S. Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Debussy, Liszt, Mozart, Prokofiev, Rachmaninoff, Schumann, Tchaikovsky, Wagner, Berg, Brahms, Glinka, Handel, Haydn, Mendelssohn, Ravel, Saint-Saëns, Schubert, Wolf, and Shostakovich.



Randy Weston

Richter is truly a phenomenon. In a career lasting 55 years he gave more than 27,000 performances at around 3600 concerts in 1000 different places, sometimes as many as 100 or more concerts a year, performing over 200 different works. His repertory included something like 833 works, which does not include the 600 or so songs he performed.

Richter led a nomadic life, indifferent to creature comfort. He appears to have married happily, to a singer, who was devoted to him. He was an extraordinarily handsome man and, what is evident in these film clips shot over many years, was well aware of it. He was clearly capable of great charm or the worst sort of imperious behavior. He lived exclusively for music, although he did like to paint a bit.

It's remarkable to be able to watch a true genius in conversation, as well as in performance. He has a wonderfully expressive face and speaks very frankly, sometimes unkindly, of other musicians and composers. He has that ruthlessness about him that I associate with genius, or a kind of genius. He must have needed it coming of age as a musician in the '30s, surviving both the Stalin era and the Nazi assault on Russia. One shudders to think what sort of compromises and betrayals were required of him to fare so well during those extraordinary times. Richter would not be alone or even remarkable in this regard; survivors revise history to suit themselves.

In the course of the video, one meets a number of other celebrated musicians, composers, conductors, at least in passing. Richter did not get along equally well with all of them. He and von Karajan, the rehabilitated Nazi and stellar conductor, had some major problems, which are discussed in a wryly amusing fashion. At one point, when things are going to hell in a hand-basket, Richter pleads with von Karajan, "But I am a German, too." To which von Karajan responds, "If you're a German, then I'm a Chinaman." Actually, von Karajan was of Greek ancestry, but he'd never admit it and it's of no real pertinence here.

Philips Records has a new series called Philips 50, in which it is reissuing great performances, from the early 1950s to the present, remastered using the latest 96kHz 24-bit technology in their digital transfers. Among these performances are Richter's legendary *Sofia Recital* from 1958, which includes his matchless performance of "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Moussorgsky. The sound restoration is really something special. The performances are, well...Richter.

I've also found, from Music and Arts Performances of America, an entire disc of Richter playing the works of Scriabin, including 24 of the *Preludes, Etudes Op. 42,* and *Piano Sonatas No. 2, 5 & 9*. Only another Russian (German ancestry notwithstanding) can play Scriabin like this. A must buy, if you can find it. ■

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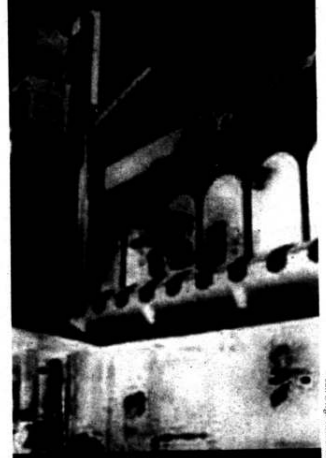

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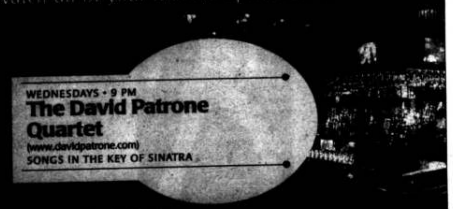

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Spyro Gyra *[697]* and **Chris Botti** *[689]*: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 20, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Janet Jackson *[628]* and **112:** San Diego Sports Arena, Wednesday, September 26, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-220-8497.

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Randy Travis *[783]*: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, October 11, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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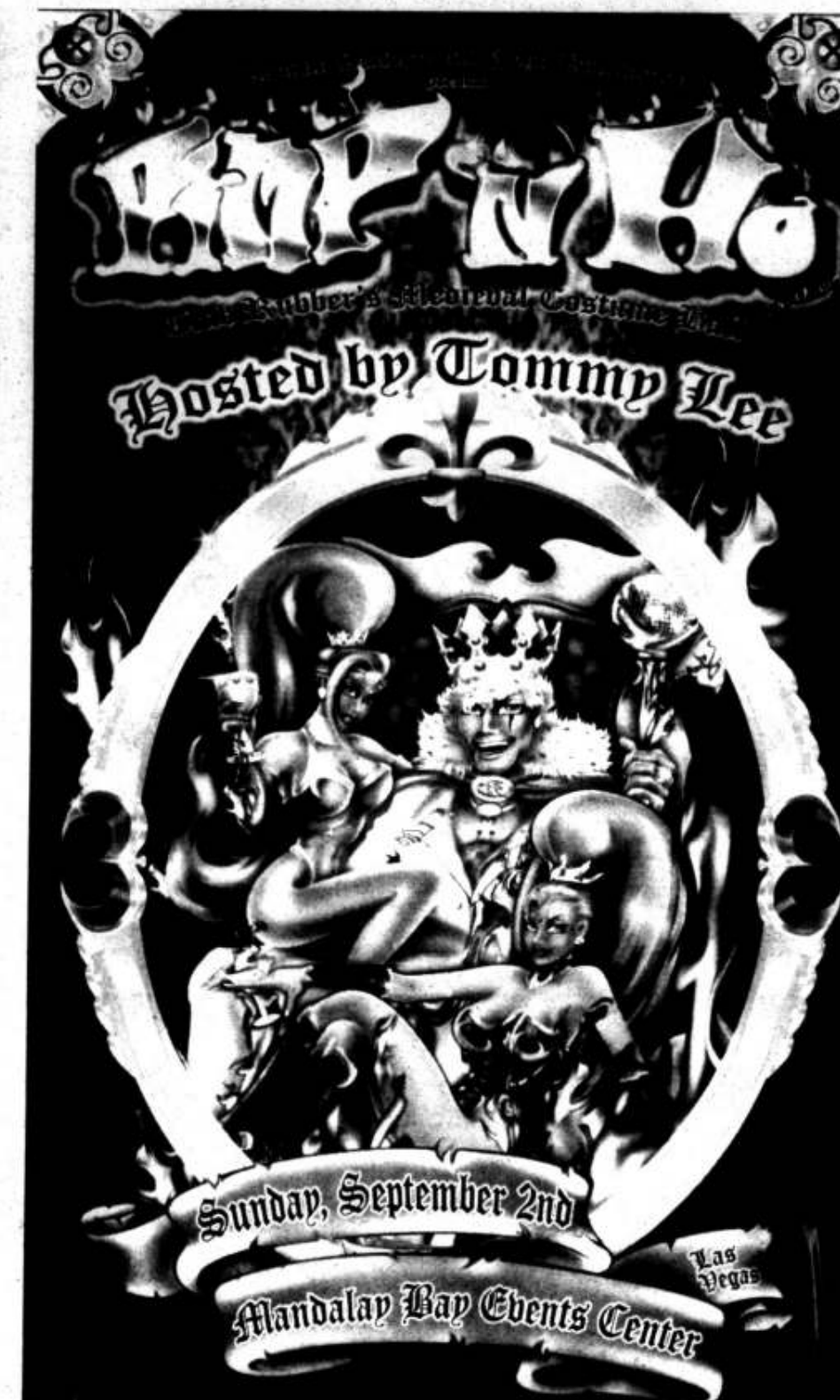

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361 ... **Inara:** The Casbah
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186 ... **Gregory Page:** Jove Joe's Coffeehouse
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114 ... **Doodbolt:** Tiki House
Deeper Purple: Brick By Brick
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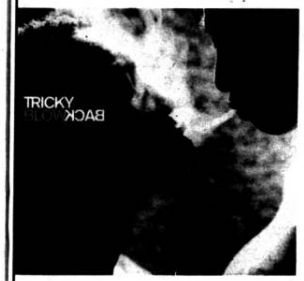

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489 **Private Domain:** Dick's Last Resort, Cannibal Bar
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410 **Eve Selis:** Humphrey's
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Higher Ground: Jimmy Love's
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The Marinators: Kelly's Pub
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The New Breed Band: The Alley, The Filling Station
The New Standard: Humphrey's
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622 **Robberecht the Pianoman:** Roger's on 5th
Roz and the Wrecking Crew: Jimmy Love's
S.O.B: The Raintree
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JAZZ/ BIG BAND

711 **Agua Dulce:** Belly Up Tavern
Frank Alves: Wildwood Restaurant
649 **The B-Side Players:** Belly Up Tavern
The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies
Black Mambo: Juke Joint Cafe
670 **Breezin':** The Coast Cafe (Embassy Suites Hotel)
703 **John Cain:** Hotel del Coronado
The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bar
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The Gilbert Castellanos Hammond B-3 Trio: Lilo's
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Mike Cea: Solana Beach Coffee Company
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Sharman Duran: Dizzy's
The Mike Eldred Trio: Belly Up Tavern
Aubrey Fay Band: Juke Joint Cafe
Donnie Finnell & Company East: Valentino's Jazz Supper Club, The Tin Fish
638 **Glen Fisher con Alma:** Croce's Jazz Bar
Five O'Clock Shadow: Solana Beach Coffee Company, The Beach House, Humphrey's
Bob Hamilton: Lilo's
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OF NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

I was waiting in line at the world's slowest coffee place the other day, listening to a godawful Gloria Estefan song blare over the speakers, when I thought, This is pop music: trite lyrics repeated over and over until — even if you hate the song — you know its title, so it's easier to look for it in your local shopping mall.

As revelations go, I admit it wasn't much, but it disturbed me because I love pop music. I like a concise song structure and a pretty melody and a hook I can sing along with. But, the fact is, I also hate pop music for the same reason — its song structures are predictable, its melodies obvious, its hooks hungry for attention.

I think **Matthew Sweet** feels the same ambivalence. He's spent his career gathering elements of the Beatles, Big Star, the Beach Boys, and other pop greats and then reassembling them. At his best, as on the breakthrough early-'90s album *Girlfriend*, his influences are integrated into his own vision, and the result is beautiful and honest. At other times, he sounds like a craftsman who has come to hate his job. He takes a heartbreaking melody and puts it in a song called "Someone to Pull the Trigger," about taking part in a suicide pact. He takes a tender love song and gives it a refrain that goes "sick of myself when I look at you, something is beautiful and true." He shuts up and lets his (excellent) guitar players solo all over the place.

It's Sweet's ambivalence that keeps him from being a real pop star, like Estefan. And thank God for that.

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Rich's: 1051 University Avenue, Hillcrest. Call club for nightly information, 619-497-4588.

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Skies Lounge: Thursdays, *Salsa Fever*, salsa and merengue with DJ Charlee "El Pesao" Pena. Fridays, DJ Regin spins *Party Mix*, old school to current dance hits. Saturdays, *Salsa Fever* with DJs Juan "Kaliente Mix" Serrano, Alex "El Heavy" Ramirez, and Jose "Ole" Velazquez. Four Points Hotel, Sheraton San Diego, 8110 Aero Drive, San Diego. 858-277-8888, x7038.

Solstice: Mondays, resident DJs Phil the Snakeman, Steven Flex, Charlie Rock, and Merrin 8 spin hip-hop and rare groove. Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844.

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OF NOTE

BY RICHARD MELTZER

Modus ponens. Modus tollens.

If a. Then b. Not b. Then not a.

"From Morenci, Arizona, where the copper mines blow, I can see Clifton and the valley below."

"They saved Hitler's c**k, they hid it under a rock. I discovered it last night, I couldn't even believe my eyes. If Hitler's c**k could choose its mate, it would ask for Sharon Tate."

"I can pick your face out from the front or behind. You may look pretty, but I can't say the same for your mind."

If **Depeche Mode** did songs like THAT, well, you can bet your boots I would at least acknowledge it.

If Depeche Mode became Depeche Modem... um, sorry, I don't have any Depeche Mode jokes up my sleeve.

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North County

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Performances are from 9 pm to 1:30 am. Thursday and Friday, *the Rhythm Dogs*, pop, jazz. Saturday and Wednesday, *the New Breed Band*, pop.

The Beach House, 2530 South Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-753-1321. Performances begin at 7 pm, except Sunday, 3:00 pm. Thursday, *Carl Robinson*, soft rock. Friday, *Trio du Jour*, jazz. Saturday, *the Justin Brothers*, acoustic. Sunday, *5 O'Clock Shadow*, jazz. Wednesday, *Semisi & Fulahula*, reggae.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Friday, 5:30 pm, *the Mar Dels*. 9:15 pm, *Dave Wakeling*, ska, with *Tower 7*, alternative. Saturday, 9:15 pm, *the B-Side Players* with *Carlos Washington and the Giant People*. Sunday, 8:30 pm, *Brian Setzer and the Mike Eldred Trio*. Monday, 8 pm, *Matthew Sweet*, *Mini Bar*, and *Phantom Planet*, alternative. Tuesday, *Strikes and Gutters*, *Severely Misunderstood*, and *the Classical*. Wednesday, 8:30 pm, *High Vibe Galactic*, *Spaceman Spiff*, and *Agua Dulce*, jazz.

Big Jim's Old South Bar B Q, 190 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas. Saturday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Short Leash*, classic rock.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, *the Sue Palmer Trio*, jazz.

Borders Books and Music, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Friday, 8 pm, *David Humphries*, acoustic rock. Saturday, 8 pm, *Steve Hale*, folk.

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The Del Dios Country Store, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733. Friday, *the Working Cowboy Band*, country. Saturday, *Tumbleweed*, country.

The Filling Station, 9522 Miramar Road, San Diego. 858-578-0757. Thursday and Friday, *the New Breed Band*. Saturday, *the Rhythm Dogs*. Sunday through Wednesday, call club for information.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday and Wednesday, *Vatican Dance Party*. Friday and Saturday, *Detroit Underground*, rock and soul.

The Grouchy Gaucho, 29000 Lilac Road, Valley Center. 760-749-8041. Friday, 9 pm, *Nitro Express*, country.

Henifin's Irish Pub, 13314 Poway Road, Poway. 858-486-0764. Friday, *Hecklstone*, Irish folk. Saturday, open mike.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *Close to Nowhere*, rock. Saturday, call club for information.

Jammers Java, 218 A North El Camino Real (in the Wiegand Plaza next to AMC Theaters), Encinitas. 760-942-JAVA. Friday and Saturday, *Stan Grigon*, acoustic.

Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 760-743-7665. Friday, *AWOL*, *Still Dreadful*, and *Downingsode*. Saturday, *Thurmas*, *Tribal Lust*, *The Horny Natives*, and *Nozzle Loaders*.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, *Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors*, rock. Friday and Saturday, *Serious Guise*, classic rock.

La Casa del Zorro, 3845 Yaqui Pass Road, Borrego Springs. 760-767-5323. Fox Den: Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Tony Lencioni*. Sunday and Monday, *Dick Matson*, piano/vocals.

La Costa Coffee Roasting Co., 6965 El Camino Real, Suite 208, La Costa. 760-438-8160. Music hours are from 7 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *Bob Karwin*, contemporary. Saturday, *Linda Sargent*, folk.

La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge, La Costa Resort and Spa, Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad. 760-438-9111. Friday and Saturday, live pop music.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *Wally Passet and Snake Bite*. Tuesday, 6 pm, *the David Patrone Quartet*, jazz. Wednesday, *Is Is*.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Call club for information.

The Metaphor Coffeehouse, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Friday, *the Rag Poets*, folk. Saturday, *Fresh Off the Boat*, rock. Monday, Dixieland jazz.

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *John Lowery*, folk. Saturday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *InARhythm*, folk. Sunday, 10 am to 1 pm, live music.

Mocha Marketplace, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-2112. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *the McNallys*, contemporary.

Molly Malone's Sports Tavern, 1270 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-9050. Friday and Saturday, 9 pm, *Eagle Pass*, country. Wednesday, 8 pm, *Hill Country*.

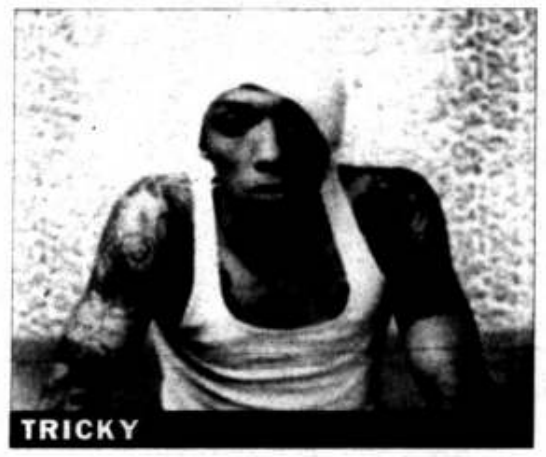
Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, 6:30 pm, in the carousel, *the Credit Union*. Friday, 10 pm, *the Tribe of Judah*, reggae. Sunday, *El Jardin*.

OF N!TE

BY DAVE GOOD

Blowback is being called **Tricky**'s most radio-friendly work ever. He says he owes it all to his new diet. He claims junk food drove him insane. He said he suffered from deep depression. It showed in his work. Last year, Tricky got hooked up with a psychotherapist who told him to cut out sweets. He dropped the processed foods, went all-macro, and, as a consequence, now makes happier music.

Born Adrian Thaws in the UK, Tricky has been called the Trip-Hop Witch Doctor and Lord of the Slow Beats. His career began in the late '80s with Massive Attack; he went solo soon after the release of *Blue Lines*. He moved to New York and began to release uneasy-listening records in collaboration with Neneh Cherry, DJ Muggs, Grease, Gravediggaz, and Terry Hall. If Tricky borrowed, then it was to take others' moods and excesses even further off-center. If early Tricky smacked of an artist who was looking for a gimmick, then, by 1995, the British press had given him one. It dubbed his *Maxinquaye* something new: trip-hop, and it included him in what would later be defined as the Bristol sound. But dissect any record by Tricky, and you will find his musical influences laminated together in thin layers like a bogus ID. One hears sonic backwash from Marilyn Manson to Snoop Dogg, from Prince to Brian Eno.


TRICKY

Tricky is essentially a rapper but fancies himself a poet: "I am she/Fists are clutching/Breast stroke/Hotel/Motel" (from "Abbaon Fat Tracks"). A majority of Tricky's songs are about nookie — especially the ugly kinds. With techno beats, dubs, and dark synth undercurrents, the Tricky experience is music for foam-dance night in the concrete pleasure pit of some discrete rave. He understands, and works, all the angles — Tricky's live gigs feature dramatic lighting that allows only brief glimpses of his tattooed, shaved, emaciated figure.

Emiliana Torrini opens.

*(To hear a sample of **Tricky,** call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4399.)*

TRICKY, 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, August 11, 8 p.m. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497. $17.50.

The Raintree, 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Friday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *S.O.B.*, contemporary.

The Roadhouse, 2102 Main Street, Ramona. 760-788-1944. Friday, *Cherry Suede*, rock. Saturday, *Mindsize*, rock.

Solana Beach Coffee Company, 437 South Highway 101, Solana Beach. 858-792-1553. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Acoustic Theory*. Saturday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *3 O'Clock Shadow*, swing, blues, and jazz. Sunday, 11 am to 2 pm, *Mike Cea*, jazz.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *Bone*, rock. Saturday, *a.m. vibe*, alternative.

Valentino's, 11828 Rancho Bernardo Road, Rancho Bernardo. 858-451-3200. Friday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, and Saturday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Donnie Finnell and Company East*, jazz.

Wildwood Restaurant, 1433 South Mission Road, Fallbrook. 760-731-0007. Friday, 8 pm to 10 pm, *Frank Alves*, jazz.

Beaches

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *the PhD's*, rock. Friday, *the Revelations*, reggae. Saturday, *Steve White*, *the Backwater Blues Band*, *Larry Cogan*, *Blues Invaders*, *Len Rainey*, *Lafayette & the Leasebreakers*, *the Shelltown Horns*, *Billy Thompson*, *Steve Wilcox*, and *Sue Palmer*. Sunday, *Curtis Salgado*, blues, and *North Strangers*, alternative rock. Monday, *Ribotlavin*. Tuesday, *Janiva Magness*, blues. Wednesday, *the Wide Band*, rock.

'Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Friday, *Saint Dog*. Saturday, *Tricky* and *Emiliana Torrini*. Monday, *F.O.N.*, *Larger Than Life*, *Rochelle Rochelle*, and *Three Piece Scandal*. Tuesday, *Saves the Day*, *Dashboard Confessional*, *Reggie & the Effect*, and *the Ultimate Fake Book*. Wednesday, *DAMA*, *After Black*, *VIII Fraud*, and *Scare Tactic*.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-539-8650. Friday, *Rockola*. Saturday, *Sabotage* and *Private Domain*. Sunday, *U B Jammin*.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues. Friday, *Paul & Shirleen Nichols*, blues.

The Coast Cafe, in the Embassy Suites Hotel, 4550 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla. 858-453-1418. Friday, *Breezin'*, jazz.

The Crescent Shores Grill (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Friday and Saturday, 8 pm, *the Mike Woffard/Holly Hofmann Jazz Quartet*. Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Dejablu*, jazz.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. All shows start at 8 pm. Thursday, *the Allen Camp Band*, *Agave*, *RDG*, and *Channel One*, rock. Friday, *the Blockheads*, *Beermutt*, *Jack Shrivelsack & the Teenage Beer Whores*, and *Changing Names*, punk. Saturday,

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Galoka, 5662 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-551-8610. Thursday, *Latin Express.*

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *Solreel,* rock. Saturday, *the O'Brien Brothers,* Irish folk.

Java Joe's Coffeehouse, 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Jason Mraz* and *Toca Rivera.* Friday, *Jane Stanley.* Saturday, *Paul Abbott, Jeff Berkley, Joy Eden Harrison, Gregory Page, C.J. Hutchins, Jason Mraz, Mary Dolan, Derek Duplessie,* and *Carlos Olmeda.* Sunday, *Jefferson Jay.* Wednesday, *Robin Henkel,* blues.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, and Sunday through Wednesday, 6:30 pm, *Barry Levich,* piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, *Kristi Rickert,* piano.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, *the Joey Bowen Band,* rock and soul.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Club Tremors, call club for information.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Jack Pollack,* piano. Tuesday and Wednesday, *Stephen Knight.*

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San Diego

Anthony's Star of the Sea, 1360 North Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-232-7408. Thursday and Friday, 5:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Duo,* Brazilian-Latin jazz.

The Bahia Belle Cruise, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 pm. Friday, *B Natural,* pop. Saturday, *the Nude Blues.*

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The Blue Agave, 6608 Mission Gorge Road, San Diego. 619-521-3194. Call club for information.

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Club Hollywood, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102. Call club for information.

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Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9:30 pm, *Quiet Storm,* jazz and blues. Friday, 9:30 pm, *Eve Selis,* roadhouse rock. Saturday, 9:30 pm, *Makai,* disco, dance. Sunday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time,* jazz. Monday, 6:30 pm, *Five O'Clock Shadow,* jazz, blues, and swing. Tuesday, 8:30 pm to midnight, *the New Standard,* funk, dance. Wednesday, *Quiet Storm.*

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Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle Bossa-Jazz Quartet.*

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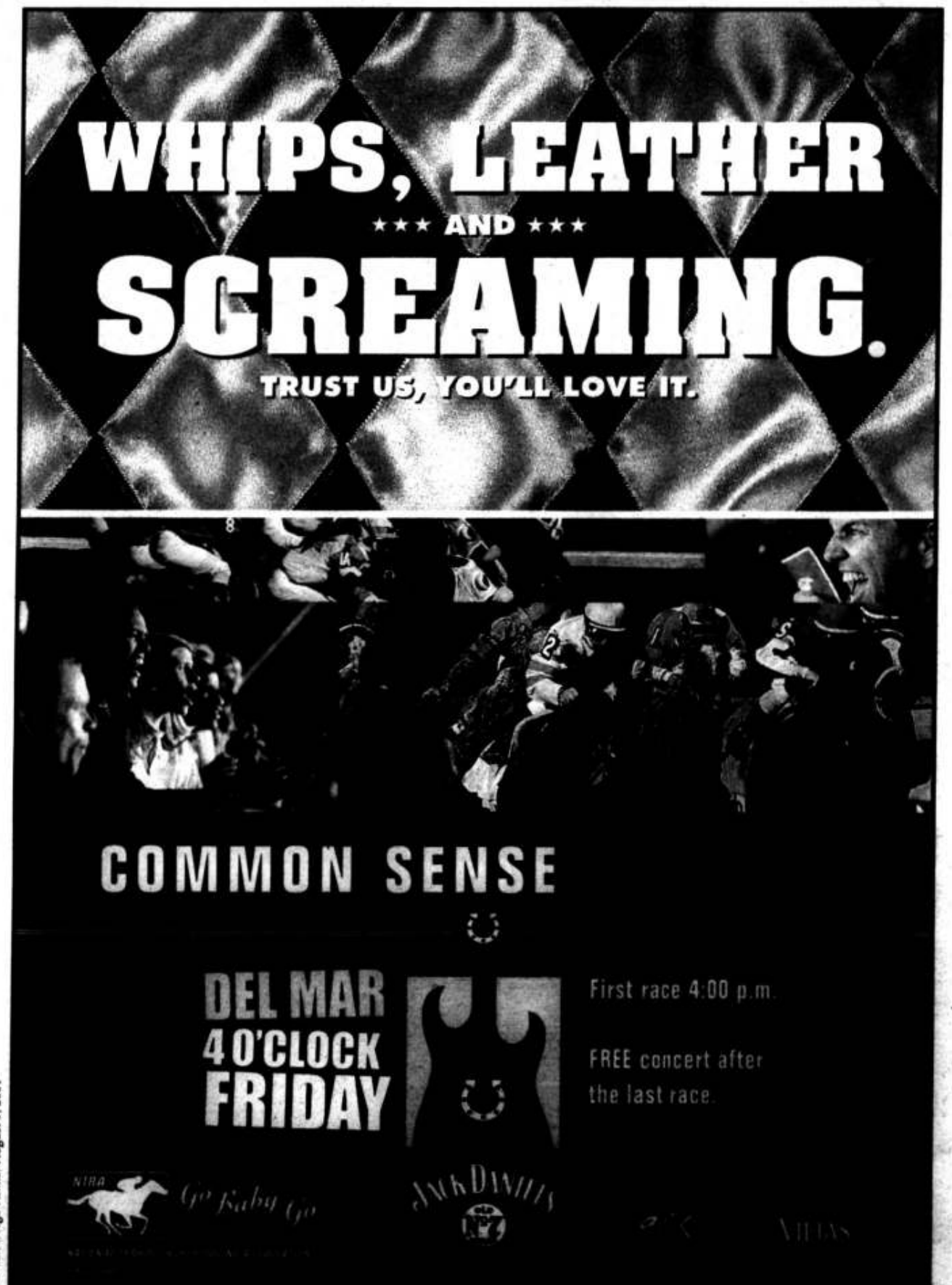

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Di-mond Jim's Nightclub, 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Friday and Saturday, *the Vatican Dance Party,* rock.

Hotel del Coronado, 1550 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-6611. Babcock & Story: Thursday and Sunday, 4:15 pm to 8:15 pm, also, Monday through Wednesday, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Tony Lasley,* jazz. Friday and Saturday, 4:15 pm to 8:15 pm, *Jordano,* Flamenco guitarist, 8:30 pm to 12:30 am, *Barbara Jamerson,* jazz.
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McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Thursday, *Big City Shaman,* blues. Friday, *Four Way Street,* acoustic. Saturday, *the Offbeats,* rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *Joey Harris,* acoustic, 8 pm to midnight, *Ron's Garage,* acoustic. Monday, *Steve Brewer,* acoustic folk. Tuesday, *Jim Moore,* acoustic. Wednesday, *Phil Lean,* folk.

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Borders Books & Music, 159 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon. 619-593-5119. Saturday, 8 pm, *Larry Horne,* blues.

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Pine Valley House, 28841 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley. 619-473-8708. Friday and Saturday, *the Lot Lizards,* country.

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REVIEW
NAOMI WISE

In the last chapter of our story, you may remember that I was frantically searching for the right restaurant to take old friends visiting from El Paso. Jane and Paul may have landed in a culinary high desert, but their tastes were shaped in New York and San Francisco (where we first met as neighbors in the same building). Now Janie (a Jackie Kennedy lookalike, by the way) pines for flavors West Texas doesn't provide. "Eating Italian, especially fresh seafood Italian, absolutely trips my trigger," she e-mailed. "We're being more self-indulgent than usual on this trip, and good food is a large part of that."

So Paul and Janie drove 14 hours to eat fresh fish. The third restaurant I scouted before they arrived fit their bill: DeMedici, Italian, with good food, fresh seafood. And the sidewalk terrace with a front-row-center view of the perpetual Gaslamp spectacle? Pure gravy.

At the "scouting" visit, I ate indoors, enjoying the creamy-toned, carpeted dining room decorated with large sepia drawings and framed pictures in the style of Quattrocento Florence. The crowd at the well-spaced tables was on the spiffy side, the men in crisp shirts, the women in cleavage. We arrived to a tenor warbling Verdi, and in the course of dinner we traversed the pseudo-Puccini of Carmine Coppola to conclude with a lengthy medley from Dean Martin. As we left, we noticed an autographed photo of Jerry Lewis in an alcove near the front door. The manager, seeing us parsing the pic, told us that Lewis is a regular at DeMedici when he's in town, so I guess he and Martin must finally have made up, or he'd run screaming from that sound-loop.

Dino was crooning again when we arrived with our roving Texans — you remember: "When an eel nips your hip when you're taking a dip — that's a moray! When a fish fangs your face while you're treading in place — that's a moray..." (Morays aren't edible, so they're one species DeMedici doesn't serve.) We'd purposely parked in a lot several blocks south, to give our friends a strolling taste of the Gaslamp. Almost every corner that weekend evening held a Happening: A bad Bob Dylan imitator was noodling near the parking lots, a better one was ensconced with amps a couple of blocks further north. Two guys sporting large Afros and spangly shirts strolled past a half dozen Christian teenagers yelling at us to discover Jesus, and a dozen Hare Krishnas (did you think they were extinct or restricted to airports?) were chanting and drumming as they marched up the sidewalk. We continued to enjoy the parade from DeMedici's street-noisy patio.

Fried calamari, both the rings and the tentacles utterly tender and dusted with the lightest breading, were among the best I've tasted in town. Their dipping sauce was a steaming-hot, lightly garlicky marinara. (Although it was delicious, I found it too heavy for the sprightly squidlings and contented myself with spritzes of lemon juice.) An appetizer not to miss was the angelic seafood cannelloni, a delicate crepe stuffed with (slightly overcooked) shrimp and spiny lobster dice, in a lyrical, coral-pink light cream sauce. We also enjoyed fresh *mozzarella di bufalo* and prosciutto, with subtle, satiny cubes of authentic Italian water-buffalo cheese wrapped in unusually juicy imported prosciutto. Drizzled with excellent olive oil and a bit of vinegar, they gained extra zing from a bed of fresh basil leaves.

"The service here is just tremendous, really professional," Janie observed as the staff managed to clear away our appetizer plates and replace our silver so gracefully that we barely noticed them. "They don't get in the way," Paul continued the thought, "or make you feel like they're hovering, like they do in snotty restaurants." As we happily caught up on old friends and new gossip ("He's married to HER now?"), we enjoyed an exemplary "seafood wine," a vibrant Ferrari-Carrano Fume Blanc from the lower financial reaches of the wine list ($24).

DeMedici's kitchen artistry reaches its height with several simple, fresh fish entrées. Since the menu is ridiculously long, we gladly followed the evening's "chef's recommended seafood" suggestion and enjoyed a spectacular Sole Portofino — a baked fillet of petrale sole, stuffed with shrimp, lobster, and crab. Embraced by a very light, faintly sweet breading, the fish arrived tremblingly tender on a hot iron platter wreathed with piped, oven-crisped mashed potatoes (ahh, mash *without* garlic, for a change!), and garnished with crisp, oven-roasted carrot sticks and buttery if rather limp snow peas.

Janie fulfilled her longings with a flawless Seabass Maremonte. The thick slab of Chilean sea bass (a.k.a. Patagonian toothfish) was sautéed in extra-virgin olive oil with garlic, white wine, and sliced button mushrooms, and served over firm saffron-gilded *arborio* rice. Jane positively purred to find the fish cooked "*à pointe*," precisely perfect. "This is exactly what I've been missing!" she said. "We're so far from the ocean that all the fish in El Paso restaurants tastes frozen, and they always cook it to death. This just hits the spot." But the firm, flaky, snow-white meat and glorious, near-sweet flavor of the sea bass also demonstrated why this fish story may be headed for a sad ending: Chilean sea bass has been so overfished that it's dwindling toward extinction. I'd happily accept the substitution of our scrumptious local corvina and baquetta bass

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species for however many years it'll take for the toothfish to regain its grip on life.

Cioppino Marechiaro was another hit. This seafood stew reputedly originated among the commercial fishermen in San Francisco (where its main ingredient is Dungeness crab) — but DeMedici does it vastly better than any restaurant at Fisherman's Wharf, with a sauce that's far kinder to delicate seafood than the Wharf's coarse "tomato gravy." Here, clams, shrimp, calamari, mussels, cubes of salmon, and several species of whitefish are bathed in a light, velvety bath of tomato and white wine with a hint of saffron. When the bowl arrives, all the seafood is still very tender (but you have to eat fast, because the hot broth keeps cooking it).

All was not entirely wine and roses, though. Italy's culinary virtue centers on freshness rather than fanciness, with a daily diet that relies on the best produce of the season. Like most other San Diego Italian restaurants, alas, DeMedici serves a salad of beefsteak tomatoes that are merely crisp, not ripely sweet (in late July, high tomato season!). And as sensitively as the kitchen treats its fish and calamari, it can be brutal with shellfish. The most tragic victim was a Lobster Diavolo, a sawed half of a big bruiser of a spiny lobster balanced on a heap of linguine, its legs hanging over the edge of the plate. After precooking, evidently its meat is removed, diced, and returned to its shell with spicy marinara sauce. At your order, the monster is reheated until its meat turns into a hot, spicy, chopped-up Superball. The same tendency beset our chewy Scampi Vesuvio and all the exoskeletal species represented in a Frutti di Mare, an appetizer sampler of hot and cold seafood. The problem is, a lot of people in San Diego actually prefer overcooked seafood. "I think it's a fear that people have here — 'No, no, you cook my shrimp and my shellfish well done!' "says DeMedici's general manager Mario Valerio. "I guess they fear the delicacy of the shellfish and fish. The majority of people here, when the halibut is cooked to perfection, they'll go, 'Ehhh — I'll try it.' " (Well, personally, I still want seafood that's juicy-tender, even if I have to fight the current, and I won't stop preaching this gospel until everybody else converts and gets it right!)

"All pasta dishes below are the owner's mother's personal recipes," says the menu. The sauces on our pasta show that Mamma was indeed an excellent cook. Regardless of the crustaceans' condition, we loved the buttery linguine and zesty marinara that accompanied the lobster and scampi.

Another of the owner's mother's recipes shapes the restaurant's unusual rendition of cannoli. They're done in authentic Sicilian style, with crunchy, cookie-like shells surrounding a filling of ricotta and chocolate chips — but with an unexpected nip of nose-tingling pungency. "Is that, um, nutmeg?" Paul asked. "Hmm, maybe mint liqueur?" I speculated. It turned out to be tiny chips of powerful Mexican cinnamon.

All the desserts are housemade. My favorite was a retro plateful of profiteroles, sumptuous little cream-puffs filled with barely sweetened whipped cream and anointed with fine, bittersweet chocolate syrup. A spongecake-based tiramisu was so light it tasted like a sweet breeze. I was less fond of the eggy crème brûlée, which (in place of a brown sugar topping) sported a thin glaze of berry jam, distinctly burned by the heat of the salamander. Janie — a great devotée of puddings and custards — found it lovely. Taking the bitter with the sweet, the desserts were capped off with the best espresso I've had in quite a while.

My friends decided to help me "rate" the restaurant but were loath to try grappling with the paper's stringent four-star scale. "On a scale of 1 to 10, this'd be a 7," said Jane. The rest of us nodded. "In El Paso, it'd be a 20," said Paul.

ABOUT DEMEDICI

Salvatore ("Sal") Vitale was born in the U.S. to a mother from Palermo, Sicily, and a father from Verona. His family was in the restaurant business, and even as a child he cooked alongside his mother. While he was growing up, his family returned to Italy for several years, and he remembers with especial pleasure how his mother would make *bolognese* sauce and pasta on Sunday afternoons and serve it to the whole family at a table out in the garden. He always dreamed of opening his own restaurant. About six years ago, he opened DeMedici and was able to entertain his mother there every evening for the rest of her life.

The recipes come from several sources. "Our chef, Ricardo Macias, is the chef I've worked with for 28 years," says general manager Mario Valerio. "I used to manage Anthony's Star of the Sea — I was there for 30 years — and when Mr. Vitale and I opened this restaurant about 6 years ago, the chef from there came over here, and we combined the dishes he knew with Mr. Vitale's mom's recipes." Vitale made his own contributions: "Half of the seafood recipes are mine. For instance, I went to school in Messina, and the *involtini de spada*, rolled stuffed swordfish, came from a restaurant there called Canopieri. The sea bass with mushrooms was my mother's.

"I use the best of everything," he continued. "We have 15-ounce Provimi veal chops, 12-ounce, aged, corn-fed filet mignons from the Midwest. The fish is brought in daily, and the seafood chefs cut the fish every day." The fish come from Pacific Shellfish, Leong Kuba, and San Diego Seafood. "They charge a little more, but it's worth it," says GM Valerio, who's in charge of seafood procurement. "We're among the few restaurants to use local calamari, versus the imported calamari. It tends to be a little more expensive, but it's very tender, it's not chewy, it's not injected with water. I get pink Mexican abalone from Pacific Shellfish, too, and nobody has abalone like we do; it's so tender the way our chef does it. He really cooks from the heart. When he butchers the halibut, he cuts it across the grain, so when it's on the grill cooking, you can lift it up from the bottom with a spatula, and the fish cracks open in the middle so you can see how far it's cooked, but when you lay it back down it closes up like it's never been touched."

I commented to Vitale on the enormous span of his wine list, including a reserve list that includes major French chateaux, rarely found associated with Italian menus. "We have some special guests who come in often and requested them, so we put those on the menu for them," Vitale answered. "There's something for everybody at my restaurant." ■

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Aleppo Heart

I think she wants to take her study of me to a higher level. Homo Impecunious.

"Bonjour, monsieur!"

This is me being, well, okay, pretentious. Blame the sign. "Café de Paris." Course this ain't no swank Gaslamp outfit. This is Faiz — friends call him Frank — standing outside his place, up here where the city kinda hiccups, between downtown and City College. He's a brave man. The neighboring tailor shop has closed, the hotel on the other side looks comatose. Potential clientele seems mainly lite-pocketers, like me, City College students, and a few nervous lawyers hurrying west toward Corporate Canyon. But he came anyway, painted his storefront bright green, hoisted his sign, and put out cloth-covered tables. Now he stands grizzle-bearded, hands on hips, ready for business.

"Hi," he says. "Want to see our lunch special?"

As it turns out, I've still got an hour or so before I'm supposed to pick up Carla at City College. (She's going to check out anthropology courses next semester. I think she wants to take her study of me to a higher level. *Homo Impecunious.*)

"Sure," I say, and follow him in. It's spare, but with a spark of elegance. Cream tiles on the floor, white walls, a bunch of green forest-and-lake paintings, plus *The Kiss at City Hall, Paris 1950*, a big black-and-white French photo. All the tables are covered in floral green tablecloths with dark green mats. The chairs are big, heavy, like judges' wooden chairs. Faiz leaves the menu with me as he takes a dish to the guy sitting opposite.

Looks good, too. A chicken rice soup, followed by a big green salad with a mound of tuna in the middle, and French bread. "Today's special," says Faiz, "$5.95. You want it?"

TIN FORK
ED BEDFORD

Uh, not yet. I want to see what French things he has first. Half of the two-page menu is breakfast, plus American-sounding sandwiches (all $4.50), such as turkey breast, ham and cheese, grilled chicken breast, chicken walnut salad. Straight salads sound American too: grilled chicken Caesar, San Francisco Cobb, Greek salad (all $4.50).

The soups include French onion ($4.45), lentil ($3.50), and the chicken rice ($3.50). But it's the last part, "French lunch and dinner," that I lock on to. Even though they cost a lot more, Cordon bleu steak is $9.99 (with French fries and vegetables). So is the filet mignon and the pepper steak. "Escalope Milanaise" is $8.99. I could have resisted all this except — aagh! I see Sole Meunière is here ($8.99). I'm flashing back to the only school play I was ever in. I was the waiter, holding this smelly plate while the little brat who was the star sang some song about "Heart and Sole Meunière." The last night I somehow dropped it in his lap.

I know. It's $8.99, but for old times' sake.

"It'll take maybe a quarter of an hour," Faiz says. "Fine. No problem."

He brings me a coffee ($1.50) — in a fine china cup and saucer with silver and blue scrolling, no less. I spend the time watching the red trolleys clank past right outside and the big British Airways 777 jet lumbering in, hanging there, slower than the trolley! What a procession.

Faiz comes out with a small bowl of soup. Part of the deal. It's that chicken rice soup, in classy china decorated in gold and green and maroon. I start slurping. Boy, this is tasty. Filling. Lots of chunks of chicken, tomato, potato, vegetables, and rice. Faiz brings a block of French bread to go with it.

Now I see him working in the open kitchen at the back. Flames burst out of his fry pan. He stirs what looks like a sauce in the pan, takes it off the heat, pours it over a plate, piles other things on it, and now he's back, laying it in front of me. Lumps of fish under a brown sauce, with what look like sauteed mushrooms floating around the top. Pile of brown rice pilaf on one side. Slices of raw tomato and cucumber for color.

The fish tastes rich in that wonderful sauce, except it doesn't look like the single flatfish of my school play. It's lots of small pieces. "For the sole, you should tell me a day ahead," says Faiz. "These are small, but they're what I had."

Actually, it's fine with me. They're tender, the 'shrooms really rock, and that sauce is so rich you need the rice pilaf to tamp it down.

Faiz says he's been in the business 30 years. Before, he used to run Lord's. "It was a French restaurant in an old mansion — in Aleppo, Syria," he says. "Red velvet-covered walls. Hundred-year-old lamps. Government ministers would eat there. Lunch would cost, say, $10 to $15. Expensive for Aleppo." He says Aleppo used to be the ancient crossroads between East and West. "It is a special place, and the food! The fruit and the meat have so much more flavor. The atmosphere." You can tell: Aleppo's where Faiz's heart still is. "But my sister lives here. So, I start again."

It's almost three. Carla! *Mujer Impatiensis.* I hurry out. Gotta give Faiz points. The man may not have had a whole sole today, but he has a whole lot of heart.

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ERRATUM: Oops! Sorry about last week. JR's California Café has closed, at least for now. Truth is, I'd been there a while back. Picture me with a three-egg omelet on the face. ■

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"I was very spoiled right off the bat. I started with good wines, and back then, they were cheap."

Ed Moore bought Thee Bungalow from its original owner in 1987 after a long on-again, off-again relationship with the restaurants that occupy three of the four corners at the intersection of West Point Loma Boulevard and Bacon. Starting in 1972, he had worked as a waiter at the Windjammer, located in the building that, until recently, housed the Belgian Lion; then as a waiter at Thee Bungalow; then as general manager at La Maison des Pescadoux seafood restaurant (which had replaced the Windjammer); then as owner of Livingston's Chicken Kitchen (now El Tucan), which occupied the intersection's southwest corner; and, finally, as owner of Thee Bungalow. Along the way, geographical distractions were provided by locations such as Le Cordon Bleu in France, a restaurant kitchen in Los Angeles, classrooms at San Diego State, T.G.I. Friday's in Mission Valley, Gustaf Anders in La Jolla, and Cafe 11 in Hillcrest. (He has now purchased the Belgian Lion's old location and is in the process of converting it into a Mediterranean-themed seafood restaurant named the Third Corner.)

Crush
MATTHEW LICKONA

During his tenure as general manager of a French restaurant, he did the wine purchasing. "We were obviously very heavy into French wines. I was weaned on [Burgundies like] Batard Montrachet and Le Montrachet and Musigny and Richebourg. I was very spoiled right off the bat. I started with good wines, and back then, they were cheap. It was $5.99 for a Mouton Cadet, or let's get a Richebourg for $22.

"Back then [in the late '70s], there wasn't a lot in California wine. There were some big hitters — Freemark Abbey was big for Cabernet, plus Martha's Vineyard from Heitz and Clos Du Val. Spring Mountain was the big Chardonnay, the one we all tried to get. But there really wasn't much more than that; the Martinis and the Mondavis were just sort of starting out. France was where it was at, and Germany was where it was at. People loved German wines back then. That changed a lot. California wines got better; people were proprietary. They went with the local product. People on the West Coast felt you could get a California Cabernet and it was cheaper than a French Bordeaux." And whether the domestic industry intended it or not, its wine "was more toward an American palate — Americans like a little sweetness. They don't like that dust quite as much."

When Moore took over Thee Bungalow, the list had "maybe 100 wines. The former owner didn't drink. He had the basics: some California Cabernets, some Chardonnays, some Pouilly-Fuisses. I think he let his salesmen do most of the ordering in. There were some first-growth Bordeaux there, because occasionally, people would want them." Moore began a gradual expansion. "As the money came in, with what was left over, I might buy an extra case or two of something. Probably by the end of '88 or '89, we had 120 wines, and then 150 the next year, and then 200."

Moore wanted his restaurant to become a wine-lover's destination. In 1989, he sent his list in to the *Wine Spectator* — whatever its faults, the magazine has indisputable clout — and received an Award of Excellence for his wine list, which he has received every year since.

Things began to snowball; the list gained breadth and depth. "There was a period where I increased the wine list pretty fast; it probably started when the '90, '91, '92 vintages came along. There were lots of good wines out there, and there were lots of new wines. The Pahlmeyers and the Fognis and all the rest were coming on. I was very, very active, going up to the wine country two and three times a year. I learned a lot and started shying away from France and some of the other regions. It became pretty easy with California Cabernet, just to buy this and that. I was just buying, and I had a hard time saying no to a lot of good wines."

Besides California Cabernet, "we were expanding into areas like South Africa; we branched into Chile long before most people were going into Chile. I remember the first time I tasted La Playa eight or nine years ago. For, like, $3 I thought, 'This is just a great bottle of wine.' I was trying different wines when it was pretty much tunnel vision elsewhere. When Gallo was trying to make a resurgence back into the varietal wine market, yeah, I put them on the list. For $4, they were making great wine. I didn't care if there was a Gallo name on it." He gained a reputation among sellers as a person who would take an unknown wine or a difficult sell — if he liked it.

He began doing winemaker and owner dinners, riding the wave of winery interest in increased exposure for their newly high-profile personalities. "We've had Joe Heitz, the Cakebreads have been here, the Duckhorns." When such dinners became commonplace and the wineries — sufficiently exposed — backed off, Moore pressed on, happy to do double duty as chef and lecturer in the celebrities' absence. "We look at geography, general wine-growing regions, what's growing... by the fifth or sixth wine, it might be a little more difficult to get people's attention, but for the first three courses, they're learning about the area."

Once a year, he hosts Ed's Reds: three nights, 40 dinners a night, different wines each evening. "I buy [specifically] for Ed's Reds, especially magnums [double bottles]. Every now and then a winery will find 10 or 15 cases of magnums, and I'll buy a case and just bury it someplace. Then I'll bring it back four or five years from now."

Further, "Because I've accumulated certain wines, we can do some fun things with verticals. We did a La Iota dinner two years ago — eight different vintages of La Jota Cabernet. I bought a lot of those wines back when they were dirt cheap, so I didn't have to charge a lot." And years spent in the company of other restaurateurs has gained him access to private cellars loaded with gems that he would otherwise never see. "We're talking about doing a Dunn dinner — nothing but Imperials [large bottles that hold the equivalent of eight normal bottles] of Dunn," an old-style Cabernet with a reputation for agelessness. "I've got friends with enough Dunn in their cellar to last a while — they're not going to drink 'em." ■

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NORTH COASTAL

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THE BRASSERIE La Costa Resort & Spa, Costa Del Mar Road off El Camino Real, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111, x4500. This hotel dining room offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner. All-you-can-eat Sunday buffet brunch with champagne is $32.00. Seafood buffet Friday, from 5:30 p.m. Outstanding service. Reservations recommended. Pisces Delicacies of the Sea is also located in this complex. Expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE 101 631 South Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. Inexpensive. This is the oldest li'l eating establishment in Oceanside. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. The cafe is named after Route 101, the Pacific Highway. Old-timers remember when everyone, from truck drivers to movie stars, would stop for a bite before heading on to San Diego and Tijuana. Try the ABC (avocado, bacon, and cheese) omelet, the 101 original cheeseburger on a grilled bun with its "secret sauce," chicken fried steaks with eggs and, of course, the great Depression dish, biscuits with gravy and home fries. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

D.B. HACKERS SEAFOOD CAFE AND GRILL 101 North Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3162. This simple dining room is enhanced by beautiful watercolors on the walls, and the fish and chips are terrific. The fish (New Zealand hoki) arrives in a golden crust, is well drained and delicious. Fish tacos are also available. If you would like small portions, try the "kiddie" serving. Fresh fish, pastas, and daily specials also worthwhile. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

FIDEL'S CARLSBAD 3003 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-729-0903. A sister restaurant to the venerable establishment in Solana Beach, the stars here are carnitas; quesadilla with chicken, beef, or pork; tostada supreme, and breast of chicken Milanesa. Open daily lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

HILL STREET COFFEE HOUSE 525 South Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-966-0985. Organic in Oceanside? Really! Look for the sign: "Organic Restaurant and Espresso Bar" in front of a restored yellow-and-white Victorian house from O'side's past. The menu is full of healthy dishes: tofu/spinach breakfast scramble, *frittata espinaca* ("Greek eggs"), and *pain perdu* (for us peasants that's French toast) with fresh fruit and syrups. After 11:00 a.m., try their Cajun chicken. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

MCCABE'S FLYING BRIDGE 1105 North Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-722-1151. This cantilevered marvel should be on some historic site list. Open since 1943, its dining room juts out over the San Luis Rey River, and come sunset, you're in a "flying" gallery watching the river, trains and the mighty ocean blazing with color. Dinner specials are cheap, standards are moderate, and if you're really strapped, the coffee shop has no view, but offers rock-bottom dinner prices. A moderate-priced and generous Sunday brunch in the dining room offers chartlipagne, prime rib, and shrimp till you drop. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

MILTON'S DELICATESSEN, GRILL AND BAKERY 2660 Via de la Valle, Flower Hill Mall, Del Mar, 858-792-2225. You'll find 200 items on the menu. They include Jewish deli; Chicago-style pizza; and grilled ribs, steaks, vegetables. Two recommended items: Chinese chicken salad and skirt steak sandwich. Not the greatest Jewish deli, not the worst. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

OSCAR'S 1305 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas, 760-632-0222. Here's a good place to take children or to enjoy a low cost, unpretentious meal. The menu consists of pizza, barbecue chicken and ribs, sandwiches, salads. The best bet is the chicken-rib combination for two with salad in a bowl large enough for four and hot bread sticks. Fun for a casual meal. Same menu lunch and dinner, continuous service. Branches in Carmel Mountain and Mission Valley. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

PACIFIC COAST GRILL 437 South Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-794-4632. Many dishes here are under $10.00. Best bets: baby back ribs, fresh fish, variety of burgers served with salad and fries presented in a paper bag. Sunday brunch from the menu, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Warm, casual atmosphere. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

SPICES THAI CAFE 9810 Valley Centre Drive, Piazza Carmel Shopping Center, Del Mar (east of Carmel Valley turn-off), 858-259-0889. Superb Thai restaurant that's not only elegant but whose food contains no MSG and very little fat. The seafood dishes rate highly. Among other delicacies are duck and frog legs. Put Spices Thai Cafe at the top of your list. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

SUSHI @ LA KAZ 3870 Valley Centre Drive, Carmel Valley, Del Mar, 858-792-5509. Outstanding, sophisticated sushi includes caterpillar roll (eel and avocado), soft-shell crab roll, tempura roll. Good hot dishes include "Dynamite" and sukiyaki. Elegant sushi. Closed Sunday. Open for lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

TORREY PINES CAFE 2334 Carmel Valley Road, 858-259-5878. The menu is similar to the sister restaurant, the Bird Rock Cafe, with many salads, pastas, and an excellent Sunday brunch. But there are terrific new additions: paella and tender short ribs cooked in a barbecue sauce plus mashed potatoes and vegetables. Neither is to be missed. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

NORTH INLAND

150 GRAND CAFE 150 West Grand Street, Escondido, 760-738-6868, *www.150grand.com*. In a comfortable setting, with three dining areas to suit every taste, chef Riko Bartolomei is exploring a genre that can only be called "worldwide adventure food." Elements from all over the globe (Asia, France, North Africa, etc.) appear in fresh, startling combinations that work brilliantly together. The menu changes daily, but many favorites recur over time with slight variations to reflect seasonal produce or creative inspiration. Inventive desserts run light, fresh, and fruity, e.g., mango tart tatin with sweet basil syrup. If you love the food at Pascal 33 or Marine Room, you'll find a

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A LITTLE BIT OF GERMANY 1717 East Vista Way, Vista, 760-941-4626. Authentic German menu offers most of your favorites: chicken in champagne sauce, *sauerbraten* (beef in wine-vinegar sauce), Wienerschnitzel. Hot potato salad, made-on-the-premises *spaetzle*, and strudel major pluses. Call for directions. Closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

BERNARD'O RESTAURANT 12457 Rancho Bernardo Road, Rancho Bernardo Village Shopping Center, 858-487-7171. The restaurant is elegant in food, service and ambiance. The cuisine is California French, menus change every few weeks and best bets are rack of lamb, filet mignon, fresh daily fish and crème brûlée. You'll have a good experience here. Lunch, Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

EL BIZCOCHO Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8550. You get what you pay for at one of San Diego County's premiere dining destinations — stunning new French cuisine in a lovely, civilized room. The left side of the menu lists traditional golf-and-tennis folk favorites (lobster bisque, filet mignon), but the right side is a daily-changing array of creative dishes by chef Patrick Ponsaty, including a five-course tasting menu. These dishes are not merely luxurious, they're the food of thrills and revelations, with flavor combinations that are intense and balanced, audacious and refined. The wine list is awesome and pricey, with numerous half-bottles and some near-bargains in the higher realms (the legendary Chateau Grillet Condrieu at $126). Dress rules aside, the atmosphere is anything but stuffy: A charming room captain puts you at ease and servers are pleasantly attentive. It's an ideal restaurant for a special night out — and the Sunday brunches are lavish, too. Jacket required, ties usual, women's attire chic or prosperously dowdy, reservations essential. Very expensive. — *N.W.*

DELICIAS 6106 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-8000. The room is smashing and the menu offers excellent pastas, fresh fish, first-rate meat and chicken, gourmet pizzas. Open for dinner nightly. Expensive. — *E.W.*

DICRESCENZO'S 11625 Duenda Road, Westwood Shopping Center, Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-2776. Should you be in Rancho Bernardo and seeking great Italian sandwiches or pizzas to eat in or take out, keep this Chicago-style "deli" in mind. The Italian beef and Rocco's Imperial sub are knockouts. Closed Sunday. Open Monday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

HERNANDEZ' HIDE-AWAY Rancho and Lake Drives, Del Dios, Lake Hodges, 760-746-1444. The popular bargain priced breakfast/brunch on Saturdays and Sundays offers steak and eggs, *chilaquiles*, sausage, beans, and omelets. At dinner, most tables sport pitchers of margaritas to wash down standard So-Cal gringo-Mex dishes. Reservations urged, especially for weekends (when non-reservers may have to wait over an hour for a table); ask for driving directions when you call. Weekend brunch; lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

HIDE AWAY CAFE 150 South Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-755-3388. Here's where your mom met your dad the day he bought a long board. The Hide Away is the classic forties California beach café. You have to look carefully down the tiny tree-shaded street to spot their big blue-and-yellow sign. It's a homey little place, with a corrugated iron roof, wooden porch, and a green mantle of gnarly old ivy. Flap through the swing doors. Inhale the good smells from the kitchen. Sit down at one of the intimate tables. Order the jalapeño and grilled red onion omelet with avocado and jack cheese. Or the delicious "Kaleidoscope": scrambled eggs, cheese, bell peppers, onions, and home fries. Finish up with a slice of homemade pumpkin nut bread. Breakfast and lunch only, open daily to 2:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

MANDARIN GARDEN RESTAURANT 8242 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa, 858-566-4720. From the *dim sum* served Saturday and Sunday to its variety of exotic dishes, this restaurant is worth seeking out, especially at dinner. Located in the Mira Mesa Mall, it offers many unusual and hard-to-find appetizers. The noteworthy main dishes are steamed whole fish, twice-cooked pork (spicy), fresh eel served in brown sauce. The extensive menu includes standard dishes favored by Americans. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

MIIKI JAPANESE RESTAURANT AND SUSHI BAR 9823 Carroll Canyon Road, Eucalyptus Square, Scripps Ranch, 858-566-0206. You'll find a first-rate sushi bar tucked away in this tiny shopping center. The fresh yellowtail, scallops in spicy sauce (*hotategai*), or the special order of baked salmon roll are all wonderful. Fifty-three items appear on the sushi list, all prepared by a master chef. The cooked combination plates are also fine. If you sit at the sushi bar, you may be disappointed because chairs, not stools, are used and you can't watch the chef. If you're in the area, don't miss this one. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Sunday, dinner only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

REAL TEXAS BBQ 6904 Miramar Road, 858-566-5235. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, and links that are smoked rather than cooked over a fire. The room is unadorned but very clean. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily, continuous service. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

SAND CRAB CAFE 222 Micro Place (at Opper, off Barham), Escondido, 760-480-2722. Sandy Crabbe (honest, that's his name) owns this fun, funky dive in the wilds of industrial Escondido near the San Marcos border. A visit offers the primordial, preschoolish joy of whacking crabs to pieces with mallets and eating them with your hands. (Bibs are optional.) Everybody gets into the party spirit. There's a huge a la carte list of appetizers, soups, snacks, and main courses, often at bargain prices. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked to a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Most of the shellfish were flash-frozen on shipboard, but they're still tasty. The melted non-butter "spread" accompanying them appeals to the area's many health-conscious residents. (Or you can BYOButter and they'll melt it for you.) Fine tangy housemade key lime pie is a perfect finale. Full bar; not much wine, but good margaritas. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.*

SIRINO'S 113 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-745-3835. French-born chef-owner Vincent Grumel serves Gallic classics in an intimate, small-town bistro setting. This is a cuisine of rich dark sauces robing fine ingredients, such as a huge, flavorful veal chop (no factory calf, that). Mushrooms and vegetables (from local farmers or Grumel's own garden) are the season's best and sensitively treated. Desserts are worth every calorie — save room for the spectacular Bavarian. Full bar, fine wine list. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Saturday. (Closed annually from third week of June to third week of July.) Expensive. — *N.W.*

TONG SZECHUAN 609 North Broadway #E-F (Albertson's Shopping Center), 760-480-9438. The "New Style Favorites" of North County Chinese restaurants feature fresh fruits. Tong's has several variants, mainly cornstarch-battered fried proteins in honey-based sweet-and-sour sauce, lightened with loads of seasonal fruit chunks — pineapple, papaya, pear, etc. They're tasty dishes. For the rest, the Szechuan specialties (hot-and-sour soup, *kung pao*, *ma la*, etc.) are better than the old "Chinese-American" standards on the menu. Lunches are big, bargain-priced, and popular. In this quiet, pretty room, you may overhear northern or western Chinese dialects at nearby tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive (lunch) to low-moderate. — *N.W.*

LA JOLLA

AESOP'S TABLES 8650 Genesee Avenue, Costa Verde Shopping Center, #106, 858-455-1535. The chief attributes of this Greek and Mediterranean restaurant are fresh food, tasty preparation, and low cost. The salads are a good buy. Entrées are large enough for two. All items available for takeout. Lunch, Monday through Saturday. Sunday, dinner only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

AZUL LA JOLLA 1250 Prospect Street, 858-454-9616. The unobstructed ocean view and opulent interior are glamorous. Cuisine is Mediterranean with California influence. Menus change daily. When available try pan-seared scallops and the outstanding asparagus soup, not duplicated anywhere. Fresh fish and seafood. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CHOPAHN 8935 Towne Center Drive #111, Renaissance Towne Center, Golden Triangle, 858-677-0100. Located in a romantic, elegant dining room, this Afghan restaurant offers first-rate food — possibly the best Afghan menu in the city. Be sure to order two or three appetizers and the house specialty Kabob-E-Chopahn, lamb loin chops on a skewer for lamb and chicken kabobs. Rice and vegetables are a good choice for vegetarians. Loving ownership; personalized service. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

CRESCENT SHORES GRILL 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, Hotel La Jolla (formerly Summer House Inn), 858-459-0541. The 11th floor view carries this restaurant. Good preparation of gourmet American food, fish, seafood, steaks, and chicken. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and weekend brunch. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

FLEMING'S STEAK HOUSE AND WINE BAR 8970 University Center Lane, Aventine Complex, La Jolla East, 858-535-0078. Beautiful atmosphere, excellent service, very fine preparations. Very crowded weekends. Steaks and chops first rate. Vegetables à la carte. Open dinners only nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

FOREVER FONDUE 1295 Prospect Street, #201, upstairs, 858-551-4509. If you stay with the cheese fondue, house salad or shrimp with spicy cocktail sauce, you'll have a good meal. Steel plates make food cold. The dinner for two at $38.95 is not necessarily a best buy. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily, call for hours. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

THE MARINE ROOM 2000 Spindrift Drive (off Torrey Pines Road), 858-459-7222. High cuisine, high adventure, high seas, high prices.... With the arrival of chef Bernard Guillas, the romantic Marine Room has become the quintessential great San Diego restaurant. The exhilarating coastal view meets Cal-French-Pacific Rim cuisine that's as exuberantly out-front as the waves whacking the windows. Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with ultra-fresh ingredients makes every visit a voyage of discovery, and preparations are so elaborate that each listing on his precise menu reads like a whole tasting dinner. The wine list is sublime, too; just bring your trust fund. Reservations required; resort-casual to dressy. Call ahead to arrange wheelchair access. Very expensive. — *N.W.*

ROPPONGI 875 Prospect Street, 858-551-5252. In terms of atmosphere and food preparation, one of the best restaurants in La Jolla. Euro-Asian preparations offer 20 appetizers, which include sushi. Don't overlook the Thai soup, Atlantic salmon, duck confit, niçoise salad. Excellent Sunday brunch but be sure to get there early to avoid a long wait. Beautiful interior; excellent service. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

SAMMY'S CALIFORNIA WOOD-FIRED PIZZA 702 Pearl Street, 858-456-5222. You have a choice of 22 wood-fired pizzas, most with exotic toppings. Many come here just for the salads; half orders are served for most salads. Same menu lunch and dinner. Continuous service. Open daily. Downtown location, 619-230-8888. Del Mar location, 858-259-6600. Carlsbad location, 760-438-1212. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

SANTE RISTORANTE 7811 Herschel Avenue, 858-454-1315. The chef has added luster to every dish on the menu, but mostly to the nightly fish and seafood dishes. At least three fresh fish are available every night along with those on the menu. Excellent chopped salad, pasta with mushrooms, ravioli with quail and lamb chops. Separate room for bar; separate private dining room. Lunch, Monday through Friday. Dinner, Monday through Saturday. Enclosed patio for lunch. Not to be missed. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

SUSHI ON THE ROCK 7734 Girard Avenue, 858-456-1138. This noisy, high-energy spot, a boxy, saloon-like space with a sushi bar in back, draws a lively, twenty-something crowd (although older folks will have plenty of company, too). Unlike more traditional sushi bars, there's a vast selection of "rock and rolls" — huge, creative *futo-maki* party sushi. And they're fabulous, with sparkling fresh seafood and immensely clever combinations. Try, for instance, the shrimp tempura roll, which wraps fried shrimp, crab shreds, *daikon* sprouts and Japanese mayo in deep-fried salmon skin — the combo would be just as impressive as an appetizer at a top Cal-French restaurant. The Orange Crush is another sublime invention, fresh and crunchy with veggies and *tobiko* wrapped in suave salmon. Even simple rolls are so well-conceived, and the rice so nicely seasoned, you won't need soy-wasabi dip. The one-time menu of cooked dinner entrees, however, is now minimal. No reservations, long waits (in cramped entryway) on weekends. Full bar, good sake list. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly, with deep discounts for Happy Hour specials. Moderate. — *N.W.*

LA TAVERNA 927 Silverado (at Girard), 858-454-0100. Reservations are a necessity at this tiny trattoria, especially if you'd prefer the relative quiet of the roofed sidewalk patio to the din of the cute but cramped dining room. Don't look for meatballs and red sauce except at lunch because dinner is Tuscan-style, showcasing pastas with simple, fresh sauces. Highlights include chef-owner Mary Ann Vitale's house-made Sicilian-style fennel sausage, and if the feather-light potato gnocchi are a special, just say yes. Save room for a slice of house-made layer cake. Service is downright endearing on weekends, when Jimmy Vitale (the owner's husband) charmingly plays maitre d'. Moderate. — *N.W.*

TRATTORIA ACQUA 1298 Prospect Street, 858-454-0709. You'll do fine if you stay with the simplest dishes: marinated grilled chicken breast on pizza dough, grilled portobello mushrooms, or pasta dishes. Entrées from shores other than Italian don't fare as well. The restaurant is located two flights down and offers an ocean view and patio as well as indoor dining. Elevator located at garage below on Coast Boulevard. Open daily. Inexpensive to upper expensive. — *E.W.*

CLAIREMONT & KEARNY MESA

94TH AERO SQUADRON 8885 Balboa Avenue, 858-560-6771. One of Diego's hidden jewels: there's classic American fare (honey-glazed pork tenderloin, farmhouse chicken) in the "Officers' mess," but better yet is Happy Hour — pig-out heaven! Weekdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m., the free buffet might include a "stroganoff" of Polish sausage, veggies, cheese potatoes, plus raw veggies, nacho chips, and salsa. (Of course, you have to buy something — say, a pitcher of Bud to "feed" two of you.) Thursdays and Fridays, the outside "Runway" grill features kebabs. The biggest attraction is the place itself. Built to mimic a WW I French farmhouse taken over by the 94th, a bunch of Yankee flying aces, it has a garden full of Fokker Triplanes, Nieuports, SE-5s, and live ducks — and right outside, the real Montgomery airfield, so you can fly in and park outside, if you have your own plane. Come at sunset — it's a trip. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

BACI RISTORANTE 1955 West Morena Boulevard, 619-275-2094. If you have been eating low-fat, low-calorie food, consider this place a special treat. Be sure to order at least two pastas (parties of four or more can request a combination pasta plate) and fresh fish or chicken. Excellent fried squid and the best *zabaglione* (dessert) in the city. Salt may be more than usual. First-rate service. Open Monday through Saturday. Closed Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

EMERALD CHINESE SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 3709 Convoy Street, Pacific Gateway Plaza, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6888. San Diego's best Chinese restaurant for fresh seafood and fish. Live fish, prawns, and lobsters are kept in tanks and prepared minutes after you order. Superb dim sum, served daily, is especially fine on Saturday and Sunday, when 100 items are available. Open daily. Upper moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HSU'S SZECHUAN CUISINE Hazard Village, 9350 F-G Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa, 858-279-9799. This restaurant is noted for its hot and spicy Szechuan dishes as well as for its Mandarin specialties. For Mongolian barbecue, you have a

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PHO TAU BAY RESTAURANT Full name: *La Cai Mi Gia, va Pho Tau Bay.* 7604 Linda Vista Road, Linda Vista, 858-268-3161. The building looks like a converted McDonald's, but the interior is oriental and swanky with large fish tanks, blue carpet, gold metallic wainscotting, silk roses, a golden three-foot-tall laughing Buddha, and a red altar with three black-bearded gods. For lunch and dinner you can choose such exotics as quail, boar, alligator, and "Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut Milk and Curry." Breakfast is cheap, filling, and very Vietnamese. Try *Mi Gia*, a gentle rice noodle soup with shredded chicken. Or order *banh mi thit*, eight inches of French bread with traditional South Vietnamese beef stew. Puzzled? Ask for Mr. Le. He will explain all. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

PHUONG TRANG 4170 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750. Don't miss this excellent Vietnamese restaurant where 232 items are offered. The cuisine is healthy, offers great variety, and is pleasing to the eye as well as the palate. Best bets are egg rolls, char-grilled shrimp on sugarcane, ground beef wrapped in grape leaves, prawn salad, rice in earthenware pot, grilled whole fish, spring rolls. Service is swift, the food very tasty — it's low fat and wonderful. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

SAN TONG PALACE 4690 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. This unassuming, strip-mall restaurant is easy to overlook, but once found, impossible to resist. San Tong's hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions tastiest styles. Their Rainbow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. Their seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for Westerners. At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Inexpensive. — *M.N.*

SHOGUN KOBE 5451 Kearny Villa Road, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-7399. This restaurant specializes in well-seasoned Japanese-style steaks, either by themselves or in combination with lobster, shrimp, or scallops. All entrées arrive with soup, salad, rice, and Japanese-style vegetables. Seating is communal at the teppan tables. There's also an attractive, well-stocked sushi bar. Open 7 days, moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE BEACHES

GUAVA BEACH BAR AND GRILL 3714 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-6688. Old-fashioned American cooking such as meatloaf with mashed potatoes and macaroni and cheese (on children's menu) are prepared here, along with Mexican and seafood specialties. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

HARBOR'S EDGE Sheraton Harbor Island Resort, 1380 Harbor Island Drive (across from airport), 619-291-2900. The restaurant has a stunning bay view and contemporary interior. Good California cuisine includes fish, chicken, pastas. For inexpensive diversion, try the Bakery (adjacent to the dining room) where sandwiches and pastries are served. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and Sunday brunch. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HUDSON BAY SEAFOOD 1403 Scott Street, 619-222-8787. Fresh fish and seafood, burgers, and salads served in room on the dock. Great view and you may eat on the outside deck or inside. Very casual. Best bets: fish and chips and fresh fish sandwiches. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

HUMPHREY'S 2241 Shelter Island Drive, 619-224-3577. California coastal cuisine in a newly renovated room with a beautiful bay view. Among the well-prepared dishes, black Angus "baseball cut" steak, grilled vegetable tower, seasoned crusted ahi, prawn cocktail parfait. Excellent service. Open daily for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Sunday buffet brunch. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

JARED'S 880 East Harbor Island Drive, 619-291-1028. The house specialty is steak, offered in a room directly on the harbor. Presentation, in the manner, of Morton's, is to show you the entrées raw. Price of entrée includes nothing else; vegetables, potatoes à la carte. Excellent appetizers, especially five-onion tart. First rate bread and bread pudding. Closed Monday. Dinner only, Tuesday through Sunday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

LAMONT STREET GRILL 4445 Lamont Street, Pacific Beach, 858-270-3060. Select the entrees that cost $11.95 to $16.95 and include salad or soup, potatoes, vegetables, and fresh fruit dipped in chocolate. This restaurant boasts a real fireplace in the heated outdoor patio. It's really romantic. Dinners only, nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

PALENQUE 1653 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-272-7816. Located in a small house, this restaurant serves regional dishes from Puebla, Guerrero, Nuevo Leon, and Mexico City. The food is quite spicy, so if you prefer fewer chiles, say so before ordering. Low-cost items include tortilla soup, *pozole* (spicy broth with hominy topped with fresh lettuce), shredded pork with sausage and salsa, *machaca* (an unusual grilled preparation of sun-dried beef and eggs), and *chiles rellenos* topped with fresh tomato sauce. For authentic regional cooking, it's not to be missed. Open daily, lunch Tuesday through Sunday, dinner nightly. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

SAM CHOY'S HAWAII AT THE BALI HAI 2230 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-222-1181. Unpretentious Hawaiian/Chinese creations emphasize seafood here, in a family-friendly setting with spectacular views. Dinner prices include soup and a salad with an addictive sesame dressing. Simpler entrees are best. Try the coconut-stuffed halibut in pineapple cream sauce or a sashimi lover's sampler of three different fish species, seared "ahi-style." The weekly specials can be risky; wokked entrées run to old-fashioned "Cantonese-American" fare. Full bar, with well-made "umbrella drinks," pitiful wine list. Champagne brunch buffet Sundays. Reservations get a view table. Noisy on Sundays. Moderate. — *N.W.*

SPORTSMEN'S SEAFOODS 1617 Quivira Road, Mission Bay, 619-224-3551. Fifty years ago this restaurant-fish market was a tuna cannery, part of San Diego's late-lamented fishing industry. The same Sicilian family still owns it, and still knows everything about fish and how to cook it. The menu is devoted to the "fruits of the sea" and includes a wonderful seafood platter (shrimp, squid, clams, fish, fries, and salad). And, of course, a crispy-crunchy fish and chips platter. Eat outside on deck, contemplating the small ships on the bay. Open seven days, lunch/early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

THEE BUNGALOW 4996 West Point Loma Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-2884; *www.theebungalow.com.* The very soul of Ocean Beach resides in Ed Moore's charming, comfortable historic "cottage," where the menu covers classic French bistro fare from *pate* to souffle, including comfort-food entrees like *grandmaman* used to make. And like *mamère's*, the cooking is a little inconsistent. Skip the over-rated duck and head for the seasonal specials, the rich stews, and — of course — the *pates* and souffles. When the peppery corn soup is on the menu, leap for it. A huge wine list at very low markups is a special blessing. Slightly dressy; reservations strongly advised. Expensive, but with affordable early-bird weeknight dinners. — *N.W.*

MIDWAY, OLD TOWN & MISSION VALLEY

EL AGAVE 2304 San Diego Avenue (at Old Town Avenue), Old Town, 619-220-0692. Reservations recommended. Wheelchair access difficult (steep ramp). You'll find upscale, unusual Mexican specialties in an intimate Spanish-style dining room or on a small heated balcony. The menu celebrates three great pre-Hispanic cuisines — Aztec, Mayan, Nahuatl — with discreet admixtures of France, Spain, and Italy. (It's the history of Mexico on a plate.) Among the highlights are the five different Oaxacan moles (plus a sixth from Chiapas), Yucatecan-style venison, local sea bass in tangy jamaica (hibiscus) sauce, and a unique appetizer, *tlacogos cuitlacoche*, ovals of blue corn masa topped with a sort of "mushroom" that grows on corn ears. (In English it's called "corn smut," but it tastes much nicer than that sounds.) The bar stocks over 600 tequilas and makes a food-friendly on-the-rocks Margarita with fresh fruit juices. Moderate. — *N.W.*

GEORGIA'S GREEK CUISINE 3550 Rosecrans Street, Grosvenor Square Center, 619-523-1007. This small, immaculate Greek restaurant serves food that will please anyone on a budget. Lunch is an especially good buy. All entrees, as well as sandwiches and appetizers, are prepared for takeout. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

OLD TOWN MEXICAN CAFE 2489 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-297-4330. This boisterous cafe is noted for its excellent breakfasts, served from opening to closing. Try also the rotisserie-roasted chicken, the carnitas, or the fajitas. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

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BARNES BAR-B-QUE 2625 Lemon Grove Avenue (at Cypress, tucked in the back of Liquor Mart Square), Lemon Grove, 619-462-9206. The sign on the window reads: "Soul Food: 99 cents"; inside is the homey solace of good cheer and excellent Memphis-style barbecue. Pork gets star billing: in a sandwich, it appears as tender chunks laced with smoke; on ribs, as luscious, multitextured strips slathered with sauce that balances sweet smoke, citrus tang and a mild, persistent spice. BBQ beans are a revelation, creamy yet substantial, swimming alongside rich bits of pork in a sauce that delivers a sweet molasses bite. Macaroni and cheese is gooey and gummable, a mild counter to the murky, sour/salty greens. On Fridays, you can get Southern-fried catfish or red snapper, plus hush puppies. Inexpensive. — *A.M.*

DULZURA CAFE Highway 94 at Dulzura, 619-468-9591. Breakfast and lunch seven days, dinner Friday through Sunday. Think *Grapes of Wrath*, Okies, the 30s. Dulzura Café is the real thing, serving big hot meals to weary westerners since 1910. The walls are cluttered with license plates, pots, brass cream-separators, corn-shuckers, horse-collars, railroad lanterns, ancient egg-beaters, six-foot snake skins, deer antlers and a seedy stuffed bobcat head. The food's for filling. Big juicy hamburgers with lanky home-cut fries, thick slices of meat loaf, or if you arrive early, steak and eggs or a hefty Denver omelet. This is frontier food before slim spelled "success." Listen for speeding cars rounding the corner as you cross into the dirt parking lot — and watch for the scorpion in the counter-top. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

THE LIVING ROOM COFFEEHOUSE 5900 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-286-8434. With deep-draft couches, Persian carpets, pictures on the wall, chunky wooden tables, and a tree-shaded patio, this Swiss-owned cafe is a student hangout with a lively notice board, a rental computer, and good cheap breakfast food in huge quantities. Try "The Works" omelet, with bacon, ham, onions, tomatoes, pepper, cheese on top, potatoes, fruit, and bread. Later in the day, try their turkey lasagna with fruit and bread. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

LY'S GARDEN 6011 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-265-1885. Although the extensive menu offers Chinese as well as Cambodian specials, it's best to order the Cambodian food. Be sure to ask Mr. Ly for suggestions. Live crab and lobster as well as fresh oysters and shrimp available. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

THE MOUNT SIGNAL CAFE 1201 West Highway 98, Calexico, 760-357-1379. Out in Yuha desert, west of Calexico, this 40-year-old restaurant remains in the era when Mexicali and Tijuana were rivals for the best bullfighters and bulls north of Mexico City. The owner's mom, Maria de Jesus, was a *banderillera*, known to fans as "Manolita," a member of perhaps the only female bullfighting team ever. Surrounded by hundreds of bullfighting photos, you'll find traditional *casera* (homestyle) Mexican dishes. Keep an eye out for old matadors as you dig in. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

SALA THAI 6161 El Cajon Boulevard, Campus Plaza, 619-229-9050. You will find this Thai restaurant as charming as its owner. The menu is extensive, the service attentive. Try the spicy seafood combination or the Chinese specialties. Loving experience and gastronomically satisfying. Open Monday through Saturday for lunch and dinner. Sunday dinner only. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

SUNNY GARDEN CUISINE OF CHINA 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa, 619-464-2288. This neighborhood restaurant (formerly Chang) offers 18 chicken preparations at low cost, plus diced chicken in lettuce cups and smoked chicken with fried greens — the last two are appetizers. Good neighborhood restaurant in gorgeous surroundings. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

TOMMY'S PIZZA 1164 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-440-2676. This old-fashioned pizza house also prepares superb Italian sandwiches that include Italian roast beef, meatball, sausage, and various combinations. Call for hours. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

TYLER'S TASTE OF TEXAS 576 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-444-9297. Insomniacs and lovers of barbecue! Tyler's offers a seven-page menu with Texas specialties available 24 hours a day. Big Texas breakfasts, great barbecue chicken and ribs, chili (no beans!), grits, all-you-can-eat catfish on Wednesday and Friday. Excellent bakery serves homestyle pies. Go ahead, make a fool of yourself. Open every day, 24 hours a day. New branch: 7868 El Cajon Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-466-9295. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ANTIQUE ROW CAFE 3002 Adams Avenue, 619-282-9750. Breakfast, served all day, offers at least 30 items. These include a variety of omelets, eggs Benedict or Florentine, egg burritos, and biscuits and gravy. One portion is enough for two. Dinner offers burgers, Philly steaks. Indoor and outdoor seating. Open daily. Morning hours vary. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

CHICKEN PIE SHOP OF SAN DIEGO 2633 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-295-0156. You'll get lots of fried chicken, chicken and turkey pies, mashed potatoes, and desserts for prices that don't seem to have changed much since the shop opened over 50 years ago. A great bargain. Steaks also available at low cost. Very large seating area; no frills. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

KHONG TEN QUAN 4658 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights, 619-282-7615. Look for a mini-mall with bright-yellow signs, including "Karaoke Cafe." In this functional space next door to a sometimes-loud karaoke bar, the basic menu — *pho*, noodles, et al. — is cheap, fresh, and delicious, arriving with heaps of fresh herbs for do-it-yourself wrapping and/or garnishing. But there's a separate menu of house specials (you'll have to ask for it, or get the take-out menu and look for the section labeled "*Món Nhâu*/Our Specialties") on which you'll find unusual dishes from Central Vietnam that you're unlikely to encounter in Saigonese restaurants. These include venison, goat, frog legs, and snails. Not everything will be available — the kitchen staff is picky about quality and price. Staffers speak very little English, but point-and-shoot works. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.*

MAMA'S BAKERY AND LEBANESE DELI 4237 Alabama, North Park, 619-688-0717. This informal little restaurant is more interested in quality than presentation, concentrating on the specialties they do well. Mama's offers quick meals with a culinary tradition, definitely not "fast food," but with fast food prices and ease. Recommendations include the deliciously cheap falafel sandwich in Mama's fresh-made *saj*, (soft flatbread). On cool days warm up to a bowl of *fool mudamas*, or slow-cooked beans (tasty fava and garbanzos). Try also spinach pie, labneh (creamy cheese, olive oil, and pita), and *baba ghanoush* (smoky pureed eggplant and hummus). Inexpensive. — *M.N.*

OLD MILL CAFE 3949 Ohio Street, North Park, 619-294-3804. The best-kept secret in North Park looks like a Swiss chalet inside, but serves 1950s American eats in big platefuls. Breakfast buffs should check out the pork chops with two eggs, potatoes, and toast, or biscuits and gravy, or the famous pigs in a blanket (three sausage links rolled in hot cakes with powdered sugar). The lunch and dinner menu is also good and cheap — for instance, golden fried chicken with vegetables and rice or baked potato. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

RED SEA RESTAURANT 4717 University Avenue (Euclid), 619-285-9722. You'll find richly seasoned (and potentially very spicy) Ethiopian cuisine, served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which looks like an edible dish towel and serves as both an edible spoon and an edible tablecloth. (Use pieces of it to scoop up morsels in your right hand.) The meat combination platter here isn't nearly as exciting as several of the specialties. The *kitfo* (spicy "beef tartare") is very good, the *gored-gored* (meat cubes in spicy butter) is excellent; both are cooked (or not cooked) to your order, and seasoned to your specifications (if you say "hot," expect fire). Vegetables are fine, too; the yellow split peas, especially, sing with flavor. Open daily, very inexpensive. Restrooms not wheelchair-accessible. Vegetarian-friendly. Can be noisy on weekend evenings. — *N.W.*

SOUL FOOD EXPRESS 840 South 47th Street, Southeast San Diego, 619-264-0202. The careful kitchen at Soul Food Express provides masterful home-style Southern cooking that makes you feel cared for, looked after. It is the deep-frying, endless slow-simmering, barbecuing, and so on that gives this American regional cuisine its soul. And you will taste it in Soul Food Express' collard greens, candied yams, beef ribs, fried catfish (an excellent example of Southern technique), and their potato salad, cornbread, and sweet potato pie. Soul Food Express has less to do with style and panache than with comfort, and with pleasure. Inexpensive. — *M.N.*

UPTOWN

ALADDIN'S CAFE 5420 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, 858-573-0000; Uptown Shopping Center, 1220 Cleveland Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-574-1111; *www.aladdin_cafe.com.* These cafes offer a bright, clean atmosphere for bright and clean if rather generic Middle Eastern favorites (hummus, tabbouleh, kebabs, shawerma, etc.), plus imaginative Levantine-flavored pizzas and salads. There are ample choices for vegetarians. The Hillcrest location offers beer and wine. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.*

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BUSALACCHI'S RISTORANTE 3683 Fifth Avenue, 619-298-0119. If you like old-fashioned Sicilian-style cooking — tons of tomato sauce, olive oil, and garlic — then try this converted cottage which serves it. Lots of pasta dishes, veal, chicken, and fish. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE ON PARK 3831 Park Boulevard (Park and University), 619-293-7275. Gigantic portions and good food make this a standout for people with large appetites and slim purses. Be aware that there are long waits on weekends for breakfast and lunch (served simultaneously) and dinner. The place seats 40; the cooking is called eclectic American comfort food. It's home-style rather than slick. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

CITY DELICATESSEN 535 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2747. Jewish specialties available here include brisket of beef, chicken-in-the-pot, chopped liver, and a wide variety of sandwiches and vegetarian items. Breakfast specials weekdays; early bird dinner for $9.95. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner, to midnight during the week and to 2:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

CREST CAFE 425 Robinson Avenue, 619-295-2510. Onion rings served in a loaf, homemade potato chips, chicken, steak, pasta, and a variety of extra-lean charbroiled hamburgers, plus the continuous service from breakfast to late night keep this café crowded. Breakfast omelets particularly good. Desserts are homemade. Noisy and high spirited, this café is open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EL INDIO SHOP 3695 India Street, 619-299-0333. The shop has an indoor dining area, or you may brave the elements (such as they are in San Diego) on benches across the street. You won't be disappointed by the pungent, mouth-watering specialties. The entire menu is available for takeout, as are huge bags of tortilla chips. A good value and very good, inexpensive food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

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LAUREL RESTAURANT 505 Laurel Street (at Fifth Avenue), 619-239-2222. Douglas Organ's French provincial restaurant is sophisticated and stylish, featuring an ever-changing seasonal menu of fresh, appealing dishes and a superb wine list (as you'd expect from the sister of the North County's Wine Sellar Brasserie). The crowd, many coming straight from work or business conventions, are on the dressy side. Dine early in the week for quiet, as weekends are jumping. Reservations are a must. The site now includes a small gourmet market, open from 4:00 p.m. Expensive to very expensive. — *E.W.*

LIAISON 2202 Fourth Avenue (Fourth and Ivy), 619-234-5540. This French restaurant with its romantic atmosphere offers an à la carte menu and fixed-price meals. Pleasant food, excellent service. Patio dining, weather permitting. Closed Monday. Open Tuesday through Sunday for dinner. Low moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

PRADO House of Hospitality, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. Despite the mixed ethnicities, the food brings few surprises, but is generally flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes, a refreshing eggplant "napoleon," and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana Tres Leches cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum-crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Dinner reservations vital. Interior is vast and prone to loudness, but heated, umbrella-topped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — *N.W.*

SAFFRON NOODLES AND SATE 3737 India Street, 619-574-7737. Casual Thai food, noodle dishes, soups, saté (grilled chicken, beef, pork) to eat in or take out. Best bet: chicken noodle soup and curry served Wednesday only. Gorgeous artwork. Open daily, same menu all day. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

TASTE OF SZECHUAN 670 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1668. The Mandarin Szechuan menu offers standards with few surprises. But the three best features are the lovely room, the astonishing friendliness of the management, and the late hours. The Peking duck is excellent and so is the chopped chicken in lettuce cups. If you have favorite dishes, they will be prepared upon request in advance. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

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DOWNTOWN

BUCA DI BEPPO 705 Sixth Avenue, 619-233-7272. Family-style, southern Italian dining room seats 305 people. Food is simple (one sauce fits all), portions huge and restaurant is child- and teenager-friendly. Go for plain fun, but not for gourmet dinners. Meatballs and spaghetti best bet. Open daily. Nightly for dinner; Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to midnight; Sunday, noon to 10:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA CAMPANA MEXICAN RESTAURANT 2479-A Broadway, Golden Hill, 619-232-8756. Don't be fooled by the strip mall location. *Jefe* Arturo's wonderful specialties include *cochinita pibil*, roast suckling pig in sauce; a nice, thick *pozole*, pork and hominy soup; and tacos filled with various odd parts of the steer, including the sweet meat of the cheeks. Decor includes *campanas*, traditional bells, and old photos of Arturo's hometown, Tepic, the riverport capital of Nayarit. While you wait, listen to Arturo belt out songs from the kitchen. He has a great voice. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

THE CHEESE SHOP 401 G Street, 619-232-2303. This café offers outrageously good sandwiches of which my favorites are the Black Forest ham and the roast pork. Muffins and cookies are baked on the premises. Paper plates for food but real mugs for coffee and tea. Open daily. Inexpensive. Branch in La Jolla, 2165 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-459-3921. — *E.W.*

CHIVE 558 Fourth Avenue, 619-232-4483. This downtown hot spot is sleek, stark, dramatic, a restaurant in which to "be seen." Their "cuisine moderne" is Asian and Caribbean influenced and succeeds the atmosphere. I found the salmon and pork osso bucco outdone by their sides, but recommend the beef filet and rack of lamb, which Chive's generous kitchen roasts to perfection. Behind the artifice, Chive's staff is cordial and efficient, its kitchen talented, if a little arty and uneven. — *E.W.*

FARGO'S BAR-B-QUE 6171 Imperial Avenue, Encanto, 619-262-0201. Don't be put off by the drab row of shops. Inside you'll find Jacinth Williams, a friend of Bob Marley and other Jamaican stars, and herself known as the "queen of Jamaican cooking." Choose authentic island dishes like curried goat and yam, or spice-marinated "jerk" (barbecued) chicken, or "escoveitched" fish, gently pickled in a lemon-based sauce. Several interesting beverages include sorrel (made from hibiscus), Jamaican-bottled cream soda, Kola Champagne, or "Ting," the number-one drink in Jamaica. Or if your sex life needs a boost, try a Roots Drink or Irish Moss, a sort of seaweed milkshake. Restaurant hours can be irregular due to catering gigs; best bet is to call in your order for pickup. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

FIO'S 801 Fifth Avenue (corner of F Street), 619-234-3467. This handsome Gaslamp old-timer serves rich, comforting, serious North Italian cuisine in a civilized atmosphere, with the bar glassed off from the dining rooms, keeping the sound-level low. High-quality ingredients (fine fresh fish, free-range chicken, genuinely ripe tomatoes, great gorgonzola) are employed in well-executed dishes that are creative without going off the deep end. Great small details include fine bread with rosemary butter and an impressive wine list. There's plenty of life in this old girl yet. Full bar, heated patio. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W.*

GRANT GRILL U.S. Grant Hotel, 326 Broadway, 619-239-6806. As always, this restaurant serves quality meat in a traditional room that uses tableside service. Best bets are spinach salad, lobster paella, shrimp-and-scallop risotto, and, of course, the mixed grill. Open daily. Breakfast, lunch, and brunch, moderate. Dinner, expensive. — *E.W.*

HENRY'S BBQ 1300 Market Street, 619-239-3919. The outside's a little tatty, but inside — Aladdin's Cave! A dining room of gold-framed pictures, mirrored golden-wood booths, and cushions, tables, walls, and carpet all in blue. Pork ribs are the thing here, guaranteed slow-cooked overnight for ten hours. Also beef, turkey, lamb, and ham. Try them together in combo sandwiches. Full plates come with barbecue beans and macaroni, potato, or coleslaw salad. "We haven't changed the menu since 1953," says Lorens, grandson of the original Henry. Closes 6:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

HOME QUEST COFFEE HOUSE 1010 Broadway, 619-232-3222. Okay, it's toward the scuzzy part of Broadway, and caters mainly to people struggling with substance problems, but the place is full of life and positive energy. You can hear it from the sidewalk — people sitting on stools at high tables loudly chewing the fat, chowing down, and smoking. Anybody's welcome, and almost anybody can afford the rock-bottom prices for a breakfast egg with hash browns and toast, or three pancakes, or three slices of French toast, or even a piece of chicken and toast. The dinner menu includes liver and onions, pork chops, or three pieces of chicken plus mashed potatoes and vegetables. Open 6-1/2 days (closes after lunch Sunday). Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

ISLAND SPICE 2820 Market (29th), Grant Hill, 619-702-9309. Interesting Jamaican specialties are served indoors or on a sunny patio. Breakfast can include *run dung* (sautéed salt mackerel) and ackee with salt cod. At lunch and dinner there's fine jerk chicken (ask for dark meat, it's moister), but don't overlook less-known delicacies such as savory oxtail stew, *escoveitch* (pickled) fish, curry goat, and fish or chicken in a tangy "brown stew." Dinner hours and offerings vary, and many patrons get take-out. Call just before you go to learn what's available and place your order. Inexpensive. — *N.W.*

KANSAS CITY BARBECUE 610 West Market Street, 619-231-9680. Scrumptious smells waft across the tracks at the Seaport Village trolley stop — barbecued pork and beef. Follow your nose. And yeah, this is the joint where Tom Cruise and Kelly McGillis did their "sleazy bar scene" in *Top Gun*. But guess what? It is kinda sleazy, especially in the shadowy horseshoe bar, with memorabilia like hanging bras, Czech license plates, and stickers ("Grow Your Own Dope: Plant A Man"). The beef and pork ribs (or rib tips or chicken breast) are worth it. They're cooked over an oak-fueled fire. Nice long Happy Hour (3:30 to 6:30 p.m., at bar only) has great food/grub deals. Open daily, lunch until late. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.*

LAEL'S RESTAURANT Hyatt Regency Hotel, One Market Street, 619-687-6066. All-you-can-eat fish-and-seafood buffet, Friday nights only, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., $21.95. All-you-can-eat prime rib buffet, Thursday night, $18.95. Wednesday night, all-you-can-eat Italian buffet for $14.95. Worth trying for lovers of buffets. — *E.W.*

MAMA GUCCI'S HOME-STYLE ITALIAN FOOD 1157 Sixth Avenue, 619-338-0400. Mama Gucci did so well here, she retired back to Italy; now her son-in-law, George, runs the restaurant. A pretty interior with blonde wood chairs, checkered tablecloths, yellow walls, red shutters, and window-box flowers brings in the downtown office crowd between noon and 1:00 p.m. — but join the in-crowd sitting out in the sun, drinking wine and scarfing up spaghetti Bolognese or chicken Chianti (chicken on fettuccine, with mushrooms and red-wine sauce). Lunch only, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

OCTOPUS GARDEN 314 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-233-1653. Not to be missed Japanese and Continental preparations. Superb sushi and sashimi; unique hot appetizers; fish with continental sauces. Ahi tuna steak and sea bass outstanding. Upstairs seating for large parties. Delightful atmosphere and service. Open nightly for dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

OLD WORLD RESTAURANT 452 Eighth Avenue, 619-238-0568. Way back in PB (Pre-Ballpark) days, Jeff and Evelyn created this East Village oasis of bougainvillea, fig trees, pink brick, purple timbers, golden lilies, white tables, and umbrellas. They've restored the interior to the building's original 1902 look, when it was the Mestemacher Carriage and Auto-Painting Shop. Try dishes like "Great Grilled Grueben" (homemade corned beef, grilled on rye with Swiss cheese and sauerkraut) or orange-pecan chicken salad with wild rice and grapes. Make sure they add their secret weapon: Whizz-bangs. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

THE PARROT GRILL 802 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-231-9981. Insomniacs take note. Dinner is served nightly to midnight and Wednesday through Saturday a light menu (sandwiches, salads, appetizers, desserts) is available to 2:00 a.m. Food is Floridian, some spicy, some not. You can make a meal from appetizers. Best bets: barbecue ribs, honey-glazed duck, pork chop, key lime pie. Gorgeous interior and service. Dinner only, Wednesday through Saturday. Upper moderate. — *E.W.*

RAINWATER'S 1202 Kettner Boulevard, 619-233-5757. Though this attractive restaurant is noted for its fine steaks and chops, the live Maine lobster and fresh fish (especially the salmon in parchment) are outstanding here. For a low-cost meal, try meat loaf and creamy mashed potatoes. Open daily. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner seven nights a week. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SEVILLA 555 Fourth Avenue (at Market), Gaslamp, 619-233-5979, *www.cafesevilla.com*. (Also in Carlsbad.) This site has three faces: a crowded but Euro-civilized tapas bar for spontaneous snacking, a romantic dining room with serious Spanish entrées, and a basement nightclub dishing out assembly-line paella. The best food is upstairs. You can get tapas in the restaurant and entrées at the bar, and in either case the choices are varied, interesting, and highly cosmopolitan, executed with wonderful consistency. Be sure to look for something that includes potatoes; the humble spud gets Cinderella treatment here. No reservations (or wheelchairs) at tapas bar; reservations strongly recommended for dining room. Moderate. — *N.W.*

SISTER PEE WEE'S SOUL FOOD 2971-1/2 Imperial Avenue, Grant Hill, 619-236-0470. One of the oldest, best soul food cafés in the county, but get there early (it closes at 8 p.m.). Sister Pee Wee says her daily lunch and dinner menu depends on what she feels like cooking that day — you might find big pork ribs with mashed red-skin potatoes, black-eyed peas, collard greens and two-inch-thick cornbread, or Southern-fried chicken, or seafood gumbo, or catfish fillet with all the trimmings. Sister's special is chitlins and catfish. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, ham, sausages, and hominy grits. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

THE SNACK GALLEY Greyhound Depot, 120 West Broadway, 619-234-4522. At 4:00 in the morning you don't expect Cordon Bleu, Pink, or any other color. The great thing about Snack Galley is that it's open at all. If you can get past the sleeping bodies, ask for the breakfast sandwich: bread stuffed with egg, cheese, and bacon, sausage or ham. Sausage is best — it feels like you get more to munch. Order a large coffee to wake you up, or sober you up, whatever you need. Open 24/7. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

STAR OF THE SEA 1360 North Harbor Drive (Ash Street), downtown, 619-232-7408. This is not your father's Star of the Sea. In a chic new setting with the same romantic view, a talented new chef offers superb sea catch in fresh flavor combinations that are bold but sane. Menus change seasonally, but one constant is an always-ravishing chef's tasting menu, which can include a cleverly paired wine flight. À la carte dishes are equally alluring, and wines are interesting, mainly affordable, and poured generously into good large goblets that show off their noses. Service is very considerate. Is this perfection? Quite possibly so. Somewhat dressy, reservations urged. Expensive to very expensive. — *N.W.*

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

LA BELLA PIZZA GARDEN 373 Third Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. From the outside, La Bella looks like an Italian farmhouse, with geraniums, bright green shutters, and maroon canopies. A real extended family runs this business. Their secrets are: long hours (from breakfast until after midnight daily), big meals, and small prices. The menu includes standards like spaghetti with meatballs or lasagna, including sides of garlic bread, soup, or salad. The hit with kids is "Papa's Favorite," an 8-inch pizza with mushrooms, pepperoni, and sausage. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

BUON GIORNO 4110 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-475-2661. The menu includes antipasti, soup, salad, pasta, pizza as well as chicken, meat, and fish. Try the Caesar salad topped with grilled fresh chicken breast, or linguine al pesto. Fish does very well here. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CROWN ROOM, HOTEL DEL CORONADO 1500 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6611, ext. 7284. Open only for Sunday brunch and special events. The food is competent, but the room is outstanding, especially the crown-shaped ceiling. Expensive. — *E.W.*

D'LISH PIZZA AND PASTA 386 East H Street, Chula Vista, 619-585-1371. The pizzas and pastas are tasty and the salads are huge and fresh. Excellent service. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

GRANDMA'S PANTRY RESTAURANT AND BAKERY 875 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-424-5800. Kids will appreciate Grandma's notice — pinned above a heap of cheesecakes, pies, and cakes — that says "Enjoy Life More: Eat Dessert First." The menu ranges from Belgian breakfast waffles heaped with strawberries and cream to "Hot Juan" frittata (eggs, chorizo, onions, cheese, flour tortilla, salsa, and sour cream) to homemade meatloaf with mashed potatoes, veggies, a roll, and chilled pudding. Friday and Saturday nights, try their "All-The-Fish-You-Can-Eat" special. Then go and have your second dessert. You can walk it off on IB's pier. Breakfast and early dinner six days, Sunday to 2 p.m. only. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

LYDIA'S CAFE AND NIGHTCLUB 1628 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-429-3603. This easygoing dancing eatery has a faithful following that goes back to 1957. And yes, there is a real Lydia, age 76, mother of six, grandmother of 26, great-grandma of 44. (Give her a hand!) But before you dance, eat! Check out the *birria en su jugo* (goat in its juices) with beans, rice, and tortillas or enjoy filling snacks like taquitos, *cucaracha* (a corn tortilla stuffed with ham, cheese, and sour cream), or the snack Lydia says she invented — *botanas* (beans, pork, and melted cheese over corn chips). And now — *¡baile!* Open early to very late, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

MARCO'S FINE ITALIAN FOOD AND PIZZA 736 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-424-3636. You hardly notice it tucked into a row of TV repair shops, but Marco's is a jewel. Marco, Frank and Rosa Palombo ran the place for 30 years. Now Alex Pacheco does, but nothing has changed. There are the classic red tablecloths, murals of Italian scenes, white trellises, dripping plastic grapes, and Chianti bottles. Try spaghetti, mostaccioli, or rigatoni with meat sauce and meatballs. Live a little! Order a half carafe of Burgundy and sing along with the music — "*Funiculi, Funicula.*" Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

PEOHE'S The Landing, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4474. This gorgeous, view-endowed restaurant offers upscale, Hawaiian-inspired fish and gargantuan steaks in a plush tropical-style setting with indoor waterfalls and three separate patios. Given the visual splendor, much of the food is better than it needs to be, featuring top-quality seafood prepared with care. For instance, a homely halibut is transformed into a glamor-gal by a lush and sassy Frangelico-touched macadamia *beurre blanc*. A chocolate shell filled with macadamia nut ice cream may be worth the calories, too. Full bar. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Reservations advised. Expensive. — *N.W.*

ZORBAS FAMILY RESTAURANT 100 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-8853. All-you-can-eat Greek buffet daily, lunch, midweek dinner, weekend dinner with entertainment of belly dancers and Zorba's dancers. Plenty to eat. Not gourmet food, but fun. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

TIJUANA

(The prefix for all Tijuana numbers is 011-526. From the United States use the prefix 011-526 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.)

BIG BOY RESTAURANT 9892 Agua Caliente Boulevard (across the street from the old bullring), Tijuana. Open 24/7. Besides having excellent Mexican-American food, this Big Boy knock-off draws some of the most interesting people in Tijuana — journalists, lawyers, cattlemen, politicians, Baja's heavy hitters. Day or night, Big Boy is always busy. Gringo food's no problem. Breakfasts include eggs, bacon, sausage, chorizo or ham, plus hash browns or frijoles, toast, juice, and endless coffee. Nobody will object if you sit sipping the free refills till the moon comes up. But you won't — you'll crack and order more when you smell the popular, macho "royal" hamburger, with two beef patties, smoked ham, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, and salad. Or the chicken breast marinated in tequila with cilantro, guacamole, and beans. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

LA COSTA 8131 Galeana (Seventh Street between Revolución and Constitución), 685-8494 or 685-3124. An extensive menu, consistently fresh product, and huge portions have made La Costa the reigning seafood house for Americans. Identical lunch and dinner menus offer lobster, shrimp, grilled fish, fish with sauces, squid, abalone, and oysters, all in a variety of preparations. Price of entrées includes soup, salad, rice, dessert, beverage, and after-dinner drink. Almost always crowded. Open Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

GRAND BISTRO Grand Hotel Tijuana, 4500 Agua Caliente Boulevard, Tijuana, 681-7000, x4188. Visit this Tijuana restaurant for its formal elegance, mystery, romance. Visit Grand Bistro for its prime rib! The tastiest I've ever eaten. This thick and juicy portion of Mexican beef comes with an outstanding side of "creamed spinach," slow-cooked with bits of smoky bacon and minced onion. Along with a fine Bistro salad and a selection from their excellent and affordable wine list, it's a voluptuous, if fatalistic, meal. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA LENA 11191 Blvd. Agua Caliente, 686-2920. Don't miss the charming room, the open grill, and the tortilla maker who prepares fresh tortillas as the diners are seated. Dinners come with an appetizer and soup, and some of the entrées are extraordinary. Try the *puños* ("fist"). Roasted quail and chicken do well here. Open daily, lunch to late dinner. Take Revolución to the left-hand bend where it becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin high-rise towers of the Grand Hotel. A large sign marks the restaurant (on the right side of the road). Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

PUEBLO CAFE Jai Alai Fronton Palace, 701-E Avenida Revolución, Tijuana, 685-8667. Eat at the Palace! This is a great place to impress out-of-town relatives without going broke. The owners, who are connected to Ensenada's Hussong family, set out to lure Mexicans back to their own over-gringofied main street, staging local art/sculpture shows and Mexican rock bands on the weekends. For dinner, try the "Royal Quail of the Castle" or the smoked tuna salad. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.*

SAVERIO'S RESTAURANT MEDITERRANEO Avenida Carlos Robirosa 260, 686-3604 or 681-8496. This "in" restaurant attracts a young crowd. Pastas and pizzas are available, but the best bets are the fish and chicken dinners that arrive with soup or salad. Top price is $14.00. Crowded and noisy weekends. Open daily, same menu noon to 11:00 p.m. Sunday to 10:00 p.m. Low to moderate. Take Revolución until it turns into Boulevard Agua Caliente. Continue until you see the Hotel Grand on your right. There, turn left onto the side street Avenida Carlos Robirosa. You'll see Blockbuster Video. Saverio's is across the street. — *E.W.*

EL TAURINO 7531 Sixth Avenue (off Revolución), 685-7075. Located in the heart of the old section of Tijuana, three blocks west of Revolución, this restaurant provides superb value in an excellent setting. Basically a steakhouse, it also offers fish, seafood, and fowl. The price of the entrée includes grilled quail, soup or salad, and mammoth amounts of the main course. Almost everyone orders *cabreria*, or try *empapelado*, fish and shrimp cooked in silver foil. Superior service. The menu is printed in Spanish and English, and the maitre d' speaks perfect English. First-rate bargain for high quality. Open daily 12:00 noon to 12:00 midnight. Continuous service. Inexpensive to moderate except for lobster. — *E.W.*

TOUR DE FRANCE Gobernador Ibarra 252 (past the Rio section), 681-7542. This French restaurant will provide you with wonderful food, incredible service, and an extensive menu printed in French, Spanish, and English. The presentation, preparation, and quality of the food are first-rate. Don't miss the desserts, especially chestnut soufflé. Closed Sunday. Open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., to 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Reservations on weekends a must. Phone for directions. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

LA VUELTA 2004 Avenida Revolución, 685-7309 or 684-2611. For an extravagant evening of mariachi music, good food, and high spirits, remember that La Vuelta is open every day, 24 hours a day. Mariachi available daily. Authentic Mexican food and atmosphere. English spoken. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EL ZAGUAN Avenida Paseo de los Héroes 10501, Zona Rio (turn right at statue of Lincoln), 634-6781 or 634-6006. The name means doorway or entrance, usually to a mansion, and the interior is opulent and striking. Fish, seafood, poultry, and beef are offered with Continental sauces. Best bet is shrimp in tequila sauce or fresh fish. Soups always exciting. Food is not exotic, but is straightforward. The atmosphere will please the most fastidious. Menu in Spanish; English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

ANTHONY'S FISH GROTTO For its fresh seafood salads, its fish and chips, and its daily fresh fish specials, Anthony's still goes to the head of the class for stability of product, good-sized portions, time-honored preparation, and low cost. Open daily, lunch through dinner. No reservations. Inexpensive to expensive. Locations: 1360 North Harbor Drive (at Ash Street), downtown, 619-232-5103; 215 West Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista, 619-425-4200; 9530 Murray Drive, La Mesa, 619-463-0368; 11666 Avena Place (off Bernardo Center Drive), Rancho Bernardo, 858-451-2070. — *E.W.*

BULLY'S NORTH 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-1660. Especially during summer, this branch is the most colorful and is jammed with the sporting crowd, which makes the place exciting. Food is the same as at other Bully's, but the high intensity carries it. Steak, prime rib, hamburgers, fries, and fresh fish are favorites. Open daily. Moderate. Other locations: 5755 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, 858-459-2768; 2401 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2685. — *E.W.*

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN 437 South Highway 101, Suite 601, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999. Here's a good family restaurant where you can take your children and grandchildren for salads, pasta, pizza. There are 28 pizzas. The chicken tequila with spinach fettuccine is great, as are vegetarian sandwiches. Same menu, lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive. Branches also in La Jolla Village Square, 3363 Nobel Drive, 858-457-4222; Carmel Mountain Plaza, 11602 Carmel Mountain Road, 858-675-4424; 7007 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-298-4078. — *E.W.*

CLAIM JUMPER The portions are so large they elicit gasps (the prime rib served weekends is 26 ounces). The food isn't memorable, just more than any one person can eat. Among the attractions every day are the huge salad bar, barbecued chicken, ribs, and turkey dinners. Count on a wait on weekends. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive (for larger steaks and beef rib). 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa, 619-469-3927; 12384 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain, 858-485-8370; 5958 Avenida Encinas, Carlsbad, 760-431-0889. — *E.W.*

HOMETOWN BUFFET 5881 University Avenue, University Square Shopping Center, 619-583-7373. If you're a nostalgia buff and long for cooking as it existed 50 years ago, try this all-you-can-eat buffet. Menus change daily. Massive amounts of food that's fresh but not low-cal/low-cholesterol. Not for gourmet diners, but fun. Open daily. Other branches located throughout the city and suburbs. Call 619-583-7373 for locations. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

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Not every nook and cranny of the narrative could stand up to the light shed at the end.

REVIEW
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Some of the credit for *The Others*, even down to the time of year of its release, must presumably go to *The Sixth Sense* for reopening the door to an old-fashioned, low-tech, thick-atmospshered ghost story. There remains plenty of credit still to spread around among the Spanish writer and director (and musical scorer!) Alejandro Amenábar, heretofore known for the overly tricksy *Open Your Eyes*; his compatriot cinematographer Javier Aguirresarobe, working so close to monochromatic darkness as to argue vehemently against waiting for the video; Nicole Kidman, in a bounce-back performance after the boop-boop-a-doopery of *Moulin Rouge*, re-tuned now to a Henry Jamesian (or, from *The Portrait of a Lady* in specific, an Isabel Archerian) quivering tautness; Alakina Mann and James Bentley as her puckered-browed, pasty-faced children; and Fionnula Flanagan as a formidable latecomer to the long screen tradition of creepy housekeepers.

Set entirely in and around a gothic Victorian mansion on the Channel Islands at the close of the Second World War, the story awakens gradually to other possible presences in the house, beyond those already accounted for: the resident family of three — minus its MIA head — and a reduced staff of three. There is no phone, no radio, no electricity in the place. (Was it Osbert Sitwell who first suggested — before Edmund Wilson picked up the theme — that the ghost story went out when the electric light came on?) And the children's alleged allergy to daylight, a most poetic malady, apparently not limited to vampires, dictates a strict policy of curtained windows and locked doors, so as to contain the light and minimize the leakage, much as water must be contained on a ship. The locked doors can present a problem, of course, for responding quickly to a scream or to the proverbial Things That Go Bump. But a door found to be unlocked will be a problem, too, at the cost of the mistress's wrath. The latter's fire-and-brimstone brand of Christianity ("Forever! Pain! Forever!") makes her, in the post-James and post-Freud period, an automatic suspect in any supernatural disturbance. Then again, one or both of the children, whose number and ages accord quite well with the brother and sister in *The Turn of the Screw*, might simply be making it up. Or otherwise conjuring it up. And creepy housekeepers are always worth keeping an eye on. The denouement turns out, if not all the way to the last ingenious detail, to be precisely what I had begun to fear — and not because it would be frightening. Not every nook and cranny of the narrative could stand up to the light shed at the end. Yet there are, by my count, three legitimate skin-prickling frights throughout the course of the meticulous and measured unfoldment. Those are in the bag before the final twist.



The Others

The others:

Brother. Takeshi Kitano — if you are looking behind the camera, or Beat Takeshi if you are looking in front of it — returns to the crime scene after the lighter interlude of *Kikujiro*. (Easy tip to remember which name belongs where: it's the scar-faced actor who looks *beat*, as in tired, weary, spent, if not as in *beaten*, battered, whipped, crushed.) The scene soon switches, however, from Tokyo to Los Angeles — something new, after all — as our zombified yakuza escapes one gang war only to enter another one. Or more accurately, instigate another one: it seems something of a gag that the undemonstrative Japanese proves to be quicker to violence, and fiercer when he reaches it, than the famously trigger-happy homies. The body count is staggering, the cops never come into it, and the entire affair is too abstract, abstruse, and affected to be in any way affecting. But one thing you always get from Kitano is pictorial composition, a punctilious concern for framing, scale, lines and planes. This formal precision sits a little oddly amid the rainbow coalition of local thugs, though not unwelcomely. No less oddly or unwelcomely than the stringent ban on rap and hip-hop on the soundtrack.

Original Sin. Writer-director Michael Cristofer, who had already used Angelina Jolie in the made-for-cable *Gia*, clearly feels very unlike me about this actress, opting to start the movie as he does with a closeup of those joke-shop lips, mouthing a line that will become the title of the Gloria Estefan exit song: "You can't walk away from love." Jolie, in flashback, then debarks in horse-and-buggy Havana, a mail-order bride from Delaware, bearing a trace of her British accent from *Lara Croft: Tomb Raider* as well as a ready explanation for why she looks in person nothing like her homely photograph: it's because she didn't want a husband who was interested in her for only her beauty. (In that case she could have sent him a closeup of just her lips.) This sounds plausible enough to the would-be bridegroom, Antonio Banderas, who had represented himself as a tobacconist's clerk, instead of as a coffee baron, because he didn't want a wife who would be interested in him for his money. Nor, in their extended honeymoon (extended at least in part thanks

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to slow-motion), does her grotesque vampery tip him off that something's amiss. Cristofer has re-set the pulp novel by Cornell Woolrich, *Waltz into Darkness* (previously filmed by Truffaut under the name of *Mississippi Mermaid)*, in a more exotic locale in hopes, evidently, of making the unbelievable more believable. Or in hopes that the relentless Latin rhythms on the soundtrack will cast a spell should all else fail. The total effect is hypnotic solely in the sense of soporific. For me, the only amusement came afterwards when I read in the press notes that the drunkenly reeling camerawork was "admittedly influenced by the remarkable classic 1950s films of Max Ophuls, particularly *Lola Montes* and *The Earrings of Madame D.*, which melded romantic stories with revolutionarily elegant camerawork in which the camera actually seemed to be alive." As if I hadn't already realized Cristofer was delusional.

Osmosis Jones. A cartooned white blood cell (voice of Chris Rock) tracks down a lethal virus (voice of Laurence Fishburne) inside the body of a live-action Bill Murray: a loud, crude, ugly hybrid. Not to mention a less imaginative and less educational crib of *Fantastic Voyage.* Because the live-action parts are handled by Bobby and Peter Farrelly, they're even uglier than the animated parts — even discounting the snot, the zit, the puke, and the ingrown toenail.

Rush Hour 2. Genial, self-satisfied, moderately dull sequel on the unending and unchanging chemical reaction between mismatched Hong Kong and L.A. cops, Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker. Tucker continues to be a sore spot for his refusal at any point to resemble a cop. He is nevertheless nearly as funny as his co-star, after trying ten times harder. Strong support from Zhang Ziyi (strong opposition, rather) and very briefly Don Cheadle. Brett Ratner again directed, if that's the word.

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The San Diego Film Critics Society (nothing to do with me, you understand) is sponsoring a benefit preview screening of the newly restored and expanded *Apocalypse Now* next Monday at seven at Mann's Hazard Center, all proceeds going to the upcoming student film festival at the Museum of Photographic Arts in October. For ticket information, call 619-291-7777. A worthy cause, however worthy a movie.

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Delayed confirmation of what I guessed when I saw Kathy Najimy's plug for Kathleen Wilhoite's CD in *People Magazine*'s Best-of-2000 issue: they are friends. The confirmation came in the form of the weekly "My Favorite Weekend" feature in the Thursday *Los Angeles Times.* (The *Times*, naturally, was asking Najimy. It's unimaginable they'd be asking Wilhoite.) I, on the other hand, am unbiased. I don't have to know Wilhoite in order to wish to see her in more and better roles. ■

MOVIE LISTINGS

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American Pie 2 — The gang's all here (Jason Biggs, Shannon Elizabeth, Chris Klein, Tara Reid, Seann William Scott, et al.), directed by J.B. Rogers.
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America's Sweethearts — An alternative-universe Hollywood where a married pair of superstars — it will not be helpful to think of Cruise and Kidman, Burton and Taylor, Bogart and Bacall — have appeared together in nine consecutive boffo blockbusters (the samples we see of their work are on a par with the standard big-screen sendups of TV soap opera); where the female half has met with a disapproving public and two straight flops since their breakup; where two years after the split there somehow remains an unreleased joint effort directed by a three-time Oscar winner who, looking like the wild-haired Ben Gunn of *Treasure Island*, is editing the project in Kubrickian secrecy inside the Unabomber's transplanted Montana cabin; and where the head of the studio must wait to see the final cut with the national press corps at the junket. Julia Roberts, just to open a can of Whiskas in the overall atmosphere of fishiness, plays the part of Catherine Zeta-Jones's wallflower sister (wearing a fat suit in flashback for substantiation), though that doesn't cut down on her usual quotas of teeth and tantrums. Both actresses could sue the cameraman for their sallow complexions. John Cusack, insofar as he's supposed to be in recovery from a mental breakdown, has shakier grounds for litigation. And Christopher Walken, as the anchoritic director, would probably be flattered. Billy Crystal, as the unprincipled publicist (a tautology, to be sure), works very hard and handily on the assembly line of gimcrack jokes. The sheer volume of jokes would be reduced, however, by roughly a third if Crystal and his co-writer Peter Tolan were deprived of the penis. (Perhaps Tolan's given name shaped his destiny.) Joe Roth, a former studio chief himself at Fox and Disney, returning after a decade to the director's chair to lengthen his brief and undistinguished list of credits (*Streets of Gold, Revenge of the Nerds 2, Coupe de Ville)*, should certainly know his subject from top to bottom. But dissembling and disinformation can become a habit. Hank Azaria, Stanley Tucci, Alan Arkin. 2001.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Big Lebowski — There are actually two Lebowskis, a big one and a little one, a multimillionaire philanthropist and a lazy, laid-back bowler, both christened Jeffrey; and when the latter — who prefers to be addressed as "the Dude" — is mistaken for the other by a pair of dim-bulb thugs, he is pulled into an apparent kidnapping plot of rapidly deepening complexity: "a lot of ins, a lot of outs, a lot of what-have-yous." The Coen brothers, writer-director Joel and writer-producer Ethan, are here having fun with, among other things, complexity per se. Fun with the very idea of complexity. Fun with the concrete and mountainous evidence of complexity. And one of the richest sources of fun, played off in the sharpest contrast to complexity, is the glorious spectrum of stupidity on exhibit: the dope-addled but gropingly rational Dude (Jeff Bridges); the big lug who is always absolutely sure he is right in spite of the fact that he has never been right yet (John Goodman); the woolgatherer who falls behind in the slowest of conversations (Steve Buscemi); the several teams of hired "muscle" (all brawn, no brains), one team of which are self-styled Nihilists; the nympho bimbo; the adolescent joyrider who afterwards forgets his corrected homework ("Use a dictionary," "Spelling") in the abandoned car. The complexity is no illusion. It is right there in front of us in frightening and multiplying detail. It brutally illuminates the stupidity. And at the same time it forms the philosophical foundation for a broad and accepting, if aloof and frosty, view of humankind. The Coens — who better? who else? — are able to make wonderful sport of deadbeats and boneheads from the high ground of diligence and ingenuity. They never play "down" to the audience. They demand effort and intelligence, and they reward these by the truckload: lively characterizations, flavorful dialogue, dense atmosphere, clever and convoluted plotting, rich and well-developed themes, abundant allusions, "in" jokes, grace notes, and red herrings, each element teamed with the others in common purpose. Julianne Moore, David Huddleston, Sam Elliott, Peter Stormare, Ben Gazzara, John Turturro, Jimmie Dale Gilmore. 1998.
★★★★ (KEN, 8/10 AND 11)











Brother — Reviewed this issue. With Beat Takeshi, Omar Epps, Claude Maki, and Masaya Kato; written and directed by Takeshi Kitano.
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS. FROM 8/10)

Cats and Dogs — Beastly spy spoof (intermixing live animals, puppets, and computer animation) focussed on a feline world-domination conspiracy and the vigilant watchdogs who oppose it. An overblown lead balloon, heavy on Bondian gadgetry and cartoon violence. With Jeff Goldblum, Elizabeth Perkins, Alexander Pollock, and the voices of Tobey Maguire, Alec Baldwin, Susan Sarandon; directed by Lawrence Guterman. 2001.
● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; HARBOR DRIVE IN; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

The Closet — Avariciously commercial French comedy of the type that tends to be remade in Hollywood. Francis Veber, its writer and director, amounts practically to a one-man factory of the type. And it's hard to see what could stand in the way of a remake of this one, a PC farce about a nebbish in the accounting office of a condom plant — a Jack Lemmon-scented white-collar drudge — who, to save his job, floats a rumor that he is gay, thus setting himself up as a potential martyr in the eyes of the company's best customers. (The strategy is devised by his new neighbor, an aging homosexual who, twenty years earlier, had been fired from his job *because* he was gay: how times change!) The consciousness-raising vein in this is not too bothersome. Rather more so is the cruel streak: the presumption that it's quite all right, quite just and proper, even quite PC, to torture and torment a macho homophobe into a nervous breakdown. Neither the consciousness-raising vein nor the cruel streak is a boon to the mirth, which scrapes along at the subsistence level. The thing, nevertheless, that elevates *The Closet* above mediocrity, the thing that makes it worth looking at, is simply — how else to put it? — that it's a thing worth looking at. A thing of beauty, even. More specifically, a thing photographed by the great Luciano Tovoli. The beauty of it springs not from the obvious and conventional source of training the camera on beautiful things: calendar-art scenery, *Architectural Digest* interiors, and the like. And not from the cameraman's cosmetics case of beautifying tricks: "painterly" light, pea-soup atmospherics. But instead from the beauty of the colors per se: luscious and lustrous, rich and resplendent, bright and buoyant, crisp and clean; sharply separated yet slightly diffused, softened, never harsh or garish, never violently clashing; a broad and democratic palette in which every spot on the spectrum is granted an equal independence and individuality, unsubjected to any filtering, desaturating, monochroming processes to yoke them into an unnatural "harmony" or imposed "scheme." The image is as diverse and gay (in the old way) as a balloon bouquet, as tasteful, as refined, as a Bonnard. With Daniel Auteuil, Gerard Depardieu, Michele Laroque, Thierry Lhermitte, Jean Rochefort, Michel Aumont. 2000.
★★ (COVE)

Eraserhead — Equipped with a too sooty black-and-white image and a sadistically overamplified soundtrack, David Lynch's nightmare visions belong somewhere in the area of "fantastic art," but have found a somewhat uncomfortable home on the midnight-cult circuit. The main narrative thread, if one can be extracted from the jungly snarl, centers around a slimy, encephalitic birdlike creature (a fine example of "monster" special effects, and one that the makers of *Star Wars* and *Close Encounters* might well look at with envy), which has somehow been sired by the movie's sadsack hero, and which now lies on a table in his apartment, mewling, spitting up, contracting chicken pox, and being generally disgusting; and this thread possesses something of the quality of Gogol's and Kafka's satirical horror stories, although not as firmly embedded in a believable background and a lucid, factual tone. The shock value of the movie's various images of excrescences, eruptions, diseases, decapitations, and so forth, is largely numbed by its thorough submersion in a delirious, deliquescent world where anything goes but nothing ever comes of it. Still, this pestiferous little movie, produced in co-operation with the American Film Institute, leaves you with the feeling in the pit of your stomach that you are apt to have after stepping accidentally on a snail. 1977.
★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 8/15, 7 P.M.)

The Fast and the Furious — The world of street racing (vroom-vroom) intersects with that of truck hijacking: your basic drive-in movie (if there were still drive-ins), souped up with headbanger music (thunk-thunk), some chest-flattening effects of speed, and a honey-glazed cast of hot bods. (Michelle Rodriguez, among them, makes the jump from the low-budget, independent *Girlfight* to the big leagues: "Why don't you girls pack it up before I leave treadmarks on your face?") Director Rob Cohen records this lifestyle with reasonable amounts of energy and flair and unreasonable amounts of drool. Paul Walker, Vin Diesel, Jordana Brewster, Ted Levine. 2001.
★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Ghost World — The heroine, out of a comic book by Daniel Clowes, is someone a critic could love. Not *only* a critic, rest assured. Fresh out of high school — or rather, jaded out of high school — she can produce an equal sneer for the wheelchair-bound valedictorian ("High school is like the training wheels for the bicycle of real life") and for the hip-hopping black cheerleaders who follow. A tireless crapehanger, a walking crap detector, alienated, aloof, alert, aware, unaccepting, reacting, resisting, judging: Little Miss Raincloud. And yet the movie, directed discreetly if none too fluidly by the erstwhile documentarist Terry Zwigoff (most notably *Crumb*, profiling a real-life outsider, the underground cartoonist R. Crumb), never loses sight of the fact that she is still just a teenager; it never tries to puff her up into a self-worshipping Lara Croft cult figure, much less an all-knowing Susan Sontag arbiter of taste. (Is the band at the post-graduation bash almost so bad that it's good, or is it so bad that it goes way beyond good and back to bad again? How's a girl to know?) The focus of the episodic action is on her curious alliance with a fortyish bachelor and discophile, quiet and retiring, with slumped shoulders, a bad back, flat hair, no social life, and the face-pulling first name of Seymour (Steve Buscemi, surreptitiously brilliant in the part), whom she had come to know after answering his Personals ad as a practical joke. What he plainly has in common with the heroine, for all their outward disparity, is an acute awareness and unacceptance of the surrounding world: "I can't relate to ninety-nine percent of humanity." In addition to which, as a mark of his greater depth and maturity, he has an awareness and an unacceptance of himself as well: "Maybe I don't want to meet someone who shares my interests; I hate my interests." It's true that the movie, on behalf of its two principal outcasts, takes condescending aim at a lot of easy targets (the *faux* Fifties diner, the electric-guitar redneck "blues" band at the local bar, the "XXX" bookstore, and so on), but then again, there are so many beckoning targets in the world that some of them are bound to be easy. A tireless crapehanger can't be expected to let them pass without a sneer or a snipe. And it's a sizable accomplishment — and compensation — that the movie places so much weight on the importance of taste and temperament in the living of daily life, the forming of relationships, the getting through a day. Thora Birch, Scarlett Johansson, Illeana Douglas, Stacey Travis, Bob Balaban. 2001.
★★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Greenfingers — "Inspired by actual events," the story tells of a select group of long-term convicts who take up gardening at a progressive English penitentiary, and take it all the way to the annual Hampton Court Palace Flower Show. Life-affirming, strong-arming underdog stuff; equally soft-hearted and soft-headed; as cutesy-wootsy and cozy-wozy as *Waking Ned Devine* and *Saving Grace* (though writer-director Joel Hershman is American). Clive Owen exhibits a fine poker face: but surely his work in *Croupier* merited a better reward. With David Kelly, Helen Mirren, Natasha Little. 2001.
● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Hedwig and the Angry Inch — Writer-director-star John Cameron Mitchell adapts his own off-Broadway musical (songs by Stephen Trask), a voyage of self-acceptance for an East German immigrant and transsexual glam-rocker (or "transexual" according to a mock tabloid headline on display), with a botched sex-change operation that has left him a seventh of a man. The transplant to the screen is also butchered: cheap, garish, and shaky. 2001.
● (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Jurassic Park III — Elementary and elemental spectacle of ravening dinosaurs and edible humans. Beyond that, it pretty much eludes criticism or comment. A small objection might be raised at the way dinosaurs, for live-action purposes (which is to say live-action humans, but computer-generated dinosaurs), have become the monopoly of the Jurassic Park franchise. This makes for a stifling sameness, an unhealthy constraint, although on the other hand it allows the action to get rolling in a hurry: no need to lay any groundwork. Another small objection, specific to Part III, could be raised over the ease of identifying the disposable humans and the speed of their disposal. The preciousness of the remaining humans (most of all William H. Macy, Téa Leoni, and, after sitting out the first sequel, Sam Neill) tends to depress the level of suspense. Any child — the target viewer, after all — will know full well that nothing too bad is going to happen to them any time soon. Aside from its shorter menu of snack food, the movie has lost little in transferring the controls from Steven Spielberg to Joe Johnston: little but excess baggage. (Even the dinos no longer seem able to cause the earth to quake with every step.) A well-paced hour and a half could not nowadays feed the Spielberg ego. 2001.
★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Legally Blonde — A wish-fulfillment fairy tale, more voguishly known as an empowerment myth, concerning a So-Cal sorority sister, Fashion Merchandising major, and Miss Hawaiian Tropic runner-up (Reese Witherspoon, in her mile-wide vein of mockery) who gets herself admitted into Harvard Law School to chase after her ex-boyfriend — and oh by the way, outrun him to the head of the class. Some of the details, if you allow maybe a hundred yards of slack for knowledge of how the world works, are giddily inventive: the admissions-application "video essay" (directed by an unspecified Coppola) delivered in an assortment of swimming pools and bikinis, or the pet Chihuahua named Bruiser, or the pink pompom at the top of her classroom pen. Ready as we may be, however, to applaud the discovery and cultivation of a human brain, willing as we may be to believe that this can occur in the airiest of heads, we might balk nonetheless at the two-faced assumption that it's as simple as turning on a faucet. The idea of growth without change goes against nature. Like the idea of satire without teeth. Luke Wilson, Matthew Davis, Selma Blair, Jennifer Coolidge, Raquel Welch; directed by Robert Luketic. 2001.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Made — A reunion of the male leads of *Swingers*, Vince Vaughn and Jon Favreau, with the latter again writing the script and for the first time directing as well. He has enlisted Wong Kar-wai's nimble cameraman, Christopher Doyle, to photograph it — a smart move, it might seem, except that the scrappy results only go to show the importance of Wong Kar-wai's eye in their collaborations. The story, or better say situation, centers around a couple of lifelong pals, loosely connected to the mob, who for their separate reasons tighten those connections when they accept a vague assignment as cross-country couriers. As in the overrated *Swingers*, only more so, Favreau and Vaughn each have a well-honed shtick — Big Putz and Bigger Putz — and they repeat it *ad infinitum* and *nauseam*. Favreau once again comes through as the sympathetic one, not so much for his lunkish sadsack looks, still less for his mawkish relationship with the neglected daughter of his stripper girlfriend. It's just that he's not the one you yearn to see bound and gagged. Famke Janssen, Peter Falk, Sean Combs. 2001.
★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Memento — A tale of revenge told in reverse. To put it like that is not to suggest the movie goes literally in reverse motion, with people walking backwards and saying "Olleh" instead of "Hello," although that in fact is the method of the opening scene: a Polaroid snapshot gets sucked back into the camera, and a spent cartridge jumps up into the chamber of a handgun. But this just gives the movie its initial push backwards in time. After that, the scenes (in normal forward motion) are arranged in opposite order of occurrence, a bit reminiscent of the screen adaptation of Harold Pinter's play, *Betrayal*, or the earlier Elizabeth Jane Howard novel, *The Long View*. One big difference between this and those is that *Memento* is a thriller, not a relationship thing. Knowing how it all turns out would appear to be more crippling. Yet appearances, as we all know, can be deceiving. Another big difference is that the action here is squeezed into a tighter time frame, with each of the scenes ending at the precise point — with perhaps a second or two of repetitive overlap — where the previous scene started. Events, in others words, have been broken up arbitrarily in mid-course, so that we join them *in medias res* and must wait until the ensuing scene to find out how we reached that point. Still another difference, slightly soiling the purity of the concept, is that the scenes are separated by black-and-white interpolations (for explanatory purposes, mostly) of indeterminate chronology, and there's a heavy dose of verbal recapitulation right before the finish. This narrative technique proves to be a true test of your powers of concentration: a good thing in and of itself. You have to pay close attention. And you have to do what the hero himself is unable to do: to remember what came before. The trick of the thing — the inspiration and justification for the ass-backwards order of procedure — is the hero's peculiar "condition," as he refers to it, whereby he is incapable of forming new memories ever since the head injury he sustained while his wife was getting raped and murdered. Admittedly the movie is something of a stunt, a sleight of hand. The reverse-order gimmick could only work in concert with the blank-memory gimmick: copycats beware. This is a one-of-a-kind whatchamacallit designed for one use only, one time only. (Though a reverse-order sequel, strange to say, is not unimaginable.) It hangs together. It does its job. It can have no further application. But this is a work of fiction, not a kitchen implement, and in that department ingenuity counts much more than utility. Guy Pearce, Carrie-Anne Moss, Joe Pantoliano; written and directed by Christopher Nolan. 2001.
★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Neverending Story — The adult might well appreciate the plug put in for novels (versus video games) as a source of children's entertainment, and might also appreciate the elementary lesson dished out at the climax about the audience's vital role in the creative process: more or less what Coleridge had in mind with the expression "poetic faith." But the particular fiction used to demonstrate these ideals — an overproduced and underimagined fairy tale about a land called Fantasia besieged by something called The Nothing — will best be left to the wide-eyed or merely undiscriminating tot. With Noah Hathaway; directed by Wolfgang Petersen. 1984.
★ (KEN, 8/12 AND 13)

O Brother, Where Art Thou? — A road comedy, "based upon *The Odyssey* by Homer," about three chain-gang fugitives in Depression-era Mississippi. (The title, should you need reminding, comes from Preston Sturges's *Sullivan's Travels*: the proposed title for a "meaningful" film by a refractory Hollywood contract director, whose subsequent quest to get in touch with the Common Man lands him on a Southern chain gang.) While the humor is as broad as the Coen brothers ever have allowed (i.e., *Raising Arizona*), it is equally as bright and as funny. No one in American cinema, past or present, writes tastier, tangier dialogue than Joel and Ethan Coen; and the script is studded with well-turned gags that could stand alongside any textbook samples from the pages of Preston Sturges, Jules Furthman, Ben Hecht. (The nitwit fugitives enter inevitably into a who-put-*you*-in-charge dispute. The rebellious one says, "I'm votin' for Yours Truly." The besieged leader responds, "Well, I'm votin' for Yours Truly, too." The swing voter, looking uncertainly from one to the other, puzzling out the politic choice, says, "Okay, I'm with you fellers.") And the Coens show here, as they showed already in *The Hudsucker Proxy*, that if you take the four-letter words out of their vocabulary they will not be handicapped in the slightest. Also comparable to *Hudsucker*, or more exactly comparable to the metamorphosis of Tim Robbins therein, is the loosening-up and warming-up of George Clooney into a flexible and a palatable actor, flourishing in the part of Ulysses (you see?) Everett McGill, fond of the four-dollar, as opposed to four-letter, word ("bifurcated," "rusticated," "rancor," "paradigm"), and hypersensitive about his hair every waking moment ("My hair!" is the first thing from his lips when startled from sleep) — even to the point of borrowing John Turturro's hairnet from *The Big Lebowski*. And his grooming routine with a tin of pomade (it has to be Dapper Dan brand, not Fop), getting a sort of razor-stropping motion going with his comb, is as educational as it is elegant. Turturro, as the second of the escapees, is of course an old reliable in a Coen movie. But the revelation in the cast is the writer-director (of *Eye of God*) and sometime bit player, Tim Blake Nelson, whose expressions of open-mouthed and cross-eyed stupidity, as the slowest of the trio, form the solidest thematic link to the Coen brothers' previous effort, *Lebowski*. In spite of the preponderance of the evidence (the Farrelly brothers, Adam Sandler, et al.), it is not necessary for a comedy about stupidity to be stupid itself. Not unless it is content to be unfunny and hypocritical in the bargain. The Coens have become the keenest observers of American boobery since the departure — right around the time in which *O Brother* is set — of Ring Lardner. With John Goodman, Holly Hunter. 2000.
★★★★ (KEN, 8/10 AND 11)

Original Sin — Reviewed this issue. With Antonio Banderas, Angelina Jolie, Thomas Jane, and Jack Thompson; written and directed by Michael Cristofer.
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Osmosis Jones — Reviewed this issue. With Bill Murray and the voices of Chris Rock, David Hyde Pierce, Laurence Fishburne, and William Shatner; directed by Bobby and Peter Farrelly.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 8/10)

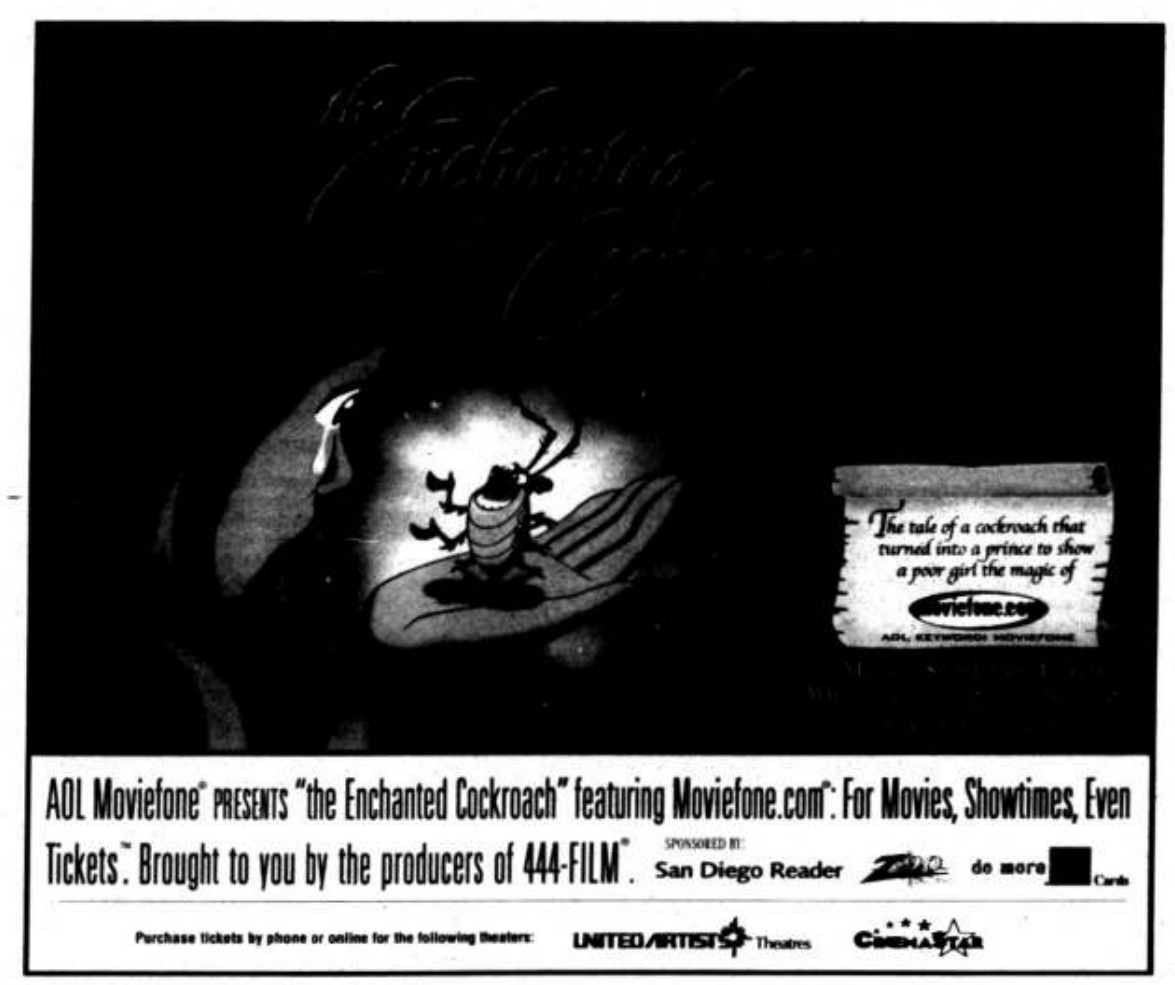
The Others — Reviewed this issue. With Nicole Kidman, Fionnula Flanagan, Christopher Eccleston, Alakina Mann, and James Bentley; written and directed by Alejandro Amenábar.
★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 8/10)

Planet of the Apes — The "unique personal vision" of Tim Burton comes down here to the burgeoning field of science-fiction graphics: a new illustrated edition of an old familiar classic. (Rather dark and murky illustrations, too, with a forest-primeval feel to deepen the timeless mythicality of it all.) Sure, the ape makeup, to say nothing of the beetly battle armor, is an improvement over the 1968 screen treatment, but so what? (Myth doesn't demand verisimilitude.) Mark Wahlberg, meanwhile, whose notion of heavy emoting consists of breathing through an open mouth, is the farthest thing from an improvement on Charlton Heston. (The











latter, content these days to be a joke, has an unbilled cameo in a monkey mask, reprising the curtain lines of the original.) The moral sententiousness, even in the absence of Rod Serling on the screenwriting team, remains very much the same. As does the lameness of the humor: "Extremism in defense of apes is no vice," "Can't we all just get along?" and the like. More fundamentally, the entire concept of an evolutionary inversion — talking apes and caged humans — is too much a novelty to bear a remake, just as it couldn't bear four sequels. And the new and different surprise ending is apt to wring from the viewer a befuddled "Huh?" where the old one wrung an "Ah." Helena Bonham Carter, Tim Roth, Michael Clarke Duncan, Paul Giamatti, Estella Warren. 2001.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN, CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RAMONA TWIN; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Princess Bride — Rob Reiner, who's said to have been wanting to make a movie of the William Goldman novel for many



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more years than he'd actually been a moviemaker, is not at this point a good enough director to cover up for a not good enough idea; he's still tied too tightly to the TV sitcom sensibility (acquired no doubt in his years as an actor on *All in the Family*), all the way down to the clunking closeup of whoever happens to be talking at the moment. In fairness he does seem to keep on trying to do something a little different, only he is doing something less different here than he seems to think. The possibilities of the tongue-in-cheek swashbuckling adventure have been pretty thoroughly mapped out in such things as, coming forwards in time, *The Great Race*, Richard Lester's *The Three* (and *Four*) *Musketeers*, Richard Quine's *The Princess of Zenda*, *Flash Gordon*, and the Indiana Jones films. And the Errol Flynn–Douglas Fairbanks prototypes never had their tongues far from their cheeks in the first place. But forget all that now, if you possibly can, as you are guided again to The Shrieking Eels and The Cliffs of Insanity and The Fire Swamp, with its St. Bernard-sized rats, and The Pit of Despair and so on (only the names are different), to be regaled not so much by the actual spectacle of any of these sights as by the choking facetiousness of your tour-guide. This attitude of indulgent superiority is evidently supposed to coat the thing with a layer of "adultness." And for a second coat into the bargain, there is a present-day framing device wherein a horribly made-up and costumed grand-dad (Peter Falk) "reads" the story we are seeing to a precocious sitcom kid in his sickbed: a soft-sell pitch for literature (the television of yore) that had been done before, and better, in *The Neverending Story*. Winks and eye-rolls notwithstanding, however, *The Princess Bride* remains obstinately a movie for children. There is no harm in that. But there is not a lot else in it either. With Cary Elwes, Robin Wright, Mandy Patinkin, Chris Sarandon. 1987.

★ (KEN, 8/12 AND 13)

The Princess Diaries — Fairy-tale success story: from little nobody to big somebody, minus any desire or effort, more like a lottery prize. More exactly like an unexpected inheritance: the throne of Genovia (pear capital of Europe), by subterranean bloodline. What a surprise for a frizzy-haired, four-eyed, fifteen-year-old San Francisco art-misfit! The transformation of the Ugly Duckling ("If Brooke Shields married Groucho Marx, their child would have your eyebrows") falls a long way shy of a miracle, and nothing shy of a pitch for the beauty parlor. Even before she is defrizzed, defuzzed, and despectacled, the filmmakers have a hard time hiding the physical blessings of Anne Hathaway; and to pair her with Heather Matarazzo as best friends tends to raise her up rather than drag her down. Notwithstanding the trouperish contributions of Hector Elizondo (it's a Garry Marshall film, so there is perforce a part for Hector Elizondo) and a non-singing Julie Andrews (now in the Prof. Henry Higgins role instead of the Eliza Dolittle), this dish of milk-toast is for either very little girls or very old girls only. 2001.

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Rush Hour 2 — Reviewed this issue. With Jackie Chan, Chris Tucker, John Lone, Roselyn Sanchez, and Zhang Ziyi; directed by Brett Ratner.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; POWAY 10; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Score — The score is excellent — the musical score, that is, by Howard Shore; bluesy, subdued, taut, anxious, ominous, nearly good enough to convince you that you are watching a legitimate suspense film — yet the movie on the whole is more con job than big-time caper. The bait, the hook, would be the big-time cast, Robert De Niro, Edward Norton, Marlon Brando, Angela Bassett. Confidence builders, for sure. The second two, on closer inspection, can be summarily dismissed. Bassett is no more than The Girl, an untethered flight attendant who alights intermittently in the apartment of a Montreal jazz-club proprietor and out-of-town safecracker, but who for the duration of the movie stays mostly in flight. Brando, as a foppish fence dressed for the tropics, admittedly commands the well-worn accolade of Can't Take Your Eyes Off Him When He's On Screen, but that's because, primarily, he takes up so much of the screen even in long shot, and secondarily because of our morbid fascination in searching for the slithering sex object of *One-Eyed Jacks* inside the body of a whale. And in any case, he's not on screen for long. That leaves us, for most of the way, with De Niro and Norton, and a by-the-numbers heist plot whose main virtue is avoidance of excess. Comedy and fantasy director Frank Oz (*In and Out*, *The Indian in the Cupboard*, etc.) is concerned more to change his pace than to top his past efforts. 2001.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN, FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Sexy Beast — A misleading title, except perhaps in tone, for a British caper picture that perches on or near the same cutey edge as Guy Ritchie's *Snatch* and *Lock, Stock, and Two Smoking Barrels*. A gangster's gangster film. The big difference, however, between Jonathan Glazer's debut film and either of Ritchie's is — highly subjective criterion — that when it tries to be funny it actually succeeds. Not all the time. Not the heart-shaped smoke ring blown by the hero, a "definitely retired" denizen of the London underworld now living the life of Riley on the Costa del Sol, to his adored and worshipped wife, "Dirty Deedee," the former porn star. Not the Valentine-card image of them floating above the lights of the city in a horizontal embrace. But regularly. Judiciously. Ungreedily. The extended centerpiece of the movie, really the bulk of the movie, is the sharply written (when you can decipher the dialect) powwow between this contented sloth and the former confederate who means to coax him out of retirement and won't take no for an answer. More specifically, the centerpiece of the movie is Ben Kingsley. (Yes, there's eventually a caper, almost as an afterthought, and not the most watertight — we might say — of criminal schemes.) It's quite wonderful how we can tell before his arrival, just from the throat-clutching effect of the name "Don Logan" on its speakers and hearers, that we're in for *something*, without knowing what. It's even more wonderful how that *something* turns out to be so much more and different, than we ever could have guessed. Devilish in demeanor (sitting goatee and shaven dome), but bedevilled himself below the surface (witness the fragmented talk to the mirror as he works himself into a lather), a veritable ambassador of misery ("I won't let you be happy! Why should I?"), practically a force of nature and yet a precisely motivated and malevolent one, he is incongruously smaller than the man he terrorizes, a yapping terrier facing down a slobbering Saint Bernard, all flat and hard where the other is bloated and squishy, a prohibitive favorite in any stare-down contest, and so thoroughly awful as to be thoroughly amusing. Ray Winstone, Amanda Redman, Ian McShane, James Fox. 2001.

★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA PALOMA, FROM 8/10)

Shrek — This computer-animated twist on the Beauty-and-Beast theme — the chivalric quest of a lonely, touchy, Scots-accented ogre and his volunteer sidekick, a wisecracking ass sans Sancho Panza, to rescue a martial-arts princess from a fire breathing dragon and a Machiavellian bridegroom — is relentlessly clever, relentlessly ironic, relentlessly hip, or just plain relentless. But when did abrasive and anachronistic smart-alecky become the accepted and dominant mode in film fantasy? Fantasy, like religion, requires at least a pretense of faith. DreamWorks might like to think they are tweaking the tradition of Disney's animated fairy tales (Snow White and Pinocchio, among others, put in cameo appearances), but in truth they're in lock step with Disney's *Aladdin*, *Hercules*, *Beauty and the Beast*, simply a few paces behind. With the voices of Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz, and John Lithgow; co-directed by Andrew Adamson and Vicky Jenson. 2001.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Songcatcher — A prim, proper, prissy musicologist, pissed off at again getting passed over for promotion, flees to the Appalachians to visit her schoolmarm sister, and discovers in those mountains a hidden gold mine of folk music (this is in 1907) crying out to be documented. The music itself is agreeable and abundant (Iris DeMent singing from a front-porch rocker to a solo fiddle accompaniment is the peak), but the backwoods melodrama piles up to a laughable climax, and the coverage of it is oddly spotty (wouldn't you expect a reaction shot of the heroine if a barn-dance brawl breaks out at her feet? or if her work goes up in flames before her eyes?), and the women's issues — not just inequities in the workplace, but the Love That Dare Not Speak Its Name — are strictly rote. Janet McTeer, Aidan Quinn, Jane Adams, Pat Carroll, Emmy Rossum; written and directed by Maggie Greenwald. 2001.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Spy Kids — Cartoonish espionage caper, aimed at a younger age group than usual for Robert Rodriguez (*From Dusk Till Dawn*, *Desperado*, cameos themselves). Slick, sometimes eye-catching, but nothing to hold on to. With Antonio Banderas, Carla Gugino, Alexa Vega, Daryl Sabara, Alan Cumming. 2001.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HARBOR DRIVE IN; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

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American Pie 2 (R) Fri. 11:30, 2:00 (4:40) 7:20, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. 11:30, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. 11:30, 2:00 (4:40) 7:20, 10:10; **Original Sin** (R) Fri. 11:35, 2:20 (5:05) 7:40, 10:25; Sat.-Sun. 11:35, 2:20, 5:05, 7:40, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. 11:35, 2:20 (5:05) 7:40, 10:25; **The Others** (PG-13) Fri. 12:00, 2:40 (5:20) 8:00, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 2:40, 5:20, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 2:40 (5:20) 8:00, 10:30; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri. 11:40, 2:10 (4:55) 7:35, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. 11:40, 2:10, 4:55, 7:35, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. 11:40, 2:10 (4:55) 7:35, 10:20; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri. 11:30, 2:15 (5:00) 7:45, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15 (5:00) 7:45, 10:30; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri. 11:50, 2:30 (4:45) 7:30, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. 11:50, 2:30, 4:45, 7:30, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. 11:50, 2:30 (4:45) 7:30, 10:05; **The Score** (R) Fri. 1:00 (4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:00 (4:00) 7:00, 10:00

Mission Valley 20
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
American Pie 2: Osmosis Jones: The Others: Spy Kids: Rush Hour 2: The Princess Diaries: Original Sin: Planet of the Apes: Made: Jurassic Park III: America's Sweethearts: The Score: Legally Blonde: Cats and Dogs: Scary Movie 2: The Fast and the Furious

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6
3063 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
American Pie 2 (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:20) 5:40, 8:00, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:40, 5:45) 8:00, 10:10; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:40, 3:45) 5:50, 7:50, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 3:50, 5:50) 7:50, 9:55; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 2:45) 4:55, 7:10, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:10, 5:10) 7:10, 9:25; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:15) 7:00, 9:35; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:55) 5:20, 7:40, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:15, 5:30) 7:45, 10:05; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:05) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:20, 5:20) 7:30, 9:45

Ken
4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909)
Best in Show (PG-13) Wed.-Thu. 5:30, 9:30; **The Neverending Story** (PG) Sun.-Tue. 4:45, 9:15; **O Brother, Where Art Thou?** (PG-13) Fri. 7:15; Sat. 2:40, 7:15; **The Princess Bride** (PG) Sun. 2:30, 7:00; Mon.-Tue. 7:00; **This Is Spinal Tap** (R) Wed.-Thu. 7:30; **The Big Lebowski** (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:55, 9:30; **The Mystery of Picasso**, Thursday

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Brother (R) Fri. (1:35) 4:30, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 1:35, 4:30, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:35) 4:30, 7:20, 9:55; **Ghost World** (R) Fri. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Hedwig and the Angry Inch** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:10; **Memento** (R) Fri. (1:45) 4:20, 7:05, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:45, 4:20, 7:05, 10:00; Mon.-Wed. (1:45) 4:20, 7:05, 10:00; Thu. (1:45) 4:20, 10:00; **Sexy Beast** (R) Fri. (1:55) 5:00, 7:40, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 1:55, 5:00, 7:40, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:55) 5:00, 7:40, 9:55

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1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)
Eat, Drink and Beat Larry: The Three Stooges Uncensored!, Thursday, 7 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 p.m.; **Plan 9 from Outer Space**, Friday, 7 p.m.; **Eraserhead**, Wednesday, 7 p.m., and next Friday, 7 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center
1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
China: The Panda Adventure (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Sat. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 8:00; Sun.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; **Journey Into Amazing Caves** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; **Michael Jordan: To The Max** (Not Rated) Fri. 9:00; Sat. 6:00, 9:00; Sun.-Thu. 8:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
America's Sweethearts (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 2:55, 5:45) 7:50, 8:20, 9:50, 10:40; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (9:55, 10:30, 12:25, 1:00, 4:15, 4:45) 7:00, 7:45, 9:45, 10:20; **Cats and Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (2:40) 7:05; **Dr. Dolittle 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 4:50) 9:55; **The Fast and the Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 2:10, 4:55) 7:35, 10:15; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (9:45, 10:15, 12:40, 4:00) 7:15, 9:55; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:25, 2:50, 5:15) 8:00, 10:30; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15, 12:45, 3:30, 4:00, 6:50) 7:20, 7:50, 9:40, 10:10, 10:40; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (9:55, 10:25, 12:30, 1:05, 3:50, 4:20) 7:10, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30; **The Score** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 4:10) 7:05, 10:00; **Shrek** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:05, 4:45) 7:05, 9:35; **Spy Kids** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:40, 1:10, 3:40) 6:05

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Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100)
America's Sweethearts (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:05) 4:35, 7:20, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:05, 4:35) 7:20, 9:45; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 12:50, 2:10, 3:15) 4:40, 5:35, 7:10, 8:00, 9:35, 10:20; **Mon.-Thu.** (11:50, 12:50, 2:10, 3:15) 4:40, 5:35, 7:10, 8:00, 9:35, 10:20; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:45, 4:40, 5:15) 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:55, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:10, 1:45, 4:40, 5:15, 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:55, 10:30; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 12:45, 1:45, 3:00) 5:00, 7:55, 8:55, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:50, 12:45, 1:45, 3:00, 4:00) 5:15, 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:00; **Spy Kids** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15) 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10

Planet Promenade 24
770 Deniery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)
American Pie 2: Osmosis Jones: The Others: Spy Kids: Rush Hour 2: The Princess Diaries: Original Sin: Planet of the Apes: Jurassic Park III: America's Sweethearts: Legally Blonde: The Score: Cats and Dogs: Scary Movie 2: The Fast and the Furious: Shrek

Rancho Del Rey 16
1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)
America's Sweethearts (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 4:40) 7:35, 10:10; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 11:00, 1:15, 1:45, 4:00, 4:30) 6:55, 7:45, 9:25, 10:10; **Cats and Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 2:00) Dr. Dolittle 2 (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:55, 4:45); **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:05, 7:40, 9:15, 9:45; **Legally Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:15, 5:15) 7:55, 10:25; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:40, 4:50) 7:40, 10:15; **The Others** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:25, 5:05) 7:50, 9:50; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:35, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:40, 11:10, 1:25, 1:50, 4:05, 4:35) 6:50, 7:15, 7:50, 9:30, 10:00; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:30) 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:45) 3:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:05, 7:40, 9:15, 9:45; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:15

CARLSBAD

La Costa 6
6941 El Camino Real (760-599-8521)
America's Sweethearts (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:30) 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:45) 3:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:05, 7:40, 9:15, 9:45; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:15

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain
12670 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)
America's Sweethearts (PG-13) Fri. 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 11:30, 2:05, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 11:30, 2:05, 5:45, 7:05, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. 12:20, 2:25, 4:55, 7:05, 9:40; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 3:15, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20; Sun. 12:00, 3:15, 5:40, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 3:15, 5:40, 7:50, 10:10; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri. 5:15, 7:05, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. 12:40, 3:15, 5:15, 7:05, 9:15; **Original Sin** (R) Fri. 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 7:50, 10:25; Sat. 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 7:50, 10:10; Sun. 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 7:50, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 7:50, 9:50; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00, 7:05, 7:40, 9:15, 9:45; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15

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Galaxy 6
Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8284)
American Pie 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 5:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 10:00; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:55, 4:45); **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:05, 7:40, 9:15, 9:45; **Legally Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:15, 5:15) 7:55, 10:25; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:40, 4:50) 7:40, 10:15; **The Others** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:25, 5:05) 7:50, 9:50; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:35, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:40, 11:10, 1:25, 1:50, 4:05, 4:35) 6:50, 7:15, 7:50, 9:30, 10:00; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:30) 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:45) 3:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:05, 7:40, 9:15, 9:45; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:15

POWAY

Poway 10
13455 Poway Road (858-486-9423)
America's Sweethearts (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:40, 4:15, 7:15, 9:45) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; **Original Sin** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:30) 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:45) 3:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00 (5:30, 8:00, 10:30); **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

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American Pie 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Jurassic Park III** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; **Legally Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:15) 7:45, 10:15; **Osmosis Jones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Planet of the Apes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45; **The Princess Diaries** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 9:45; **Rush Hour 2** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:00; **Spy Kids** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15) 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 10:10; Sun. 1:10, 5:20, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. 1:10 (5:20) 7:50; **American Pie 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. 1:05, 4:55, 8:30, 11:00; Sun. 1:05, 4:55, 8:30, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. 1:05 (4:55) 8:30; **Original Sin** (R) Fri. 3:10, 5:45, 8:05, 10:35; Sat. 1:30, 4:50, 7:35, 10:15; Sun. 1:30, 4:50, 7:35, Mon.-Thu. 1:30 (4:50) 7:35; **The Others** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 5:30, 8:10, 10:45; Sun. 12:45, 5:30, 8:10,

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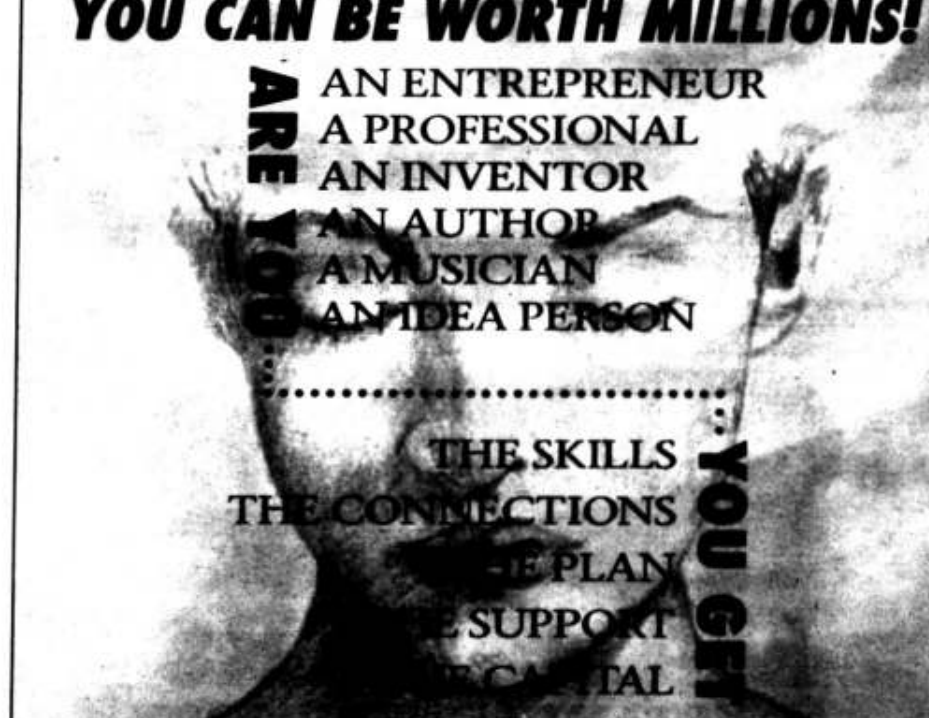

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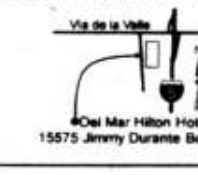

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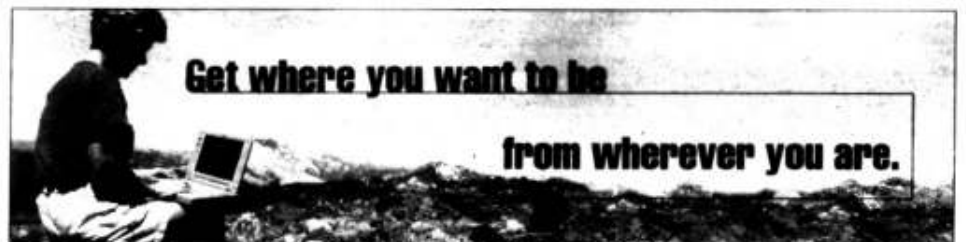

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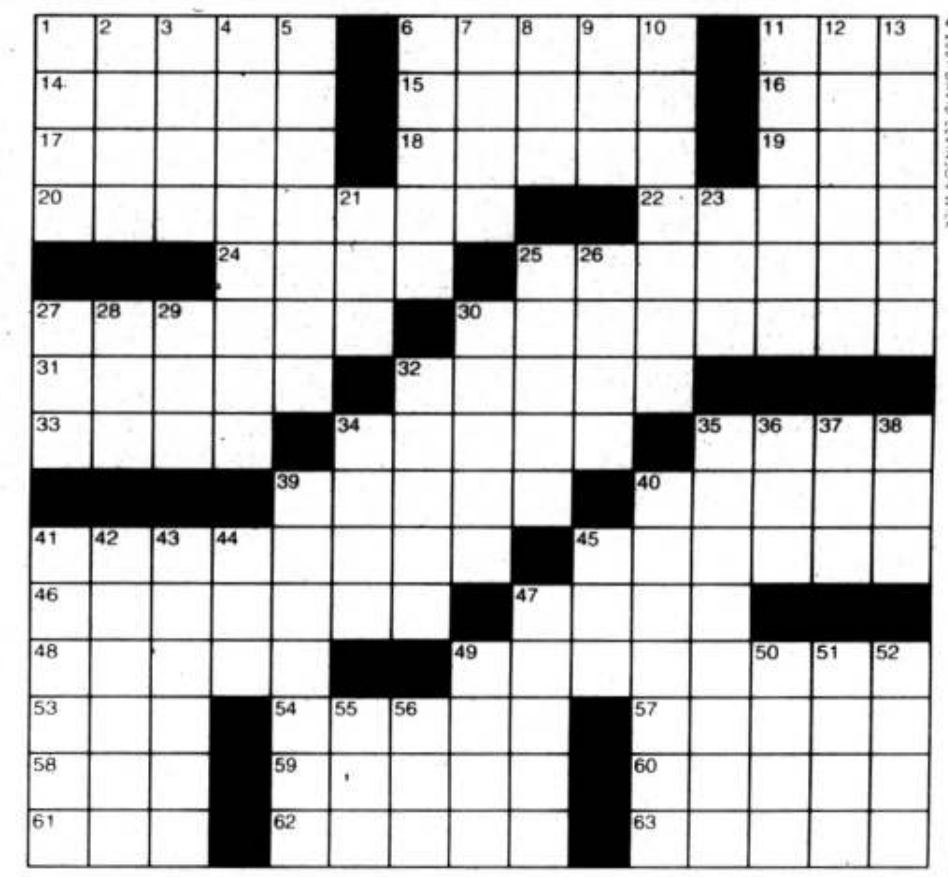
1. Reject disdainfully
6. Improvise
11. Businesses: Abbr.
14. "____ Go Again" (1987 #1 song)
15. Haile Selassie disciple
16. Snake with a nasty bite
17. Man of morals
18. A good note to ____
19. VCR maker
20. Finishing (up)
22. Exclude, as from membership
24. Actress Raines
25. They get to work on Time
27. Document inker
30. False appearance
31. Attempts
32. UPI and AP
33. Shore material
34. Word that could follow 20-Across and five other entries in this puzzle
35. Pink Floyd album, with "The"
39. Hollowed out an apple
40. Zellweger of "Nurse Betty"
41. Easy insults
45. Place with swinging doors
46. Harmonizers
47. Worldwide: Abbr.
48. Go on a second date, perhaps
49. Removing excess lipstick
53. Bro's sibling
54. Bottom of a sum
57. Daytime TV host O'Donnell
58. Ending on a school e-mail address
59. Saint ____ (Quebec county)
60. Over 21, say
61. Norma Webster's middle name
62. Knife sharpener
63. Leo I and Leo X, e.g.

Down

1. George Bernard ____
2. Look (into)
3. ____ Major
4. Was ready for business again
5. Some bottle tops
6. Sports venue
7. "Shucks!"
8. You can trip on it
9. "Was ____ blame?"
10. Gangsters
11. C, on the periodic table
12. Wilde and De La Hoya
13. Hardly dense
21. Elba, to Napoleon
23. Summer, to Napoleon
25. Committed a no-no
26. Bucks and does
27. D and C, in D.C.
28. 401(k) alternative
29. Tom Collins base
30. Things in which to pour Drano
32. Witch's blemishes
34. Hardly 35-Down
35. Affluent
36. 365 dias
37. August 1 birth
38. Football's Dawson
39. Fast cat
40. Vermin catcher
41. Officer in charge of money matters
42. Native New Yorkers
43. Muscle or nerve substance
44. Hotel or office building abbr.
45. ____-Cone
47. More sick
49. Barn dance seat
50. "The jig ____!"
51. River associated with a 16-Across
52. Seizes
55. Prefix with meter
56. British P.M.'s house number



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2. All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* (addressed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803) by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, six days following the issue date.
3. All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
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6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
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Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 8/2/01.

Of the 30 entrants, 30 were correct. The winners are:

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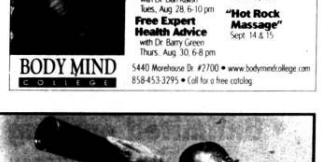

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MAYBE IT'S NOT TOO late to learn how to love, forget how to hate. About the little things, hold tight. Racial equality we need!

POOKIE, I'm so glad we worked things out. I love you forever. Squishy

THERE ARE energy forms (souls) displaced from their original placement within the heavens, must seek dwelling/experience, they seek it, find it within humans. Sananda

WHAT AN ADDICTION! Nothing's here! The only way out of this imaginary column is for me to stop filling it. God bless and take care.

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SHARED INTERESTS

FRIENDSHIP. Seeking a few platonic girlfriends for heart-to-heart talks, movies, music, light walking and shopping, visiting at home, etc. 32-42. El Cajon. (8/15) ☎69963

FRIENDSHIP. Fun couple without children seeks like couple (25-30) for barbecues, beach trips, nightclubs and traveling. Let's live it up! (8/15) ☎69956

FRIENDSHIP. Well-rounded nurse, 54, widow, nondrinker, nonsmoker, childless, vivacious. Seeking intelligent people: movies, theater, concerts, dining, trips, outings. 55-70, nonsmoker, outgoing, flexible, kind, available. (8/22) ☎70035

FRIENDSHIP. Male enjoys bowling, Scrabble, movies, Filipino board games, cooking Asian cuisine, studying American history/language. Seeking male friendship. (8/22) ☎70036

FRIENDSHIP. Hi. I am a 27 year old female seeking a female friend who enjoys travel, concerts (especially reggae), dining, arts, movies, conversation and adventure. (8/22) ☎70037

FRIENDSHIP. Female friends (25-35) wanted for girls' night out, happy hours, beach and going to clubs. No flakes! E-mail is the best way to respond. (8/22) ☎70038

WORKOUT PARTNER. Drop some weight, tone up with me before summer's over. North County Inland guy seeking female gym partner for later evening, casual workouts. (8/15) ☎69962

MATCHES
WOMEN SEEKING MEN

A FINE WOMAN: Educated, attractive, fun, secure black woman, 35, warm eyes/heart, seeks one honest, intelligent, successful, stimulating man for living, laughing, everlasting loving. (8/15) ☎70516

ARE YOU FIT AND FUN? Happy, humorous? Financially/emotionally secure? I am. White female, 5'8", 46, athletic. Seeking white male, nonsmoker, activities, adventure, friendship, relationship. (8/22) ☎70531

ATTRACTIVE, TALL BLACK female, slender, 40, sincere, sexy, romantic, seeking tall male, 31-43, in-shape, for movies, dinner, jazz, walks, possible long-term relationship. Call (8/22) ☎70558

ALL WORK AND NO PLAY! This 53-year young professional needs a life. Travel, concerts, movies, theatre, dinner. Be over 45, emotionally available, race open. (8/22) ☎70565

YOU: LAUGHTER, INTELLECT, passion, honesty, coffeehouses, poetry, theatre, animals, outdoors, nonsmoker/nondrinker, soul searching, Native American/European outlook. Me: 54 years, 5'7", all of above. (8/22) ☎70578

DON'T WANT YOUR MONEY, just your heart. Happy, healthy, debt-free, active, classy senior laughs, loves, longs for soul mate to enjoy San Diego's amenities. (8/22) ☎70530

ATTRACTIVE, YOUNG 40s GAL seeks conversational strolling seer of sights. I question all things yet respect private domain. Looking for a friend, not just Casanova. (8/15) ☎70513

ATTRACTIVE WHITE FEMALE, 45, 5'5", 138lbs., blue eyes, brown hair, Irish descent, seeking white male for companionship. Enjoy dining, dancing, traveling, movies, conversation and more. (8/15) ☎70474

SLENDER, ATTRACTIVE, 5'4", fun, 32, humorous, educated professional, childless. You're kind, humorous, passionate, fun, educated, successful professional, financially secure, childless, relationship. (8/22) ☎70540

CAN'T YOU JUST SHOW up at my door? Dislike single's clubs? I'm 49, attractive, fit, funny, professional, with life in order. (8/15) ☎70519

LATIN LADY, 38, SEEKS handsome blue-collar gentleman for long term. Marriage? No children, yet. Let's see if we can play together! Light smoke/drink. (8/22) ☎70556

VIBRANT, SENSUOUS, beautiful, intelligent woman desires man with kind heart and loving soul. Please be spiritually/emotionally/financially ready to join me in living expansively. (8/22) ☎70536

HUGE HUGGY BEAR, adventurer, kind, smart, funny, very active, attractive entrepreneurial lady seeks friend/mate. No addictions/baggage. Healthy and happy. Motorcyclist a plus. (8/22) ☎70535

JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN! 42, blue eyes, brown hair. Love traveling, beach, cooking, movies, rollerblading. Be honest, attractive, with sense of humor. (8/15) ☎70483

TALL, LIGHT SKIN, BLACK, personable, late 50s, seeks black male: Saudi, 53-59, 6'2"-6'5", 180-215lbs., corporate, own workout a plus. Sincere, reserve, playful. Won't be disappointed. (8/15) ☎70471

BLACK LAW ENFORCEMENT officer wanted by fit, attractive white woman with great legs, 42. You're intelligent, adventurous, spontaneous, monogamous and available. Please call for details. (8/15) ☎70491

JUST MOVED HERE. Seeking attractive, athletic, professional, educated, down-to-earth, 30-38, fun, unpretentious guy enjoys travel, challenges, outdoors, culture. I am. Same. 32, 5'2". (8/22) ☎70538

VERY PRETTY, NICE FIGURE, sunny disposition. Seeking 55+, 5'10"+, huggable, lovable, creative, romantic hunk. Completely unencumbered desiring monogamous love affair. (8/15) ☎70472

JEWISH SPECIAL LADY, appealing, sincere, lovely inside/out. Many interests. Seeking healthy, honest, considerate man, 63-72, for loving, life, sharing relationship, nonsmoker. (8/22) ☎70534

EUROPEAN EDUCATED, gorgeous petite. Seeking successful, stylish, nonjudgmental, family man, sports, friendship, decisive, loyal, truthful, optimist, spiritual/nonreligious, no previous kids, 36-46, 5'9"-6'1". No Republicans. (8/22) ☎70579

EARTHY, SENSUAL, STRONG woman, 33, 5'3", 125lbs., curvy, pretty, smiles a lot. You are 35-45, stable, kind, smart, generous, handsome. Looking for the big L. (8/15) ☎70505

IF YOU ARE THE KIND, considerate and generous man who would never answer a personal ad, please answer this ad. (8/15) ☎70477

ONE DAMN GOOD WOMAN looking for one damn good man. Supportive, available, honest, late 30s, looking for late 30s through early 40s. Have a lot to offer. How about you? (8/15) ☎70526

SUMMER, SPRING, WINTER, fall, this cool chick has it all. Likes: Water, photography, mountains. Seeking one cool man of substance/integrity, long term, 42+, nonsmoker. (8/15) ☎70512

NEW YORK BRONX BEAUTY, brunette, slim, dancer's body, School of Performing Arts. Seeking universal soul mate, 55-62, participator/appreciator of performing arts. Romance may follow. (8/15) ☎70518

I WISH TO MEET SOMEONE. Sincere, exciting and attractive wanting relationship with a unique, happy and interesting woman. (8/22) ☎70582

AFFECTIONATE, LOVING brunette, 40ish, looking for someone to laugh and love with. I'm 5'8", 123lbs., and full of life. Good spirited a must. (8/22) ☎70551

PRETTY, YOUNG 51, professional still looking for special someone to share similar interests: mountains, camping, movies, dinners out, travel, home projects, romance, friendship, playfulness, nonsmoker. (8/15) ☎70484

MOCHA SENSATION SEEKS intelligent, secure, healthy vanilla gentleman for fun activities, travel companion and romantic experiences. This voluptuous 5'5" wants to love you. (8/22) ☎70546

MOON CHILD, UNPRETENTIOUS, open minded, easygoing, vibrant, strawberry blonde, petite, fit, nonjudgemental, sense of adventure, passion for life. Seeking compatible sign. 40s, nonsmoker. (8/22) ☎70529

INDIAN FEMALE FROM INDIA. Very attractive, many hobbies. Seeking sincere honest gentleman, 45-55, time wasters excused. Serious reply only. (8/22) ☎70574

TIRED OF SITTING ALONE with your TV after work? 53, tall, blonde, slender, happy, healthy, girl-next-door needs honest, dependable Mr. Nice Guy. (8/22) ☎70564

HIKING, MUSIC, ZOO, ART. Me: 30s, brunette, 5'3", medium sized, free spirit. You: 21-47, happy, honest, considerate, outdoorsy, not too uptight. No North County. (8/15) ☎70511

LOVE THE BEACH! 5'6", nonsmoker, brunette, professional, slim, approaching 40 but looks 35. Enjoy outdoors, movies, light drinker. You are 36-42, nonsmoker, with same interest. (8/15) ☎70488

YOUNG 57, GENUINELY beautiful, Sagittarius. Honest, outgoing, optimistic, compassionate, communicative, Caucasian. Seeking a loyal, honest, attractive man who enjoys romantic walks, dining, movies and Vegas. (8/22) ☎70567

FUN-LOVING, SPIRITED GIRL seeks fun-loving guy. Me: 32, attractive, funny, intelligent, honest, open, outdoorsy, adventurous. You: Same traits, 25-35, 5'10"+, no drugs/kids. (8/15) ☎70525

NEW TO THE AREA. 42, look 27, beautiful inside and out. Very outgoing and spontaneous. Enjoy life to its fullest! No games please. Let's talk. (8/15) ☎70476

ATTRACTIVE, VIVACIOUS, professional, petite, youthful 45, fit, curvaceous, educated, spiritual, humorous, sexy, nonsmoker. You: Handsome, fun, 5'10"+, 38-45, prosperous, romantic, Caucasian man in North County. (8/22) ☎70545

SEXY, BEAUTIFUL, BLACK female professional, 51, seeking handsome, black professional, 45-63, who loves to be romanced, concerts, movies and being together for great quiet times. (8/15) ☎70481

PATIENT, POTENT, POWERFUL, peaceful, playful, polite, loving, laughing, lonely senior lady seeking suave, sensual, sophisticated, daring, debonair, delightful dancer, truly active, healthy, 55-75, adventurous lover. (8/22) ☎70528

COMPASSIONATE DAD DESERVES, 45-52, 5'11"+, sensual adventures... educated, classy, fully curved brunette, 38. Let's enjoy stimulating conversations, dining, dancing, movies, arts, books, nature, foot rubs. (8/22) ☎70566

TALL DANCER, 5'10", beautiful inside and out, 48 years old, brown hair, intense brown eyes, seeks over 6'1", health-conscious, kind, considerate, intelligent, romantic. (8/22) ☎70557

ADORABLE, VIVACIOUS, desirable, shapely, white professional, eclectic, positive, 5'2", seeks white professional, 48-58, nonsmoker, sophisticated, tall, fit, communicative, integrity, romantic, dancing, golf, tennis, travel, theater. (8/15) ☎70500

ATTRACTIVE PROFESSIONAL, brunette, 33, slender, 5'6", beach girl, healthy, active, enjoys outdoor activities, nonsmoker, light drinker. Seeking special guy, 36-45, with same interest. (8/22) ☎70539

GREAT LOOKING REDHEAD, vibrant, mischievous, talented, fit, trim, upbeat, humorous, nonjudgmental. Friends first! You: 40 to 50, good looking, fit, ready for fun! (8/15) ☎70475

ADVENTUROUS, FUN, ATHLETIC, 34, professional. Play outdoors. Backpacking (recently climbed Mt. Rainier), biking, snowboarding, etc. Work out. Big sports fan. Always up for something new. (8/22) ☎70549

SINGLE MOM SEEKS single dad. You are intelligent, funny, warm, financially and emotionally secure, healthy, attractive, under 45, and ready to enjoy fun and romance. (8/15) ☎70504

ATTRACTIVE, OUTGOING, 30-something female looking for serious fun in a nonserious relationship. Summer is half over; let's make the best of the rest. (8/15) ☎70479

42, HOMEOWNER, INTELLIGENT, down-to-earth, Midwestern values, seeks dependable, honest man to share life with. (8/22) ☎70548

BEAUTIFUL, BRAINY BLONDE, 5'7", 125lbs., 43, loves outdoors, music, jogging, movies. Looking for nice guy, nonsmoker. Intelligent, outgoing, fun, sincere, ready for relationship, respond here! (8/22) ☎70547

I'M 40, INTELLIGENT, slender, with long blonde hair. Divorced mom of one seeks professional, Christian, Republican gentleman for balanced, wholesome coastal lifestyle. Character counts! (8/22) ☎70575

APARTMENT MANAGER, bored, seeking smoker, 57+, beard, boots, nondrinker, flexible. I'm 57, 190lbs., widowed smoker, like country music, talking, kick back attitude, spontaneous, weekends. Coffee? (8/15) ☎70494

LOVE ANIMALS? ORIGINAL slim blonde looking for man to share life and love on ranch. Must have time and attention. No substance abusers. (8/22) ☎70559

CREATING AN EXTRAORDINARY life now! Contributing to others/life. Attractive, voluptuous, 5'7", 42. Share love, humor, full-expression, boundless dimensions, creative projects with authentic man. (8/22) ☎70560

CHRISTIAN LOVES rock 'n' roll. Seeking 40-60-year-old Christian male professional who likes to dance, the gym, theatre and laugh. Nonsmoker. (8/15) ☎70523

PRETTY, SEXY, 40ISH LADY, 5'4", 118lbs., new to San Diego. Seeking fit, attractive, intelligent, 40ish man for everything! (8/22) ☎70554

I LIKE INTELLIGENCE, music, scotch, Vegas, motorcycles, long hair, attractive younger men. Me? 37, exotic looks, young at heart/old enough to know better. Interested? (8/15) ☎70506

EBONY LOOKING FOR IVORY. 50, professional, ebony, 5'8", 160lbs. Looking for professional, 45-60, 5'9"+, for companion, partner, long-term relationship. Call and learn about me. (8/22) ☎70573

BLUE-EYED LADY, attractive, 5'5", aerobically fit, 48-year-young redhead seeking attractive, fit male, 5'7"+, 45-54, with appreciation for good relationship and solid companionship. (8/15) ☎70492

FASTEN YOUR SEATBELT. Secure woman, 5'7", blond/grey, seeks tall, 38-48 man who loves adventure, loves salsa dancing. Must be single, kind, caring, love animals. (8/22) ☎70563

RENAISSANCE WOMAN, 40s, love home improvements. Me: romance, adventure, gastronomical wonders, cats, seeks Renaissance man who is intelligent, emotionally available, nonsmoking, extraordinary and financially secure. (8/15) ☎70480

SEEKING MONOGAMY, DIVORCED white female, 37, brown/brown. Enjoy good food, wine and romance. Seeking monogamous relationship with a special man, 35+. (8/15) ☎70487

HIKE, BIKE, RUN, LAUGH with me! Tall, slender, Christian, pretty blonde, intelligent, professional, wise mom of one. Seeks strong, athletic, professional, Christian man. (8/22) ☎70541

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FRISKY, FABULOUS, 40s, cute, queen-sized, blue-eyed blonde hankering for hugs, greedy for giggles, craving likable fem.real renaissance rogue. Why wait? Let's linger! (8/22) ☎70581

GOOD APPLE FROM BIG APPLE. Intellect, divorced, versatile, employed, non-smoker, black lady, 50ish, night owl, seeks tall white gentleman, idealist, long term relationship. San Diego. (8/27) ☎70532

OCEAN BEACH HERMIT GIRL, 40, skilled at playful teasing, arpeggios, and snappy writing, needs improvement in parallel parking, yar-dkeeping, shenanigans, seeks creative young 40s boyfriend. (8/22) ☎70562

BEAUTIFUL, CURVACEOUS black female, 33, seeks white or black male age 60+ who is financially secure and very giving for fun times. (8/15) ☎70527

WHO WOULD DESIRE an attractive blonde, sincere, classy, respectful, ad venturous, intellectual, outdoorsy, loving guy, sweet, passionate? A real man. Seeking single male, 42-52. (8/22) ☎70553

HARD-BODY LATINA. I exercise 14-16 hours/week inner/outer strength. tremendous energy for life. Balance mind, body, soul. Many interests: 35, 118lbs., long, curly hair (brown) Mostly attracted to strong, tall, fit health conscious, law enforcement/professional types. (8/15) ☎70495

GORGEOUS, 42, FEMALE, great figure, outgoing personality. Seeking an intelligent, kind, caring gentleman, 36-52 who likes animals, loves life and can make me laugh. (8/27) ☎70537

PRETTY, PETITE, CLASSY, 5'3", 120lbs., unencumbered nonsmoker, financially secure, seeks attractive, fit, mature man, 40-60, for friendship, dancing, movies, theatre, outings, walks, possible relationship. (8/15) ☎70496

ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR, passionate, honest never married, white, 5'5", late 30s, likes sports, travel, socks, well-educated, very successful, white male, 39-45, for long term relationship (8/15) ☎70527

I LIKE MY FOOD WEAK AND my men spicy. If you can handle it, enjoy life, and ready for a monogamous relationship, call Sarah wanted (8/27) ☎70576

LET'S GET IT! Big, full figure beauty, 34 5'8", loves life, partner, 35-50, to share workouts, meaningful conversation, healthy cooking, walks, adventurous trips. (8/15) ☎70491

UNPRETENTIOUS, Midwest raised, educated, attractive, youthful 50 something lady seeking emotionally/financially secure, honest, compassionate, gentle, tall man, 50-65, for friendship, possible long term relationship (8/15) ☎70509

OH MY GOSH PLEASE SEND ME an intelligent, sensitive, caring, sane, educated, successful man. I am Asian, same profile, no smoking/drinking, spiritual, sweet, humorous. (8/22) ☎70577

CUTE BLONDE, ENERGETIC, fun Positive attitude a must Beach, dancing, jazz martinis, surf or GO. Relationship, non smoker, 36-42 (8/15) ☎70499

EUROPEAN, CLASSY, romantic, sophisticated, passionate energetic, spiritual, sensual, arts loving, honest, exciting lady with great looks. Seeking successful, accomplished, cosmopolitan gentleman, 40-50, to enjoy life. (8/15) ☎70515

NEED SOMEONE TO LOVE YOU? Let me be the one. I have love and tenderness for you. Brunette, large build, 50, non-smoker, very romantic. (8/15) ☎70473

SEXY, 5'3", INTELLIGENT, classy lover, music, dance. Good conversation, intelligence without arrogance, compassion important. Have sense of humor, you can win me over easily. (8/15) ☎70498

ATTRACTIVE HISPANIC MOM, 34, 5'4", 130lbs., seeks marriage-minded gentleman to share life. (8/27) ☎70572

CUTE LITTLE BUNDLE, sensual, gregarious, witty, enjoys golfing, dancing, great conversationalist, open to new interests. Seeking compatible man, humorous, nice looking, intelligent, nonsmoker, fabulous body. (8/15) ☎70514

TEACHER, VERY YOUNG 50, attractive, physically fit, active, seeking successful, well-educated professional in North County/Rancho Santa Fe/Del Mar area. Long term relationship. (8/15) ☎70510

CHARMINGLY IRRESISTIBLE. Trim, educated, artistic, good humored, adventurous. Retired, 5'7", white professional, young 60s. Need equal professional, 65-73, who owns his home as I do. (8/15) ☎70470

AESTHETIC SCIENTIST, SLIM, 30, good sense of humor, seeking fit, educated, 28-38 man, spiritual, outdoorsy, unconventional yet emotionally healthy (8/22) ☎70561

SIMPLY SENSATIONAL, SEXY, sultry, beautiful Asian, exotic jewel. Connie Chung look-alike. You're fit, generous, successful white professional, 35-53, nonsmoker. Let's enjoy summer and more. (8/27) ☎70571

SENSUOUS, VIBRANT, Hispanic single mom, 30, brunette/brown, 5'4" charming and romantic. Seeking 28-35, taller Hispanic, unattached, fun, outgoing, fit, honest, humorous gentleman. Friendship first (8/15) ☎70501

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POWAY, ATTRACTIVE, YOUNG 62, active Caucasian, 5'9", 184lbs., clean shaven, hazel eyes, healthy and hair, likes dining, dancing and outdoor activities. Turn on in love. (8/15) ☎69902

COMPANION NEEDED. Warm, sincere, honest guy, 6'2", 200lbs., desires intelligent, fun, long-haired beauty for beaches, concerts, movies. Easygoing manner a must. (8/15) ☎69987

SEAN CONNERY SEEKS co-star 6'4", spiritual, vegan, career counselor, artist, M, 51. You're under 50, similar, earthy, independent, passionate, not materialistic, no children or dogs. (8/22) ☎70021

DOCTOR, SENSITIVE, 35, very attractive, blue eyes, Jewish (not religious), plays 3 instruments, enjoy keeping fit, playing guitar, reading, creative accomplishments, seeks sensitive, intelligent female. (8/15) ☎69953

LIGHT-GROINED BLACK MALE, 43, seeks white female, 18-45, for friendship, romance and eventual fulfillment. Camping, fishing and bird watching are some interests. (8/22) ☎69988

DOES SIZE MATTER? 36, 5'6", 165lbs., brown/brown, handsome with chiseled features. Seeking petite cutie for dating, workouts, travel. Good things come in small packages. (8/22) ☎70556

4-9, THIRTY MALE. You're — now I need new wife. You're 38-48, love outdoors, attractive, likes sexy music, swimming, rollerblading, sports. Long-term relationship. (8/15) ☎69916

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Humorous white male, 38, human paradox with huge spirit/heart, towering 5'3" stature, seeks open-minded female who cares more about what's inside than outside. (8/22) ☎70547

EDUCATED LATINO, self-employed, looks and feels younger, hankering 40s, looking for good-looking female to share life and business. Me: Honest, responsible, handsome, 5'11", 180lbs. Call me with love. (8/15) ☎69886

SLIM, GROOVIN' MAINLY, tender, playful, fun, degreed, varied interests, fathers 49, sensual seeks 30s-40s. North County gal, attractive, nonsmoker, trim, available for a lifetime. (8/22) ☎70529

HANDSOME, AFFLUENT, romantic seeks sincere, passionate goddess, 30s, for sensual, romantic relationship. You know who you are, what you want. You won't be disappointed. (8/15) ☎69934

SEMIRETIRED PIPE FITTER, 40s, seeks upscale lady, attractive, 50s, for dining, dancing, theatre, laid back lifestyle. Let's pleasures. (8/22) ☎69979

WE ARE ALIKE. Successful, responsible public persona, playful, passionate, unconventional, single, professional request. Simple and sane, 40-49, 5'9"-6'0", non drinker, nonsmoker. Long term relation. No games. (8/22) ☎70570

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN, brunette/blue, petite/medium, young, late 40s. Mellow. English major, word processor, psychology, democrat, union pacifist, green, semi-vegetarian, hike, snorkel, raft, ski. (8/22) ☎70533

KIND, HONEST, COURAGEOUS man who welcomes a challenge in pursuit of his spiritual development sought by cute, very sincere sensuous, highly intelligent free spirited brunette. (8/22) ☎70555

SLIM, PETITE, ATTRACTIVE, 42, professional, adventurous, intelligent, spiritual. Tennis, hiking, animals, art/travel. Looking for honest, healthy, financially secure, positive, attractive, childless, open guy 38-52. (8/15) ☎70497

WHITE, PETITE, GOOD LOOKING, employed, happy, healthy, have a good life. Searching for single, white, stable, honest, fit, healthy, nice gentleman in late 40s-late 50s. (8/15) ☎70482

SENSUAL, SINCERE, spiritual, loving Libra, Hunt/Rose, playful, vivacious, Lust for life, laughter, performing arts, personal growth. Actress, singer, emotionally expressive. Seeking similar soul mate, 40s to 50s, handsome, healthy, unencumbered, prosperous, monogamous, loyal nonsmoker. (8/22) ☎70552

THROTTLE TWISTERS, buckskinning mountain woman in her fabulous 40s seeks a sweetheart not handicapped by insecurities or children for lighthearted adventure and outdoor exploration (8/15) ☎70509

HEALTHY, HAPPY AND LOVED seeks age 50s counterpart. Love hiking, dancing, traveling, movies, romance. I will bake cookies for you! Call me. (8/22) ☎70569

WANTED: VERY GOOD-LOOKING, single white male for pretty, single, white girl. You 21-33, 5'11"+ (with no kids). I'm leggy brunette and lots of fun! (8/15) ☎70488

FRIENDSHIP FIRST. Affectionate, 6' voluptuous beauty, 31, brunette/blue. Wild at heart. Seeking taller, nonpretentious man. Sports lover. Dependable companion only. 28-35. Night owl chats. (8/15) ☎70507

DYNAMIC, FIT BLONDE. Independent North Coastal business executive, happy, healthy, fun, active, seeks gentleman aged 36-50, for potential relation ship. (8/15) ☎70478

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HANDSOME, CHARMING, successful executive, 50s, combined romantic, yearn ing, 5'8" eclectic. Seeking classy, sophisticated, stylish, sensual, passionate, well-educated, fit, professional, 35-55, long term relationship. (8/15) ☎70513

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I'VE JUST ARRIVED IN TOWN plus I'm a single male seeking a cultured, knowledgeable female for fun and frolic, also friendship. Please take a chance. (8/22) ☎70550

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DARK SKIES LIGHT. Black professional, 44 years old, 6'4", 210lbs., desires romantic, humorous, positive, child at heart white/Spanish/Asian lady who's slim and sincere. (8/22) ☎70004

North County Artist

Romantic, 6'1", blond, fun, 35, 180lbs., beautiful soul, smile, body. Childless lover of animals, music, life, seeks a positive, romantic woman to start beautiful relationship. (8/27) ☎70013

I'M 6'3", 170lbs., WHITE and good looking. Loves sports, beach, bicycling, movies, family time. I'm easygoing and financially well off. So send me an e-mail. (8/22) ☎70001

HANDSOME, SMART, STABLE, confident, unencumbered, successful Del Martian (approximately 6' 180lbs', 45) seeks slender, refined, educated, nurturing Venusian (30-42), healthy, balanced, long-term relationship, and? (8/22) ☎69982

CLAIREMONT, 39, MALE, blond, blue eyed, spontaneous, sweet, devoted, affectionate, polite, fun loving, wonderful, romantic, thoughtful, weekends, evenings available. Seeking delightful, loyal, lovely, sweet female. (8/15) ☎69950

NORTH COUNTY TRIUMPHER, 34, seeks piano, brass partner for duets and performance. Classical, romantic. Latin, jazz. I have piano, we have passion for music. Me (8/22) ☎70039

ULTIMATE BLACK MALE: Humorous, intelligent, physically fit, great conversationalist, honest, into music, art, movies. Seeking white female, 33-45, with similar interest and characteristics. Looking for serious long term relationship. (8/15) ☎69938

Adventurous, Handsome, Athletic,

6' tall, 47-year-old, advanced degreed professional seeking honest, romantic relationship with woman who makes me laugh. (8/15) ☎69964

HANDSOME HISPANIC, 44, young at heart, financially secure professional, affectionate, passionate, loving, intelligent, humorous, fun, 5'8", 160lbs., seeking compatible woman. (8/15) ☎69918

PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN, baby-fix responsible (wow), employed, tall, handsome. Special woman wanted. You: 30ish, classy, fun. No bad habits. Lots of love here! Talk to me. (8/22) ☎70048

I BELIEVE IN ANGELS AND laughter and humor and monogamy and honesty and the Padres. Let's track smiles. I'm 44, stable, homeowner. North County. Inland. (8/22) ☎69977

TALL, CURVACEOUS LADY— are you seeking a lover? Athletic, professional, secure man 35, seeks voluptuous, adventurous lady, 25-45, for fun and intimate good time. (8/22) ☎70016

LIKE TO LAUGH? Let's share some smiles. 62-year young, intelligent, witty, attractive, sexy white male seeking intelligent, witty, attractive, sexy sidekick. Dial a smile. (8/15) ☎69891

BOYISHLY HANDSOME, 50ish, white gentleman, La Mesa, father, tall, sexy, seeks stylish, attractive, sexy, romantic lover, intimate evenings, dinner, cocktails, cuddling, kissing, candles, fireplace. (8/22) ☎69961

THIS EX-BEAUTIFUL MAN LOOKING for white female, black female, 27-45. This chef 6'4", 44, likes sports, cooking, beaches, dancing. Call me. Let's have a drink. (8/15) ☎69892

WANTED: CHOCOLATE ON vanilla. Handsome, slim, financially secure engineer seeking black, sexy, curvaceous, open-minded lady, 30-47, for friendship, candlelight dinners, super fun lifestyle (8/15) ☎69946

HELLO LADIES. I'm a single black male in search of a real woman. I'm 22 and interested in just having fun. So get at me. (8/22) ☎70020

SENIOR GUY SEEKS GAL, 50-69. Let's have a cup of coffee and see what we have in common. Johnny. (8/15) ☎69903

MALE, 60s, SEEKS full-figured lady, open-minded, who enjoys movies, magic, short trips, quiet relaxing evenings. Bits of hugs/kisses. Age 55-72 (8/15) ☎69890

ATTRACTIVE WHITE GENTLEMAN, 6' 185lbs., fit, romantic, humorous, seeks real, attractive, white, shapely lady, under 60. 5'4-5'8". Prefer blonde, no drugs, nonsmoker. (8/22) ☎69983

LOOKING FOR NICE GAL. I'm 38, white, single, professional, low maintenance, easygoing, outdoors, races, walks, concerts, water, music, yard work. You are honest, nurturing, financially/physically fit, 5'10" 69, 178lbs. (8/15) ☎69948

TALL, HANDSOME, OPEN, friendly, caring, romantic black male seeks a normal woman with a great sense of humor. (8/22) ☎70057

LOVABLE, HANDSOME, creative, passionate teacher. Energetic, funny, extremely young early 50s, emotionally/financially stable, honest, sincere. Seeking a warmhearted, attractive, nonsmoker, 40-49. Travel, friendship, intimacy, relationship. Take a risk (8/15) ☎69940

LOOKING FOR LOVE OR AT least fun? I'm 6'1" Blue/brown, muscular, good looking, honest. You: Daring, kind, kissable, spontaneous, nice figure, honest (8/22) ☎69999

WANTED: 40-60, TYPE B personality, slender/medium weight, medium energy, morning woman with medium/thinning hair. Must enjoy beach picnics and dancing in the sand. (8/22) ☎70019

DEL MAR, YOU LOVE: Romantic get aways, personal growth, sensual ambiance (music, incense, massage). He: Emotionally available, educated, sensual, nurturing, financially/physically fit, 5'10",

ME: TALL, DARK, HANDSOME, blah blah, great body, blah blah, sensitive communicator, entrepreneur, musician, blah blah, beach walks, travel, surfing, cuddling, movies, blah blah. You: Blah, blah, perfect, whatever... Call. (8/22) ☎70023

CHRISTIAN RUNNER. Accomplished Renaissance man: 38, 6'2", 185lbs. MBA, tall, attractive, athletic outdoors type seeking tall Christian running/life partner 30-40. (8/22) ☎70009

REDHEAD? TALL, HANDSOME, gentleman available. Will compliment your sensitive, sensuous nature. Affectionate, passionate. Very huggable. Dining, dancing, cruises, monogamous, nonsmoker. (8/22) ☎69975

LA JOLLA HILLS, deep blue sea, high tech, nature— all part of me. Dancer's grace, swimmer's body, 40s. Seeking bawdy, sensual companion for mutual appreciation. (8/22) ☎70007

REDHEAD SOUGHT. You: Over 21, dyed or natural hair, slender, sassy, exotic. Me: 29, 6'2", blond, 175lbs., open; snowboard, camping, alternative music, outdoors. (8/22) ☎70050

ACCIDENTAL SURFER, good at falling down, seeks 1960s-vintage, occasional wahine fancying real lava lamps, old-car smell, thinking at movies, doesn't gag on cat hair. (8/22) ☎70032

FUN, HANDSOME, SLIM, 6'1", fit professional seeks adventurous, slim woman for evening and weekend getaways, boating, water sports, romance, more. I'm financially secure, flexible schedule. (8/22) ☎70053

29, TALL, ATTRACTIVE, Asian-American (Korean) male, never married, no kids, nonsmoker, homeowner, police professional, 6', 200lbs., seeking easygoing female for relationship. (8/22) ☎69978

JEWISH, TALL, 43, NO baggage, seeks Jewish partner. (8/22) ☎70041

LOBSTER, CHARDONNAY, cats, travel, birdies, books, sports, hugs. North County, wit. You: Bright, fit, attractive, 45-55, nonsmoker, unencumbered, warm, cuddly, truthful, moral, understanding. North County. (8/15) ☎69929

MUSIC, WATERFALL, mountains. I have a mountain home. Jackson Browne, Moody Blues, Allman Brothers, Eagles, blue, classic rock. Seeking free spirit, nature fanatic, easygoing. (8/15) ☎69900

ATTRACTIVE ASIAN FEMALE sought. 35 plus, slender side. I'm easygoing, gentle, kind, respectful, cute, beautiful person. Love, joyful, wonderful, happy times in San Diego. (8/22) ☎69966

MEDIUM-LOOKING, 41-year-old white male, 6'3", 265lbs., broad shoulders and well-developed chest. Interested in attractive, fit woman for possible long-term relationship. (8/15) ☎69888

HONEST, SINCERE GENTLEMAN, nonsmoker, clean cut, 5'10", fit, humorous, romantic, secure, fun. Seeking attractive dress-wearing lady for romance. Slender, long hair a plus. (8/22) ☎69972

LET'S DO SOMETHING. 6'2", 190lbs., 40+, lawyer in Pacific Beach, black male. Beach, mountains, desert, Mexico, scuba, cycling, swimming, bookstores. No kids. Race: Human. (8/22) ☎70059

I AM LOOKING FOR THE REAL deal. Successful, handsome male seeks female for dating, travel, etc. Look no further than this ad! (8/15) ☎69907

ATHLETIC, 6', 40, realist seeking 30-45 partner for sailing, sunsets, spontaneous joys and searching for true love wherever life is fun and eagerly waiting. (8/22) ☎70054

TIRED OF ANSWERING ADS and getting nothing but headgames? 52, divorced, with integrity, humor and sensitivity. Searching for 38-54 with an honest relationship in mind. (8/22) ☎70058

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DETERMINED TO BE A DAD. 39, handsome black male, 5'9", 160lbs, athletic build, seeks attractive female who also wants the joy of being a parent. (8/15) ☎69904

FINANCIALLY SECURE MAN. Single white professional, attractive, muscular, 42, desires an attractive, 25-40, sexy, uninhibited, adventurous, physically fit, open-minded, secure and outgoing female. (8/22) ☎70040

LOVE, HONOR, RESPECT AND do what you say. 6'1", 45, 185lbs., strikingly handsome, emotionally/financially secure. Seeking strict, strong-willed, creative, sensitive, intelligent, sublime female. (8/22) ☎69973

ATTRACTIVE HISPANIC FEMALE, 30-40, kids OK, who desires an honest, romantic beginning with a 6'3", 230lbs., good shape, 38, white male, hazel eyes, shaved head. (8/15) ☎69889

ORIENTED TOWARDS alternative culture. Long dark brown hair, goatee, brown/green eyes, tall, attractive, educated, 29. Seeking attractive female for fun, maybe more. (8/22) ☎70045

WOMAN WHO'S ROMANTIC, sensuous, likes to be in charge, relationship minded, desired by sweet, handsome, compliant, attentive, respectful man, 50, for monogamous relationship. (8/22) ☎69994

38, HONEST, SUCCESSFUL, handsome and intelligent Renaissance man. Desire romance, companionship, friendship and love in a stable, healthy, monogamous relationship. I'm 5'10" with dark hair and green eyes. I'm very into fitness, health and eating well. I don't drink or smoke. I am honest, trustworthy and a great friend. You: Intelligent, warm, loving, spiritual, with a huge heart. (8/15) ☎69952

KISS FREAK. Hispanic, 30, nonsmoking, funny SDSU graduate seeks Hispanic or white, 21-32, loves to have fun, dance, work out, laugh. Be loyal, caring, affectionate. (8/15) ☎69906

BLACK'S BEACH. White male, 38, looks 28, attractive, fit, slim, seeks 18-45 height/weight proportionate female to enjoy sun and beach as they were intended. (8/15) ☎69923

NORTH COUNTY DOCTOR, 39, Ph.D., adventurous, creative, quiet, not afraid to take risk, corporation president, sensitive, thoughtful, high achiever, mellow, polite, seeks intelligent, creative female. (8/22) ☎69976

NORMAL GUY SEEKS NORMAL woman (45-55) for normal movies, dinners, talking, peace/quiet. 6'2", 200lbs., 50, clean-cut, humorous. You'll like my normal guy voice. (8/15) ☎69951

MEDIUM TO FULL pear-shaped woman with calm inner soul with time to give. I'm 45, 5'11", decent looking, white, with wicked humor. Earthy, articulate. (8/15) ☎69924

28, WHITE MALE, BLUE EYES, surfer body, good looks, kind, gentle, independent and loyal. Looking for good looks, kindness and a good heart; loves dogs. (8/15) ☎69908

LOOKING FOR A BEAST! Need hugs and kisses from someone who has spent years on a deserted island. 'Tis me! 49. Blues, cooking, kickboxing, cruising. (8/15) ☎69925

TAKE A CHANCE. NICE, happy, honest, caring nonsmoker, 49, 5'8", 140lbs., brown/blue, loves music, movies, festivals, seeks woman, race open, for new friendship. (8/22) ☎70034

GREAT LOOKING ITALIAN, 50, looks 40, great shape, very secured, nonsmoker, seeking fit, nonsmoker, secured, loyal lady who will be first in my life. (8/22) ☎70044

DIVERSIFIED MOUNTAIN bikeaholic loves wilderness, art, music, people, life. Enjoy conversation and adventurous. Educated, unabashed, 47, 5'8", 165lbs., brown, blue, not bald or fat, handsome. (8/22) ☎69993

INTELLIGENT, FIT, compassionate graduate student, 34, looking for active, smart woman, 26-35, for plays, music, outdoor activities and true romance with a real gentleman. (8/15) ☎69957

NORTH COUNTY ATTRACTIVE male seeks North County attractive female. I'm sweet and honest, 5'10", blond/blue, 180lbs. A masters swimmer. Looking for friend and lover. (8/15) ☎69937

CARLSBAD, KIND, HONEST, 43, white, never married, healthy, childless, nonsmoker, nondrinker. Seeking white North County Coastal lady, 38-42, for long-term relationship. (8/22) ☎70022

SINCERE, KIND, SHY, Christian, blue-eyed, college graduate, 32, 6', 165lbs. Seeking warmhearted, intelligent woman, 24-39, to share hiking, movies, music, reading, learning, animals. (8/22) ☎69997

PLAYFUL, FIT PROFESSIONAL. Articulate, seriously funny guy desires petite sweetheart for romance, laughter, monogamy, adventure. You: 30s-40s, kind, happy. Us: Spark, sizzle and passion. (8/22) ☎69989

AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALE, 45. Sincere, honest, healthy, attractive, 5'10", 180lbs. Enjoy music, beach, dining, coffee. Seeking attractive blonde female, 36-41, similar interests, for meaningful relationship. (8/15) ☎69942

SEEKING PRETTY LATINA, 30-40, for Spanish conversation, dating fun. White male, brown, blue, working professional. Seeking language lessons, friendship, possible romance. And fun, of course. (8/15) ☎69931

IDEALIST LONER, 42, 5'10", 170lbs., brown/brown. No smoke/drink. Searching for shy/reclusive Caucasian woman, 30s. Need company for the road less traveled? (8/22) ☎70026

MUSIC IS IMPORTANT. North County Coastal man, 53, 5'10", 165lbs. Into Diana Krall and Pat Metheney. Also, can swing dance and play tennis. (8/22) ☎70008

NICE GUY, TALL, HANDSOME, talented, slender, athletic type, 41, brown hair/eyes, young looking, communicative, playful. Seeking fit, attractive female for outdoors, music, dancing, adventure. (8/22) ☎70043

EASYGOING WHITE MALE, 27, 6'1", brown hair. Looking for romance. Seeking the right woman who enjoys outdoors activities, movies, dining. 18-35, attractive, caring. Please call. (8/22) ☎70028

ARE YOU A SLIM, LONG BLOND hair, soft feet, leggy woman? This 40, 6'3", 175lbs., engineer, MBA student, Spanish background male will adore you. (8/15) ☎69897

KNOCK, KNOCK OPPORTUNITY. Chapped lips from kissing frogs? Attractive, reliable young man, thirties, offers what is important. Seeking mentally and financially secure woman over 40. (8/15) ☎69915

BALANCED, UNENCUMBERED, educated, professional, athletic, 51, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social, Midwest values. Seeking compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (8/15) ☎69894

SCIENCE AND HIKING enthusiast. Hi. I'm 27, 6', 150lbs. I finally finished math and physics degree. I enjoy music from classical to trance. Looking for a friend for local hikes and conversation. My favorite ship: HMS Beagle. What's yours? Tell me about yourself. (8/22) ☎70024

WHITE MALE, 5'8", 160lbs., healthy lifestyle. Enjoy country dancing, surfing, blade, skating, kayaking, skiing, quiet times, dark hair, good-looking 54. Kids OK. San Diego. (8/22) ☎69968

HANDSOME, WHITE MALE, 42, 6', 175lbs., in shape, blond/blue, educated, creative, spiritual, seeks attractive, slender Asian woman for movies, dining, dancing, boating; possible relationship. (8/15) ☎69955

SPIRITUAL, ATTRACTIVE, blue-eyed computer scientist, artist, poet, philosopher, 51, 5'8", 165lbs., sci-fi, rock, hiking, sports. Seeking younger, slender, pretty, kindred spirit for bonding. (8/22) ☎70030

I DON'T FEEL SORRY for myself. I feel sorry for Miss Right who can't find me. 45, fit, spiritual, considerate, down-to-earth, quality person. (8/15) ☎69919

ATTRACTIVE, SENSITIVE intelligence, 35, white male, 5'9", 170lbs., athletic build, new to California. Looking for someone with similar qualities to see the sights with, more. (8/22) ☎69991

BLACK MALE PROFESSIONAL, 50 years, 6'3", interest in meeting down-to-earth, nonsmoking, good humor, honest female 35-45, for friendship and possible relationship. Race unimportant. (8/15) ☎69921

FILIPINA DESIRED, fashionable, sincere, 22-30, by light Italian, very handsome business owner. Driven, educated, successful, loving, sincere 39, fit, super personality. You won't be disappointed. (8/22) ☎70018

HANDSOME DAD, 42, professional, into the desert, river, Padres and Chargers games. Seeking attractive female, 35-42, with similar interest, no smokers. (8/22) ☎70010

ROMANCE SPOKEN HERE: Fun, active, white, 44, going on 28, looking for special someone to share life/love with. Very physically affectionate/romantic; needing same. (8/22) ☎69987

Time For Us!

Handsome classical musician, 5'11", trim, very youthful 55, financially secure, excellent dancer, quick wit, easy smile, enjoys music, film, nature, stimulating conversation; seeks smart, slender woman for friendship, laughter, love. (8/15) ☎69945

ME: 32, 6', TALL, SLIM, long brown hair. Interests: Guitar, concerts, eating out, laying out, etc. (8/15) ☎69895

GOOD COMMUNICATOR, sensual, warm, intelligent, funny, responsible, accomplished. Also, trim, toned, nice appearance, youthful, early 50s. You: 35 to 45, nice figure, childless. North County. (8/22) ☎70005

LET'S DANCE. YOU ARE easygoing, nonjudgmental, affectionate, health conscious, slender, attractive, over 62, young at heart. I'm all of the above. Let's talk. (8/15) ☎69901

NORTH COASTAL, 40s, home owner. Successful, handsome world traveler. Hobbies: Outdoor sports, cars, collectables, theatre, gardening and exploring. I'm spontaneous, tenacious, gregarious, hilarious and fun. (8/22) ☎70052

ARE YOU SERIOUS? I am. Black male, 41, professional, college educated. Seeking extremely feminine, serious-minded, nonmaterial, intelligent, affectionate woman for dating, movies, intelligent conversation. (8/15) ☎69932

HUMOROUS, INTELLIGENT professional, 54, 6', Jewish, North County Coastal, seeks tall, slender, attractive, easygoing, emotionally/finanacially secure soul mate, fun, companionship, laughter, travel, hugs, relationship. (8/22) ☎70061

SEEKING SINGLE WHITE female for fun in the desert. Must like children. Also like sports and be physically fit. 21-35. (8/22) ☎70002

LARGE, VOLUPTUOUS SOUGHT by blond professional, 44, 6', 200lbs., tan, handsome. Nordic, likes travel, conversation, fine dining, movies, pool; not into kids. Caucasian under 44. (8/22) ☎69984

AFFECTIONATE, ATTENTIVE, affluent anesthesiologist, 42, Caucasian, 6'1", athletic, divorced, no kids, seeks honest, self-confident, outgoing lady companion to enjoy San Diego's attractions. Point Loma. (8/15) ☎69959

CHARMING LATINO, SLIM, athletic, 5'8", 40s, college graduate. Seeking nice friendship race and age open. (8/22) ☎70006

BLOND, TALL, HANDSOME, athletically and musically inclined, 48, seeks attractive, intelligent 40s woman into romance, fitness and good conversations for potential, positive relationship. (8/22) ☎69974

ITALIAN, 42, VERY ROMANTIC, seeking lady, relationship, maybe marriage. Enjoy sports, music, dance, travel, romantic dining. Open race/age possible. No games please. Ciao bella. (8/22) ☎70000

BLACK LADY, SENSUOUS, passionate, sought by attractive, divorced white male, 50, 6', 210lbs., passionate, romantic, open for friendship leading to long-term relationship. Any age. (8/15) ☎69935

ADVENTUROUS MD WITH young child seeks attractive companion/partner, 30-45, healthy, fit and down to earth. (8/22) ☎70003

HISPANIC WOMAN UNDER 52 wanted! I'm Italian, 46, 5'11", 170lbs., nice looking, health minded. Own home in Bonita. All replies answered. (8/22) ☎70011

WANTED: AN INTELLIGENT tomboy. Oh, yes, two more things. Be very fit, funny, drink wine. Math not important. People say I look like Tom Petty. (8/22) ☎70012

BIG BABE, SIZE 16-22, happy, active, feminine, modern, 21-45, white female sought by attractive, loveable, 37, black male. Big woman love/will love every pound. (8/22) ☎69967

HOT LOVING GUY, 51, 5'10", 170lbs., brown, blue, blond mustache. Look similar to Sam Elliot. Seeking beautiful, slender, classy lady for eternal love. (8/22) ☎69998

WANTED: EMPLOYED WOMAN; long-term, 28-39, 100-160lbs., nonsmoker; romance, outdoors, camping, sand dunes, all of it. Down to earth, funny, honest; like greyhounds. Enjoy life. (8/15) ☎69941

GREAT PACKAGE: HISPANIC, 39, educated, homeowner, childless, stable, seeks partnership with someone mentally ready for relationship leading to marriage, 24-38, old values and wanting family. (8/15) ☎69922

ME: HANDSOME, MUSCULAR, funny, childless, grounded, 31-year-old white vegetarian who's looking for something serious with an open-minded, fit female with 0-1 kids. (8/15) ☎69912

HANDSOME, SEXY, SUCCESSFUL executive, 57, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic, seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (8/22) ☎69970

YOU ARE TALL, slim, attractive, intelligent, educated, unencumbered, active, vegetarian and have celebrated between 40 and 57 birthdays. Me too. (8/15) ☎69936

EXPLORE THE COSMOS TOGETHER. Let's share nature, science, photography, art, music and more. I'm 42, 5'10", 175lbs., nonsmoker, financially stable, handsome, healthy, funny, creative, thoughtful. (8/22) ☎70031

LA JOLLA PROFESSIONAL, 29, athletic, handsome, doctorate, 6'1", 175lbs., blue eyes, dark blond, seeks intelligent, cultured, 20-30ish, athletic/slender Caucasian; friendship, conversation, jogging, travel, adventure. (8/22) ☎70027

I'M THAT KIND OF GUY. Really. Decent job. Cool hobby. Funny. Decent looking. 6'2", athletic. Looking for 23-30 chic, got to be romantic and real. (8/15) ☎69961

NICE LOOKING, 40s, HONEST, happy, loving, caring, stable. Music, beaches, mountains, dinners out. Active lifestyle. Romantic, enjoy life. Black tie, jeans. Homeowner, North County Inland. (8/15) ☎69947

CALIFORNIAN, WHITE, attractive, 58, 5'10", 175lbs., professional, travelled, nonsmoker, traditional, adventurous, creative, outgoing. What do you have in mind? Extra points for Jewish-Italian. (8/15) ☎69893

SCOTSMAN/DESERT RAT. Looking for an easy-on-the-eyes, athletic kind of girl to play chess with. Age 21-29. Thank you. (8/22) ☎70015

ADVENTUROUS ATTORNEY, 40, 5'10", athletic, romantic, spontaneous, tastes life to its fullest. Seeking a partner in adventure. (8/22) ☎70033

CLASSY, GENUINE, SECURE, good shape, low mileage, minor dings. Capable, humorous, cultivated professional, musically talented, seeks intelligent, pretty, skillful woman, young 50s. What's your pleasure? (8/22) ☎70049

HAPPY, WHITE, GOOD-LOOKING male, no smoke, 59, 71", 165lbs., seeks Asian lady who likes to laugh, music, dancing, walks/talks, dining out. Age open. (8/22) ☎69988

37, BLACK MALE, HANDSOME, toned, 6'1", 190lbs., kind, considerate, likeable, self-reliant, between jobs, seeks understanding, sweet, 30-45 white female. Looks are definitely unimportant. (8/15) ☎69939

SINGLE, WHITE MALE professional, 40, 6', 175lbs., with 2-year-old daughter, wants to have another child soon with caring, slender woman ready for family. (8/22) ☎69990

LOOKING FOR A JAPANESE lady age 35-46. You are slim. Me: 49, white, slim body, and enjoy beach, nice dining. So give me a try. (8/22) ☎70055

TALL, LOVING, ATTRACTIVE, affectionate white male, 49, easygoing, unencumbered, financially/emotionally secure, seeks loving female, age unimportant, for romance, love, affection, intimacy, fun times. (8/15) ☎69943

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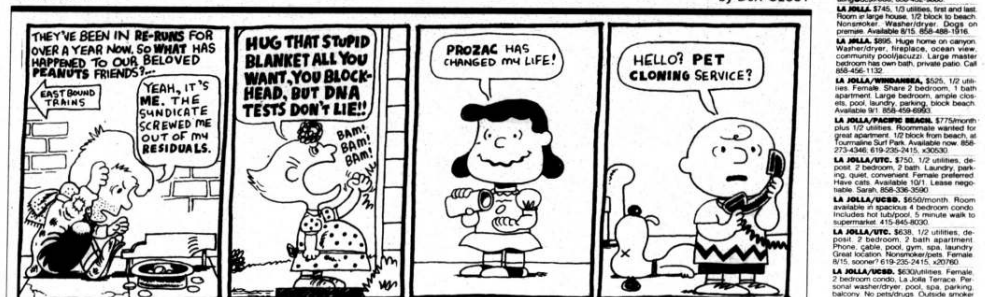

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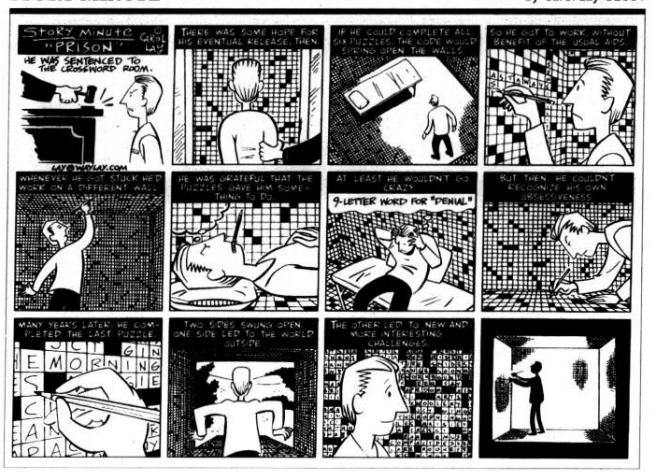

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LA MESA/SAN DIEGO. 1 bedroom, quiet, well maintained. All utilities included. From $670. Pool, spa, Jacuzzi. Laundry facilities. Parking. $10/10. Vaulted ceilings. Balconies/patios. Access to Fitness/Recreation room. Microwave. Dishwasher. Cable TV. Cats OK. Architecture UTC. 7480 Aviendo Nuestad. Toll free 1-866-642-4844. www.sdrealtor.com/1000

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OCEAN BEACH. 1 bedroom guest cottage with Pacific Ocean view. Very light, bright and private. Ocean near. Walk to everything. No pets. 619-296-2787.

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PACIFIC BEACH. $1800. Enjoy a huge 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo/townhouse. Sunny. Completely remodeled. Parking. 1319 Hornblend #2. 858-483-3534.

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PACIFIC BEACH/CORONADO POINT. $1850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath unit. Near bay. Quiet. Pool. On-site laundry. No pets. 858-272-0800.

PACIFIC BEACH. Beachfront 1 bedroom $1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath $1650-$2000. Laundry room. Great views. No pets. 4061 Ocean Blvd. Walk. 858-539-6957.

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PACIFIC BEACH. $925. Large, 1 bedroom upstairs apartment. New carpet and paint. Extra storage, coin laundry. Parking. No dogs. 1579 Thomas Avenue #4 858-488-9801.

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PACIFIC BEACH. $2300. 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhome, approximately 1500 square feet. Fireplace, washer/dryer, patio and deck. 2-car garage. No pets. Available mid of August. 1840 Grand Avenue. 858-270-4480 ext203.

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PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. $795. $795. Studio. Bright and Large Kitchen. Nice quiet neighborhood. Walk to beach and bay. No pets. 4070 Haines Street. 619-741-4378, 619-316-9803.

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PACIFIC BEACH. $895. 1 bedroom. Partially furnished. Gated parking. Available now. Call 858-270-4480.

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By John Brizzolara

"How do you think the players feel about tonight's grudge match against Long Beach, coach?"

"Well, John, as you know, we've got a good team this year, a good club. We just try to win one at a time, you know, and give it 110 percent. Long Beach is a good team, but we've been working hard this spring. It's early in the season, and we have Clemens back in the lineup. So, we're hopeful, John."

"I understand Clemens was sidelined for laryngitis. Will that be a problem in tonight's slam?"

"Not at all, John. He's 110 percent."

This imaginary interview with coach Rob't O'Sullivan, poetry slam master, San Diego Division, goes much better in reality, thank God. The poets from Long Beach are stuck in traffic this Friday night, and the crowd is a little restless, a little hyped on caffeine, no doubt. It's got to be close to 50, maybe 60 people huddled at tables and standing, spilling onto the patio and sidewalks at the Urban Grind on Park Boulevard. In a moment, O'Sullivan is going to have to go up to the mike and stall for time, yet again.

"Slam master doesn't mean I'm a master at slam," O'Sullivan says. "I'm the liaison between PSI [Poetry Slam Ink.] and the local community." A happily nervous, lean and mustachioed poet in his early 40s, O'Sullivan is the editor of *The Driftwood Highway Anthology 2001*, a local gem from Longboard to Tipperary Press here in San Diego. Why a gem? How about lines like this from Jennifer Geran on page 21:

"...your orange sponge cake skin
your creamy dreamy center
you are the surprise snack cake in my lunch box...
...these people were born with silver sporks in their mouths
their wedding cakes are real estate transactions.
...dildos smell like Christmas morning baby dolls."

I may be no expert, but I think you have to react with a sincere "wow" to works like this. For example, my reaction to "little debbie" above was something like *Oh, man. Hah hah. Whatever. Yeah, real estate wedding cakes, been there...and I remember what baby dolls smell like, so maybe it's true, that same vinyl polymer odor...oh my God! What's wrong with me? I'm sniffing marital aids!*

But poetry off the printed page and back into public places, where it belongs, coming at you with a human larynx, is powerful stuff in the hands of performers with the combined skills of an actor in a one-man production, a brokenhearted street-corner jazz virtuoso, and a desperado stand-up comic spitting machine-gun bullets into the caffeinated night air.

"PSI," explains O'Sullivan, "certifies cities across the United States to make sure they meet all of the requirements to be an official PSI venue. We're the only one in San Diego. Two years now. I was on the team, and this year I'm the coach. Yeah, we take the sports analogy to its extreme." The coach gives me San Diego's lineup for tonight. "The legendary Chris Vannoy, Sally Vonn, Wayne Clemens, and we're not sure of the fourth, it may be me. Coach stepping in for a player." Tonight is the first Friday at the Urban Grind venue, and even with little publicity, the match has drawn a full house.

Onstage, O'Sullivan explains how teams are selected: the top 4 in performance points of the first 56 who "get their act together and pay the registration fee go on to compete at the regional and national levels. Last year, San Diego competed for the first time in West Coast regionals against 11 other cities. This year, we're going on to nationals. So, tonight, we'll have a pre-national slam poetry bout between two teams who are going to nationals — though we'll be seeing Long Beach up in Big Sur next week."

Poet Kimberly Dark recites ("You are the breath on the backside of all my clever words..."), and then the judges are introduced: Marc Kockinos, who runs the Tuesday-night spoken-word show at Claire de Lune on University Avenue; and three others, Brady, Kelli, and Leilana.

The participants are to be judged on performance (eye contact, mike technique, etc.) and content as well as skill in bribing judges, according to O'Sullivan. Each judge will hold up a card with a number from 1 to 10 (decimal points, like 7.8, for example, are common), the highest and lowest scores are discounted, and the remaining three are added so the maximum score would be 30. Last year's coach, Lizzie Wann, is introduced, who in turn introduces "sacrifice poet" Jim Verano, who reads a poem dedicated to the Navajo elders



Wayne Clemens

arrested earlier in the week for doing a sun dance on $2 billion worth of coal in Arizona and ticking off the proprietary oil company.

The face-off is underway. O'Sullivan pinch-poetizes for San Diego, and Mark Gonzales, Long Beach's second poet of the night, gets off a windy Latino lyric called, I think, "Conspiracy," defending slam poetry and even calling Shakespeare a slam poet. When one judge holds up a score less than satisfactory to a woman in the Long Beach camp, she screams out, "Idiot!"

Wayne Clemens starts out low, slow, mellow, and maybe shy. Everyone strains to hear. It is a poem about a musician, a jazz player, his father. For form following content, Clemens gets full marks. As the poem describes the music gaining momentum and volume, so does Clemens. Angular, staccato discords are described in edgy bursts and bonsai accents. A melodic solo is described, language abandoned to scat-singing improv, dovetailing back into the poetry in exact cadence. Clemens's poem has arced from whisper to shout, a prayer to a joyful noise; the jazz is poetry, the poem, jazz.

After Clemens's performance, Lizzie Wann announces in a this-just-in-folks voice that the Urban Grind at 3797 Park Boulevard has decided to host the slam every other Friday night. Long Beach edged out San Diego in points at the end of the evening, but it was a squeaker. I tried to get to Clemens, surrounded by fans and Channel 10 news cuties; I wanted to tell him I was with him 110 percent, but the players were mobbed. I may get a chance on Friday, August 17. Until then I'll make do with my slam poets trading cards. By the way, I'm willing to trade a 1968 Ginsberg for a '71 Yevtushenko. Any takers?

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BY ANNE ALBRIGHT

Cooking with Ben

I've watched cooking contests on TV. Some telegenic chef with a ponytail and neatly trimmed goatee faces off against an oversized European named Hans. While a giant clock ticks off the time, each chef prepares an elegant meal out of ingredients revealed only moments before the time started to run. A small army of assistants dices and slices and helps each chef pan sear and reduce and plate their entries. At the show's end, the host tastes the dishes, rolls his eyes in gustatory bliss, and declares a winner.

Big deal. Anyone could prepare a fabulous meal under those conditions. Lots of help. Perfectly fresh and pricey ingredients. An appreciative audience. If those chefs want a real challenge, they should come to my house at dinnertime. We could call the show *Cooking with Ben*. Each entrant would have to prepare a meal using only ground meat, cream of mushroom soup, noodles, hot dogs, Tater Tots, and cheese from which he had to scrape little patches of mold. During the preparation, the entrants would refill sippy cups, accompany a toddler to the bathroom, change a diaper, and make one member of the audience stop looking at another member. Throughout the entire process, a curious, active ten-month-old baby named Ben would rummage through the kitchen's cabinets and drawers for items that make a lot of noise when dropped on the floor or pounded. When the chefs finished their masterpieces, the audience members would pout, make yucky faces, and request "something else" to eat.

Wednesday night's episode of *Cooking with Ben* had a few added challenges. We're going on vacation at the end of this week. To get away from the office for two weeks, my husband Jack has been working extra hours. Jack normally goes to work a little before 6 a.m. and gets home around 4. I have another adult around the house during the cranky, low-blood-sugar hour before dinner. This week, Jack's been coming home closer to 6. The kids are antsy and excited about our impending trip. When they're not waxing ecstatic about all the fun they're going to have with their cousins, they're fighting over toys and torturing each other.

Wednesday afternoon around 5:00, my eight-year-old daughter Rebecca asked, "What's for dinner?" Rebecca had been playing Barbies in the family room with her sister Angela, who's six. Four-year-old Lucy and three-year-old Johnny played house in the living room. Ben snoozed in his crib upstairs.

"Spaghetti and meatballs," I told Rebecca.

Rebecca looked stricken, as though I'd just announced we'd be having arsenic for dinner. "But I hate spaghetti and meatballs," she whined. "Spaghetti makes me choke, and the last time I ate meatballs, I threw up."

"Sweetie, I know you hate spaghetti and meatballs. But the other kids like it. I'll make you a grilled-cheese sandwich if you want."

Rebecca looked hurt but placated. "All right. Can I have chips?"

"No."

Angela ran out into the living room. "Lucy, guess what?" she asked in great excitement. "We're having spaghetti and meatballs for dinner."

"Yeah!" Lucy shouted.

"Yeah!" Johnny echoed.

I looked around the corner from the kitchen to the living room. "Johnny, do you want spaghetti and meatballs, too?" I asked.

"No," Johnny answered. "I don't like that."

"What do you want?"

"I don't want anything."

"Ben's awake," Angela announced.

As I climbed the stairs, I could hear Ben crying. When I opened the door to his room, he held his arms up and looked at me with sleepy, mournful eyes.

"Hey, sweet man," I gathered him into my arms. "That was a good nap."

When I walked back downstairs, Angela asked, "When's Daddy going to be home?"

"Not until after dinner," I answered. "He has to work."

I set Ben on the family-room floor and handed him some blocks. "Be happy," I told him. "Mommy has to make dinner."

Ben threw down the blocks and crawled after me into the kitchen. While I filled a pot with water for the pasta and assembled the meatball ingredients, Ben opened the cabinet where I keep the pots and pans. *BAM* — Ben grabbed a metal cake pan and slammed it to the floor. I jumped. He looked up at me and smiled. While I mooshed the ground beef with Ritz cracker crumbs, a raw egg, some basil, and a half-cup of pasta sauce, Ben threw the pan to the ground three or four more times.

I finally lifted the pan off the floor. "That's enough," I told him.

He wailed.

"Here," I pointed him to the plastics drawer. "Play with these."

Ben pulled out every plastic cup, bowl, plate, and container I own and tossed each one on the floor. I threaded my way to the stove and popped the meatballs one by one into the skillet. When the meatballs started to brown, I picked Ben off the floor and popped him into his high chair. He ate Ritz crackers and some yogurt until the meatballs were cooked through. I scooped one out of the skillet, broke it apart with a fork, and blew on the steaming meat. When the meatball was cool, I set it on Ben's tray. He grabbed a handful of ground beef with his great paw of a hand and stuffed it into his mouth.

"Pretty yummy," I said.

Ben smiled and grabbed another handful. The Iron Chef couldn't have asked for a better prize.

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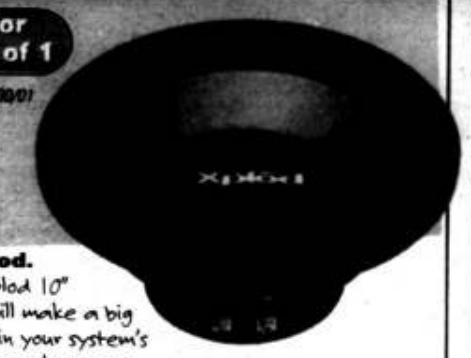

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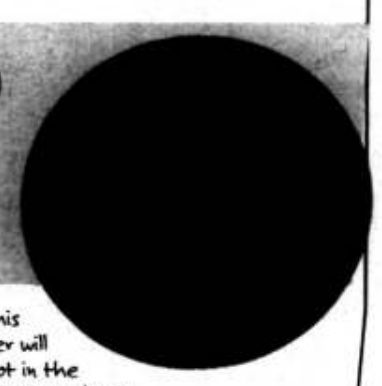

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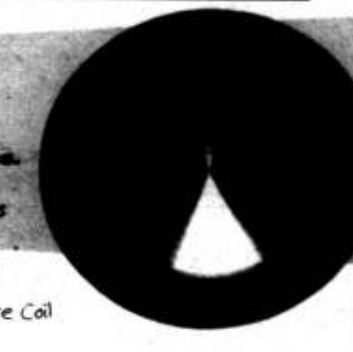

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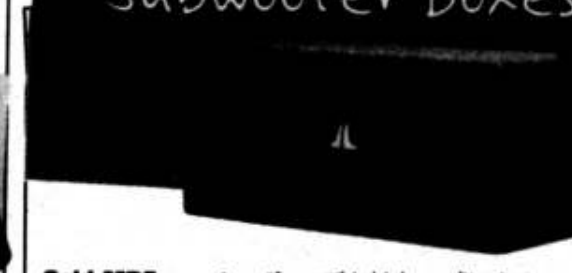

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